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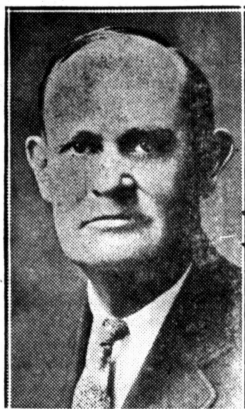
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ENCAMPMENT PLANS FOR LARGE ATTENDANCE

Jones County Pastors



REV. J. HENRY LITTLETON

OUR MISTAKE

Last week the West Texas Baptist ran the above cut of Brother Henry Littleton, treasurer and business manager of the Lueders Baptist Encampment, and stated that he was from Haskell, Texas. Of course, everybody knows that Henry Littleton lives at Hamlin where he has been pastor for several years. The mistake was not due to the editor for he was out of town last week in a meeting. Neither was Brother John R. Hutto to blame, for he turned the copy in with proper notations. It was just one of those errors that are so frequently made in a printing shop. Someone has said the difference between an editor and a doctor is that the doctor can bury his mistakes but the editor spreads his mistakes right out where the whole world can read them and criticize them.

Since the beginning of the Lueders Encampment Henry Littleton has perhaps put more time and money and labor on this enterprise than any one man. He has given freely of his very best to make this one of the outstanding religious camp grounds of the state. At the same time he has led his people at Hamlin in building one of the most effective churches in the state, and besides this he served for several years as district organizer for the denominational work in District 17. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium, and he is making his influence felt for the advancement of this institution.

JONES COUNTY WORKERS HAVE FINE PROGRAM WITH HODGES CHURCH

The Jones county workers conference met with the Hodges Baptist church on the twelfth of this month. This meeting in many respects was one of the very best that we have had. There is a growing interest on the part of all the pastors and the reports show that they are doing a good work for the Master.

Brother H. H. Summers was the host pastor and he made every one feel welcome and led us in a spirit of love and fellowship. As this was the last Workers' Conference until after the association and the revival season is upon us, the program was built around a discussion of revivals and the necessary elements. The service increased in interest from the very first and by noon we were on shouting ground. This kind of meeting makes us want to be used more for the Lord.

There cannot be found a more loyal cooperative group of pastors than the ones in our association. Every one believes the Book of Genesis to Revelations and they are leading the people to support Missions around the world. God has no place for a preacher who is afraid to preach that which he finds in the Scriptures. Our pastors are preaching the Word and the people are awakening to a new day in the service of the Saviour.

Rev. N. J. Westmoreland, president of the B. S. U. of Hardin and Simmons university, is representing his institution in the National meeting at Ridgecrest, N. C. The meeting lasts two weeks.



REV. L. A. DOYLE
Pastor First Baptist Church, Anson

Brother Doyle has been pastor of the First Baptist Church, Anson, less than two years. He came there from the Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth where he received his theological training. His native state is Mississippi, and he is a graduate of Mississippi College.

Pastor Doyle is leading the Anson church in a great way. The church is enjoying the best growth in its history. This fine young preacher not only enjoys the confidence and love of his own people, but his leadership is being felt all over the Jones County Association.

Eleven Lamb County Ministers, representing three denominations, met a few days ago at Littlefield and organized the Lamb County Ministerial Alliance. Rev. Joe Grizzle of the First Baptist Church, Littlefield, was made Secretary-Treasurer of the organization.

Outstanding Leaders of Texas Will Be Featured On Program July 12-22

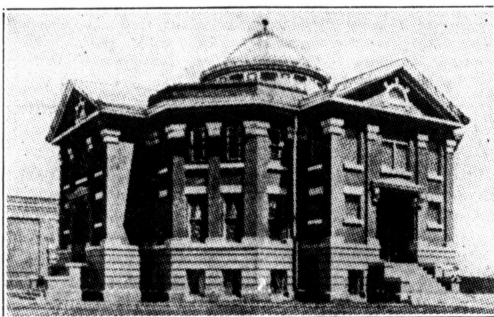
One of the best programs in the history of the Lueders Baptist Encampment has been arranged for this year's session which will be held July 12-22. Dr. Howard Williams, secretary of the Board of the Baptist Convention of Texas, will be the main speaker for the first half of the Encampment, and Rev. C. E. Matthews, of Fort Worth, pastor of one of the leading churches in Texas, will speak during the last half of the ten day meeting. I. E. Reynolds, head of the Music and Voice department of the Southwestern Seminary, will direct the musical activities during the entire encampment.

Rev. J. Henry Littleton of Hamlin, business manager, is on the job as usual to see that every thing possible is done to make every thing comfortable for the visitors this year.

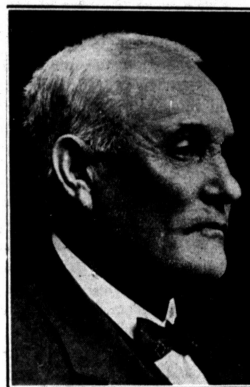
Besides the above mentioned speakers Dr. E. Leslie Carlson, of the Fort Worth Seminary will be present to deliver daily Bible lectures.

The entire program is published elsewhere in this issue of the West Texas Baptist. Make your plans now to come to Lueders July 12-22, for the greatest encampment in the history of this organization.

First Baptist Church, Anson



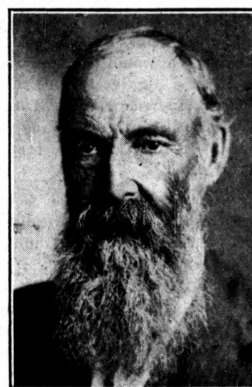
Jones County Laymen



A. S. BARKLEY

Moderator of the Jones County Baptist Association and Senior Deacon of the First Baptist Church, Anson. Brother Barkley is one of the outstanding laymen of this section of the west. He has been moderator of his association for many years. He has been faithful to every trust committed to him and he is loved by all who know him.

Dr. John A. Held, doing mission work among the foreigners in Texas, was in Abilene last Sunday and filled the pulpit for the First Baptist Church. Dr. Held is writing a biography of Dr. Kiefer, a native of Germany, father of Mrs. George S. Anderson of Abilene, and one of the great pioneer preachers of early days. Dr. Held is a native of Austria and he plans to visit his old home during his visit to the Baptist World Alliance.



J. B. (Uncle Johnnie) ASHBURN

Brother Ashburn is treasurer of the Jones County Association and Senior Deacon of the church at Tuxedo. Like Brother Barkley he has been a permanent fixture in the Master's work in Jones county for many years, and he is greatly loved by his brethren in the Kingdom work.

BANGS PASTOR SPEAKS AT RANGER CHURCH

Sunday, June 3, was the fifth anniversary of Rev. H. H. Stephens, pastor Central Baptist Church, Ranger. On this date the fifth revival since Rev. Stephens became pastor was begun. Rev. E. D. Dunlap, pastor of First Baptist Church, Sweetwater, did the preaching. Rev. Dunlap is one of the best young preachers in this section. He preached the gospel in all its purity. He has an appeal that is appealing.

The choir and orchestra were under the direction of Rob. E. Maddox, local choir director.

Every department of the church was thoroughly organized. Prayer bands averaged 165 in attendance each night, over one hundred chairs being placed in the aisles. The day services were given to quiet soul-talks and were spiritual food for those attending.

There were 91 additions to the church. 71 of these came upon profession of faith, 17 by letter and 3 by statement, 23 made profession who did not join the church, making a total of 114 taking a stand for Christ during this revival.

Central is rejoicing in an old time revival of old time religion.

School. Most of the teachers have agreed to attempt to get five more present in their classes than last Sunday. The pastor has never enjoyed more sympathetic cooperation than he is now receiving from all departments of the church work.

Mrs. W. C. Saladin is president of the W. M. S. and the work is moving along fine under her capable leadership. An Intermediate G. A. and an Intermediate R. A. are being organized and this will complete the organization for a fully graded W. M. U.

Mr. John A. Roberts is director of the B. T. S. and the work is making steady advancement under his direction. All departments of the work are now functioning and the work shows promise of becoming a great factor in training our people in practical church service. A B. T. S. Study Course has recently been completed in which four courses were taught.

The church has been able in the past seven months to send \$385.00 to the Dallas office for the Cooperative work and besides this the W. M. S. sent a good offering to Buckner Orphan's Home and to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering.

We are looking forward with much prayer and expectation to our summer revival. Rev. W. F. Ferguson of Gainesville will do the preaching. Our custom is to have at least two revivals each year. The pastor did the preaching in a winter revival and we are having additions to our church almost every Sunday. We feel like saying with the Psalmist, "Bless the Lord O my Soul: and all that is within me bless His holy name."

Throckmorton-Young Association Will Hold Camp Meeting At Eliasville Next Week

REV. R. G. M. EILAND, PIONEER MINISTER, IS CALLED TO HIS REWARD

After an illness extending over a period of years due to the infirmities of advanced age, Rev. R. G. M. Eiland, 84, pioneer minister, died at his home at Munday Wednesday morning, June 13. For the past several weeks his condition has been such that members of the family had abandoned hope of his recovery, and he passed peacefully to his reward Wednesday morning.

The passing of this grand old patriarch removes one of the few links which bind the present day with pioneer days, especially is this true with reference to his work as a minister, for he was indeed one of the few men who had come to West Texas in the early days as a minister who had remained here throughout the period of transition which he saw this section undergo, and many times have we heard the pioneers of this section make reference to the Eiland home as always having the latch-string hanging out, and while the food may have been scarce, as indeed it often was, there was always a hearty welcome and joy in his heart in sharing it with his fellowman. He was a missionary in all that the meaning of the word might imply, but the burning desire of his kindly heart always was to lead the lost to Christ, and even in his declining years when the infirmities of advanced age had impaired his strength and his faculties for reaching numbers, he continued to work for his Master in any manner that his strength would permit. And in his passing, among the heartaches there must be a great solace and consolation in the thought and in the knowledge that he has completed a long labor and has entered upon his reward of rest and peace which shall last throughout eternity.

Randolph George Mason Eiland was born at Crawford, Alabama, December 13, 1850. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, Littlefield, Texas, for many years. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium, and he is making his influence felt for the advancement of this institution.

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The Throckmorton-Young Baptist Association is sponsoring a camp meeting to be held on the beautiful 65-acre camp grounds at Eliasville recently acquired by the Association. Dr. O. L. Powers, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, will deliver the main addresses at the meeting which begins Monday evening, June 24, and continues through the following Sunday.

Plans for the week of evangelistic efforts grew out of negotiations for the leasing of 65 acres of land adjoining the town of Eliasville to be used for religious encampment purposes. Mr. Alvin Donnell, a prominent Presbyterian Elder of Eliasville proposed to lease the plot of ground to the Throckmorton-Young Association for a period of 25 years, the lease to be controlled by the Baptists but, to be open to all denominations on the same basis.

The grounds make one of the most desirable and most beautiful camp sites in the state. Most of the ground is covered with dense groves of pecan trees. A dam across the Clear Fork river is adjoining the grounds. A large tabernacle is already on the ground and other improvements will be made in the near future.

The R. A. and G. A. organizations of District 13 are to use the grounds in a six-day meet beginning August 13th and continuing for six days.

It is not the purpose of the Throckmorton-Young Association to use the newly acquired grounds for a regular encampment, but the site will be dedicated for general recreational, educational and inspirational purposes.

In the near future an issue of the West Texas Baptist will be given to promoting these grounds, together with featuring the Throckmorton-Young Association.

The suggested program for the camp meeting to begin Monday is as follows:

DAILY PROGRAM Morning

6:00 Swimming.

6:45 Early morning inspirational messages:

Tuesday, Rev. W. H. Townsend, Olney.

Wednesday, Rev. J. C. Scott, Woodson.

Thursday, Rev. W. M. Copeland, Elbert.

Friday, Rev. Lawrence, Elbert.

Saturday, Rev. N. Z. Abbott, Jean.

7:30 Breakfast.

8:30 Recreation and fellowship.

10:30 Sermon, Dr. O. L. Powers, Wichita Falls.

12:00 Lunch.

Afternoon and Evening

1:00 Rest Period and quiet hours.

3:00 Inspirational Message.

Tuesday, Rev. J. P. Stevenson, Graham.

Wednesday, Rev. I. N. Lawrence, Newcastle.

Thursday, Rev. E. B. Coon, Throckmorton.

Friday, Rev. T. J. Furniss, Throckmorton.

3:45 Recreational and Social Period.

5:00 Swimming.

6:30 Supper.

8:00 Song Service.

8:30 Sermon, Dr. O. L. Powers, Wichita Falls.

The first sermon will be Monday night at 8:00 when Dr. Powers, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Wichita Falls will bring his first message.

The program for Sunday, July 1, is as follows:

10:00 a. m. Sunday School.

11:00 a. m. Sermon.

12:00 m. Lunch.

1:00 p. m. Rest Period.

4:00 p. m. Inspirational Message.

7:15 p. m. B. T. S.

8:15 p. m. Sermon.

Eliasville community and the Baptist Church of Eliasville are making every provision for the comfort and convenience of all visitors. A beautiful, shaded camp ground, water, lights, gas, etc., are available to the Baptists of this section of Texas. Fishing, Swimming, golfing, and other recreational features assure a pleasant as well as profitable time

FIRST CHURCH, ANSON MAKES PROGRESS UNDER DOYLE'S LEADERSHIP

Anson is in the center of one of the best cotton sections in Central Texas. It is a town of about twenty - five hundred people and an important trade center as well as the county site of Jones county. The past two years have been rush seasons for the six cotton gins within the town and another is being added this coming season.

The town is one of vision, progress and hospitality, a town in which you would enjoy living and rearing your children because of its good moral and religious atmosphere. There are seven white churches besides one Mexican and two negro congregations.

The Baptist church is enjoying the largest attendance in all of its services in the history of the church. Mr. J. Harvey Warren is the efficient superintendent of the Sunday School, and under his leadership it is reaching new heights in attendance and usefulness. He is supported by a fine group of departmental superintendents and teachers who realize the importance of reaching as many as possible through the Sunday School that the lost may be won to Christ and the Christians led to an increasing faithfulness to the church, the denomination and to Christ.

The attendance for the past Sunday was 327, exactly one hundred more than a year previous. This was brought about by the cooperative work of the officers and teachers in visiting the absentees and the prospective members. Our goal for next Sunday is 350, this is nineteen more than has ever been in our Sunday

for all who attend. The camp ground is only 7 miles from the famous Stovall Hot Water Well and health resort.

Everyone is invited to come and welcome. Bring your camping equipment and spend a pleasant and helpful vacation at Eliasville, on the Clear Fork of the Brazos.

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GIVE US A HELPING HAND

During the greater part of the next three months the editor plans to be in and out—mostly out—in revival meetings. It will be a hard task to do this and at the same time get out a readable paper. We are asking our pastors and other workers to help us out along this line. You can do this by sending in news items, or other articles. If our pastors will cooperate with us along this line it will be a great help. Do this, not for our sake, but for the sake of the cause. We would here express our appreciation to our friends Brethren J. J. Gentry of Lamesa, Dick O'Brien of Colorado, and District Missionary Willis J. Ray of Big Spring for their fine contributions in this issue of the paper. We are sure our readers join with us in thanking these brethren for their help in making this a better paper.

Our good friend J. J. Gentry of Lamesa has been one of the paper's most consistent friends through the years. He is one of our best preachers, loyal and true to every cause fostered by our Baptist people, and he is a friend worthy of the name. Dick O'Brien is one of our most versatile writers. His "Rambling Remarks" are always read with great interest. We have the assurance from Brother Willis Ray that he expects to cooperate with us in helping the paper to serve the cause in a greater way. Thanks, again, to these friends; and may their tribe increase to such an extent that the West Texas Baptist may be made really worth while.

HOW TO GET RID OF A MESS

Dr. Curtiss Lee Laws, editor of the Watchman-Examiner of New York, says in an editorial:

"Does anybody believe that if the Watchman-Examiner went into 100,000 of the homes of our denomination we would be in the mess we are now in? The editor of this paper profoundly believes that when all else has been done, failure will certainly confront us unless a well edited denominational paper finds its way into the homes of our people. It is a matter of no consequence to the writer whether it is this paper or some other paper, but only an informed Baptist can be a working, useful Baptist.

"Why should not the people of the Northern Convention rise up in their might and determine to put the Watchman-Examiner into every intelligent household? If that were done it could be twice as large, twice as attractive, twice as well edited, and many more times more useful. We ask it not for the sake of our old paper, which shows no signs of senility and which is still a long way from the graveyard. We ask it for the sake of the cause which is dear to all our hearts. Give us 100,000 subscribers instead of the 16,000 which we now have and that will be the end of deficits. Let not our people perish for the lack of vision."

Now let some one tell us how to get the Alabama Baptist into 50,000 homes in Alabama and many of the ills of our denomination would be corrected. We might then get rid of some part of a mess which has, apparently, developed in this state.—Alabama Baptist.

It will be a great day for our cause when our Baptist people awaken to the need of the proper publicity for our work. It is tragical to see our religious forces sit idly by and watch the devil and his bunch utilize the mediums of publicity. We spend much time "Cussing" the movie, the indecent publications, etc., and yet we are doing a mighty little to counteract this influence with the proper sort of propaganda.

Not only should the denominational paper be in the hands of every home of our Baptist people, but our pastors and other leaders should know the value of the local secular press for propaganda purposes.

This editor goes through between seventy-five and a hundred weekly country newspapers each week on the lookout for church news. In the first place the editor of a denominational paper should not be compelled to seek this source for news—the pastors should send it in, or see that some one in his church sends it in.

In the second place there are entirely too few churches using the secular press. The country newspaper, or the city daily as for that matter are ready to use a reasonable amount of publicity matter from the local churches, and the pastor who is not taking advantage of this opportunity, is simply falling down on the job.

Our Baptist people need not expect the cooperation and enlistment from the churches until the denominational papers are placed in the homes of the people. And it can be done.

FIELDS "BLACK UNTO HARVEST"

The fields in Alabama are both "white" and "black" unto harvest. There are in round numbers about 2,850,000 people in this state and more than 1,000,000 of them do not belong to any church.

Many of these are black folk. They are people who in the providence of God have had their lot cast among us. The white and the colored races in the South must work out their destiny together. There is and can be no geographical or territorial segregation of the races.

This field that is so "black" unto harvest surely needs more attention. The compassion of every regenerate man must be touched when he sees the great mass of Negroes who come from the by-ways and hedges and woods and fields into our country towns on Saturdays.

Oh, how they need a Saviour!

How they need some one to proclaim to their miserable hearts the blessed gospel!

Let no high-brow minister among us (if there be one) think that the preaching to these people is beneath his dignity.

On the street corner is a good place to preach to these people. It is about the only place where the masses may be reached, whether white or black. But in our day only the fewest number have grace enough to go about this business in an apostolic way.—Alabama Baptist.

Rambling Remarks

Dick O'Brien

We have rambled to a couple of major conventions, a half dozen associational and district meetings, and divers and sundry other places since we did any remarking . . . plenty has happened Baptistically in our section lately to fill a whole issue of the West Texas Baptist if someone would compile it and send it in . . . I have never seen anything make so much difference in a program as the coming of our district missionary, Willis J. Ray. There is not a department of our denominational program that has not shown marked improvement since he came among us. Before moving on the field he already had outlined a very definite program, and within a month he had it functioning effectively. Our district is thoroughly sold on this method of mission work. And we felt that we could not have found a man anywhere that would suit us better than Willis J. Ray . . . Plans have been completed to hold revivals in every school house community and pastorless church in the Mitchell-Scurry association. Most of the planning was done by the associational board with A. C. Hardin, Loraine, chairman. Our district missionary is co-operating with us in this plan, as also with the other two associations in district eight. . . One of the greatest losses we have sustained in this section was occasioned by the going of Phillip McGahey from Snyder to Navasota. Aside from being a great preacher and pastor he was a real buddy to all the pastors and workers of our association and district. We wish him well in his new field. He is in a meeting with his new church now, with Tommy Godfrey leading the music . . . Pastor L. L. Trott, of Champion, is doing some special work in Hardin and Simmons this summer. . . Our workers meeting was not so well attended at Fluvanna this week, but it was one of the best meetings

we have held in a long time. It was my first time to be at Fluvanna, and I was greatly impressed with the spirit of the church and community. The program was centered around the theme of evangelism . . . Pastor Altie Hardin will hold his own revival at Loraine for the fourth time since he became pastor there . . . Tom Patterson was kept away from the workers meeting on account of a funeral in Central Texas. He is doing an outstanding work at Roscoe. We will meet them for our July workers meeting . . . We missed the district workers meeting last Thursday at Lamesa on account of illness, but reports are to the effect that it was, in every way, a great meeting . . . Nugest Baldarree, pastor at Bethel and Looney, is in a revival near Big Spring . . . Our church here at Colorado is sponsoring a mission meeting South of the river, and great crowds are in attendance at each service. Some are being saved and we feel that the meeting is doing good, both for our church and for the community in general . . . Cal McGahey is holding a meeting for Jim McDermott near Tyler . . . Jim Fields, and his church at Salem in Big Spring Assn. dedicated a new building on the Fifth Sunday in May. Rev. Charlie Bryant preached the dedication sermon . . . And we promise to be a little more prompt in sending in these "Rambling Remarks."

Rev. Arthur Travis has resigned his work at Forsan to take effect July 1 but no report has come that the church has accepted his resignation. Rev. and Mrs. Travis have done a monumental work in this new field in laying a firm foundation for others to build upon. His plans are to enter the Southwestern Seminary this fall.

"OH YEAH!"

On the editorial page of last week's West Texas Baptist the make-up man used a filler from "Wise Sayings of Uncle Gideon (Dr. Gambrell) which have been running for some time. Here's the statement:

"We should learn the fine art of plowing around stumps. They will soon rot out if left alone." This week the above was clipped from the editorial page, and sent with the following letter.

Dear Malone:

Your paper is good. This page is fine. Get Millard Jenkins to give you a "Post Graduate Lecture" on Stumps.

Sincerely,

J. FULLER GLOOM.

Following the above statement about the stumps the anonymous writer had these words "Oh Yeah."

Dear Sam: Did you ever wait for a long leaf yellow pine North Carolina or Mississippi stump to rot?

The only evidence we have as to the perpetrator of the above is that the letter was written on the letterhead of our good friend, C. M. Davis, cotton buyer. We have been unable to contact Dr. Jenkins since receiving the above, but we hope to learn a right smart about stumps. Either fortunately or unfortunately the editor "grew up" in West Texas and the only stumps he knows anything about are mesquite and oak stumps.

CORRUPTIBLE WEALTH

All wealth is not corruptible; all lucre is not filthy. But wealth may be both corruptible and corrupting. And if it is not corrupting in the first generation of its ownership, it usually is in the second and third.

Men cannot possibly lay up wealth for succeeding generations of their children because it ruins all the generations which follow its first ownership. It turns such corrupting influences into the generations as to bring to naught the generations themselves.

Wealth may build schools, hospitals, orphans' homes, relieve deep distress and preach the gospel to the ends of the earth.

It may be used, and has been used, to repeal salutary laws, to defeat the will of governments, to foment and encourage wars, to corrupt the social life of the people, to grind the dust off the face of the poor.

Wealthy corporations repealed the 18th amendment.

Wealthy corporations defeated the purpose of the naval delimitation conference held at Geneva.

Wealthy and powerful corporations of munition makers militate against international peace.

And he who said the love of money is the root of all evils didn't miss the truth when he said it.—Alabama Baptist.

VALUE REVEALED THROUGH MICROSCOPE

An American visitor to Paris gave about twenty francs for an amber necklace which he picked up in a curiosity shop. On reaching New York he was obliged to pay more than its seeming value at the customs. Annoyed that the trifling thing should have cost so much, he took it to a jeweler's intending to dispose of it for what it would bring. The man examined it through a microscope, and said, "I will give you \$25,000 for that." The owner of the necklace, greatly startled, said he would think it over. He took his necklace to Chicago, and there he was offered \$35,000 for it. "But what do you see so valuable in this thing?" he asked. "Look through the microscope," said the jeweler. The buyer looked, and read these words on the amber, "From Napoleon Bonaparte to Josephine." It had value because of its associations; and the microscope revealed this value.—British Weekly.

Devotional Thoughts

THE MIND OF CHRIST

The mind is that unseen force of the individual through which, by his intelligence, choice and will, one determines his attitude, course and action in life. "The spirit of your mind" (Eph. 4:23) is one of two natures in its relation to God and your fellow man. It is either concessive, sympathetic merciful and helpful to man; or it is antagonistic, selfish, resentful, judiciary and executing with sorrow and suffering. In its relation to God "the spirit of your mind" is either rebellious, haughty, defiant; or reverent, humble, submissive and co-operative.

"The mind of Christ" as set forth by the inspired philosopher (Phil. 2:5f) is that unseen power of love and interest in humanity which prompted Him during His pre-incarnate life to forego for the time His glory, honor, and majesty which He had in heaven; and voluntarily humble Himself in becoming human, and give His life in the shame and death of the cross, that He might redeem man from the bondage and consequence of sin. Paul had the mind of Christ in being willing to spend and be spent for the "souls" of the people, (2 Cor. 12:15) and also in revealing to them the right ways of life, as opposed to the wrong ways to those He loved (Rom. 2:15) as Jesus did (Jn. 15:15); and He appeals to us, "Have this mind in you which was also in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 2:5). The mind of Christ as exhibited there is one of humility, self-sacrifice and love for others' good. That mind is exhibited by a few in society today. If it could be made universal society would be revolutionized for good in a moment; for its power is irresistible. Depression would cease; people would sing, and peace and joy would fill the earth as waters cover the sea. May He fill my life.—B. H. Payne.

WORTH OVER THREE MILLIONS

Here is a story about a boy who found what his soul was worth: "When I was a lad, I had a longing to see the Tower of London. An uncle who lived in London invited me to spend a week with him there, so I made up my mind I must see the Tower. On a fine afternoon we made our way to the famous old building, and spent several hours looking at it; but what I thought most of, and lingered longest beside, was the Regalia of England. The golden crowns, the sparkling jewels, dazzled my eyes; I had never seen anything so grand before. The attendant whispered, 'Worth over three millions!' I was astonished. What a sum, and so little bulk!

"As we left the place, my uncle laid his hand on my shoulder, and quietly said, 'I know something that is worth far more than that, Charlie.' I looked up eagerly, thinking we were about to see something grander still than the Regalia, and said, 'What is that, uncle?' 'Your precious soul, Charlie, for which the Son of God gave His Heart's Blood.' I was struck dumb. I had never thought in the same way before of the value of my soul; the price paid for its redemption was far more than the value of the Regalia of England. And then I thought of the words, 'What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?'

That lad became more and more anxious until he found rest by committing himself to Lord Jesus who had loved him and given Himself for him. Have you thought as he did about the value of your soul?—Our Children.

ARE YOU GROWING?

You came to Christ ten, twenty or thirty years ago. What progress have you made in the Christian life? Has the seed planted in your generation germinated and brought forth holiness of life? Have you overcome your weaknesses and conquered your besetting sins? How much more Christ-like are you than you were when you went beneath the baptismal waters? Dr. A. C. Dixon used to say: "Every church is divided into two classes that may be called trees and posts. Plant a tree and it begins to grow. Stick out a post and it begins to rot. The difference between the tree and the post is simply a matter of life. The tree is alive while the post is dead. The pastor enjoys the living trees of his church watching them grow and bear fruit which he is often perplexed to know what to do with the posts that show no signs of life. It takes much of his time and strength to paint and prop up and finally have carried off, the posts when they have fallen down."—Watchman-Examiner.

A CHALLENGE TO THE SOUL WINNER

Robert J. Smith

"Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."—Matt. 5:19.

Fishers of men, fishers of men,
Out with your nets and your lines.
The season is here, the tide is in;
Get going, the weather is fine.

The fishes are wild and hard to catch;
Your task will not be light.
But fishers of men who heed the call
Are ready and willing to fight.

Twelve thousand species of fishes are known,
Each having his own disposition.
The same may be said in the case of men;
The fisher must meet the condition.

It is up to the fisher to know his fish,
And also to know his bait.
A trout is seldom caught with a worm;
His lure takes a livelier gait.

So, whether it be just a little fish
In a common woodland stream,
Or sword fish, blue shark, octopus
Where foreign waters gleam,

Just bait your hooks, ye fishers of men
With pulsing, persistent hearts.
You can land the worst that roam the seas
When the Master's skill he imparts.

—Houston, Texas.

Street Scene of the Business District of Stamford, Texas



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LUEDERS ENCAMPMENT SCENE

TWO RURAL CHURCHES SERVED BY J. H. SKILES

Two of the oldest and best rural churches in Jones county, New Hope and Fairview, are served by Rev. J. H. Skiles of Stamford. Brother Skiles came to Jones county from the Calvary Baptist church of Fort Worth where he had served as pastor for eight years.

For the past several months these splendid churches have made steady progress. Without any special revival efforts 22 have been added to the New Hope church. Nine were baptized at a regular meeting two weeks ago. Fifteen have been added to the Fairview church, two by baptism. Good Sunday schools are maintained by both churches and New Hope maintains a splendid B. T. S. organization. The summer revival at New Hope will open the fourth Sunday in July and that of Fairview the second Sunday in August.

The New Hope congregation has a church cotton crop of fifty acres. Tuesday of this week a large number of the membership met and chopped out the crop, within a few hours time. Dinner was served and two united with the church. John R. Hutto.

DR. GEORGE W. TRUETT WITH SWEETWATER CHURCH IN REVIVAL

Dr. George W. Truett of the First Baptist Church, Dallas, is doing the preaching in a revival meeting at Sweetwater. The meeting began last Sunday with the Rev. E. D. Dunlap, pastor, preaching. Dr. Truett began preaching Wednesday night and he plans to remain with the church for one week.

The next meeting of the Mitchell-Scurry Association will be held with the church at Roscoe on Tuesday, July 10.

The annual church picnic of the First Baptist Church, Abilene, will be held at Cobb Park Friday afternoon, June 22, beginning at 6:30 o'clock.

A mother left three apples upon the kitchen table and returning later found but one remained.

"Bobby," she demanded sternly of her youthful son, "have you eaten those apples?"

"I didn't touch one," he answered. "But there were three there and now there is only one."

"Well that is the one I didn't touch."

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following candidacies for public office are subject to the action of the democratic primary July 28, 1934.

For District Attorney: W. J. CUNNINGHAM

For Sheriff of Taylor County: DAVE BOOTH W. R. (Ruck) SIBLEY

For County Superintendent, Taylor County: M. A. WILLIAMS (Re-election) MISS NENA KATE RAMSEY LEROY STONE

For County Clerk, Taylor County: WALTER MOORE W. P. BOUNDS (re-election) C. L. DARDEN BERT E. LOW

For Tax Assessor and Collector, Taylor County: C. W. BOYCE GRADY PARMELEY (re-election)

For Constable, Precinct 1 J. L. (COP) ANTHONY

IMMANUEL CHURCH MAKES FINE PROGRESS

The Immanuel Baptist Church has been making some splendid progress through the past few months. The Sunday School and the B. T. S. is taking on a steady growth. All services are being attended by splendid crowds.

Just recently some new rooms for the Sunday School were completed, providing quarters for the Junior, Primary, Beginner Departments, and for the Cradle Roll. In this arrangement of the building there were added eight new rooms and a general secretary's office. It also rearranged the choir platform, making the tabernacle a very beautiful place for worship.

The church is now in a revival meeting with Rev. R. E. Day, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Big Spring, doing the preaching. The meeting is being attended by large crowds both morning and evening. It will continue through Sunday, June 24.

Just recently the ladies of the church met and organized the W. M. S. into two divisions, which will enlist more workers and will, no doubt, enlist more members. Mrs. Kelley Serratt and Mrs. P. A. Mayfield were made presidents of the two societies. Mrs. W. R. Derr is the general president. W. R. DERR.

Gleanings from the Field

Items of Interest Showing Kingdom Progress in the Harvest Field.

Dear Brethren: I have just returned from a meeting with the First Baptist church, Perryton, Texas, where Brother J. M. Sibley is the very efficient pastor. There were 29 additions to the church. Brother Sibley is a graduate of Simmons University, and is doing a wonderful work as pastor of this good church.

Dr. J. J. Kellam, of the Buckner Orphan's Home, preached for me one Sunday while away in the meeting at Perryton. The following week was filled with appointments in the different churches in Fisher County Association. The Rotan church gave an offering of \$28. to the orphan home while Brother Kellam was here.—J. B. Brannon.

The Texico-Farwell Baptist church has just closed what is perhaps the most successful revival in its history. Brother L. S. Jenkins, an eloquent and spiritual evangelist who is the present pastor of the Baptist Church in Muleshoe, did the preaching, which was both fervent and effective; and Brother J. D. Rankin, also of Muleshoe, Texas, did the singing. There was forty-one additions to the church besides many reclamations. A badly divided church has been reunited, the brethren have been strengthened in spirit and purpose, and the outlook is now bright for the ongoing of the Lord's work in this place.

Brother S. J. T. Williams and his daughter, Miss Madelon, left Monday June 18, for Birmingham, Alabama. Brother Williams will spend a few days with Dr. M. F. Ham, who is in Birmingham in a citywide revival campaign. Miss Madelon will visit with Miss Margaret Sue Neal in Howard College. Dr. T. V. Neal formerly of Texas, is president of Howard College. From Birmingham Brother Williams will go to Berea, Ky., to preach a few nights at a meeting held in the home of his sainted mother, Mrs. Mollie Jennings, who is too feeble to go to regular services. Bro. Kelly Barnett is to assist Bro. Williams in a meeting in the Immanuel Baptist Church, Talpa, beginning July 13. The meeting at Salt Branch is to be held in August with Rev. Odos Rainer of Bay City doing the preaching. Rev. Williams has resigned the care of the Mt. Pleasant Baptist church.

Lueders Baptist Encampment Program

The Committee having in charge the program and general arrangements for the Lueders Encampment expect the greatest gathering this year in its history.

Preparations have been made for the largest crowds and some of the greatest preachers of the denomination will speak. The singing will be delightful. Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Reynolds, of the Southwestern Theological Seminary will be in charge, Mr. Reynolds leading the singing and Mrs. Reynolds at the piano. Following is the schedule and program:

- Schedule**
- 6:30-7:30—Swimming.
 - 7:30—Closing Breakfast.
 - 8:00-8:40—Class—S. S.
 - 8:40-9:20—Class—W. M. U.
 - 9:20-10:00—Class—B. T. S.
 - 10:00-10:30—Recess.
 - 10:30-10:40—Song Service.
 - 10:40-11:20—Bible Study.
 - 11:20-11:35—Song Service.
 - 11:35-12:15—Sermon.
 - 12:30-2:00—Lunch.
 - 2:00-3:00—Quiet Hour.
 - 3:00-6:00—Recreation.
 - 6:00-7:00—Supper.
 - 7:30-8:00—Music Class — I. E. Reynolds.
 - 8:00-8:30—Song Service.
 - 8:30—Sermon.
 - 10:00—After Service.
- Music**
- Mr. I. E. Reynolds, Seminary Hill, Texas, will direct the music with his wife accompanying at the piano.
 - Mr. I. E. Reynolds will conduct a class in church music each evening from 7:30 to 8:00.
- Main Speakers**
- July 12-15th—Dr. J. Howard Williams, Dallas.
 - July 16-22nd—Rev. C. E. Matthews, Fort Worth.
 - Bible Teacher—Dr. E. Leslie Carlson, Seminary Hill.
- Sunday School**
- July 12-15—G. S. Hopkins, Dallas.
 - July 16-22—Ray Rozell, Waco.
 - Dean of Study Courses — H. H. Stephens, Ranger.
- B. T. S.**
- Senior and Adult: July 12-15th—To be supplied.
 - July 16-22—R. A. Springer, Dallas.
 - Intermediate: Miss Helen Gardner, Jackson, Tenn.
 - Junior: Mrs. T. L. Williams, Mineral Wells.
 - Primary: Miss Ladola Harper, Abilene.
- W. M. U.**
- W. M. S.—"The New Why and How of the W. M. U.," Mrs. J. E. Leigh, Dallas.
 - Y. W. A. and Int. G. A.—"Keys of the Kingdom," Mrs. E. M. Frances, Abilene.
 - Jr. G. A.—"Young America Makes Friends," Mrs. Horace Carpenter, Sweetwater.
 - Int. R. A.—"How Far to the Nearest Doctor," Rev. J. Lowell Ponder, Rochester.
 - Jr. R. A.—"Outriders of the King," Rev. L. A. Doyle, Anson.
 - Subsams — "Children of Navajo Land," Mrs. M. M. Ballard, Abilene.
- Life Guards**
- Girls—Katrina Moore, Abilene.
 - Boys—Edwin Burnam, Abilene.
- There will be sponsors for the Y. W. A. Hut, which will house our Y. W. A.'s and Intermediate G. A. girls. The boys hut for boys and there will be a Junior girls camp for Junior girls. Parents can rest assured if they send us their boys and girls they will be looked after as closely as if they were at home, maybe more so.

Spring Creek Church, Fisher County Association, celebrated a Homecoming the third Sunday in June. We had a great day. Most of our old pastors came. Some ex-members coming from Oklahoma. A. D. Williams from Sylvester gave a fine devotional, he talked on prayer. I. J. Duff from Weirnet preached on the Lord's Supper at the eleven o'clock hour.

In the afternoon session, this writer gave an historical sketch. The church was organized the second Sunday in May, 1922. R. R. Cumbe preached the sermon. J. C. Parks was chairman of the organization. There were 12 members. 88 have joined the church by letter or statement, 81 by baptism, making a total of 181. Present membership of 67.

W. T. Priddy of Stamford gave a fine message on "Growing a Church." We closed out with a message on "The Church in Glory," by Chas. R. Smith of Abilene. We regret very much that Jno. W. Cobb of Burleson and W. I. Taylor of Lamesa could not be with us.

The church is financed thru the Sunday School. One half of receipts pays our pastor, one-fourth takes care of local expenses, and the other fourth goes monthly to the co-operative program.

D. G. Reid of Roby led a very gracious prayer service. J. D. Vaughn of Sweetwater is our pastor.

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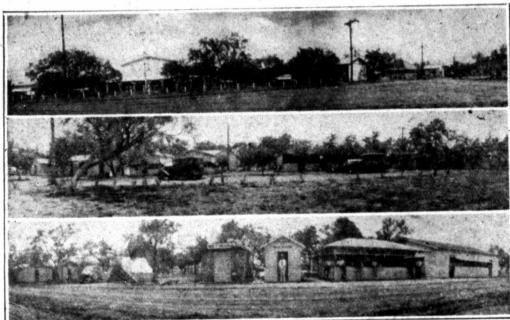
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J. J. Gentry

The district workers conference of District 8 met in its first meeting June 7 with Pastor Cole and the Lamesa church. Brethern Ollie Webb of New Orleans, Geo. Mason of Dallas, Geo. Gentry and H. L. Wren of Snyder were the speakers not present. Brother George Parks of Roscoe was asked to speak on the subject, "How Men Can Best be Enlisted in Church Work," which was to have been discussed by Brother George Gentry. Of course, everybody who has ever heard George Parks speak knows that the subject was well discussed. And then at 11 o'clock in the absence of Brother Webb, Bob Day of Big Spring preached a great sermon, lifting us all to the mountain top. Brother Day is to be with Pastor Cole and the Lamesa church in a meeting beginning the 3rd Sunday in July. In the afternoon Brother Woodie Smith of Big Spring, Brother Borum of Midland, Brother Patterson of Roscoe, and Brother Willis J. Ray of Big Spring brought some good messages. Pastor Cole and the Lamesa church entertained in a great way. The attendance and spirit was fine. The next meeting will be held in September, with Pastor Borum and the church at Midland. Brother Ray, our missionary, brought a great report. Brother Ray is really doing things worth while.

The Workers Conference of the Lamesa Association met yesterday, June 14, with Pastor J. C. Thomas and the church at Midway. The attendance was just about what could be expected under the conditions. Some who were on the program were absent, but their places were supplied with other speakers. The good women did their part well at the noon hour. The next meeting will be held with the church at Munger.

Pastor W. I. Taylor and the Sparenburg church are in a meeting at this writing with the pastor and local forces in charge. There have been a number of conversions and reclamations with the church reaching higher ground. The meeting will continue till Sunday.

Brother Smith, a student of Wayland College held a meeting at Shoemaker in Dawson county. The Lord greatly blessed those people. I understand there were 27 professions of faith, besides a number of reclamations.

Our churches seem to be determined to carry on in spite of the worst drought since 1917. Nearly every church in the association sent an offering to the Dallas office during April or May.

The church at Sunset has moved their building from its old location to a new one on Highway 83.

Since these notes were written I understand that Pastor Markham and the Seminole Saints are in a meeting. Don't know whether local forces are carrying on or whether they have outside help. We are hoping they have a great meeting.

REV. R. G. M. EILAND

(Continued from page one)

ber 10, 1850, the son of Allen and Elizabeth Jane Eiland. When he was seven years of age his father died

and he went to live with an uncle, W. W. Allen, near Shreveport, Louisiana. In 1878 he came to Texas and located at Troupe Junction, where he met and married Mattie Louise Pierson, who preceded him in death in 1929. To them six children were born, four of whom survive, G. R. and C. A. Eiland and Mrs. A. U. Hathaway of Munday, and Miss Dotie Eiland of Wichita Falls. Deceased children are D. A. Eiland and Mrs. Daisy Blanton. There are also sixteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

In 1881 he was ordained a minister by the Roanoke Baptist church in Denton county, which church he served in his first pastorate, and he recalled that in those days men came to worship with the guns on their belts and during the services the guns were stacked behind the pulpit. The necessity for going armed he related was the constant danger of Indian raids, however, the Indians that inhabited that section were on friendly terms with the whites and he never witnessed one of their raids, but stated that they were not unusual in those days.

Imbued with the spirit of the pioneer, he moved with his family to Seymour in 1889, where he served as missionary for the Red Fork association, composed of Baylor, Archer and Wichita counties. In 1901 he resigned that post to move to Munday and become pastor of the Baptist church there. Later he went to Haskell as pastor of the church there and later served the Haskell association, composed of Haskell and Knox counties, as missionary. Later he returned to Munday and became pastor of the church there and at Vera and served these churches for fifteen years.

In 1915 he again felt the call of the pioneer country and went to New Mexico, where he resided until 1921 when he returned to Munday to spend his declining years there.

In his passing this section of West Texas has lost one of its most valuable pioneer citizens, the community has lost one of its most universally loved and respected men, the spiritual life of the community has lost one of its most zealous and ardent workers, and his children have lost a dutiful, loving and exemplary father, who has left them a heritage which should ever be a source of gratification and pride — a life of usefulness to his fellowman and to his Master, a life in which self was secondary always in the advancement of God and His Kingdom.

As a token of esteem the business houses of Munday closed their doors for one hour Thursday afternoon as the services were being conducted and the church was entirely inadequate to house the large concourse of friends who gathered from all parts of the county and from adjoining counties to pay their final tribute of respect to him.

Among those who attended the services from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Martin, Mrs. Bill Pitkin and Bob Martin of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Holt and Miss Nina Parrish of Dallas.

Active pallbearers were J. R. Nelson, C. L. Mayes, W. A. Baker, Munday; W. F. Hickman, Truscott; R. C. Spinks, Vera; Frank Allen and Chas. Haskins, Goree; J. W. Smith, Knox City.

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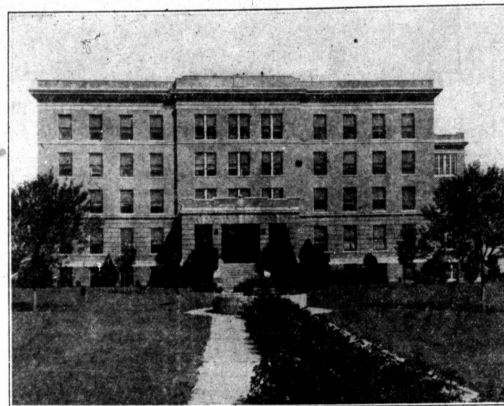
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"Notable? Y strength, his you contagious optimi work he is doing of the West Texa Association. Rev children's friend, months ago that he would sing us he is 80 and at service we are promise.

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His meeting will day in August at am to be with B and his church at days or two week Many of o rado are attendi ing in progress week We word from Rev. P. West Texas Bapti were in a service few days ago and tracks there after Brother Springer, in West Texas . . . Meeting will be h pastor Thomas P is Tuesday after in July. We hav gram but guarante one if "Pat" prepa