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STAMFORD WILL ENTERTAIN W. M. U. CONVENTION

VERY SPECIAL RATES TO THE CONVENTION

We are calling attention again to the Identification Certificates which must be presented to the ticket agent when buying a railroad ticket to the convention at Austin in order to secure the reduced rate of one and a half fare for the round trip. These identification certificates may be had by writing this office, the vice-presidents of the convention, or your District President. We are also sending a number of these certificates to the larger churches over the state.

The M. K. & T. Railway will run a special train out of Dallas on Monday, April 14th at 11:00 p. m. We will be happy to have all Sunday school workers from towns surrounding Dallas join us on this special train. The railroad has also made some very interesting rates where parties of a certain number, going and returning together, buy one ticket. It should be an easy matter to make up parties of 18 to 25, or 25 and over. The special party rate from Dallas for a party of 25 or more is only \$7.80 for the round trip. Organize a party in your church or in your city, then see your local agent for particulars regarding these special party rates. For any other information regarding railroad rates, write this office.

The "Katy" has arranged the following round trip fares on the Identification Certificate plan from various points in Texas to Austin:

Abilene	\$16.83
Ft. Worth	\$10.76
San Antonio	\$4.82
Amarillo	\$8.91
Greenville	14.27
Sherman	14.84
Beaumont	13.44
Houston	8.90
Texarkana	18.99
Brownwood	11.94
Lubbock	24.69
Waco	5.94
Dallas	11.33
Paris	16.79
Wichita Falls	16.94
El Paso	38.72
San Angelo	17.24

An Important Feature of the Convention

Is the exhibit of handwork. Let us not forget that Miss Lillian S. Forbes, head of the Elementary Department of our Sunday School Board, and Miss Mary Alice Bibby of the Intermediate Department will be with us this year, and we are extremely anxious to have the very best exhibit and display this year, in order that these leaders may see that Texas workers are following their leadership in all things.

Blue and red ribbon awards will be given in the Elementary division, and the winners of the blue ribbon will be entitled to display in the Elementary Exhibit at the Southern Baptist Convention in New Orleans in May. Miss Bibby makes the suggestion that we have in our Intermediate Exhibit the things that are informational and helpful.

Let us please bear in mind that each piece of exhibit material must have written on it name of individual, class, or department and address. All material will be returned if this rule is followed.

Send all exhibit material to Mrs. Paul Peterson, care University Baptist Church, Austin, Texas, and if at all possible it should reach there by Saturday, April 12th, in order that the exhibit may be set up on Monday and ready for the first-come Tuesday morning.

Praying for a Great Convention
This all-important and vital thing should not be overlooked and we would place it on the hearts of every teacher, department superintendent, superintendent, and pastor in Texas. Let us pray for a great convention and that His name may be glorified; that Sunday school workers from every point in Texas will attend seeking inspiration and a new and greater vision of the work to be done;

B. Y. P. U. AND S. S. CONVENTION, DISTRICT 8 WILL HOLD SESSION

B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School Program to Be Rendered April 1st and 2nd, Tuesday and Wednesday, at Big Spring, Tex., First Baptist Church.

10:00 a. m.—Song and Praise Service.

10:15 a. m.—Welcome address: C. T. Watson, secretary Chamber of Commerce.

10:20 a. m.—Response to Welcome Address: Geo. F. Brown, Midland.

10:25 a. m.—Sunday School Address: "The Church Functioning Through Its Teaching Service," Walter Jackson, Abilene.

10:55 a. m.—Sunday School Conference: 1. Cradle Roll Department: Mrs. E. R. Yates, Lamesa; 2—Primary; 3—Junior; 4—Intermediate; 5—Junior or Young People; Bert Lowe, Abilene; 6—Adult; 7—Six Point Record System: Miss Vera Atkins, Big Spring.

11:55 a. m.—Appointment of committees: Special Music.

12:00 m.—Sermon: Rev. E. F. Cole, Lamesa.

12:35 p. m.—Lunch.

Afternoon Session

(B. Y. P. U. President Presiding)

1:30 p. m.—Song and Praise Service.

1:45 p. m.—B. Y. P. U. Address: T. C. Gardner, Dallas.

2:15 p. m.—B. Y. P. U. Conference: Primary, Junior, Intermediate, Seniors and Adults, Records that Record.

3:15 p. m.—Special Music.

3:20 p. m.—Address: Dr. W. White.

Evening Session

(Sunday School President Presiding)

7:30 p. m.—Song and Devotional Service.

7:45 p. m.—General Conference on S. S. Work: "The Church Reaching Its Possibilities Through the Sunday School"; Bert Lowe, Abilene.

8:00 p. m.—Special Music.

8:05 p. m.—General Conference on B. Y. P. U. Work: "Reaching and Maintaining the Standard"; Miss Vera Atkins, Big Spring.

8:20 p. m.—Address: "The Church as a Channel for the Investment of Life"—Dr. Geo. Green, Sweetwater.

Morning Session—Second Day

(B. Y. P. U. President Presiding)

9:15 a. m.—Song and Praise Service.

9:30 a. m.—How to Budget a Church—J. Lee Tarpley, Abilene.

9:55 a. m.—Address and Conference on Church Music: I. E. Reynolds, Ft. Worth.

10:25 a. m.—Business Session.

10:55 a. m.—Special Music.

11:00 a. m.—Sermon—Rev. R. C. Campbell, Lubbock First Baptist Church.

12:00 m.—Adjournment.

DISTRICT NO. 11, BYPU AND S. S. CONVENTION WILL HOLD MEETING

To Be Held at the Lamar Avenue Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, Texas, April 10-11, 1930

Thursday Morning, April 10
Sunday school president, Rev. E. M. Agee, presiding.

10:00 a. m. Song and Praise Service—C. T. Hodges, Quanah.

10:05 a. m. Devotional—Mrs. Helen Fulghum, Henrietta.

10:15 a. m. Welcome address—Rev. S. F. Martin, Lamar Ave., Wichita.

10:20 a. m. Response to Welcome Address—Rev. Dale Thorn, Graham.

10:25 a. m. Sunday School address, "The Church Functioning Through Its Teaching Service," Rev. McKinley Norman, Quanah.

10:55 a. m. Sunday School Convention (Continued on Page 3.)

FISHER COUNTY PLAN FOR MISSION WORK

The State Board appropriated \$50 a month to help pay salary of the missionary of Fisher County Association for this year. Our missionary left at the end of 1929, leaving a small but troublesome debt. Our Board met at Roby on March 16th to take some action toward carrying on the work.

The first action taken was to pay the debt. The books are balanced. The next thing done was to decide not to co-operate with any other association in mission work. Then the representatives of the McCauley church sprung a surprise. Here it is: They proposed that the moderator of the association, a layman, be elected superintendent of county missions, he to act in the place of a missionary, in the general direction of the work. The plan was adopted unanimously. Then something was said about the cost of the plan. It was announced that there would be no cost excepting the co-operation of the churches and pastors.

The superintendent is to keep in touch with the churches and pastors and other preachers and church workers and bring any of them together when the interests of the cause demand. He will attend all general meetings at any time and will go out each Sunday to churches and communities where it is agreeable, taking with him such workers as the situation may demand. Then by correspondence and the use of the local papers he hopes to keep in touch with our people and the general public. Seven pastors were present at Roby and they and all board members pledged co-operation.

The pastors are requested to do mission work near their present work and to reach out farther as opportunity offers. We have 20 churches, all having pastors excepting two and they are having preaching each month and can have pastors when they decide on the man. An effort will be made to have protracted meetings in each of these this summer as well as in any communities without churches where it seems advisable. Some of our pastors have spare time and will help in these meetings. Then there are Simmons students ready to answer our call. This is not a permanent mission policy, but an emergency plan to tide it over to the association. This terrible and continued drought is paralyzing. There will be little money here before fall. But we are going forward, God being our helper. We want to do something for world-wide missions.

W. C. MARTIN,
Moderator of Fisher County Association, Rotan, Texas.

PIANIST WILL GIVE CONCERT

Making his initial visit in this section and his first appearance in Abilene, Mischa Levitzki, world famous pianist, is to be presented in concert in the Simmons University auditorium, Tuesday, April 11, under auspices of the Cowboy band.

Mischa Levitzki is to give his program here in connection with the second All-Southwestern piano tournament, which is being held here on that date and will act as judge supreme in all events of the tourney.

Irl Allison, head of the Simmons piano department, has announced a change in the tournament date from April 4 to April 11 in order to fit the artist's schedule.

At the age of 31, Mischa Levitzki stands in the front ranks of the world's piano performers, having made his rise to fame rapidly. He was born in Russia in 1898, began musical studies at seven, made his first debut in 1914, and began touring Europe in concerts in 1915.

District Seventeen to Hold Annual Session April 15-16

The twenty-second annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Union of Texas, District Seventeen, which is composed of eleven counties, will convene with the First Baptist Church, Stamford, on April 15 and 16. The program will begin on Tuesday afternoon, April 15, at 1:00 o'clock and will continue on Wednesday afternoon. A large attendance is expected and the women are planning free entertainment for the visitors. The complete program for the meeting is published on the W. M. U. page of this issue of the West Texas Baptist.

The 17th District, W. M. U., is composed of the following associations: Sweetwater, Jones, Cisco Haskell, Fisher and Stonewall.

CISCO FIRST CHURCH HAS SPECIAL SERVICE

Pastor A. C. Miller and the First Baptist Church, Cisco, have just celebrated the fifth anniversary of the pastorate of Brother Miller. In giving a summary of the five years work, Pastor Miller, in his church paper, had the following to say:

The pastor will never get away from the impression of the Divine Spirit that was so clear in his call to this church. He was not personally known to the membership. He did not know they were considering his name. But after a week of prayer for guidance of the Holy Spirit, the church extended him a unanimous call. He received a telegram from the chairman of the call and inviting him to come and look over the situation with a view to giving his answer. There was to be no "trying-out"; not a line had passed between him and the church or any member of it in prospect of the call. God had led them in the call, and they waited for the answer from the preacher.

The five years we have spent together in the labors of our Lord have been blessed and fruitful years. Building upon Jesus Christ as the chief corner stone, and the Bible as the word of God, we have gone forward from strength to strength, and from victory to victory. The work has not been very easy for any of us. We have toiled. More than once we have stood at the "red sea place" only to hear the Lord saying "Go on."

Some of the fruits of this increase are partially evident from our church records. They show we have received 438 members of which 138 have been by baptism and 300 by letter. The resident membership has increased from 378 to 603, a net increase of 225.

The Sunday school has grown in average attendance from 191 to 384 with the consequent increase in teachers and officers from 35 to 72. We have standard recognition for 1929 and 1930, and are working toward the Double A-1 standard.

Possibly the greatest progress in the growth of any one department in the church has been shown by our Woman's Missionary Society. From four circles with an enrollment of about 50 and with an average attendance of 30, this active and consecrated group has grown to eleven circles with an enrollment of 150 and an average attendance of 85. During this time, also, they have fostered a Young Woman's Auxiliary, Girls' Auxiliary, and Sunbeams.

The greatest single accomplishment during this happy five year period has been the completion of our church building. It was by no means the outgrowth of the present pastorate; it was rather the fruit of long hopes and dreams and tears by this loyal people encouraged and led forward by their sacrificing pastors.

The financial record of our labors together reveals the sacrificial spirit of our people. This record shows a total contribution (Continued on Page 3.)

REGIONAL RALLY MEETS AT ANSON APRIL 3

Dr. W. R. White, secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, as will be the main speaker at a district rally for District 17 at the First Baptist church, Anson, on April 3. The rally will begin at 10 o'clock a. m. with a devotional led by C. A. Baskin of Aspermont. The program for the meeting follows:

- April 3, Anson, Texas
- 10:00 a. m. Worship, led by C. A. Baskin.
- 10:15 a. m. The Budget System Best for Local Church Finances—Acker C. Miller.
- 10:35 a. m. The Budget the Best Plan for Missions—George Green.
- 10:55 a. m. The Budget the Scriptural Plan—C. A. Powell.
- 11:15 a. m. Special Music.
- 11:20 a. m. The Heart of the Gospel—W. R. White.
- 12:00 m. Lunch.
- 1:30 p. m. Song Service—Claude W. Lawson.
- 1:40 p. m. Round Table—W. R. White.
- 1:50 p. m. State Missions—Perry King.
- 2:05 p. m. Home Missions—Mildard A. Jenkins.
- 2:20 p. m. Foreign Missions—W. C. Moffett.
- 2:35 p. m. Address—W. R. White.
- 3:15 p. m. Adjourn.

The Rev. B. M. Jackson, pastor of the First Baptist church, Albuquerque, N. M., was with Pastor Douglas Carver and the White Deere church, in a fine meeting recently. The White Deere church is making rapid progress under the leadership of Brother Carver, and he is loved by his people.

Evangelist John W. Newsom has just closed a great meeting at Wayland, Texas, in which twenty-five were saved and the church built up. They have no pastor there but are doing their best to get in touch with one.

PREXY "UP IN THE AIR"

Thoroughly converted to the airplane mode of travel, Dr. J. D. Sandefer, president of Simmons University, has announced that he will go by air to Oklahoma City May 28 when he fills an engagement in that city.

The Simmons president's first airplane trip was made recently when he went to Wichita Falls in a Safeway tri-motored plane.

"It is easy to be religious 2,000 feet above terra firma," Dr. Sandefer said jocularly. "The man who says he feels perfectly secure under those conditions must be either a liar or a fool."

"However," he added later, "the time saved by air is so great that I have been completely won over and think I can some day overcome the slight feeling of insecurity that now bothers me."

The Bible A Verbally Inspired Work

W. T. Rouse.

(An interpretation of II Tim. 3:16) The true doctrine of the inspiration of the scriptures is, and will remain to the end of time, a matter of great concern for Christians. The purpose of the study of this scripture we have under consideration, is to arrive at, if possible the teaching of God concerning this important matter. One should not expect the entire question of the inspiration of the scriptures to be discussed in a brief paper; but we will endeavor to get the center of the question in a few brief words.

In arriving at an interpretation of any passage of scripture, two things at least are helpful. They are a study of the grammar and the translation of the passage involved. Before coming to the interpretation, let us study a moment the grammar and the translation of the scripture under consideration.

The Grammar.

The grammar of any scripture is of fundamental importance in arriving at its meaning. By the grammar of a scripture I mean a consideration of the words as to their kind, that is, to ascertain whether or not they are nouns, adjectives, pronouns, verbs, adverbs, etc., their meaning, construction and relation to each other. Many things must be taken into consideration when dealing with the original languages in which the scriptures were written. Such things as the position of the words in the sentence, the voice, mood, tense of the verbs, and many other matters which are not apparent to English readers.

The first thing I want to say about the scripture under consideration is this: In the first clause we have eight words in the English, namely, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God," while in the Greek we have only three, namely, "Pasa grapha theopneustos." This is according to Greek idiom which sometimes has no verb expressed.

In seeking an interpretation of a scripture two things are important. They are the position of the words in the original language and the kind of a word we have; that is, are words, nouns, pronouns, adjectives, etc. With these two things in mind, let us proceed with the study of the phrase in the Greek, "Pasa grapha theopneustos."

"Pasa" is a distributive adjective and means each, every, all and modifies "grapha." The word "grapha" is a common noun and is the subject of the verb (este) understood, which is supplied in translating the clause into English. "Theopneustos" is an adjective and is derived from "theo" meaning God, and "pneo," which means to breathe, to blow, and comes to have a secondary or derived meaning of "to inspire."

As to the position of words, nothing need to be said about it just here while this phrase is under discussion, but in a moment when we come to consider the entire sentence, we shall see the importance of the position of words in the Greek.

The Translation.

It is always well to remember that in any English interpretation, the translation from the original language into the English, will have an important bearing. In order to get before my readers every possible help towards an understanding of the meaning of the verse of scripture we now have under consideration, I venture to give three translations, as follows:

First, King James or the Authorized Version. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, etc."

Second, the Revised Version. "Every scripture inspired of God is also profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction which is in righteousness, etc."

Third, Another Version. "Every scripture is God-inspired or God-breathed and is profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, etc."

This latter translation, I submit, not that I would place my scholarship along side of that of the scholars who translated the King James and the Revised versions, but I submit it mainly to bring out the thought that every scripture is God-breathed, has the breath of God blowing upon it. For the primary meaning of the verb

"pneo," is to breathe, to blow. Its secondary or derived meaning is "to inspire."

For the time being, let us forget the last translation, and let us consider the King James and Revised versions. I have found in my study, that ordinarily, the Revised version is truer to the original Greek than is the King James; but in this particular case, I find that the King James is by far the best. I prefer it, for the following reasons:

First, Paul is desirous of informing Timothy of the great value of the Bible truths he had been taught, and in so doing he tells him that every scripture is God-breathed, is God-inspired. Hence, a knowledge of scripture is necessary, that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped.

Second, the translation of the Greek conjunction "kai," and, while in some connections is proper and even necessary, to so translate it here, is harsh and strained.

Third, the conjunction "kai," and, connects the two co-ordinate expressions, "every scripture is God-inspired," and "is profitable." Paul means to say that every scripture is God-breathed, and every scripture is profitable. To translate the conjunction "kai," ALSO, as does the Revised version, is to do violence to the position of the words "kai," in the Greek. So much depends upon the position of words in a sentence in the Greek, that we dare not disregard them. To do so is to disregard what God has spoken.

Having thus considered the grammar and the translation of the passage under consideration, we are now ready to pass to the interpretation.

The word "grapha," occurs about 50 times in the New Testament, and usually refers to the books of the Old Testament as known and accepted by the Jews in the days of our Saviour. It was a technical name, and was equivalent to a proper noun. The word is found both in the singular and in the plural. But to be more specific, the word "grapha" had the following meanings:

First, a writing, a thing written, referring either to the writing itself or the contents of the writing, as in II Tim. 3:16. Used in the plural, it meant the sacred books of the Old Testament, as in Rom. 1:2. "Which He had promised afore by His prophets in the Holy Scriptures."

Second, used in the singular, it meant the scripture, that is, the Holy Scripture of the Old Testament, as John 10:35. "The scripture can not be broken." Once however, in II Peter 3:16, it means the canon of the New Testament being collected together as a canon. "Paul has written unto you . . . in his epistles . . . which they wrest . . . as they do other scriptures."

Third, it means a certain portion or section of the scriptures, as Mk. 12:10. "And have ye not read this scripture: the stone which the builders have rejected, has become the head of the corner."

As we are endeavoring to arrive at Paul's meaning in this verse of scripture, it is well to remember that there is another word in the Greek which is translated "scripture." In II Tim. 3:15, Paul says to Timothy, "Thou hast known the Holy Scriptures which are able to make thee wise unto salvation." The Greek word here translated "scripture" is "gramma," which has the following meanings:

First, it means the letters, characters, alphabet, which we use in writing a word, as Gal. 6:11. "Ye see with what BIG letters I have written unto you." Paul used large letters in writing the words because of bad eye sight or some other reason.

Second, any writing, record, note, bill, document, as Lk. 16:6. "And he said that thy bill and write, etc."

Third, a letter, an epistle, as Acts 28:21. "And they said unto him, we have neither received letters out of Judea concerning thee."

Fourth, the sacred writings of the Old Testament, as II Tim. 3:15, John 5:47. "But if ye believe not this writings."

Fifth, learning, literature, as Acts 26:24. "Much learning doth make thee mad." You can easily see that there is a difference in the meaning of the words, "gramma," and "grapha." Not every

"gramma," but every "grapha," is God-inspired, God-breathed.

What, therefore, did Paul intend to say to Timothy in II Tim. 3:16. Just this: All the Old Testament, taken as a whole, is God-inspired; every book of the Old Testament is God-inspired; each scripture or portion, or section, of every book is God-inspired; every word of every passage of every book of the Old Testament is God-inspired. While it is evident verse fifteen (the verse just before this one under consideration) that Paul did not have his mind on New Testament scriptures, yet he did claim the same infallible inspiration for the scriptures of the New Testament, that he did for those of the old, as I Cor. 2:13. "What things also we speak, not in words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Spirit teacheth." Peter also in II Peter 3:16, says that Paul's epistles are scripture thus referring to the New Testament scriptures as they were being collected together into a canon. We have therefore, the same assurance of divine authority for the scriptures of the New Testament that we do for those of the Old. Hence every scripture, hence ALL SCRIPTURE, WHETHER IN THE OLD OR THE NEW TESTAMENT, IS GOD-BREATHED, GOD-INSPIRED.

Before passing from my interpretation of this scripture, I want to call attention to a matter which ought not to be overlooked. It is this: Paul says THE WRITINGS, NOT THE WRITERS, are inspired. There are other scriptures which plainly declare that the writers are also inspired as II Peter, 1:21. "But holy men of old spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit." The word here translated "moved," is from the word "phero", to bear, to carry, and in the passive means to be borne, to be borne along. When referring to writers of scripture, it means that they were moved inwardly to deliver their messages.

Proof That Inspiration Is Verbal.

Having seen that both the writings and the writers of the Old and New Testaments were God-inspired the whole matter resolves itself into this question: Did God give to all these agencies which He employed His thoughts, or His words I maintain that He gave to each and to all the EXACT WORDS He wanted spoken or written, and for the following reasons:

1. God sometimes Himself speaks directly, as Deut. 4:12, "The Lord spake unto you in the midst of the fire." Mt. 3:17, "And lo, a voice from heaven saying this is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased."

2. God sometimes spoke through men. II Sam. 23. 1, 2, "The Spirit of the Lord spake by me, and His word was in my tongue." Acts 28:25, "Well spake the Holy Spirit by Esaias the prophet, unto our fathers." Jer. 1:9, "And the Lord said unto me, behold I have put my words in thy mouth." Lk. 1:70, "And He spake by the mouth of His holy prophets." Over and over again, the prophets use the expression, "THE WORD OF THE LORD CAME" (Continued on page 5)

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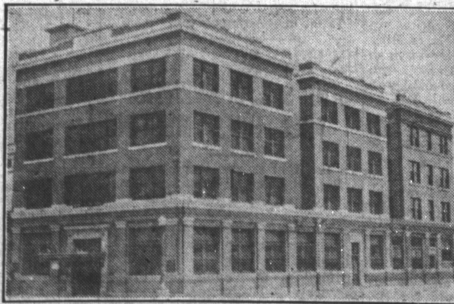
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GREETINGS



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NEWS NOTES

The two weeks revival held recently at the South Side church, Abilene, in which the pastor, Dr. J. C. Burkett, did the preaching, resulted in 44 additions. There were 26 baptized at the close of the meeting and six others were baptized last Sunday night. There have been over 100 additions to the South Side church during the past year, over fifty of the number coming by baptism.

Rev. B. M. Jackson, graduate of Simmons University and the Southwestern Seminary, is doing a fine work as pastor of the First Baptist church, Albuquerque, N. M. There are conversions and additions to the church almost every Sunday. The Sunday school has increased from an average attendance of 350 to 550 and the B. Y. P. U. from 40 to 160. The church finances have also increased from an average of \$700 per month to over \$1,800 and the attendance in preaching services has more than doubled. The church is in a building campaign and when the new educational building is finished they will be in position to do some real constructive work. Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Humer and wife, formerly of Waxahachie, Texas, are leading in the educational work.

Dr. R. C. Pender was with Pastor J. W. Partin and the Long Branch church on the fourth Sunday. Dr. Pender states that a good offering was made for the orphans' home and the eleven o'clock hour was a great spiritual high tide.

The church at Very Best, near San Angelo, has just completed a new church building and the first service in the building will be held on the first Sunday in April. All-day services will be held with dinner on the grounds. The volunteer band of Simmons University will render a program in the afternoon. Brother R. W. Pitts is pastor of the church.

Evangelist Jno. W. Newsom is in a great meeting at Woodson, Texas. There is up to the present, the first half week of the meeting, a number forward for prayer. The church here is without a pastor. This is a good strong half time church.

Pastor C. A. Baskin and the church at Aspermont have been doing some study course work during March. The Senior and Intermediate B. Y. P. U.'s have just finished a study of Pilgrims Progress.

A notice has been received from the First Baptist Church, Elia-ville, stating that the church voted in conference March 16 to not invite any preachers to fill the pulpit until the churches debts are paid.

The First Baptist Church, Abilene, will begin a revival meeting on Sunday, April 20. Dr. J. C. Massie and his singer, Mr. Slaght, will assist the local forces in the meeting.

Last week President Sandefer of Simmons University received the following telegram from Rev. Sam Morris, who is at Providence, R. I., attending Brown University: "Received my PA degree today. A fullback for the Simmons Cow-boys." The youngster is named Samuel Nathaniel, Jr. Congratulations!

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CISCO FIRST CHURCH HAS SPECIAL SERVICE

(Continued from page 1) for all causes of \$112,373.77. Of this amount \$65,808.70 has been paid on the building. The current expenses of the church has amounted to \$31,513.67, with a total of \$15,051.40 to missions and benevolences.

The most recent advance in our work has been the addition of our educational director. Mr. Waite has brought us a ripe experience in his field of work and a fine spirit and surrendered life for his Lord which is shared by his consecrated and gifted wife. The work they are doing is truly what we have called it, "an advance program," and the advance has been marked all along the line since their coming to us.

We have only begun to develop

the work committed to our trust. The spirit grows sweeter, the co-operation of our workers becomes more beautiful, and the Lord is calling us on to a greater harvest as we build upon His Word and move forward in His Will. "And Jesus said, Greater Works than these shall ye do."—A. C. Miller, pastor.

DISTRICT NO. 11 B. Y. P. U. AND SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

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- ferences:
1. Cradle Roll and Beginners—Mrs. C. W. Rountree, Wichita.
 2. Primary—Mrs. Chas. Samarian, Quanah.
 3. Junior—Mrs. Pat Bryan, Graham.
 4. Intermediate.—Mrs. J. M. Tanner, Electra.
 5. Young People—Mrs. S. F. Martin, Lamar Ave., Wichita.
 6. Adult—Dr. Glen N. Neafus, Iowa Park.
 - 11:35 a. m. Comments on Conferences.
 - 11:45 a. m.—Conference on 6-point record system—Jessie H. Garrett.
 - 11:55 a. m.—Special Music—Crowell Church.
 - 12:00 m. Appointment of committees.
 - 12:05 p. m. Address, "The Church Functioning Through Its Training Service"—Dr. O. L. Powers, Wichita Falls.
 - 12:30 p. m. Dinner.
 - Afternoon Session
 - B. Y. P. U. president, J. Wm. Mason, presiding.
 - 1:30 p. m. Song Service—Jessie Hill Garrett, First Church, Vernon.
 - 1:35 p. m. Devotional—Gordan McGraw, Throckmorton.
 - 1:45 p. m. B. Y. P. U. Address, "The Modern Training Service of the Church,"—Rev. J. H. Hankins, First Church, Childress.
 - 2:15 p. m. B. Y. P. U. Conferences:
 1. Primary—Mrs. J. Wm. Mason, First Church, Wichita.
 2. Junior—Mrs. Brooks Robertson, Burkburnett.
 3. Intermediate—Mrs. J. R. Balch, Seymour.
 4. Senior—C. T. Hodges, Quanah.
 5. Adult—Mrs. G. A. Patterson, Wichita Falls.
 6. General Organization—Rev. Joe H. Miller, Thrift.
 - 2:55 p. m. Comments on con-

- ferences.
- 3:05 p. m. "Records that Record"—Rev. Dale Thorn, Graham.
 - 3:15 p. m.—Special Music—W. E. Young, First Church, Wichita Falls.
 - 3:20 p. m. Sunday School Address—G. S. Hopkins, Dallas.
 - 3:50 p. m. Address, "Is the Budget Plan the Bible Plan of Church Finance?"—Rev. W. H. Townsend, Olney.
 - 4:20 p. m. Adjourn.
 - Evening Session
 - Sunday School President, E. M. Aget, presiding.
 - 7:15 p. m. Song Service—W. R. Harper, Lamar Ave., Wichita Falls.
 - 7:25 p. m. Devotional—J. A. Haiey, First Church, Wichita Falls.
 - 7:35 p. m. General Conference, "The Church Reaching its Possibilities Through the Sunday School"—G. S. Hopkins, Dallas.
 - 7:55 p. m. Special Music—Giris Quartet, First Church, Wichita Falls.
 - 8:00 p. m. General B. Y. P. U. Conference, "Reaching and Maintaining the General Standard of Excellence"—Rev. M. B. Hays, Burkburnett.
 - 8:30 p. m. Address, "The Church, a Channel for the Investment of Life,"—Dr. E. F. Lyon, First Church, Vernon.
 - Friday Morning, April 11
 - B. Y. P. U. president, J. Wm. Mason, presiding.
 - 9:15 a. m. Song Service.—I. E. Reynolds, Seminary Hill.
 - 9:30 a. m. Conference, "The Bible Plan of Church Finance,"—Dr. W. R. White, Dallas.
 - 9:50 a. m. Conference, "The Church Reaching Its Possibilities Through Its Training Service"—T. C. Gardner, Dallas.
 - 10:20 a. m. Song.
 - 10:25 a. m. Sunday School Conference, "Reaching and Maintaining the Standard of Excellence"—G. S. Hopkins, Dallas.
 - 10:55 a. m. Special music, Piano Solo—Electra church.
 - 11:00 a. m. Address, "Practical Church Music"—I. E. Reynolds.
 - 11:30 a. m. Business Session.
 - 11:50 a. m. Special Music—Mrs. E. F. Lyon, First Church, Vernon.
 - 11:55 a. m. Address, "The Heart of the Gospel,"—Dr. W. R. Write, Dallas.
 - 12:30 p. m. Adjourn.
 - Mrs. Geo. A. Patterson, Wichita Falls, Secretary of Convention.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Candidate for County Clerk
(Re-election)

Austin Fitts

Candidate for County Treasurer
(Re-election)

M. A. Williams

Candidate for County Superintendent
(Re-election)

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Candidate for District Clerk
(Re-election)

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Candidate for Tax Assessor, Taylor County
(Re-election)

Earl Hughes

Candidate for Tax Collector
(Re-election)

H. T. O'Bar

Candidate for Sheriff, Taylor County
(Re-election)

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The new educational building of the First Baptist Church, Abilene, is practically completed and is being occupied by the churches educational and training forces. The next issue of the West Texas Baptist which will be published April 15, will feature this great church and its program.

The First Baptist church at Gorman, J. L. Roden, pastor, has qualified for the Standard Sunday School for 1930, making sixteen years in succession that the Standard has been reached. It was first reached in 1916. It reached the advanced standard when it was offered, being the first church in the South to attain this standard. Rev. H. H. Stephens, now of Central Church, Ranger, was pastor at the time. But the advanced standard has not been kept up.

In this issue we are publishing an interesting discussion of "The Verbal Inspiration of the Bible," by Dr. W. T. Rouse of Arlington. Dr. Rouse has given us a discussion of this timely subject that is well worth reading. At the present time it seems our civilization is headed for some sort of cataclysmic upheaval. As this condition approaches our people, naturally, are seeking some anchorage, sure and steadfast. The good old Book we call the Word of God has withstood the onslaughts of the enemies of Christianity throughout the ages, and thank God it will stand the test at the present time.

At the last meeting of workers conferences of the Sweetwater and Jones County Associations, it was voted by these two bodies to hold the May regular meetings in a joint meeting at the Lueders Encampment grounds. It was also voted to invite the workers conferences of the other adjoining associations interested in the Lueders Encampment to join in this meeting. It is planned to begin the program Monday afternoon following the first Sunday in May and close on Wednesday at noon. Visitors will be expected to bring their camping outfits. We hope to be able to print the program for this meeting in our next issue.

DRUNKENNESS IN EUROPE

(An editorial in the Boston Post, April 15, 1929)

In Paris, the arrests for 10,000 of population have averaged about 50, in the past few years. In New York the average is about 15 per 10,000.

And whereas, in Paris the police are inclined to leniency in enforcement, the New York police have been much more strict since prohibition.

In Greater London the convictions (not arrests) for drunkenness have ranged from 48 to 50 per 10,000 in the past few years. In Edinburgh, Scotland, the ratio is startling as compared to New York, Edinburgh arrests for drunkenness have gone as high as 153 per 10,000 in the last ten years. New York's high mark since prohibition was 18.34 arrests per 10,000 in 1924.

THE RELIGION OF PUBLIC MEN

Charles Evans Hughes, new chief justice, is a Baptist, the son of a preacher. His predecessor was a Unitarian, though said to have been reared in a Baptist Sunday school. Charles P. Taft, millionaire newspaper publisher and half-brother of the former chief justice, was a Catholic. Former Chief Justice White, the predecessor of Mr. Taft, was a Catholic. Only one Baptist has been a president, and as far as we know, Mr. Hughes is the first Baptist to become chief justice. It is a notable fact that most all public men claim some religious affiliations. We have no statistics available just now, but we are of the opinion that more public men are recruited from the Episcopalians by comparison than any other denomination. We have often wondered why. Perhaps you can answer that question?—Alabama Baptist.

THE HERITAGE OF SWEETWATER ASSOCIATION, AND WHAT OF IT?

A. T. Douglass

A little less than a half century ago, the Sweetwater Association was organized at Big Spring. At that time, the Association embraced a large territory, which was sparsely settled. During the passing years the population increased, and cities sprang up as centers of great and growing sections. In consequence of this, many counties have been formed. The missionary activities of the Association justified the organization of a number of county and tri-county associations. Meanwhile, the original Sweetwater Association had become limited to the counties of Taylor and part of Nolan.

The leading object of the Association, as set forth in the second article of its original constitution, was "to promote the preaching of the true Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to foster Christian Education." As a consequence of this worthy and far reaching purpose in the union of the scattered forces of the then faithful few, God rewarded their efforts, and answered the prayers of those pioneer people, by enabling them to establish in Abilene, what has since come to be widely known as Simmons University.

Simmons University, is therefore a noble heritage. So great in fact, and so significant in its far reaching purpose, that it seems almost incredible that it should be owned and controlled by a single Association which now comprises only two small counties.

Whether this restricted ownership was a part of the determining providence of God, is a matter of conjecture.

THINK OF THESE THINGS

Selected by Brother Andrews.
WHOLESOME MEDITATION

BETTERS IN HEBREWS

"The Son BETTER than angels	and an enduring substance"
"Jesus, the surety of a BETTER testament"	"They desire a BETTER country, that is, an heavenly"
"Jesus, the mediator of a BETTER covenant, established upon BETTER promises"	"God having provided some BETTER things for us"
"Jesus a BETTER sacrifice"	"To Jesus that speaketh BETTER things than that of Abel"
"Ye have in heaven a BETTER	A BETTER resurrection"

Whatever one's personal opinion may be as to the relative merits of the ownership of Simmons University, there has never been a legitimate question as to the worthiness of the type of educational work done by this struggling but growing institution. However, it is a matter of record, that Dr. Rufus C. Burleson, who was then the honored president of Baylor University, rode on horse-back half way across this vast state to oppose the establishment of the then rather insignificant school.

It is fair to his memory for me to say that his reason was that at that time the need did not justify it, and that it would be difficult for such a small group of people to adequately maintain and equip a worthy educational institution of higher learning. It is confidently believed by the writer, that he who gave so sacrificially of his noble life and energies, to pioneering in education in Texas, if living today, he would take an airplane at Waco and fly from that mother institution to Abilene, in order to congratulate Sweetwater Association on its God given heritage.

All of these matters are now, a part of the history of Baptist affairs in Texas. It remains however, that today Sweetwater Association has in Simmons University, a goodly heritage, which is worthy of the support of every honest-to-God Baptist in all the world. Naturally, we have not from the first had the support of all such, nor do we hope that all of our people shall rally around this institution. We do not ask that one Baptist in all the world shall forsake any other like worthy institution, and leave it in the throes of the death struggle that all truly Christian schools are in. The spread of modernism, and the competition of State endowed institutions, is more than a mere phantom, as it rises on the horizon of denominational schools.

Through the past 38 years Simmons has had a steady and substantial growth, until at present it ranks among the greater Universities of the land. This has been made possible through the genius of its leadership, and the few faithful friends and churches who have been giving until it has hurt. The hour has come when we are privileged to make our appeal to the entire association and friends everywhere.

In view of the fact that the original associational territory has been diminished to its present small area, this phenomenal growth seems all the more remarkable, especially when we consider the fact that her charter conditions precluded the possibility of the institution being incorporated in the correlation of schools among the Baptists in Texas, out of which unfortunately more or less misunderstanding of this noble institution, was caused among some of our denominational leaders and the Baptist constituency at large.

It is regrettable to the last degree that any such hindrance to its progress should have been caused. The people of Sweetwater Association have been one in purpose with true Baptists everywhere, and especially in the State of Texas. They have felt a responsibility both to the living and the dead to perpetuate Simmons University, not as a matter of pride in its ownership, but because of what the institution has stood for from its beginning.

It is our hope, therefore, that in this day of denominational distress, when every institution has been thrown upon its own resources, and the support of its local or legitimate constituency, that now, if ever before, we shall be understood as being in full faith and fellowship with our Baptist brethren and general causes.

During the past years, while other schools were scouring the country over for support, Simmons has been supported in the main, by a few friends near and far. In consequence of this misunderstanding, Simmons has not had the liberty of appeal even to its local and territorial constituents. This, together with an all too limited support from the denomination, has necessarily limited its growth and endowment.

As it now stands the institution owes heavy obligations which are carried on the responsibility of the board of trustees. It was at this point that the women of the Sweetwater Association, on the occasion of their Silver Anniversary, became interested and through the initiative of Mrs. A. T. Douglass, were enlisted in an effort to help raise the indebtedness, which must be relieved, and additional endowment secured as soon as possible.

There is a movement launched within the Sweetwater association, and has as a goal for the women therein \$25,000, or more, during the next five years. The campaign has assumed such proportions that committees have been appointed in every church in the association.

The first Sunday in April has been designated as a day which women, under the appointment of the general committee will speak in all the churches. Apportionments have been assigned and accepted by most of the societies, which with varying conditions will obtain through the five year period. The first Sunday in each September has been set apart as Simmons Day, at which time a general collection for church education will be taken, allowing any individual to designate his or her gifts to other schools if it is desired to do so. Many of the churches have put Simmons in the budget. Individual gifts that are over and above subscriptions to local budgets, are solicited. Meanwhile, it is hoped that those who have, through the years, supported the school in such a generous way, will aid the president in increasing its endowment.

We most earnestly make an appeal to every church and pastor, within the bounds of the original association, that they will rally to the help of Sweetwater Association in saving for future time this blessed heritage.

PROGRAM FOR WORKERS' CONFERENCE OF SWEETWATER BAPTIST ASS'N.

To Convene With Blair Baptist Church on Monday, April 7th, 1930.

10:00 A. M.—Devotional—G. W. Lowrie.
10:15 A. M.—How to Deal With Unchristian Conduct in Our Churches.—R. M. McGinnis.
10:35 A. M.—Growing An Efficient Church.—A. C. Turner.
11:05 A. M.—Sermon.—Henry Weldon.

LUNCH

1:30 P. M.—Meetings of Executive Board and W. M. U.
2:00 P. M.—Devotional.—Fred McPherson.
2:15 P. M.—Mission of the Holy Spirit in the Life of a Christian.—Lawrence Fitzgerald.
2:35 P. M.—Mission of the Holy Spirit in the Salvation of a Sinner.—C. G. Sewell.
2:50 P. M.—Baptist Hospital.—E. M. Collier.
3:05 P. M.—Inspirational Address.—Dr. George Green.

Please have this program announced in your church and bring a large number with you and help make it a great meeting.
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You will not fail in being a Christian until you give up trying. No sin, no weakness is unconquerable unless you give up to it. Then you are defeated, but not until then, and your defeat is from within. So long as you keep on trying, you are on the road to victory.—Young People.

The Baptists of Oklahoma are launching a campaign for \$1,000,000 for endowment of Oklahoma Baptist University and \$100,000 for the indebtedness on the institution.

The First Baptist Church, Clyde, is in a revival meeting with Rev. Graves Darby of Cross Plains doing the preaching. The meeting will probably last two weeks.

ORDINATION SERVICE

On Saturday, March 16, Bumpass Hill Baptist church in Jones county elected Clifford Pope and W. H. Matlock to the office of deacon. The Rev. Jno. Pope of Anson, grandfather of Deacon Pope, and A. R. Tyson of Abilene were invited to assist Pastor H. S. Hinson in the ordination service which was Sunday evening. Following the ordination service four members were received into the fellowship of the church. Pastor Hinson is doing a splendid work. Some three months ago this church was organized with 10 charter members, the membership is now 24. They have an active Sunday school and an aggressive B. Y. P. U. Pastor Hinson was liberated to preach only a short time ago by the Second Baptist church of Stamford. He lost no time and is now pastor of three one-fourth time churches serving these faithfully while he labors as an automobile mechanic for support for his family.

BOOK REVIEW

By Millard A. Jenkins
MISSIONS OUR MISSION by Dr. M. E. Dodd. Published by the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn. Order from Baptist Book Store, 1019 Main Street, Dallas, Texas. This volume is a flowing fountain of missionary inspiration. Brother preacher don't fail to get this book. The Sunday school teacher who reads it will be a better teacher. No one can go carefully through its chapters and be indifferent to missions afterwards. You will realize after you have read it as never before that missions is the very heart of the gospel. It should be given a place of great prominence in our Sunday School, B. Y. P. U. and Woman's Missionary Society training courses.

OUR DOCTRINES by Harold W. Tribble is a most worthy text book indeed on the great doctrines of our faith. A more fitting text for the indoctrinating and training of our young people in the great Christian doctrines has not come under my observation. At a time like this when there is so much, I liked to have said, sloppy theology being spread around, all who have to do with the training of young Christians will do well to carry them through the study of this book. Also for the casual reader the book has a distinct blessing.

THE BIBLE A VERBALLY INSPIRED WORK

(Continued from Page 2) UNTO ME SAYING, etc."

3. The language of scripture sometimes represent men as speaking under the inspiration of God. Mk. 12:36. "And David himself said, by the Holy Spirit, the Lord said unto my Lord, etc."

4. God spoke through a dumb animal. Num. 22:28. "And the Lord opened the mouth of the ass, and she said unto Baalim. II Peter 2:16. "But was rebuked for his iniquity, the dumb ass speaking with man's voice, forbade the madness of the prophet."

5. God communicated the impending doom of the impious King of Babylon, Belshazzar, through the finger's of a man's hand writing on the wall. Dan. 5:5. "In the same hour came forth the fingers of a man's hand and wrote over the candlestick upon the plaister of the wall of the King's palace; and the King saw the part of the wall that wrote." Dan. 5:24. "Then were the part of the hand sent from Him, and this writing was written." According to Dan. 5:25, the words written by the hand were MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN. I maintain that the very words God wanted announced concerning the impending doom of the wicked King, were given in the writing upon the wall.

6. Baalim was made to prophesy against his will. If one wishes to read the story, let him turn to Num. chapters 22 to 24 inclusive. The King of the Moabites, Balak, wanted Baalim to curse the Israelites. He came with the avowed purpose of doing so; but God caused him to pronounce a blessing upon Israel three successive times. Num. 23:5. "And the Lord put a word in Baalim's mouth and said, return unto Balak, and thus shalt thou speak." Num. 23:25. "The Lord met Baalim and put a word in his mouth and said, go again unto Balak and say thus." God could not trust Baalim to speak his thoughts; He gave him the exact words He wanted him to speak.

7. Men sometimes spoke without knowing the full meaning of their words. Daniel is a case in point. Dan. 12:8. "And I heard, but I did not understand." Caiaphas did not understand the significance of the words he used concerning the death of Christ. John 11:50. "This spake he not of himself, but being high priest, he prophesied that Jesus should die for the nation." That is, Caiaphas did not understand the portent of the words he spoke.

8. God sometimes used wicked men as prophets, as in the case of Caiaphas just referred to. Also Saul. I Sam. 10:10. "Behold is the company of the prophets met him; and the Spirit of God came upon him; and he prophesied among them." Likewise the wicked messengers whom Saul sent to apprehend David. I Sam. 19:20. "And Saul sent messengers to take David; and when they saw the company of the prophets prophesying, and Samuel standing as appointed over them, the Spirit of God was upon the messengers of Saul, and they also prophesied."

9. The Choice of Words. Both the Hebrew and the Greek languages are rich in synonyms. Especially is this true in the Greek. One who engages in a word study of the New Testament is convinced not only of the doctrine of verbal inspiration of the scriptures, but also of the wisdom of God in having the writers and speakers to use the very words best calculated to convey the exact shade of meaning God wanted conveyed. Take the word "ekklasia," which Jesus used to designate the church He would establish in the earth. There was not another word in the Greek He could have used which would have so correctly defined the character of membership and the policy of the church. When John the Baptist pointed to our Saviour and said, "Behold the Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world," there was not another word he could have employed which would have meant to his hearers just what that word did. We have seen in the study of the words "gramma" and "grapha," above, that God is very discriminating in the use of words, when He speaks through His messengers. There are two Greek words translated "love." One, "agapa," denotes moral and religious af-

fection, and is used to express God's love for the world. The other word, "philies," is used to denote personal attachment. The latter may change, may be broken, but God's love never changes. There is no stronger argument for verbal inspiration, than that derived from the use of words in the Bible.

10. The Tense of Verbs. It is well known to all Greek scholars, that there are two tenses in the Greek language which denote past action: the imperfect and the first aorist. The imperfect tense denotes action going on at a past time. The first aorist denotes completed action at a past definite time. In brief, the imperfect denotes continued action, while the first aorist denotes completed action. In John 8:58 Jesus says, "Before Abraham was, I am." A close study of two verbs employed here, reveals the fact that Jesus used two different words as well as two different tenses. The word with reference to Abraham, "zēsthai," is from the verb "zēsthai," and is equivalent to come to

which supports the Roman Catholic teaching on mariolatry. Nowhere is Mary called the mother of God. A study of the references Jesus made to Mary is interesting. Note the following:

First, at the marriage feast at Cana of Galilee, when His mother made some suggestions to Him, Jesus answered, "Woman, what have I to do with thee?" Second, upon a certain occasion the people said to Jesus, "Thy mother and thy brethren are without, desiring to talk with thee." He answered, "Who is my mother?" And waving His hands towards His disciples He said, "Behold my mother." Third, wishing to commend His mother to John while on the cross He said, "Woman, behold thy son; John, behold thy mother." Not in a single instance does He call Mary His mother, but in every case so far as his relation to her is referred to, He uses the word, "woman." To me there is great significance in this fact. After the resurrection of our Saviour, in the Acts, the writers refer to Mary as the mother of Jesus, but never as the "mother of God."

The significance of what the Bible omits, is further emphasized when we recall what it has to say of the childhood of Jesus. A brief account of His birth, the flight into Egypt, the return, settlement at Nazareth, one reference to His visit to the temple at the age of twelve—that is all we read of Him until He enters upon His public ministry. There is not one word to support the legends of the Roman Catholic church concerning the senseless miracles alleged to have been performed by our Saviour while yet a child.

12. The last link in the chain. In Mt. 5:18 Jesus says, "Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in nowise pass from the law, till all shall be fulfilled." In this passage there are three words which deserve careful attention. They are law (nomos), jot (iota), and tittle (keria). "Nomos" sometimes means the entire old Testament, as John 7:49. Sometimes it means that part of the Old Testament not included in the prophets, that is, the Pentateuch, as Mt. 5:17. "The law and the prophets." The word jot here is a translation of the Greek "iota," which is one of the letters of the Greek alphabet, and which is a translation of the Hebrew letter "yodh," one of the Hebrew alphabet, and is about the size of our comma and greatly resembles it. Tittle (keria), means the extremity, apex, point, and was used by the Greek grammarians of the accents and diacritical points. So the Saviour here says that not one letter, even the least letter in the Hebrew or Greek

language, shall pass from the law till all of it shall be fulfilled. Evidently such care about the fulfillment of the law implies solicitude about the giving of the law. Evidently the law here means the Old Testament, in its entirety. Such is its meaning in John 10:34; 12:34; 15:35; and other instances. In verse 17 (Mt. 5:17) the Law and the prophets included all the Old Testaments. In verse 18 the law means the entire Old Testament. Jesus is saying to his hearers that not only the requirements of Moses (which some Jews regarded as more sacred than the rest of the Old Testament), but also that which had been taught by the other inspired writers, are to continue in force. In short, He is saying that no part of the sacred scriptures then extant, that is, the Old Testament, was to be set aside. Thus we have verbal inspiration doubly sure.

In conclusion I maintain that in speaking and writing God's messages, that all whom he used were left free to use their own individuality of STYLE, for there is a difference in style of Paul and Luke, but each one was caused to write the exact words God would have him to use. There was no mechanical dictation but God used the individuality and personality of each so that each was not a pen, but a penman. Thus did God use personalities differing widely; but each one spoke as he was moved, borne along by the Holy Spirit. The end of it all is, a revelation with not one superfluous word, and at the same time, a revelation containing the EXACT WORDS God wanted spoken and written.

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District No. 17 of Texas W. M. U. To be Held at First Baptist Church, Stamford, April 15, 16, 1930

Program
 Tuesday afternoon, 1:00 to 2:00, Separate Conferences:
 District president with Associational Presidents and Secretaries.
 Personal Service, Mrs. T. J. Pitts; Missions, Mrs. J. W. Cook; Mission Study, Mrs. R. A. Bible; Benevolence, Mrs. George L. Paxton; Education, Mrs. H. J. Bradshaw; Stewardship, Mrs. G. C. Cowan; Periodicals, Mrs. Graves Darby; Methods and Finance, Mrs. Robert J. Jones.
 District called to order, Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, president, presiding.
 2:00-2:10. Song service, Chorister Mrs. J. K. Brady, Organist Mrs. W. B. Tayman.
 2:10-2:20. Devotional: Mrs. Fred Clark, Rotan.
 2:20-2:30. Recognition of Visitors, Missionaries, and new members.
 2:30-2:40. Greetings: Mrs. R. A. Bible, Stamford.
 2:40-2:50. Response: Mrs. George Green, Sweetwater.
 2:50-3:00. Woman's Hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers."
 3:00-3:10. Appointment of committees.
 Official reports:
 3:10-3:30. Corresponding secretary: Mrs. Jessie Hunter.
 3:30-3:50. Treasurer: Mrs. Robert J. Jones.
 3:50-4:00. Historian: Mrs. Oscar H. Cooper.
 Associational presidents (five minutes each).
 4:00. Callahan Co., Mrs. John Cook, Putnam; Cisco Association, Mrs. W. R. Underwood, Albany; Fisher Co., Mrs. Fred Clark, Rotan; Haskell Co., Mrs. L. W. Kay, Rochester; Jones Co., Mrs. George W. Thomas, Anson; Stone-wall, Mrs. John Guest, Aspermont; Sweetwater, Mrs. E. M. White, Abilene.
 4:35-4:55. "Our Silver Anniversary Fund," Mrs. A. T. Douglass, Abilene.
 4:55-5:00. Prayer.
 5:00. Adjourn for meeting of executive committee.

Tuesday Evening
 7:30. Young Peoples' Evening. Mrs. Ross Smith, director, presiding.
 Devotional, Miss Corrine Lester.
 Pageant, "Voices of Youth," Young Peoples' Organizations, Stamford First church.
 Address, Mrs. J. E. Leigh, corresponding secretary, Texas W. M. U.
 Closing prayer.

Wednesday Morning
 9:00-9:10. Song service, led by chorister.
 9:10-9:20. Devotional, Mrs. E. M. Francis.
 9:20-9:30. Solo, Mrs. W. B. Tayman.
 9:30-9:50. President's address, Mrs. C. M. Caldwell.
 9:50-10:00. Benevolence, Mrs. George L. Paxton.
 10:00-10:20. Buckner Orphans' Home, Rev. R. C. Fender.
 10:20-10:40. Our West Texas Baptist Sanitarium, Supt. E. M. Collier.
 10:40-10:50. Luaders Encampment, Mrs. J. H. Littleton.
 10:50-11:00. Education, Mrs. H. J. Bradshaw.
 11:00-11:30. Address, Pres. J. D. Sandefer.
 11:30-11:35. Announcements.
 11:35-11:45. In memoriam, Mrs. J. O. Bowden.
 11:45-12:00. Solo, Mrs. Nick Carter.
 12:00. Noon, lunch.
Wednesday Afternoon
 1:00. Song service, led by chorister.
 1:00-1:10. Devotional, Mrs. Lili-as Penick.
 1:10-1:40. Address, "Woman and Stewardship," Mrs. J. E. Leigh.
 1:40-1:50. Missions, Mrs. J. W.

Cook.
 1:50-2:10. Address, Mr. R. A. Torres, Missionary to the Mexican people.
 2:10-2:20. Mission Study, Mrs. R. A. Bible.
 2:20-2:30. Personal Service, Mrs. T. J. Pitts.
 2:30-2:50. Address, "A Workman that Needeth Not to be Ashamed," Mrs. W. T. Turner, personal service chairman, Texas W. M. U.
 2:50-3:00. Stewardship and Tithing, Mrs. G. C. Cowan.
 3:00-3:10. Margaret Fund Mother, Mrs. Luther Webb.
 3:10-3:20. Periodicals, Mrs. Graves Darby.
 3:20-3:35. Recommendations from Methods and Finance Committee: Mrs. O. H. Cooper.
 3:35. Report of Committees; Enrollment; Awarding of Banners; Nominations; Election of Officers; Selection of Place of 1931 district meeting; Miscellaneous; Closing Prayer.
 4:00. Adjournment.
 If you can attend please notify Mrs. Alton McClellan, Stamford. Homes will be ready for all. Go to the First church on arrival for the assignment of homes.

PRESENT AT BOARD MEET

District No. 17 of Texas was well represented at the executive board of the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Baptist General Convention of Texas. The meeting was held at the Training School in Fort Worth, March 13-14.
 The following were in attendance: Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, Pres. District No. 17; Mrs. E. M. White, Pres. and Mrs. Geo. L. Paxton, corresponding secretary of Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary; Mrs. Fred Clark, president and Mrs. Reed, corresponding secretary of Fisher Co. Associational Auxiliary. Following presidents of Associational Auxiliaries: Mrs. John Cook, Putnam, Callahan Co.; Mrs. George Thomas, Anson, Jones Co.; Mrs. L. W. Kay, Rochester, Haskell Association; Mrs. W. R. Underwood, Albany, Cisco Association; and Mrs. O. H. Cooper, Abilene, one of the pioneer presidents of Texas W. M. U.

OVALO W. M. S. ORGANIZES G. A. AND SUNBEAM BAND

On Sunday afternoon, March 16, in response to an invitation from the Woman's Missionary Union of the Ovalo Baptist church, Mrs. S. J. T. Williams and Mrs. Elton Rhodes of Abilene First Church motored to Ovalo to assist in the organization of a Girls' Auxiliary and a Sunbeam Band.
 The attendance was good and deep interest was shown. After the devotional the groups assembled for the organization. The following officers were elected: Mrs. John Harrison, young people's director; Mrs. Day Sutherland, counselor of the girls' auxiliary with Miss Modelle Lawrence president and Miss Wilma Barnard, secretary. Mrs. W. M. Riddle was elected Sunbeam Band leader. Mrs. Williams dismissed with prayer, asking God's blessing on the new organizations.

SEMINARY Y. W. A. HOUSE PARTY

Adah Conaway Barber
 It is impossible for me to express just what the Y. W. A. house party meant to me. I felt somewhat like Peter did when he, the other disciples and Jesus had been upon the Mount of Transfiguration. Peter wanted to stay. I, too, wanted to stay on that spiritual mountain, but I realized that I must come down into the valley of service again for there is much to be done.
 It was a great privilege to hear Mrs. W. J. Cox, president of the W. M. U. of the South; Mrs. J. M. Dawson, Miss Pearl Bourne, Y. W. A. worker of the South, Mrs. Jester, State Y. W. A. director and many girls of the semi-

mary. Even though it has been our desire to always live the submissive life there are times when we need an awakening or revival. The fellowship of so many young women, who have the same dreams and ideals, along with the inspiration of those wonderful addresses will always serve as guide posts in our lives. Their message would make anyone know and feel the presence and power of God.

Mrs. J. W. Cox brought a masterful message on missions. From this message we learned that missions is God's supreme design. It is plain that the young people of today are giving to the world another heart, another pulse. Nobility carries with it responsibility, and we, as young people, are challenged to live up to that responsibility. Missions are the keeper of the gate to world peace and brotherhood and upon His name the nations rest their hope. Love is the only communion cup from which all nations will drink, but love is a costly thing. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." We need Christ-made men and women who will give their lives that the train of the gospel may go over the edge of the world to indiffer-ent people. When the spirit of missions burns so low that missionaries are recalled and there is not enough money to support those who are on the fields, whose breath blew out the light within this train?

There are hundreds of broken notes all over the world—broken tasks. It is up to the young people to take them up. If young people are in leadership they can stay there only as they stay on their knees. Let us as young people say with Mrs. Dawson, "If I can not be great myself, let me live in the shadow of the great." Give up your life to make the old gospel train go, then God's supreme design will unfold.

It is said that the most serious thing in life after all is living the consecrated life. "Life is likened to a cafeteria—it has no waiter—help yourself." "There is no elevator to success; take the stairs."

The theme of our program was woman as a "Witness." A good witness must know, must be consistent, and must be able to tell that thing which she knows. We must do noble things, not dream them all day long.
 Get you must if you give
 Give if you live
 For getting without giving is existing not living.

The message that the young witness is to carry is that of glorified womanhood. She can carry that message through being a true, loyal and sincere friend with Jesus. We must carry the message in our own way. Sincerity lends power to the simplest word. We cast a shadow called character. What kind of a shadow do you cast?

Woman's challenge of service comes from the shut-ins, orphans homes, hospitals, Mexican missions, evangelism and many other fields which are white unto harvest, but in which the laborers are few.

Woman's field of service was shown very impressively by the little play, "Serving Two Masters." It made me realize more fully than ever before that it is impossible to serve two masters.

Woman has an obligation to missions. Stewardship is a trust which God has permitted to us, Stewardship is not a matter of choice, it is obligatory.

Dr. George W. McDaniel says, "Each individual Christian is entrusted with certain things for which he must account to Christ. Among these are: time, talent, influence, power and wealth. Wealth is placed last, because if we recognize our stewardship in all these other relationships of life, the stewardship of money will become a simple matter.
 Paul said of the Macedonian Christians: "First they gave their

THE POSSIBILITY OF FULL GRADED WMU IN HALF AND FOURTH TIME CHURCHES

There are 24,329 rural Baptist churches in the South and the vast majority belong to the half and fourth time class and probably the majority of these belong to the fourth time class. More than half of the Southern Baptists hold membership in rural churches, to be exact 2,000,000 out of 3,765,001. Then is it not worth while for us to think about reaching this vast army of Southern Baptists with missionary education? Dr. Aldredge says that more than half of our Southern Baptist church members do not give anything to the local church; only 42 per cent do so while 58 per cent do not. And the percentage giving to missions and benevolence is much smaller. Only 25.8 per cent give to missions or benevolence while 73.2 do not. Then surely all Southern Baptists need stewardship teaching and missionary education and as the percentage of the whole South is greatly brought down by the rural churches, for it is the exception to find a rural church contributing liberally to missions and benevolences, rather than the rule, surely then we need to put emphasis on missionary societies for rural churches. The majority of our rural churches do not have missionary societies. You may ask why this is true? Think it through. Is it not more often because the women have never found a time when large numbers of them can get together regularly for meetings? This is true in rural churches because the membership is often scattered and so many women do not drive their cars or do not have the use of them during the week. And this is even more true of young people and small children. Often a faithful rural woman with a vision will organize a Sunbeam Band or a G. A. and rarely an R. A., and it will thrive for a while for the children love to come but gradually they find it impossible to get to the meetings and so the numbers dwindle until the leaders grow discouraged and give up. Fortunately this does not always happen, for in some communities the children find it pos-

SILVER ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL

The raising of the \$25,000 by the women of the Sweetwater Associational auxiliary as a "Silver Anniversary Memorial" for Simmons University grows dearer to the hearts of the women of Sweetwater association.

From day to day we hear of plans that have been adopted by the various missionary societies for the raising of this fund—a memorial to the twenty-five years of organized work on the part of the women of the association, who through these years have wrought in faith and in hope to bring in the kingdom.

The plans are all good. We submit one. The Education chairman in this particular society has for the foundation prayer, earnest prayer. The five years' apportionment accepted by this society is \$5,000—\$1,000 a year. The chairman has selected from the membership: 10 women to give \$20 a year for 5 years (\$1,000); 50 women to give \$10 a year for 5 years (\$2,500); 40 women to give \$5 a year for 5 years (\$1,000); making a total of \$4,500. The remaining \$500 she calls miscellaneous and expects it to be contributed in smaller gifts.

Already the women are accepting their voluntary assessments and this plan, founded on prayer, is bringing in results—more loyalty, love and money for Simmons University, our own school and "The Child of Sweetwater Association."

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sible to attend or because of general interest make it possible. We would not for a moment suggest that this is a difficulty that cannot sometimes be overcome if the leaders and children or women want to overcome it strong enough. But we must face facts and we find it is probably the greatest hindrance to missionary societies in rural churches.

Then even if we find a plan for having a full-graded W. M. U. in every church we will not have solved the problem of reaching all the membership with stewardship teaching and missionary education for all the men have been left out and as man was created to be the religious leader of the home and he carries the pocketbook it is very important that the men also have an organization or organizations to study stewardship and missions.

This article is an effort to set forth a plan that will give this training to all the membership of the half and fourth time churches. And remember as these churches do not have their pastors with them all the while and fifty per cent of them not more than two or three days a month, they must have a plan they can work for themselves. Now if the entire membership could remain after Sunday school the two or three Sundays they do not have preaching from 11 to 12 and have six organizations: Baptist Brotherhood, W. M. S., Y. W. A., R. A., G. A., and Sunbeam Band all studying missions, then the entire family could come to church in the family car for Sunday school and remain for these and go home together in the family car. Is it not true that in most half and fourth time churches the hour from 11 to 12 Sunday morning is not being utilized for two or three Sundays out of the month, the members just going home after Sunday school or staying around to visit a while. We urge that the pastors of these churches who read this article think this over and see if you could not induce your church to have a Baptist Brotherhood and full Graded W. M. U. meeting the Sundays you do not preach. Probably between 15,000 and 20,000 of our rural churches do not have their pastors living with them. More than half of our Baptist preachers in the South are rural pastors so what the rural pastors do will largely determine the future for Southern Baptists. We beg the members of rural churches to consider this plan and see if your church could not follow it. Then we beg associational W. M. U. presidents, associational W. M. U. organizers and associational young people's leaders to consider the possibilities.

The next most frequent reason given for not having junior missionary organizations is that they think they do not have any leaders. Well, do you believe God has any work for a church to do that he cannot help some of its members to do this work? Surely God does want all the members, including the young people of all our rural churches as well as those in town to be taught what the Bible teaches about stewardship and missions and to know about the mission work Southern Baptists are doing and how the gospel is triumphing on the foreign fields. Then if God so desires let us see if there is not some one in every church who can learn how to lead these organizations by studying the programs for each organization as found in World Comrades and Royal Service and the Y. W. A. Window. Surely it is as easy to take these missionary magazines and put these programs on with the ones for whom they are prepared as it is to teach a Sunday school lesson. All rural churches do have Sunday school teachers. So surely they can have leaders for these organizations. Surely the same woman who teaches the smallest children in Sunday school can take the same children the next hour and teach them the Sunbeam program material. Any one capable of learning great Bible truths by study can by the same effort at study learn missionary stories and truths and teach small children. There are four attractive Sunbeam programs in World Comrades each month to choose material from and this Sunday school teacher will find it delightful to teach children about the children of other lands and our missionaries and make them missionary in spirit.

The teachers of junior boys and girls (those 9-12 years old) can if there is not a better qualified person take their pupils and put on the Jr. R. A. and Jr. G. A. programs. Or if your church is small and these boys and girls

are together in S. S. then keep them together in the missionary organizations for rendering programs—their programs in "World Comrades" are identical anyhow. But you can form two separate organizations each having their officers and alternate Sundays in which they render program.

Knowing that our intermediate boys and girls (those 13 to 16) are here worshippers, would it not be fine to teach them the lives of the great missionary heroes, who had the characteristics we desire them to have, rather than allowing them to take the movie actors and actresses and baseball players as heroes? To be sure if we do not furnish the proper heroes they will follow undesirable ones. These boys and girls should be getting the great principles of Stewardship instilled into them and learn of our world wide missionary program to carry out Christ's great commission. They need Int. R. A. and Int. G. A. for this purpose and the teachers of these boys and girls in Sunday school are the natural ones to start such organizations and with the live programs in "World Comrades" two for each organization each month they will find ample program material. And remember these boys and girls as well as juniors are in school and used to doing real study and capable of rendering real programs with little adult guidance. They will enjoy having real interesting facts about missions to supplement their geography and history study in school and these programs will dignify religion in their eyes. We know there must be information before there can be interest, and expression will follow interest, so we will begin to see these boys and girls give expression to what they learn in R. A. and G. A. by praying for missions, both privately and publicly, by giving a proportion of the money that comes into their hands to missionary causes and by soul winning and personal service or missionary service both among those at home and abroad.

World Comrades is \$1.00 a year and two copies may be so cut up as to supply the program material for four organizations the Sunbeams, either Junior G. A. or R. A. and the Intermediate R. A. and Intermediate G. A. Then each leader should have a copy to keep up with the programs. However if absolutely necessary four organizations could exist with only two copies and you could have five organizations using them if Jr. R. A. and Jr. G. A. needed only one program each a month. Ideally this magazine should go into every home where there are children under seventeen but old enough to love stories.

The new Y. W. A. Window \$1.00 a year furnishes several programs a month for young women, and all young women will enjoy reading it. But if your church cannot afford to buy these magazines, then you can have a Y. W. A. using the one W. M. S. program found in Royal Service magazine (50c a year). The other Sunday or Sundays they can study one of our fine Mission Study books, two required for the course are "Stewardship of Life" and "Ministry of Women." Young men could use the same programs as young women or the Jr. Baptist Brotherhood found in the "Home and Foreign Field" (\$1.00 a year from S. S. board). Every church should have some copies of this missionary magazine.

While ideally the men should form the Baptist Brotherhood, but if cannot be induced to do so maybe they would like to study church finances or missions. "Stewardship and Missions" would be a fine book or "Today's Supreme Challenge to America." Surely every church has a man who could teach the other men one of these or some other good book, but if not they could meet and study together. Insist the men have some kind of class or organization or else they will not allow the women and children to remain. But if the men can be induced to have something they are interested in, then the whole family can stay. And all the church will develop a great interest in church finances, stewardship and missions as they should.

Then comes another objection: We have no place for several organizations to meet at once. Well, if you have only a one room building for Sunday school and all your classes meet in it, then I say these organizations could do the same, they would have to meet together for the singing.

The church that has curtains or beaver board partitions to separate the Sunday School classes

would be better fitted for these organizations, but I would say the one without them could be used. Of course the few churches with separate S. S. class rooms would be more ideal for these meetings but not many half or fourth time churches have had vision enough to secure such buildings, these organizations would no doubt help give the vision of that need. In very small churches you may only be able to have a Sunbeam Band for children up to ten and then a G. A. and an R. A. for other boys and girls, and these may have to meet together especially if they are in the habit of doing so in S. S. Then the W. M. S. and the Baptist Brotherhood or men's class.

Now your church may already have a W. M. S. meeting during the week and doing good work and the women see no use for changing the time of meeting, but you have been unable to start the junior organizations. In that case I would continue my W. M. S. meeting during the week and organize the others to meet Sunday mornings and let the women take a missionary study book at the same hour. Some of our associations have missionary libraries and loan books for study, inquire of your associational W. M. U. president.

The church that will maintain the Full Graded W. M. U. and Baptist Brotherhood for a year or so will in all probability see where it can finance a full time pastor. Then these organizations may have to move their time of meeting to some week night. If they are each surcharged with prayer and the devotional spirit they should be, they may be the best type of midweek prayer service. Many small churches, especially rural ones are not maintaining a mid-week prayer service, and we all know such a service is vital to the life of any church.

Where you find Sunday impractical because the Methodist or some other denomination use the same building you do or else are so near and they depend of your members attending their preaching service and you feel they should continue to do so, the Sundays you do not have preaching. Then we suggest you have the full graded W. M. U. and Baptist Brotherhood organizations and meet some week night. If you do not have a midweek prayer service because your pastor cannot be with you this would solve the prayer meeting problem, or even if your prayer meeting is dragging, then try combining these organizations and vitalizing the prayer meeting, because in these organizations your members will learn to pray as well as find many objects of prayer. All true missionary organizations should be opened with a devotional and surcharged with the spirit of prayer. This combination ought to be fine for the missionary programs would be presenting many objects of prayer make prayer more definite. The many incidents of answered prayer studied in the programs would increase the faith of the members natural and more real; and so in prayer and make prayer more increase their praying both in private and in public.

You may ask where get information about these organizations and how to start them well. The Sunbeam Manual—How to Shine; the G. A. Manual and the R. A. Manual and the Y. W. A. Manual give this information about these organizations and the 1930 W. M.

U. Year Book and 1930 Things We Should Know, give full information about the W. M. S. organization. Each one of these may be bought for 10 cents. "Things We Should Know," may be bought from Texas W. M. U. Headquarters, 705 Burt Building, Dallas, Texas, the others from Southern Baptist W. M. U. Headquarters, 1111 Comer Building, Birmingham, Ala. From the same address you order Royal Service, 50c; World Comrades, \$1.00; and the Y. W. A. Window, \$1.00, which furnish all programs. Your associational W. M. U. president will be glad to loan you some of these and help you with these organizations or furnish someone to do so. Or if you want to try this plan out and want to write for further suggestions or help on your particular problem, Miss Lilia Penik, 908 E. Reynolds St., Stamford, Texas, will be glad to give you further suggestions.

The Home and Foreign Field, \$1.00 a year, from the S. S. Board, Nashville, Tenn., has a page each month on the Baptist Brotherhood and programs for meetings. Or men could use the same programs as the women use from Royal Service, or just study a book.

It is sincerely hoped that all associational W. M. U. presidents, organizers and associational Young People's leaders will thoroughly study this plan through and see the possibilities in it for getting missionary organizations in many churches in your association where they do not now exist. Then we hope pastors will also study the plan giving it prayerful consideration and see if it will help you make your church missionary and help them to carry on services while you must be away. Then we pray that members of churches that do not have missionary organization may have the courage to try out this plan.

Winter is over and we ought not

to have bad weather to prevent gatherings at the church and so this is a fine time of the year to start the full graded W. M. U. and Brotherhood organizations. And they ought to grow as everything does in the spring. Full Graded W. M. U.'s in town churches could go out on Sunday afternoons and put on sample program and show the rural churches what the organizations are and then the associational organizer or Young People's leader or associational W. M. U. president could go out a Sunday morning or two to get them started off with the Sunday morning meetings.

Few of our rural churches have full graded missionary organizations and could they not if they followed the plans outlined above? Think how wonderful it would be if the 2,000,000 rural Southern Baptists could all belong to a missionary organization. Study this plan and see what you can do to help make such true. Since probably more than fifty percent of our great leaders in government business men and our great preachers and missionaries came from rural communities and churches, may we not expect large percent of the leaders of the future along all lines to come from the country? Many of these will come from Southern Baptist churches and whether they are able to lead in religious matters will depend upon the training they get today. Can't we help make them missionary Baptists?

Illinois Baptists are pooling their entire indebtedness into one lump sum and are planning to sell on March 1st a \$60,000.00 bond issue to care for all their outstanding obligations. These bonds are secured by assets of the Convention totaling around \$170,000.00 and are to draw 6 per cent interest.

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BAPTIST SANITARIUM NEWS

HOSPITAL REPORTS ACTIVITY OF FIRST SIX MONTHS; HUNDREDS ARE MADE HAPPY

With the end of March the first quarter of the year 1930 has been completed. It is fitting, therefore, to call to the attention of friends of the hospital some of the things the hospital has done for the community during this time.

Many Patients Served

The greatest direct service has been to the men, women and children served, and their immediate families. Scores of patients were served and hundreds of immediate relatives made happy through the recovery of these patients.

This first half served to emphasize the importance of the hospital to the community at large in regard to emergency service. Accidents of various kinds seem to occur with more frequency as time goes on, and the number of people "rushed to the hospital," as the reporters would say, has shown an increase over the same period in recent years. The increase in automobile registrations each year, which not only increases the dangers of collisions but of injury to pedestrians, probably is the major cause of this growing demand for service to accident victims.

More Babies Born

The maternity department of the hospital also has shown an increase, which may be attributed in part to the increased appreciation of the importance of hospital service at this important phase. As a humorist has said, it may not be many years before a community seeking to erect a memorial to some famous native son or daughter will have to establish such a memorial in a hospital building. At any rate, more babies are being born in the hospitals of the country each year, and this hospital's experience is in keeping with that of the field as a whole.

We are receiving more calls for charity than any time since the hospital has opened, due to the drought and general business depression, and donations to provide for this work are less than any time since the institution has been open. For patients, the ladies' missionary societies are sending linens, which is helping us in a great way to continue to keep our doors open to the poor. Our Baptist folks are not supporting us as they should. Many months we have more Methodist patients than Baptist, and every month we have from two to three unsaved folks to one Baptist. I appeal to our Baptist pastors to encourage our Baptist folks to come to their own hospital when sick or injured. If they are not acquainted with the medical staff, the superintendent will assist you in getting the proper physician or surgeon assigned to your particular case.

SANITARIUM NOTE

We are planning for a Mothers' Day gift to our hospital work in every West Texas Baptist church. Our denominational budget makes no provision for any of our institutions, and unless the churches and pastors come to our rescue we cannot function as we should. Just a few friends have made possible what we have been able to do so far. Our fine medical staff is cooperating in a fine way to make the hospital a success. Our preachers and churches will do no less, I am sure.

S. F. Baucom.

The seat of our authority as teachers of truth and preachers of the Gospel is in Christ. He has spoken to our hearts first, and we have felt His power. We testify what we have felt and seen; to experienced truth and not traditions.—Bruce.

Arkansas Baptists are launching a campaign "to retire by actual cash payment" their indebtedness of \$290,000.00. The Convention, in its meeting last fall, authorized the campaign and plans are now being arranged to carry out the will of that body.

WRONG IDEA PREVAILS ABOUT HOSPITALS

They are Real Community Assets; Very Few Ever Show Profit

A short time ago a writer in a magazine devoted to safety intimated that some in that field thought that doctors and hospitals welcomed accidents as sources of profit.

The writer acknowledged he was wrong when he referred to a statement published in Hospital Management, a national hospital administrative journal, which estimated that automobile accidents alone cost hospitals of the country at least \$11,500,000 a year, through service rendered for which no payment is made.

926 of 1,000 Pass Hospital By

Still further evidence of the widespread belief of even public spirited citizens that hospitals are profit-making institutions and that they are well able to finance themselves is shown in a survey of contributions to various benevolent enterprises. This survey showed that only 74 contributors, on an average, made a gift for hospital purposes, out of every 1,000. In other words, 926 donors passed the hospital by and gave to organized charities, etc.

The great majority of hospitals are incorporated not for profit. There are many organized and financed wholly by private funds. Nearly all of these latter group, however, were not organized for profit primarily, but they were for the care of sick and injured in a community in which there was no hospital, or inadequate facilities.

Even the privately owned hospitals give service, as far as their resources permit, to the poor and in cases of emergency. In spite of this, however, they neither ask nor expect the community to contribute to their support.

The great body of non-profit hospitals, however, look to the community for financial assistance because they have no private resources or funds of any kind, and they are so chartered as not to be able legally to make a profit for any one.

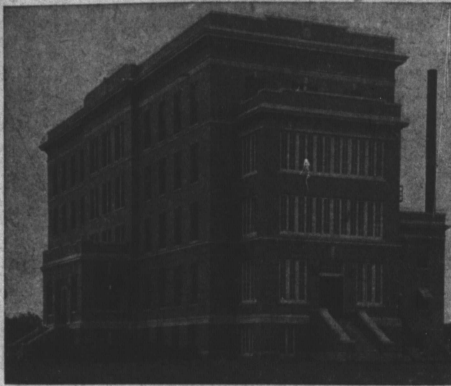
Thus we can see that hospitals, no matter how they are organized, are real community assets, for they render service to the sick, they provide equipment and personnel so that the doctors may be more efficient, and they do a varying amount of health education work, either in helping to fit nurses and others for service, or by directly instructing individual patients as opportunity warrants.

It would seem that the relief of human suffering, which carries with it the restoring to self-support and to independence some wage-earner and his family, would be the greatest appeal one could make to the human heart. That is the work of the hospital, which is being done day and night, from one end of the year to the other. But still, the figures indicate that 926 men and women in 1,000 would prefer to help some other kind of activity, while only 74 would be moved to cooperate with the hospital in making the community a better place in which to live.

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