

# WEST TEXAS BAPTIST

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## SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION MEETS AT ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

The Convention will hold its seventy-seventh session in the "Sunshine City," beginning Friday morning, 9 o'clock, May 13, and continuing through the Monday afternoon session. It is reported that St. Petersburg is a wonderfully attractive city, well equipped for taking care of the Convention. In 1911 and in 1922 the Convention met in Jacksonville, the only times it has ever met in Florida.

Because of extreme distances and because of the change in the Constitution at the last session in regard to limiting the representation of any one church to three messengers and also to the method of appointing these by the local churches, the matter of attendance at the approaching sessions is problematic. However, Dr. E. C. Routh, of Oklahoma, who offered the resolution that changed the Constitution last year, has given notice that he will offer an amendment at the opening session increasing the number of possible messengers from any one church to eight. He suggests that the church elect all the messengers they are entitled to on the basis of one for every \$250 contributed for denominational objects, and that as soon as his amendment is carried they may be seated as messengers.

It is highly important that every section of the Convention territory be well represented this year. Perhaps the Convention has never faced more vital problems than those that will come before this session. One of the important objectives, of course, will be to devise ways and means for making adequate provision for the debts on our denominational agencies and institutions and at the same time to make it possible for these to continue to function effectively along the lines already projected. The need of a great South-wide and world-wide spiritual awakening will doubtless occupy the center of the stage.

Several pre-convention meetings will be held in St. Petersburg, including the annual session of the W. M. U., Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, May 11, 12, in the First Congregational Church, and that of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, which will meet in the First Baptist Church at 9 a. m., Thursday, May 12, and continue through the evening session. The General Secretary, Dr. John T. Henderson, and his associates, have arranged a highly inspirational program.

### REVIVAL AT CLOVIS

There were 53 additions to the First Baptist Church, Clovis, N. M., at the Southern Baptist Rev. Convention, State Meeting and State Executive Board Meeting.

Letters and Postals Written..... 139

No. of Women in District..... 4374

No. Active in Organization..... 997

No. of Tithers ..... 401

Class Attained in Standard of Excellence

3 A                      4 B                      1 C

No. Full-Graded W. M. U.'s..... 5

## Field Notes

W. R. Derr

As I write these notes I am in the West Texas Baptist Hospital sitting propped up in the bed. I have been here for thirty-three days. I hope, however, to return home within the next few days. The Lord has been merciful and spared my life. I wish to thank my friends everywhere for their intercessory prayers and for their deep concern in my welfare. Never shall I forget the many inquiries, visits and letters from my friends and brethren. May the Lord bless you all in my prayer.

The Big Spring Worker's Conference met with the Mexican Baptist Church of Big Spring on April fifth. Reports from the meeting inform that it was well attended and a good program was rendered. The next meeting will be held with the Greenwood Church on Tuesday after the first

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## DISTRICT ELEVEN PASSES PROHIBITION RESOLUTIONS

The District Baptist Training Service and Sunday School Convention of District 11 met in Olney April 5-6.

Please publish this resolution which was adopted by the Convention.

### RESOLUTION

Resolved: first, that this Convention representing 13 counties in West Texas with 118 Baptist churches with a membership of about 20,000 go on record as heartily and enthusiastically favoring a movement set in action by our State B. T. S. Convention of Texas to promote temperance and prohibition sentiment among the Baptists of Texas, through the oratorical contest when national prohibition will be discussed. This contest is to be promoted in all of our churches in our district with the elimination contest at the State Convention in Houston, Thanksgiving day and the two days following. That, we assure our State Director T. C. Gardner of Dallas of our cooperation in this great movement.

Resolved: second, that we enter our protest against any attempt of wet minority in Congress to alter or weaken the laws enforcing the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. That we will vote only for dry candidates for offices whose work has to do with the enforcement of our prohibition laws.

Resolved: third, that we will not in any way encourage by our example the violation of our prohibition laws, but will, by the practice of total abstinence, from strong drink honor our flag and endeavor to bring about the conditions sobriety that the American people anticipated and hoped for in adopting prohibition as a national policy.

Resolved: fourth, that we appeal to our Honorable representatives in Congress to lend aid and support to the youth of America in trying to promote temperance and sobriety in our generation.

N. B. Moon, Pres. B. T. S.  
J. H. Garrett, Pres. S. S.

## Twenty - Fourth Annual Meeting District 17, W.M.U.

### Report of Corresponding Sec.

Mrs. Robert J. Jones.

A year has passed freighted with joys and sorrows, blessings and disappointments, optimism and pessimism, vying with each other for ascendancy; but above the varying tides we look back over the receding days and behold the lights along the shore still agleam in greater luster than ever shone across the pathway of the hosts of women who have labored and loved in their matchless achievements in District 17. In the wonderful planning of Providence came the Stewardship Campaign and our women all over the District found themselves at home, thoroughly conversant with the subject and ready to lead in a magnificent manner. There is there a church that has never been thrilled and blessed by this great program, wherever it has been undertaken? What could have been the outcome, except for the work that the women put on it through the long years, even when there was little general sympathy shown, and no enthusiasm whatever outside of their very limited circles. I am reminded of the great speech of Dr. Rushbrook at Birmingham, Ala., last May when he said: "I have always held out that there was nothing a woman could do but that a man could do better, but when I witness this great throng and listen to these great reports of superb achievements, I must say that the women have outstripped the men and have gone the second mile."

We have no time to revel in the pride of our achievements. We are cautiously, humbly, patiently approaching the place where we can begin to do big things for the Master. We have only engaged in skirmishes. There are great battles ahead. Remember we are not so much concerned about the winning of battles, but we are expending every ounce of energy, even to the manifestation of heroism, in the winning of the war. Only a few of our women are actively co-operating in our work. All of our auxiliaries need strengthening. Out of the 4374 women in the District, only 997 are active in the organization.

At the last annual meeting in Abilene I assumed my official duties and I have since striven to assist our much beloved and honored President, Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, in every way possible.

Have given prompt attention to all letters received, giving requested information when possible.

Official letters concerning Semi-Annual Board Meeting was sent to each member of the Executive Board.

I count it a joyous privilege to serve with our President, Mrs. Caldwell, officers and individuals of District No. 17 and may I take this opportunity to publicly thank Mrs. Caldwell from the bottom of my heart for giving me transportation to the

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There were 365 members and guests in attendance when District 17 met in its 24th annual session with the Breekenridge Baptist Church hostess for the meeting. President, Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, presided throughout the two days' session. In her message she stressed the necessity of greater courage and deeper faith during these days of uncertainty.

The presidents of the seven Associational Auxiliaries were present and brought reports of their year's work. All chairmen of standing committees were also present and in their reports told of faithful work and deeper interest on the part of the women of the various missionary societies.

Mrs. George L. Paxton, District Chairman of Benevolence, in reporting for the three objects fostered by her committee, read a letter from Brother T. J. Watts earnestly pleading for greater consideration for our aged ministers. She also read a message to the women of the District from Superintendent E. M. Collier of the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium. Mr. Collier thanked the women for their cash offerings for charity and their generous donations of canned goods, fruits, jellies, and so forth. In response to his plea for linens for the Sanitarium, each of the seven Associations selected one spring and one fall month in which to prepare and send linens, thereby having the linen supply renewed and increased throughout the year.

Hearts were saddened when we noted the absence of dear Brother Pender, who had always been with us to plead for the orphan children. Rev. J. J. Kellum spoke for Buckner Orphans' Home and a free-will cash offering was made.

At the close of the report on Christian Education, given by Mrs. Jentry Holmes, chairman, Dr. N. A. Moore, head of the Bible Department of Simmons University, spoke to the report. He emphasized our duty to Christian Education and loyalty to and greater appreciation for our own school, Simmons University.

Mrs. W. P. Alvis brought an inspiring message on, "The Challenge of Baylor College for Women." Mrs. William B. McGarity spoke for our Training School, Seminary Hill, and told of the opportunities there for the training of our young women in the larger service. A glad welcome was given Miss Katherine Sullivan, the Bible Scholarship Girl of District 17. She thanked the women for their kindness to her and dedicated anew her life to the Master's service.

The reports of the District Chairmen of Personal Service, Mrs. S. C. Walker, Eastland; Stewardship and Tithing, Mrs. G. C. Cowan, Rochester; Mission Study, Mrs. R. A. Bible, Stamford, were encouraging and told of an increase in tithers in Mission Study and a deeper personal interest on the part of the women in our work.

Mrs. A. B. Deter, our missionary to Brazil, who is remaining with us until her health will permit her to join Dr. Deter and her son, Dick, who have returned to their mission field

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# Woman's Missionary Union of Texas, District No. 17

WATCHWORD—"HE SHALL REIGN." LUKE 1:33

OFFICERS		VICE-PRESIDENTS		CHAIRMEN OF STANDING COMMITTEES	
Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, 790 Orange St., Abilene, President				Y. P. Leader..... Mrs. J. E. Buckley, Abilene	
Mrs. H. J. Hanks, 1041 Cedar, Abilene, Treasurer				Historian..... Mrs. Oscar H. Cooper, Abilene	
Mrs. L. W. Dickson, Roby, Recording Secretary				Personal Service..... Mrs. S. C. Walker, Eastland	
Mrs. Robert J. Jones, 1646 North 6th St., Abilene, Corresponding Secretary		Callahan..... Mrs. John Cook, Putnam		Mission Study..... Missions.....	
Mrs. J. Owen Shelton, 1641 North 2nd St., Abilene, Publicity and Editor Woman's Page, West Texas Baptist		Cisco..... Mrs. R. Neal Greer, Rising Star		Education..... Mrs. J. N. Cook, Breckenridge	
<b>METHODS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>		Fisher..... Mrs. D. G. Reid, Roby		Benevolence..... Mrs. George L. Paxton, Abilene	
Mrs. H. J. Hanks..... Abilene		Haskell..... Mrs. L. M. Kay, Rochester		Stewardship..... Mrs. G. C. Cowan, Rochester	
Mrs. D. W. Arnette..... Abilene		Jones..... Mrs. F. T. Whitaker, Jayton		Margaret Fund Mother..... Mrs. James Peden, Abilene	
Mrs. Oscar H. Cooper..... Abilene		Stonewall..... Mrs. Oscar H. Cooper, Abilene		Periodicals..... Mrs. J. E. Burnam, Abilene	
		Sweetwater.....			

**24th ANNUAL MEETING, DISTRICT No. 17 of TEXAS W. M. U.**

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there, spoke to the report on Missions as given by the chairman, Mrs. J. N. Cook, Breckenridge. Mrs. Deter stirred our hearts as she told of incidents of her personal experiences in her life in Brazil.

Mrs. J. E. Leigh brought us a message of unusual interest on "Christ's Plan for Redeeming the World."

The evening program was under the direction of the young people's leader, Mrs. J. B. Buckley, which was one of sweet consecration from the beautiful devotional given by one of the Y. W. A. girls, Miss Elva Greenway, Hamlin; the address, "Building for the Future" by Mrs. Buckley; and the pageant, "The Challenge of the Cross," presented by the Y. W. A. of Simmons University.

The music throughout the two days and the evening sessions was beautiful and greatly enjoyed. Mrs. C. O. Hamlin was chorister and Miss Gladys Harrell pianist. The special musical numbers were well selected and beautifully rendered.

The treasurer's report showed more than \$20,000 given for all purposes.

A fine spirit of christian co-operation and fellowship pervaded the meeting. Everything possible was done for the pleasure and comfort of the guests. The delicious meals served in the basement of the church; the gracious hospitality of the homes; the interesting program; fine reports; the flowers, the music, all united in making two perfect days, long to be remembered.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, president; Mrs. L. W. Dickson, Roby, recording secretary; Mrs. Robert J. Jones, corresponding secretary; Mrs. H. J. Hanks, treasurer; Mrs. J. Owen Shelton, editor of the Woman's Page. The Associational Auxiliary presidents are the vice-presidents of the District.

By unanimous vote of the District the message of the president, Mrs. C. M. Caldwell is published that those who could not attend may read.

**"COURAGE"**

Message delivered at District meeting by the President, Mrs. C. M. Caldwell.

As the days go by and the work of another year is closing, the Woman's Missionary Union of District Seventeen gives grateful thanks to the loving Father who has been with us all the way.

We feel that we have made progress in the work that is peculiarly ours as we have striven unitedly to advance the cause of Christ.

The Stewardship Revival aroused within our hearts a desire to be better stewards of our personality, time, talents, influence and substance. Our benevolent causes have been on the hearts of our women and many calls have been cheerfully responded to.

Christian education has been stressed; addresses have been made, banquets and showers have been given, and scholarships awarded thereby

stimulating this important phase of our work.

Realizing that without information there is no inspiration, our periodical chairmen have emphasized the necessity of taking our Denominational papers and Missionary periodicals. Through the channels of Personal Service many have been ministered unto temperally and spiritually.

It seems as never before the Missionary spirit is permeating our work. As we have listened to our faithful Missionaries tell of their work and its needs, we have dedicated ourselves anew to our mission of giving the gospel to those who have it not.

Last, but not least, our Young People's work has advanced. Many new organizations have been reported. More interest is being manifested.

The Stewardship Declaration contest and the Y. W. A. House Party made us realize more keenly our responsibility in organizing and maintaining their organizations. Wonderful possibilities are wrapped up within the lives of our young people and it is the duty of the Woman's Missionary Union to unfold them.

But success did not crown all of our efforts the past year—Many times our hopes and expectations were not realized. More than once we felt our own weakness to bring to pass all that we had the vision to perceive, the heart to desire and the courage to attempt. Some one has said that "together" is the keynote of the twentieth century.

All along our journey through life this together spirit hails us on every side. Let us as women of the Woman's Missionary Union whole heartedly catch this beautiful spirit and be truly knit together in love, in sacrifice, in prayer and in purpose.

It is the forward look, permeated through and through with faith, that leads to victory. Suppose Jesus had looked only at the immediate situation, rejected by his own people with only a handful of unknown disciples, no money, no powerful institutions, no material resources; what possible chance of success was there for him and his work? But He saw beyond even this present time into the limitless future when every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess his King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Times of discontent, burden-bearing and difficulties are equally times for courage, hopefulness and enthusiastic helpfulness.

What are we doing today with our discouragements? Some people are wrecked by discouragement and others become joyous and strong; the difference lies in the disposition one makes of them. Some regard circumstances as their master and feel that life is dependent on them, so if circumstances are harsh they become embittered. Others are determined to master circumstances and use them as the means of accomplishing the purpose of their lives; they use misfortune for their purpose as well as the happier circumstances of life. If we wish to build strong, happy courageous lives out of our difficulties and misfortunes we must have a vital touch with God—"If ye abide in me

and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be given thee." It is only through fellowship with Him that we learn how and are enabled to overcome.

In Scotland are two beautiful lakes—Lock Lomond and Lock Long.

Lock Lomond is an inland lake. Its waters are boisterous and lash the shores with angry waves. Lock Long is an arm of the sea whose waters are usually so calm that through their depths may be seen the sea weed, rooted on the rocks beneath. The life of a soul when it is like a small isolated lake is quickly disturbed and little annoyances toss it here and there, but when it knows God and feels the tidal flow within itself, it possesses a great calm and trivial things leave it undisturbed.

"Be of good cheer" were favorite words with the Savior. Once He calmed the disciples on the storm tossed sea. Be of good cheer, it is I, be not afraid.

And then again during his last night on earth just before he offered His farewell prayer for His disciples He spoke to them these comforting words of assurance "In the world ye have tribulation; but be of good cheer for I have overcome the world."

The Greek translates this phrase by one word—Courage—is not this the word the Lord would speak to each of us at this time? It is easy enough to think we have courage when all goes well, but our Lord calls on us to be courageous when tested and tried by tribulations.

The Chinese have this proverb "True gold does not fear testing." Are we true gold—can God count on us to stand the testing?

The past year has been a testing time in all of our lives, a time of testing and discipline, of the learning of needful lessons. It should have been; and God grant that it has been, the all important experience of going forward with Christ.

David did not say "It is good for me that I am being afflicted," but David did what we can all do. As he looked back, he said "It is good for me that I have been afflicted."

Through these afflictions that have been ours we see the development of four beautiful Christian graces—patience, sympathy, usefulness and a better knowledge of God.

The Psalmist in one of his most trying times said "My times are in thy hands." Can we sincerely say as much? Do we really believe this? Have we committed our life program to Him? Have we learned the Master's way; "Not my will but thine be done"?

Times of afflictions are but challenges to our faith. Tennyson tells us that it is by affliction that we come to hold the keys to all the creeds.

Paul's was the heroic spirit, beset on every hand with handicaps and difficulties, yet through it all in his farewell address he exclaims "None of these things move me, neither count I my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my course with joy and the ministry which I have from

the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God."

On different occasions we see him as he faces death. In each instance there is not a word of fear but always the note of assurance and hope. "I know whom I have believed and I am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

In this time of unrest and uncertainty what greater need than for a rock on which to anchor our restless souls? Such a rock is found in Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever.

Off the coast of England stands Eddystone Lighthouse. But the present structure is not the first to be erected on that dangerous area. The first was built of wood and from its balcony the proud builder used to defy the storm: "Blow, O Winds; Rise ocean! Break forth ye elements and try my work." Alas the tower and its builder went down one stormy night in a wrathful sea.

The next builder erected a structure of wood and stone, but at length it perished in the flames. Finally another builder erected a cone of rock and riveted it to the bed rock on which it was built. Nor did he carve boastful inscriptions upon it, or defy the elements raging around it, but on the lowest stone he carved these immortal words: "Except the Lord build the house they labor in vain who build it." And above the lantern he inscribed the Latin inscription "Laus Deo" (Praise be to God). So it stands and will stand, holding up its beacon to mariners on the stormy sea.

Today Jesus, the Light of the World, sits at the right hand of God and with His nail-scarred hands outstretched, he bids each storm tossed soul to come unto Him.

Hear him on that last night just before His death as He comforts His disciples: "Let not your hearts be troubled, ye believe in God believe also in me."

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

Let us as women of our Woman's Missionary Union claim this promise today.

The failures, the heartaches, the disappointments of the past year are behind us. Let us forget them. Each year is an open door into a new world. Let us enter into it with our faces toward the sunrise, with our hearts unafraid and with our feet in the pathway of unselfish service.

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**REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

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Southern Baptist Convention at Birmingham last May. I received while there, inspiration, information and realized anew that the ongoing of this big organization depends entirely upon the individual, upon you and me.

I wish to refer to the last meeting of the Lueders Baptist Encampment, where on equal footing we have the great trinity of our work—Sunday School, Baptist Training Service and Women's Work. The women of District 17 are awakening more and more to the matchless opportunities of the encampment. Here they have found new friends and renewed old friendships, have forgotten self through service, and have learned to play as well as pray and work together.

Cradled in the very heart of our prayer life and inseparable from our campaign of stewardship will always be found our beloved Simmons University, from whose portals will come the rich young blood of our boys and girls whose lives will bless this great western country through the years to come. We have made it possible through our loan funds for many boys and girls to attend Simmons who could not otherwise have done so. No greater work could be done by the district than to continually increase these loan funds.

We would not forget the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium and the eternal blessings of health that it brings to the weakened and diseased bodies of vast numbers of our people. We, too, can well lend ear to the call of this worthy institution, especially in the way of linens, sheets, pillow cases, etc.

The three seasons of prayer for Foreign, Home and State Missions have been observed, and gracious blessings are reported from all points.

Mission study has gone forward with a widespread and deeper interest. Schools of Missions have been held in several of the associations. The District Mission Study Institute has been a stimulus to the work.

As for the organizing and fostering of the Women's Missionary Societies there is a wide field, much of which will doubtless prove to be fertile and easily made ready for the implanting of missionary methods. There are still numerous churches in District No. 17 where there is not a W. M. S., or its "little" child, a Sunbeam Band. There is work for each of us to use the talent God has given.

A woman grew a rambler rose  
As lovely as could be.  
It blossomed on the garden wall  
For all the world to see.  
She could not paint a masterpiece  
Nor write immortal prose,  
Nor charm the world with melody  
But she could plant a rose.

**STATISTICAL REPORT.**

Miles traveled	4146	
Annual Associational Meetings		
Attended	5	
Quarterly Associational Meetings		
Attended	4	
Workers Conference Attended	11	
Summer Assemblies Attended	1	
Talks Made	4	
Attended Southern Baptist Convention, State Meeting and State Executive Board Meeting.		
Letters and Postals Written	139	
No. of Women in District	4374	
No. Active in Organization	997	
No. of Tithers	401	
Class Attained in Standard of Excellence		
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No. Full-Graded W. M. U.'s	5	

**REPORT OF TREASURER, W. M. U. DISTRICT NO. 17**

April 1, 1931—March 31, 1932

Mission Account				
Received from:	Home	State	Lottie Moon	Special
Callahan	\$ 26.00	\$ 13.35	\$ 25.15	\$ 17.50
Cisco	40.91	2.90	1.00	—
Fisher	36.21	9.92	28.04	—
Haskell	22.43	32.16	58.70	—
Jones	11.38	16.33	20.64	—
Stonewall	5.55	10.30	13.67	—
Sweetwater	17.94	70.00	293.35	—
Total Received	\$161.17	\$154.96	\$440.55	\$ 17.50
Grand Total				\$774.18
Disbursed to Mrs. Olivia Davis			756.08	—
Disbursed to N. Y. Exchange Bro. Moore in China			17.50	—
Total				\$774.18

District Bible Scholarship Account	
Received from	
Callahan	\$
Cisco	3.00
Fisher	2.00
Haskell	11.83
Jones	6.25
Stonewall	92.00
Sweetwater	
Total Rec'd.	\$115.08

Disbursed:	
To C. M. King	\$115.08
Total paid	\$115.08

**Baylor Maintenance Fund**

Received from:	
Callahan	\$
Cisco	62.00
Fisher	18.25
Haskell	28.47
Jones	24.18
Stonewall	19.00
Sweetwater	32.00
Total Rec'd.	183.90
Disbursed:	
To Mrs. Olivia Davis	\$183.90
Total paid	\$183.90

**Baylor Belton Endowment**

Received from:	
Cisco	\$ 9.50
Fisher	2.00
Haskell	8.34
Jones	2.45
Stonewall	2.00
Sweetwater	5.00
Total Rec'd.	\$ 29.29
Disbursed:	
To Mrs. O. Davis	\$ 29.29
Total paid	\$ 29.29

**Louisville Training School Account**

Received from:	
Callahan	\$ 2.00
Cisco	2.00
Fisher	2.00
Haskell	2.00
Stonewall	2.00
Sweetwater	2.00
Total Rec'd.	\$ 12.00
Disbursed:	
To Mrs. O. Davis	\$ 28.00
*Deficit	8.00
Total paid	\$ 20.00
*Advanced by Expense Fund.	

**B. O. Home Account**

Received from:	
Callahan	\$ 14.25
Stonewall	5.00
Sweetwater	74.00
Total	\$ 93.83

**B. O. Home Graduates**

Cisco	\$ 17.75
Jones	6.25
Fisher	5.75
Haskell	10.20
Stonewall	6.50
Sweetwater	8.00
Total	\$ 54.45
Total Rec'd. for B. O. H. and	

B. O. H. Graduates	\$148.28
Disbursed to Mrs. Olivia Davis	\$148.28
Mary Hill Davis Scholarship	
Received from:	
Callahan	\$ 1.00
Cisco	3.50
Fisher	1.00
Stonewall	1.00
Sweetwater	4.00
Total Rec'd.	\$ 10.50
Disbursed:	
To Mrs. O. Davis	\$ 13.00
*Deficit	2.50
Total paid	\$ 13.00
*Advanced by Expense Fund.	

**Rosabel Breedlove Loan Fund**

Received from:	
Callahan	\$ 5.00
Cisco	87.00
Fisher	6.00
Haskell	11.88
Jones	18.35
Stonewall	8.50
Sweetwater	119.33
Total Rec'd.	\$256.06
Disbursed:	
To Simmons University	\$256.06
Total paid	\$256.06

**First Baptist Church, Abilene, Loan Fund**

Received and disbursed	\$282.61
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**Silver Anniversary, Simmons University**

Received from:	
Sweetwater	\$277.46
Mrs. M. H. Compere	5.00
Total Rec'd.	\$282.46
Disbursed:	
To 1st Bap. Ch. for S. U.	\$193.16
To Simmons University	89.30
Total paid	\$282.46

**Blanche Rose Walker, Simmons Endowment**

Received from Jones Co. Auxiliary	\$ 29.00
Disbursed to Simmons Endowment	29.00

**Executive Board Scholarship**

Received from:	
Cisco	\$ 2.00
Fisher	2.00
Haskell	3.00
Jones	1.00
Stonewall	1.00
Sweetwater	2.00
Dist. Pres. and Sec'y	2.00
Total Rec'd.	\$ 13.00
Disbursed:	
To Mrs. Olivia Davis	\$ 13.00
Total paid	\$ 13.00

**Christian Education for Foreign Mission Student**

Received from:	
Callahan	\$ 10.50
Cisco	19.00
Fisher	5.26
Haskell	10.71

Jones	11.65
Stonewall	6.00
Sweetwater	17.00
Total Rec'd.	\$ 80.44
Disbursed:	
To Raymond Torres	\$ 77.50
Balance	\$ 2.64
April 1, 1931 Bal.	20.22
April 1, 1932 Bal.	\$ 22.86

**Expense Fund**

Received from:	
Cisco	\$ 29.50
Fisher	1.00
Haskell	38.50
Jones	10.25
Stonewall	1.25
Sweetwater	12.75
Total	\$ 93.25
Mrs. Caldwell for Y. P. Leader	\$ 8.00
Total	\$101.25
April 1, 1932 Balance	\$517.33
Total Rec'd.	\$618.58

Disbursed:	
To Mrs. Robert Jones, Birmingham Convention	\$ 61.55
To Mrs. Robt. Jones, Postage	1.00
To Mrs. J. B. Buckley, Tel. and Postage	3.10
To Mrs. C. M. Caldwell W. M. U. Teachers at Lueders	30.00
Lueders	30.00
To Mrs. Robt. Jones, Tel. call	1.15
To Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, State Executive Board Meeting	15.00
To Mrs. Olivia Davis, Deficit, Louisville School	8.00
To Mrs. Olivia Davis, Deficit, M. H. Davis School	2.50
To Pender Ptg. Co. Ed. Blanks	8.75
To Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, Car Ex. to Convention	6.00
To Mrs. J. B. Buckley, Stamps and reports	3.00
To University Florist, Murphy funeral	3.00
To Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, Ex. of Miss Leachman in district	20.00
To Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, District gift for Mrs. F. S. Davis	3.00
To Mrs. Robt. Jones, Postage	1.00
To Miss F. D. Jackson, mimeographing	1.50
To Mrs. Robt. Jones, Mission Institute Expense	16.00
To Leon Jackson, Janitor work	2.50
To Mrs. J. B. Buckley, State Exec. Board meeting	8.00
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Total disbursed	\$343.75
April 1, 1932 Bal. on hand	274.83
Total	\$618.58

**Lueders Encampment**

Received from:	
Callahan	\$12.50
Cisco	9.50
Fisher	5.00
Haskell	5.83
Jones	11.20
Stonewall	5.00
Sweetwater	4.00
(Lillias Hall)	3.00
Sweetwater (W. M. U. House)	52.50
Total Rec'd.	\$108.53
Disbursed:	
To Lueders Encampment	\$108.53
Total paid	\$108.53

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### THE HAND OF THE HELM

"If it had not been the Lord who was on our side . . . then the watches had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over my soul."—Psalm 124:2-4

My barque is wafted from the stand  
By breath Divine,  
Upon the helm there rests a hand  
Other than mine:  
One who has known in storms to sail  
I have on board.  
Above the raging of the gale  
I hear my Lord.

He holds me when the billows smite,  
I shall not fall;  
If sharp, 'tis short; if long, 'tis light;  
He tempers all.  
Safe to the land! Safe to the land!  
The end is this;  
And then with Him go hand in hand,  
Far into bliss!

—Dean Henry Alfrod.

### "DOING GOOD"

At the funeral of a prominent physician in Columbus, his family was not a little startled by and perplexed at the number of floral offerings received from persons unknown to them, and also by the presence of a large group of evidently poverty-ridden men and women who came unobtrusively and left in the same way.

The deceased had built up a modest fortune, and, it was believed, had given up active practice some time previously. Yet, in spite of failing health, he had always appeared busy and had been away from his home a great deal. All this remained unexplained until a shabbily dressed woman, sobbing her grief, halted a moment at his bier and said: "The poor will miss him."

In his declining years, he had turned a large and lucrative practice over to others and had built up a larger one from which he could never hope to gain a cent financially. No one but himself and those he aided knew about it. This, we believe, was the true spirit of Him who "went about, doing good."—Columbus Dispatch.

### TEACHING CHILDREN TO BECOME BANDITS

Recently a friend of the writer was driving along the road near a filling station where a man was recently killed and the station robbed. He noticed a man walking along the highway with a little boy. The boy had a toy pistol in his hand. He was taking dead aim and as the cars passed he fired the toy pistol at the cars. How long will it be before the same boy has a real pistol and will be holding up and shooting the passerby?

There is a tremendous responsibility upon parents. The above father seemed to be amused and was encouraging the boy who shot the passing cars. Is this father, along with many others, training his little boy as a bandit? It is worth the consideration of all thoughtful parents.—J. S. Farmer in Biblical Recorded.

### THE BROTHERHOOD HAS A RIGHT TO KNOW

The President and Faculty of the Southwestern Seminary are making herein a frank statement to the denomination concerning the Southwestern Seminary.

We soon celebrate the 25th anniversary of this young school of the prophets. Its achievements in these 25 years have been marvelous. An experienced faculty has been developed, a large student body assembled, a great plant built—2½ million dollars in assets, and a debt of only ½ million, which is a good business record—a plant able to

house and a faculty able to teach 750 students, and this in 25 years amid repeated periods of depression.

We have trained thousands of workers with a theological soundness beyond question, in a flaming missionary and evangelistic passion, with a scholarship acknowledged everywhere, and sent them to the four corners of the earth. They are constructive, cooperative, soul-winning and kingdom-building contributions to the denomination. We believe we have made a good account of our stewardship, and the denomination is enjoying the marvelous returns and products of these 25 years' labors. The Faculty and students everywhere have stood four-square for all the things loved, cherished and built by Southern Baptists.

In these tragically depressing times, we have made heroic reductions, both in force and salaries. Since the depression came we have left off 4 in the Administrative Force, 2 in the School of Religious Education, 3 in the School of Gospel Music, 1 in Missionary Training, 1 in the School of Theology, and have reduced salaries since '29 fifty per cent. In the last two years, voluntarily, the President has reduced his salary forty per cent, and the Faculty and Administrative force from twenty-five to thirty-three and a third per cent, and in the last year we have gotten only about fifty per cent of salaries after reductions were made, bringing our income down to a place of real sacrifice. We would have you know that in spite of these great reductions, we have a strong force in the four schools and are carrying on a great body of teaching. The major fundamental things for which the school has been established are being taught and carried on by a competent faculty. We have doubled up, put more work on our teachers until there is not a theological faculty in the world teaching more hours than are our men—greatly reduced salaries, greatly increased work, a genuinely efficient seminary is being carried on on the basis of the strictest economy.

We raise the question of whether or not it is fair for this seminary to suffer in this regard more than others. Though there have been reductions in salaries somewhat of denominational secretaries, seminary teachers, senior college teachers and other denominational employes, yet the reductions have been nothing like those that we have voluntarily made, except in rare cases, and then they are getting the salaries promised with small reductions and we are not getting half of ours. Our full professors will receive in cash less than \$1800. Is it fair for pastors and other church leaders of similar training and experience to get their salaries, though somewhat reduced, and take care of local expenses and the denominational forces like seminary teachers go without their salaries after a large reduction has been made? We doubt the fairness of such a policy.

It must be remembered also that practically all the other state and southwide causes and institutions have had campaigns, in the last few years, and the Southwestern Seminary has never had one. Is it not time for some special consideration to be given to the Southwestern Seminary in order that we not suffer beyond others? We believe that it is and we ask the brotherhood to take into consideration these solemn facts.

We are not whining nor quitting; we are cooperating, missionary, evangelistic force standing for the whole program, pleading for fair play. The heroic, missionary church where most of our force are members, in the last three months has given 65 per cent to outside causes and only 35 per cent to local causes. Nearly fifty per cent of its outside gifts have gone to the Cooperative Program. This is an evidence of our cooperative, sacrificial spirit and we are willing to go to the last ditch with the denomination. We have never had more prospective students anxious to enter than now.

We believe the Brotherhood, knowing these facts, will face the situation, join us in sacrifice, and make possible a plan to increase the income of this institution and make provision to plan to pay its debts.

President and Faculty  
of Southwestern Seminary.

### THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Mat. 13:31, 32.

The Kingdom of God is small in its beginning. It began with an inspiration in the mind of Isaiah. Next he put it on paper. Next another prophet. One day the angel came to Zachariah. One day

the word came to John to begin preaching. One man came. Another came. Then all Jerusalem, Judea, and the regions round about. Then Jesus came. Then Peter and John. Then others, then the twelve, then the seventy-two. The day of Ascension above five hundred. On the day of Pentecost three thousand, then above five thousand. In 313 A. D. it had become so great that Constantine was afraid of it and aligned himself with it to conquer the world. It went on from realm to realm, missionaries were sent out until today there is not a nation under the sun where the Gospel is not preached. It has and will gather momentum until the stone which was cut out of the mountain without hands which the builders rejected will roll against every power in the earth and crush it to powder. No man is willing to live today where the Gospel is not preached. The infidels established a town a few years ago. The name of God was not mentioned. Such a gloom settled over the little village until they wrote to one of our Missionary Societies and asked that a missionary be sent to them. The Gospel was preached. Men, women, and children were converted. God's name was glorified. Church spires pointed to God and to heaven. Where briars grew the myrtle tree flourished. It will continue to spread until the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.

W. H. Albertson, Pastor,  
First Baptist Church,  
Munday, Texas.

### SOUTHWESTERN SUMMER SCHOOL

T. B. Maston, Pastor

Are you a pastor? Are you an educational director? Are you a church musician, Are you primarily interested in W. M. U. work Are you a college student planning on entering one of the religious callings If you are in any of the above groups, or if you are interested in religious work as an avocation, this announcement is for you.

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For further information or a catalogue write to Professor T. B. Maston, Seminary Hill, Texas.

### SOUTHWESTERN SEMINARY'S INVITATION

By President Scarborough

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# Growing A Great Church

Rev. C. A. Powell

All churches are great in nature and purpose. In nature and purpose a New Testament church is the greatest institution in the world. But for a church to realize actual greatness it must live up to its nature and purpose.

What are some of the elements and characteristics of a great church? I would say purity, purpose, prayer, and power. I would say life, light, love, loyalty, and liberality. I would say will, worship, work, and wisdom. I would say relationship, debtorship, trusteeship, and fellowship. But each of these demands a whole sermon, so I must confine myself to the one thought of *growing* a great church.

I would say, first, that the only way to have a great church is to grow it. You may properly relate it, and organize it, and systematize it, all of which should be done, by all means. But after you have done all that you will still have to grow it into a great church. It is true that Jesus said, "I will *build* my church," but Paul tells us that it is built of *living* stones, so the idea of growth is in this figure.

Second, I would say that the growing of a great church is not the work of a day. A church that springs up over night, like Jonah's gourd, will likely die in a day, like Jonah's gourd. Such a growth is superficial, shallow, veneer, unstable. There is a great difference between a gourd-vine, and a grape-vine. Jesus did not say, I am the vine and ye are the gourds, though gourd may represent some church members better than branch, but they did not grow on the true vine. There is a great difference between a large crowd and a great church. I am for the crowds, we must seek to reach the people, all of them we possibly can, but crowds do not make churches. There is a great difference between building a tabernacle and building a temple. You can build a tabernacle in a week, but you do not have much when you build it. It takes years to build a great temple, but you have something when you build it. Yes, you must gradually grow a church into greatness, here a little and there a little, line upon line, and precept upon precept. A little feeding here and a little guiding there, a little restraining here and a little comforting there, a little sowing here and a little reaping there. Winning souls and winning souls, Evangelizing and christianizing. A Chinese fable is to the effect that a gardener was so anxious that his garden be ahead of all the others around him that he went out one morning and pulled all that was growing in his garden up about two inches, and then his garden showed to be ahead of all the others. But of course the next day everything in his garden was dead. You cannot jerk a church up into greatness. It takes a great deal of prayer, patience, and persistence to grow a great church. It takes a great deal of grace to be a church-growing pastor, but it is well worth all it costs. There is no greater joy than to see different christians grow.

Third, I would say that to grow a great church is not the work of any one person. Paul says, "And he gave some apostles; and some prophets; and some evangelists; and some pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ." Each member of the church has his place, part, and portion in the growing of a great church. It is a many-sided, mutual, membership task

and responsibility. No pastor should take the glory for the successes in his church, nor should he be blamed for the failures in his church. He has his place and responsibility, and it is great, but he should be given perfect cooperation in his efforts to grow his church. Every church should be like Gideon's army: "Every man stood in his place." Every church should be like a healthy, growing body, every member functioning properly. Every church should be like a great spiritual family with a growing, cooperating, sharing spirit. Every member of every church should be a church-growing member. A pastor dreamed that he went to heaven, and when he got there an angel handed him a list of names which proved to be a list of all the members he had ever had in his churches on earth. He noticed that a minus followed some names, and a plus followed other names, and he asked the angels what these signs following each name meant. The angel told him that those having the minus sign following their names were the members that were never worth anything to his churches, and those who had the plus sign following their names were the members who had been worthwhile members. And he found that there were just about as many of one kind as of the other. No member of a church should be a minus member, all should be plus members.

Let's notice some essentials to church growth. There are several of these, but I will mention only three.

1. Vision. This was the secret of Joseph's growth. His vision steadied and guided him in all his slavery, and temptation, and imprisonments, and reigning. His brothers called him a dreamer, but we need many more just such dreamers. This was the secret of Isaiah's growth as a prophet. He saw Jehovah high and lifted up before he saw Jesus wounded for our transgression, and bruised for our iniquities. The twenty third chapter of Isaiah grew out of his vision in the temple. His vision made him the Old Testament evangelist. This was the secret of Paul's marvelous work as a missionary to the Gentiles. He never got away from, and was never disobedient to, his heavenly vision. This was one of the things that enabled Abraham to offer Isaac as a sacrifice, in it he saw Christ's say and was glad. Vision gave us these, and other great characters, and will help to give us great churches.

2. Christ must be the center of all its life and activities. He is head over all things to the church, and should be head over all things in the church. There is no relation closer than the relation between Christ and His church. They are closer related than the mind and the brain, or the soul and the body, or the husband and wife. They are indeed one. A dying christian was asked if he was not afraid that he would slip through Christ's fingers, and he said, I am one of His fingers. The church is called the body of Christ, and a body has three major relationships, first, to the head, second, to its members, and third, to others. And Christ has three relationships to His body, the church, first, He works for it, second, He works in it, and third, He works through it. And He works for and in the church that He may work through it. No church is great that is built around a man, no matter how large that church, or how great that man. Christ at the center of a church is as essential to its growth as re-

pentance is to salvation, or the blood of Christ to the atonement, or works to faith.

3. It must fulfill its mission. A church untrue to its mission is like a lamp that will not burn, or a watch that will not keep time, or a piano that will not make music, or anything else that will not do the one thing it was made for. Christ's church is as essential to His work on earth today, as His body of flesh was to His work of atonement. The word church means the called out, and Jesus called His church out that He may send it out. Missions gave the church its life, and only missions will sustain its life.

There are two great growing forces in nature. One is an inner force that pushes out. The tree, or plant, or flower, receives from the air, and soils, and rain, life and sap, which becomes so much stored-up energy, which seeks release in branch, and bud, and bloom. This is a good illustration of the inner energy of spiritual life. Paul says, "Work out your own salvation, with fear and trembling, for it is God who worked in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure." Again, "The Spirit worketh in me mightily." Again, "I go bound in the Spirit unto Jerusalem." Again, "The love of Christ constraineth us." Spiritual life, divine nature, grace, love, mercy, and compassion have a great, inner, pushing power, they give to us an holy urge. They are but so much store-up spiritual

energy that seeks to release in the work and worship of the christian.

The other force found in nature is an outer pulling force. The sun is such a force, it pulls the branch out of the trunk of the tree, the bud out of the branch, the bloom out of the bud, and the fruit out of the bloom. This, too, is a good illustration of some spiritual pulls. There is the pull of work that needs to be done, classes to be taught, B. Y. P. U.'s to be sponsored, and the children's organizations to be directed, and on and on almost endlessly. Such things have about them a pull to which we should yield ourselves gladly and to the full. For a church to have to beg for workers reveals a sad condition in that church; it implies that many of its members are refusing to yield to the pull of work that needs to be done. It is this pull that takes people to the foreign fields. It is this pull that brought Jesus from heaven to earth. The plight of lost humanity pull Him away from His preincarnate riches and glory, and wade Him take upon Himself the form of a servant that He might redeem lost men and women. Mathew says that when He saw the multitude as sheep without a shepherd He was moved with compassion for them. Their shepherdless condition formed a pull upon His heart. A teacher in a medical school said that many times his pupils seemed to sleep in class, but were always wide awake in the oper-

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# A Page of Simmons University News

(From The Simmons Brand)

## Crane, Landers Are Re-Elected at Meet of W. T. Historians

R. C. Crane, donor of the Crane Library of Simmons and pioneer Sweetwater attorney, was re-elected president of the West Texas Historical association at the ninth annual meeting held in Sweetwater last Saturday. He has held the position since the organization was founded. Prof. Emmett M. Landers, secretary, was also re-elected.

Vice-presidents named were W. Earl Brown of Abilene, S. S. McKay of Lubbock, Miss Hybernia Grace of Anson and J. J. Marvin Hunter of Bandera.

Final selection of the 1933 meeting place will be left to the executive committee composed of the officers and three additional members who are W. C. Holden of Lubbock, T. R. Havins of Brownwood and Fred Cockrell of Abilene. An invitation to meet in Big Spring is in the hands of the committee.

### Richardson on Program

The meeting held Saturday morning was in the First Baptist church with W. E. Brown presiding. The entire program was devoted to the study of frontier life in West Texas, papers and discussions dealing with various phases of the early era. Morning speakers and their subjects were: "Robert E. Lee in Texas," Dr. R. N. Richardson of Abilene; "The Problem of Stealing on the Spur Ranch," Dr. Holden of Lubbock; "The Passing of the Frontier in Brown County," Mr. Havins; "The Pioneer Woman," a paper written by Mrs. Paul Zedler of Luling and read by her sister, Miss Meta Young of Abilene.

S. S. McKay presided for the afternoon program for which J. F. Cunningham of Abilene was the first speaker. His subject was "Experiences of a Pioneer District Attorney."

Mr. Crane opened a reminiscent discussion of "Early Days in Sweetwater," and was followed by Judge Ocie Speer of Austin, an early settler of West Texas, and W. J. Bryan of Abilene, pioneer ranchman, who told a series of frontier experiences.

Other afternoon speakers and their subjects: J. K. Duke, Abilene, "Bad Men and Peace Officers of the Southwest"; Miss Grace, Anson, "The First Trip West on the Butterfield Stage," and John R. Hutto, Big Spring, "The Big Spring Country." Mr. Duke was a former United States marshal in Oklahoma. Mr. Hutto is a teacher in the Big Spring public school system.

The Sweetwater board of city development was host to the historians and their guests at chuck wagon style dinner at noon.

## Y. W. A. Names Officers Who Serve Next Year

New officers who will serve the Simmons unit of the Y. W. A. were named at a meeting held in Mary Frances Hall Tuesday evening. Sarah Upshaw was elected general president, Lucille Mattox, Smith hall president, and Jane Whitlock, Mary Frances hall president. general secretary, La Rue Mann,

chorister, Shirley Atwood, pianist, Virginia Littlepage, reporter.

The program for the meeting consisted of a musical reading by Lucille Thomas, accompanied by Ruth Holmberg, and a vocal duet with Dorothy Jean and Geraldine Shaw, young vocalists accompanied by Evelyn Jackson.

The devotional service was led by Mrs. Pearl Jones, who discussed the attributes of the ideal woman as set forth in the eleventh chapter of Proverbs. They are: Goodness, Industry, Reverence, Loveliness and Strength.

## Founder Honored In Chapel Service

### Program Commemorates the 104th Anniversary Of Birth.

Annual Founders Day services commemorating the 104th anniversary of the birth of Dr. James B. Simmons, founder of this school which bears his name were held at the chapel hour Tuesday morning. The Simmons students and faculty were joined by exes and friends in the program.

Dr. J. D. Sandefer related the life of Dr. Simmons and told how a letter of appeal written from Abilene early in the 1890's to a New Yorker resulted in the first large material gift to the school.

Dr. Simmons was the New Yorker. It was he, Dr. Sandefer told the chapel, who sent money to complete the first building after work had been halted at the five foot mark for lack of funds to proceed. Dr. Simmons continued to make large gifts to the school until his death, when he left a legacy of \$80,000 to the institution. He made several trips to Abilene to personally aid in progress of the school.

Gray Browne, ex-student of Simmons, made the principal address, stressing an appeal for co-operative program between all exes and students for the June homecoming. Wiley Caffey sang two numbers, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Lyda Whisenant. Will Henry Haney, president of the Alumni and Ex-Students association, presided at chapel.

A meeting of ex-students working on homecoming plans was held following the program. The homecoming falls on commencement day each year, this time on Friday, June 3.

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## Alumni Sponsors Three Meetings

The third of a series of meetings, sponsored by the Alumni Association was held in chapel Tuesday with Will Henry Haney directing the proceedings, two similar meetings were held previously in Wichita Falls and Eastland.

Dr. Sandefer spoke three times in Wichita Falls Sunday. At the morning hour he preached at the Tenth St. Baptist church, of which Rev. A. C. Turner, former Simmons student, is pastor. A rally of Simmons alumni was held in the afternoon, and Dr. Sandefer preached at the night hour. Friday night he addressed the senior class of the Munday high school at a banquet given by the women of the First Baptist church there.

Dr. Rupert N. Richardson, vice-president and dean, spoke at an afternoon rally at Eastland Sunday. The boys' and girls' quartets sang. Immediately following the rally, a reception for Simmons exes was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Springer, former students. Mrs. Springer was Miss Mildred Foy. They were assisted in entertaining by Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Herrington. Among alumni attending were Miss Lucille Robinson of Cisco and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Davis of Ranger.

A number of Abilenians accompanied the singers and Dr. Richardson to Eastland. They were Will Henry Haney, T. N. Carswell, Mr. and Mrs. Pliny Armour, Miss Juanita Barrow, and Mrs. Richardson.

### MEETING AT PORTALES

Mr. McCasland and I have just closed a meeting here with Bro. Rolfe Barnard doing the preaching in his own church. There were 68 additions to the church during the 14 services held. Yesterday closed the services in high tide with 28 additions and all of them being adults. The Spirit was so great that old tough cowboys and

ranchmen could not turn the Savior down. Bro. Barnard came from the Seminary just one year ago (and a graduate of Simmons) and there have been 338 additions to the church. There have been two revival meetings in which he did his own preaching each time. In his meeting last summer there were 65 additions and the remaining part of the 338 came into the fellowship of the church during the year. We have worked with many preachers and I know of none who can beat Barnard preaching the Word.

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L. R. Scarborough

The Southwestern has run 25 years answering Dr. Carroll's prayers. It has had a reward of almost unparalleled achievements in theological education. From May 24th to the 27th in the buildings of the Seminary we are going to celebrate our 25th anniversary. Drs. Truett, Skinner, Sampy, W. S. Allen of Baylor, I. L. Yearby of El Paso, Mrs. Eugene Sallee and others will speak. A great program of sacred music, inspirational addresses and wonderful fellowship will be on. A home-coming of former students of Southwestern is one of the main features. We want every friend possible and our former students throughout the South and the world to come spend these glorious days with us. The Seminary and friends nearby will furnish comfortable quarters, meals and beds for around a dollar a day. Come help us to make it a great occasion. Write President Scarborough that you are coming.

**PREACHING "IS" SERIES**

Dr. Millard A. Jenkins, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Abilene, is preaching a series of Sunday morning sermons on "Great Verities of the Christian Religion."

The subjects are as follows:

1. "Is Jesus Christ What He Claimed To Be?"
2. "Is the Bible Able to Make Its Case Against the Critics?"
3. "Is Prayer A Forgotten Secret?"
4. "Is Pentecost A Vanished Glory?"
5. "Is Christian Perfection Attainable?"
6. "Is Satan A Fact or Fancy?"
7. "Is Hell A Myth or a Reality?"
8. "Is Science Disproving the Scriptures?"
9. "Is Repentance Essential To Salvation?"
10. "Is There To Be A Literal Resurrection?"
11. "Is Jesus Christ Coming Back To This World Literally and Personally?"
12. "Is The Soul in Conscious Existence After The Death of the Body?"

**FIELD NOTES**

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Sunday in May. The May meeting was to have been held with the Coahoma Church but because of the illness of the pastor, Coahoma asked the privilege of entertaining the meeting in June.

Sweetwater Baptist Workers Conference met with the Caps Church on April seventh. A good crowd attended and a very fine program was carried out. The next meeting will be held with the Lamar St. Church of Sweetwater, on Thursday after the first Sunday in May.

District eight held their quarterly W. M. A. meeting at Lamesa on April the sixth and seventh. Because of the writer's illness Mrs. Derr represented the interests of the West Texas Baptist Hospital in his stead. She reported a fine meeting and a good attendance.

The Runnels County Workers' Conference met with the Valley View Church on April fifth. The next meeting will be held with the Harmony Church.

The First Baptist Church of Sweetwater recently called Rev. Douglas Carver of White Deer as pastor. We

understand that Rev. Carver declined to accept the call.

The Cisco Workers' Conference is to meet with the Long Branch Church on April nineteenth. The general theme of the program is "The Church Glorious." Rev. C. A. Powell of Abilene is to deliver the eleven o'clock sermon. His subject is: "Growing a Great Church." The next meeting will be held at Rising Star.

Due to the illness of the writer, the Rev. J. Perry King occupied the pulpit of the Caps Baptist Church at both the morning and the evening hours, Sunday the seventeenth. He brought inspirational messages at both hours.

On Sunday night, April the seventeenth, the Clyde Church began a series of revival services. Rev. Henry Littleton, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hamlin, is doing the preaching. They are looking forward to a great meeting.

Our good friend, Rev. Charles Bryant, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Moran, Texas, underwent an operation for appendicitis early last week, at the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium. He is recovering rapidly and expects to be able to return home within a few days. It is a great joy to the writer to be in the room adjoining his and to visit with him daily.

Some time ago the First Baptist Church of Desdemona called Rev. Z. C. Chambless, a senior in Howard Payne College, as their pastor. He has moved to this field and is leading the church in a great way. The B. Y. P. U. Unions are increasing in attendance and the Sunday School is growing. Bro. Chambless is a fine young preacher and no doubt will lead this church in a great way.

The Rev. Charles Bryant has recently been called as pastor of the Putnam Baptist Church. Thus far he given them no answer.

The Tuxedo Baptists entertained the last Workers' Conference of the Jones County Association! The report comes that a fine crowd attended and a great spirit of co-operation prevailed. The next meeting is to be held at Hawley on Tuesday after the second Sunday in May. In June, the conference is to be held in Lueders. It is to be a two-day meeting and all adjoining associations are invited to come and hold their conferences with them. The dates are Tuesday and Wednesday, June the fourteenth and fifteenth.

On the 1th of March N. M. Pitts closed a year's work at Robert Lee, and the visible results are fifty additions to the church, thirty four by baptism. Several conversions not uniting with the church. The most conversions in any service outside of the revival were eleven. Organized two Unions, a Primary, and an Adult. Completing the "General" organization of B. T. S. Three of the Unions reaching the A-1 Standard. A Standard Sunday School. Several Study courses for both Sunday School and B. T. S.

At Bronte he closed the year March 6th. There were thirty additions, fourteen by baptism; four Unions organized, and the general B. T. S. organization. The peak attendance of the year being 104 in this service. An increase in attendance in Sunday School of 25 per cent, and attendance at preaching services doubled.

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REPORT OF TREASURER, W. M. U. DISTRICT NO. 17

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West Texas Baptist Sanitarium

Received from:	Charity	Linens
Callahan	\$ 1.00	\$ 5.00
Cisco	4.30	2.00
Fisher	5.53	.47
Jones		8.25
Haskell	5.00	7.71
Stonewall	4.00	4.00
Sweetwater	164.65	55.00
Total received	\$184.48	\$ 82.43
Grand Total	\$266.91	

Disbursed:

To W. T. B. S.	\$266.44
April 1, 1932 Bal.	47

Miscellaneous

Received:	
Love gift, Bible Scholarship girl, district meeting	\$ 14.00
Love gift to S. U. Student, district meeting	4.18
B. O. Home, free-will offering, district meeting	39.29
Ministerial Relief, Rev. Pender, Cisco Aux.	4.00
Printing Minutes, Sweetwater Aux.	10.00
Relief and Annuity Board, Stonewall Aux.	5.00
Howard Payne College, Cisco Aux.	8.00
Bible Institute, Cisco Aux.	1.50
Kathryn Sullivan, Sweetwater Aux.	5.00
Dr. and Mrs. Lockett, Sweetwater Aux.	26.00
Dr. and Mrs. Deter, Sweetwater Aux.	3.50
History of Texas W. M. U., Sweetwater Aux.	3.00
Relief and Annuity, Stonewall Aux.	.45
Balance April 1, 1931	
Buckner School	2.50
Total Received	\$126.42
Disbursed as above	\$126.42

Checks Received After Close of Quarter

Asso.	Breedlove	W. T. B. S.	Raymond Torres	Dist. Bible School
Callahan	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$ 6.25
Cisco				30.70
Fisher				7.50
Jones				7.50
Stonewall				6.25

Asso.	S. U.	Baylor M.	Baylor End.	Relief & Annuity F.	Home MIs.
Callahan					\$14.47
Cisco					43.82
Haskell	\$2.50		\$5.00		45.08
Stonewall	\$10.00				
Jones				\$4.30	
Callahan—Brother Moore in China					5.00

Recapitulation

Rec'd, April 1, 1931 to March 31, 1932	
Miscellaneous	\$126.42
Expense Fund	618.58
Lueders Encampment	108.53
Exec Board Schol.	13.00
B. Rose Walker Endow.	29.00
Silver Anniv. S. U.	282.46
1st Bap. Ch. Loan Fund	282.61
Breedlove Loan Fund	256.06
West. Tex Bap. San.	266.91
For. Mission Student	100.36
Baylor Endowment	29.29
Baylor Maintenance	183.90
Louisville Tr. School	12.00
B. O. H.	148.23
Mary Hill Davis Schol.	10.50
Missions	774.18
District Bible Schol.	115.08

Total Received	\$3,357.16
April 1, 1932	
Expense fund balance	\$ 274.83
For. Student Balance	22.86
W. T. B. San. Balance	47
	\$ 298.16
Disbursed:	
Miscellaneous	\$ 126.42
Missions	774.18
Dist. Bible Schol.	115.08
Baylor Main.	183.90
Baylor Endow	29.29
Louisville Tr. School	12.00
(Plus \$8.00 from Ex. Fund)	
B. O. Home	148.23
Mary H. Davis Schol.	10.50
(Plus \$2.50 from Ex. Fund)	
W. T. B. Sanitarium	266.44
Foreign Student	77.50
Expense Fund	343.75
Breedlove Loan	256.06
1st Bap. Ch. Loan	282.61
Silver Anniversary	282.46
Blanche Rose Walker	29.00
Executive Board Schol.	13.00
Lueders Encampment	108.53
Total	\$3,059.00
Balance	298.16

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**POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The following political announcements are subject to the Democratic primary election to be held in July:

**OLIVER CUNNINGHAM**

For  
State Senator, 24th District

**W. P. BOUNDS**

Candidate for  
Tax Collector, Taylor County (Re-election)  
Your Vote and Influence Will Be Appreciated

**CARL P. HULSEY**

Candidate for  
Justice of Peace, Precinct 1, Place 2, Taylor County, Texas  
Your Vote and Influence Will Be Appreciated

**C. A. COCKRELL**

Candidate for  
TAX ASSESSOR  
Subject to Action of Democratic Primary July 23, 1932

**C. W. BOYCE**

Candidate for Tax Assessor  
Past twelve years a workman in your Assessor's Office. Your support will be abundantly appreciated.

**EARL HUGHES**

Candidate for Tax Collector  
Taylor County (Re-election). Your Vote and Influence Will be Appreciated.

**JOHN CAMP**

Candidate for County Judge  
Taylor County  
My Platform: The most economical administration possible, consistent with good government. A fair trial in all cases, regardless. Your vote and influence earnestly desired.

Your Vote and Influence Will be Appreciated

**BELLE WELLBORN**

Candidate for  
District Clerk, Taylor County (Re-election)  
Subject to Action of Democratic Primary, July 23, 1932

**JOE E. CHILDERS**

Candidate for  
County Judge, Taylor County  
Your Vote and Influence Solicited

Your Vote and Influence Earnestly Solicited

**GRADY PARMELLY**

Candidate for  
Tax Collector, Taylor County

**WHEN THE SIGNAL IS RED**

A traffic officer had halted a motorist at a street intersection and reprimanded him for driving past a red light. "Don't you know what red means?" he angrily demanded. "It means 'stop.' What's the matter with you anyway? Can't you see?" "Yes, I can see all right, officer," the driver answered mildly, "But I'm from another State, and when the man just in front of me drove past the signal when it was red, I thought I could, too. It was watching the other fellow that caused the mistake."

Watching the other fellow has been the cause of a good deal of trouble in this world. How often we speed past the danger signals that a loving, sympathetic Father has placed along our pathway, all because the other fellow disobeys? Human nature is an unsatisfactory guide at the best. To allow other people to shape our conduct and to outline our course for us often is to court disaster and an aftermath of remorse and sorrow.—Forward.

**GROWING A GREAT CHURCH**

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ating room. He was asked why the difference, and he said that in the clinic there would be brought in a little boy with a broken arm, and that that broken arm had a pull about them. Have you not felt this push and pull? How is it that more are not yielding to such spiritua push and pull?

Last of all, I would say that as we grow great churches we grow great christians. As we grow the church the church grows us, as we bless we are blessed, as we give we are given unto, as we divide we are multiplied. A great growing church means a great growing membership. For the sake of our church, for the sake of Christ's kingdom, for the sake of our own greater future, let's all be church-growing christians.

It is a great man who can train another to be greater than himself.