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Baptist Sanitarium Observes 10th Anniversary

Hospital Force, West Texas Baptist Sanitarium



Institution Has Made Remarkable Growth During Past Two Decades

The West Texas Baptist Sanitarium was ten years old September 16, 1934. At the close of the first year 827 patients were admitted; at the close of the tenth year 2,493 patients were admitted. The first patient to be admitted was Mr. G. B. Paxton of Abilene, assigned to room 211 and operated upon by Dr. Glenn. The hospital has had a phenomenal growth from the very beginning, gaining each year in admissions and reaching further in all directions in West Texas.

The first reason for the unusual growth is the ability and high professional standards of the staff of physicians and surgeons. The members of our medical staff have worked and studied in the largest medical centers of America and abroad. Many of them have attained fellowships and the highest honors and awards that are given in the respective specialties. The death rate has decreased from 5 per cent in 1924 to 3 per cent in 1934. This is an unusually low death rate.

Our board of trustees, headed by Mr. Geo. S. Anderson, are men of vision, each a star in his respective field. They are serving without remuneration and are always anxious to do anything they possibly can to help the hospital to be of greater service to suffering humanity. Our trustees are men who have helped to build West Texas and are leaders in the Baptist work of the state.

The personnel of the hospital is capable and very interested in their work. Many of them have held similar positions in the largest hospitals of the nation. We have tried to make our hospital home-like, have done everything within our power to banish fear and the mystery that usually surrounds a hospital.

The above are just a few of the many reasons why the people of West Texas, without regard to race, creed, or color, in speaking of the hospital say "our hospital."

The West Texas Baptist Sanitarium is modern in every respect, approved Class A, by the American College of Surgeons. We are proud of this honor, and we shall continue to give our patients the same service, care, and treatment that they would get in the largest medical centers of the world. It is better to have a few well equipped and properly managed hospitals in the community than to have a great number of small, poorly equipped and mis-managed institutions in every town and village in West Texas. During the past year, we have had many things to be thankful for; however, it would be impossible for me to enumerate them all. I must make special mention of the W. M. U. for the assistance they have given us in supplying linens for our charity wards. We have been told that we have been second in all our Texas hospitals in the amount of charity work. We do not receive any part of our state budget, and in view of this fact, many churches will want to do something for the hospital and other hospitals during the year. It will be necessary that you designate such funds to come to this hospital or some other hospital in the state.

Hospital Admits Large Number During the Past Ten Years

About 17,000 patients were admitted to the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium in the ten years of its history, according to the following summary prepared by the office force at the hospital. The record for the first year shows 827 patients admitted with a death rate of 5 per cent. The year just closed shows 2,493 patients admitted with a death rate of only 3 per cent. The summary follows:

Year	Patients Admitted	Patient Days	Average	Death Rate
1924	827		22	5%
1925	1,012	9,464	26	5%
1926	1,507	11,903	32	6%
1927	1,817	13,413	36	5%
1928	1,732	11,779	32	5%
1929	1,650	12,030	33	4.5%
1930	1,849	11,998	33	3%
1931	1,798	11,293	30	4%
1932	2,219	14,301	40	3.2%
1933	2,493	15,962	43	3%

ROOMS IN HOSPITAL FURNISHED BY CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS

Following is a list of the rooms that have been furnished by friends of the institution. These friends by furnishing the rooms have greatly alleviated the financial stress upon the institution.

- Room 4—Parramore Post American Legion.
- Room 8—Putman Baptist Church.
- Room 9—Lily's Chapel.
- Room 2—W. M. S. of Hamlin.
- Room 8—Runnels Associational Auxiliary.
- Room 201—Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Caldwell.
- Room 202—T. E. L. Class, First Baptist Church at Abilene.
- Room 203—South Side Baptist Church.
- Room 204—Ovalo Baptist Church.
- Room 205—Children of David Mitchell (in his memory).
- Room 208—Children of Lydia E. Mitchell (in her memory).

MARTHAS PREPARED HOSPITAL LINENS FOR OPENING DAY

By One Who Was There
On July 29, 1924, members of the Baptist Women's City Union of Abilene, the Auxiliary to the Taylor County Medical Society, interested friends of other denominations, and several guests from out of town, numbering 110 in all, met at the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium for an all-day sewing.
The Sanitarium board had generously contributed \$107 for buying materials to be used in making supplies for the operating and other rooms. Ten sewing machines, used in the work, were never idle from early morning to late afternoon. In addition there were cutting, basting and hand-work sufficient for all. Gathered together in the delightfully cool corridors of this handsome building, the women planned, as they sewed, for their part in the preparation
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Leaders in Hospital Building



Dr. M. A. Jenkins
Founder



George S. Anderson
Chairman Board of Directors



E. M. Collier
Superintendent

If you want to know what makes the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium go, the above picture will help solve the question. In the picture we have Superintendent E. M. Collier (upper left) and his official family, the group that is serving suffering humanity in this section of West Texas. When one looks this fine group of nurses over, and then realizes that these angels of mercy are ready to minister to every want of their sick patients—well, it just doesn't seem so awful for a sick person to have to go to a place like this to be made well again.

CISCO ASSOCIATION HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

Cisco Association, located within the territory of District No. 17 and comprised of the co-operating churches in the counties of Eastland, Stephens and Shackelford, met with the Rising Star Church, Sept. 5 and 6, 1934. Thirty-five churches were reported by letter and messengers. At the opening session the following officers were elected:

- Rev. W. H. Stephens, Pastor Central Church, Ranger, Moderator;
- Rev. Elvin Skiles, Breckenridge, Vice-Moderator;
- Rev. W. M. Joslin, Pastor First Church, Albany, Clerk;
- Attorney J. R. Burnett, Cisco, Treasurer;
- Judge W. D. R. Owen, Eastland, Corresponding-Secretary.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Pastor John L. Roden of Gorman, and Pastor E. S. James of First Church, Cisco, brought the Missionary Message. Dr. L. R. Scarborough spoke concerning the Southwestern Seminary and the Co-operative Program.

Brother W. H. Pool was present representing Baylor University. Brother Pool also brought some fitting words with reference to the Baptist Standard. Dr. N. A. Moore from the Department of Bible of Hardin-Simmons University brought a brief but interesting message concerning this great school of the "dynamic west." Many other encouraging speeches and reports were heard. This was one of the best meetings in the history of the Association.

A report of the Digest of Letters revealed that during the year 509 had been received by baptism and 656 by letter and a net gain over last year of 415. Twenty-four of the thirty-five churches reported gave to the co-operative program and other out-
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LOCAL PASTOR TELLS HOW BAPTIST HOSPITAL HAD ITS BEGINNING

Millard A. Jenkins
To trace this institution of blessed service back to its beginning, would carry us to the bedside of physical suffering in our city over a period from 1915 to 1918 where there was little to encourage hope for the patient's recovery; sometimes where it was the breadwinner who was stricken, and sometimes the mother, often times the child, and the family with no means to provide for the care of the patient. Abilene physicians were always found ready to give their services, but hospitalization was out of the question. For that reason many died whose lives might have been saved.

Often I witnessed deaths, and offered all the consolation to the stricken humble homes that I could, deeply feeling that if the proper care of the patient could have been provided, the patient would have lived. The conviction became deep as life that a community, blessed as ours, with such a noble Baptist brotherhood, was not only living far below its privileges, but was guilty of a great sin; the sin of neglect of the healing ministry God expected of us. The words of the Master would not down: "As ye
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SCHOOL OF NURSING ENJOYS FINE GROWTH ALONG WITH INSTITUTION

It was a small beginning that the School of Nursing of the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium had back in 1924 when seven young ladies entered the first class and began their careers as nurses. Through these years the improvement of facilities and instruction has been proportionate with the added enrollment. Subjects have increased from 14 to 30 for a total number of 825 hours, and a full-time instructor has been employed. Fifty-two nurses have completed three years training during the ten years' history of the institution.

Qualifications For Entry.
Qualifications for entry are: Active member of some church, good health, between the ages of 18 and 20, a graduate of an accredited high school, adequate references as to character and moral standing, personal interview with the superintendent and director of nurses and approval from the training school committee.

Applications have been received from a variety of states, including Virginia, Tennessee, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Florida, Arizona, Kansas, Missouri, Mississippi and New Mexico. But students are limited to this
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HOSPITAL MAKES GOOD REPORT FOR YEARS WORK JUST CLOSED

The West Texas Baptist Sanitarium has just closed a splendid year's work, according to the report submitted last week to the Board of Directors. The hospital receipts were \$89,135.69 and the disbursements amounted to \$87,029.84. The charity work ran a total of \$25,599.11, and the total patients for the year were 2,493, making a daily average of 43.

An interesting phase of the report was the number of religious bodies patronizing the hospital. There were 759 Baptists, 265 Methodists, 191 Christians, other denominations 115, and unaffiliated 1,164.

In submitting the report Superintendent Collier said:
"We are delighted that we have been able to reduce our debt during the year, and have paid all operating expenses. Many times the hospital has been over-crowded; we have put up beds in every available space. We can see that in the near future additional space must be added."

The following is a statement of operations during the year:
Cash Received \$89,135.69
Paid Out 87,029.84
Cash received from churches for charity 850.89
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CONGRATULATING BAPTIST HOSPITAL

This issue of the West Texas Baptist is featuring the tenth anniversary of the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium. That this institution of the West has been able to render a distinctive service to suffering humanity is shown by the fact that over 17,000 patients have received treatment during this short period. During the year just closed over 2,400 patients were admitted. This institution of healing has won an admiring place in the hearts of the people of Abilene and a large section of the great West. The esteem in which the institution is held in Abilene is reflected in the large number of business men of the city who have patronized this anniversary issue.

During the years that E. M. Collier has been superintending the hospital, rapid growth has been made. He has proven his ability to direct the affairs of a great institution, and to select a group of efficient nurses and helpers in this building enterprise.

The medical staff, composed of some of the leading specialists in their respective fields have played a heroic part in building a great hospital center in Abilene, and in rendering unselfish service to suffering humanity during these years of the depression.

Surely congratulations are in order to Mr. Collier, the hospital nursing staff, the medical staff, the board of directors, and all those who have ministered to the institution with their means, during these ten years.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR A GOOD NURSE

When we consider the realm of life in which a nurse lives and moves, we find that she, probably more than anyone else, gives herself in the service of suffering humanity. She meets and renders aid to people in all walks of life, the rich, the poor, the educated, the ignorant, the congenial, the ill-humored, the depressed, the restless, the old, the young, those who are tired of life, etc. All of these different ranks in life and dispositions in people she must know how to cope with and to aid them in their recovery of health. This we find that she is able to do because of her genuine liking for people and in study of human nature she has acquired a genuine ability of tactfully working with the patients and for them. Since this possession is hers the patient feels confident that he is in the hands of a capable nurse and will co-operate with her in the battle for health.

Again we find that she is daily meeting with all types of diseases, which requires a knowledge of their symptoms, onset, course, progress, and the complications which may arise, the dangers and how to treat each one. Therefore she must seek a high grade of intelligence and understanding of them with a good general education and broad interests that she may be able to meet these demands and skillfully and scientifically minister to her patients, at the same time being able to converse with those about her on general topics of the day. Thus does she seek to adapt herself to a fuller and more worthwhile life.

In her regular routine of life, where there is suffering, sorrow, and the departure of loved ones, she has a sympathetic understanding, yet because she has developed an emotional maturity and a stability of action, she is able to maintain self control. She very quietly, smoothly and skillfully administers that, which relieves pain, speaks words of comfort to those who grieve, enabling them to fight with more determination, or to bear the suffering more bravely, or look to the great Comforter for strength. Regardless of the many inquiries about the patients conditions, etc., she does not become impatient, but always seeks to give encouragement and faces bravely the many trying ordeals which arise as she journeys along the highway of service. As she travels we see a smile on her face, which is probably caused by some humorous instance that has occurred, thus we realize that our nurse is aware of the fact that she must not always keep her mind on the serious side of life, rather she must seek to alleviate this constant mental and physical strain.

As the nurse is laboring with the sick she must realize the value of good physical health and a cheerful personal outlook on life. Nothing is more depressive to a patient than a sickly nurse with a morbid philosophy of life.

Again she has an integrity of character, her ideals and morals are exemplary, she has refined tastes, and is tolerant; thus with ease she is able to adopt herself to any and every circumstance which she is called upon to meet.

As she enters the room one readily sees that she has a sense of responsibility equal for meeting any obstacle which may occur and coupled with it a personal reliability, which instills trust and faith in her work, with loyalty to the patient and his needs, to the family and the maintaining of their affairs as sacred, and to the doctor in aiding him in every way possible for the recovery of the patient.

Again we see that she is very attentive to the likes and dislikes of her patients. Nothing is neglected which will add to their comforts both from the mental and physical aspect of the patient. At the same time she maintains a scientific attitude in ministering to the patient, and at all times she is open minded and willing to profit by suggestions and advice from others, even though it may be from unexperienced parties.

As she enters the homes of all classes of people, the poor, the rich, learned and the ignorant she does not make extravagant demands of the family but is able to utilize the available material adapting it to her needs. Thus the family readily realizes that she is there to render service and not to be waited upon and to completely change their routine habits of life.

As the nurse goes from the hospital to the wealthy home, to the slum district, we see her a living example of cleanliness and attractive in appearance. Her very presence inspires those about her to want to practice cleanliness, healthful living and to maintain a neat appearance at all times.

Then last but not least wherever she goes there is always one aim present with her, that is, to seek to inspire and instruct her associates and her community in the art of "living most to serve best."

RUTH A. MAXSON, B. A.,
Instructor of Nursing.

DISTRICT MISSIONS

By J. D. Brannon,
Missionary, Dist. No. 17

DISTRICT 17 HAS IMPORTANT RALLY AT LUEDERS NEXT TUESDAY

Next Tuesday, September 25, beginning at 10:00 A. M., at Lueders Encampment Grounds, the Fall District Rally will be held.

Doctors Scarborough, Gardner, and Fowler will be present as State Representatives. It is hoped that every officer in EVERY department from EVERY church in the district will come to this meeting. They will be recognized by associations, and the Association Organizer will be asked to say a word in regard to his work.

Announcements of this meeting should be made in all the Sunday Schools next Sunday, and definite plans made for automobiles to take the people. Let those who go divide up the expenses with the owner of the car.

You may bring dinner, or it will be served at the safe for twenty-five cents.

This is the most important meeting of the District during this year and every church is sincerely urged to send its representatives.

REVIVAL AT HAMLIN

The First Baptist Church, Hamlin, began a meeting last Sunday. There were eleven additions the first day. The pastor is doing the preaching.

THE NEW CHURCH AT NORTH ROBY PLANS TO BEGIN CHURCH BUILDING

The newly organized church at North Roby is raising the money to start a new church building. The Fisher County Workers Conference met there last week and gave them \$15 for that purpose. They have been meeting under a brush arbor. There are only forty members of the church but there are several tithers and they have the spirit to do something worth while for the Lord. Rev. H. C. Bristow is pastor.

STONEWALL ASSOCIATION

The Stonewall Association composed of Stonewall and Kent counties, met at Peacock. Rev. J. S. Tierce of Aspermont was elected Moderator. There are 14 churches in the Association, nine of which reported. Dr. Atwood of Simmons University, preached on Wednesday, and also brought a message on Christian Education.

The Rev. A. S. Holmes has been the Missionary for the last few months, but he has not accepted that place for another year. He made a very fine report of the meeting held during the year.

RESIGNS AT SALT BRANCH

Rev. S. J. T. Williams has closed his year's work with the Salt Branch Missionary Baptist Church. We had a revival in the summer in which there were several conversions, also several additions to the church. A. W. M. S. has been organized under the leadership of Mrs. Williams, also a Young People's Union. We feel like the Lord has blessed

MEDICAL STAFF AND TRUSTEES CONTRIBUTE TO HOSPITAL GROWTH

The story of the growth of the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium would be incomplete without telling of the part played by the board of directors and medical staff. The board of directors is composed of some of the outstanding ministers and business men of Abilene and West Texas. They have had a far-reaching vision of building at Abilene a great medical center.

In the medical staff there are forty-four physicians and surgeons. These doctors, experts in their respective lines, are working together in building this medical center in the west. A patient coming to the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium for treatment has the advantage of the consultation of the entire staff, whenever such consultation is necessary. The members of the medical staff have worked and studied in the largest medical centers of America and abroad. Many of them have attained fellowships and the highest honors and awards that are given in the respective specializing fields.

Hospital Rates Class A
The American College of Surgeons, leading organization of this country, has designated asabn shrdl cmfw s has conferred its Class A rating on the sanitarium, which shows that it

is modern in every respect and renders the highest type of service and treatment to be given in any of the largest medical centers of the country.

Valued at \$250,000, the building and equipment is constantly being improved. An X-Ray and clinical laboratory were early installed. The X-Ray department covers 1,200 square feet of floor space and has a picture-making apparatus of 165,000 volts and a deep therapy apparatus for treating cancer and tumors of 250,000 volts. The clinical laboratory is up-to-date. The operating rooms, spacious and modernly equipped, are especially the pride of the institution's leaders.

HASKELL ASSOCIATION

The Merkel Association met at Gillespie in Knox County, last week. Rev. H. R. Whatley, was elected moderator, and Rev. J. Lowell Ponder, clerk. There was a large attendance. Out of 31 churches 24 made reports. That was thought to be very fine considering the fact that 16 of the 31 are now without pastors.

GILLESPIE CHURCH VOTES TO GO INTO FIELD

The Gillespie Church invited the District Missionary to remain over on Friday night and help them organize their work for another year.

They appointed a committee to meet with another church nearby, and ask them to appoint a similar committee, and if they can feelled to do so call the same pastor, furnish him a home on the field, and let him work with the two churches which comprise a membership of about 325.

They adopted a budget of \$56.00 a month, \$8.00 of which goes to the Cooperative Program. They organized five B. Y. P. U. s and a W. M. S. There were several subscriptions taken for the West Texas Baptist and the Baptist Standard.

CALLAHAN ANNUAL ASSOCIATION HAS EXCELLENT MEETING

The Callahan Baptist Association met with the Atwell Baptist Church September 5-6. Rev. V. W. Tatum was elected Moderator, and S. R. Respass, clerk. There was a large representation from the churches and a most wonderful spirit existed.

There are 16 churches in this Association, 14 of which made reports. These reports showed that there were 234 additions to the churches last year, with 108 of these coming by Baptism. There were seven B. Y. P. U. s reported, with 318 enrolled; 12 Sunday Schools, with 674 enrolled. Six churches gave \$166.04 to the Cooperative Program last year, eleven gave designated gifts to missions, which amounted to \$404.62.

The Association voted to have a County-wide B. T. S. and Sunday School Study Course this year.

CISCO ASSOCIATION MET AT RISING STAR

The Cisco Association met at Rising Star, September 6, and elected Rev. H. H. Stephens, of Ranger as Moderator. There was a large number in attendance, including many visitors from over the State. The Association only met one day. Rev. E. S. James, preached the Annual Sermon on the subject, "We Would See Jesus."

This is the largest Association in the District, comprising three counties. Last year's minutes reported 26 churches, and one new church was organized this year, by their Missionary, Rev. H. D. Blair.

SANITARIUM NOTES

E. M. Collier, Superintendent

HOSPITAL'S CREDIT IS MOST ABUSED CREDIT

The most abused credit in the world is the hospital credit. More is demanded from the hospital than any other business, always in the name of suffering humanity. The promises while "hurting" are so different from the "well" reactions.

The public seems to feel that all sickness, injuries, and operations are the responsibility of the hospital, for every resistance is exercised against payment. Hospitals only attempt to collect for expense incurred. It is seldom that we find a hospital operated for profit. No church-maintained hospital operates for profit; on the contrary, it asks the Denomination to furnish buildings and equipment and only expects the patient to pay for food, drugs, surgical supplies and personal expense.

It is your duty to pay your hospital. When you understand, you will be glad to pay your part.

Every dollar your hospital is deprived of means a day of someone's life.

CHURCH HOSPITALS AND GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS

Can church hospitals operate at less expense than government hospitals?

We answer: "Yes, especially in time of stress when money is being spent in political hospitals to pay salaries, maintain positions, feed and maintain employes, with nothing left for the care of patients." We suggest the sensible plan of closing or combining tax hospitals and paying voluntary hospitals the patient cost, thereby saving the enormous overhead. More than twice the number of patients could be treated.

Church hospitals will give indigents and worthy poor everything except the cost of food, medical and surgical supplies, and necessary items used by patients. Our excuse for existence is service to the sick. Let's quit spending money foolishly and do our jobs.

When we admit we have too many hospitals with no money to keep patients, and take action towards curtailment of expense, and realize we must do for the patient crying for hospital service rather than to keep political organizations, we can carry the load of sickness.

WHAT YOU GET FOR YOUR MONEY IN THE HOSPITAL

"Every once in a while you are inclined to kick at paying \$6.00 a day for a room in the hospital (average cost) when you know that one such room in your home would rent for little more than that for a week.

"But you do not reflect on the fact that it is not the room only you are paying for, but a whole lot of other things. You are paying for the telephone operator who registers your coming and answers your friend's inquiries; for the admitting clerks whose records start services for you throughout the hospital; for the maid who cleans your room; for the laundress who furnishes eighteen pieces of linen (average) for you daily; for the man who puts up the fracture bed; for the operating room force who have room and supplies ready; for the nurses who care for you day and night; for the dietitian who orders your diet, and the cooks and maids who serve it; for the concentration of scientific equipment and for a trained personnel to use it for diagnosis; for executive officers to see that orders are carried out, and so on, and so on.

"So long as we demand home comforts and skilled care in sickness and do not wish to maintain a hospital of our own; or to "muss up" our homes and keep members of our family from employment, so long must we pay hospital prices commensurate with service rendered. The hospital is a part of the community's health investment for all.

HOSPITAL IS A GOOD PLACE TO STUDY HUMAN NATURE

Hospitals are great places to study human nature in its many phases. There are some people who want "something for nothing," and spend a great deal of their time devising ways and means of getting things either free or at a price below what they should and could pay for it. Outpatient departments of hospitals, which are principally conducted to provide high-class medical care for those unable to pay, occasionally find among applicants for this free service persons well able to consult specialists as private patients. It speaks well for the human race, however, to know that the number of people who deliberately try to take advantage of this free service is quite insignificant compared to the total number of people coming to a dispensary. Quite typical of this percentage of "something for nothing" seekers is the ratio of ninety well-to-do applicants one large Eastern hospital discovered in one year among the 4,900 applicants.—Hospital News.

GOOD SERMONS

Many pastors have concluded that they do not know how to preach. They make honest preparation, and deliver their messages with earnestness and enthusiasm. The people whom they are most anxious to reach seem impervious to the truth. They listen respectfully, and immediately forget all that they have heard. This is repeated week after week, until the God-fearing pastor comes to feel that he is a failure. Such a pastor will find consolation in words once spoken by President Wilson:

"The only thing that is worth while in human intercourse after all, is to wake somebody up, provided you wake them up to see the light, provided you wake them up to see something that is worth seeing and to comprehend something that their spirits have not hitherto comprehended. I have spent the greater part of my life doing what is called teaching, but many of the pupils of most of our universities systematically resist being taught. I remember being somewhat comforted and reassured some years ago, after I had taught for ten or fifteen years, by being told a friend of mine at Yale University, who had taught for twenty, that he had found that the human mind possessed infinite resources of resisting the introduction of knowledge."—Watchman-Examiner.

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The Department of Anesthesia Plays an Important Part in Hospital Organization

More and more science is being applied to the alleviation of pain, to treat the sick is the duty of the man or woman whose life is devoted to that profession, but to attempt to treat the sick without the knowledge and application to lessen pain is considered brutal in this modern day. During the Crimean War, the soldiers whose misfortune necessitated an amputation were held by strong men and the necessary surgery was performed; often the hapless man fainted mercifully before the procedure had progressed very far. Now the alleviation of pain goes hand in hand with surgery. Were it not for the ability to completely kill pain, surgery would no doubt, not have advanced so far, so rapidly.

To be able to intelligently administer an anesthetic, one must have not only an apt knowledge of the materials with which he or she is working, but also a thorough understanding of the reactions of the patient. Each patient presents a problem of its own and is to be treated as an individual case and not as a group. Many persons have great fear of an anesthetic, for which there is no ground. A person is safer in taking an anesthetic from the hands of a properly trained and conscientious anesthetist than crossing the street.

Chloroform was first discovered by Sir J. Y. Simpson in 1847 in England. Its ability to kill pain made its popularity unparalleled to any drug known at that time. Chloroform was used extensively until it was found unsafe and then it was used less and less.

Ether was discovered by Dr. Crawford Long in 1842 in Atlanta, Ga. Ether, although considered not very pleasant to take, is the safest anesthetic agent known for general use.

Gases, nitrous oxide and ethylene have been used more extensively in the recent years. Nitrous oxide was discovered by Sir Humphry Davy in 1772 and was first used in dental work. It was not used for general surgery for many years.

Ethylene was discovered accidentally by Drs. Lewis and Luckheart in California in 1923. It is being used

extensively in almost all fields of surgery. Oxygen is necessarily used in connection with these gases.

For the last five months we have been using a new Hiedbrink Anesthetic Machine. This piece of equipment is one of the newest on the market. The machine is very compact, yet having all the necessary materials and equipment. It has a four tank capacity having a tank each of nitrous oxide, ethylene, carbon dioxide, and oxygen. It has also a compartment for ether, and soda lime. The soda lime is new in the field of anesthesia and aids in keeping down respiratory exhaustion and nausea. This equipment is very economical having cut down the consumption of gas more than half.

During the month of July 1934 our hospital had 85 major operations, 73 minor cases, 34 tonsillectomies, and 23 obstetrical patients. Practically all of these patients had general anesthetics. About 5 percent to 7 percent of our work is emergency and much of it occurs during the night hours.

VERGIE E. RAPE,
Anesthetist, Member National Assn. Nurses Anesthetists.

Taylor McCasland of Portales, N. M. was a visitor in Abilene a few days ago. Brother Mac is in the wholesale peanut business at Portales, but he takes time to serve the Lord in an effective way in that section. He and his good wife had charge of the music in revivals at Portales and Elida, N. M.; Russell, Okla., and Crosbyton, Texas. There were 202 additions to the churches in these meetings. Rev. R. C. Tenneson, pastor at Crosbyton, did the preaching at Crosbyton and Russell, Okla. In a letter to the editor Brother McCasland said some mighty good things about Brother Tenneson as a pastor and soul winner.

The First Baptist Church, Abilene, has reduced its indebtedness \$19,598.88 since August 1930. This is a fine record to be made during these four years.

Impressions of a Real Patient

I am an Abilene girl of high school age with three hospital trips to my credit. All three of these trips are really covered by one illness.

It now seems that this condition may have been avoided, had my parents and I observed symptoms more closely. It was not until the symptoms had become very pronounced that the family physician was summoned. For five days this faithful and efficient doctor gave every care and attention possible, but he saw that his treatments were not having the desired effect. Then it was that he suggested that better attention could be had at the nearby hospital.

The ambulance was ordered and right soon I was under the watchful care of a bevy of uniformed attendants.

At the very instant of my admission, as a patient, a chart of my condition and symptoms was started. I did not know that this was being done, but now I realize that these little details were of much value to the attending physicians.

On my first admission, I was too sick to know much of what was going on, but my parents had grave fears of the outcome or even the wisdom of the suggested procedure. Within twenty hours, the doctor knew by the chart that my condition was indeed serious, and told my parents that they had the privilege of calling in other physicians which was done. The group of five physicians unanimously agreed that heroic efforts would be required, that although our family physician had done everything possible up to this time, and that his treatment was above criticism, yet the chart indicated that the future treatment, as suggested by him, was the wise course to pursue.

We know that this conclusion could be safely arrived at, because of the facilities afforded by the hospital. These facilities are not to be had in the average home. The best managed and best kept homes do not afford sanitary surroundings, neither can the most attentive mother give the wise attention given by the nurses, who are trained to observe the least change in one's condition, and are able to impart this information intelligently to the physician.

The call bell enabled me to summons the nurse, who always came promptly and with a smile.

This is a real story, and I do not mind telling the world that this wonderful institution is right here in my home town, and is none other than the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium of Abilene, Texas. My family and I are members of another church, other than the one under whose auspices this hospital is being run, but we found no evidence of favoritism. Of the five physicians that attended me, one is connected, in an official way, with another similar institution, while a second one is from one of Texas' largest cities, but they were accorded the same liberties and courtesies as the regular members of the staff.

My family and I are thoroughly of the opinion that the physician has a fairer chance of effecting a cure and the patient a more comfortable and re-assuring season of "warfare."

These three trips covered a six months' period, beginning in the warmest weather in August and ending in the coldest weather in February, yet we found the hospital comfortable and cherry at all times.

Too much cannot be said regarding the loving, sacrificing service rendered by the thoughtful attendants. Even the orderlies seemed interested in our welfare and comfort. A warm and lasting friendship has sprung up between the nurses and me, and on my visits, I am greeted with a pleasant welcome.

While the cost of hospitalization seems high at times, yet we realize that the period of illness may be shortened, therefore, it is, in some instances, a real saving is effected.

In this, as in most experiences of life, it is the unexpected goodness that give most pleasure. The little favors shown by the management shall remain as fond memories, and even though I cannot recall the names of the individuals who rendered the services, their kindly acts shall be remembered and treasured.

Gratefully,
A Thankful Patient.

SCHOOL OF NURSING ENJOYS FINE GROWTH

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section of Texas, since this is the territory served by the hospital. Average age of the applicant is 20, and church affiliation may be any of a dozen denominations which have been represented.

A total of 148 have been enrolled in the ten years. Many of the 96 who have not completed training left during the preliminary term of four months, which is considered a testing period. However, only 19 of those

leaving have been in the last five years.

Course of Study
In the early years, only the basic fundamentals were included in courses studied. Today, the curriculum covers practically every field.

A clear insight into practice, theory and history is given in the preliminary term; and if grades are passing at the end of the four months, the student is permitted to continue into the organized curriculum. The course of study meets the standards set by the National League of Nursing Education, which is the educational branch of the American Nursing Association. The curriculum, with a definite number of hours study in each subject, follows: Anatomy and Physiology 90, Bacteriology 45, Personal Hygiene 15, Chemistry 45, Nutrition and Diet Therapy 45, Drugs and Solutions 30, Principles and practice of Nursing 120, History and Ethics of Nursing 30, Psychology 30, Pathology 6, Materia Medica 30, Medical Diseases 30, Surgical Diseases 18, Case Study 15, Communicable Diseases 15, Gynecology 15, Emergency and First Aid 15, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat 15, Pediatrics 30, Operating Room Technic 15, Obstetrics 30, Tuberculosis 8, Psychiatry 30, Venereal and Skin 15, Survey of Nursing Field and Related Professional Problems 30, Jurisprudence 10, Economics 10, Sanitary Science 15, Public Health 10, and Surgical Specialties 15.

After completing the curriculum and practical procedures, the student is issued a diploma from the school grade of 70 or over in each subject, before issuance of a certificate or registration, which entitles the graduate to the degree of Registered Nurse.

Staff of School

Miss Stella McCullough, as superintendent of nurses, has been an important factor in the success of the nursing school the last five years. She is a graduate of Scott & White Hospital Training School, Temple, Texas, graduating in 1928. Miss McCullough came here on October 20, 1929, after one year as superintendent of nurses at Sealy Hospital, Santa Anna. Her predecessors were: Miss Frances I. Burch, September 15, 1924, to April 1, 1927; Miss Lovella (Continued on page 6)

CISCO ASSOCIATION HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

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Rev. H. D. Blair, the very efficient Missionary for several years past, and one of the best in Texas, was re-elected by unanimous and united vote of both the Executive Board and of the whole Association. His work is constructive and stands up. Everywhere the people love him.

No more loyal women are to be found in the State than are found in the Cisco Association. Mrs. George W. Thomas of First Church, Ranger, is the fine president. These women are striving to bring up every phase of the Lord's work. In addition to their regular apportionments they gave this year nearly \$400.00 toward retarding the Associational debt. They show the true missionary spirit.

Rev. J. D. Brannon, recently chosen missionary for District No. 17, was present on the second day of the Association and brought some very fine words concerning his work. The brethren of this section are expecting big things from Brother Brannon. He seems the right man for the right place.—W. M. Joslin, Clerk of Assn.

ROOMS IN HOSPITAL FURNISHED BY CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS

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Charity work by hospital	25,599.11
Total patients admitted	2,493
Total hospital days	15,962
Daily average	43
Average stay per patient 6 1-2 days	
Death rate	3 percent
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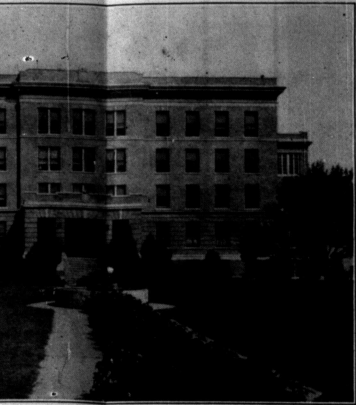
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go, heal the sick." Preaching, teaching, healing was the three-fold ministry He committed to His people.

For three years we dreamed, prayed, talked hospital. The signs of promising interest did not develop rapidly. We talked in our First Baptist Church counsels of employing a trained nurse to go in the name of our church among the suffering poor, but that did not seem feasible. We had almost but surrendered the hope of seeing a Baptist healing institution in our city. It was then the test came. A call, with larger salary, came urgently from another church, with seemingly a larger and more promising opportunity. The first thought was to accept. But, if opportunity than right here? When it was taken to God in prayer, the sick among God's poor who needed the strong helping hand of a Christian hospital eclipsed the vision of the great church with its inviting field, with a greater vision of the walls of a hospital rising, and the faces of the suffering pleading for its realization. A voice seemed to be saying: "These mark the path of duty." The call was declined. When it was renewed, it was declined again. The task was assumed, with its consummation left in the hands of Him who healed the sick in Galilee, and who sees His people through in all the plans that are born of His will, and undertaken in His name, and for His glory.

The proposition for a County-City Hospital came up. The hour of definite decision arrived. Prominent citizens were interviewed. Without exception they voiced the opinion, that by far preferable, there should be a Christian Hospital sponsored by the Baptist people of Abilene, and our great denomination. The night before the decision was to be announced whether the Baptist Hospital would be undertaken, President Sandefer gave the writer generously of his busy time, even far into the night, and set the seal of his wise counsel to the proposition; and notwithstanding his already over-burdened shoulders, pledged his assistance. Next day the

announcement was made.

The assistance rendered by this distinguished educator and citizen in deepening the community conviction, and furthering the plans for the Hospital became a large formative factor. Through him Judge and Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, great humanitarians, gave the six acres forming the beautiful campus on which the Hospital is located. Mr. Geo. S. Anderson, Chairman of its Board of Trustees from the beginning, through the Abilene Reporter, the paper that bears his superior genius, popularized the undertaking. Mr. T. N. Carswell as Secretary of the Hospital Board of Trustees rendered superb service without charge, a service incalculable in its value. Rev. C. A. Powell, of University Baptist Church, and the beloved Dr. J. C. Burkett, deceased, of South Side Baptist Church, led their people wholeheartedly in the movement. Dr. Geo. W. Truett, humble servant of God, and world-Baptist citizen, twice came at his own charges, and addressed, at the First Baptist Church, great throngs of Abilene Baptists and friends of the movement of other denominations, and took subscriptions.

Several years of fellowship of struggle followed, but our people had set their hands to the plow, and no looking back was indulged in. On September 15, 1924, the Hospital was opened for patients, the first being the wife of a tenant farmer whom the doctors said would have died but for the services of this institution. She was sent back to her little children, and to a united Christian home, for her husband was converted in the Hospital, as the writer knelt with him in prayer by the bedside of his wife. The ten years record of blessed ministry in the name of Him whose "name is above every name," has been one to cheer the hearts of all who have had a part in it, and all who love Christ Jesus, and humanity for which He suffered and died. Under the leadership of its able Superintendent, E. M. Collier, devout Christian and lover of suffering humanity, these early beginnings are flowering into abundant fruitage to the glory of God.

MARTHAS PREPARE HOSPITAL LINEN FOR OPENING DAY

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for the opening of the hospital to the public on September 15, 1924. At 12:30 a bountiful, "covered dish luncheon," was served cafeteria style, arranged on the long tables in the first floor dining room. After lunch an opportunity was given for an inspection of the building and it was unanimously agreed that what has been said of the building by a visiting hospital expert is undeniably true—namely, that in convenience and beauty of finish, our hospital is the best in the State.

At 3 o'clock the women gathered in the sun parlor on the first floor for the purpose of holding a devotional, the first to be held in the hospital. After prayer and the singing of "Blest Be the Tie That Binds Our Hearts in Christian Love," the late Mrs. J. C. Burkett gave a beautiful devotional. She read with suitable comment from Matthew 9:15, 21, and Luke 8:41, passages telling of the tender ministry of healing of our Master—the Great Physician.

The pleasure of the day, together with its opportunity for service, lingers in the memories of those who participated.

Simmons and Hospital Open Jointly God sent a beautiful day of cool breezes and bright sunshine for the official opening of the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium, Abilene, on Monday, September 15, 1924. This was also the day of the opening of Simmons College the year 1924-25 and it proved a great reunion day for the friends of the college and the sanitarium.

A fine program was rendered in the college chapel. Addresses were interspersed with numbers from the fine arts department. At noon a bountiful basket dinner was served under the trees on the college campus. Old friendships were renewed, new friendships made and interest and loyalty to both institutions deepened.

During the afternoon a reception was held in the sanitarium building, giving all an opportunity to inspect the building and its equipment. On this occasion it was with proud hearts that the women of the Baptist Women's City Union served as hostesses.

Hospital Officials



Miss Stella McCollough Superintendent of Nurses



Miss Peggy B. Kemp Operating Room Supervisor



Miss Virgie E. Rape Anesthetist

Morrison is the only man to take training at the hospital.

List of Graduates

The list of graduates, by years and with the home town from which they registered, follows:

1927: Miss Viola Robison, Davilla; Mrs. Ellen King Smotherman, Abilene.

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1929: Miss Vergie Rape, Abilene; Mrs. Thelma Schneider O'Dell, Roscoe; Mrs. Ovella Largent Broyles, Abilene.

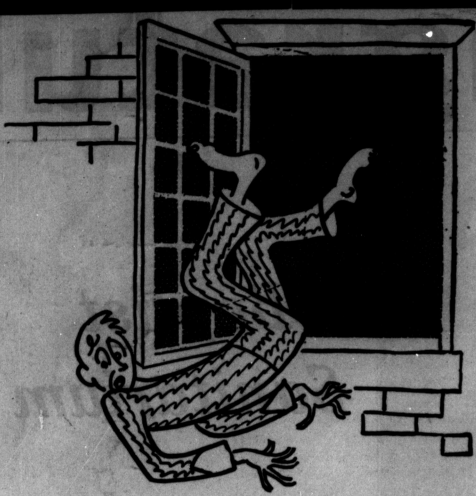
1930: Miss Eleanor Jane Gillette, Abilene; Mrs. Iva Ward Holley, Dallas; Miss Laura Williams, Abilene; Mrs. Ruby Eubanks, Quanah; Mrs. Myrtle Massey Morrison, Dallas; Joseph J. Morrison, Savoy; Mrs. Hazelle Harmon Brothers, Midland; Mrs. Sylvia Dunn Stone, Clyde.

1931: Miss Ethel Glover, Wingate; Miss Edith Robinson, Abilene; Miss Zelma Alvey, Lubbock; Miss Era Bruce, Loraine; Miss Mildred Preece, Breckenridge; Mrs. Bedelia Matthews Smith, Lovington, N. M.

1932: Miss Ruth Beard, Tuscola; Miss Bernice Adkins, Big Spring; Miss Doris Bailey, Abilene; Miss Jewel Gabbert, Abilene; Miss Mary Gilmore, Ranger; Miss Clara Harmon, Midland; Miss Norine Scott, Coleman; Mrs. Mildred Mitchell, Dresden, Ranger; Miss Mildred Fleming, Clyde; Miss Millie Marie Davison, Sweetwater; Mrs. Zella Devoll Hale, Sango; Mrs. Mattie Bennett Lea, Knox City; Mrs. Ardith Roulston Rowe, Ranger; Mrs. Hallie Darr Thompson, Knox City; Mrs. Davie Belle Pugh Estes, Ranger; Mrs. Jacqueline Conner Kooyman, Coleman.

1933: Miss Leota Glenn, Snyder; Miss Myrtabel Merrick, Clyde; Miss Marcelle Pee, Clyde; Mrs. Lottie Brian Colbert, Cisco.

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Thompson, June 1, 1927, to January 1, 1929; Miss Louise Armistead, January 1, 1929 to April 1, 1929; Miss Gladys Taggart, April 1, 1929 to August 1, 1929, and Miss Allie Mae Campbell, August 1, 1929 to October 19, 1929.

High ideals of the profession were stressed when it was said that: "Nursing rests on the one hand on the sound economic basis of human need of the sick and on the other hand on the firm spiritual foundation of the passion for service and the instinct of workmanship."

"What is it that makes a good nurse? Some will say natural inheritance, but only a few are of that company born with gentle souls and great hearts, who would stand apart under any circumstances, social inheritance and opportunity are what count for the largest number. Reason and experience argue the necessity of safeguarding patients by selecting nursing students who have had the advantage of education and culture, which gives them an appreciation of the rightness of courteous personal relationships."

During the early years the superintendent of nurses did the teaching, assisted by the members of the graduate staff and the doctors. Hardin-Simmons University also cooperated by permitting nurses to attend classes in dietetics and chemistry.

The first full time instructor was Miss Iva Lee Reynolds, graduate of the John Sealy Hospital College of Nursing at Galveston in 1928. She took charge June 1, 1933, and was superseded on July 1, 1934, by Mrs. Ruth A. Maxson, a graduate of Baylor College, Belton, Texas, and of the Baylor University college of nursing, Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. Maxson teaches the basic fundamentals and supervises the ward practice. Her instruction is supplemented by lectures on the various by specialists in that work. In addition to Miss McCollough, superintendent of nurses, the other staff members who instruct are: E. M. Collier, Superintendent; Miss Peggy B. Kemp, R. N., operating room supervisor; Miss Vergie E. Rape, R. N., anesthetist; and J. E. Storey, laboratory technician. Other members of the staff are, Mrs. Ruby Hughes Pace, R. N., night supervisor; Miss Ruth Beard, R. N., supervisor; J. F. Morrison, R. N., purchasing agent, and Mrs. Eloise Odam, R. T., X-ray technician. All except Mrs. Odam are graduates of the sanitarium school themselves. Mr.

SANITARIUM ORGANIZATION

The Alumnae West Texas Baptist Sanitarium organized July 7, held in the nursing constitution Alumnae Association with all graduate who had passed the members.

The following present: Vergie Rape, Ruby Hughes Pace, F. Morrison, Mrs. Ward, Edith Robison and Peggy Kemp.

The following officers: President, Vergie Rape; Vice-President, Ruby Hughes Pace; Secretary, Peggy Kemp; Treasurer, Mrs. J. F. Morrison; Eubanks, and Miss Zelma Alvey as president of the Miss Vergie Rape.

MEDICAL STAFF CONTRIBUTORS

(Continued from page 1) Cooper, J. M. Estes Jr., George A. Gray, T. Wade Hedrick, Scott Hollis, L. F. Little of Tuscola, C. Matthews, E. R. Midard, A. J. Pope, C. V. Ramsey, W. T. E. D. Sellers, Grad Smith, Wm. E. Snow, F. Rhodes, and R. Clyde.

Associate staff: R. O. Peters of Snyder, C. U. D. L. Dodd of Abilene, E. R. lene, J. H. Bailey of Daly of Abilene.

LAMESA ASSOCIATION

J. J. Ge... The Lamesa Association... September 6 what was the best sessions in old routine work was the time was put in and preaching. The reports were handed read. The following ren and sisters were brought great message from Big Spring Reagan from Africa, from Stanton, Broth Brownfield, President Wayland College, Dr. liams from Dallas. made to rejoice over port made by Miss Ray. Ray is surely standing missionary. We are grateful that this way.

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The Alumnae Association of the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium was organized July 7, 1931, at a meeting held in the nurses' home. Regulation constitution and by-laws for Alumnae Associations were adopted, with all graduate nurses of the school, who had passed state board as charter members.

The following graduate nurses were present: Vergie Rape, Ruby Eubanks, Ovella Largent, Eleanor Gillette, Ruby Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Morrison, Mrs. Leroy Stone, Iva Ward, Edith Robinson, Ethel Glover, and Peggie Kemp.

The following officers were elected: President, Vergie Rape; First Vice-President, Ruby Hughes; Second Vice-President, J. F. Morrison; Secretary, Peggie Kemp; Treasurer, Ovella Largent; Directors, Mrs. Leroy Stone, Mrs. J. F. Morrison, Mrs. Ruby Eubanks, and Miss Ethel Glover.

Miss Zelma Alvey is now acting as president of the association and Miss Vergie Rape as secretary.

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LAMESA ASSOCIATION

J. J. Gentry

The Lamesa Association closed September 6 what was said to be one of the best sessions in its history. The old routine work was laid aside, and the time was put in in speech making and preaching. The majority of the reports were handed in without being read. The following visiting brethren and sisters were present and brought great messages: Sister Reagan from Big Spring, Miss Lucile Reagan from Africa, Brother Garnett from Stanton, Brother Mat Hale from Brownfield, President McDonald from Wayland College, Dr. J. Howard Williams from Dallas. Every one was made to rejoice over the glowing report made by Missionary Willis J. Ray. Ray is surely one of the outstanding missionaries of the State. We are grateful that God sent him this way.

As far as I know a revival has been held in every church in the Association, and also in many of the school houses where there are no churches. Brother E. F. Cole is conducting a revival this week at the McCarty school house. We haven't

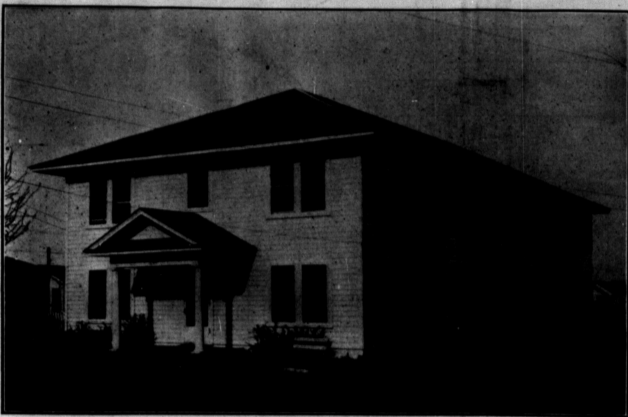
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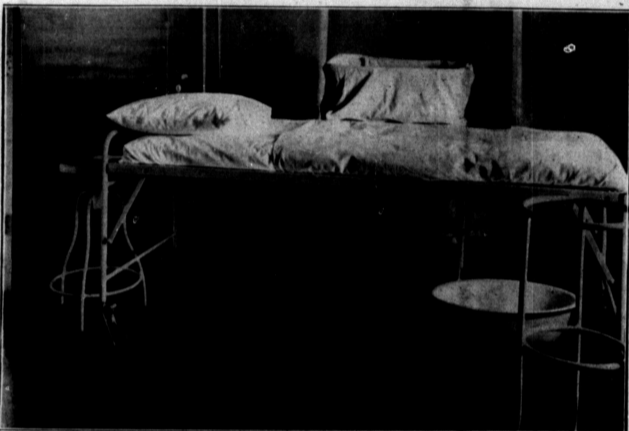
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- First Baptist Church.
- Room 307—W. M. U. and Berean Class at Roby.
- Room 308—Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Sheffield.
- Room 309 — Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Joiner (in memory of Glenn Joiner).
- Room 302—Drasco Baptist Church.
- Room 310—Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McCarty.
- Room 311 — Victory Bible Class, Abilene.
- Room 312—Potosi Baptist Church.
- Room 313 — Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Campbell.
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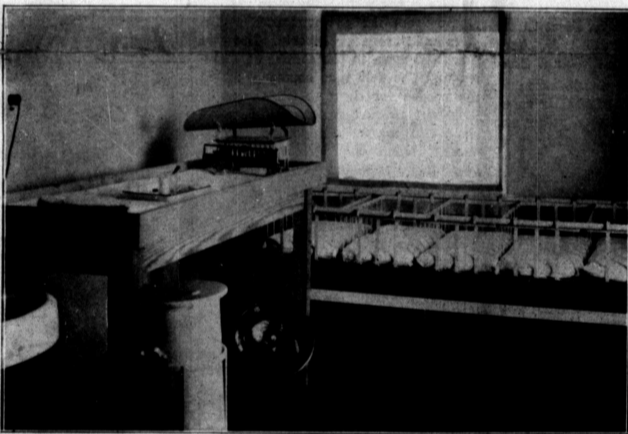
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W. M. U. Topics For September

"Pioneering Baptists in Europe." Objects for Prayer next week: Sunday, September 23: Pray that Divine wisdom be granted our Baptist Leaders in Europe. "The breath of the Almighty giveth them understanding."—Job 32:8.

Monday, September 24: Pray for Misses Hannah Fair Sallee and F. Catharine Bryan, educational work, Shanghai, China. "He that feareth Him and worketh righteousness is acceptable to Him."—Acts 10:35.

Tuesday, September 25: For Rev. and Mrs. T. B. Stover, publication and educational work, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. "Who shall also confirm you unto the end that ye be unreprouvable." I Cor. 1:8.

Wednesday, September 26: For Mrs. R. H. Graves, educational and evangelistic work, Canton, China. "Ye shall be my witnesses." Acts 1:8.

Thursday, September 27: For Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Crouch, educational work, Corrente, Brazil. "Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee." Psa. 84:5.

Friday, September 28: For Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Tipton, literary and evangelistic work, Shanghai, China, and for Bryson Tipton, Margaret Fund Student. "My loving kindness shall not depart from thee." Isa. 54:10.

Saturday, September 29: For Miss Ruth Kersey, nurse, Ogbomoso, Nigeria. "Holy Father, keep them in Thy name." John 17:11.

"He prayeth best who loveth best, All things both great and small, For the Great God who loveth us He made and loveth all."

Resignation of Corresponding Secretary Is Announced

It was with deep regret that District 17 in executive session at Luaders Encampment accepted the resignation of the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Robert J. Jones.

Elected District Treasurer April 15, 1925, Mrs. Jones served most efficiently in this office until April 3, 1931, when she was elected corresponding secretary of the District.

Her thorough knowledge of the work, her ever readiness to help those who needed her assistance and at all times her sweetness of spirit combined in making her an ideal officer.

Mrs. Jones has accepted the office

of assistant secretary of the First Baptist Church, Abilene, and her many friends are wishing for her continued success in her chosen field of service—that of giving her best to the work of the Master.

Newly Elected Corresponding Secretary

Mrs. Ralph St. John is not a stranger in the District family. In 1924 she was elected District Missions Study Chairman and served well in that capacity for two years. As the newly elected corresponding secretary she finds a welcome awaiting her as she attends, with the president and other officers of the District, the annual meetings of the associational auxiliaries.

Woman's Missionary Society Organized At Buffalo Gap

On Thursday afternoon, September 13, 1934, Mesdames C. C. Compere, George L. Paxton and O. H. Cooper, of First Church, Abilene, responded to an invitation from the pastor and Baptist women of Buffalo Gap to come and assist them in organizing a woman's missionary society in their church.

The following women were at the church to greet the visitors: Mesdames Ethel Howard, J. C. Beverly, B. A. Marney, W. R. Ellis, E. E. Short, C. T. Harbuck, A. B. Reagan, General Jones and Miss Mary Louise Howard.

Mrs. C. C. Compere, President of the Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary, presided and Mrs. O. H. Cooper served as secretary pro-tem.

After prayer and the singing of "God Will Take Care of You," Mrs. Ethel Howard at the piano, those present voted to go into an organization that shall be known as the Woman's Missionary Society of the Buffalo Gap Baptist Church.

Mrs. Compere explained the chief aims of a missionary society, repeating the W. M. U. Watchword: "Laborers Together With God."

Officers elected for the ensuing year, 1934-'35, were as follows:

Mrs. General Jones, President; Mrs. A. B. Reagan, Vice-President; Mrs. Ethel Howard, Recording Secretary; Mrs. B. A. Marney, Assistant Recording Secretary-Treasurer.

The following chairmen of Standing Committees were appointed:

Mrs. C. T. Harbuck, Missions and

Mission Study.

Mrs. J. C. Beverly, Benevolence. Mrs. C. E. Short, Stewardship and Tithing.

Mrs. L. G. Johnson, Education. Mary Louise Howard, Young People's Leader.

Meetings of the Society will be held on first and third Thursday of each month, at 2:30 p. m. at the church. First Thursday for business meeting; third Thursday for Missionary program.

A collection of \$1.00 was taken and Mrs. Cooper was asked to order two subscriptions to "Royal Service" for the new society that by "Knowing" it will begin "growing."

It was encouraging to note the earnest and ready response on the part of the women to assume the responsibilities placed upon them by the offices to which they were elected.

Assured of the sympathetic co-operation of the pastor, Bro. Fred Moreland, the Buffalo Gap Missionary society enters into the joys of service in the Master's Kingdom.

Mrs. Paxton closed the meeting with prayer.

BAPTIST WOMEN'S CITY UNION CONTRIBUTES TO HOSPITAL

On December 5, 1920, the Baptist women of Abilene met in mass meeting at the First Baptist Church and organized the Baptist Women's City Union. This organization was composed of the members of the missionary societies of the local five Baptist Churches: Namely, First Church, College Heights, South Side, Archie Bryant Memorial and Walnut Street.

As stated in the Constitution and By-Laws the object of the Union was two-fold. First, "To develop more fully the Christian fellowship among the women of the five Abilene churches"; Second, "To secure earnest, sympathetic cooperation in advancing the cause of benevolence and missions in our city." During the years of its activity the Union carried forward the good work for which it was organized.

The work of the Union for 1924 was dedicated to the securing of linens for the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium preparatory to the opening of that institution. The cooperation of the societies of Central West District of Texas W. M. U. was secured. Weeks before the opening of the Sanitarium boxes of linens began arriving. These boxes were stored in the fire-proof room of Caldwell Fine Arts Building until the time for placing the linens on the shelves of the Sanitarium linen closets.

It is interesting to read in the history of this year's work that the following is only a "PARTIAL list of linens received."

Sheets 997, bath towels 985, face towels 652, tea towels 404, napkins 502, draw sheets 234, tray cloths 95, wash cloths 98, pillow slips 832, dresser scarfs 95, table covers 51, hot-water bottle covers 53, dimity bed spreads 60, bed pan covers 35, one society sent a supply of linens blankets, spreads, etc., sufficient for the baby ward; an Abilene friend sent a box containing sheets, pillow cases, towels, spreads, tray cloths, dresser scarfs, table covers, curtains, a complete equipment for one room, a memorial gift, honoring her mother.

There was also a large supply of linens of all sizes, shapes and dimensions for the operating rooms, when the culling committee met on the day previous to the all day sewing, one mother was so amazed at the curious shapes of patterns secured from Baylor Hospital, Dallas, that she refused "to waste" the valued material. Finally a staff doctor was called in to settle the argument. "Go ahead," he ordered, "cut and make the linens exactly by those patterns, take them to the hospital, send us the patients and we'll do the rest."

The writer wishes she might mention by name each one who gave so generously of her time; her money and her talents towards making the occasion of the opening of our hospital a success, but lack of space forbids because of the great host of these friends.

Grace McBride Y. W. A. Has Chapter In Local Hospital

Motto: "On Highest Mission Sent." Under the direction of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist churches in cities where there are hospitals, W. M. U. is promoting the Grace McBride Y. W. A. for nurses.

The Nurses' Department of Young Woman's Auxiliary is named in tribute to Miss Grace McBride who died in Siberia during the World War, in the fearful scourge of typhus fever.

Grace McBride was born in Mansfield, Ohio, December 11, 1885. After unusually excellent preparation for the work of a trained nurse she graduated from our W. M. U. Training School, Louisville, Ky., was appointed to Hwanghsien, China, and called March, 1916. Her first two years were busy with language study but she also found time to minister to the sick and to the families of sick missionaries. Any suffering, any opportunity for service was a call to her. While in Peking Language School she heard of a foreign family in sad straits because the husband and wife were both ill. After studying all day she went across the city to their home night after night and cared for them; she put herself into the gap. There was about her a sincerity and a love for the sincere which made her friendship attractive to the Chinese and she had already demonstrated her ability not only to do good work as a nurse but to train others in the profession when the call came from the government for doctors and nurses for Siberia. Her own brothers were in the armies of France and she felt that someone might be needed for them so she would do her best to care for some other woman's brothers. She volunteered at once. When the Red Cross trains were being made up at Harbin she wrote her friends of joy in preparation for this post of dire need. Then came the dread plague—typhus. The Red Cross started supplies, doctors, nurses to go and clean up the plague ridden town. Obeying the call Grace McBride went into the danger and fell in courageous conflict—a martyr to a holy cause.

It is very fitting we have such an organization in our hospital. The Grace McBride Y. W. A. was first organized in our hospital in 1932 with Miss Mildred Fleming, president, and Mrs. J. E. Burnam, counselor. Last year, Miss Pauline Cole, president, and Mrs. C. M. Caldwell, counselor, with Mrs. Geo. S. Anderson, assistant counselor. (The officers for this year have not been selected.)

Miss Blanche Rose Walker Returns to Chinese Field

The Women's Missionary Societies of the First Baptist and University Churches, Abilene, have voted in regular sessions of their societies, to assume the payment of the salary, \$66.66 per month of Miss Blanche Rose Walker, returned missionary to China. Other societies will contribute from time to time as convenient.

Miss Walker's salary as provided by the Baptist women began in August, 1934, and will continue, payable monthly, during her present term of service in China.

Her August salary (\$66.66) was sent August 23rd to the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va., to be forwarded to Miss Blanche in China. Of the amount sent \$6.75 was a gift from the women of University Church and \$59.91 from the women of the First Baptist Church.

Miss Blanche Rose heard the call back to China so clear and sure that she never for a moment hesitated on account of the uncertainty of her salary.

Many friends had letters awaiting her on the great steam ship, President Hoover, on which she set sail from San Francisco, September 7. In response to a telegram sent her she writes, "My dear ones: Your wire of blessing has reached me, and this is my wire to you. This great boat is about to loose from the shore and soon we go and He goes with us."

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