

WEST TEXAS BAPTIST

Local Association Meets At Sweetwater Oct. 4-5

Reports 1933-'34--Goals 1934-'35 District 17

Association	No. Chs.	Member-ship	No. Chs. to C. P. 10 Mos.	Amt. Given to C. P. 10 Mos.	Gifts Per Capita	Goals For Fall Round-Up	Goals for C. P. for 1934-'35	Goals for 100,000 Club
Callahan	17	2580	11	229.50	.08	750.00	1,850.00	30
Cisco	47	8216	29	1,953.43	.23	2,500.00	6,250.00	100
Fisher	20	2325	15	1,044.99	.45	600.00	1,500.00	50
Haskell	31	3221	11	959.67	.30	1,000.00	2,500.00	80
Jones	31	4587	15	1,112.64	.24	1,300.00	3,250.00	75
Stonewall	14	1075	7	214.71	.20	350.00	900.00	30
Sweetwater	34	8365	22	5,445.39	.65	2,500.00	7,250.00	100
Totals	195	30190	110	10,960.33	.36	9,000.00	23,500.00	465

*C. P. Means Cooperative Program.

TEXAS BAPTISTS WILL UNDERTAKE TO RAISE \$4,639,087 NEXT YEAR

Texas Baptists will undertake to raise \$4,639,087.40 for local church expenses missions of all types, Baptist schools, hospitals and orphanages during the next convention year. This is approximately \$50,000 more than the state raised last year. A campaign known as the Every Member Canvass in Texas is to first present the campaign educationally.

The entire month of September is devoted to organization setups and associational and district rallies. The first two weeks in October are to be given to the training of campaign workers. The latter part of October and the first ten days in November is the time for education, information and inspiration. The exact time to actually secure individual pledges from the 576,945 Baptists in the state is November 11th to December 9th.

A State Promotional Committee has been appointed with Dr. W. R. White, Fort Worth, Chairman; Mr. Geo. J. Mason, Dallas, Secretary; Dr. J. Howard Williams, Dallas, General Director and State Organizer, and Mr. T. C. Gardner, Dallas, Publicity Director. This committee has planned 17 big mass meetings in 17 different sections of the state to be held September 25th to 28th. It will be recommended at the 17th district meeting that the 3,153 Baptist Churches undertake to raise \$150,000 cash for state missions by December 1. It will also be recommended that the 576,945 Baptists in Texas undertake to raise \$500,000 for the Baptist Cooperative Program, which includes missions of all types, Baptist schools, hospitals and orphanages, during the next convention year.

Program Will Mark Fiftieth Anniversary of Organization

The meeting of the Sweetwater Association, which meets with the First Baptist Church, Sweetwater, will be the fiftieth session of this historic body. One of the features of the meeting will be the reading of a history of the Sweetwater Association by Judge R. C. Crane of Sweetwater. Judge Crane is a recognized authority on West Texas History and his contribution in this field will be of great value to the Baptists of West Texas in general.

The fiftieth session of the association will begin at 10:10 Thursday morning, October 4, and will continue through Friday afternoon, October 5. The tentative program which has been prepared is as follows:

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

- 10:00—Song Service led by C. T. Hodges
- 10:10—Devotional led by Rev. L. L. Trott
- 10:20—Presenting of letters and organization
 - (1) Presenting of letters.
 - (2) Election of officers.
 - (3) Petitionary letters.
- 10:40—Report of Committee on order of business... Rev. W. R. Derr
Miss Ima Petty, Mrs. R. M. White
- 10:45—Report on Buckner Orphan's Home Mrs. J. L. Anthony
C. P. Oliver, J. W. Latimer
- 10:50—Address Dr. Hal F. Buckner
- 11:20—Recognition of Visitors.
- 11:25—Special Music Miss Anna Morris, First Church, Abilene
- 11:30—Annual Sermon Rev. E. D. Dunlap

NOON—Lunch served by Ladies of First Baptist Church.

AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:30—Song Service led by S. W. Jones
- 1:40—Devotional led by Rev. J. F. Steele
- 1:50—W. M. U. Report Mrs. C. C. Compere
- 2:30—Report on District Missions Rev. J. D. Brannon
Rev. Sam Malone, Rev. Fred Moreland
- 2:35—Report on Home Missions Rev. T. L. Nipp
T. J. Amason, I. B. Duck
- 2:40—Report on State Missions Rev. W. C. Ashford
Rev. J. A. Bristow, W. L. Ray
- 2:45—Report on Foreign Missions Rev. J. H. Bean
Rev. Chas. R. Smith, J. Phalen Keith
- 2:50—Report on 100,000 Club Rev. N. W. Mullins
Rev. R. L. Shannon, Rev. Jas. N. Easterwood
- 2:55—Special Music Arranged by C. T. Hodges
- 3:00—Address Dr. J. Howard Williams
Adjourn.

EVENING SESSION

- 7:30—Song Service led by Director at Hardin-Simmons
- 7:40—Devotional led by Rev. Frank Burres
- 7:50—Report on the B. T. S. Work Miss Ione King
J. E. Heath, S. E. Pass
- 8:00—Report on Sunday School Max Lansford
Willie Jo Largent, C. L. Boswell
- 8:10—Report on Christian Education Dr. D. W. Arnette
Rev. Kelly Barnett, Mrs. J. S. Holmes
- 8:15—Report from the Board of Trustees of H-S. Univ.
..... Judge C. M. Caldwell
- 8:25—Special Music by H-S. U. Quartet

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

- 9:30—Song Service led by Burl King
- 9:40—Devotional led by Rev. N. W. Pitts
- 9:50—Report on Digest of letters Miss Ola Harlan
Rev. T. J. Young, Mrs. W. M. Mullins
- 9:55—Report of Committee on Nominations W. A. Stephenson
W. D. Haynes, Mrs. C. M. Caldwell
- 10:00—Report on Religious Literature and Civic Righteousness
..... Rev. N. A. Moore, Dr. E. B. Atwood, Prof. H. R. Arrant
- 10:50—Report on West Texas Baptist Hospital... Supt. E. M. Collier
- 11:20—Special Music Supplied by University Church
- 11:25—Annual Missionary Sermon Rev. C. A. Powell

NOON—Lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:30—Song Service led by Billy Buchanan
- 1:40—Devotional led by Rev. Foy King
- 1:50—Treasurer's Report.
- 1:55—Report from Chairman of the new Executive Board.
- 2:00—Report on Obituaries and Resolutions Rev. W. H. Hughes
Mrs. Willie Baker, Mrs. D. W. Arnette
- 2:10—History of the Sweetwater Baptist Association
..... Judge R. C. Crane
- 2:30—Special Music Supplied by Merkel Church
- 2:35—Spurgeon Centenary Dr. M. A. Jenkins

THREE-FAITH CONFERENCE ON MOVIE SITUATION TO BE HELD SEPT. 28

New York, Sept. 20 (N. C. J. C.)—An informal conference of officials and delegates of religious and lay organizations of the three faiths interested in securing movie reforms will be held at the American Museum of Natural History on September 28 and 29 under the auspices of the Motion Picture Research Council. The conference is the outcome of a similar conference held in Washington from June 28 to July 1 to consider a program for the socially useful development of the motion picture.

It was felt that the deep interest aroused everywhere by the united religious forces through the Legion of Decency makes this an opportune moment to secure positive and lasting results and that concerted action by organizations interested in the subject should be secured. The purpose of the New York conference will be to "think through the problems created by the motion picture and the solution of these problems." The conference will be presided over by Dr. Ben D. Wood of Columbia University, while Prof. Henry Fairfield Osborne and Dr. John H. Finley will welcome the participants. If the conference should so determine the meeting will run into Sunday, September 30th.

District 17 Lays Plans For Fall Round-up At Lueders Meeting

HSU Inaugurates Forty-third Term In Chapel Thursday

John G. Hardin, Burkburnett, Attends Program In Auditorium

Dormitories Are Filled

Deaten, Preston, and Young Are On Musical Part Of Program

Dr. J. D. Sandefur, president of Hardin-Simmons, formally opened in Chapel Thursday morning at 10 o'clock the forty-third annual session with a special program prepared for the occasion and introduced the several speakers and fine arts numbers of the program. Dr. Sandefur is starting his twenty-sixth year as president of this institution.

John G. Hardin, who is making his first visit to Hardin-Simmons since it has changed its name, was in the program. Mrs. Hardin was unable to attend the ceremonies because of illness.

"The enrollment for the first two days of registration was the largest that it has been since 1929, the first year of the depression," Dr. Sandefur said Thursday. "The enrollment Tuesday and Wednesday was between 500 and 600 and I'm sure the enrollment for the entire year will be close to 1,000, the largest number we have had in school since the depression."

Dormitories Full
Both Ferguson Hall for men and Mary Frances hall for women are filled to capacity, and it may be that Smith hall, another dormitory will be opened. The Hardin-Simmons cafeteria is feeding between 200 and 225 students. These numbers are records for the dormitories and cafeteria for the last five years.

The program in the auditorium was opened with two songs, "America" and "Onward! Christian Soldiers," sung by the audience and directed by Mrs. Lola Gibson-Deaton, who has been chosen as the university's new head of the voice department. Opening prayer was offered by Rev. C. A. Powell, pastor of the University Baptist church, and this was followed by the reading of the scripture by Rev. M. A. Jenkins, pastor of the First Baptist church of Abilene.

Mayor C. L. Johnson welcomed the students in behalf of the city. Following his address Edwin Young, newly selected head of the department of piano and acting head of the fine arts school, gave a number at the piano.

President Sandefur then introduced R. D. Green, superintendent of the city schools of Abilene, C. Q. Smith, president of McMurry college, and James F. Cox, president of Abilene Christian College; and they extended greetings to the audience from their respective schools. Following the three short addresses made by these school men, Herbert M. Preston, Christian Thaulow's successor as violin instructor, played a number.

Two special numbers were offered by Mrs. Deaton, soprano, to complete the musical part of the program. (Continued on page 3)

J. D. Brannon, District Missionary

"It was the greatest Rally District 17 ever had," was the expression that came from many who attended the District Rally, at Lueders Baptist Encampment grounds, last Tuesday.

There were more than 250 people present. These were the leaders of the 195 churches in the District. Among them were a large percent of the pastors, Sunday School Superintendents, B. T. S. Directors, W. M. S. Presidents, teachers, leaders and deacons. According to their registration about 95 percent of these held offices in the churches. A number of them were association and district officers.

Each of the seven Associational Organizers were present, and each Association had a conference at the close of the meeting.

Three of the leading Baptists of the State made addresses during the day. Dr. L. R. Scarborough spoke on "Steps to Victory." Dr. L. E. Fowler spoke on "Baptists and World Conquest." Dr. T. C. Gardner brought a message on "Texas Baptists Facing the Future."

At this meeting goals were set forth for the Fall Round-up and the Every Member Canvass, and some definite plans were made to try to accomplish these.

EFFICIENCY GROUPS IN EACH ASSOCIATION

At the District Rally it seemed to be the opinion of everyone that the best way to contact all of the churches and all the people in these churches would be to divide the Associations up into groups of five churches, not more than six, to be known as "Efficiency Groups," among these have an Efficiency Committee, composed of a chairman, from each church.

The duties of this committee will be to try to bring the churches of that group into a closer fellowship, to get the churches in the group to aid each other in enlisting a larger percent of their members, in the Every Member Canvass, Sunday School, B. T. S., etc., and to arrange probably one inspirational week each quarter when each church in the group will have at least one night service, with a good program of well prepared speakers, presenting the things that need to be done to bring efficiency.

These committees can meet and plan their work at the Workers Conference each month.

SWEETWATER B. T. S. CONFERENCE

The Sweetwater Associational B. T. S. Conference will meet at Merkel next Sunday afternoon, September 30, at 3:00 P. M.

JONES COUNTY PREPARES FOR B. T. S. STUDY COURSE

The week following October 7, the Jones County Association will have a B. T. S. Study Course. Churches where there is no organization should organize their work next Sunday, and begin with the new quarter. Each church will select their teachers, order their books at least 10 days before and make definite plans to bring, with thorough preparation.

All the pastors, officers, and ones teaching in the Study Course are urged to be present at Anson, October 10. (Continued on page four)

WARNS OF PERIL IN ANTI-RELIGIOUS MOVE

Cites Attacks on Church in Russia, Mexico and Germany as Endangering Religion.

New York, Sept. 16 (N. C. J. C.)—A warning against the powerful forces that are "diabolically" set out to kill religion throughout the world was sounded by the Rev. Dr. Albert W. Beaven, president of the Federal Council of Churches at the Marble Collegiate Reformed Church.

There is an antipathy toward religion today which cannot be laughed off, Dr. Beaven said. "Russia, the world's greatest example of the war on religion, is out to kill the very concepts on which religion is based," he declared. "It has operated on this diabolical principle—in religion, kill all the leaders. With Russian religious leaders either in Siberia, concentration camps or starving to death, the anti-religionists have free play with leaderless congregations. Those who remain in the priesthood cannot hold their jobs and must starve to death except for the help they receive from the people who themselves are poverty-stricken."

"In Mexico a condition equally bad is imminent, while Spain is already beginning to feel the results of anti-religious sentiment. Germany, too, is witnessing the rise of a pagan cult."

"We are on the verge of some dynamic movements which we cannot foretell. Tomorrow is going to be an experimental, interesting and important stage in religion. Everybody in Europe is moving fast but fails to know where he is going. America, too, is guilty of swift indirection. Wherever one turns there are undercurrents which appear ready to destroy the true church unless we take heed."

DR. GRAY RESIGNS AS MOODY PRESIDENT

James M. Gray, D. D., LL. D., has resigned as President of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, in order to be relieved of the business cares of its administration, but has accepted the office and title of President-Emeritus and will continue in active relation with the work on the faculty, as editor of the Moody Monthly, and lecturer in the field.

Dr. Gray's connection with the Institute, officially and unofficially, covers a period of forty years, dating back to the time of its founder, D. L. Moody, with whom he was associated and whose successor in office he became. During his administration, the Institute has greatly expanded. From eight buildings it has increased to thirty-eight; from a staff of forty officials, teachers, and other employees, to one of more than 200, and a student roster of about 1,000 has increased to more than 17,000 in the combined Day, Evening, and Correspondence Schools. The assets of the Institute now exceed six million, and although the gross operating expense last year approximated one million, yet the budget was balanced within about \$2,000.

The depression and the immigration laws have somewhat reduced the student roster of the Day School during (Continued on page four)

LOCAL PASTOR HEADS TEAM OF WORKERS FOR DISTRICT RALLIES

Dr. M. A. Jenkins, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Abilene is leader of one of the five groups of speakers who are in the field this week conducting rallies in the interest of the fall campaign for missions. Other members of the team with Dr. Jenkins are Dr. W. M. Wright and Treasurer George Mason of the Baptist State Board of Dallas. Dr. Jenkins' general subject for discussion is "Steps to Victory." Dr. Wright is speaking on "Inspirations of the Baptist World Alliance," and Mr. Mason's subject is "Financial Needs." The week's schedule is as follows: Brownwood First Church, Sept. 25; Midland First Church, Sept. 26; Pecos First Church, September 27; El Paso First Church, September 28.

Four other teams are at work this week covering the seventeen districts. The meeting at the Lueders Encampment grounds Tuesday was one of the scheduled rallies.

RUNNELS ASSOCIATION MAKES FINE REPORT

Runnels Missionary Baptist Association held the 27th session with the Wingate church August 28 and 29. Rev. J. H. McClain of Ballinger was elected moderator and Rev. Raymon Collier was elected clerk.

Of the thirty-two churches composing the association thirty were represented. Only five of the churches are pastorless. Reports showed that there were 320 baptisms for the year; thirty meetings have been held; a total membership of 4,555 in the association; 321 subscriptions to the expenses, missions of all types, Baptism and enrollment of 3,441 in the Sunday Schools.

Local Church expenses totaled \$20,000 for the year and \$2000 on the cooperative program which covers all phases of the missionary, educational and benevolent work. Nine of the 32 churches have budget plans for financing their work. It was revealed that the total value of all the church property in the association is \$208,700.

The next session will be held with the Ballinger Baptist church on August 27, 28, 1935.

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SWEETWATER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

At its annual meeting at Sweetwater next week, the Sweetwater Baptist Association will hold its fiftieth annual session. As stated elsewhere in this issue Judge R. C. Crane of Sweetwater is preparing a paper on the history of the association. Perhaps there is not a man in the association who is better qualified to write this history, and we are expecting to have the privilege of reproducing this history in a subsequent issue of the West Texas Baptist.

The editor is not familiar with the history of the association prior to the year 1890. During that year the First Baptist Church of Abilene took the first definite action looking toward the founding of a Baptist College within the bounds of the Sweetwater Association. At that time the association comprised 450,000 square miles and included a greater part of what is now known as West Texas. As the country has developed the bounds of the territory of the Association has been reduced gradually until at the present time only Taylor county and a part of Nolan County are in the Association.

Hardin-Simmons university was founded by the Sweetwater Association and since its founding has been controlled by the association. The achievements of the Association during these fifty years have been great. The leaders in the work during these years have labored faithfully and a great majority of those who labored during the early history of the association, have entered into their rest on the other side. We revere the blessed memory of these faithful stewards.

As we gather for the meeting next week, it will be well to dwell for a little while on the accomplishments of the past fifty years, but far more important will it be to face seriously and with hope plans for the future.

DISTRICT 17 AND THE FALL ROUND-UP

The fine showing made by the workers from over District 17 at the regional rally at the Lueders Encampment Grounds Tuesday was very gratifying to those who are vitally interested in making the Fall Round-up for missions in this section as effective as possible. Every section of the District was well represented and the plans worked out will mean much for the Mission program. The effectiveness of the work of our District Missionary was also demonstrated in this meeting. Brother Brannon has spent a good part of his time since becoming District Missionary in studying the field and formulating plans. He is beginning now to put these plans into effect, and he should have the backing of every pastor and church in the district. District 17 is in position to lead the way in demonstrating the practicability of District Missionary plan which has been adopted in Texas. Let us perform the doing of it.

BAYLOR COLLEGE AND THE HARDINS

Baylor College at Belton is to be congratulated on its good fortune in receiving an additional \$250,000 gift from Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hardin of Burkburnett. The institution is changing its name to Mary Hardin-Baylor College in honor of Mrs. Hardin. Press reports state that the \$250,000 will be used to retire the indebtedness of the College. This advance, or loan is to be retired by the 25 per cent participation in the income from the trust fund to which the college is entitled, according to the terms of the trust. This trust fund of \$900,000 was set up by the Hardins about four months ago, and Baylor College was one of the institutions included in the set up. Hardin-Simmons University is also included as a beneficiary of the trust fund. During the past four years Mr. and Mrs. Hardin have given to Texas Baptist institutions the magnificent sum of \$4,000,000. Surely all of us are grateful to them for these gifts that will mean so much to the future of our work in the State.

DR. A. T. ROBERTSON

Southern Baptists have sustained a great loss in the death of Dr. A. T. Robertson of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, which occurred Tuesday. According to press reports Dr. Robertson was stricken with apoplexy in his class room and died a few hours later. He had been a teacher in the Seminary for 46 years. Dr. Robertson had world recognition as a Bible scholar and an authority on New Testament interpretation. He leaves unfinished his latest work, a new translation of the New Testament. He was also one of the founders of the Baptist World Alliance, having attended the organization meeting in 1905. He was 70 years old at the time of his death.

PROHIBITION FIGHT AT FORT WORTH

Fort Worth and Tarrant County will soon be in the midst of a red hot prohibition fight, according to press dispatches. A petition is being circulated calling for an election on the 3.2 Beer question. The fight is being led by Dr. W. R. White, pastor of Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth. This fact along with guarantee that it will be a fight to the finish. These prohibition leaders claim that drunkenness, automobile accidents, illegal sales of hard liquors and other attendant evils have greatly increased since beer was legalized.

SEE HIM AS HE IS

"We have a great high priest" (Heb. 4:14).

Since Christ is an intercessor, I infer that believers should not rest at the cross for comfort; justification they should look for there; but being justified by His blood, they should ascend up after Him to His throne. At the cross you will see Him in His sorrows and humiliations, in His tears and blood; but follow Him to where He is now, and then you shall see Him in His robes, in His priestly robes, and with His golden girdle about Him. There you shall see Him wearing the breastplate of judgment, and with all your names written upon His heart. Then you shall perceive that the whole family in heaven and earth is named of Him, and how He prevails with God, the Father of mercies, for you. Stand still awhile and listen, yea, enter with boldness into the holiest and see your Jesus as He now appears in the presence of God for you!—John Bunyan.

HORSE SENSE

(For College Students)

During the past two weeks thousands of students from all over the land have entered college for another year. The Department of Southern Baptist student work has issued a leaflet with the above caption, written by L. O. Dawson, of Howard College, Birmingham, Alabama. The article contains some mighty good advice to college students, and we are reproducing it at the request of the Baptist Students Union of Hardin-Simmons university.—Editor.

Students, there are some things you must settle so definitely that they will admit of no discussion. Here they are:

Have regular hours for study—and use them for study.

Have regular hours for rest and play—and use them for rest and play.

Have regular hours for eating—and eat then, slowly and quietly. Do not study or take violent exercises for thirty minutes after eating.

Stay off the streets of the near-by town except when there for a definite purpose. The "innocent bystander" soon comes to be an instander without innocence.

Boys, have no dealings with wicked women—and especially none with weak and foolish ones. The road to hell leads by their door.

Cut out drugs, root and branch—especially alcohol and nicotine in any form. And with these you will do well to discard the harmless (?) drugs of the soda fount. People are broken and wretched slaves today because they were silly fools yesterday. Be free men and women.

Ah, the slightest appearance of hazing. It is meant in fun. It is executed in miserable cowardice. Think of striking a fellow when you know that he dares not resent it! Shame on the hazer! Don't be yellow.

Remember, gamblers do steal. The gambling habit is easy to form and almost impossible to break. It is a consuming fire. Watch the first short steps leading that way.

Your fraternity will be well-nigh either salvation or damnation to many of you. Make it what it ought to be or get out of it.

If you are in a co-ed college, do not be familiar with friends of the opposite sex. Public exhibition of personal interest in such a friend cheapens you and makes on-lookers sick. Learn to be cordial and friendly without being coarse or familiar.

Be too noble to lead others into evil. Be too strong for others to lead you in that direction.

Be a member of only one athletic team, or other organization that travels away from college.

Travel every day and everywhere with God. He is more companionable than most of you think.

Your roommate is by far the most important person you will meet at college. See that he is clean—inside and out. If he starts to hell, stop him if you can. If he insists, get a divorce. Do it quick.

"Tote fair" with the home folks. Match their sacrifice by your diligence. Otherwise you are a——, well I could name you, but you are not worth it.

Write to the home folks, preferably Mother, at least once a week. Neglect here convicts you of ingratitude, and an ingrate is unfit for the company of true men.

What a glorious privilege to be in college! Thousands would give half of life for your chance.

Your chance! Use it, Student Friend, use it!

WHAT IS A CHILD WORTH?

At the dedication of a fine building of one of our Ohio colleges, a celebrated educator of the East who had come to make the dedication address, said in the course of his brilliant remarks that, although there had been a great expenditure of money in the erection of the building, if it should result in the successful life of only one young person it would be fully worth all that it cost. After the exercises, during a conversation, someone asked him if he had not ever emphasized the matter, and, after a pause, he replied, with solemn dignity, "No, not if he were my own son."

There is no money which can be exactly placed upon the life of a dearly loved child. The horrible atrocities of scheming, criminal kidnapers, which have forced scores of thousands of dollars out of the hands of parents who were in helpless agony over the villainous capture of their children for ransom money, have proved that there is no limit to the value of a child. No punishment could be too severe for this vital, heartbreaking crime. It must be stopped. But it has impressed the fact that the value of a child to its parents cannot be computed in money.

We are doing much these days to protect human life, especially infant life, and this is well. Let us not forget, in these social and scientific efforts, the high value of the immortal soul, and the beneficence and philanthropy of religious work in the rescue and salvation of the souls which Christ estimated as worth more than all the world. Let us seek to have the children for Christ, through Christ, and unto Christ forever. What is the child for? Not simply to be trained, physically, intellectually, artistically and socially but to be trained as an immortal soul for the sacred glory of the skies.

What is a child worth? It cannot always be counted up in figures of service. Sometimes there are facts of the most startling interest. Recently a Christian man died in this community who had been of great importance in the political and financial interests of the world, and who, in addition, had been a Presbyterian ruling elder for forty years, Sabbath-school superintendent for fifty years, and president of the Young Men's Christian Association for forty-seven years. What if his life had been on the side of sin, instead of being on the side of Christ?

What is a child worth? Let us seek to teach them the love and truth of Christ while their minds are so easily receptive and yet eternally retentive. If they are our own children, let us watch and strive and pray that they may become the children of God.—The Presbyterian.

A WISH

From morning's rising sun,
 Which bounds above the eastern hills,
 Until the day is done
 And dark the earth enshrouds and fills,
 I wish my life might be
 A radiant, charming, useful light,
 That others, sad, might see
 And sink a care in Lethean night.

—G. C. Whiteley.

Devotional Thoughts

TAKE TIME FOR GOD

If the doctrines of grace came out of living experience, they were written to bring others into a living experience. The Gospel is not merely a creed to accept. It is truth to live by. It is bread for hungry hearts. It is drink for thirsty souls. It is light for groping men and women. It is strength for people weary with the burden of living. "The words that I speak unto you," said our Lord, "they are spirit, and they are life." "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly," pled the Apostle Paul. In the keeping of such commands there is great reward.

At the close of a Sunday morning service not long ago, a cultured and successful professional man said to the preacher of the day, "How true it is that we must use the means of grace if we are to live the abundant life! Some years ago," he continued, "the thought came to me that if I gave no more time to the study of my profession than I was giving to the study of God's revelation of spiritual truth, I would be utterly incompetent to practice my profession. I made up my mind that I would begin the next morning to give fifteen minutes a day to the study of the Bible. I soon found that that was not enough, so I doubled the time. Later I doubled that, and now for some years I have devoted the first hour of each day to the devotional study of God's Word."

"What have you gotten out of it?" the preacher inquired. After a moment's hesitation the good physician, for such he is, replied, "Riches of grace!"—Henry Wade DuBoise, in Christian Observer.

ALIVE, THOUGH RECKONED DEAD

A wealthy Brahman lady accepted Christ, and came to the mission station. Her people told her that they would have to perform the funeral ceremony for her. With tears, the brave woman answered, "I know I am dead to you; but I am alive in Christ, and will live to tell my people of Christ's love for them." Every friend and relative left her. When the time came for her to be baptized, great crowds came around; without fear or shame she stepped forward, and began to sing:

"Jesus, I my cross have taken
 All to leave and follow Thee."

According to Hindu custom, the family performed her funeral ceremony, burning her in effigy, and depositing the ashes among the dead, thus signifying that she was dead to them. But nothing could draw this new convert from the cross of Christ; she lived by the faith of the Son of God, who loved her and gave Himself for her.—Hy. Pickering.

HONOR CHRIST WHERE YOU ARE

I think it exceedingly wrong, said C. H. Spurgeon, when I hear exhortations made to young people, "Quit your service as domestics, and come out into spiritual work. Business men, leave your shops. Workmen, give up your trades. You cannot serve Christ in that calling; come away from it altogether." I beg to say that nothing will be more pestilent than such advice as that. There are men called by the grace of God to separate themselves from every earthly occupation, and they have special gifts for the work of the ministry; but ever to imagine that the bulk of Christian people cannot serve God in their daily calling is to think altogether contrary to the mind of the Spirit of God. If you are a servant, remain a servant. If you are a waiter, go on with your waiting. If you are a tradesman, go on with your trade. Let every man abide in the calling wherein he is called, unless there be to him some special call from God to devote himself to the ministry. Go on with your employment, dear Christian people, and do not imagine that you are to turn hermits, or monks, or nuns. You would not glorify God if you did so act. Soldiers of Christ are to fight the battle out where they are. To quit the field, and shut yourselves up alone, would be to render impossible that you should get the victory. The work of God is as holy and acceptable in domestic service, or in trade, as any service that can be rendered in the pulpit, or even by the foreign missionary. We thank God for the men specially called and set apart for His own work; but we know that they would do nothing unless the salt of our holy faith should permeate the daily life of other Christians.—C. H. Spurgeon.

LESSONS IN FOOTBALL GAMES

Go to a football game for the good of your soul, advises Alonzo Stagg, coach of the University of Chicago. Youth, he thinks, can get as sound moral guidance from watching football as from going to Sunday school.

He once suggested that a code of ethics could be built up on a basis of football sportsmanship, that would be suitable for anyone, old or young, to use as their guidebook in the conduct of life. Now he has formulated such a code, arranged in ten commandments, which he has given to the American Magazine. It reads as follows:

1. Keep your mind and body alert. Practice self-control at all times.
2. Be true, square and honest. Don't lie. Don't cheat. Keep your word. Don't be a tattle-tale.
3. Perform your own job just a little bit better than is absolutely necessary. Look ahead. Don't stagnate. Use your imagination. Don't become an automaton.
4. Help the other fellow. Work for the good of the team.
5. Don't complain, whine, knock or quit. If you are given a job, do it cheerfully. Never shirk responsibility. Always do your level best.
6. Don't be a grandstander. Throttle your conceit. A swelled head will cut your career as short as though you had no head at all.
7. Don't be discouraged by failure. The man of average intelligence who has the courage to keep on trying will get farther than the genius who puts only half his heart into his work.
8. Always be a sportsman and a gentleman.
9. Develop courage, determination, perseverance, continuous interest, prolonged enthusiasm and unending ambition.
10. And say a prayer each evening. —Collegian.

There is no truth which has not its corresponding duty, and no duty that has not its corresponding truth. He who lives by the Word of God continually sees new truth, and accepts the duties that arise therefrom.—Phillips Brooks.

RELIGIOUS GAINS DURING PAST CENTURY ARE CITED AT

Religious and Welfare Report Notable in Church Activity

(By N.C.J.C. News Service)
 CHICAGO, Sept. 26.—In decrease in church attendance leading religious bodies of the country have actually grown during the past hundred years, numerically, but in proportion to total population. Over 100 million Americans each week attend in Protestant and Catholic and Jewish Synagogues contrary to popular belief, the generation is far more conformed with the church than ancestors a century ago.

These are other interesting facts with regard to church growth during the past century were stated by leading religious statisticians at the Chicago meeting of the Committee for Religion and Recovery held here today. Those giving reports were Dr. Linn Kieffer, statistician of the Christian Herald and President of the Association of the States American Religious Bodies, and Dr. C. Weber, editor of the American Churches and Dr. Douglas, a member of the Committee.

It was declared that in 1800 religious bodies combined had 10 million members, while in 1926, according to the United States census of bodies, there were 232,154 in the country. In three-quarters of a century, it was pointed out, tens of millions of Americans multiplied houses of worship almost everywhere.

Among the definite steps toward progress in the last century was stated, are the following:

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A strong movement for cooperation among the major faiths.

A slight gain in the proportion of members of churches.

The development of a vigorous movement in all of the major religions.

A marked growth of social consciousness within the churches, day as compared with a century ago, without any lessening of emphasis upon personal religious experience.

"Organized religion has been able to carry over with relative ease into the urban age," Dr. Douglas declared.

NEGLECTED FIELD

It was my privilege to be at meetings this summer in Texas, New Mexico. All of them were communities where there were Baptist or other church organizations. I had fourteen conversions and number of rededications. I felt we as preachers are neglecting places where many a spirit lies dormant, and many lost souls groping in darkness. It will strengthen your faith to forget the fact of having a church to back you out in these cold places to only in the power of God to V. E. Boyd.

THE JONESVILLE POSTOFFICE

During the war between the President Lincoln was both a good deal by job seekers. Democrats had enjoyed a long incumbency in Federal jobs and the Republicans were a greedy impatient horde that constantly annoyed the President. One day the President was standing in a private attitude, a Senator remarked: "Has anything gone wrong President? Have you heard back from Fort Sumter?" "No," replied the President, solemnly, "it's the post-office at Jonesville, Missouri."

Aunt Mirandy's Worthless Husband

Aunt Mirandy, an old negro woman, was a worthless husband, was her troubles to her minister. Usual condolences were offered the latter and remedies suggested but at each one Aunt Mirandy's head—she had tried them without results.

The minister sighed and poured and at last had an inspiration. He leaned to Aunt Mirandy, who had been visibly.

"Sis' Mirandy," he said, "de book it say ter forgive dem dat pass agin us. Had you eber heapin' coals er fire on his head?"

The gleam of hope faded from Aunt Mirandy's face.

"No, Bre'r Johnson, I ain't done dat, but I've tried pourin' water ovuh him."

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It was declared that in 1850 all religious bodies combined had 38,061 churches, while in 1926, according to the United States census of religious bodies, there were 232,154 churches in the country.

Among the definite steps in religious progress in the last century, it was stated, are the following:

A trend towards decreasing sectarianism. Constantly increasing unity within Protestantism.

A strong movement for cooperation among the major faiths.

A slight gain in the proportion of men who are members of churches.

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The minister sighed and pondered, and at last had an inspiration. He leaned to Aunt Mirandy, who brightened visibly.

"Sis' Mirandy," he said, "de good book it say ter forgive dem dat trespass agin us. Had you eber tried heapin' coals er fire on his head?"

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News Notes

Rev. C. B. Stovall has resigned as pastor of the church at Knox City after several years of successful leadership. The resignation is effective November 1.

Rev. Jesse W. Hodges, a former West Texan has resigned as pastor at Okemah, Oklahoma, to become pastor of the church at El Reno, Oklahoma.

The annual social for the young people of Hardin-Simmons University will be given by the First Baptist Church, Abilene, Monday, October 1. Mrs. J. E. Burnam is general chairman of the committee on entertainment.

Hardin Union is the name of the newest organization in the Senior B. T. S. of University Baptist Church. The union was organized last Sunday with a membership of 16. Glen McLaughlin is president of the new organization.

The Sunday school of the First Baptist Church, Abilene, will observe promotion day next Sunday, with the exception of the women's department. This department will install officers Sunday and will promote on Sunday, October 7.

A declamation contest for all young people of the W. M. S. will be held at the First Baptist Church, Abilene, on Saturday afternoon beginning at 1:30 o'clock. A large number of young people from District 17 are expected to be here to enter the contests.

The church at South Bend has called its pastor, Brother Coon, for another year, and has gone to full time. Brother Coon was converted about two years ago and has been in the ministry only a little over a year. He has done an outstanding work at South Bend, and he has the love and confidence of the entire community.

The digest of church letters at the annual meeting of the Lamesa Association for the year just closed shows 130 additions to the 16 churches by Baptism, and 154 additions by letter and statement. Fifteen of the sixteen churches in the association held revivals during the year.

The editor is indebted to Brother John P. Hardesty, pastor at McCauley for a mimeographed copy of the minutes of the Fisher County Association which held its twenty-fourth session at Rotan August 30-31. There are 17 churches in the association. Sixteen revival meetings were reported for the year with 162 additions by baptism.

Rev. G. W. Parks of Roscoe, one of the outstanding preachers of West Texas, has been notified that he is to appear on the program of the Baptist State Convention of Texas at the annual meeting at San Antonio early in November. Brother Parks is to deliver a sermon at the convention at eleven o'clock on the morning of Thursday, November 8.

The Hardin-Simmons B. S. U. is to be with the church at Potosi Sunday night. A varied program will be rendered in the interest of the young people of the church. The B. T. U. of the Potosi church is making fine progress and a study course is being planned for the near future.

The B. S. U. of Hardin-Simmons University rendered a program at the C. C. C. camp near Buffalo Gap Tuesday night. The sermon was preached by Brother T. L. Nipp, pastor of the churches at Elmdale and Hamby and special music was rendered by the young women's trio of the university.

The revival meeting at Eliasville in which Dr. W. Y. Pond, pastor of the church at Breckenridge assisted the pastor, Sam Malone, resulted in seven additions to the church by baptism and a number of additions by letter. Dr. Pond preached at the evening hour and the pastor at the morning services.

An all day program has been arranged by the Flat Top Church, near Hamlin for the First Sunday in October. The regular church program will be had at the morning hour, with Superintendent E. M. Collier of the Baptist Sanitarium filling the pulpit. Beginning in the afternoon at 2:00 o'clock a song program will begin and will continue until 5:30 o'clock. Singers from all sections of the country are invited to come and bring their basket lunches.

HARDIN-SIMMONS UNIVERSITY NEWS

(From The Brand)

Band Begins Work For Fall Schedule

Extensive Program Planned For Cowboy Musicians Manager Says

"We have the prospects for the greatest Cowboy band in the history of the school." These were the words of Manager G. B. Sandefer with regard to the condition of the world-famous Hardin-Simmons organization.

An extensive program has been planned for the coming year, beginning with the support of the football team throughout the fall and working into a routine of travel engagements that the band has never equaled before.

Prof. Marion McClure plans to work up a band which will perform equally well on concert tours, religious programs, rodeo work, and parades.

Enough old students have returned to school to form a good nucleus around which approximately 30 freshmen will be drilled into a band capable of carrying on in the same manner that the band has done for the past ten years.

Johnnie Regan, England's champion cowboy and rope artist, has returned as one of the very exclusive features of the organization. Mr. Regan joined the band in England four years ago and has traveled extensively with it since.

Mr. John P. Cerminaro, of Chicago, has joined the band as instructor of the reed instruments, and as a soloist.

Billy Morrow, xylophone soloist, has also returned and will be featured on the concert tours which the band is scheduled to make.

McClure To Offer New Music Course

Mr. Marion McClure, director of the Cowboy band, announces a new course in instrumental music study which will be open to all students interested in a deeper study of playing technique.

The brass and percussion sections will be under the direction of Mr. McClure; and Mr. John Cerminaro, of Chicago, will have charge of the reeds.

This term is the first in the history of the school that such a course has been offered, and it will serve as a supplement to band work.

Home Economics Director Elected

One of the final changes of the Hardin-Simmons faculty was the addition of Miss Mary Carter, of Honey Grove, to take charge of the home economics department. Miss Carter is filling the vacancy left by Miss Genie Cameron who resigned after one year's work as head of the department.

Miss Carter holds the B. S. degree from Texas State college for Women and the M. A. degree from George Peabody college of Nashville. This was the final change in the faculty for the year 1934-35. The obtaining of Miss Carter completed the corp of teachers.

H. S. U. INAUGURATES FORTY-THIRD TERM

(Continued from page one) Another distinguished man in the history of the development of Hardin-Simmons university was introduced by Dr. Sandefer. He was Judge H. C. Hord of Sweetwater, who was an influential character in founding the school and was on the original committee that recommended its establishment. I. E. Harwell of Burk Burnett was also introduced. He is the latest member to be added to the board of trustees.

Pastors of several of the churches of Abilene were on the stage and recognized. Each extended a cordial invitation to the student body to attend regularly or visit their respective churches.

President Sandefer made an address expressing thanks for the generous gift made to the school by Mr. and Mrs. John G. Hardin of Burk Burnett, and closed the program with a prayer.

Classes and lectures began Thursday morning at 8 o'clock and the fall semester was properly under way.

B. S. U. Will Present Program At Bethel

Plans For Reorganization To Be Made Thursday At Meeting

The Baptist Student union of Hardin-Simmons inaugurates its year's work tomorrow by visiting the First Baptist church of Bethel to give an evangelistic program. Rev. Kelly Barnett is pastor of the church at Bethel.

The first meeting of the council will be held Thursday night, September 17, to make arrangements for a slight reorganization.

Officers for the organization were elected last year. N. J. Westmoreland is president; vice-presidents are Ray Mathis, Frank Burrows, and Clara Welch; and Rosa Crockett, is secretary.

According to an announcement by the president, the council plans to start work immediately. Plans are being made for a week's tour later in the semester. The B. S. U. plans to send a delegation to the All-Southern Baptist Students' Convention to be held in Memphis, Tennessee, October 25 to 28. This convention is held every four years.

Atwood Returns To H.S.U. Faculty

Dr. E. B. Atwood, who for several years has been a member of the Bible and Religious Education staff of Hardin-Simmons university, but who for the past three years has been on leave of absence because of ill health, has returned to Abilene and will again take up his duties as a professor in the university.

Dr. Atwood, before coming to Hardin-Simmons, was at one time superintendent of Missions in New Mexico, President of Wayland College at Plainview, and pastor of the First Baptist church at Quanah.

He will act as head of the Bible department.

Vineyard Returns From Study Abroad

Language Teacher Spends Year In University Of Paris

Miss Mary Preston Vineyard has returned from a year's leave of study in France and other European countries to resume her duties as head of the department of French and German in Hardin-Simmons.

Most of her year's leave was spent in Sorbonne, where she studied French in the University of Paris. Miss Vineyard also traveled in France, Italy, Spain, Belgium, and Holland.

"I had intended to spend a part of my time in Germany," Miss Vineyard said, "but didn't much care to make the trip after the way Hitler acted up."

University Social Held Friday Night In Sandefer Home

Trustees, Faculty Members And Wives Make Up Receiving Line

Last night at 8:30, the all-university reception, the first social event on the fall semester calendar, was held in the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Sandefer.

The reception was given in honor of the student body, the faculty, and the board of trustees by the president of the institution.

Members of the student body gathered at the president's home immediately following the piano recital given in the university auditorium by E. Edwin Young from 7:30 to 8:30.

In the receiving line were members of the faculty and their wives and members of the board of trustees and their wives headed by President and Mrs. Sandefer.

The students were introduced to all the faculty and trustees and were then served refreshments. The reception lasted from 8:30 until 10 o'clock.

West Texas Baptist Sanitarium advertisement featuring a photograph of the building and text describing its services, rates, and location in Fort Worth, Texas.

Hardin - Simmons University advertisement featuring text about its academic standards, faculty, and location in Abilene, Texas.

St. Louis' Popular Fireproof Hotels advertisement featuring images of the American and Annex hotels and text describing their amenities and location.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF TEXAS, DISTRICT NO. 17

W. M. U. WATCHWORD—"LABORERS TOGETHER WITH GOD." I COR. 3:9.
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Thirtieth Annual Meeting Of Sweetwater Auxiliary To Be Held On Wednesday Oct 3

The Thirtieth annual meeting of the Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary will be called to order by Mrs. C. C. Compere, president, at the First Baptist Church, Sweetwater, on Wednesday morning, October 3. The program will continue throughout the day Wednesday. At the evening hour a young people's program will be rendered, with Mrs. E. D. Dunlap of Sweetwater, leader, in charge. A pageant given by the Y. W. A. of the First Baptist Church, Abilene, will be one of the features of the evening program.

The meeting of the associational auxiliary will be on the day preceding the fiftieth meeting of the Sweetwater Baptist Association, which meets at the First Baptist Church, Sweetwater, October 4-5. A large attendance from over the association is expected at both meetings.

The Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary program in full is published below:

Watchword: "Laborers Together with God." I Cor. 3:9.
"Be strong and of good courage, for Jehovah thy God is with thee."
Joshua 1:9.

WEDNESDAY MORNING—9:45 O'CLOCK

- 9:45—Song Service.
- 10:10—Devotional, Mrs. E. B. Atwood, Abilene.
- 10:10-10:20—Greetings, Mrs. A. E. Radcliff, Sweetwater.
- 10:20-10:30—Response, Mrs. R. M. White, Abilene.
- 10:30-10:40—Recognition of Visitors, Missionaries, New Members.
- 10:40-10:55—President's Address, Mrs. C. C. Compere, Abilene.
- 10:55-11:00—Special Music, Mrs. Garland Vinson, Sweetwater.
- 11:00-11:50—Three Minute Reports by Local Presidents:
 - Abilene, Calvary, Mrs. J. B. Dalrymple.
 - Abilene, First, Mrs. Jentry Holmes.
 - Abilene, Emmanuel, Mrs. W. E. Derr.
 - Abilene, Southside, Mrs. John Reeves.
 - Abilene, Sunset, Mrs. Willie Baker.
 - Abilene, University, Mrs. D. W. Arnette.
 - Blackwell, Mrs. V. T. Arnett.
 - Caps, Mrs. W. F. Joiner.
 - Elmdale, Mrs. Ralph Antilly.
 - Merkel, Mrs. T. E. Collins.
 - Ovalo, Mrs. T. A. Hollis.
 - Salt Branch, Mrs. W. E. Petty.
 - Sweetwater, First, Mrs. R. C. Crane.
 - Sweetwater, Lamar, Mrs. J. F. Ware.
 - Trent, Mrs. Ed. Burks.
 - Tuscola, Mrs. J. A. Reynolds.
 - Tye, Mrs. R. T. England.
 - Buffalo Gap, Mrs. General Jones.
- 11:50-12:10—Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer's Report, Mrs. Boyd King.
- 12:10-12:15—Announcements of Committees:
 - Registration, Mrs. Harry Bundles.
 - Resolution, Mrs. Sam Swann.
 - Time and Place of Quarterly Meetings, Mrs. J. L. Anthony.
- 12:15-12:30—In Memoriam, Mrs. H. H. Ramsey, Abilene.
- Duet, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hodges, Sweetwater.
- Closing Prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:30-1:35—Song Service.
- 1:35-1:45—Devotional, Mrs. C. R. Joiner, Merkel.
- 1:40-1:55—Reports from Methods and Finance Committee.
- 1:55-2:05—Report on Y. P. Work, Mrs. E. D. Dunlap, Sweetwater.
- Report of Standing Committees:
 - 2:05-2:15—Stewardship, Mrs. W. W. Mullins, Sweetwater.
 - 2:15-2:25—Missions Study, Mrs. J. E. Burnam, Abilene.
 - 2:25-2:35—Missions, Mrs. W. C. Ashford, Abilene.
 - 2:35-2:45—Discussion of Report by Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, Abilene.
 - 2:45-2:55—Benevolence, Mrs. W. F. Joiner, Caps.
 - 2:55-3:10—Address, Mr. E. M. Collier, Abilene.
 - Solo, Mrs. Ullum, Sweetwater.
 - 3:15-3:25—Education, Mrs. N. A. Moore, Abilene.
 - 3:25-3:45—Address, Dr. D. M. Wiggins, Abilene.
 - 3:45-3:55—Personal Service, Mrs. Z. C. Steakley, Sweetwater.
 - 3:55-4:05—Periodicals, Mrs. W. H. Howell, Trent.
 - 4:00-4:15—Introducing Periodicals, Mrs. D. C. Fulkerson, Sweetwater.
 - 4:15-4:30—Publicity and Historian, Mrs. O. H. Cooper, Abilene.
 - 4:30-4:40—Librarian, Mrs. Elois Rhodes, Abilene.
- Report of Nominating Committee.
- Election of Officers.
- Report of Registration Committee.
- Report of Resolution Committee.
- Report of Time and Place Committee.
- Reading of Minutes by Recording Secretary, Mrs. Bert Low.
- Closing Prayer.

EVENING PROGRAM FOR YOUNG PEOPLE—7:30 P. M.

- Theme: "Consecration."
- Mrs. E. D. Dunlap, Leader.
- Solo, "An Evening Prayer" Mrs. P. L. Ullum, Sweetwater
- Devotional Mrs. E. D. Dunlap, Sweetwater
- Young People's Report Miss Emma Joyner, Merkel
- What the Five Star Ideals Mean in Christ's Kingdom Mrs. E. D. Dunlap, Sweetwater
- By University Church G. A. Story—Jimmie Rogers Sunbeam, Sweetwater
- Some Things a Consecrated R. A. Can Do in Christ's Kingdom Rev. Lawrence Trent, Sweetwater
- Song, "My Jesus I Love Thee" Congregation
- Announcements.
- Duet, "Take Up Thy Cross and Follow Me" Arr. by Mary Frances Moore
- Message Rev. T. A. Patterson, Roscoe
- Pageant Y. W. A., First Church, Abilene
- Closing Prayer.

Greetings From China

Canton, China, July 1, 1934.
Dear Ones in the Homeland:
My heart is singing and rejoicing today for Inez's sister for whom we have been praying these ten years was baptized into the Tungshan Church today. Her uncle brought her at the age of nineteen out to China to go to school twenty-five years ago and instead of sending her to school he married her into a heathen home.

She had just confessed Jesus as savior a few short weeks before she left America years ago as the result of a Christian Immigration officer's being on the alert about his Master's business. Today's scene was a beautiful one indeed and will linger in my memory.
We dropped anchor just off the Tai Kam island at about one o'clock. I peeped from my porthole and saw the

towering mountains rising abruptly from the sea in the moonlight and wondered how there was room for the leper colony and the pirates to lodge in the crevices. But daylight brought a sight long to be remembered—an emerald isle of towering peaks with a darling little valley right out there in front of us, little waterfalls tumbling down the mountain side sparkling in the morning sunlight.

About eight o'clock the little row-boat from "The Alice"—the boat belonging to the leper colony, being a junk with a motor installed, and on which the pastor and engineer live, neither of them being lepers,—the little row boat came out to where we were anchored and loaded in the many gifts from the business people of Hongkong and friends from Canton and elsewhere. It was just about filled with the boxes of cakes, crackers, clothing, towels, blankets, shoes, etc.

The engineer of the "Alice" and the pastor certainly took thousands of steps and put themselves to no end of trouble to make us comfortable, happy, and to show us the points of interest about the place. The little nurse, wife of the resident helper, both of them tainted in the past, are doing noble service; but they do so much need better medical supervision and better sanitary conditions.

The engineer, a fine noble-faced man of size and radiance to be noted in any group, and pastor Ng who was ordained in New York and whose family lives in a village about two miles from Tungshan, both live on the "Alice." The "Alice" is anchored just off shore.

Never will I forget the scene of the baptizing of those eighteen at about eleven o'clock a. m. just before we returned to the boat. They followed the pastor out to where the water was about waist deep for the tide had receded, and he solemnly, with poise, dignity and in an unhurried way buried them in the watery grave and they arose "to walk in newness of life." I found tears of joy overflowing my eyes.

The trip has certainly made me have a greater interest in the work, stirring my admiration for those people who are laying themselves liable by ministering daily to those "untouchables." It was heart-rending to hear the nurse say that even when one was cured that one was still an outcast and feared by those who are "whole."

Please continue to pray for us that we may truly lift up Christ in our every thought and act, and that those those new "babes in Christ" may grow in grace.

Very sincerely yours,
FLOY HAWKINS.

Special Objects For October

The District and Associational Expense Fund is perhaps the most neglected item on our annual schedule of giving. October is the month set apart for giving to this fund. In our District Plan of work we read, "We recommend that we stress the payment in October of 50 cents per member, if possible, for District and Associational yearly dues, to be divided equally between District and Association." It is not possible to carry forward our work in the best way without some money. We have no other plan for raising expense money except through this fund. Let's have a good response in October. If you feel your society cannot give 50 cents per member send what you can to your associational treasurer. She will keep half the amount to be used in her association, and send the other half to the district treasurer to promote the work of the district.

Old mammy was sitting in front of her hut rocking a crying baby. One of her darky brothers came along and said: "Sista, yo baby must be spoilt."
"No, sah, dey all small dat way," was her reply.

done over the Association.

The detailed report of the Treasurer, Mrs. Andie Verner of Rule, was one of great interest as it showed all expenses and all apportionments paid. Also that the Lottie Moon Xmas Offering and the Home Mission Offering were the largest ever sent from this Association.

The President, Mrs. C. O. Davis of Rule, spoke on "Christian Courage," using the W. M. U. Watchword as a basis.

About one hundred women partook of the bountiful lunch served by the Gillespie women.

The afternoon Devotional was given by Mrs. Allen of Knox City. She spoke on the "Good Shepherd of Love," using 10 chapter of Jno.

Our District President, Mrs. White, of Abilene, brought an inspiring and helpful message on "Building God's Kingdom." In her prefacing remarks urged each one individually and as a society to magnify missions.

The Chairman of each standing committee read and spoke to the report on education and Mrs. Buckley to the Young Peoples' report given by Mrs. Joe Averitt of Knox City.

The last business of the day was the election of officers for another year.

The following were elected: President, Mrs. H. R. Whately, Haskell; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Jno. Ellis, Haskell; Recording Secretary, Mrs. L. M. Kay, Rochester; Treasurer, Mrs. Jim Crawford, Haskell.

This closed a great day in Haskell Association—a day filled with inspiration and encouragement in Christ's Kingdom work.

MRS. L. M. KAY,
Publicity Chairman.

Special Objects For September

During the month of September the Missionary Societies of District 17 are giving to the "Education Fund for Foreign Students." Apportionments

have been sent to the various societies in the District and accepted by them. It is expected that the full amount apportioned will be in the hands of the District Treasurer, Mrs. H. J. Hanks, 1041 Cedar, Abilene, before the close of the month.

DISTRICT 17 LAYS PLANS FOR FALL ROUND-UP

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ber 7, at 2:30, to complete the plans for all the work.

DISTRICT MISSIONARY SPOKE AT SALT BRANCH

Last Sunday the District Missionary preached at the Salt Branch Baptist Church, near Merkel, where Rev. S. J. T. Williams has recently resigned as pastor. There were sixty in Sunday School, and a much larger crowd at the evening service.

An offering for the Cooperative program was taken, which amounted to \$10.00. Four B. Y. P. U.'s were organized, and plans begun for them to enter the Associational Study Course which begins October 21, and continues through the week.

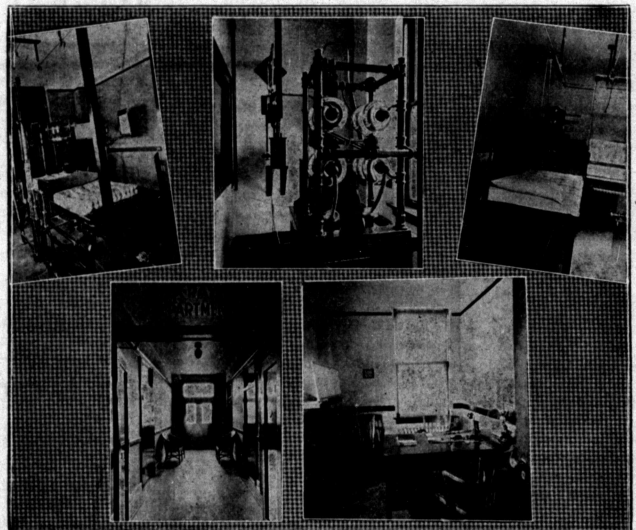
The Missionary states that this is an excellent fourth-time church, with a membership composed of a very fine class of people, who love the Lord.

DR. GRAY RESIGNS AS MOODY PRESIDENT

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the past two or three years, but the opening of the present Fall Term shows a return toward the peak.

Dr. Gray has been a prolific author, nearly twenty volumes and a large number of pamphlets having come from his pen, with a distribution running into hundreds of thousands. He also is editor-in-chief of the Moody Monthly which perhaps is quoted more frequently and has a larger circulation than any monthly periodical in its class.

X-Ray Department, Baptist Sanitarium



X-Ray is one of the most important discoveries in modern medicine. A penetrating ray was discovered in 1895 by William Conrad Roentgen of Wurzburg, Germany. No definite name was given this new ray at the time, and so was called X-Ray until later when it was given the name of its discoverer Roentgen.

The uses of X-Ray in the connection of medicine can be given in two terms: Diagnosis and Treatment.

With X-Ray it is possible to know many of the functions of organs and to ascertain their size as in the study of the heart, stomach, intestines, gall-bladder and kidney. The presence of tuberculosis and other pneumonic processes in the lung may be determined by X-Ray examination. Foreign bodies such as pins, bullets, needles and many others may be revealed in any part of the body. X-Ray has proved invaluable in the study of fractures and disease processes of the bones.

Several years after X-Ray was discovered the effects of the rays on the human body were noticed. It was found that harmful reactions could be prevented and that the Roentgen ray had a beneficial effect on patients who had cancer, leucaemia, lupus, tuberculous glands and other diseases.

The West Texas Baptist Sanitarium has X-Ray equipment costing \$17,000. There is a two hundred twenty thousand volt apparatus used in the treatment of diseases. The rays from this machine can penetrate fourteen inches of solid steel; the machine is enclosed in a room which is lined with nearly two tons of lead to prevent the leakage of these powerful rays. There is a one hundred sixty-five volt apparatus for making radiographs and fluoroscopic examinations.

THE GREATEST INTEREST EVER SHOWN

Young people are showing more interest in a business education now than ever before. The reason for this is that the demand for office help in business concerns and United States government work exceed any other line of work open to young men and women. We have had the largest summer attendance in the history of our college. Our fall attendance is going to be exceptionally large. Not only high school graduates but many college graduates and teachers are among our large student body. Employment is good; the manager of our placement department is kept busy.

FREE VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE

Young friend, there are questions you would like to ask that you might more intelligently work out your future plans. Don't hesitate to write them to us—we maintain a Vocational Guidance Department for all who wish our help on educational or business matters. This service is free, whether you expect to attend our school or not, and it is free to those who have attended our school and want our help and advice in furthering their education or getting into business. Write for our free literature, and ask such questions as are of interest to you. Enter soon and be on the pay roll in January.

Name..... Address.....
Question.....

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