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ESSAYS



By J. Henry Littleton
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I have contacted several pastorless churches this week and in nearly every instance they expect to call a pastor soon. We do not have very many churches now without pastors. I will be glad when they all call because no church goes forward without pastoral leadership.

I preached for the church at Hodges Sunday. It was poor preaching. I was trying out a set of new teeth and no one who has not tried it knows what it means.

This week is a week of Workers Conferences and Associational meetings—six of them. I will try to spend some time in all of them. In two instances two meet on the same day.

I received a report from Dr. Gardner this week and the 17th district is the only district that has reached its goal in Study Course awards. Our goal was 3,800 and we have 3,802. That is just over but we have one more month to go. This has been done through the cooperation with our District Director, Brother Lawrence Trott and all our Training Union forces. We are even now looking forward to a better year next year.

October is State Mission Month. If we reach our goal we must raise two hundred thousand dollars in Texas. This seems to be a large amount but when we remember that there are seven hundred thousand Baptists in the state it seems small. We are going to have to give our best if we reach our part. There are 366 days in this year. One more than last year. Let us give this extra day to God and we will easily reach victory.

For District 17 we have been asked to increase our giving over October of last year by some \$2,036.48. I am giving below the amount we gave last year, the amount of increase asked for and the goal set. It will take the best from every pastor, every church leader and the getting of every member of our churches to do their best if we are to reach the goal. I believe you will work at the job.

	Gave	Incr.	October
Ass'n.	10-39	Asked	Goal
Callahan	236.70	71.01	307.71
Cisco	1,507.50	452.25	1,959.75
Fisher	399.81	119.94	519.75
Haskell	621.85	186.56	808.41
Jones	1,115.65	334.70	1,450.35

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EVENTS TO COME

October 18-20—B. S. U. Convention, Waco.

October 20—Training Union contests, in unions.

October 27—Training Union contests, in churches.

October 27—Church elimination for State Training Union contests.

November 3—Associational eliminations for State Training Union contests.

November 3—Training Union contests in associations.

November 11—Training Union contests in districts.

November 11-12—State W. M. U. Convention, Houston.

November 12-15—Baptist General Convention of Texas, Houston.

November 21-23—Texas Baptist Training Union convention, Dallas.

October 20—Laymen's Day in all Baptist Churches.

March 17-18—State Laymen's Rally, Dallas.

ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING DATES IN WEST TEXAS

October:

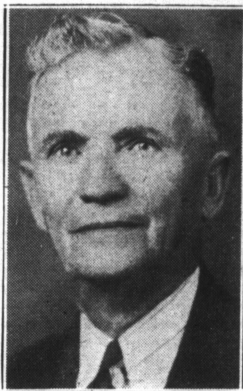
10-11—Cisco at Cisco First.

October 10-11—Pecos Valley Association, Pecos.

10-11—Sweetwater at Tuscola.

October 17—El Paso Association, El Paso, First.

LAST RITES HELD FOR VETERAN PASTOR SUNDAY



GOD'S GOOD MAN
By W. R. White

Years ago Brother C. D. Owen touched my life. It was in the beginning of my ministry. His strong Gospel preaching greatly influenced me. His clear thinking on great doctrines helped me. His clean, wholesome life and deep sincerity greatly blessed me. He was one of my first teachers. He was indeed God's Good Man.

Funeral services were held at Temple Church, Abilene, Sunday afternoon, October 6, for Pastor Charles D. Owen, 68. Death occurred Saturday morning following a stroke of apoplexy Monday.

Rev. Owen was moderator of the Sweetwater Association at the time of his death and in earlier years had served as associational missionary. He had also served an extended period as missionary of Union Association with headquarters at Houston. More than 25 years ago he was pastor at Rusk and professor of Bible at Rusk academy.

Pastor C. A. Powell of University Church, one of his nearest neighbors, was in charge of the final services. He was assisted by Dr. Millard A. Jenkins of First Church and Rev. Clyde Jackson, who was conducting a meeting at Temple Church at the time of the pastor's stroke and death. Other friends in the ministry and many members of the church, gave spontaneous tribute to the loving and useful ministry of the veteran preacher.

Born November 29, 1871, at Sharon, Tennessee, he had served in the Baptist ministry for almost 50 years. He and Mrs. Owen observed their 40th wedding anniversary in August.

Surviving are Mrs. Owen, a daughter, Mrs. J. B. Murray of Abilene, and two sons, Curtis D., education director at South Park Church, Beaumont, and Charles, a student at Texas A. & M.

CHURCHES IN DISTRICT 9 WILL GIVE ONE SUNDAY'S OFFERING TO MISSIONS

By J. Lowell Ponder,
Plainview

Last Monday night closed our first five months as District Missionary. Have been in 70 of our 185 churches, contacted many others, and spoken 142 times. These have been busy, joyous months. The schedule is heavy for months to come. Along all lines there is a "Program of Progress."

Missed the write-up last week. Left home last Saturday, and got in the next Friday night. In the meantime much has happened. Wednesday night, the 25th, was with East Side Church, Lubbock. They are to have a meeting there soon. Spent the night with Raleigh Middleton, superintendent of all Texas Tech farms. Spoke Thursday morning at annual meeting of Lubbock Association WMU, meeting with the Morton Church. That night at Associational Brotherhood at Finney Church, north of Plainview. Friday morning spoke in chapel at Wayland College. Saturday night went to Roaring Springs. Was there Sunday morning. In afternoon preached at Pansy. At night was at Dickens and that was the first service in a mission week.

These services were the best we have been in a long while. There was real prayer. Mrs. Johnson is local WMS president and is leading in an excellent way. Some of the best (Continued on page 4)

BAPTIST STUDENTS TREK TO BAYLOR U. NEXT WEEK

Two thousand Baptist students from the campuses of practically every Texas college will attend the annual Texas Baptist Student Union convention on the Baylor University campus October 18 to 20, J. W. Bill Marshall, state secretary of the group, predicts.

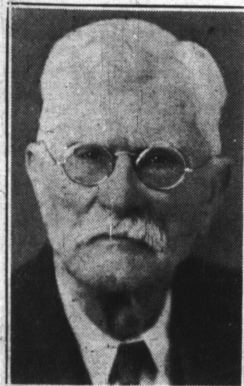
Marshall and his wife returned only ten days ago from four months in religious activity with young people in the Orient, and with their stories of the war and growth of Christian endeavor there despite the war, will be among program headlines.

Charles A. Wells, world traveling cartoonist and newspaperman of New York City, also is scheduled for three talks dealing with world conditions. Other speakers will be Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board; Dr. W. R. White, president of Hardin-Simmons University; Dr. E. D. Head of Houston and Dr. J. P. Boone, a founder of the BSU movement, of Waxahatchie. B. B. McMillen, of Nashville, Tenn., will direct the music.

Seventy-five students will participate in talks and music. Bill Kent, student in Texas A. & M. College, is the Union's state president.

Beginning of H-S. U. Golden Jubilee To Feature Sweetwater Association

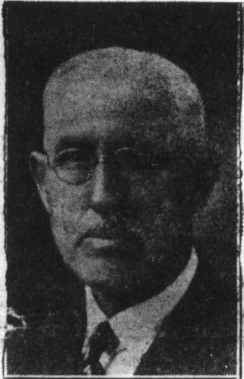
These Shared in Founding of H-S. U.



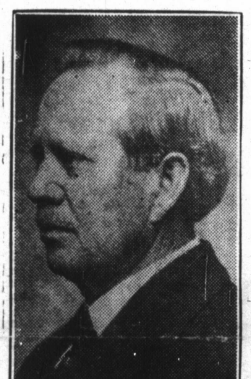
WILL YOUNG, early merchant, in whose store plans were laid for establishing the proposed school. Mr. Young has been an active supporter of Hardin-Simmons for a half century. He still lives in Abilene.



JUDGE K. K. LEGGETT, pioneer Abilene attorney, active in First Church and chairman of the committee of Sweetwater Association to locate and establish Baptist school in West Texas.



JOHN R. SPAULDING, only surviving charter member of First Church, Abilene. He was clerk of the church at the time of the founding of H-SU. He is still an active deacon and church worker.



REV. J. C. BURKETT, founder and early pastor of many prominent churches in West Texas. He was an influential messenger to the association of 1890, which laid plans resulting in H-SU.

OVALO HELPS TUSCOLA ENTER-TAIN SWEETWATER ASSN.

Although the sessions of the Sweetwater Association will be meeting at Tuscola on Thursday and Friday of this week, the Ovalo Church is sharing in the entertainment of the messengers. The two towns are only about two miles apart and the Baptist churches in both places have Rev. W. I. Taylor as pastor. It is said that both churches have a full-time pastor, although they have preaching only every other Sunday.

DOYLE BEGINS NINTH YEAR AT ANSON

Sunday, October 6, marked the beginning of the ninth year of Pastor L. A. Doyle at Anson. The work has been maintained on a high plane during these years, with current records showing an increase in attendance and gifts over last year. The summer meeting led by Pastor Ralph Grant of Beaumont left the church on a high spiritual level.

Tuscola and Abilene To Divide 56th Meet

Program In Auditorium Marks Fiftieth Year For Hardin-Simmons

The fiftieth anniversary of the most historic session of Sweetwater Association will be held Thursday and Friday, October 10 and 11. All the meetings except that of Friday evening will be held at Tuscola with Tuscola and Ovalo churches as joint hosts. The concluding hour, at which time the annual Hardin-Simmons report will be read will be at the university auditorium, beginning at 7:15 Friday evening.

Due to the sudden death of Moderator C. D. Owen, Vice-Moderator T. J. Sparkman of Lamar Street Church will call the meeting to order at Tuscola Thursday evening. Details of organization, an address on training young people by Miss Jaxie Short and the annual sermon by Rev. D. G. Reld will occupy the evening. Reports, miscellaneous business and the missionary sermon by Dr. J. W. Bruner will feature the day sessions Friday.

Thursday morning and afternoon will be given to the work of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Association. Mrs. C. C. Compere is the president.

Friday marks the opening of the Golden Jubilee year at Hardin-Simmons University.

A program in the auditorium will observe the 50th anniversary of the original resolutions which provided for the establishment of the college. These resolutions were passed by the Sweetwater Baptist Association in the fall session, 1890.

The service will climax the association's two-day meeting, the Tuscola Baptist Church to host to the earlier session, with Dr. W. R. White as the principal speaker.

The moderator of the association is presiding over Friday night's program. It begins at 7:15, at which time the orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Preston, will play until 7:30. Then, a brief song service, led by Mr. Woodrow Harris, will be held.

A Cappella Choir will follow with a special number, directed by Mrs. Lola Deaton.

Rev. J. M. Sibley of Sweetwater will bring the devotional. This is to be followed by a harp solo from Miss Virginia Sheridan.

Mr. J. T. Haney, secretary-treasurer (Continued on page 4)

SOUTHWEST SEMINARY HAS PEAK ATTENDANCE

The Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth has completed its enrollment for the first quarter of the fall term with 622 students. This number slightly exceeds that of the whole term of last year and marks a peak in Seminary attendance of the past decade. President L. R. Scarborough has exchanged greetings with President John R. Sampey, of Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, and President W. W. Hamilton of the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, who also report increased enrollment in their schools.

Included among the 18 students from foreign countries are Dr. and Mrs. Glenn H. Walker, at home on furlough after their first term as missionaries at Ogbomoso, Nigeria, Africa. Dr. Walker, who is a native of Texas, received his A. B. and M. D. degrees from Baylor in Waco and Dallas.

This year for the first time a Student Council has been organized for the purpose of correlating and promoting all student activities on the campus. A special feature of the work of the Council will be the promotion of education among the students of the work of the B. S. U. The Council, which is composed of one representative from each of the three schools together with the president of all unit organizations, has elected Tom Neely, of Spartanburg, S. C., as its chairman, Oliver Wilbanks, of Anistown, Ala., vice-chairman, and Opal Webb of Littlefield, Texas, as secretary.

Pioneers, Envisioning Day of Greatness, Founded Baptist University in the West

By R. C. CRANE, President,
West Texas Historical Association

The sixth session of the Sweetwater Baptist Association, held at Sweetwater Friday, August 1 and Saturday 2nd, 1890, was a momentous one. It was the first session to be held with the Sweetwater Church since its organization there in August, 1885.

Since 1887 Rev. G. W. Smith had been its presiding officer. At that time, the association's bounds extended from Baird on the East to El Paso on the West, and covered a territory larger than Kentucky or Tennessee.

Actively cooperating with the association there were about 27 churches with an aggregate membership of something like 1300. The El Paso Church, though taking part in the organization of the association was so far away from its usual places of meetings, did not often send messengers; and it cannot be discovered from the early minutes that there were any other churches (Baptist) located West of the Pecos, except that at Pecos City with a membership of 27.

Pioneer Pastors
Rev. J. C. Wingo was then pastor at Abilene, though Rev. G. W. Smith had been for the preceding four years.

J. R. Spaulding was clerk of the Abilene church.

Rev. J. A. Moore, who had been chiefly instrumental, under Dr. O. C. Pope, Superintendent of Missions in the Texas Baptist State Convention, in the organization of the Association, was then pastor at Sweetwater and at Anson.

Rev. J. C. Burkett was pastor at Colorado City and Westbrook, while Rev. W. G. Caperton was pastor at Haskell and Albany. Rev. L. R. Millican was located at Midland, but also pastored the little church at Pecos City.

That part of the Association to the west of Midland, in 1902, with eight churches then organized, withdrew from the Association to organize the El Paso Association.

The minutes of the Sweetwater Baptist Association for the year 1890 show that the following churches and delegates were enrolled on the first day:

From Abilene: J. W. Steel, K. K. Leggett, Elders J. C. Wingo and G. W. Smith, J. B. Webb, W. B. Moss and wife.

Anson: Elder G. W. Scarborough, John F. Ferguson, W. F. P'Pool, W. J. Graham, and H. C. Hale.
Bledsoe (Snyder): Elder J. W. Gar-

rard, T. P. Speakman, A. J. Scarborough.

Bethel (Jones Co.): Geo. E. Eoff, and W. C. Barkley.
Colony Hill (Taylor Co.): G. W. Wells, pastor, and J. W. Spears and W. E. Horn.

Colorado City: Elder J. C. Burkett (pastor), Robert McBean, Sisters Hardy and McBean.

Fisher (Fisher Co.): Pastor W. B. Taggart (father of our W. C. Taggart), and Judge C. R. Breedlove and wife, Mary.

Haskell: A. C. Foster and W. M. Fox.

Lytle Cove (Taylor Co.): C. J. Robinson, R. M. Robinson, and R. A. Pol-lard.

Midway (Jones Co.): Joseph Swint and T. L. Sowders.

Merkel: Elder S. H. Blair, pastor, J. T. Tucker, B. A. Cox and Mrs. Blair.

Midland: Elder L. R. Millican, pastor, A. W. Hilliard and H. E. Crowley.

New Hope (Jones Co.): H. F. Curry, J. A. Cannon, and E. F. Johnson.

Prairie View (Jones Co.): C. P. Smith, E. L. McCulloch, and J. F. Bristo.

Roby (Fisher Co.): J. H. Holley, I. N. Alvis, B. H. Ratliff, Wm. H. Simons, and B. F. Dodd.

Sweetwater: Elder J. A. Moore, pastor, Judge H. C. Hord, J. C. Cox, J. Graham, and J. S. Williams.

As an early order of business and after the regular delegates had been enrolled, an election of officers resulted in the election of Rev. J. C. Wingo, pastor at Abilene, as moderator, J. T. McHan of Abilene as clerk, and Wm. Young of Abilene as treasurer.

Petitionary letters were called for and the following churches were received by letter and their messengers as listed below, were given the right hand of fellowship by the moderator:

Union: G. W. Carmichael, N. M. Finley.

Long Valley: J. B. Priddy, J. K. Adair, and Emit Latham.

Newman: T. K. Garland, Sisters Eva Thompson, Mrs. McLain, and Mrs. Jess Newman.

Spring Creek: J. J. Brandon, V. L. Phillips, and H. F. Murray.

(The above four new churches were located in Fisher and Rev. S. H. Blair was pastor at Newman and Elder J. A. Lee, missionary, was pastor of the other three.)

Pecan Bayou (Callahan Co.): E. H. Miller, and J. M. Gibson.

Westbrook (Mitchell Co.): Jacob (Continued on page 3)

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OUR FOUNDING FATHERS

The major merit in observing the anniversary of past events is the occasion which it offers for re-thinking and re-absorbing the high idealism of the fathers, upon whose foundation we stand; of paying tribute to their far-seeing vision; and of dedicating ourselves anew to the ideals of that vision.

Those men who laid the foundations of Texas institutions were clear-eyed and far-sighted. Had they been working only for their own time, they would probably have counted the privations and dangers of their lives too great a cost for the meager returns of the day. But in the bright, clean skies of a new land they could look forward to your day and mine, and beyond to that of their children's children in far generations.

Living in hardship and toil, they dreamed of a land of plenty and peace; a land of opportunity and culture. In the strength of those dreams they sacrificed to erect institutions such as Hardin-Simmons has grown to be.

A million-dollar plant and a million and one-half of endowment were, no doubt, fantastic figures to those courageous souls. But they dreamed that the school which they launched a half-century ago should stand in the front rank in institutions of higher education.

We will be unworthy of our matchless heritage if, having received into our hands the developed fruit of their dreams, we do not prove ourselves worthy sons and stewards, capable and willing to carry forward their plantings in the widened vision of another generation, and to that full fruition which it is our privilege and our heritage to attain.

If we do that, our sires will not have builded in vain and the America and the American institutions which they have bequeathed to us will endure though kingdoms crash and empires crumble.

The Town That Won't Take "No" For An Answer

By Buren Sparks

This thing called "atmosphere" carries a unique charm, besides being a great utility word in describing some person, institution or some particular section of our country. Sectionally, Texas is rich and colorful in atmosphere. Climate, topography and social environs somehow mark the man.

Cowboys are supposed to be of the same mold and appearance throughout the length and breadth of the western cowlands, yet a keen observer of cowboy dress and mannerisms may quickly label the section from which they sprang. The style and color of boot, hat, shirt, vest or vernacular will tell the tale. Despite the generalities of the tribe, the sectionalism or atmosphere is there.

All of this is but a preamble to what I wish to say about Abilene, its people and their spirit. As far back as I can remember, Abilene has been rich in atmosphere and color. Even the origin of its name, packs color.

Twenty years ago, I sat on the veranda of the old Bates hotel in Carlsbad, N. M., talking to an old time cattle baron, by the name of Merchant. In that conversation, he told me about his first trail drive to Abilene, Kansas, and the cordial treatment he received from the citizens of that town during his stay in their midst. He was so impressed with their friendly spirit, that he vowed, he would sometime name a town in Texas after the old Abilene that for years stood as the terminal for ancient cattle trails. According to him, that day came when he and a few friends slapped that self-same moniker upon a little cowtown west of Fort Worth, which later hugged the tracks of the old Texas and Pacific railroad. (Some of the old-timers around Abilene, may fall out with me about this story, but I am giving it just as I received it).

But there is one trait or characteristic about some of its leaders, that has become rather obvious, and that is, when they go after the word "Yes" and get a "No" for an answer, they immediately go into a huddle and make some kind of "medicine" that invariably puts the reverse English on that word "No." Should they ever make a gesture towards me for any humble task I might do, I would play safe on the expense and worry by sending just one wire, which would read about like this: "Yes sir, gentlemen, coming right up. The madam is packing and I am through praying."

My mind goes back to a certain time

when I was a student in Howard-Payne College. It was the year that school made a great discovery. They discovered Dr. J. D. Sandefer, then of Stephenville. Following the discovery, the board of trustees elected him as president of the school. Judge J. C. Hunter of Abilene, who was then a student in Howard-Payne, will bear testimony to the fact that, the entire study body, faculty, trustees and citizens of the town put on a celebration, when they learned that Dr. Sandefer would accept the presidency of the school. Songs, shouts, cheers and tears filled the air.

Then a few days later there fell a gloom as thick and tangible as the darkness in Carlsbad Cavern. Like Poe's Raven, it perched upon the top pinnacle of the old administration building and with its black wings outstretched, mantled the whole town in a gloom as somber as the robe of an old time undertaker. In this case, the Raven was the message that Dr. Sandefer had accepted the presidency of old Simmons College, located in the town that had never learned how to take "No" for an answer. Later in a personal conversation, Dr. Sandefer told me that when he first visited Abilene, at the invitation of its leaders, that he had fully made up his mind to accept the presidency of Howard-Payne, but after the call to Simmons, Dr. L. R. Scarborough and others kept him on his knees so long, in that memorable prayer meeting, that about 2 o'clock in the morning Dr. Sandefer said, "Lee, if you will stop the praying and let me get up and get the cramps out of my legs, I'll agree to take the job." Thus ended the prayer meeting and also the fond hopes of Howard-Payne College.

So a few weeks ago when the daily press carried the news that Dr. W. R. White had been called to the presidency of Hardin-Simmons University, some of us said, "Well, we see right now that old Oklahoma is going to lose one of its prominent citizens. Billy may say 'No,' but that doesn't make any difference. He hasn't any more chance than Chamberlain had at Munich." Well, he did say "No," but what happened? In less than two weeks, Billy was packing his books, while the lovely Mrs. Billy was packing the dishes. He too had learned how to put the reverse English on the word "No."

My hat is off to such a town and blessed is the man that pays a poll tax in the city of Abilene!

News Notes

Secretary J. W. Bill Marshall of Baptist Student work in Texas, just back from a summer of volunteer missionary work among youth in the Orient, will conduct the annual Baylor University revival the week of October 28, President Pat M. Neff has announced.

Dr. W. T. Conner and Dr. T. B. Maston, professors in the Southwestern Baptist Seminary, were guest speakers at the Fall Retreat of the Life-Service organization at Howard Payne College, Brownwood, the past week-end.

First Church, Georgetown, where Rev. P. C. Williams is pastor, had 100 additions during the associational year, 62 of them by baptism.

Pastor H. D. Bruce of Midland assisted Pastor N. W. Pitts in a revival at Coahoma with Connell Taylor of H-SU leading the singing. There were 21 additions and a marked spirit of revival.

Rev. T. L. Kilpatrick of Iowa Park supplied for Pastor Jack Manning at Burk Burnett Sunday night.

J. D. Riddle, president of the Texas Training Union, is assisting in a study course at First Church, San Angelo. Other churches in the city have workers attending.

First Church, Sweetwater, will have a Training Union revival October 14 to 18. They have a goal of 153 awards.

Evangelist Truman L. Crouch supplied at Throckmorton Sunday morning. Recently he spoke for Dr. W. R. White at the Red Fork Association at Paducah.

Rev. J. C. Parks has been called as pastor at Highland Home Church. They will have a study course this month.

The Taylor County Training Union Federation will meet at University Church, Sunday afternoon, October 13, at 3. The service was postponed from the first Sunday on account of the funeral of Rev. C. D. Owen.

Rev. W. P. Brian of H-SU preached at Admiral last Sunday.

Pastor Clyde Campbell announces that Calvary Church, Abilene, will have a Sunday School training course next week.

The baby of Rev. and Mrs. Pedro Hernandez, Mexican missionaries in Sweetwater Association, was buried Monday afternoon.

North Park Church, Abilene, is planning to erect a new building for use as an auditorium and will make the present structure into class rooms. Construction will be under way within a short time, states Pastor F. A. Hollis.

Mexican Missionary Pedro A. Hernandez will hold services at Sweetwater on Sunday mornings, at Merkel in the afternoons and at Abilene at night. A report has been circulated that there is a new mission building at Abilene, but this is an error. A movement is under way to erect such a building but several hundred dollars are needed before construction can begin.

Rev. R. E. Jones of Seminary Hill has accepted the call to be pastor at Royston and will move on the field.

Pastor L. A. Doyle of Anson preached the sermon of the day at the Fishers Workers meeting with Pledge Church Monday. A good meeting was reported.

ELMDALE REACHES GOAL ON TRAINING AWARDS

As a member of the "One Hundred Club," the Elmdale Training Union has reached its goal of a hundred awards for 1940. A study course completed last week for intermediates and juniors in which 21 awards were earned made a total of 106 awards for the entire Union for 1940. The Training Union director, Ralph Antille, is to be commended for his splendid work with the Union this past year.

There were also 21 Sunday School awards earned last week by Sunday School workers. Several will be able to get their Sunday School Workers diploma as a result of this study course.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS ESSENTIAL TO LIBERTY

B. J. O. ROUSE

Report on Christian Education at Wilbarger-Board Association

The perpetuity of our cherished American principles of freedom and independence, religiously and politically, depends largely upon the education of our people. The State is prohibited from teaching religion per se in its institutions for the reason that our fundamental law guarantees to every individual the right to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience.

Men have differed down through the ages as to the proper interpretation of the Holy Bible and its teachings to humanity. This has brought about the establishment of denominations among our people, and each denomination in order properly to teach and promulgate its interpretations have established schools wherein these principles may be taught to those attending them without the interference on the part of the State.

Our Baptist people have not been derelict in their duty in this regard. In the early history of our State, our Baptist leaders established institutions for the promulgation of Christian education among our people. These institutions have been multiplied until today we have eight Baptist educational institutions located throughout Texas, that stand ready to give to our people, the Baptist interpretation of Christian Education.

We have 17 State educational institutions located strategically throughout Texas, which draw thousands of Baptist boys and girls annually, for the reason that they are nearer home, and less expensive. To those living in and near the towns where these state institutions are located, the expenses may be less, but to those who live at a distance, we believe that our denominational schools are as cheap as those of the State, and should receive the patronage of our people.

There are, perhaps, more Baptist boys and girls attending our State schools than any other denomination; this places upon us the responsibility of caring for their spiritual needs. These are being cared for by the noble pastors of the Baptist churches located at and near these institutions, supplemented by the denomination which is supporting teachers who devote their time to teaching the Bible. The BSU organizations on the campuses of our State institutions are doing a marvelous work in taking care of the Baptist boys and girls at the State colleges, but these are not enough. A more determined and enlarged plan of work should be supported by our people in order that we may reach that vast body of pupils with whom these workers come in contact.

A democracy cannot survive without a full and complete dissemination of knowledge among all classes of citizens. Baptists compose the one great religious democracy of the world, and have always stood for freedom in worship, freedom in speech and freedom in education. If we expect to continue the enjoyment of these ancient and revered principles of liberty, we must continue to point the way to those nobler and higher instincts of man, that we may develop in the rising generation an inspiration for that knowledge that comes only through the highest type of Christian education.

AMERICAN PROVERBS

By O. D. Henley

Man that is born of woman is of few days and full of foolish notions.

If God will send rain upon the unjust, water can be carried for the just.

Politicians' children are politicians to the third and fourth generations.

He who works for the government should work the government.

Those who want to grind their axes never want to pay their taxes.

Barking dogs never bite—after they lose their teeth.

Debt are to be made, but not to be paid.

He who is able to buy a Georgia stock should buy a tractor.

A little folly often produces a big fool.

Fools are easily fooled.

Big wages and little work bespeak pull.

A purse adds to personality.

Democracies rule by the alphabet.

MISSIONARY'S BROTHER DIES

R. S. Walker, "Bob" to a host of friends, died suddenly at his Abilene home last week. He was the brother of Miss Blanche Rose Walker, retired missionary to China. For many years his home had been her American home. He was active in Sunday School and Training Union work at First Church till the time of his departure.

Sunday School Lesson

October 13, 1940

By Hight C. Moore

THE BOYHOOD OF JESUS

Read Luke 2

Study Luke 2:40-52

On the night of his birth in Bethlehem, Jesus was heralded by the angels and worshipped by the shepherds. Forty days later came his presentation in the Temple at Jerusalem when he was recognized by Simeon and Anna. After the visit of the wise men and the flight into Egypt, Joseph brought Mary and Jesus back to Palestine. They returned to their former home at Nazareth which was beautifully situated among the Galilean hills, a thousand feet above the Plain of Esdraelon, ten miles from the Sea of Galilee, and eighteen from the Mediterranean. It may have been a priestly town, is said to have been on the caravan route from Acre to Damascus, and had a population estimated at from five to fifteen thousand. The home here was fit for the upbringing of Immanuel, being hedged in by constant industry, sweetened by unfailing love, and illumined daily by the study of the Scriptures. The local synagogue afforded instruction supplemental to that received in the home. Thus surrounded by the plain comforts of a carpenter's home, receptive of the godly instructions of a pious mother, mingling with the children of the village and observant of all that came and went, Jesus grew from infancy to manhood. Concerning the events of these 28 years (approximately) the Gospel records tell us nothing except Luke's solitary account of his first visit to Jerusalem.

1. Childhood: Two (?) to Twelve

THE TRAITS OF CHILDHOOD were ideally exhibited in the infancy of Jesus. His development was in four directions. First, of course, it was physical. "The child grew" in body; his infant frame was subject to the physical laws governing us today. Moreover, he increased in wisdom. As the child of Mary, he was not endowed with infinite knowledge; but his mind was eager, alert, appreciative; so that he gained knowledge and attained wisdom. Also, he steadily advanced in popularity among his associates. They cast out and rejected the Perfect Man, but they loved and admired the Perfect Boy. And, again, in favor of God he advanced with the advancing years. He needed no conversion as we do, but he had the capacity for spiritual expansion, for enlarging usefulness, and for increasing heavenly approval.

2. Boyhood: Trip to the Temple

THE TRAINING OF BOYHOOD was divinely illustrated in the visit to Jerusalem. At twelve he made the memorable visit to attend the Passover. The historic scenes along the way, the multitudes of pilgrims from every quarter, and the first glimpse of the Holy City as they neared its walls must have thrilled the youthful traveler. Intense must have been his interest in everything he saw and heard. And when Joseph and Mary joined a Galilean caravan on the way home, men and women and children traveling in separate groups, Jesus was left behind. Retracing their steps, Joseph and Mary on the third day found Jesus in the Temple in the midst of the doctors, an attentive hearer and a diligent student. His spiritual insight and mental grasp of truth astounded all observers. To the mild interrogatory rebuke of his mother, Jesus responded in his first recorded words, "How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" Thus early dawned upon him the consciousness of his mission as the Son of God. Nevertheless, he abandoned the congenial circle of the Temple rabbi in order to go home with humble Mary and Joseph; the courts of the sanctuary with its capable teachers and unnumbered worshippers he left to retrace the dusty way northward; he returned from the glorious capital to abide in insignificant Nazareth; and notwithstanding the conception of his mission as the Son of the Most High, he was willingly subject to Joseph and Mary.

3. Youthhood: Twelve to Thirty

THE TOIL OF YOUTHHOOD occupied and irradiated the 18 silent years. They must have been years of severest discipline: submission to a power that was infinitely less than his; the drudgery of incessant toil when angels were his rightful servants; obscurity in Nazareth when the heavens were full of his glory; and waiting his time when the world apparently needed him at once. Yet he patiently toiled in that narrow sphere till he was conversant in three or four languages; till he had traversed the domain of Nature and gathered its ripest sheaves; till he

had observed every phase of human character, fair and foul; and till the Scriptures were fitted into every fold and crevice of his being. Thus in the holy childhood and through the long unrecorded years that force was developing which in three years of public life startled the world and laid the foundations of an indestructible kingdom.

Gold in the Golden Text

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.—Luke 2:52.

Grow as Jesus grew.

Grow in body; and see that physical growth is normal and symmetrical. Grow in mind; and let all intellectual growth keep Jesus as the model of mentality.

Grow in soul; for spiritual growth opens avenues of service to our fellowmen.

Grow like Christ!

Daily Bible Readings

Oct. 14—Make Ready for the Lord. Luke 3:1-16.

Oct. 15—The Need of Repentance. Luke 13:1-5.

Oct. 16—"What Must We Do?" Luke 3:10-14.

Oct. 17—Personal Preparation. Psalm 51:1-10.

Oct. 18—Fruits of Repentance. Luke 3:7-9.

Oct. 19—Expectant Faith. Luke 3:15-17.

Oct. 20—Good Tidings. Luke 3:18-22.

RESOLUTION

Authorized by Throckmorton-Young Baptist Association, With Jean Baptist Church, Sept. 3-4

Whereas, the territory of these two counties, Throckmorton and Young, is "dry," and

Whereas, the local option principal has been repeatedly upheld by the courts of the state, and

Whereas, the reports of the liquor control board show that more whiskey in sold, per capita, in dry counties than in wet counties, through the drug stores in the dry counties, and

Whereas, the medicinal permit section of the liquor control act provides that drug stores in dry counties may dispense liquor, "for medicinal purposes only," and makes it unlawful for any physicians to prescribe liquor "for any other reason than medicinal purposes," and

Whereas, it is generally known that the spirit and intent of the law is flagrantly violated by unscrupulous physicians,

Therefore, Be It Resolved:

1. That we go on record as favoring such legislation as will make effective the local option provisions of our state constitution and statutes. To that end, we suggest the following:

(1) That laws be enacted requiring all physicians prescribing liquor to have a license to do so, issued by the Liquor Control Board.

(2) That such physicians be required to maintain their membership in local and general medical associations.

(3) That they be physicians who maintain a regular practice of medicine in the communities where they reside.

(4) That their offices be separated from the drug stores where liquor is dispensed.

(5) That they have no financial interest in the drug stores where their liquor prescriptions are filled.

(6) That they be required to examine patients for whom liquor is prescribed and that a written report of the examination be kept on file for inspection by proper authorities.

(7) That the signature of the patient be required on each prescription.

(8) That in no case will the physician be permitted to sign in advance of filling any number of prescriptions to be left in drug stores to be filled out by the druggist.

(9) That no physician employed by or receiving salary from a drug store be permitted to prescribe liquor.

(10) That any violation of the above will forfeit the license of the physician which may not be renewed for one year, and also make the violator subject to fine or imprisonment, or both.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to our state representative-elect and to our state senator, with the earnest plea that they use their influence to secure legislation that will make effective the expressed will of the people in dry territory.

Respectfully submitted by the committee,

J. D. THORN, Chairman,
W. H. REEVES.

Pioneers, Envisioning Day of Greatness

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Chesney, D. B. Morrell, and Sister A. H. Baines.

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The following visitors were invited to have seats in the Association: Elder L. B. Allen of Bethel Church (Fisher Co.), Elder R. C. Burleson, president of Baylor University at Waco; Rev. J. M. Carroll, of Lampasas, then superintendent of State Missions, L. R. Scruggs of Dallas, and Judge J. B. Scarborough of Waco, who had been in the organization of the Association and was its first secretary, but had removed to Waco about two years before, from his former home at Sweetwater.

The minutes of the Association show that the question of the location of a high school within the bounds of the Association was set to come up at 8:30 p.m. of the first day's session; but without explanation, the question came up and was settled the following Saturday morning.

Committee on Christian Education

The committee on Christian Education, consisting of Elder G. W. Smith and K. K. Leggett of Abilene, and J. S. Williams of Sweetwater, made a ringing report in behalf of Christian education.

There were 22 churches represented by messengers, located in nine different counties. These 22 churches had a total membership of 1,207 members. Abilene is given 263 members, Anson 105, Colorado City 140, Sweetwater 104. Thus four churches contained more than one-half of the membership in all of the 22 churches represented, while the remaining 18 churches had an average membership of 32. The four churches as shown contained 614 members and the 18 contained 595 members.

For a month or more before the meeting of the Association, the school question had been discussed at Abilene, and had been receiving the attention of some of the leading members of the church there. Elder G. W. Smith had been taking a leading part in that discussion, and in the steps taken toward organic action to establish the school.

Just who was first to suggest the idea of the school cannot probably be now definitely proven. Link says that it was J. C. Wingo, but the other facts hardly sustain that statement. Others say that it was Henry Sayles, Sr., who was a large property owner in Abilene. In any event, it fell to the lot of Rev. G. W. Smith to bear the brunt of the effort and the labor, then and for a number of years afterwards to establish the school and further its interests in every way possible.

The need for better schools prob-

ably had much to do with the fruiting of the idea.

At that time, the public schools of Texas had only six months sessions; the country was newly settled and everything was new; the first railroad to come into the region (the Texas & Pacific) had started Abilene by a public sale of town lots on March 15, 1881.

Other Colleges

The Methodists had a college at Belle Plain near Baird, while the Cumberland Presbyterians had located one at Buffalo Gap, about 12 miles from where Abilene was afterwards located and built; and both of these schools were in operation at that time.

There is little, if any, doubt as to the object of Dr. Burleson's coming out to West Texas to attend the sessions of the Association. He was then engaged in discouraging the idea of any more Baptist schools in Texas. It is also easy to surmise that the coming back to the meeting of the Association at Sweetwater, where he had lived in its early days for about six years by Judge J. B. Scarborough, was because of a friendly attitude, if not at the suggestion of Dr. Burleson, on the school question. He early became and continued a fast friend and a trustee of Baylor University, after locating in Waco.

When the resolutions providing for the establishment of a high school within the bounds of the Association came up, Dr. Burleson requested the courtesy of the floor, and it was promptly granted by the moderator, for he was venerable man and had long been prominent in Baptist denominational and school affairs in Texas.

But before the question came to the Association, it had been discussed among Baptists at Abilene. Wm. Young, a prominent member of the Baptist Church at Abilene for many years, and still living, says that he was present at a meeting held for its promotion in the back end of his dry goods store when the resolutions as presented, and passed at the Association, was given approval. At that meeting, he says, Dr. Wingo expressed his doubts that the school would ever be built, but suggested that Dr. Smith seemed to think otherwise and expressed a willingness to please him and approve the plan.

Resolutions

The resolutions in question as are follows:

"Resolved 1st. That it is the sense of the Association that a Baptist high school within the bounds of our Association is a necessity;

"2nd. That the moderator appoint a committee of seven, consisting of K. K. Leggett of Abilene, G. W. Smith of Abilene, J. M. Hanna of Anson, J. F. Ferguson of Anson, H. C. Hord of Sweetwater, C. R. Breedlove of Fisher, and G. W. Smith of Colorado. The said committee have plenary power to accept bids for the location of the school, and that any four of said committee shall constitute a quorum. Provided, that on the question of location of the school a full vote of the committee, either in person or by proxy, shall be taken;

"3rd. That said committee, when the school is located, shall jointly with the church where said school shall be located have plenary power to appoint a board of trustees and to do all things necessary to the establishment of said school.

"4th. That the locating committee shall report in full and in detail to the 5th Sunday meetings from time to time as the work progresses and an annual report to the next session of the Association."

Of the members, four of them were lawyers: Leggett, Hord, Breedlove and G. W. Smith of Colorado.

K. K. Leggett

Leggett was a prominent young lawyer of Abilene, and in 1884 had been one of the presidential electors, to vote for Grover Cleveland for president.

Smith of Abilene had been for about four years pastor at Abilene, but a short time before had been succeeded by Rev. J. C. Wingo. At that time he was in the real estate business, supplying churches as opportunity was afforded; Hanna was a real estate agent at Anson and a cousin of Judge Hord; Ferguson was county clerk of Jones County; Hord was a prominent lawyer at Sweetwater and was associated in business with Judge J. B. Scarborough when the latter removed to Waco; Breedlove was a graduate of Baylor University at Independence in 1888 while Dr. Burleson was its president; had been for many years prominent in Baptist denominational and school affairs, and had been treasurer of the old Texas Baptist State Convention. At that time he was living on his ranch just

north of Roby in Fisher County, after having been for many years one of the most prominent lawyers in Central Texas, with home at Brenham, Washington County, where Baylor University was located from its establishment in 1854 until 1886, when it was consolidated with Waco University and located at Waco; Smith of Colorado was a prominent lawyer, and Secretary of State under Governor Hogg.

When Waco and Baylor Universities were consolidated at Waco, a new site was required by the terms of the consolidation, and that required the expenditure of a considerable sum of money for the new plant.

In 1890 there was a very considerable debt standing against the school, of which Dr. Burleson was president; and the debt was burdensome to the school and the denomination.

Burleson Address

Dr. Burleson argued that there were too few people in West Texas to have any hopes of the proposed new school ever getting anywhere towards a firm foundation; that the Baptists of Texas had tried to establish quite a number of schools over the state and had failed, and that Baylor University, which was then about the only Baptist school in Texas, and with the Baptists of every part of the State to supply its students, was still not overly prosperous, and a considerable debt which had to be met stood against the plant.

Judge Hord says: "He made a very plausible argument."

He was replied to by several, including Leggett, Hord and Dr. Smith, to the effect that while admitting the logic of Dr. Burleson's argument, yet that those behind the movement were planning for the future, in a new country, and were laying foundations accordingly.

The resolutions were adopted overwhelmingly, after the conclusion of the discussion, and thus Hardin-Simmons University was launched.

Incidentally, it may be stated that the debt which was bothering Dr. Burleson at that time, and the raising of it almost immediately afterwards, was the thing which first brought into prominence in Texas young Geo. W. Truett, who has since grown into such prominence in Baptist affairs all over the world.

School Located

In October following, the committee provided for by the foregoing resolutions met at Abilene, after giving notice of the meeting and its purpose to receive bids for the location of the proposed school.

Dr. Smith presided. Several bids were received, from several different places, but the one which was considered the best was made by a syndicate which owned a considerable acreage located in the Northern edge of Abilene.

This syndicate consisted of Geo. P. Phillips of Abilene, of the firm of Cameron & Phillips, the first and a lead firm of hardware dealers, and

Theo. O. Vogel and E. T. Ambler of Fort Worth.

Incidentally, the names of Vogel and Ambler are preserved in streets named for them, running East and West, and located on the north and on the south sides of the present university campus.

The accepted offer for the location of the school consisted of 16 acres of land (being Block No. 3 in North Park addition to Abilene), and \$5,000 in cash, on condition that the school would be located and maintained on the site; and that at least \$5,000 additional should be raised by the friends of the proposition, for the erection of the main college building.

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PROGRAM

Mitchell-Scurry Workers Meeting, Second Baptist Church, Colorado City, Tuesday, October 15

9:30 Devotional, C. E. Dossey.
9:40 Morning message, Horace Bloodworth.

10:00 Dynamic Baptist Doctrines, Ira Harrison, G. W. Parks.

10:20 Growing in Grace, A. D. Leach, W. A. Strickland.

10:40 Inspirational Information, W. C. Harrison, P. E. Gonzales.

11:00 Mexican Missions, Arthur E. Travis, R. E. Bratton.

11:30 "The Christ-Centered College," M. E. Davis, Brownwood.

Lunch by the ladies.

1:30 Ladies and Laymen meetings.

2:00 Everyday Evangelism, Dean Elkins, T. L. Nipp.

2:20 Editorial Evangelism, R. E. Dudley, Abilene.

2:30 True Tithing, Forrest Huffman, W. C. Williamson.

2:50 Associational Aims, G. A. Elrod, Fred Smith.

3:10 "Separated Saints," M. H. Godfrey.

Evening

7:30 Song service, Jim Fields.

8:00 "The Christ-Mastered Minister," Arvin Swearingen.

8:30 Ordination service.

GIDEON'S 300 ELECT OFFICERS

Gideon's 300, the volunteer band of University Church, elected new officers Saturday night, September 28. J. L. Florrow was chosen president; Vernice Cathey, vice-president; Eva Lois Harmonson, secretary; Ovell Orr, treasurer; Katherine Todd, personal service chairman; Alvin Hatton, extension chairman; Dalton Keith, jail service chairman; Trixie Wood, pianist.

This group recently took a religious census of the university area and are leading in personal work at the University Church revival. A group also assisted in a Mexican service at Hodges Sunday afternoon.

Spurgeon said, "When you hear a thing, half it, then quarter it, then forget all about it."

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Dispel our fears, our pray'rs be heeding."

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CHINA BUILDS ON CHRIST BILL MARSHALL REPORTS

By C. E. Bryant, Jr.

Christianity, giving courage and unity to the Chinese people and undermining the pagan foundations of the Japanese empire, is one of Japan's greatest obstacles in her invasion of China. J. W. Bill Marshall, Baptist Student Secretary of Texas, said at Baylor University upon his return from four months in the Orient.

The little church with a school by its side, the symbol of the strength of American democracy, is the center for the building of China's new civilization—a reconstruction process that progresses rapidly behind the battle-lines.

Christianity is out of its infancy in China. It is so firmly established that it will endure from generation to generation regardless of whether American missionaries are forced from the field by Japanese military dictates, Marshall avers.

War has, in reality, been a blessing in disguise to the spread of churches and schools in China. Japanese bombs have wrecked the educational centers along the coast and have forced the colleges to move toward the interior. Only the University of Shanghai and Saint Johns University in Shanghai and Yenching University in Peking have remained in their original homes.

The other colleges, really "universities on wheels," have been reestablished in "match sheds" and are now accessible to the vast number of illiterates in interior China where schools have never been before. The word of educated people is accepted without question, and the students going out from our Christian colleges are doing much to spread the story of Christianity.

Youth by the scores are volunteering as missionaries to the western and northern China frontiers. In a five day youth revival Marshall conducted at the Grace Baptist Church in Shanghai, there were 400 decisions, either conversions or dedications to the ministry. Youth meetings were held throughout China during the summer, and a single conference in Harbin, Manchukuo, enrolled 1,200 delegates.

The Grace Church itself is an example of the rapid growth of Christianity in the Orient since mission work began. When organized by Dr. R. T. Bryan 35 years ago in a stable it had only 11 members. The present auditorium of 1,800 capacity overflowed at each of Marshall's week-day afternoon services, and plans are now on foot to build an auditorium to seat 4,000. This is only one of now six churches in Shanghai.

Natives are now the leaders in China church circles, while the missionaries sit back and look on, Marshall observed. All church offices, either in the universities or the denominational headquarters, are being filled by Chinese native Christians, with the single exception of the university at Peking.

"When you return, ask the people in America to pray for the native workers," he quoted Dr. Bryan as saying. "We missionaries have come to the place where we have to get out of their way."

"I've spent my life here," the aging missionary continued. "Now I stand aside and watch them do the work."

The Chinese government, under the splendid Christian leadership of Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek, is following the lead of the churches in establishing a wide-spreading state school system. This step also follows the history of American education, in that church schools preceded state institutions, and as in America the two are working together harmoniously.

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discussions pertaining to State Missions, at the close of which the missionary preached. We believe this week of prayer will mean much in every phase of the church life. Monday noon there was an all-day meeting of First Church, Spur, WMS. Spoke to them at the luncheon. Tuesday afternoon spoke to Bethel WMS. Then Wednesday at Dickens all-day meeting. Thursday Dickens Workers Conference met at Friendship. Brought closing message there. During the week we contacted four pastorless churches. Thursday night preached at Kalgary, 22 miles southwest of Spur. Hope they will call soon.

It has been a profitable week. Things are looking up in Dickens Association. Had to turn down an invitation I really would like to have accepted. A member of a wagon gang on one of the ranches below Spur asked me to come down and "preach to the wagon." I'm going some of these days. That would be something, wouldn't it, to get to preach to a gang of cowboys in a bunkhouse? Then spend the night with them.

Many of the pastors are really getting under the October mission offering. Two have already indicated that their churches voted to give all that comes in on fourth Sunday to missions. That was the plan last year. The thing we want to major this year is a minimum of one day's offering.

The goal for Texas for October is \$200,000. The goal that Dr. Campbell has suggested is \$11,000. We set ours at \$20,000 before this was issued. The latter is still our goal. Some of the pastors have said they had short crops, but in many sections they are better than ever. So with all sections doing their best we can reach our objective. We have three Sundays left. Make them count. Every pastor will lead his church, or churches, to come in in October. Twenty-four in the District have not made an offering all the year.

It is hoped that every church in the District will see that its pastor goes to the Houston Convention. The railway coach fare from Plainview is \$11.21 one way. Wit has clergy, that is the fare for the round trip. Several can go in cars and make it lighter all the way 'round. See that your pastor goes to the Convention. It is hoped to have the District minutes out earlier this year. As soon as all the clerks get their material in, we'll go to press. The printer has guaranteed to deliver within 45 days after receipt of first copy. All guaranteed complete satisfaction in every way, or it is still his minutes. And incidentally he assures us of a good cover. And that all charts will be in line.

Preach tomorrow, the 6th, at Hereford. In the afternoon will visit in the community of a dead church ten miles from Farwell. Hope we can get something started out there.

Missionary Messages

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FIRST CHURCH INVITES ALL TO MISSION SCHOOL

Everyone interested in missions is invited to attend the all-church school of missions at First Church, Abilene, October 14 to 18, states Miss Jaxie Short, assistant director of education.

Guest speakers for the week will be Dr. R. S. Jones of Dallas, field secretary for the Foreign Mission Board, and long a missionary in Brazil; Dr. and Mrs. Ben D. Oliver, Hardin-Simmons alumni who are spending a furlough year from Brazilian work in the States; and Miss Itsuka Saito, Hawaiian-born Japanese.

Mrs. Oliver is the former Edith Deter, daughter of Dr. A. B. Deter, veteran Brazilian missionary. She was born in Brazil but has many school friends in North America.

Miss Saito is an American citizen and is a graduate of Dodd College, Shreveport and of Baylor University. She is now in her senior year at Southwestern Seminary and plans to return to Hawaii to do mission work among her people. She spoke to a large audience in Abilene some months ago where she was guest speaker for the First Church Brotherhood. She toured District 17 in 1939 under the sponsorship of Missionary B. N. Shepherd.

Services next week will begin at seven with an introductory assembly, followed by one hour conference periods for various groups. At 8:15 each evening one of the missionaries will address the assembly in the church auditorium and pictures of mission fields will be shown.

LUBBOCK OBSERVES FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF PASTOR

Sunday, October 3, marked the fourth anniversary of Dr. C. E. Hereford as pastor of First Church, Lubbock. During these years there have been 2,211 additions. Six departments and 21 classes have been added to the Sunday School, which now averages 1,244, a gain of 336. A total of \$163,250 has been contributed through the church, \$20,710 going through the Cooperative Program and \$14,930 going to other mission causes. Leo E. Waite is education director of this great church.

DR. WALKER VISITS IN LAMESA ASSOCIATION

Dr. Glenn Walker, medical missionary to Nigeria who is spending his furlough year in Southwestern Seminary, was guest speaker at three churches in Lamesa Association last week-end. He was with the churches at Woody, Fairview and Midway where his messages were received with the greatest interest.

CLAUDE HARRIS BEGINS PASTORATE AT WAYLAND

After being dormant for 10 years, Wayland Church in Stephens County has called Rev. C. H. Harris as pastor and is looking forward to great progress. The revival of the church was the outgrowth of a revival led by Rev. Harris recently. Twelve old members of the church remained in the community, 13 others joined during the meeting and two at the first regular service.

The pastor, who is a student at H-SU, was ordained September 29 by Necessity Church in a service at Parks. Pastor Guy Lewis of the two churches gave the charge to the church; Rev. A. A. Davis, Baird, charged the pastor; Associational Missionary Blair presented the Bible; District Missionary J. H. Littleton questioned the candidate; Rev. Balde-ree led the ordination prayer and Dr. N. A. Moore of H-SU preached the sermon.

REDWINE TO ORDAIN MINISTER

Redwine Church in Brownfield Association will ordain Bruce Gibbs to the Gospel ministry at 3 Sunday afternoon, October 13. He is a graduate of the Oklahoma Panhandle A. & M. College at Goodwell. Pastor W. P. Brian will question the candidate; Rev. E. J. Cobb, pastor at New Home, will lead the ordination prayer; Rev. A. A. Brian of Levelland, brother of the pastor, will give the charge to the preacher; Pastor Geo. A. Dale of Tahoka will charge the church; and Missionary J. Lowell Ponder will preach the sermon.

Golden Jubilee—

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er of the Board of Trustees, will bring a report from the board.

Dr. Truett Walton, chairman of the program committee of the semi-centennial committee and president of Ranger Junior College, will talk on the founding of Simmons College. He will also discuss plans for the semi-centennial.

President White is to deliver an address, at the close of Dr. Walton's. The singing of the Hardin-Simmons Anthem will close the program.

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CHURCH BULLETIN SECTION

CLYDE W. M. U. ORGANIZES FOR NEW YEAR OF WORK

"In connection with the Week of Prayer for State Missions last week, the Clyde W. M. U. perfected the organization for the new associational year. Records for the last year showed it to be the best in many years.

Mrs. W. L. Sikes was elected president, Mrs. M. A. Newton, vice-president, and Mrs. D. P. Hollis, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. W. B. Barton is young people's counselor; Mrs. L. M. Green, Y. W. A. sponsor; Mrs. G. A. Bagwell, intermedaite G. A. sponsor; Mrs. R. P. Adams, junior G. A. sponsor; and Misses Evelyn Hollis and Bessie Rogers, Sunbeam leaders.

Committee chairmen include Mrs. Mattie Hand, Bible; Mrs. R. P. Adams, education; Mrs. J. W. B. Rogers, personal service; Mrs. Jim Bauleh, mission; Mrs. Shofner, mission study; Mrs. Maude Brisco, stewardship; Mr. D. P. Hollis, periodicals; Mrs. Margaret Tate, benevolence; Mrs. M. A. Newton, publicity and Mrs. Bertie Barker, historian.

SECOND BAPTIST, COLORADO CITY

"State Mission Investments" will be the subject of the pastor's morning message next Sunday, and the church will make its offering for State Missions. We hope to have enough to make our offering \$100 for the year.

"The Tie That Binds" will be the subject for the evening evangelistic sermon.

A teacher training class with Noble Walker as president and the pastor as teacher has been organized to run through the winter with sessions each Sunday and a week of training each month.

SCOTT W. HICKEY, Pastor.

WILMETH

The work continues to grow and to move forward. I wish to express again my thanks for the way the church has carried on during my absence and for the many good things they have done for me.

Remember our conference on Saturday night before the third Sunday and also be praying for our service on Sunday morning when we will observe the Lord's Supper.

SAM E. BRIAN, Pastor.

O. K.

After a long absence I will be with you again Sunday and would like to see all of you and thank you for the love and faithfulness that you have shown during my recent illness. Let us plan to make this a great year for Christ and His cause.

SAM E. BRIAN, Pastor.

REDWINE

All members and friends are invited to be present at our church at 3 Sunday afternoon, October 13, at the ordination services of Brother Bruce Gibbs.

We will have conference at 7:30 Saturday. Sunday School at 10 Sunday morning; Training Union at 7:30 in the evening and preaching at 11 and 8. The W. M. U. meets at 2:30 Monday. Teachers and prayer meeting will be at 7 Wednesday evening.

W. P. BRIAN, Pastor.

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Sunday School, 10:00, T. V. Ellison, superintendent.

Training Union, 7:30, Archie Acker, director.

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