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H-SU GOLDEN JUBILEE PLANNED BY ALUMNI



MARY PAXTON PENDER
Alumni President

Preliminary plans for Golden Jubilee celebrations in 1941 and 1942 were instituted Saturday at the meeting of the executive committee of Hardin-Simmons alumni. Definite arrangements will be planned by a joint committee of trustees, faculty and alumni.

Alumni representatives will be announced in a short time by Mrs. H. A. Pender, president of the H-SU exes and faculty members will soon be appointed. Judge J. C. Hunter and O. D. Dillingham have been chosen by the trustees to act on this committee.

The cornerstone of the first building for Simmons College was laid in 1891 and the school was opened for students in September 1892.

New directors of the Alumni association include Jerome Newman of Wichita Falls, J. E. Hooper of Dallas, Genelle Jennings, George W. McDaniel, Jr., Gordon Weir, Lacy Beckham and Roy Skaggs of Abilene. Eight regional directors are to be appointed later.

Resolution of Trustees

The first session of Simmons College began September 16, 1892. The end of the regular term in June, 1942, will also close, without intermission, the epoch-making work of a half century. "Christ's Love" was the name suggested by the beloved co-founder, James B. Simmons, for this new college, situated on the sparsely peopled frontier of the southwest. Denied the name, it has served and prospered in His love. Witness the sons and daughters of Hardin-Simmons University in every field and in every clime.

While time is yet young, it is proper and fitting that the true story of the beginning of "Abilene Baptist College" be rightly written and faithfully preserved. Now living are some whose toil and wisdom fashioned the simple beginning, and still others whose faith and works since have ever nurtured and sustained the college. It is neither necessary nor timely here to recite the names or recount their sacrifices, those who have had to do with her founding, her building, and securely anchoring her in the love and to the Cross of Christ. Yet, these names must be preserved and their works recorded. Not to do so would condemn us as ungrateful, and our neglect would deny to all who follow the alabaster box of inspiration, so rich in fruits of faith and works that no pilgrim hereafter need ever falter, and no laborer for the Master, however weary, become discouraged.

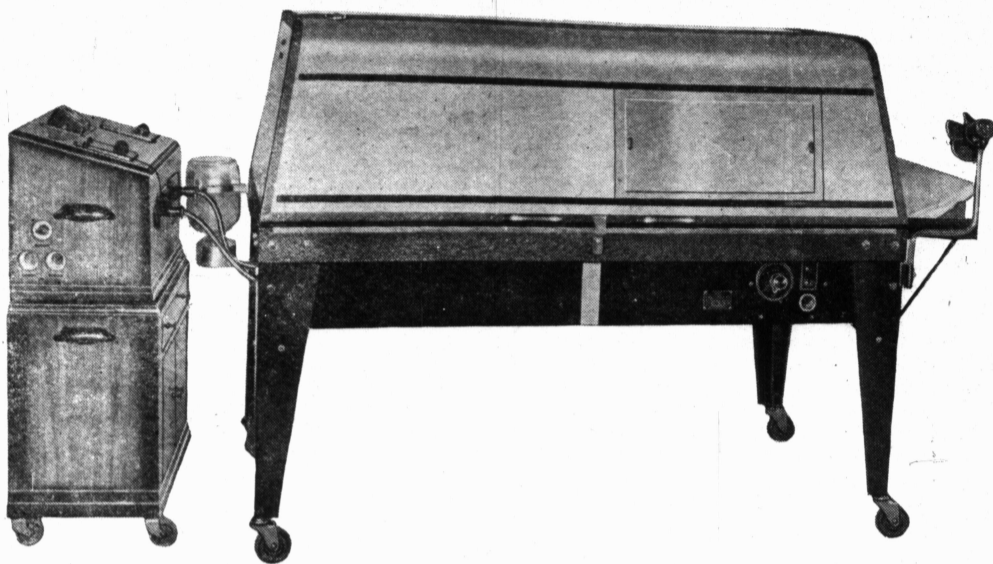
To this end, it is, we think, altogether fitting to dedicate the First Half-Century Anniversary as a period of study and reflection concerning the beginning of the University, and of the steps, means, people, contributing to its progress, as a tribute to their notable achievement not less than a preparation for the equally arduous tasks that lie ahead.

Therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Hardin-Simmons (Continued on page 4)

EVENTS TO COME

- Oct. 7—Cisco Association, Ranger.
- Oct. 11-13—Texas W. C. T. U. Convention, Beaumont.
- Oct. 16—B. T. U. Elimination Contests, Local Unions.
- Oct. 23—B. T. U. Elimination Contests, Churches.
- Oct. 27-30—Southwide Baptist Youth Conference, Memphis, Tenn.
- Oct. 30—B. T. U. Elimination Contests, Associations.
- Nov. 8-11—Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas.
- Nov. 14—B. T. U. District Contests.
- Nov. 24-26—B. T. U. State Convention, Wichita Falls.

This Fever Cabinet Needed at Hendrick Memorial Hospital



VETERAN MISSIONARY WRITES HOME CHURCH

Bakersfield, Calif.

Sept. 16, 1938.

My Dear Home Church in Abilene:

The Assembly of Arizona was a tender blessing to me. On the day before time to start to the assembly, God sent a good nurse to care for my sister, so that there was no anxiety in my heart for the entire month of August.

Being in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Lynch of Phoenix, formerly of our home church of Abilene, seems like being with you once more. They and their excellent children are good helpers of the Lord in the First Southern Church of Phoenix.

A great many of the Lord's BEST in Arizona attended and served in blessed ways at the assembly. I should like to put down the names of each one of them. Dr. and Mrs. Zimmerman and their little "Zims" of Albuquerque, gave up much joy and help. It was a benediction on all of our lives, the help of dear Mother Pearce and Dr. Ethel of Yanchow, China. Dr. Phillips of the S. S. Board was a tower of strength. Great-hearted Bro. Bussell, Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Crow, how they toiled, day and night! And how the good pastors and women workers stood by them! Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Hawkins, Jr., and their helpers did "marvelous things" in providing and serving food. Bless their dear hearts, each one of them! Best of all, there were 42 conversions and lives yielded to God for service, anywhere He directed.

From the Assembly, I went to Bernadillo, N. M., to see the church and mission work of my long-loved friend in China, Mrs. Jewell Leggett Herrin and Pastor Herrin. Their work was a special joy to me. Seemed I had had a short trip to interior China. The yellow fever faces I saw were hopeless and heavy like the heathen in China.

Another night's travel brought me to Denver for a glimpse of dear Y. F. Walker's dear children and they forwarded me to Casper, Wyoming by the air-line, to visit their mother, (now Mrs. Heisenheimer), Y. F. Walker, Jr., Patricia and their "delicious" red-headed first son. These good hearts, Mr. and Mrs. Heisenheimer, motored me to Yellowstone Park, where the POWER and WISDOM and LOVE of our everlasting Father was realized at every turn. From the "United Air Line" and by automobile, Wyoming became a surprising beautiful and grand state.

The trip home over the "Glory-to-God Sierras" and along side Lake Tahoe, was the close of one lovely vacation—especially since I found my sister had done well under the care of the nurse that the Lord sent.

The Foreign Mission Board has recently written that, since the Department of State will not yet grant passports to Interior China, they advise my waiting on here. Along with this has come an invitation to go to Phoenix, Arizona to help in a meeting with the 600 Chinese there, looking toward the organization of a Chinese Baptist church, that the Chinese themselves have asked for. Thank the Lord for this! It has put a song in my heart.

Love from
YOUR BLANCHE ROSE WALKER.

HOSPITAL HEAD MAKES APPEAL FOR AID

Among the outstanding contributions of this decade is the treatment of disease by induced hyperpyrexia. Fever therapy has become finally established as an essential therapeutic measure in the treatment of a number of clinical conditions. As far as we know there is not a fever machine in West Texas. We have the machine to generate the heat, but do not have the cabinet which will cost approximately \$500.00.

Chief among the conditions in which fever therapy is indicated is: arthritis, asthma, chorea, corneal ulcer and acute iritis, general paresis, gonorrhoea, gonorrhoeal ophthalmia, multiple sclerosis, syphilis, and tabes.

You can deduct this gift from your income tax and at the same time do a lot of people good each year. Send us your check to buy this valuable equipment which will strengthen our army of doctors and nurses to fight diseases and human suffering.

E. M. COLLIER, Superintendent.

MASSED CHORUS PLANNED FOR B. T. U. CONVENTION

By I. E. Reynolds

Much interest is being manifested relative to the Junior-Intermediate massed chorus to be presented at the B. T. U. convention at Wichita Falls in November. It promises to be one of the greatest demonstrations ever held in connection with any convention in Texas or the south. It will be inspiring, interesting and mean much for the young people, especially those taking part. The greatest result of this work will not be in the massed chorus work in Wichita Falls, but in the various churches and communities from which the units come that make up the larger chorus. Trios, sextets and larger groups singing in their own churches, communities, associations and district meetings before going to Wichita Falls will demonstrate what young people can do if given a chance. It will grow an appreciation for better music on the part of the church, Sunday school and young people's leadership and the congregations as well. It will kindle a desire in the minds and hearts of those taking part for still better things musically, thereby starting them on their preparation for future usefulness in choir and music work.

This word to the church and B. T. U. leadership: see that your church is represented, if only three are sent. Select and train them and have them at the convention. Those of us who feel the responsibility for this work would like to see these young people come to Wichita Falls in large groups made up of the church units representing communities, towns, cities, associations and districts. Now, let me repeat: what a blessing these groups could bring singing for the various churches, city-wide, community, and associational meetings, while training for the larger meeting in Wichita Falls. The effort and expense will be small as compared to the joy and spiritual blessing received from it. Every church, no matter how small, should be represented. Write today for instructions and songs. A book containing all music may be obtained for 10 cents a copy. Write to Mr. T. C. Gardner, B. T. U. secretary, 708 Burt Bldg., Dallas, for it.

Believe me when I tell you that thrift of time will repay you in after life with a usury of profit beyond your darkest reckoning.—Gladstone.

H-SU STUDENT PASTORS FILL LARGE FIELD

Forty-five churches in West Texas and New Mexico were served by student pastors from Hardin-Simmons University during the last scholastic year according to the report on the years' work read to the student Ministerial Council by President Clyde R. Campbell before the regular weekly meeting of the student preachers last Friday evening.

Each student pastor is required by a resolution of the H-SU trustees to fill out each week a detailed report of his activities in the religious field as a prerequisite for receiving the ministerial scholarship. The annual figures are a tabulation of the information contained in these reports.

Student pastors reported 340 baptisms and 579 baptisms were reported as resulting from evangelistic efforts, but it is probably that there may be an overlapping in these figures. The 61 ministerial students averaged 44 sermons each during the year. However, several of the students carry full pastoral duties and some few do very little preaching during their college days.

The detailed report will be found elsewhere in this paper.

PROGRAM

- Workers Conference
- Callahan Missionary Baptist Association Meeting With
- Potosi Baptist Church, 10:00 a. m. October 11, 1938
- 10:00 a. m.—Devotional Song and Praise Service, Rev. S. L. Tidwell.
- 10:15 a. m.—Our State Mission Work and Workers, Rev. Joe Mayes.
- 10:35 a. m.—The place of State Mission Work in Our Churches, Rev. C. E. Poe, Cross Plains.
- 10:55 a. m.—Round Table Discussion of What Has Been Done on Lueders Debt Paying, by the Churches, Rev. F. A. Hollis.
- 11:15 a. m.—Sermon by Rev. C. E. Dick, Ocala.
- Noon
- 1:00 p. m.—Devotional Song and Praise Service, Rev. Ross Respass.
- 1:15 p. m.—Board Meeting, including reports of the Associational Sunday school, B. T. U., W. M. U., and Laymen's Work.
- 2:45 p. m.—Inspirational Address, by Rev. Dewitt Van Pelt.

FUND REQUESTED FOR SPECIAL EQUIPMENT

Hendrick Memorial Hospital has on trial a special cabinet, pictured on this page, which is used in producing an artificial, scientifically controlled fever. This form of treatment has become the accepted practice in the control of many diseases.

A number of patients have already received beneficial results from the use of this cabinet in the few days that it has been at the hospital. But because of limited funds for the purchase of new equipment it will be necessary to return this instrument to the manufacturers unless some friend of the institution is moved to make the purchase as a gift to help suffering humanity.

Because for some time he has recognized the need for such equipment, Superintendent Collier is making an appeal for some one to extend this gift.

DR. SCARBOROUGH SPEAKS AT KANSAS CITY

Dr. L. R. Scarborough, president, Southern Baptist Convention and Southwestern Seminary, delivered the principal address at the inauguration of Dr. H. E. Dana as president of Kansas City Baptist Theological Seminary, Friday, September 30. The subject of the address was "Essentials of Ministerial Leadership." For almost two decades before his election as administrator of the Northern Baptist institution Dr. Dana was head of Southwestern Seminary's New Testament department.

PASTOR JOE R. MAYS HAS NOT ACCEPTED

Recently we printed the announcement, which came to us from an usually well informed source, that the Oplin and Denton Valley churches had called Rev. Joe R. Mays and that he had accepted. The fact is that Denton Church did call Brother Mays but he has not yet accepted any work. Last Sunday he supplied at First Church, Coleman, preaching to a large audience. There were 344 registered for Sunday School.

SEMINARY STUDENTS SERVE WIDE AREA

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary ministerial students, according to a recent survey, serve churches in seventy-nine out of the nine hundred and six district associations within the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention. The total includes sixty-one associations in Texas, nine in Oklahoma, four in Arkansas, four in Louisiana, and one in Kentucky.

CITY-WIDE REVIVAL AT KNOXVILLE

Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, superintendent of Evangelism for the Southern Baptist Convention, assisted in a city-wide revival in Knoxville, Tennessee. Thirty churches co-operated in the meetings and hundreds were converted. Services were held not only in the city but throughout the Knox County association. Dr. T. C. Wyatt, a Knoxville pastor, was director of the campaign.

MAJORITY OF BAPTISTS UNENLISTED IN WORK

By T. C. Gardner

At this season of the year when associations are meeting, it is interesting to study the annual church reports. As we listen to many of these reports, we come to the conclusion that "the great task of the church today is not with society, but with itself." There needs to be an old-fashioned, prayed-down, Holy Spirit-led, God-led revival in all our churches. "Before our churches can do much for human society, they must be something in society." It is evident that many of the members of our churches have not been born again. They have not been saved. They are not Christians. Here is a church with 1,100 members. Ninety-two of them are tithers, 312 give to the church in keeping with the financial plan of the church. Three hundred fifty-one of the 1,100 members made offerings during the last convention year; 749 did not give a penny to the church or to any other religious cause. It would seem to one that this church has come to the time when the greatest possible emphasis should be placed on scriptural stewardship. The New Testament plan is for disciples to give: "Every man according to his ability." The tithing is wholly unto the Lord. The minimum gift of all church members should be the tithe. Where the instruction and inspiration of the New Testament is followed, every member of the church "Gives as the Lord has prospered him."

There is a great spiritual value in giving. The 749 members of this church are not growing in grace. They are not living obedient Christian lives. They are not studying His Word. They are not being trained for service. They are spending little, if any, time worshipping Him. It took fifty members of this church 365 days—one whole year—to win one soul to Christ.

In this same church of 1,100 members, the Sunday School enrollment is 589, with a naverage of 311. The B. T. U. enrollment is 273, with an average attendance of 165. The pastor said, "The average attendance of the Sunday morning service is approximately 250 and the attendance at night is approximately 200. The total number of additions to the church by baptism was twenty-two and thirty-one by letter. The contributions to the co-operative program and other outside causes were \$425.00. The total amount raised for all purposes was \$7,375.50. The pastor of this church says, "The record of this church is evidence enough to convince one that this church needs a revival among its own members. Many of the members of this church who never attend our services are in favor of gambling, dancing, and even the open saloon. We need a back-door revival in our church," he exclaimed.

Survey of Ten Churches

The above report with the statement of this good pastor started me to thinking. I have since conferred with ten pastors and discovered the following:

1. Only about one-third of the church members in the ten churches reported financially supported the church or denomination last year.
2. Only fifty per cent of church members are enrolled in Sunday School.
3. Only thirty-five per cent of church members attend Sunday School regularly.
4. Only twenty-six per cent of the church members are enrolled in the B. T. U.
5. Only twenty per cent of the (Continued on page 3)

PROGRAM

- ANNUAL W. M. U. MEETING
Jones Association
Oct. 11, 1938
First Baptist Church—Anson
Theme: Prayer
- 10:00 a. m. Devotional
Mrs. Broughton Harden
- 10:10 a. m. Greetings
Mrs. R. D. Dewesse
- 10:20 a. m. Response
Mrs. Edna Thomas
- 10:30 a. m. Local President's Reports
- 10:50 a. m. Seven Minute Report of Standing Committees
Mrs. C. R. Sims and Mrs. H. C. Michael
- 10:40 a. m. Address
Mrs. J. B. Buckley
- 12:15 a. m. Lunch
(Bring Covered Dish)
- 1:15 p. m. Board Meeting
- 1:45 p. m. Installation of Officers
Mrs. P. D. O'Brien
- 2:15 p. m. Business
- 2:50 p. m. Adjourn

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CITY MISSIONS

City missions, says the Southern Baptist Home Mission magazine, is the most imperative of all the things needed to be done right now in the promotion of the Kingdom of God in the homeland.

The term used brings visions of spiritual destitution in such centers as New Orleans, St. Louis and Baltimore. So we West Texans may become aroused to the extent of having a greater interest in Home Missions, but that the problem might be anything which must be solved first hand has not occurred to the most of us.

It is true that in many of our fine little cities there is an active interest in an arm of the church for reaching some suburban section, but the field is far wider than the average layman realizes. Not long ago the pastor of a strong church in a good town of two thousand was discussing this problem informally with a group of his brethren. He declared that the greatest spiritual need of his town was a second Baptist Church to reach the growing crowd who decline to attend the large brick church surrounded with shiny automobiles.

This is a situation which, in West Texas, is mounting faster than census returns would indicate. Authorities are reported as estimating that approximately one hundred farm families will be moving into Abilene by the first of the year. Most of these people are refugees from the tidal wave of tractors. This movement is doubtless being repeated in every county in the cotton belt where power farming is practiced.

Spiritually, most of these people are at a low ebb. Most of them will be found to have a small interest in religious affairs. Coming into a strange community, bitterly discouraged, resentful and powerless to help themselves, these people must be reached for Christ in love and sympathy unless we are ready to surrender them to agitators who are apostles of hate, feeding upon the unrest of the unfortunate.

This is not a far-off problem for some other people to solve. It is laid out our door and yours. Some of the responsibility belongs to the old neighbors in the country and some to the new ones in town. Who will undertake the task of pointing these people to Christ and how may it be carried out?

REACHING THE MEXICANS

When the revolutions began in Mexico nearly a generation ago the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention was maintaining a great and growing work south of the Rio Grande. Then, as we witnessed the hindrances incident to war and turmoil develop into official opposition, we finally found ourselves at the end of organized effort in our Baptist missions. Our missionaries, even our seminary had to be brought home.

Yet these things, as Paul said, have fallen out to the furtherance of the Gospel. Missionary efforts reaching Mexicans in the United States had a slow growth and except for the difficulties beyond the border might not have reached present proportions. But these ousted missionaries led us to see the possibilities for evangelizing Mexico from this side of the river.

The list of missionaries to Mexicans now on the roll of the Home Board is rapidly approaching one hundred, nearly all of whom are located in Texas and New Mexico. To these may be added scores of associational and city missionaries who are maintained through local means. Yet all this growth has only made a good beginning and many problems of the work are to be solved.

The itinerant character of many of these people is in itself a major problem. Our attention has been drawn to those who in their wanderings have carried a gospel message to new localities. We rejoice at such news, yet there must be a much larger per cent who, upon losing contact with their Christian leadership, tend to drop back into the old way of life.

Another problem is that of the rising demand for a better trained ministry to reach the boys and girls, some of them now coming to maturity, who are assimilating new customs and language and learning in the Americanization schools and often in the high school. These young people demand better educated leaders before they become interested in following.

A most constructive effort to bridge this gap is being made at the Paul Bell Institute at Bastrop. All our Baptist schools are offering their facilities to those who are prepared to accept them.

Forward steps in evangelizing the Mexicans are being taken in the Mexican state convention and the recently organized West Texas association with its quarterly meetings. These movements deserve the fullest co-operation of all our churches and pastors.

We have this alien people among us and they will not remain static. The ferment of new implements, new experiences and new ideas is working among them. Either we must make Christians of them or they will be the prey of subversive interests, debauching and perverting every community where they locate.

B. T. U. CONTESTS

Only little more than a week remains till the first elimination contests in preparation for the statewide events at the B. T. U. Convention at Wichita Falls during the Thanksgiving holidays. Pastors and B. T. U. directors should encourage those who have planned to enter these contests and are now becoming discouraged. This is one of the finest ways of developing the leaders of the Training Union of tomorrow. Encouragement and recognition should be given to all who will undertake these worthwhile efforts.

News Notes

Rev. J. W. Ware, now in Southern Baptist Seminary and located at 3212 Marion Court, will preach in a revival in First Church, New Albany, Indiana, beginning October 16.

There were 127 additions to First Church, Lubbock, Dr. C. E. Hereford pastor, during the recent 8-day revival conducted by Dr. A. D. Foreman of San Angelo. Dr. Foreman was erroneously reported in a meeting at Amarillo.

Rev. J. Manley Reynolds supplied at First Church, Sweetwater, Sunday evening in the place of Dr. E. B. Atwood who was suffering with an infected throat.

Rev. Cleveland Autry, evangelist of Abilene, is engaged in a revival at Big Sandy, Tennessee. This is his second meeting with the church there.

Good things are sometimes in the way of best things.—Dr. Perry F. Webb.

Evangelist T. C. Crume of Florence, Kentucky begins a tent meeting at Clinton, Tennessee next week.

First Church, Abilene, will be host Friday evening, October 7, to all college students in the city. Not only will H-Su students be their guests but also all from Hendrick Memorial Hospital and a special invitation is extended to Baptist students at the Business colleges and at McMurry and Abilene Christian College.

Great interest is manifested in the revival at University Church, Abilene, now being conducted by Rev. Lawrence Fitzgerald of Mexico, Missouri. Pastor Chas. A. Powell announces that services will continue through October 16.

University Church, Abilene, was represented at the State Laymen's Conference at Fort Worth by Educational Director Dick Griffin and Laymen S. E. Pass and Roy Skaggs.

Laymen of District 17 are planning a district meeting in Abilene on Monday, October 17. The program for this meeting was carried in the West Texas Baptist last week.

Rev. G. W. Thomas supplied at Peacock October 2.

Dr. N. A. Moore preached at Haskell Sunday, supplying for Pastor H. R. Whitley who is away in a revival.

Charles Torrence was guest preacher at Fairview Church, Jones association, last week.

Dr. Rupert N. Richardson represented Hardin-Simmons at both the Wilbarger-Foard and Haskell associations on Wednesday, October 5.

Mrs. Millard A. Jenkins, devoted helpmate of the pastor of First Church, Abilene, is now at home and greatly improved following minor surgery at Hendrick Memorial Hospital.

Miss Verna Lee Carson, young people's leader of First Church, Abilene, will direct a training course in Park Heights Church, San Angelo, the week of October 9.

EVENTS IN OLD TESTAMENT HISTORY

C. C. Andrews, Baird, Texas
Who was the woman "that painted her face and attired her head and was thrown out the upper story window, and her body trampled upon by the army till dead, and the dogs licked up the blood" and what was the occasion?

Who were the two young men that were so devoted to each other, that it is said that "the soul of — was knit with the soul of — and — loved him as his own soul" and what was the occasion?—1st Samuel 18th Chap.

How many, and what were the "plagues sent on the Egyptians" and what was the occasion?—Exodus 7th. to 12th. Chap.

Who built the ark? and why was it built? How many days and nights did it rain? and how many days was the water on the earth? and what token was given that the earth would never be destroyed by water again?—Gen. 6th to 9th Chap.

Who were the two persons that never saw death, but were translated?

In the blackest soils grow the fairest flowers, and the loftiest and strongest trees spring heavenward among the rocks.—J. G. Holland.

JUST TALK

By Elliott Dudley

Another Armistice

Last week witnessed the arranging of another armistice in the World War. It was the occasion of more jubilation than a tired world has exhibited since the first armistice on November 11, 1918. How long this scrap of paper will stave off hostilities no one has the remotest idea.

Only a full time historian can recount the list of wars which have been waged in the world since that first armistice. It would be a dreary and fruitless effort to name all of them, but nearly every nation, including our own has been engaged in hostilities since that time.

It is true that the United States has not had a war during these years which has affected very many of us, but we have engaged in a half-hearted expedition into Siberia and have done some fighting in Nicaragua and Hayti. These were not much as wars go in these days, but the men who were killed are just as dead as the heroes of Chateau Thierry and the Argonne and their mothers are just as bereaved.

Hitler the Dominant

Hitler today is the most powerful man who has come upon the stage, which is our world, since Napoleon another "little corporal," strutted his way around the Mediterranean and across Europe. Actually, Hitler is more powerful in the millions under his sway and in the war machine at his command than Bonaparte ever became, still, he does not as yet dominate so large a portion of Europe.

To Hitler goes the glory of winning the war which Kaiser Wilhelm II lost. Today, he rules directly over more people than any ruler that the Germans ever had. His European empire is larger than the Hoenzollerns ever controlled.

Indirectly, he rules far beyond his boundaries. When proud empires such as England and France dance to his piping, what may we expect of the petty nations in his shadow? We in America, who continually witness the stampe of politicians to the bandwagon of a triumphant leader, may expect to see governments favorable to the Fuehrer in every weak nation on the continent of Europe.

Trained correspondents overseas are predicting that Hitler need not break his pledge to demand no more land in Europe. They suggest that any further areas which Nazi greed may covet are likely to be delivered on silver platters without the necessity of demands.

Dictator for a Day

How long we may expect to see the star of the Austrian paperhanger continue in the ascendant, there is no way of knowing. But at no time in the history of the world has a unscrupulous man built an empire which lasted.

Alexander died when scarcely out of his youth and his vast conquests fell to ravening wolves. Charlemagne built half Europe into a realm, the dissolution of which outran that of his own lifeless clay. The blood-soaked soil which was the foundation of the empire of Napoleon I, gave way in his own lifetime bringing the collapse of his mighty creation before his eyes.

One wonders if the knowledge of those events has moved Neville Chamberlain to buy peace at any price which the whim of the dictator demands; if he is willing to yield rather than fight because he believes that the Nazi Reich is of such tenuous fabric that death or revolution will soon shatter it to fragments. Surely he puts no assurance in any Hitlerian promises.

Acclaim

This week millions of people all over Europe, who have no interest in the high-stake poker game of the mighty but who have a vital concern for whose blood is to be shed in any war that is started, are acclaiming Prime Minister Chamberlain as the man who kept them out of war. Over here we recall how quickly that slogan gave place to "Lafayette, we are here." Let us hope that history, when this hectic era is finally appraised, will record "Good Old Neville" as a far-seeing statesman, for as a personal canvass salesman he is the world's most conspicuous failure.

America Votes for Peace

As citizens of the most powerful nation of our time, we have a right to be glad that at the most critical moment of a generation our spokesmen gave voice to an appeal for peace. It is possible that not a word of President Roosevelt had the slightest weight with Hitler, but the appeal was so accurately timed that it opened a

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

October 9, 1938

By Hight C Moore

SPIRITUAL WORSHIP

Exodus 20:4-6; 32:1-8; John 4:19-24

The Second Commandment requires spiritual worship. It was broken by Aaron and Israel when they made and worshipped the golden calf. It was interpreted and applied by Jesus in his conversation with a Samaritan woman at Jacob's well.

1. Spiritual Worship Commanded (Exodus 20)

God demanded spiritual worship. If the sovereignty of God be acknowledged, worship follows as a matter of course. But worship of God is attended with the temptation to use some representation of him or some intermediary between us and him. Hence the Second Commandment: "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image—thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them." There is therefore no room in our religion for the carved image or the sacred picture or saintly relic. Remember that God is jealous, and that he visits the iniquity of the fathers upon their children to the third and fourth generation—the trail and the trace of sin running down the channel of heredity. And the same is true in a good sense of those who love God and keep his commandments, for his mercy will reappear in their line even to the thousandth generation. Worship must be sincere and without intermediary.

2. Spiritual Worship Abandoned (Exodus 32)

Israel despised spiritual worship. Moses spent forty days on cloud-capped Sinai whither he had been summoned to receive the Decalogue on tablets of stone, hear additional instruction, and prepare himself for further leadership. Meantime, impatient Israel sought a new leader in compliant Aaron and broke the Second Commandment by establishing idol worship. Jehovah knew the iniquity of Israel. He saw them give their gold and make the golden calf, bring their offerings to its altar, engage in the impious feast before it, and recognize the idol as representing the gods delivering them out of Egypt. To Moses in the Mount, Jehovah revealed these shocking events in camp on the plain below. Of course sin must be punished, for Israel in its obstinateness and obstinacy deserved no longer the patient and powerful Hand of God to lead them safely on. Why should not Jehovah at one fell stroke sweep the sinning, stiffnecked Hebrews away and make out of Moses a great nation? However, the doom that Israel deserved was averted in answer to Moses' prayer.

3. Spiritual Worship Interpreted (John 4)

Jesus described spiritual worship. Passing through Samaria on his way from Judea to Galilee Jesus stopped at Jacob's well where he taught the Samaritan woman the nature of worship and revealed to her himself as the Messiah. (1) The elements of worship (shortened from "worship" which means "worthy of honor") include all that is involved in feelings and acts of reverence toward God. It means a just recognition of the worthiness of God. It means a reverential regard for him. It means devout adoration of him, intensified far beyond contemplation of ocean, or mountain, or art, or music, or architecture. It means loving communion with him, for when we truly worship, God speaks to us and we speak to God. (2) The essentials of worship embrace spirituality, for we must worship "in spirit"; scripturalness, for we must worship "in truth" in the sense of conformity to the truth as revealed in the Bible and written upon the tablet of conscience; and sincerity, for we must worship "in truth" in the sense that our hearts must be put into our worship or it is not genuine worship. (3) The effects of worship are happy in high degree. It supplies our deepest needs; the clouds of sorrow vanish, the darkness of doubt disappears, the waves of despondency fall back to their level. It elevates character, just as our flowers which would wither and wither in a dark cellar, thrive and bloom in beauty in sun and rain. It influences conduct profoundly, for it clarifies our minds, sharpens our faculties, and inspires us at our tasks.

God in the Golden Text

God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. John 4:24.

God requires spiritual worship. Sacrifices are vain substitutes. Ceremonies are void of merit. Heart and soul are necessary before God.

Home Daily Bible Readings

- Oct. 3—The Second Commandment. Ex. 20:4-6.
- Oct. 4—The Golden Calf. Ex. 32:1-8.
- Oct. 5—Spiritual Worship. John 4:19-26.
- Oct. 6—Many Samaritans Believe. John 4:27-42.
- Oct. 7—Vain Worship. Matt. 15:1-11.
- Oct. 8—"If Any Man Thirst." John 7:28-39.
- Oct. 9—Joy in Worship. Psalm 84:1-12.

PRAY FOR MISSIONARIES

Friday, October 7: Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Planos, missionaries to Cuba, Guanabacoa, Havana Province.
Saturday, October 8: Hendon M. Harris, evangelistic worker, Kaifeng, Honan, China.
Sunday, October 9: Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Echevarria, missionaries to Cuba, Los Pinos, Havana Province.
Monday, October 10: F. A. R. Morgan, educational worker, Rua Homen de Mello 57, Sao Paulo, Brazil (now on furlough, 1730 White St., Alexandria, La.); Miss Lillian Thomason, educational worker, Shanghai University, Shanghai, Ku, China (now on furlough, 824 N. Marsalis Ave., Dallas, Texas); Miss Dorothy Carver, educational worker, Seinan Jo Gakura, Kokura, Japan.
Tuesday, October 11: Daisy Cate Fowler (Mrs. F. J.) former evangelistic worker, Mendoza Argentina (now on pension, 36 Maple Crescent St., West Asheville, N. C.).
Wednesday, October 12—Miss Loe-nora Scarlett, evangelistic worker, Kong Moon, Kt., China.
Thursday October 13—Rev. George H. Lacy, former missionary to Mexico (now on pension, Avenida 5, Poniente 1301, Puebla, Mexico); Miss Annie M. Sandlin, educational worker, Shichow Kt. via Canton China; Mary Frances-Hodges Nichols (Mrs. B. L.) evangelistic worker, Shanghai, Ku, China.

W. M. U. DEPARTMENT

History of Fisher County Associational Auxiliary

By Mrs. W. H. Stephenson, Historian

Some years ago our beloved work-er Mrs. Swann was historian, and up to 1930 wrote a beautiful history of the woman's work of Fisher county. It was only God's providence that a copy of the West Texas Baptist fell into my hands which had published the history of our work up to that time. Knowing Mrs. Swann as I did and of her untiring efforts to do all she could for the advancement of the woman's work, it came to me that her history was worth preserving. So I slipped it out of the paper and filed it away for future use should I ever need it. So after many years I find this great work of hers a very valuable history to me today as I try to add to what she gathered and try to bring our history up to date, 1938.

So instead of giving praise to the writer of our history today, please give the praise to our dear Mrs. Swann all the honor due her for her faithful work up to 1930, and since that time lay the trophy at the feet of our beloved recording secretary who has so faithfully served us since 1926. I speak of Mrs. J. D. Bradshaw who so faithfully serves us today. It would be impossible to write much history if our faithful secretaries did not keep a record of our work.

Woman's Missionary Union is a mighty arm of power to the denomination. Its outlook is to the broad horizon of world service, its activities are cultural, its atmosphere is explicitly devout, its money raising programs are avenues through which devoted hearts register their love and devotion to a great cause, and its societies in the churches give a church-wide fellowship throughout the whole denomination.

The work of our Fisher County W. M. U. of course had a small beginning, but as great oaks from tiny acorns grow, even so the work of our association was started by a few faithful workers. Our work has stood the storms of the past years, and we feel now we are like the oak, have learned to stand the winds of the past and our feet have been placed on a firm foundation, even Christ, our Saviour.

We have record that a Woman's Missionary Society was organized at Sylvester in 1905 by Mrs. J. M. Dawson. This society has functioned throughout the years and is active in our work today and went into the Fisher County Associational Auxiliary. We learn also at Sardis there was a society whose leading spirit was Mrs. Scott, who long since with her husband, a pioneer Baptist has gone home to her reward. Notwithstanding the lack of organized woman's work in the different churches there were many active, praying and soul winning women working in all the churches. The church at Rotan was organized in 1907 with ten or twelve members and Brother G. M. Rankin as pastor. Somewhere near this date the people of God at McCaulley built a church building and Bro. J. M. Rankin was pastor of the church at the time. Before this building was erected the church met in the school house and a store building. We, of course, had no Fisher County work at this time but Mrs. Lee Glascock and Mother Glascock were the leaders of the work in this church with Mrs. J. D. Graham, Cooper Stephenson, Donaldson, and others active in the ladies work of the church.

Soon after the organization of the Rotan church there came to Rotan through the providence of God, a woman full of faith and zeal who was used of God to lead our women in Fisher county out into greater fields of service for our Lord. I speak of Mrs. R. G. Ellis. She, with a few others organized a Woman's Missionary Society in Rotan. This society struggled along as every worthwhile undertaking does. When Mrs. Swann moved on the field in 1908, there with her great spirit of love and devotion to the Lord's work, with the help of other consecrated workers to hold up the hands of Mrs. Ellis and go by her side—Mrs. Ellis determined to not stop with the woman's work in Rotan but began to reach out to other churches.

Often on Sunday afternoon she would drive out to nearby churches, (there were no cars in those days and the roads were rough and sandy) and make talks, urging the women to organize for better service. Mrs. Swann tells us of one warm afternoon in August when she accompanied Mrs. Ellis to Hiland Home Church about six miles out through deep sand—about half way something went wrong with old Dobbin's harness—they got out of the buggy and worked first on one side and then on the other until they found the trouble and adjusted it,

climbing back into the buggy went on to the church. On reaching there they found people had grown tired and many had gone home. But Mrs. Ellis unaided made a talk, led the singing and called on Mrs. Swann to lead in prayer, but met no response when she proposed to organize an Aid Society, as they were called then. This was the beginning of the Woman's Missionary efforts in Fisher county. The good seed was sown and some fell into good ground and brought forth a harvest. So in 1910 Mrs. Ellis was appointed to take charge of the W. M. U. work of Fisher County Associational Auxiliary. She made an earnest prayerful president, always ready to answer the call of the Master and say: "Here am I, send me." Often she met with disappointment. Being a widow with a large family she was a very busy woman, but always ready to respond to the Macedonian cry of her co-workers.

Once when she was unable to meet an appointment she prevailed on Mrs. Swann to go to Royston to organize a society. Early one cold morning Mrs. Swann took the train for Royston with instructions from Mrs. Ellis and to whom to go and how to proceed when she reached Royston. She soon found the home designated and with fear and trembling knocked on the door. A sweet motherly woman greeted her and then exclaimed: "Oh! I had forgotten this was the time and nobody knows about it and besides everybody is sick with measles and whooping cough and my own little girl is sick." She was so cordial that Mrs. Swann found her place of service in helping to care for the sick child. Soon a man came in and being told why Mrs. Swann was there that day he proceeded to turn himself loose on "them their societies." He said he had heard of a whole neighborhood being torn upside down over the doings of society women. This is only some of the many hard places our Fisher county woman's work has met, but we need the hard places to make us appreciate the good and wonderful work we are now doing.

In 1917 Mrs. Ellis called a county wide rally at Rotan and several of our district ladies came that day. Mrs. O. H. Cooper, our district president, also Mrs. George Paxton and Mrs. McBride were at this rally. The Fisher County Associational Auxiliary was reorganized. For some time it seemed no great work had been done, yet going on as best we could. Mrs. Swann was made president at this time, of our associational work, and Mrs. Cooper of McCaulley, corresponding secretary and Miss Estelle Patterson of Rotan, secretary-treasurer. Associational dues of 50 cents a year was voted to help the district and associational expenses.

At this time W. M. U. work was carried on at North Roby, Mrs. U. Collins being one of the leading spirits at North, Rotan, Cross Roads, Sardis, McCaulley, Sylvester and Liberty. Sometime after this, while Mrs. Swann was president, she with her pastor and wife made a special trip to Roby to organize a society and met only with discouragement. Later the pastor was written and his reply was that Roby was in no need of a Woman's Missionary Society, that it would only be a waste of time to attempt an organization. In a very short while Bro. Charles Smith became pastor and soon a Missionary Society was organized and flourished, and at the present time under the leadership of Bro. D. G. Reed the Roby society is a mighty factor in the W. M. U. of the association.

During the World War the work became considerably demoralized and disorganized, but in 1923 to 1925, Mrs. C. G. Campbell was president of our Associational Auxiliary, and she did splendid work in reorganizing the sleepy societies and organizing new ones at Longworth, and Pleasant Valley, also at Liberty. Sorry to say that Liberty has had a hard time trying to function as so few ladies are interested in the work, so sometimes active and sometimes not active, though out of this church there are a few loyal women to our association work. Mrs. Campbell served us till her health forced her to resign, and soon after she left us to go Home to live with the Father on high, but we still treasure her memory and the good work she did.

In 1926 Mrs. Guy McNeal of Plasterco was made president. During her administration a society was organized at Hiland Home church. The Ruby Anniversary was launched with Mrs. C. G. Campbell as chairman. By her inspirational talks she greatly helped

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PRAYER

By J. Manley Reynolds
Scripture: Mark 11:20-25.

Text: The 24th Verse: "Therefore I say unto you, all things whatsoever ye pray and ask for, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."

The text states that ALL things may be had through prayer. Matt 17:20 "If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed ye shall say unto this mountain, remove hence to yonder place and it shall remove. NOTHING shall be impossible unto you."

we may safely conclude then that all things are possible through prayer, and that all real prayer is answered. If it is real prayer, God will not have to change it up in the answering so that it become unrecognizable to the petitioner as his answer. It will be given as asked, if it is prayer.

The terms "pray" and "ask for" are not confused in God's word. Much asking for is not prayer at all but selfish words of request, not conforming to God's will or to the real definition of prayer.

Matt. 7:1-22 states: "ALL things WHATSOEVER . . .", thereby omitting nothing. No matter what we ask, no matter how trivial or how far it may be from right or best, if it is true prayer, God says we shall have it. But we are to remember that such asking, which is not in keeping with God's Divine will is NOT prayer at all, but simply "asking."

What, then, is true prayer? I. In the Scripture reading, Mark 11:25 states "And when ye stand praying, forgive. . . ." If the petition comes from a heart that holds hatred or grudge, it is not a petition of prayer, but is mere "asking for."

II. Again in Psalms 66:18 "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not regard me." 1. If I regard an unconfessed sin; 2. If I contemplate a future willful sin; 3. If I look with approval or in silence upon a world of unchallenged sin, then the Lord will not hear.

III. Proverbs 28:9, "He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, he also shall cry but shall not be heard."

1. We can not disregard God's law in our hearts, and pray from those hearts.

IV. James 4:3: "Ye ask and receive not because ye ask amiss that ye may spend it in your own pleasures."

1. James does not say "ye pray." One can not pray a selfish prayer, but one can "ask for" a selfish desire.

V. Proverbs 21:13: "Whoso stoppeth his ear at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry but shall not be heard."

1. The selfish heart closed to the cry of a materially hungry and striken world is not a heart which can pray.

2. Nor can a heart pray which turns deaf ears to the spiritually lost and hungry. A non-missionary heart can not pray.

VI. John 15:7 gives the greatest light upon real prayer: "If ye abide in me and my word in you, ye shall ask WHATSOEVER ye will and it shall be done unto you."

1. John does not have to use the word "prayer."

a. If "ye abide" in Him and His word abides in you, you will be guided in His Spirit to pray the true, unselfish, sinless prayer which is not the selfish "asking for" of human desires.

2. "Ask whatsoever ye will" . . . is emphatic, and includes every possible request, but only those requests pleasing to God are willed by the heart abiding in Him and becoming the abode of His Word.

VIII. Luke 11:7-13 sets forth the picture of prayer not timed by the clock or made weak by fear.

1. 1 John 5:14 "And this is the boldness which we have toward Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us."

a. Prayer is shameless and bold, for genuine prayer is conformed to the will of God—is the will of God—and for such, there is no apology in the Christian's heart.

In conclusion, may we observe that prayer is evidently not a mere utterance of a request, or the speaking of pious or even earnest words, but is definitely more. Prayer includes the laying of a foundation of conformation to God's plan for the life, the transformation into humble obedience, and such is the greatest daily responsibility of the child of God—to live in preparation for prayer that his very life might become that prayer. Then, he may truly petition God for the salvation of the lost and for those other mighty needs of a world alien from God.

1 Thes. 5:17: "Prayer without ceasing"—live the life of prayer, that daily shaping of the life and all that is in it to breathe the very will of God.

Vigilance in watching opportunity; tact and daring in seizing upon opportunity; force and persistence in crowding opportunity to its utmost of possible achievement—these are the martial virtues which must command success.—Austin Phelps.

Hardin-Simmons News

H-SU MINISTERIAL COUNCIL REPORT

June 1, 1937 to June 1, 1938

Ministerial Council meets each Friday evening at 7:30.

Total number of ministerial students enrolled	61
Average attendance at council meetings	50
Pastoral Work.	
Number of churches pastored	45
Total Membership	4,652
Number of additions by baptism	340
Total number of sermons preached	2,648
Average for each student preacher	44
Number of Sunday Schools pastored	43
Total enrollment in Sunday Schools pastored	2,811
Number of B. T. U.'s pastored	25
Total enrollment in B. T. U.'s pastored	1,292
Number of funerals conducted	52
Number of weddings conducted	25
Number of preachers ordained	4
Number of deacons ordained	21
Evangelistic Work.	
Total number of meetings held	74
Number of days spent in evangelistic work	751
Number of professions of faith	566
Number of additions to churches by baptism	579
Number of additions to churches by letter	392
Total additions	971

Majority of Baptists--

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church members attend B. T. U. regularly.

6. It took an average of sixteen church members to win a soul to Christ during the entire year. (All ten of these churches had revivals during the year. Four of them had two revivals during the year. Seven of the above mentioned churches are in Texas and three are in other states.)

Church members, hearers of the word must do it. "Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only." "The church needs reality in its worship and its work." Every member of every church needs to renew the vow he took when he trusted Jesus as Lord and Savior. "Men and women who have projected their religion into the church must accept its burden and know its joy."

In some of the associations I have visited, revival meetings were held in every church and in many communities where there were no churches. In every section of the State more baptisms have been reported than ever before. God has certainly rewarded their faith and blessed the laborers of our Baptist churches in soul-winning.

But winning people to Christ is not the work intrusted to churches. Jesus, himself, went about preaching, teaching, praying, training, winning, and healing. Study the program of the church at Antioch and you will find that this church not only evangelized but indoctrinated, trained and developed its members. In addition, it was missionary through and through. It called out and set apart Barnabas and Paul to be missionaries. The Master is calling on all church members to support His whole program.

He says: "Come to Me." "Follow Me." "Learn of Me." "Abide in Me."

We believe that all church members should attend the Baptist Training Union, the Bible School and the preaching service. Now is the time to enlarge our organizations and go forward with Christ, Jesus.

The church referred to above with a membership of 1,100 needs to be awakened to its opportunities and obligations. All the organizations within that church should be enlarged. The classes in the Sunday School should be multiplied by four and the departments multiplied by two. In the Baptist Training Union organization, both the department and union organizations should be multiplied by four.

We believe that a new day and a new situation can be brought about for most of our churches by taking a religious census, enlarging the church organizations, training the leadership and adopting a program to promote a world-wide missionary and evangelistic program.

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EVERY DAY RELIGION

By C. E. BRYANT, Jr.

How Be Happy?

The story is told of a ferry boat operator whose run was across a river which formed the boundary line between two counties. One day, a passenger, en route from Ashley county to Union county, told the riverman that he was moving his home into the second county.

"I certainly hate to leave Ashley county," he said. "The people there are so friendly and my neighbors have been so nice. Tell me, what kind of people are there in Union county?"

"Oh, the people in Union county are fine; they are even better folks than those in Ashley county, the operator replied.

The next day, another man used the ferry to transport his belongings from Ashley to Union county.

"I certainly am glad to get out of Ashley county," he told the boatman. "The folks there were terrible. What sort of people are there in Union county?"

"Oh, the folks in Union county are just awful. They are even worse to live with than those in Ashley county," came the reply.

After the trip was finished, the riverman's son asked his father to explain why he had told one man one thing and the other just the opposite.

"Well, you see," he philosophized, "it isn't so much the sort of neighbors you have; it is the sort of person you are. If the first man got along with his neighbors in Ashley county he will also find those across the river agreeable. But the second man seems to be the sort of fellow that always finds fault. He won't be able to get along with anybody; he will be miserable everywhere."

The message in this story throws a personal responsibility upon me to make myself enjoy life. If we could mold our attitudes toward the world in general so as to always be on the up and up, wouldn't this be a much happier world for us? Such is the religion taught by Christ.

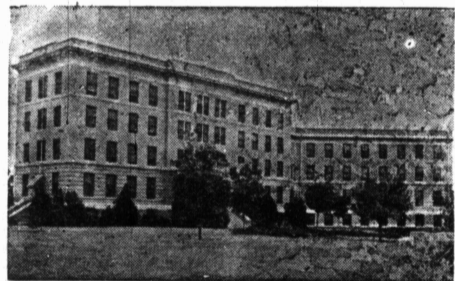
New Testament field. He will probably be away from Texas for two years or longer in this pursuit.

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E. M. Collier, Superintendent

The Best Cure For Worry

By W. H. Joyner

Worry is universal. Everybody worries. The most common thing among people is worry. Worry belongs to no one class. It belongs to every class. Some one has said, "Poor folks worry," but so do the rich. Cultured folks worry, but so do the illiterate. Old folks worry, but so do the youth in life's morning. People in good circumstances worry, but so do those who are in harsh and trying circumstances. There are some in the church who worry, and there are some outside the church who worry.

Then we worry about all sorts of things under all conditions of life. We worry about how we are going to get money. We worry about how we are going to keep it. We worry about what we do not have. We worry about the things we have. We worry about what we have said, and we worry about what we have failed to say. We worry about what we have done and about what we have failed to do. We worry about our bodies. We worry about our souls. We worry about our families. Some worry because they are married. Others worry because they are not.

Two things ought to be said every-where about worry:

1. It is utterly useless and un-availing.

Worry gets us nowhere. Jesus indicated the utter absurdity of worry when He said, "Which of you by taking thought (or worrying) can add one cubit unto his stature?" If you are five feet tall and would like to be six feet can you add a foot to your height by worrying about it? Nay, verily. Worry does not do the slightest good in any conceivable direction. It never accomplishes anything worth while.

Dr. B. H. Carroll made the statement that we should not worry about those things that we can help. We should rather get up and busy ourselves doing them. He also says that we should not worry about those things we cannot help. If you cannot help them it will do no good to worry about them. Worry is devitalizing and futile.

Of course, we are not to make a joke of life. We do wrong to have a flippant and happy-go-lucky attitude toward life. The business of living is serious business. For it we need moral earnestness.

Certainly we are to grieve over our sorrows and losses. However, we are not to fret and fume. We are not to be feverish and over-anxious. If you cannot help something that comes into your life to distress you, then accept it as a part of God's plan for your life. Be submissive to His will and wisdom. Never lose faith in the goodness of God. God's way for you and me is always best. It is best even though we cannot understand why. May God give us vision to see "the rainbow thru the rain." Let us cultivate the habit of looking for the good, the best and the beautiful, in every thing and everybody.

2. It is positively hurtful.

In the 37th Psalm we read, "Fret not thyself; it tends only to evil." Worry never does anything but harm.

(1) It hurts the individual who worries.—you.

It is a terrible form of dissipation and prodigality. It is damaging physically, mentally and spiritually. It fills the whole human system with poison. Some one remarked to me about a man on whom I had called in the hospital, "He is worrying over his debts." I replied, "Worry kills people and we ought to fight against it." The friend to whom I was talking said "Yes, it scientifically poisons the system and wrecks it."

Worry is your common foe. It produces an ocean of tears.

(2) It hurts our fellows—others.

If we could get off into a place of isolation all by ourselves it would not be so bad to worry. Oh, it would be bad enough. There ought to be a pest-house for all who habitually worry and will not be comforted. However, you cannot separate patients with this disease from others. They infect others inevitably. When you worry you make other people about you down hearted. You carry them into the depths of despondency and gloom. Could this ever help anyone anywhere?

(3) It hurts God,—our Heavenly Father.

It is evil. God is hurt by all that is evil. When one claims to be God's child it is a shame for him to fret and mope and grunt as if his father had gone into bankruptcy or had lost his heart. We show that we do not believe God when we worry continuously. If we believed Him certainly we would trust Him. "Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in Him and He will bring it to pass." To please God is far better than hurting God. Which had you rather do—please or

hurt—help or hinder? Let us seek to avoid anything that would wound the blessed heart of God.

Imaginary Calamities

Often we worry over real trouble or calamities. More often still, we worry over trouble and calamities that never take place.

There is no doubt that the vast majority of our worry is about troubles that are purely imaginary. A boy had to pass every day on his way to school a house where lived a crazy man. Usually he did not see him when he passed the house but usually he was scared within an inch of his life. Sometimes he would see him standing at the window or on the porch. One morning the man was at the gate. The man tore out after him in a run. The boy ran. Over the fence the boy went, into a field. Across the cotton patch, down the corn rows, the crazy man hard upon his heels and gaining on him every second. At last the boy, seeing he could not escape, turned, and threw up his hands to plead for mercy. Instead of beating him as the boy expected, the crazy man touched him lightly on the shoulder, and scampered away laughing and crossed his fingers, saying, "I got your tag! I got your tag!"

How different from what he had imagined. Our troubles are not always as terrible as they seem. There are many wrinkles in the face, many white hairs on the head, many cases of premature nervous prostration all because we loose sleep and energy by "crossing the bridge before we get to it." Let us not foolishly worry over unreal troubles as if they are real.

What Is the Best Cure for Worry?

There are multitudinous "cures" for worry prescribed today. The best in the whole collections is the one God's Word gives. What is this? THE UNLOADING OF OUR CARES ON GOD IN PRAYER. "In nothing be anxious; (in nothing worry) but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."—Phil 4: 6-7.

Take your worries to Him. Present your requests to Him with thanksgiving, and as you thus pray, God pledges Himself to meet your need. How will He meet your need? Our blessed Lord will either remove that which causes worry or He will give you grace to bear it. He will give "the peace" which passeth understanding." This is all-satisfying, indeed.

PRAYER OUR GREAT NEED

Back of every great movement in the Kingdom is prayer. The most useful people in all of the churches today are the best pray-ers. They are far more useful than large givers who do not pray. They are far more useful than preachers who only preach. Great pray-ers are far more needed than great preachers, great givers, great singers, and great workers, all put together.

If we can have great pray-ers we can have everything else. In many a pulpit today is a cultured preacher, fooling away his time on labored scholarly sermons, which fall on the people as the dead leaves of the forest under mid-winter's frost. Vast sums of money may be put into great meeting houses with costly equipments, yet the whole be like a display of cut flowers, without life, and lacking the attractive fragrance of the garden of the Lord. People who are endowed with a deep sense of the spiritual essence of things refuse to be cheated by a lifeless profession. They will not accept word-pictures of bread for bread itself.

What is needed in these valleys of dry bones, these beautiful cemeteries of dead churches? The overwhelming need is the Spirit of power and life to make the dead live before the Lord. How can we have the Holy Spirit back in our churches? By prayer. It is a wonderful promise. If two agree as touching anything—this thing of power and through the Holy Spirit in the church—God will do it. It is sheer nonsense to resort to tricks to work up revivals. It must come down from the Father of mercies, and the right kind of praying can get it. Ten men could have saved Sodom. Two real pray-ers can save any church. I lay it on the hearts of all who believe in prayer. Take no fright from circumstances, or difficulties. Pray and look to God. He can manage it all. He has lifted distracted, lifeless churches from the dust and converted them into victorious armies.

The short of it is, the Kingdom will come by power, and power is with God. It comes in answer to believing prayer.—Dr. J. B. Gambrell, in Parable and Precept.

'Lost' Ex-Students Sought By School

The Alumni and Ex-Students' association has asked aid in locating the following students, listed with last known addresses:

David Mandel Baird, Mineola, Texas; Earl M. Aldridge, Mineola, Texas; Jimmy Ferguson, Decatur, Texas; Roy McPherson, Loraine, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Grover Dick, Crosbyton, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Orville McLead, Grand Prairie, Texas; Mildred Courtney, Talpa, Texas; Lottie Ingram, Norton, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Clifford B. Underwood, Monahans, Texas; Mrs. R. E. Kirksey, Hillsboro, Texas; Thomas J. Cross, Granbury, Texas; Charles Russell Smith, Everman, Texas; Rita Maurine McNatt, Comanche, Texas.

A. Y. Doherty, Mansfield, Texas; John D. Simmons, 404 A, Clandena Ave., Toronto, Canada; David E. Wood, Caldwell, Texas; Rubye Faye Myrick, Nocona, Texas; Mona Lee Spencer, Jasper, Texas; Robert Green, Marble Falls, Texas; S. M. Morgan, Portales, N. Mex.; Elvergn McFarland, Junction, Texas; Mrs. Tom Clark, Shamrock, Texas; Mrs. Henry Burton, Byrnes, Texas; Mr. Wash Bangle, Happy, Texas; R. G. Brannen, Follet, Texas; Cleddie Hall, Eden, Texas.

Mrs. L. Van Garrett, Shannon Texas; Mr. and Mrs. James S. Williams, Albuquerque, N. Mex.; Jeanne Cornelius, Denton, Texas; Marguerite Mayfield, Center Point, Texas; Mrs. J. H. Cox, Jr., Canyon, Texas; W. C. McKenzie, Klondike, Texas; Waymon Koonce, Yoakum, Texas; Mary Holmes, Clarksville, Texas; Bessie Ross, care Malcolm Madera, Hobbs, N. Mex.; Paul Gideon Morris, Abilene; Mildred Melrose Roberts, Abilene; Ellen Osborn, Abilene.

HISTORY OF FISHER COUNTY ASSOCIATIONAL AUXILIARY

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In meeting the quota assigned, in enlistment of young people's societies and an increase in our gifts. Mrs. Mrs. McNeal did much constructive work in our association and helped to establish quarterly W. M. U. programs. Following Mrs. McNeal's administration was our beloved worker Mrs. Fred Clark, who led us in a great way until our own dear Mrs. D. G. Reed of Roby became our associational president. She with Mrs. J. D. Bradshaw, recording secretary, and Mrs. J. A. Brown, secretary-treasurer, has made history for us since Mrs. Clark left us, all of which we are proud—and we count ourselves happy to find such leaders as they are to lead us on in such a great way these many years. God only knows what we could do without them, yet we know when one must go God has another to take their place.

We as women owe much to the faithful pastors and missionaries who have helped us all along, giving us counsel and helping us in every way possible. There are no barriers between the pastors and the woman's work for all pastors have seen for many years the faithful work of the women and have encouraged them in every way possible and many times they have brought wonderful messages that have strengthened our hearts.

In 1926 we had eleven societies giving reports, but now we have only eight. We wonder why the cause of this decrease, but the only answer can be too many go to other things and have left off the most important things of life, the Lord's Work.

But one thing that has helped us in many of our quarterly meetings were the visits of our district officers, and the beautiful messages brought by them. Sometimes one of our missionary ladies, when home on a furlough would speak to us. One time, especially, when we met at Sylvester Miss Blanche Rose Walker was with us and I will never forget her message. She told us that day that the Lord told her as she came home not to come home and talk about the yellow people of China, but to go home and tell them about HIM. She took as her subject that wonderful passage in Isaiah, "And His name shall be called wonderful, counselor, the everlasting Father, the mighty God, the Prince of Peace" and it sank deep into our hearts that day and has rung out its beautiful notes ever since that we are to talk about Jesus, our Blessed Saviour, for it is He and He alone that can save a lost world.

Our quarterly meetings have been held with the different churches in our association and on every occasion we have tried to develop a fellowship of loving service for one another, to our Lord and for a lost world. On one occasion dear Bro. R. C. Pender, who is now gone home to Heaven was with us at Hitson Church. He of course represented B. O. H., and an offering of \$105.85 was made to the Home. How we miss him, and I am sure the B. O. H. misses him also. On the same day Brother Pender spoke

our Missionary Bro. Johnson spoke on the value of a W. M. S. in the local church. We ladies feel and know we have a place in God's great vineyard where we can serve, but to have the good words and encouragement from our pastors and missionaries makes us only try to do more, for indeed we are the hand-maidens of our Lord.

Some of the causes which we have tried to support have been Lottie Moon Christmas offering and our Mexican Mission work. We observe our days of prayer for State, Home and Foreign Missions, trying as best we can to keep in mind the evangelization of the whole world. When we first began to get a glimpse of what our Lottie Moon Christmas offering could do our Mission Chairman, Mrs. L. W. Dixon, urged that we try to send out forty missionaries to our Christmas offering. The cause got on our Southern Baptist Women's hearts and now we have 125 missionaries and our own Fisher County Association has a part in the great work, truly we are laborers together with Christ.

For a short time we decided to meet in our quarterly meeting at the same time and place with the Workers Conference, but some of the ladies hungered after our own special quarterly meeting, so Roby invited the first meeting to their good church, and since that time we have met regularly at the quarterly meeting with any church who wished to invite us.

Once each year we foster a Mission Study School, and we go and spend the day taking as many books as we can, at least one study course and a book review. We have enjoyed these mission schools and find them profitable to our work. In Hosea 4:6 we learn that God says: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." The women of the Southland have realized this wonderful truth and they are studying and trying to inform themselves concerning the Kingdom Work of our Lord.

The work of our W. M. U. of Fisher county has gone on trying as best we can to do what our hands find to do in every way possible, having fellowship one with another, caring for the work as the Lord has prospered us and holding up the hands of our faithful pastors as they carry the burden of the work on their hearts.

Under the leadership of Mrs. D. G. Reid as president, Mrs. J. D. Bradshaw as corresponding secretary and Mrs. J. A. Brown as secretary-treasurer, we feel that we have leaders we can follow and as the years come and go we rejoice over the work of our women in all things they have been able to do.

With gladness of heart we can report the work done by our Fisher County W. M. U. the last associational year Sept. 1936 to Sept. 1937, and when this year is gone we will still be making history.

We paid our apportionments in 1937. Mary Hardin Baylor \$ 30.00

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Sum of all Work Done	
for 1937.....	\$4,499.85
No. Women in Churches 307 active	92
Total Y. W. A.'s.....	55 active 23
Total Intermediate G.A.'s 64 active	36
Total Junior G.A.'s.....	56 active 30
Total Intermediate R.A.'s 34 active	5
Total Sunbeams.....	93 active 35
No. Women Who Tithe.....	51
Young People Who Tithe.....	14
Mission Study Classes.....	13
Societies observing week of prayer	
for State, Home and Foreign Mis-	
sions.....	6
Societies observing week of prayer	
for ministerial relief.....	5

From this report of our woman's work from Sept. 1936 to Sept. 1937 you will find we are still going on with our faith fixed in God, trying to do what our hands find to do and

standing on the promises of God. When this history is read by any of our Fisher County Auxiliary women may she feel that she has had a part in making this history and may our future work grow sweeter and dearer as the years go by.

"Let none hear you idly saying There is nothing I can do While the souls of men are dying And the Master call^o for you. Take the task he gives you gladly Let His work your pleasure be Answer quickly when he calleth Here am I, send me, send me." Read at the quarterly W. M. U. meeting with the McCaulley Church, July 12, 1938.

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University, the Faculty, Sweetwater Baptist Association and the Baptist General Convention of Texas, concurring, (1) That,

We authorize and cause to be inaugurated now suitable Plans, Movements and Programs to culminate during the year 1942 in commemoration of the First Half-Century of Hardin-Simmons University; and (2) That, Baptist churches, pastors, missionaries, associations, conventions, boards and schools together with other schools, agencies and forces interested in the cause of education, be invited to co-operate and participate in this notable commemoration; and (3) That,

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