

Civic Righteousness Report Scores Liquor--Gambling

Someone has said that "the home is the bulwark of civilization." It may also be well said that the home is the vehicle upon which civilization travels. As the home goes, so goes civilization. There was a time when we guarded far more carefully than now the sanctity and religious faith of the home. There was a time when our children were shielded from vulgar and obscene spectacles. That day, however, seems to be gone. No civilization can be strengthened nor can the ideals of its people be raised when they are exposed daily to acts of free love, nude forms and cheap music.

The gambling craze seems to be sweeping our state and our nation in an unprecedented way. The people are being tempted with every conceivable gambling device. In every public place, where at all possible to place them, these devices are found. Men with most meagre incomes often spend even "bread money" in an attempt to get something for nothing. School children have been known on numerous occasions to gamble their lunch money on these machines, and then go the entire day without food. For the state to legalize gambling would seem to your committee to place its approval upon allowing shrewd and designing men to prey upon a common weakness of many people. And not only that but in accepting money for a license for it, the state actually becomes a partner in this wholly unworthy enterprise. As Texas Baptists more than 600,000 strong, we, it seems to your committee, should, in thunderous tones, denounce this thing and demand repeal of all laws legalizing gambling in this state.

During the campaign for the repeal of the 18th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, and also for repeal of the amendment to our own state constitution we were told that if liquor should again be legalized that it would decrease drinking and stamp out bootlegging. We were told that people drank, not because they wanted it, but because it was difficult to procure. We have found, however, that almost every claim made for the virtues of repeal has proven to be false, and every promise made by the wets has been broken.

The situation today with respect to the legalized liquor traffic is worse than it was in the darkest days of the saloon. We have permitted conditions to grow up that demand drastic treatment--and drastic treatment is what I have prescribed with all the forces at my command. When the state shifted to the legalized traffic in liquors it was to be "out in the open" where it could be regulated with ease and fairness. The actual situation today can be described as follows. In many places it has been allowed to withdraw into shady places that cannot stand light. In these places it has bred crime and immorality.

The beer and liquor joint with its windows obscured, its lights dimmed, its booths to afford further privacy--with a dance floor as one adjunct and tourist facilities as another--is a combination as vicious as any that ever has been devised to debauch the morals of a rising generation. We are wandering far away from the ways of our fathers when we assume that a dive-keeper may wreck the morals of our youth and pay off his damage in dollars.

Some other evils of repeal:-- Before the 18th Amendment there were about 350 Keely cures in the United States. Since the repeal of that amendment these places are rapidly coming back. John Owens of California, manager of "Samaritan Treatment for Alcoholism" is quoted as saying: "The increase in patients made it necessary for us to expand our original quarters and move into larger quarters twice last year. Our institution is treating approximately 300 per cent more victims of the alcohol habit today than before repeal, and, in addition, there are perhaps five times as many persons coming into the institution for advice."

Repeat has also created many problems within our local churches. Much could be said on this but it can all be said by our local churches going on record as being opposed to its members deriving any part of their living from the sale of or aiding and abetting in the sale of liquor in any way.

Educate, educate from kindergarten to university. Vote as we pray: The complete abolishment of the liquor traffic must be accomplished. "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

Committee:

John L. Wharton, Longview, Chairman.

Baptist State Convention Proceedings

Buckner Orphans Home

Buckner Orphan's Home gave a good report. It normally numbers more than six hundred. Children spend an average of twelve years in it. Its average per capita cost is around \$25 a month. For that outlay, the inmates are given food, raiment, medical care, vocational training, spiritual nurture and education through high school. Each child spend an average of two days a year in the hospital. One of every 20 children undergoes some sort of surgical operation each year. Religious nurture is given every child, so that it is a very rare thing for a child to leave the home without conversion and church membership. All that the most painstaking parents do for their sons and daughters, is done for the children of this home.

A home of over six hundred children that cost \$25 a month per capita to provide for, has to be supported. The resources of the home are: (1) the generous impulses of men and women of all faiths who know of and appreciate the home's contribution to human welfare; and (2) the tender hearts of Texas Baptists who bear the home in their affections. Texas Baptists began it, have sponsored it, claim it as their own; on them rests the perennial burden of its support.

Baptist Seminaries

The Southern Seminary has matriculated more than 7,500 preachers in 75 years, the Southwestern 2,607 in its 29 years, besides thousands of women and laymen, and the Bible Institute 4,100 students altogether, probably half of whom were preachers. Say that 12,000 preachers have studied in our Seminaries in the past 78 years. If they cost ten times what was spent, the stability, culture and consecrated zeal of these men should have repaid Southern Baptists beyond the ability of the imagination to conceive. The enrollment at all three Seminaries is greatly increased this session just starting. They look upon this as one of the most heartening signs of our denominational life.

Mention should be made of a fourth theological institution Southern Baptists help to maintain, namely, the American Baptist Seminary at Nashville, for colored preachers. This work is carried on in co-operation with the National Convention of Negro Baptists. The need for this seminary is appalling, to use the term Dr. E. P. Aldredge employs in describing it. Having had to operate on a modest scale, the institution is only beginning to serve its constituency in a small way.

The Baptist Standard

We are glad to report that the subscription list of the Baptist Standard continues to increase, read the Baptist Standard report. Last year the paid circulation of the Baptist Standard on October 25 was 28,141. This year it is 35,621. Neither figure includes 10 per cent additional for samples and promotion authorized by the United States Post Office Department. While the subscription list and the circulation are larger than that of any other state Baptist paper in America, or provincial Baptist paper anywhere, it is far below what it ought to be. The management of the paper, the pastors and denominational leaders ought not to be satisfied with a circulation for the Baptist Standard of less than 100,000 which would be half of the Baptist families in this state, estimating three members to a family.

LUEDERS BAPTIST WILL BUILD NEW CHURCH

The Baptist Church of Lueders held a special service Thanksgiving day at the place where we are building a new house of worship. The service was opened by singing "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," and invocation by the S. S. Superintendent, J. C. Ford. Scripture was read by the pastor, Mrs. Edna Thomas and Miss Ida Bell Curry gave readings on Thanksgiving. Rev. L. A. Doyle of Anson brought a great message on the subject, "Building A Church." Following the sermon, the first corner stone of the new building was laid in place by four deacons: J. C. Ford, J. E. Powell, A. L. Mullins, and C. L. Latimer. It was a great service, and will be long remembered by many who were present.

FRED MORELAND, Pastor.

A mission chapel has recently been completed at Coello, Illinois, according to G. O. Foulon, missionary to the foreigners.

Thirty Years of Christmas Seals

By Elizabeth Cole

In 1907 the first Christmas Seal sale was launched in Delaware by Miss Emily P. Bissell. She raised \$3,000 to use toward building a hospital for children ill with tuberculosis. Much has been accomplished since then and here in brief form are several important links in the nationwide chain of tuberculosis control that Christmas Seal funds have helped to build.

The National Tuberculosis Association was founded in 1904 by a group of distinguished tuberculosis specialists and interested laymen. Its aim was to study tuberculosis in all its forms and to disseminate knowledge on its causes, treatment, and prevention. From the first then the campaign to fight tuberculosis, at that time the leading cause of death, was educational. To stimulate the public in a desire to secure better health machinery was the object and in only very few instances have Christmas Seal funds ever been used for relief work.

The sixth International Congress on Tuberculosis was held in Washington, D. C., in 1908. This meeting, at which world-famous scientists were present, gave impetus to the whole tuberculosis movement in our country. During the next ten years tuberculosis associations were formed in practically every state and there are now 1981 associations affiliated with the National Tuberculosis Association.

In the belief that better health protection for children would result in better health for all communities as a whole, attention was directed toward the establishment of such media as fresh air schools, preventoria, and toward encouraging early training in the ways of health. Providence, Rhode Island, opened the first fresh air school in 1908 and in 1909 the first tuberculosis preventorium was established for New York City children at Farmingdale, New Jersey. Other states followed suit and today there are 173 institutions with provision for children who need preventorium care.

New York, as early as 1909, passed a state law authorizing the building of county tuberculosis hospitals. In 1913 an act in Washington authorized counties in that state to erect sanatoria for the care of its tuberculous and inspired other neighboring states in the Pacific Northwest to undertake organized tuberculosis work. Today there are almost 200 county tuberculosis sanatoria, besides more than 1,000 other federal, state, city and privately owned institutions providing special care for tuberculous patients.

A study of tuberculosis in rural areas made by Wisconsin in 1911 revealed that tuberculosis was an prevalent in the country as in the city. This was an unexpected discovery and awakened other states to the

need for searching out tuberculosis in their more isolated districts. Michigan was among them and, following a state-wide survey, was first to use a new type of clinic. It was called the "traveling clinic." The itinerant clinics became popular in other states, and were the means of uncovering many cases of tuberculosis. At permanent tuberculosis dispensaries and clinics patients today not only are treated but they are taught how to get well. These are functioning to the extent of about 1,000.

At Framingham, Massachusetts, a unique health demonstration was established in 1916 to show that with the co-operation of physicians and citizens it was possible to control



Protect Your Home from Tuberculosis BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

tuberculosis. At the end of the seven-year demonstration the death rate had dropped to 38 per 100,000 population from 121 during the pre-demonstration decade. Statistical data of untold value were assembled through this study and the work carried on in Framingham has resulted in similar demonstrations in other communities.

The study of tuberculosis in industry has been another important link in the chain that Christmas Seals have helped to finance. In an effort to emphasize health as a factor in industry the Chicago Tuberculosis Institute in 1911 started a campaign to detect tuberculosis among industrial workers. Other studies on this subject include one in Vermont among granite cutters, completed in 1921. It was found that certain dusty trades are dangerous and many measures have now been taken to protect these workers against tuberculosis. A recent contribution has been a study of death rates by occupation to focus attention on the trades in which the tuberculosis hazard is greatest.

In order to carry out one of the aims of the National Tuberculosis Association, namely, the study of tuberculosis, in 1920 a committee on medical research was organized. Because it was financially prohibitive to found a special laboratory for tuberculosis research, the committee organized and co-ordinated work of individuals and groups and enlisted the co-operation of various university laboratories with their highly trained personnel. These men and women are working diligently to add to our knowledge about the disease and hope that some day a specific cure may be discovered.

Social research too has been carried on and the findings of various studies have helped to bring to light the relationship of such factors as age, sex, nationality and occupation to tuberculosis.

In the spring of 1928 the first early diagnosis campaign was held. This country-wide educational campaign conducted each spring for nine years, has for its objective the detection of tuberculosis in its early forms. These campaigns have encouraged the use of the tuberculin test and the X-ray among school children and have been instrumental in finding early cases of tuberculosis when treatment could be given in time to save many lives. In Massachusetts a ten-year program was started in 1924 by the State Department of Health for the detection of tuberculosis among school children, the most extensive project of this kind ever undertaken.

And after recovery--what? That is another problem tuberculosis associations are working on. In New York City back in 1913 the first workshop for arrested cases of tuberculosis was opened. At the Altro Work Shop men and women are successfully engaged in garment making. To prepare tuberculosis patients to return to work many sanatoria conduct classes for study and well rounded programs of rehabilitation have been worked out in many parts of the country.

Utopia may be a long way off, but Dr. Thomas Parran, Jr., Surgeon General of the United States recently said, "Tuberculosis can be wiped out in our nation."

Why not work optimistically toward that goal? In 1907 when the first Christmas Seals were sold 179 persons out of every 100,000 population were dying from tuberculosis; now less than 60 per 100,000 are dying. Certainly the links in the nationwide chain of tuberculosis control that have helped to save those lives must not be allowed to weaken. Other links must be added. Let us hope that before the next thirty years have passed, the chain will be so strengthened that the new generation will see Dr. Parran's prophecy come true.

Secretary Gardner Discusses Recent Meeting of Texas BTU

By T. C. Gardner

B. T. U. Convention - Mighty Force for Good

By B. A. Copass

I attended the State B. T. U. Convention at Abilene and was so greatly blessed and received such uplift of soul that I feel like writing about it. For years I have watched the growth in all sorts of directions of the B. T. U. movement. I have been gratified especially at the growth in two directions. First, the growth in numbers. When I came to Texas in 1901 just a few hundred people attended the meetings of the young people's convention. It was the day of small things, but the Baptists were working at the problem of the roganization and training of the young people. To remember the small number of people in attendance in those days when to see the mighty host that gathers now is enough to give joy to any loyal Baptist.

All day Thursday I was thinking of how many Baptist young people spent their Thanksgiving in a place like the B. T. U. Convention. I also have been greatly gratified, in the second place, at the corresponding growth in spiritual understanding and purpose and power. At times I have wondered what to do with the great increase in numbers. I think I see it now. We have the numbers and now that we have them God is pouring out His blessings upon them in spiritual things.

After all the years of prayer and toil and growth the blessings of God are upon the movement from the organization in the smallest church to the mighty convention that assembles from year to year. In former years there were at times more or less floundering with reference to what to do. The leaders were doing the best they could, but they had not yet found themselves. Now all that is changed and there is maturity of leadership. The direction of the organization is given by those of years of consecration and service, devoted to the task. Year by year the leadership comes closer to the heart of Christ in making His church the center and basis of all that is done. Witness the central thing in the entire program this year. I have never seen the idea of the local church more supremely exalted.

An editor who was in attendance upon the meeting said to me, "A sane look towards the future should show Baptists the value of this movement in the churches." Taking a long look here, is found the greatest organized hope for Baptists. When I looked at the host of young people all set in one direction led by those who are loyal to God and to Baptists, my heart said that the Editor is right.

If I am not mistaken the convention as a whole moved along such spiritual lines that the organization itself was scarcely seen. Indeed few people seemed to even think about it. I know of nothing more significant for Baptists. They are getting above and away from putting primary emphasis and discussion upon this; they want no other plan or method of work. That seems to be settled in their minds. In other words, Baptists are now putting their emphasis upon the great spiritual realities that we believe in and that we work for. The great part of our denominational policy has stood the test of the years. Our plans are good enough. I believe we have a mind to let them alone for a while, and devote ourselves to the main task.

Many Baptists believe that a mighty revival of religion is just ahead. Our own Secretary Campbell is aflame with the soul winning passion as he leads us on. I rejoice that all our organizations and agencies are seemingly now moving together. My prayer is that we will continue in the same spirit and move in the same direction. We should not lose our emphasis. From the possible change of emphasis to things that are not the highest, may our Father in Heaven deliver us.

I had such an uplift of soul and such an outlook for the future that I am already praying for the meeting next year. I am praying that during the year our spirit and emphasis may be maintained and that the meeting next year will be an advance for Christ over the meeting this year.

The Rachel Sims Memorial Mission in New Orleans has recently been re-decorated and opened as a good will center with Miss Gladys Keith, new appointee of the Home Mission Board, in charge.

A fine attendance and good interest was reported from Bethlehem by pastor Thurmond.

The 46th annual session of the State B. T. U. Convention will go down in history as one of the great conventions ever held by that organization. There were 7,812 registered messengers present at the closing session Saturday morning, November 28. The convention began with a great music festival on Wednesday night the 25th and closed with a great spiritual service Saturday at noon. At the closing service 112 young people between the ages of 16 and 25 completely surrendered their lives to the Lord to serve as missionaries, preachers and religious workers. It was said by many that there were more high sweeping spiritual hours at this convention than any they ever attended.

Abilene Baptists in particular and Abilene citizens in general entertained the convention superbly. Abilene pastors, educational directors and Hardin-Simmons University teachers and professors inspired Abilene citizens to provide every need for the thousands of messengers. Abilene is a growing city, a great Baptist center, and a great place for a state convention.

The 1937 B. T. U. Convention will be held in Beaumont November 25-26-27.

State B. T. U. Convention Officers: President, R. A. Springer, Amarillo. State B. T. U. Director and Treasurer, T. C. Gardner, Dallas. Recording Secretaries, Miss Geraldine Hill, Abilene; Mrs. Ellis Province, Dallas.

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President, W. L. Howse, Ft. Worth. Recording Secretary, Miss Betty Hazlewood, Dallas. Texas Baptist Encampment Trustees: The Texas Baptist encampment, located at Palacios-by-the-sea is owned and controlled by the Texas Baptist Training Union Convention. The trustees are elected by the B. T. U. Convention annually. The new ones elected at the Abilene convention are: State Contest Winners: The State B. T. U. Convention of Texas promotes six state-wide contests. The ones declared to be winners in the contests at the convention in Abilene were as follows:

Better Programs Contest: First Place: Mrs. M. L. Wattenbarger, Commerce (District 13). 2. Second Place: Miss Bertha Lee Simms, Galveston (District 4). Third place: Mrs. Gus Coleman, Galveston (District 4). Fourth place: Tied, Mrs. J. S. Scoggins, Galveston (District 4) and Mrs. Raymond Collier, Sterling City (District 16).

Beginner Story-Telling Contest: Age 3: Joy Lee Fuller, Seewers Street Baptist Church, Dallas (District 13); Age 4: Mildred Joyce McCarver, Iraan, Texas (District 7); Age 5: Venita Mourcier, Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth (District 12); and Olen Bell Cosby, San Jacinto Baptist Church, Amarillo (District 10).

Primary Story-Telling Contest: Age 6, First place: Ellen Ann Saylors, First Church, San Angelo (District 18); Second place: Bobbie Williams, Elmdale Baptist Church, Abilene, (District 17); Age 7: First place, tied, Doris LaVerne Rains, First Church, San Angelo (District 16) and Barbara Lee McGee, Cliff Temple Baptist Church, Dallas (District 13); Second place: Bobbie Bristar, First Church, Waco (District 14); Age 8, first place, Libbie Dell; Covington, First Church; Kennedy (District 6); second place, tied; Eleanor Bouldin, First Church, Abilene (District 17); Jo Ann McIlhenny, First Church, Lubbock; (District 9); Jimmie Dean Ligon, Park Heights Baptist Church, San Angelo (16).

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News Notes

The New Hope Baptist Church building, near Colorado, recently completed, was dedicated at services on November 28, 29. The services were directed by Rev. A. D. Leach of Colorado. Rev. Childress of Westbrook preached the sermon. An elaborate program was observed during the two days.

The Lamesa Association met Tuesday of this week with Pastor Curtis and the church at Andrews. Those appearing on the program were Junice Dodd, Robert Lee Smith, J. J. Gentry, E. F. Cole, Winston F. Borum; Fred Sanders, and Missionary J. J. Strickland.

Dr. W. W. Chancellor of Mineral Wells is doing the preaching in a meeting with Pastor W. D. Green and the Knox City Church.

Last Sunday the church at Swenson ordained five men deacons. Rev. H. T. Dennis is pastor.

The Slaton Reporter states that Pastor N. G. Range of the First Baptist Church of that city was the only one in several parties deer hunting from that section who brought back the game. Congratulations!

Rev. R. A. Clifton, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Gilmer, is doing the preaching in a meeting with Pastor Henry Littleton and the First Baptist Church, Hamlin. Local forces are directing the music.

Hendrick Memorial Hospital is now

ON THE FIELD

With Hardin-Simmons Preachers

J. William Arnett

Brother Kirk supplied for Brother Ernest Bowman at Stith last Sunday and reported good services.

Brother Fulham was with his church at Potosi Sunday.

Brother East preached at Bethel in Jones county. They had a good interest manifested in the services.

The writer visited in the services at Caps Sunday, Brother Clyde Jackson is the pastor. There were 103 in Sunday school, and we heard a good sermon. There was a collection taken for the Orphan's Home.

Our Bible instructor, Dr. Atwood, supplied the pulpit at the University Church Sunday morning.

Brother Bowman preached at Trent both services Sunday.

Brother James Alexander has been called to pastor the Hitson Church in Fisher County and has accepted the call. They had five additions to the Church Sunday, and there were 125 in B. T. U.

Pastor Willis Taylor reports good services with Drasco Sunday.

Brother A. B. Mosley and wife, W. P. Kirk and Claude Gooch attended the Workers Conference at Cisco Tuesday. Brother Mosley is pastor at Parks in the Cisco association.

E. N. McCOY.

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LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

This is the season of the year for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions, sponsored by the Women's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention. As a result of this movement 120 missionaries are being maintained on the foreign fields. Last convention year the Baptist women of Texas raised \$42,440.88 for this mission offering. Had it not been for this worthy movement on the part of our women there is no telling what would have become of our foreign mission work during these years of depression and drouth.

Last week was a week of prayer and preparation for the Lottie Moon offering. During the week thousands of women all over the Southern Baptist Convention territory met for a week of prayer and mission study. Is it any wonder that our women have responded to the foreign mission appeal in such a worthy way?

During these next few days every church, every pastor, and every organization in our churches should give every consideration to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions. As Christmas approaches let us get a vision of the hundreds of millions of lost souls who have never heard the name of Jesus. If we can get this vision, the offering sought by our good women will be realized.

BUCKNER ORPHANS HOME

Another of our special Christmas objects at this season of the year is Buckner Orphan's Home. Our churches all over Texas are remembering the seven hundred children in this great institution with love gifts of money, clothing, food, etc. What a glorious opportunity we have of exemplifying the spirit of our Master by contributing to the temporal welfare of the orphan children committed to our care. Brother Hal Buckner and his associates in the management of the home are carrying a great burden during these stressful years. The operating expenses of the home are extremely large. Hundreds of unfortunate orphan children are appealing for admittance to this great Baptist family of children. To accommodate them means more buildings and more money for operating expenses. Mr. G. W. Waldrop of Abilene, one of our leading business men and deacon in the First Baptist Church, is one of the trustees of the home. Sunday night he made an appeal for the home that should meet a responsive chord in our hearts. As we plan for the happy task of gladdening hearts of little children during Christmas, we feel sure Texas Baptist will not overlook the seven hundred little hearts at Buckner Orphan's Home, who are looking to us for a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

BRADBURY COMMENDS EDITORIAL

We are in receipt of a letter from J. Bryan Bradbury, representative in the Texas Legislature from District 116, commending the Article in last week's West Texas Baptist, "Shall We Allow the Liquor Interests to Steal Santa Claus?" Representative Bradbury is a staunch Prohibitionist, and he worked hard in the last legislature to give the dregs of Texas the best laws possible under present conditions. He is to be commended for his efforts.

Many laws passed by our legislature contains "jokers." The law regulating the sale of prescription whiskey in dry territory is full of jokers. In the first place it's a joke to contend that whiskey is needed as a medicine. In the second place it's a joke to call any territory dry territory (according to law) when the law has made it so easy for a drug store to sell liquor in dry territory. Why use such discrimination? When the majority of the voters vote to make their territory dry they want it dry. As far as the prohibitionist is concerned he had just as soon (or perhaps sooner) see liquor sold by a saloon as by a drug store. Something ought to be done about it.

Representative Bradbury's letter follows:
West Texas Baptist,
Gentlemen:

With unusual interest I read your article in last week's West Texas Baptist, entitled, "Shall we allow the liquor business to steal Santa Claus?" You are to be commended on this well written and timely article.

The liquor interests as always are alert to capitalize upon any tradition, reality or sentiment to further their destructive traffic. To see newspaper advertisements and bill board notices carrying enticing pictures portraying Santa Claus engaging in a drink of beer or carrying a bottle of liquor wrapped in Christmas paper under his arm is repulsive to every right thinking person.

Santa Claus to the old as well as the young is more than a tradition, he is a reality, a spirit of peace, an ambassador of good will, defender of the Christian spirit and embodies all that is good and holy. To connect this sentiment with the liquor interests should not be tolerated. The people of the world have grown too lax in these matters and have allowed these destructive and selfish interests whose greed gives them no sense of right to trample upon the sacred principles that have formed the cornerstone of our homes, our schools, our churches and even our republic.

To those of us who yet believe in the spirit and principle of prohibition there has been a great task committed to us. It is our duty to do our part in the enforcement of the present liquor laws, to uphold the hands of our duly elected enforcement officers, to courageously oppose the many schemes that are being advocated to foster more drinking and carry on a campaign of education and self responsibility and above all maintain a goal for the return of adequate prohibition laws.

Not only should we work to prevent the liquor interests from stealing Santa Claus but we should prevent them from selling him.

Yours truly,
J. BRYAN BRADBURY,
State Representative 116th District.

How Far Have We Come

(AN EDITORIAL)

"In making a march, it is well to pause occasionally and observe the route both ahead and to the rear." That's how Army Field Service regulations put it. At this time of year, we too may follow this advice. Now when the tuberculosis Christmas Seals make their annual appearance, we, as citizens, should acquaint ourselves with what has happened in the fight against this dread disease—and what lies ahead.

For thirty years a voluntary army has mustered itself for duty in raising funds with which to carry on educational work in the public health field of tuberculosis control to the end that a preventable and curable disease may be conquered. The march has been along a well defined route starting with Koch's discovery of the tubercle bacillus in 1882 and past such important milestones as the building of the first tuberculosis sanatorium by Dr. Edward L. Trudeau and the inauguration of the first Christmas Seal sale by Miss Emily P. Bissell in 1907.

For thirty years the battle has been waged, with ups and downs, until now we can see victory ahead. We must keep on. It is not enough that we have made progress to the extent of reducing the deaths from tuberculosis by more than two-thirds. There are still almost 70,000 people needlessly dying each year, and most important, the majority of deaths occur in that age group, 15 to 45, which is right at the door of economic independence and stability.

We can't all be up in the front line of fighters but we do all have the privileged opportunity of supporting the soldiers on the march. We can buy and use Christmas Seals. They finance the greatest war the world has ever known—a war that shall go on until the ancient enemy of mankind is wiped off the face of the earth.

A long way have we come. We can look back with satisfaction but we must look ahead with determination and with confidence in the tuberculosis associations of the country who have led the fight.

Let's all buy Christmas Seals this year and help in this great fight.

SOME 'BELIEVE IT OR NOTS' FOR TEXAS BAPTISTS

Southern Baptists in general and Texas Baptists in particular have grown and developed in such a marvelous fashion that they have brought themselves into some real "Believe-It-Or-Not's."

1. The largest Baptist group in the world.
2. A continuous growth without a parallel.
3. Largest rural constituency in the world.
4. The only tuberculosis sanatorium operated by Baptists in the nation. It is located in El Paso, Texas.
5. The largest body of young people affiliated with any one denomination in the United States. The organization that these young people are members of is the Baptist Training Union.
6. Unique Sunday School Gains. Since 1929, when the first Sunday School was organized in Texas (San Felipe), Baptist Sunday Schools have led all other denominations in growth and development. Texas Baptist churches lead the world with a Sunday School enrollment of one-half million. The Sunday School enrollment of Southern Baptists is 3,157,458.

Texas Baptist Facts—1936

1. The Baptist General Convention of Texas was organized September 8, 1848, at Anderson, Texas. Dr. J. B. Tidwell, Waco, is now president.
2. There are 3,153 Baptist churches in Texas with a combined membership of 599,793 cooperating with the Baptist General Convention of Texas.
3. The general secretary of the executive board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas is Dr. R. C. Campbell, 700 Burt Bldg., Dallas, Texas.
4. There are 3,219 Baptist Sunday Schools in Texas with a combined enrollment of 473,667.
5. There are 4,076 missionary societies in Texas. This number includes the Y. W. A., R. A., and Sunbeam Bands.
6. The first Baptist training union organized in Texas was in 1888.
7. There are 8,279 individual Baptist Training Unions in Texas with a combined membership of 166,029.
8. Texas Baptists own and control the following schools: Two universities—Baylor University at Waco and Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene. Two senior colleges—Mary Hardin-Baylor College at Belton and Howard Payne at Brownwood. Three junior colleges—Decatur at Decatur, Wayland at Plainview and College of Marshall at Marshall. One Baptist Academy at San Marcos.

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Think On These Things

C. C. Andrews, Baird, Texas

"For of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh."—Luke 6:45.

The mouth or tongue is the index to our hearts, expressing the good or evil that is in our hearts, and people judge us accordingly. As Paul puts it, "We are known and read of all men."

That is why people say of us, "That man may be a Christian, but he certainly does not manifest it in his conversation, or, "I have never heard that man use any corrupt language, or speak evil of any one."

In the first instance we have lost our influence for good, and in the second instance, not only have we kept our influence, but have won for ourselves a high estimation from those with whom we come in contact.

To illustrate; you meet a man today, you spend an hour with him, and his language is vile and corrupt continually.

Then you meet another man, and spend an hour with him, and his conversation is clean, decent and edifying, no need for me to tell you which one of the two you regard the highest.

Jesus spoke this comparison: "A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good, and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his hearth bringeth forth that which is evil."

ARE YOU AWAKE?

This is the title of a little book of stories and fables, verses for children, and songs, all in poetic form and dealing with some phase of the liquor question. The author is Florence E. Marshall and the publisher, Shaw Publishing Co. The price of the book is fifty cents. This book deals with the liquor question in a rather unique and forceful manner. We would especially commend it to teachers, both of secular and religious schools, who would sow proper seed in the mind and hearts of the children of this generation, many of whom will be tomorrow's victims of the deadly enemy, King Alcohol. Below we give an extract of one of the timely poems in the book, the title of which is: "The Drunken Driver Needs His Brain Checked."

"Check your gas, Sir, check your oil!"

So they say at Stations;

That's the order of the day;

We hear no exclamations.

Nothing startling about that,

We hear it every day;

Yet if the boy said, "Check your brain!"

What would the driver say?

One can't drive if alcohol

Clouds his mind; that's plain.

One who has a liquor breath

Ought to check his brain.

He may cause an accident,

He may cause—a death!

He'd better stop and check his brain,

If liquor's on his breath.

Devotional Thoughts

"They are without fault before the throne of God."—Rev. 14:5.

A believer may see three pictures of himself in God's Word—what he was, what he is and what he shall be. As to his former condition, he reads in Ephesians 2:12: "That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenant of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world." As to his present position, he reads in I John 3:2: "Beloved, now are we the sons of God." As to his future glory, he reads in the same verse: "It doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know that . . . we shall be like him." "Like him!" That is enough. Himself is with us, and will never fail those who put their trust in him.—F. J. Horsefield.

THE MOST DANGEROUS TEMPTATIONS

Men do well to watch and fight against obvious and sounding sins. They are numerous. They exist on every hand. They are armed and are desperate. They swarm the ways of life. Not one vice, not one crime, not one temptation, not one sin of which the Word of God warns us is to be lightly esteemed. They are to be watched, and in armor, too; we are to be proof against them (Eph. 6:11-18).

But these are not our only dangers. Tens of thousands of men perish, not by the lionlike stroke of temptation, but by the insidious bite of the hidden serpent; not with a roar and strength, but with subtle poison. More men are moth-eaten than lion-eaten in this life; and it behooves us to give heed in time to these dangers of invisible and insidious enemies.—Henry Ward Beecher.

TESTIMONIES TO "THE BLESSING"

In giving the witness to a definite experience by way of a crisis, leading afterwards to a process, let us be awake to the mistake of thinking a particular characteristic in the spiritual history of any individual must be ours.

It will be well also to remember a real and distinct step of faith may be taken without any outward signs of tumultuous joy or even a marked emotion.

When Charles Inwood entered into this blessed life he had to go for days trusting God against all human evidences. But after he consciously entered this wonderful region of trustful grace and power he wrote, "God never gives feeling to enable us to trust Him: God never gives feeling to show that we have really and utterly trusted Him. God only gives feeling when He sees we trust Him apart from all feeling, resting on His own word and on His own faithfulness to His promise." When Dr. F. B. Meyer took the step, he, after declaring his trust and confidence, left the room with almost a heavy heart. But he fought the fight of faith and trusted God's promise in spite of evidences, which resulted in a manifested life full of power and love.

This should encourage us not to look to signs but to our blessed Emmanuel made real to us, in His glorious saving and sanctifying

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By HIGHT C. MOORE

December 13, 1936

JOHN'S VISION ON PATMOS

Read Revelation 1:1 to 3:22; Study Revelation 1:4-18
During a period of fiery persecution and probably near the close of the first century John was banished to Patmos, a small island in the Egean Sea. Here he was commissioned to write his matchless Apocalypse to the seven churches in Roman Asia.

1. The Ascription to Jesus

The Revelation of character is embodied in the ascription to Jesus. The first word of John to the seven churches is a word about Jesus. Notice: (1) His mercy as the giver of grace and peace; (2) his existence in eternity unbeginning and unending; (3) his sovereignty among the spirits before his throne; (4) his fidelity as witness; (5) power over the grave; (6) his kingship over all rulers; (7) his love even to the shedding of blood; (8) his liberation of us from sin; (9) his transformation of us into kings and priests; (10) his glory and dominion; (11) his second coming when every eye shall see and every tribe shall mourn; (12) his creative and consummating work as Alpha and Omega; and (13) his omnipotence as the Almighty.

2. The Call from Jesus

The Revelation of Duty is given in the call from Jesus. That call came to John not as beloved disciple or as Apostle, though sole survivor of the Twelve, or as pastor of great churches in Asia, but as the brother of believers suffering for their faith. The call came to him in exile on Patmos (fifteen miles in circumference and twenty-four miles from the mainland) whither he had been sent because of the truth he held and of the testimony he gave. The call came on the Lord's Day, the first day of the week on which he rose from the dead, and the day which John evidently was spending in worship. The call came unmistakably in a voice that was loud indeed but articulate. The call outlined a divine task. "See—write—send!" And the call defined the specific field as the seven representative churches in Asia Minor, the theatre of John's pricipal activities. First, Ephesus, his home; then Smyrna, forty miles northward; then Pergamus, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and finally Laodicea.

3. The Vision of Jesus

The Revelation of Glory appears in the vision of Jesus. Started by the voice and the message, John turned and beheld a scene most wonderful. In the foreground were the seven golden candlesticks, symbolical of the seven churches addressed. But radiant as they were, the candlesticks were less attractive than the Personality in their midst. His humanity was first evident, for he was "like unto the Son of man." His priestly office was next marked by the long robe and the golden girdle he wore. And then the Apostle observed him in his kingly aspect: (1) He was holy and pure, his head and hair being snow-white; (2) his omniscience shone through eyes penetrating as a flame of fire; (3) his feet like unto burnished brass were the tokens of past endurance and future triumph; (4) his voice as the voice of many waters carried the tone of authority; (5) his right hand held the seven stars in symbol of his universal control; (6) his mouth emitted a sharp two-edge sword, typifying the conquests of his Word; and (7) his countenance shone with effulgent glory like the sun in full strength. No wonder the seer fell unnerved and prostrate at his feet. But as in Galilee, so now in Patmos, the Master soothed the troubled soul. And then he reiterated his deity as first and last, identified himself as the victim of the cross, and asserted his power over the unseen forces of the spirit world, death and Hades veing under his control.

"Whose We Are and Whom We Serve"

1. **The Merciful Christ.** "Grace be unto you, and peace." By his grace we are saved and sanctified. The peace he gives is the peace that passeth understanding. Magnify the mercy of the Master.
2. **The Faithful Christ.** "The faithful witness." His testimony is true. We can depend on what he tells us about God, ourselves, our fellow men, unseen worlds, the eternal future.
3. **The Risen Christ.** "The first begotten of the dead." He not only conquered Death but became the first fruits of them that slept. His power and primacy insure our resurrection from the dead.
4. **The Reigning Christ.** "The prince of the kings of the earth." He is above all earthly potentates. They may not recognize him now, but one day they must lay their crowns and scepters at his feet.
5. **The Redeeming Christ.** "Loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood." Can we ever lose sight of Calvary? There he drained for us the cup of love. There he broke the shackles of our sin.
6. **The Returning Christ.** "Behold, he cometh." We have his word that he is certainly coming again. He may come any time. He will come some time. Let this blessed hope burn white hot in every heart!
7. **The Eternal Christ.** "Alpha and Omega." He was back of the beginning of all things, and he will be beyond the end of all things. Credit him with the creation and consummation of the universe.

Gold in the Golden Text

Fear not; I am the first and the last; I am he that liveth.—Revelation 1:17-18.

Who is Jesus? He is first, antedating all creation and superseding every creature. He is last, consummating the work of redemption and continuing through the endless ages. He is the Living One, who not only conquered death for himself but also for others, bringing life and immortality to light in the Gospel.

Then why should his followers fear any storm of hate or any menace of danger? "Fear not!" Moreover, "thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee." (Isa. 26:3).

Daily Readings

- Monday—Seeing the Glorified Jesus. Revelation 1.9-18.
- Tuesday—The Ascension. Acts 1.6-11.
- Wednesday—Stephen's Vision. Acts 7.54-60.
- Thursday—The Exalted Christ. Philippians 2.5-11.
- Friday—The River of Life. Revelation 22.1-5.
- Saturday—The New Jerusalem. Revelation 21.1-5.
- Sunday—"Man's Fairest Hope." I Corinthians 15.35-44.

and keeping power by the Holy Ghost whom He did send after His ascension. Our part is to trust, God's part is to manifest. With this warning and admonition listen to a few out of a multitude of sanctified believers. And as he reads many a doubter become a believer.—A. S. Wilson, in *Definite Experience*, published by Marshall, Morgan & Scott, Ltd.

Rambling Remarks

Dick O'Brien

When I think of the advantage enjoyed by those who wrote of old as they were led by the Spirit, I can't help kinda wishing that service could be extended to writers of columns today. If I did not have anything else to do but write a column, or if I could have access to a typewriter every time I have a thought in my ramblings, I might do very well. But the thoughts I have fade before I can get to a typewriter. In common with most folks I know I can think of a snappy comeback or wisecrack after it is too late for it to fit. I think I must have been born 24 hours too late. . . . I like to ride on a train on a cloudy day. . . . We decided to have an early morning service in Colorado on Thanksgiving Day. Some suggested a sunrise service, but we decided that would be too early so we agreed on the hour from 7 to 8. When our faithful alarm clocks got us up and we sleepily made our way to the church we found that 7 o'clock is BEFORE sunrise. Well, I suppose that shows something or other. I imagine the sun was surprised when he found that a lot of Colorado folks beat him up that morning. Someone has said, "If you want to get up in the world you will have to get up in the morning." You remember Ben Franklin said, "Late to bed and early to rise, work like smoke and advertize." And speaking of sayings you recall what Horace Greeley said about "Go west, young man, and grow up with the country." While Dr. Hargrove was speaking on youth and morals at the B. T. U. convention last week, a paraphrase of that saying occurred to me, to wit, "Go wet, young man, and blow up with the country." . . . I especially appreciated that address and the one by Fred Eastham in which he paid his respects to dirty stories. Especially as told by preachers. I suppose it is pretty generally known that I like a good story, but to be a GOOD story it must have three qualifications, to wit again, I like one that is funny, I like one with a point, and it MUST be clean. . . . These remarks are being written in Eastland where I have just had a very pleasant five-hour visit with my mother who will soon be 81 years old. It is grand to have a mother like I have. I sat and listened again to her story of the struggle in Texas which began 62 years ago when she and dad came here from Arkansas and settled within eight miles of the place where mother now lives. Here within a radius of only a few miles they reared a family of eight boys and three girls. Of this group ten are still living in Texas, with families of their own. There has never been an arrest in the family, even among the grandchildren. Five of the eight boys are deacons and two are preachers. Two of the girls married deacons. None of the group have gone very high, neither have they gone very low. I do not know a better wish for my own boys than that they shall have a father as worthy as I had, and I shudder when I remember that I am their only chance. . . . The most interesting study in psychology furnished by the B. T. U. convention was to watch Dr. Jeff D. Ray's face register satisfaction when a speaker would properly pronounce the oft repeated word, "program," and then see that expression change to actual pain when the speaker gave the "grum" ending to the word. You know, after taking homiletics under him for two years he has got me at it. There is no excuse for a preacher who is constantly putting his vocabulary on exhibition, and who is the example of correct speech to many in his community, to constantly make common mistakes like saying "progrum." . . . Speaking of my parents and the hardships they endured in the early days in Texas reminds me of a statement by State Press in the Dallas News several years ago, to wit again, "The mother who used to ride to town on a bale of cotton over an ungraded road, now has a daughter who complains when the limousine hits a rough place in the bridge." Even so. Well, I really thought I had some very good stuff for this week, but upon close examination I find the belfry empty. And when that cavity is empty it serves only as an echo chamber and echoes are not very informative material with which to fill a column such as is read by those who peruse this one, so, q.e.d.

Since January 1, 1933, the attendance at services at the Rescue Mission in New Orleans has been 117,157, and the number of free meals given has been 75,942.

Of fifty families visited on a recent survey by Paul C. Bell, missionary of the Home Mission Board, he states that only two had ever heard the gospel.



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The National, State and Local Tuberculosis Associations of the United States

SECRETARY GARDNER DISCUSSES RECENT MEETING OF THE TEXAS B. T. U.

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Junior Memory Contest

Age 9: Nattie Lee Hanks, First Church, Colorado, District 8.

Age 9: Katherine Kerr, Cliff Temple, Dallas, District 13.

Age 9: Ervin Eddington, Emmanuel, San Antonio, District 6.

Age 10: Lola Howell, Central, Ranger, District 17.

Age 10: Helen Ruth Watson, Central, Ranger, District 17.

Age 10: Margaret Benke, First Church, Kenedy, District 6.

Age 10: Helen Virginia Morgan, First Church, Hillsboro, District 14.

Age 10: Winnie Constance Dudley, First Church, Abilene, District 17.

Age 10: Jimmie Lee Gotcher, Park Heights, San Angelo, District 16.

Age 10: Billie Jean Cleere, First Church, Cisco, District 17.

Age 11: Billy Sullivan, Calvary, Mineral Wells, District 12.

Age 11: J. L. Daniel, Jr., First Church, Handley, District 12.

Age 11: John L. McKelvin, Central, Ranger, District 17.

Age 11: Billy Tucker, First Church, Nacogdoches, District 2.

Age 11: Martha Sheehon, First Church, Childress, District 11.

Age 11: Virginia Banks, First Church, Rusk, District 2.

Age 11: Johnnie Ellis, First Church, Temple, District 15.

Age 11: Marion Thomas Summar, Gaston Ave., Dallas, District 13.

Age 11: Betty Alice Cooper, Gaston Ave., Dallas, District 13.

Age 11: Billie Ruth Foster, Elm-dale, Abilene, District 17.

Age 11: Wanda Howell, Central, Ranger, District 17.

Age 11: J. D. Holland, First Church, Childress, District 11.

Age 11: J. C. Gotcher, Park Hts., San Angelo, District 16.

Age 11: Verna Williams, First Church, Carrizo Springs, District 6.

Age 12: Bobby Stevens, Lamar Ave., Wichita Falls, District 11.

Age 12: Perla Hudson Budley, First Church, Abilene, District 17.

Age 12: Lois Ball, Central, Ranger, District 17.

Age 12: Virginia Clower, East Grand, Dallas, District 13.

Age 12: Betty Jean Morton, Tabernacle, Fort Worth, District 12.

Age 12: Mary Evelyn Lee, Cliff Temple, Dallas, District 13.

Age 12: Mary Jo Brown, First, Childress, District 11.

Age 12: Rudolph Jackson, First Church, Iraan, District 7.

Age 12: Ora Lee Potter, East Grand, Dallas, District 13.

Age 12: Martha Gene Glasgow, Gaston Ave., Dallas, District 13.

Age 12: Peggy Dean Hill, First Church, Morton, District 9.

Intermediate Sword Drill Contest

Age 13: Robert Stacy, Polytechnic Baptist Church, Fort Worth (District 12); age 14, Ethel Louise Clower, East Grand Ave. Baptist Church, Dallas, (District 13); age 15, Lora Finger, Calvary Baptist Church, Mineral Wells, (District 12); age 16, Genen Revel, Calvary Baptist Church, Coleman Co. (District 16).

Note: In the Master Swordsman contest, Ethel Louise Clower of Dallas won first place.

Senior Oratorical Contest

Age 17: Virginia Ann March, First, District 13, First Church, Oak Cliff.

Age 17: J. W. Dunlap, Second, District 8, First Church, Colorado.

Age 17: M. E. Stephens, Third, District 12, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Fort Worth.

Age 18: Allena Summar, First, District 13, Gaston Ave., Dallas.

Age 18: Roberta Howard, Second, District 16, First, Brownwood.

Age 18: Ruby Shelton, Third, District 11, First Church, Electra.

Age 18: Enese Camp, Third, District 12, Travis Ave., Fort Worth.

Age 19: Verena King, First, District 16, First, Brownwood.

Age 19: June Lustre, Second, District 14, La Vega, Waco.

Age 19: Helen Wesson, Third, District 9, First, Dimmitt.

Age 20: Lillian McCullough, First, District 15, First, Belton.

Age 20: Ruth Allen, Second, District 9, First, Lubbock.

Age 20: Chas. Pitts, Second, District 16, First, Brownwood.

Age 20: Virginia Bowers, Third, District 12, Polytechnic, Fort Worth.

Age 20: Edith Teel, Third, District 11, First, Electra.

Age 21: Dorothy Finney, First, District 13, East Grand, Dallas.

Age 21: Pauline Judd, Second, District 17, Elm-dale, Abilene.

Age 21: Truett Smith, Third, District 10, Turkey, Texas.

SOME "BELIEVE-IT-OR-NOTS" FOR TEXAS BAPTISTS

(Continued from page 2)

9. Texas Baptists own and control the following hospitals: Baylor Hospital, Dallas; Baptist Memorial Hospital, Houston; West Texas Baptist Sanitarium, Abilene. The following three hospitals are under the control of Baptist Association where located—Baptist Hospital, Waco; Baptist Hospital, Fort Worth; Baptist Hospital, Harlingen.

10. Buckner Orphans' Home is the largest institution of its type in the world.

11. The circulation of the Baptist Standard is 40,826.

Hardin-Simmons News

(From The Brand)

HARDIN-SIMMONS TO TAKE PART IN SALE OF SPANGLES

Taylor County Tuberculosis association is sponsoring a spangle sale December 10, which is being sponsored in the public schools and colleges by the Pan-Hellenic. The sales will be handled by the Hardin-Simmons students by some local organization with definite announcements to be made later. The spangles sell for 10c each.

Holiday Cage Games

Negotiations made this week placed three leading Southwest conference basketball quintets on the Cowboys schedule for December appearances on the home court.

Initial showing of the Purple and Gold floor men will be against the Baylor Bears Dec. 18 and 19. Four hard matches are billed for the last four days of the month, Texas Christian university slated for Dec. 28 and 29, and the Southern Methodist Mustangs on Dec. 30 and 31.

At Teachers Convention

A. M. Carpenter and Suella Lacy, head of the H. S. U. art department and assistant, respectively, attended the fifty-eighth annual convention of the Texas state teachers association held in Fort Worth November 26th to 28th.

Miss Lacy attended sessions with the elementary grades' division and Miss Carpenter with the college groups.

Social Security

Faculty members of Hardin-Simmons university will be exempt from provisions of the Social Security act which goes into effect January 1, 1937, because employees of religious institutions are not subject to this law, it has been announced.

Science Club Speaker

Tom Barnes, graduate of Hardin-Simmons, and holding an M. S. degree from Brown university, spoke to members of the science club Monday morning at the chapel period in Dr. Olsen's lecture room.

Requests Traffic Signals

Petition requesting the placing of traffic signals at the intersections of Ambler avenue with Hickory and Pine streets and signed by more than 200 residents of northern Abilene, was presented to the City Commission in session yesterday. Prompted by recent fatal accidents and heavy traffic at the intersections the petition was circulated early this week by William F. Bryant and R. M. White, Abilene residents.

Wins Scholarship

Don Gayer, Uvalde, who received his A. B. degree from Hardin-Simmons last June, was named recently as one of the recipients of the E. L. Marston scholarships for study in economics. Announcement was made by the graduate school of Brown university after the scholarship was awarded by the university Board of Fellows.

At Government Meet

Four Hardin-Simmons debaters are in Winfield, Kansas, today representing the university in the ninth annual inter-collegiate debate tournament, sponsored by Southwestern college.

James K. Polk, J. R. Black, Jr., N. A. Moore, Jr., and T. H. Cardin left for the invitational tourney Wednesday and will return Sunday. They will compete with 125 teams from throughout the midwest and southwest. Eliminations were being staged yesterday and today and is the second largest annual gathering of debaters in the United States. Eight teams represent Texas.

Orchestra Makes Trip

Christmas programs will be presented by the Hardin-Simmons orchestra in San Angelo and Ballinger December 13, director Herbert M. Preston has announced. The programs are slated at the First Baptist church of San Angelo Sunday afternoon and at the Ballinger Baptist church Sunday evening.

Four soloists to appear with the group are: Luzelle Hicks, soprano; Thurman Morrison, pianist; Ernest Varner and Saretta Morrow, violinists. Emma Rose Stuart will be accompanist.

A varied program has been arranged. "Overtures to the Messiah," a Christmas number, is included. This selection will also be played at the First Baptist church of Abilene this Sunday night, as a prelude to the trip.

B. S. U. Pictures

Pictures made on the Texas University campus during the B. S. U. convention in Austin have been sent to the B. S. U. office here. Those who attended the convention may see the pictures at any time. Subscriptions for the pictures will be mailed December 10.

Rev. C. A. Powell taught the last session of the study course on B. S. U. Methods Thursday night. Important business has been announced for the last meeting of the year, December 10. Council members are urged to be present.

CARD OF SYMPATHY

The Brand, speaking for faculty and students of Hardin-Simmons university, extends its heartfelt sympathy to parents and relatives of Wanda Day and R. A. Marshall and shares with them the loss of two of Hardin-Simmons' outstanding personalities.

At Government Meet

Theo Rigby, Flo Caldwell, and Prof. W. C. Ribble are representing Hardin-Simmons university at the second annual session of Texas Student Government association meeting at Texas Christian university, Fort Worth, yesterday and today.

LAUGHTER'S FUNERAL HOME AMBULANCE

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2,000 paid in advance subscriptions to The West Texas Baptist during November and December.

During the months of November and December the West Texas Baptist will make an effort to secure 2,000 paid subscriptions. We are asking our readers and friends who believe the West Texas Baptist has a mission to perform in this section to help us reach this goal.

Subscription Rates

The following subscription rates will be in effect during that time:

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NUTS AND DOLTS



Much has been said about the day-dreaming driver. But what of the wool-gathering walker? Blissfully, with his mind in the clouds, he steps out into the No Man's Land between intersections. To him, because he sees no danger, there is no danger. But he's due for a rude awakening from love's sweet dream.

Insurance Company statisticians show that 4,500 pedestrians met death while crossing between intersections last year. Nearly 75,000 others were injured. This phase of jay-walking alone accounted for more than 25 per cent of all pedestrian deaths and injuries in 1935. If you would live out your allotted span, cross at intersections only, and wait for the signal.

Figures compiled by Travelers

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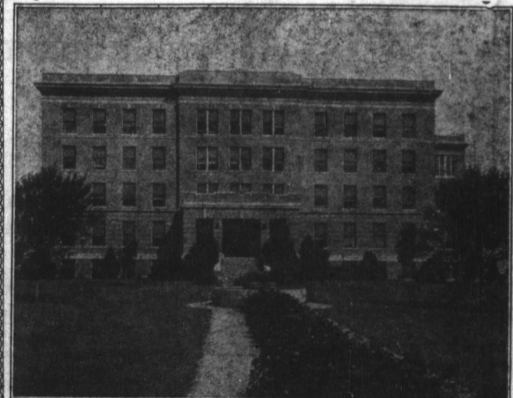
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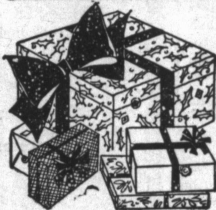
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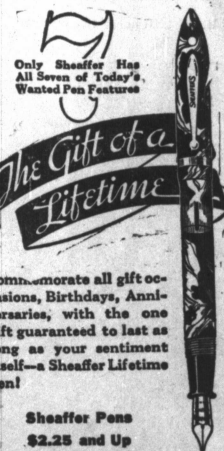
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BRIEF CASES
BILLFOLD SETS**

Gift WRAPPINGS



FOR CHRISTMAS

A complete selection for you to choose from. You may buy your wrappings separately or, if you prefer, in complete sets of stickers, paper, cards, and ribbons. And be sure to get some of our Christmas boxes with embossed designs.



Commemorate all gift occasions, Birthdays, Anniversaries, with the one gift guaranteed to last as long as your sentiment itself—a Sheaffer Lifetime pen!

**Sheaffer Pens
\$2.25 and Up**

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Business women as well as business men appreciate up-to-date office equipment. See our showing of beautiful desks, typewriters and executive style, with price range

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Chairs \$5.50 and Up

Chair Cushions \$1.00 and Up

Hundreds of other items for the office including desk lamps, floor lamps with indirect lighting, smokers, etc., priced below the market.



Only Sheaffer Has All Seven of Today's Wanted Pen Features



What Finer Gift than this?

For any gift occasion, what finer gift than a Sheaffer Lifetime pen, matched ensemble, or desk set—beautiful, striking, and guaranteed for the owner's lifetime! And, giving so much, what gift costs so little?

**Pens, \$2.25 Up - Ensembles, \$2.95 Up
Dry-Proof Desk Sets, \$5.00 Up**

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Now you can afford Genuine, Socially Correct ENGRAVED STATIONERY

At the Lowest Prices Ever Offered Anywhere!

VISITING CARDS
100 Panoled cards, choice of 4 sizes and 80 styles of engraving, plate included, only **\$1.25**

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS OR INVITATIONS
On white or ivory stock—wedding or plate finish. Inside and outside envelopes and plate included **\$2.25**

SOCIAL STATIONERY
Special styles for men and women. A choice of lovely colors, monograms and styles of engraving, plate included **\$2.25, \$2.95 and up.**

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500 business cards or Hammermill Bond letterheads (8 1/2 x 11 or 7 1/4 x 10 1/2), plate included, only **\$7.50**

At These Prices, Why Buy Imitations?

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A FREE SERVICE FOR OUR CUSTOMERS IN GOLD LETTERING

We are glad to tell you that your name will be gold lettered FREE on all Sheaffer and other pens, leather goods, etc. costing \$2.00 and above purchased from us. Be sure to see our complete line of Sheaffer pens, desk sets, etc. Be sure to see our large and complete line of dressing cases for women and men in beautiful leather goods, zipper carrying bags, brief cases, etc., priced reasonable.

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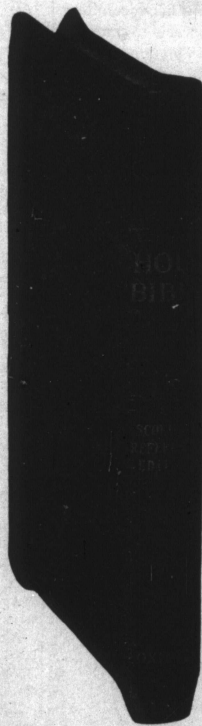
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Finest bond paper in all shades. Each one monogrammed in a distinctive design. Truly the gift for discriminating people.



Play Santa in the grand manner... give her the kind of leather accessories she loves and adores but seldom can put in her budget! We have them in a glorious assortment.

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TRAVELING CASES**

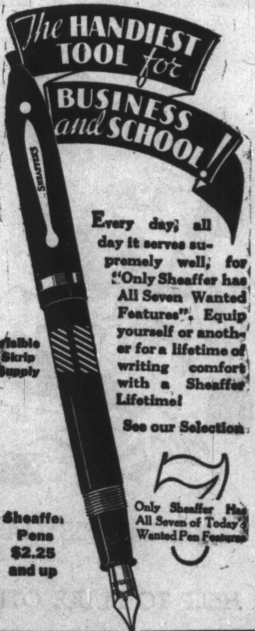


BIBLES! BIBLES!

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National, Oxford, and Collins Bibles **\$1.25 to \$6.00**



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