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News Notes

Pastor W. H. Hughes is to do the preaching in a meeting with the church at Caps, beginning the first Sunday in August. Following this meeting he will do the preaching in a meeting at Lawn where he is also pastor.

Rev. J. H. McLaughlin, who recently resigned as pastor of Lamar Street Church, Sweetwater, to become pastor of the First Baptist Church, Edmond, Okla., has moved on the new field. The Church at Edmond has a membership of about six hundred. One of the State schools is located in the city. We regret to lose Brother McLaughlin and his fine family, and congratulate Edmond on their good fortune in securing their services.

The Sweetwater Association welcomes Brother Herman Coe and his family to our midst. He has recently moved to Sweetwater where he is pastor of Lamar Street Church. The Editor knew Brother Coe when the latter was a small boy out in Gaines County. He is a recent graduate of Wayland College, and was pastor of churches in the Plains section during the time he was in school.

Rev. Henry Weldon, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Carlsbad, N. M., has been a visitor in Abilene for several days. His church has recently closed a fine revival in which there were 28 additions to the church, twenty of the number being by baptism. Rev. E. H. Ratliff did the preaching in the meeting. Brother Weldon has just closed his first year's work as pastor of the Carlsbad Church. During the year there have been nearly sixty additions to the church and an average of thirty dollars per month has been given to outside causes.

Rev. T. L. Nipp has recently accepted the pastorate of the church at Elmdale. He resides in Abilene and is also pastor of the church at Fluvanna.

The First Baptist Church, Merkel has recently closed a meeting in which R. E. Day of the First Church, Big Spring, did the preaching. There were nine additions to the church. The meeting was greatly hindered on account of the busy harvest time and other causes. The church is planning another revival campaign for early Fall.

The First Church, Sweetwater, is planning a revival campaign to begin July 23, with the pastor E. D. Dunlap doing the preaching. The music will be directed by Thomas Hodges, music director of the church, assisted by his wife at the piano.

Rev. J. H. McLaughlin of Norman, Okla., is doing the preaching this week in a revival meeting at Goodnight, Texas. Thomas Hodges of Sweetwater is leading the singing.

Pastor E. D. Dunlap of Sweetwater will do the preaching in a revival meeting with the Board Church in Comanche County. It was in this community that Brother Dunlap was converted and joined the church.

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LUEDERS ENCAMPMENT NOW IN SESSION

Paisano Baptist Encampment Begins 13th Session July 28

July 28 to August 6, 1933
Paisano Encampment is a place where religious leaders from all over Texas, and beyond, gather each year for ten days of worship and recreation. The best speakers to be found anywhere appear on the program. This year we are able to be honored by the presence of such leaders as Dr. Geo. W. Truett of Dallas, Dr. W. R. White of Fort Worth, Dr. C. Roy Angell of San Antonio, Dr. J. B. Tidwell of Baylor University, Waco, Mr. Robert Jolly of Houston, Mrs. Carter Wright of Roanoke, Alabama, Sec. G. S. Hopkins of Dallas, and Miss Grace Conn of Dallas, Sec. J. Howard Williams of Dallas, and others.

LOCATION

The location of the gathering is in the beautiful Davis Mountains and in the heart of the famous Big Bend Country. The grounds cover a thousand acres belonging to the Baptists of this section. Our own cattle roam the pasture and furnish beef for the meeting. There are many places of interest that can be visited during your stay. Guides will be provided for special trips to such places as the beautiful Scenic Drive, Mitre Peak Park, The Grand Canyon of the Rio Grand, Fort Leaton (founded in 1868), and other points of interest.

CLIMATE

The summer climate in this locality is wonderfully cool, cold at night, sometimes cold enough for fire. You will need plenty of warm bedding, wraps and the like. Stout shoes for mountain climbing are needed. Owing to the great summer climate of Paisano in this high altitude, this encampment offers very special advantages for rest and recuperation and at the same time hearing the greatest preaching and teaching, besides helping to put over a wonderful meeting. Come and help us and be much in daily prayer for the meeting and come praying for the presence of the Holy Spirit in Mighty Power.

TRANSPORTATION

Paisano Encampment is mid-way between Marfa and Alpine, Texas, on the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe Railroads. Those coming by train can get off either at Marfa or Alpine, and arrange to go to the grounds. Special rates on the S. P.

Those coming in cars from San Antonio and South East Texas can follow U. S. Highway Number 90, or State Highway Number 3, which passes the grounds.

Those coming from Fort Worth and Dallas can come to Pecos on State Highway No. 1, thence to Marfa or Alpine, through the beautiful Davis Mountains.

A daily bus runs from Pecos to the grounds. Leaves Pecos at 11:15 a. m., and arrives at Paisano at 3:00 p. m. Fare one way \$4.00, round trip \$5.35.

From intervening points, the Old Spanish Trail will intersect roads leading directly into Marfa or Alpine.

Those coming from the West will find it more convenient to travel the U. S. No. 90.

CAMPING

We have an unlimited number

of beautiful groves and shade trees. Those wishing to camp will find desirable locations. An abundance of pure, healthful, mountain water is piped to convenient places over the ground.

COTTAGES AND TENTS

There are no cottages for sale or rent. The many cottages located on the grounds are privately owned, except a few reserved for workers. A limited number of tents and cots are available. Any one wishing to rent a tent or cot write Rev. J. M. Garner, Marfa, Texas. The price of tents for the period of the encampment are \$5.00, and for the cots seventy-five cents.

MEALS

Meals will be served Cafeteria style under a large shed as heretofore. All are expected to eat at the same place. No specific charges are made for meals, but every one will be expected and given an opportunity for a free will offering, as the Lord impresses, to cover all expenses of the meeting. You are aware that all of this costs somebody something. No officer, director, or anyone connected with the Encampment receives any pay for their services, except the caretaker, cooks, and laborers. We pay the expenses of our Bible Expositors, preachers, and those appearing on the program, and this expense must be taken care of. Should you leave before the offering, any donation you wish to make toward the expenses of the Encampment will be received. Such offering can be handed to the Secretary at his office.

Those desiring to do their own cooking will be permitted to do so. However care must be taken so that no fire will be started, that might endanger the trees, buildings, or other property of the Encampment.

MAIL

Have your mail addressed to Alpine, or Marfa, Texas, in care of Paisano Baptist Encampment. It will be brought out daily to the Secretary's office.

TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAMS

Telephone calls may be received and sent from the Secretary's office. Telegrams addressed to Alpine, in care of Baptist Encampment will be brought out daily.

HOTELS AND TOURIST CAMPS

For those preferring Hotels in town to camping, the Holland at Alpine is a first class Hotel. Mr. Clay Holland, owner and manager, will treat you right. In Marfa, the Paisano Hotel, new and modern and Alta Vista, also first class, are available. Mr. Ansel Graham, is manager of the Paisano Hotel. Mr. H. M. Fennell is manager of the Alta Vista. Special attention will be given Encampment folks by these men. Good Tourist Camps are also available at both towns.

DAILY PROGRAM

Morning
Breakfast—7:00-8:00.
Sunday School, G. A. R. A., and Y. W. A. Classes—8:00-8:45.
B. T. S. and W. M. U. Classes—8:45-9:30.
Bible Exposition, Dr. J. B. Tidwell—9:30-10:15.
Denominational Address, Dr. W. (Continued on Page 4)

Large Enrollment Expected for Eleventh Session

REV. SUMMERS TELLS OF NEW MEXICO WORK

After three years of very successful work as pastor of the Logan Baptist Church, New Mexico, we have returned to Abilene, Texas.

New Mexico is truly a mission field. The population of Logan is about half Spanish, and the other half Americans. The Spanish are devout Catholics.

The work is very hard and visible results are slow, but we had some of the most outstanding results of all our ministry.

During our first meeting a man was converted, who was one of the leaders in horse racing, polo and Western sports, but after his conversion, he became one of the workers for his Lord and Master, and is now church treasurer.

Then later, we had the privilege of leading his noble young son to Christ, and he is now a teacher in the Sunday School and a leading young man in the church.

In a meeting held with another church I had the privilege of winning a young man for Christ, who had made an attempt to take his own life and was then on the eve of completing his purpose. When he found Christ his whole life was changed, he has surrendered to preach and is planning on entering college.

Among our greatest joy was leading a fine Spanish woman to Christ. It was a struggle for her to give up all for her Savior; yet she is a brave soldier for her Master. All the Spanish people turned their backs on her and her family; they refused to have anything to do with her or even let their children play with hers. She often visited in our home and we talked to her about Jesus and His love. On one special visit she wanted to know, "Why we had been so long getting the gospel to the Spanish people?" Our hearts were made sad when we realized how long and slow the Southern Baptists really are in getting the gospel to the Spanish.

After some months of this noble undaunted faith of this Spanish woman her husband was won to Christ and we led him, too, into the baptismal waters on the 3rd Sunday in June, the crowning joy of our work as God's humble servants.

We feel that our three years of experience as God's servants in this far-flung battle front has given us greater insight in soul winning and faith in God. We are here to serve wherever the Lord may open the way.

Rev. and Mrs. G. O. Summers,
2334 Simmons Ave.

ENCAMPMENT REPRESENTATIVE

Edgar Ingerson, graduate with the class of 1933, is to represent Simmons at the annual Paisano Baptist Encampment to be held July 28th to August 6th.

Ingerson will be on the program at several different times and is expected to tell the men and women of that section of the state about Simmons university. He will also distribute school literature

The eleventh annual session of the Lueders Baptist Encampment began Tuesday evening, at which time the session was devoted to the opening service, introduction of faculty and announcements. Class work began Wednesday morning with good attendance in all departments. There were over 400 present at the opening session.

One of the strongest faculties the encampment has ever had is on hand to conduct the classes.

Dr. Marshall Craig of Dallas will be the main speaker for the first week of the program, and Dr. W. R. White of Fort Worth the second week.

R. H. Coleman of Dallas will conduct the music the first week and Joe Trussell of Brownwood the second week. Rev. Roy Shahan of Moran has been selected as camp pastor. Rev. H. H. Stephen of Ranger is dean of study work, with G. S. Hopkins of Dallas Sunday School dean and T. C. Gardner of Dallas B. T. S. dean. Mrs. R. M. White of Abilene is dean of W. M. U. work.

The encampment program will continue through Sunday, July 23.

BIBLE STORY LEADS TO OIL DISCOVERY

"And when she could no longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein; and she laid it in the flags by the river's brink." (Exod. 2:3).

The Springfield Republican recently declared that Exodus 2:3 gave the Standard Oil Company the idea that oil was to be found in Egypt. This is reported to be the assertion of Charles Whitshot, geologist and oil and gas expert for the Standard Oil Company: "The verse tells of the use of pitch in making the craft in which the babe Moses was set adrift. Alphonse of the Standard Oil Company reasoned that where there was pitch there was oil. I was sent to investigate, and three wells are now in operation, with more being developed as the result." When man's eyes are opened to divine light they may see science as they have never seen it. Let us hope and pray that they may. — Herald of Gospel Light.

The Workers' Conference of the Sweetwater Association met on Thursday of last week with the First Baptist Church, Tye. Rev. E. D. Dunlap of the First Church, Sweetwater, acted as moderator of the meeting. The music was directed by Thomas Hodges of Sweetwater. Pastor Dunlap of Sweetwater gave a fine discussion of "Our Debts and the One Hundred Thousand Club," and Prof. W. A. Stephenson of the Government Department of Simmons University brought a telling message on the subject, "Shall We Repeal?" Dr. Stephenson has some unanswerable argument on this vital question, and he is making some effective speeches in this section at the present time.

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Editorial Comments

During the entire month of June the editor was away from the city in two revival meetings with the churches at Eliasville and South Bend, both of which churches he is pastor. The pastor did the preaching in both meetings, and Rev. Chester McClelland, a ministerial student in Simmons University, led the singing. The editor's daughter, Rosemary Malone, played the pianos for the two meetings. There were sixteen additions to the two churches by baptism as a result of the meetings.

We are grateful to friends for their help in getting out the June issues of the West Texas Baptist while we were away. The last issue featured the Lueders Encampment, and contained some very timely articles on the prohibition fight. We are planning to devote most of the next two issues of the paper to the present prohibition campaign. If you have some "red hot" prohibition matter, send it in.

The editor is to be with the Eula Church in the Callahan Association in a meeting beginning Friday night. Mr. Henry Morgan of Abilene will have charge of the music. Following this meeting we will probably assist in a meeting with the Redwine Church near Tahoka. We will greatly appreciate it if our pastors and evangelists will send us reports of the revival campaigns in their sections. Just a post card will do the work. Thanks in advance for this help.

Robert H. Pitt, D. D., LL. D., recently celebrated his eightieth birthday. For the past forty-five years he has been editor of the Religious Herald. He has the distinction of having served a longer term as editor than any other editor in America.

We are publishing this week the program of the Paisano Baptist Encampment which is to be held July 23, to August 6. That great old warrior of the West, Rev. L. R. Millican, is the head of this wonderful retreat in the mountains of the Far West. Read the program and make an effort to go to this meeting for a few days.

The fight against the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment and the legalizing of 3.2 beer is warming up in West Texas. An immense rally of all the churches in Abilene Sunday night is evidence of the fact that the prohibitionists are waking up. In many sections the voters will also vote on the local option phase of the question. It seems almost unthinkable that our people would vote the open saloons back at this time. It will be hard now to stem the tide and save the Eighteenth Amendment. It is possible that it will be necessary to again throw our nation into the grasp of the saloons in order to awaken our people. It will be a terrible price to have to pay for our past folly of indifference.

Ten Reasons Why I Expect the Hundred Thousand Club To Succeed

M. E. DODD, D. D., President S. B. C.

The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club, through which it is intended to pay the debts on Southern Baptist Convention Institutions and Mission Boards, by each member giving one dollar per month, brings great hope to my heart. I confidently expect it to succeed. This is no blind optimism. It is solid hope founded upon faith and fact. I expect it—

Because Southern Baptists have a solemn purpose to pay their debts.

Because this is a definite clear-cut plan for paying our debts.

Because this plan is not confused with current work and other interests.

Because every dollar given for debts by this Club will go straight through one hundred cents without any deductions for expenses.

Because the leadership of this Club movement is aggressive and inspirational.

Because it is sound in principle, based upon the Bible teachings, on tithes and offerings for the support of God's work.

Because our Baptist people are already rallying to its support. Practically all our Baptist Editors and papers have pledged their co-operation, as have the State Secretaries. I have met groups of our people in several States since the Washington Convention and they all give hearty endorsement and pledge co-operation.

Because the organization is simple and yet strong. And when it draws men, women, and young people, as is proposed, into active participation under the leadership of their pastors, it cannot help but succeed.

Because it gives the rich and poor, the old and the young, the

privilege of standing on common level of giving. Each one gives one dollar per month, no more, no less. This is Biblical.

Because it will give encouragement and impetus to the Every Member Canvass. The success of this Club will insure that all money given to the budget in the Every Member Canvass will go to support present and new work.

"Will Big Business Destroy Itself?"

M. H. WOLFE, Dallas, Texas.

It fell to my lot to lead the prohibition forces, some years ago, when we succeeded in closing all of the Saloons in Texas. However, I am frank to say, that it was not the prohibitionists that destroyed the Saloons but the Saloons largely destroyed themselves by becoming notorious law violators. Likewise, big business is now destroying itself by refusing advertising to the religious press and thus destroying the morals and religion of the people, the very thing big business is depending on for its safety.

If big business is correct in its claim that the religious press is not a good advertising medium, then it becomes more important that the red flag of danger be run up in the middle of the road, where all can see. If it be true that the people have turned away from the nobler things carried in the religious press and have become absorbed in the sensational and the many sordid things in the secular press then the second coming of Sodom and Gomorrah is close at hand.

The City of Sodom would not have been destroyed if ten righteous men could have been found. No doubt, Mayor Lott, of Sodom, believed it more important for his sons-in-law to become big business men rather than to follow the high principles of the Mosaic law. And big business is making that same colossal mistake today.

The evidence shows that big business has gone into wholesale advertising, which it has perfect right to do. Full page ads, morning, noon and night in the secular press, with practically nothing in the religious press. That too, in face of the well known fact that no publication, whether religious or secular, can survive long without advertising patronage. If the religious press is forced out of business and morality and religion go down, by default, civilization, itself has failed and we have turned the tides of humanity back towards barbarism.

It is worse than suicide to boast of the solidity of our stocks, bonds, high class securities and mortgage loans, etc., unless we can see that their worth depends on the honesty of the lawyers who draw the papers, on the integrity of the clerks who keep the records, on the honor of the officials who sign the documents, on the fidelity of the bankers who float the loans, on the courage of the courts that enforce the law, and finally, and above all, on the righteousness of the community which stands or falls with the morals and religion of the people.

Furthermore, when morality and religion go down, mob rule comes up and the pages of history show that big business has never survived mob rule, except, occasionally, and then at fearful cost.

For these reasons, and many more, it is clear that crepe is hanging on the door of every big business enterprise in this country unless big business comes to the rescue of the religious press to help stop the downward plunge.

In modern times the religious press has become one of the chief assets of civilization and wisdom has fled from us if we shut our eyes and refuse to see that the dollar mark has failed, at the masthead, and must be pulled down and the high ideals represented by the religious press run up in its place.—Baptist Voice.

Life Is Too Short

By Chaplain Worcester

Life is too short for me to spend any of it kicking my neighbor in the pants because he cannot see the difference in tweedle-dee and tweedle-dum. This is a free country; and, besides that, the toe of my neighbor's boot may be sharper than mine!

Life is too short to waste it in growling and complaining. There are too many squeaking wheels already; so, let me keep quiet and spread grease.

Life is too short for me to drop bones and snap at shadows. I had better gnaw contentedly on legitimate pleasures in hand than lose them all in jumping at things that only seem more desirable.

Life is too short for me to miss the joy of pouring oil in a painful wound, or of pulling a stone out of one's path. I am in the world to help, and I miss the best of life if I shrink the task!

Life is too short for me to keep my eyes closed to the glory and the beauty all continually around me. God has formed the hills, and hung the stars in the heavens; painted the sunsets and perfumed the roses!

Shall all this be in vain, so far as I am concerned? Let me open mine eyes and see! Let me stop often and listen!

Life is too short for me to forget that it may end at any moment! Am I filling my place and doing my work? Am I ready to render my account when called?

Oh Lord, keep me awake and help me to fully live and to do what I can today! I may have no tomorrow!

LIFE IS TOO SHORT!

—Chaser.

News Notes

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Rev. G. O. Summers, who has been pastoring churches in New Mexico for the past few years, has moved back to Abilene. He is available for pastoral work in this section.

Rev. C. D. Owens, formerly missionary of the Sweetwater Association, was a visitor in this section last week. He is at present pastor of the church at Port Isbell in the lower Rio Grande Valley. He states that the work in general in that section is getting along splendidly, and that a fine spirit of cooperation exists among the pastors and churches.

Our readers will sympathize with Brother U. Collins and family in the homegoing of the wife and mother. Mrs. Collins died last week at her home in Alamo, and the remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Abilene. Brother Collins was for a long time treasurer of the Sweetwater Association, and was a charter member of the University Baptist Church of Abilene.

Immanuel Baptist Church, Abilene began a revival meeting Sunday with Rev. B. N. Shepherd of Hereford doing the preaching. Pastor W. R. Derr and his people have been busy during the past few days taking a religious census and making other preparations for the meeting.

There were fifty-eight additions to the First Baptist Church, Stamford, in a revival meeting, in which Pastor Morris did the preaching. The candidates were baptized in the Clear Fork river at Lueders following the meeting.

Pastor Roland King is doing the preaching in a meeting with the Oak Street Church, Graham. In a recent write-up of the work of this church we stated that the church was the South Side Church, Graham.

The Mitchell-Scurry Association met Tuesday of this week with the Pleasant Hill Church. The general theme of the meeting was "The Church Serving the Young People." Some of the speakers for the meeting were, Rev. Patterson, Mrs. Phillip McGahey, Marvin Leach, Walter Deaver. The sermon was preached by Rev. Dick O'Brien of Colorado.

Our readers will sympathize with Rev. Perry King of Rule in the death of his mother, Mrs. W. L. King of Tye, which occurred last week. Funeral services were held from the First Baptist Church, Abilene, with the pastor, Rev. J. Lowell Ponder officiating, assisted by Dr. Millard A. Jenkins of Abilene.

The Laymen's organization of the First Baptist Church, Tahoka, will hold a banquet, or luncheon at the church on July 14. The program will consist of quartet music and other special music. Dr. Thomas H. Taylor, president of Howard Payne College will be the principal speaker. Rev. Lawrence Taylor is pastor of the church.

The Stonewall Baptist Workers' Conference was held July 7, at Swenson. Some of the speakers for the occasion were, W. T. North, Jayton; J. S. Tierce, Aspermont; Ollie Dennis, Rochester; W. M. Joslin, Albany; a round table discussion of "the possibilities of Evangelism in the Stonewall Association," led by A. S. Holmes; Rev. J. Henry Littleton of Hamlin, district organizer for the cooperative program, spoke on "Baptist Opportunities."

W. M. U. DEPARTMENT

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF TEXAS, DISTRICT No. 17

Watchword for Year: "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets."
—LUKE 5:4.

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REPORT OF HISTORIAN OF DISTRICT 17 OF TEXAS W. M. U.

Mrs. Oscar H. Cooper, Abilene, Texas.

Madam President, Members of District 17, and Other Friends:

When we received our long looked for copy of "The Centennial History of the Baptist Women of Texas," so ably prepared by the state historian, Mrs. W. J. J. Smith, we sat right down and began to read and as we read on our interest grew. When we reached the account of the years during which we have been permitted to have a part we realized that it is a blessed heritage to be able to say, "I was there."

Of course we looked first of all to find the account of the organization and growth of our own District, "The Central West," and were deeply disappointed when we noted the absence of the histories of all the Districts. However, we are fully in accord with the historian, Mrs. Smith, and her statement in the preface of the History where she says, "If the story of the W. M. U. were to be told in one small book it became necessary to eliminate much material, notably the District histories."

As your historian, I have written the history of our District from its organization through the annual meeting held in Breckenridge April, 1932. Bits of this history have been published from time to time in the West Texas Baptist, but I fear the historian has grown lukewarm and has kept this interesting reading largely for herself. It is all beautifully typed by an interested friend and placed in a loose leaf book which has a good strong cover.

In one of Miss Blanche Walker's letters, written from Kai-feng, China, to a friend in Abilene, she mentions "A blessed birthday letter," received by her in 1922 and written by the "Simmons University Volunteer Band." This letter is eleven yards long and three inches wide. Miss Blanche tells how after a long day "of precious service," (as she calls it) when in the quiet of her room she often times unfolds this letter and re-reads it.

So it is with our history as I re-

read it, noting the dear personal touches, the names of many of our loved coworkers, who have passed into the great beyond but whose works and influence are still with us; as I note how through the years we have grown in vision and achievement I say to myself, "Some day prosperity will no longer hide around the corner but will come out into the open, and District 17 will have money with which to publish its own history of twenty-four years of achievement—however when this dream becomes a reality it will probably be more than twenty-four years of history to be told.

The division of the State of Texas into twelve districts was made in 1909 by the state executive committee meeting in Dallas. The territory allotted to our district, then called the "Central West," included Big Spring, Callahan, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Scurry, Stonewall, and Sweetwater Associations. The purpose of the district plan was to work the territory of the state of Texas more thoroughly by enlisting the largest number of women and girls possible. The organization of our district was launched January 21, 1910, at the close of the Woman's Day program during the Bible Institute held in the chapel of Simmons College. Mrs. George L. Paxton, president of Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary, presided at this meeting. The old chapel no longer stands alone on Simmons campus but has been built into what is now the magnificent Science Hall. Since that organization day, "much water has flowed under the bridge," but memory lives. The Central West District launched on that cold January afternoon has grown through the years in numbers and in a better understanding of our Woman's Organized work, with all of its opportunities for service.

In 1920 our name was changed by the State Executive Committee and we were then called the "Abilene District," until 1929, when not only were we changed in name but in territory. We were named then and continue now as "District 17" with seven associations: Callahan, Cisco, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Stonewall, and Sweetwater. Through the years we have met in various places over the district:

in Seymour; First Baptist and University churches in Abilene; Stamford; Anson; Simmons University, Abilene; Snyder; Sweetwater; Lamesa; Colorado; Munday; Breckenridge. In 1918 on April 12, the Central West District was the guest of this Haskell church. Those were the sad days during the World War. In reading over the account of this meeting I note mention made of the devotional brought by Mrs. D. R. Couch, Aspermont, in which she brings a message of good cheer and determination to down difficulties and render more faithful service, and "Lo I am with you always even unto the end." A message and a promise so much needed during those days of sorrow.

We again met with the Haskell church in 1924. In 1929 we accepted the invitation of the women of Haskell Association to meet with them in Munday. It was at this meeting that the Lottie Moon desk was placed upon the platform to be seen and admired by those present. The Haskell women had sent the money to China to pay the transportation of the desk to Haskell, planning to send it to Seminary Hill then to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Houston, finally to presenting it to the Seminary, Louisville, Ky., to be placed in the Prayer Room in the House Beautiful. During the years our District has been led by five presidents: Mrs. Oscar H. Cooper, served fourteen years; Mrs. A. G. Webb one year; Mrs. C. M. Caldwell seven years, two different periods; Mrs. M. J. Booth was elected in April and in June met with a tragic death—She was so beautifully consecrated, competent and willing to serve, it is hard to understand why she was taken. Mrs. E. B. Atwood served three years.

The historian acknowledges with appreciation the material that has been sent her by the following associations: From Callahan Association the history of the following missionary societies from their organization through 1930-31—Putnam, Baird, Scranton, Atwell and Clyde.

From Haskell Association we have an account of the Munday Missionary society from 1906 to 1930, written in verse and most interesting; Haskell First Church W. M. S. 1891-1898; the W. M. S. of Knox City, 1906-1925; and a brief account of the Weinert W. M. S.

Cisco Association has sent valuable data concerning the missionary societies in the following churches: Carbon; Cisco; Eastland; Pueblo; Olden; Rising Star and Moran.

Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary from its organization to date.

A well written account of Woman's work in Fisher County has been furnished by Mrs. Hope S. Swann of Rotan.

The history of District 17 fairly glows with interesting accounts of the carrying forward of the W. M. U. work out here in the central west, "where the sun shines a little brighter, and the hand clasp is a little stronger," but time for bids that I should talk longer.

The newly appointed historian will find her work a pleasant one as she records the work of our District that those who shall come after us and are themselves making history, may know of our footsteps.

LAMAR ST. BAPTIST MISSIONARY MEETS

Mrs. Clarence Matthews directed the mission study of "The Life of Lottie Moon" at the Lamar St. Baptist Missionary meeting Monday at Sweetwater.

The Rev. Herman Coe and his

family who arrived in Sweetwater Monday to fill the pulpit at the Lamar St. Baptist church, was given a "pounding" at the close of the prayer service Wednesday evening.

LORAIN BAPTIST W. M. S.

Seventeen women met in the home of Mrs. Henry Foy, Loraine, Monday afternoon for a missionary program meeting with Mrs. B. F. Trott and Mrs. Ed Hallman as joint hostesses. Devotional was offered by Mrs. J. A. Martin. "Africa Waiting for the Word," was discussed by Mesdames Reeder, Jarratt, Fain, Ray, Wilson, Ferguson, Norman and Hardin in an interesting way.

A short business session was held after the program and an offering was taken for foreign student fund.

The hostesses served refreshments of ice cream and devils food cake at the close of the meeting.

West side circle will meet with Mrs. R. B. Cope next Monday and the East side circle with Mrs. Ferguson.

Dr. A. J. Holt passed away at his home in Arcadia, Fla., on April 15th. He was 91 years of age. He was formerly Secretary of Missions in Texas.

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EAST FOURTH BAPTISTS STUDY MISSIONS

The East Fourth Street Baptist Church W. M. U., Big Spring, met Monday afternoon for a study of Africa.

Mrs. Sam Moreland opened the program. Mrs. F. S. McCullough gave the devotional. The main program consisted of "A Little Organ" by Mrs. Kirkland, "A Little Village Waits," by Mrs. George Winslow, "A Little House Waits," by Mrs. S. H. Morrison, "A Little Girl," by Mrs. W. D. Thompson, "A Little Boy," by Mrs. O. B. Alexander and a talk on general missionary work by Mrs. Sam Moreland.

Those at the meeting were: Mmes. W. D. Thompson, Sam Moreland, T. L. Turpin, George Winslow, F. S. McCullough, S. H. Morrison, T. B. Reeves, O. B. Alexander, Barrington, A. S. Smith, Joe Phillips, and Jack Danks.

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SIMMONS UNIV. NEWS

(Gleaned From Simmons Brand)
HOLIDAY

The Simmons University campus was somewhat deserted during the three day holiday period the past week with most of the students taking advantage of the lull in school activities to make a short visit with the home folks. A check-up revealed that practically every girl in Mary Frances hall spent the time away from the domicile.

PROHIBITION SPEECH

Professor W. A. Stephenson, head of the Simmons department of government, delivered a prohibition lecture before a mass meeting of all of the churches in Winters Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. All churches of the city dismissed to hear the Simmons educator speak at the First Baptist church.

MARRIAGE

The marriage of Miss Lucille Atwood, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Julian Atwood of Roswell, New Mexico, to Ben Stripling of Abilene, was held Sunday morning at high noon at the first Baptist Church of Roswell with the bride's father officiating. Both the bride and groom are former students of Simmons university, Stripling having received his degree with the class of 1933.

GOOD PROSPECTS

Miss Mary E. Head, dean of women, this week received a letter from Miss Alma Williams of Gallup, New Mexico, who was a student in Simmons last year, which states that she is already ready to come back after being at home only a month. Miss Head said that she is daily receiving such letters which testify to the fact that next year's enrollment will probably exceed that of the preceding year by a large number. Practically all of the last years students are expected to return with advance reports indicating that this year's freshman class will be one of the largest in the history of the school.

QUARTET MAKES TOUR

The Simmons University Cowboy Quartet is to leave early tomorrow morning on their tour of the mid-western states which will include Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Illinois.

The men are to be gone until August 18, with their principal concert to be given at the Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago. They are also to appear in some of the largest Baptist churches in the country. Thirty-two church engagements are on the schedule. Other dates will probably be added.

The quartet is composed of Euell Porter, Bernard Richards, Pete Shaw and Tyler Cagle.

GREETINGS FROM PREXY

Dr. J. D. Sandefer, president of Simmons university, is rapidly improving after the major operation which he underwent about two weeks ago, according to Dr. D. M. Wiggins, dean of students, who spent the holidays in Dallas.

Dr. Flynn, attending surgeon, stated that the president was doing as well as could be expected with the possibility that he will be able to return to Abilene in a short time.

Dr. Sandefer sent greetings to all new members of the faculty and student body, expressing the desire that he would soon be able to be with them again.

SCHOOL OF ARTS GIVE SHOW

The school of Arts and Methods class under the direction of Miss A. M. Carpenter, presented a marionette show in chapel Wednesday morning. The students in the class are to take the parts.

NEW MEXICO NEWS

(Gleaned From New Mexican)

Rev. J. M. Sibley, formerly pastor at Lovington, is visiting his brother-in-law, who is very ill in one of the hospitals in Albuquerque.

Twenty-two have been baptized at Hobbs since April 29th and there are 15 now awaiting baptism. John W. Williams is pastor.

Pastor W. C. Garrett of Lovington composed a splendid booster song for advertising the B. Y. P. U. Convention.

Twenty or more revivals have been planned for the Northeastern Association for this summer.

The Southern Baptist Hospital of New Orleans graduated a class of 17 nurses on May 30th.

Dr. J. C. Owens has been called as pastor of the church at Murrensboro, N. C., and is now on the field.

The Hobbs Church recently added another unit to its building to take care of enlarged Sunday School. The addition was 30x74 feet.

Pastor E. D. Morgan is now getting out a weekly bulletin. The Editor will appreciate copies of your bulletins.

Order a "Retain the Eighteenth Amendment" button from the National W. C. T. U., Washington, D. C., and wear it so people will know where you stand. Price 25c.

Pastor M. M. Robinett of Elida sends in the first pledge to the 100,000 club to pay Southern Baptist debts. His pledge was received even before Southern Baptists adopted the program.

Rev. Alamo Starkey of Portales has accepted the call of the church at Wheeler, Texas. He moved to the field saying: "I regret leaving New Mexico and the many opportunities it offers Baptists."

Pastor R. D. Dodd of New Salem sent in a request for ten seals and one diploma following a recent training class in the Sunday School Manual.

Missionary R. G. Brannen and Rev. R. D. Dodd recently held a meeting at Clapham where practically no religious work had been done in over fifteen years. There were five conversions and a number of reconsecrations. A church will likely be organized in this community in the near future.

Rev. C. Ross Payne and wife, now located at Ralls, Texas, send greetings to their many friends in New Mexico. They are members of the church of which Rev. R. E. Harrison, formerly of Des Moines, is pastor. Brother Payne was, for a number of years, our Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Secretary.

C. F. Frazier writes that one of the best meetings in years was closed at Hope recently. There were 22 conversions, six have been baptized and four awaiting baptism.

Our President seems to have plenty of power and from all outward appearances has some of the big nations of Europe bluffed, at least for the present. It is a pity he has not seen fit to use some of that power against the liquor interests! He could enforce the Prohibition laws if he wanted to. Liquor is just as devastating as war. It may work a little slower but it is just as effective.

REVIVAL AT RANGER

Sunday night, July 2nd, the First Baptist Church of Ranger closed one of the greatest revivals in the history of the city. The campaign was under the leadership of Dr. James W. Kramer and Grant Sinclair.

Rev. George W. Thomas, the pastor for the last two years has done a fine work. He has been untiring in his efforts to lead the church and people for this effective campaign.

This revival was made one of service to the entire community, just as Brother Thomas has advocated. Our hearts were made to rejoice as the pastor baptized thirty-one Sunday afternoon with others to follow later. There were sixty-six decisions in all, some for other churches. There were nineteen joining by letter.

We can heartily recommend "Big Jim" Kramer. He is forceful yet not a sensationalist. He is fair to every denomination. As far as we are able to determine, he has not left us with a single problem. His singer, Grant Sinclair, is the best we have observed. Any church will do well to engage these fine men for a meeting.

—Mrs. W. L. Jackson.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL
SESSION

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R. White—10:15-10:45.

Recess—10:45-11:15.

Song Service, lead by Robert Jolly, Mrs. Sam Means, Pianist—11:15-11:30.

Sermon: Dr. C. Roy Angell.

NOON LUNCH

Afternoon

Recess and Recreation—1:00-5:00. (Mr. Robert Jolly will supervise recreation).

Prayer Meetings—5:00.

Supper—6:00-7:00.

Evening

Song Service lead by Mr. Robert Jolly (Mrs. Sam Means, Pianist)—7:30.

Sermon: Dr. Geo. W. Truett.

CLASSES WILL BE AS
FOLLOWS:

I. SUNDAY SCHOOL:

1. "What Baptists Believe,"

Rev. J. Fred Cole, Teacher.

2. "Building a Standard Sunday School," Rev. Ira Harrison, Teacher.

3. "Young Peoples' and Adult Department," Mrs. T. Y. Casey, Teacher.

4. "Teachers That Teach," Sec. G. S. Hopkins, Teacher.

II. BAPTIST TRAINING SERVICE:

1. "Modern Methods for Seniors, and Adults," Miss Grace Conn, Teacher.

2. "Methods for Juniors and Intermediate Leaders and Sponsors," Mrs. Paul Rigney, Teacher.

3. "The Meaning of Church Membership," Rev. Ira Harrison, Teacher.

4. "Primary Leader's Manual," Mrs. Edgar Ratliff, Teacher.

5. "The People Called Baptist," Rev. Edgar Ratliff, Teacher.

6. "Trail Makers in Other Lands," Mrs. J. M. Garner, Teacher.

III. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION:

1. W. M. U. Conference, lead by Mrs. Carter Wright.

2. Y. W. A. and G. A. Conference, lead by Miss Onis Vineyard.

3. R. A. Conference, leader to be supplied.

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