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RAMBLING



By DICK O'BRIEN

I have often been told that a person who follows the habit of picking up hitch-hikers on the highway runs a serious risk. Well, maybe so, but judging by the way many motorists drive I have a feeling that the hitch-hiking gentry run some risks themselves. I gave a ride to a college boy the other day who told me a hair-raising story about a wild ride he had taken with a driver the night before. He said this driver would stop at every place where beer or liquor was sold and take a drink, until he could hardly tell which side of the road he was on. After herding the car along a zig-zag course for a hundred miles or so he finally became drowsy and asked the boy to drive, which he readily agreed to do. . . . I seriously considered hitch-hiking from home to Abilene this morning, but when I required the driver of the car which would have the honor of transporting me to allow me to phrenologize his head, smell his breath, examine his tires and listen to the tone of his radio, I finally decided to take my own car. . . . There are stories about drunks which are very funny but the most disgusting and thoroughly unfunny sight in the world is a swaying, hiccupping inebriate. . . . I read one about two gentlemen (?) who had over-estimated their tankage capacity and were making their way uncertainly down the road in a dilapidated car. One said to the other, "Shay, you better look out, you're gonna run ush in the dish." "Whatta ya mean," answered the other, "me run ush in the dish?" I thought you was driving." . . . Miss Olive McDougall, one of our sheep in the First Baptist Church, Stamford, and a clever columnist for the Stamford Leader, stated last week that she was supporting Gracie Allen for the presidency because she wanted to see a woman in the White House. Well, we'll at least agree that there has not been a woman in the White House during the present administration. She only passed there a time or two to change frocks.

PRISCILLA HELPERS MEET

Priscilla Helpers met recently at the home of Mrs. J. G. Dandignac. After the business session, Mrs. Fred Porter led in a season of prayer for the student revival. Mrs. Harold Russ gave a talk on "Entertaining Speeches."

Members present were Mesdames Porter, Posey, Lewis, Bliss, Moore, Brian, Russ, DuBose, Hester, Cox, Redden, and the hostess, Mrs. Dandignac.

The next meeting will be April 4 at the home of Mrs. N. A. Moore. At this meeting we are having the lady members of the "Gideon's 300" organization of the University Church; and we expect to have Mrs. Mead as our guest speaker.

EVENTS TO COME

- March 11-17—Religious Emphasis Week, H-SU.
- March 14-15—District 10 Convention, Borger.
- March 15—District 11 Convention, Olney.
- March 26-27—District Eight convention, Midland.
- March 28-29—District 17 convention, Breckenridge.
- April 16-17—Annual W. M. U. convention, District 17, First Church, Abilene.
- May 2-3—Meeting for associational officers in Training Union, Waco
- May 13-16—Evangelistic Conferences, Seminary Hill.
- June 12-16—Southern Baptist Convention, Baltimore.
- June 24-30—West Texas Assembly, Camp Lueders.
- July 2-12—Texas Baptist Encampment, Palacios.
- July 8-10—Girls Camp, Lueders.
- July 9-17—Menard Baptist Encampment, Menard.
- July 10-12—Boys Camp, Lueders.

COMMENT AND REPORTS FROM DISTRICT ELEVEN

By Missionary John M. Riddell
1201 Burnett, Wichita Falls
District 11 has just closed one of the best sessions that it has ever had since this missionary has known anything about it. We had 300 people to register. Many others who were there for only a short time were not counted. All the speakers were at their best. Dr. W. R. White of Oklahoma City was the guest preacher. I have heard him many times, yet the messages here were the best I have heard. The convention will go to Paducah next year. Come and be with us.

At the meeting of the Baylor-Knox associational workers Tuesday they presented the Missionary with a nice pair of Connolly shoes as a birthday gift. We thank you so much.

Rev. A. C. Huff of Plainview has been called to be pastor of Highland Heights Church, Wichita Falls. We do not know his answer as yet but we are hoping the Lord will lead him this way.

Rev. John R. Stephen of the Seminary has accepted the call of the Bonmarion Church and is now on the field.

Rev. L. H. Hood, who has been a very faithful deacon of the Lamar Avenue Church, was ordained Wednesday night to the full Gospel ministry. He has accepted the call of the Pleasant Valley Church.

Rev. John Corey of the Seminary has resigned at Tonk Valley in the Throckmorton-Young Association.

First Church, Quanah, has employed Mr. J. E. Longino of Georgia as pastor's assistant. We are glad to have him and his good wife in our midst.

A total of 39 churches have given to the Cooperative Program this month. This leaves 79 that did not give. There are 36 churches that have not given anything to world-wide mission causes this whole year.

Cooperative Program Receipts

The following churches have given this month to the Cooperative Program. (Continued on page 2)

RETURNED CONVENTIONER WRITES OF VALLEY TRIP

By Mrs. W. F. Joiner, Caps
A group of workers, five in number, left Abilene at 6:35 o'clock a.m. Monday, March 4, on our journey to the Sunday School Convention at Harlingen in the "Magic Valley." Most of our number had never seen the Valley, so the anticipations of seeing the "new things" were luring us merrily along.

The day was clear and cool, the mellow gray of the early dawn was soon giving away to the golden rays of sunlight, and we were enjoying and beholding the beauty of another sunrise.

Our driver was so thoughtful, courteous and careful that we had no "back seat" driving, which he said he appreciated (or most drivers do). As we merrily rolled along over the good roads, we noted the hills and valleys, a home now and then, a small town, pastures with cattle, sheep, goats and hogs contentedly grazing; then came the winding road over the hills, down the Valley, around curves, until some of us got "sea sick" (?) hence did not enjoy this part of the trip.

Twelve-thirty found us in the historic city, San Antonio; where we ate our lunch in a road side park. We were soon on our way again; and began seeing other cars loaded with Baptists on their way to Harlingen. Yes, we could tell them, you know Baptists are known as a "peculiar people." Greetings by honking of car horns and hand waving were given as we passed.

We arrived in Harlingen at five o'clock with a distance of 500 miles behind us. As we entered the Valley for the first time, we were thrilled by the charming views of citrus groves, with their abundance of fruit, the stately palms, vegetables of many kinds growing—together with all the different activities necessary in planting—growing, gathering and grading ready for marketing—gave us a new thrill.

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IS CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WORTH THE PRICE?

By R. A. COLLINS,
Dean of Students, H-SU
The cost of sending a boy or girl to a church school is certainly more expensive than in the state supported institution of higher learning. From taxation the State of Texas puts into the treasuries of its colleges and universities more than two hundred dollars per year for each student who attends the state institutions. This amounts to more than the tuition and fees charged by the average church school of Texas, and accounts for the financial struggle which is being experienced by our Baptist schools today.

To keep going, the Christian school must have more paying students whose parents see the value of Christian training for life's joys and responsibilities, and who, in recognition of these values are willing to support our Baptist schools by sending their children to them.

Most Christian parents are willing to spend more and more on their children in order that they may make the most of their lives. Deep down in their hearts, mothers and dads sincerely yearn that their boys and girls may have better advantages in life than they themselves have experienced, and these very parents do not mind the extra cost of providing their children with the added opportunity of college training.

Will these loving fathers and mothers see the need and values of Christian education in comparison with that of the secular schools? The answer to this question depends upon how well the Christian school may convince prospective patrons of the advantages of sending their children to be educated within its walls.

What are some of the advantages of the church college or university. In the first place, the college campus atmosphere and, the community around the college are distinctly Christian. The young men and women of today are greatly influenced by the people with whom they associate and by the physical conditions within their immediate environment. The presence of a vast number of Christian fellow students, faculty members and local citizens, all definitely inclined and many of them actively working in God's kingdom, proves to be very wholesome and conducive to good character and religious development.

The primary purpose of the Christian school is to build and continue to build fine, Christian characters among its students. This motive is held uppermost in the minds of the board of trustees, president and faculty members, and is not sacrificed in favor of any other educational objective.

The Christian college courses of study and activities are permeated throughout with the Christian ideals. Is it not worth the cost, to place young men and women in a truly Christian college environment, where it is so much easier to obtain the proper Christian perspective of life's tasks and responsibilities? Is it not wise to buy the best and safest, and most satisfactory type of higher training for our children from the schools which are distinctly Christian, in their purposes, curriculums and activities? "For what doth it profit a man, if he gain the whole world and lost his own soul."

WELCOME TO WACO --MAY 2ND AND 3RD

By J. M. Dawson
May I have the privilege of expressing on behalf of all Waco Baptists, our keen sense of appreciation of the coming of the Texas Baptist Training Union associational officers, scheduled for May 2-3, here in First Baptist Church. We have listed that conference, among the biggest events of the year locally, although the months ahead are crowded with choicest of gatherings.

This is to say to all your leaders, actual and potential, that we wish them to come for a really great meeting at Waco, "The heart of Texas," around Baylor, "The heart of Texas Baptists." We hope an inspiration in religious education and training may be caught, which will cause your organization to outstrip by far, all past achievements. Command us for anything which will add to your comfort, profit and satisfaction while in Waco.

Breckenridge Makes Preparation To Entertain Banner Convention

DISTRICT NINE PROMOTES TRAINING UNION WORK

At the District 9 Convention in Tahoka, Tuesday afternoon, President J. D. Riddle of Abilene urged churches represented to join one of the study course clubs that is being promoted in Texas.

To join one of the study course clubs, the leadership of the church must agree to inspire the church to earn the definite number of Training Union diplomas and seals. Mr. Riddle urged churches to join the "250 Club," which means that each church joining same are making an effort to earn 250 diplomas and seals during the year.

These churches joined the "250 Club" in District 9:

Ralls, First Church, Rev. W. R. Derr; Plains, First Church, Rev. J. E. Anderson; Levelland, First Church, Rev. A. A. Brian; Plainview, First Church, Rev. L. B. Reavis; Lubbock, Calvary Baptist, Rev. C. J. McCarty; Brownfield, First Church, Rev. Avery Rogers; Friona, First Church, Rev. Joe Wilson.

President Riddle suggested that a large number of churches in Texas start the "100 Club." Any church that will agree to work toward receiving 100 Training Union diplomas and seals during the year, is eligible to join the "100 Club."

The following churches in District 9 joined the "100 Club" at the convention in Tahoka:

Lockney, First Church, Rev. Aaron Shaw; Idalou, First Church, Rev. C. E. Roark; Silvertown, First Church, Rev. Jesse B. Leverett; Plainview, College Heights, Rev. W. N. Clark.

REPORT FROM CROSSROADS AND PLEASANT VALLEY

I think in my other report some days ago I got these dates mixed, but here it is straight. I preach at Crossroads on the first and third Sundays, and at Pleasant Valley on the Second and Fourth Sundays. Last Sunday was our Crossroads day and we sure had a great time. Saturday night Brother Charley Jones, our Associational Brotherhood leader, was with us and we organized a Brotherhood. Our services were all just splendid and I went over to Red Bluff for a service with Brother Hardy in the afternoon. I preached, and very greatly enjoyed it. I like to be with Brother Hardy. He is just a fine companion and when you are with him you just have to be decent for he won't let you be any other way. I like that sort, and when I strike any other kind I get away just as soon as I can. Well, the Workers meeting met with Crossroads on the 11 and it was a wonderful day we had. I thought all the speakers did themselves justice and I think the Lord was proud of them too, for they really did magnify Him.

On Saturday the 9th, I spent the day with Brother Alcorn and the Sardis Church in an all-day B. T. U. study course and it was fine. I like it that way. We had four classes. Brothers Littleton and J. C. Parks, and Sister Murphy and myself were the teachers. In all we had 67 enrolled in the study and I think it was some 65 who took and passed the examinations for the awards.

Now we are planning to have on the first day of April at Crossroads an all-day Sunday School study course, and we are inviting just any others who can to come with us and join in these studies. We will teach some three or four courses and any one who wants either of the courses can come and we will be glad to take them in. Announcement will be made next Sunday just what courses will be offered.

Our Pleasant Valley work is going over great, two fine additions last meeting day and everything seems to be moving along smoothly enough. We have organized a Training Union and they are taking hold of it in a fine way. We have a West Texas Baptist Club and you can just look out to hear from us over there. We are, by the Lord's help, going over.

Joe R. Mayes, Pastor.

Rev. V. A. Duncan has accepted a call of Lum's Chapel, a strong, full-time, rural church in West Plains Association.

NIGHT SESSION TO BE HELD IN TWO SECTIONS

A mass meeting of men with R. A. Springer, state leader of laymen making the principal address and a business session of the W. M. U. will meet simultaneously at 7:00 Thursday evening, March 28, during the District 17 convention in Breckenridge.



R. A. SPRINGER
State Laymen's Leader

The convention will open with a general session in the First Baptist Church, Breckenridge, on Thursday morning and will continue through Friday afternoon.

The evening meeting of the women will later merge into the evangelistic services which will be in progress in the host church. But the men, meeting in another part of the city, will continue through the evening.

A feature of the convention will be the District Mission hour, at which time Missionary J. Henry Littleton will present reports on accomplishments achieved during the past year in all phases of the work and goals to be attained in the year to come.

Plans are under way for a luncheon of the executive board of the district during the convention. This will be the official quarterly board meeting.

With high enthusiasm for the convention in Cisco Association, in which the meeting is to be held, one of the largest attendance registrations is expected for the two-day meeting.

The 1939 meeting was with First Church, Sweetwater, and Hardin-Simmons University was host in 1938.

STUDENT PEACE RALLY MARCH

Foreign students in Baylor University, citing that the United States is the only nation in the world in which students are marching toward peace instead of war, will lead all foreign students in Texas in a Rally for Peace on the Baylor campus at Waco, March 30.

President Pat M. Neff of the University, former Governor of Texas and ardent peace advocate, will be principal speaker. The 38 foreign students in Baylor from 12 nations will take parts on the program.

FEBRUARY REPORT FOR DISTRICT 11 MISSIONARY

Below you will find my report for the month of February, 1940:

Sermons and addresses, 11; additions by letter, 1; I have spoken in the following churches: Vernon First, Burkburnett, Petrolia, Throckmorton, First and Highland Heights, Wichita Falls, City View, total 7.

Other churches contacted: Odell, Pleasant Valley, Lockett, Margaret, Midway, Crowell, Lory Memorial, total 7; total contacts, 14.

No. churches pastorless when visited, 4.

Letters mailed out in the interest of our work, 50.

Tracts distributed, 300.

Meetings attended, associational, Workers meetings, 4; Sunday School, 1; W. M. U., 1.

I have helped to ordain six deacons.

The Missionary was in bed with the flu for ten days. But we are up and going again. I am now in a Sunday School Training School with Bethel Church. This is one of our fine country churches.

—John M. Riddell.

MISSIONARY

ESSAGES



We had a good Training School at Gorman last week. Taught Building a Standard Sunday School. Had about 40 enrolled in class. Brother and Mrs. Sanders are leading there in a good way. They have only been in Gorman a little over two years and have led the church in working over their old building by making it a rock veneer and redecorating and rearranging the inside. They have built one of the best six room homes that you will find anywhere. It is a rock veneer also. Brother Frank Dean is their Sunday School superintendent and a good one.

The Callahan County Workers Conference met with the Church at Denton Valley last week. There was a large crowd present and it seems that the work in that association is going forward in a good way. I think every church at this time save Dressy has a pastor. Brother Martin is pastor of Denton Valley and Oplin. He is doing a good work at both places. I am to be with the Oplin Church the last Sunday in this month and in a study course the week following.

The Dudley Church has called Brother Holt Welch of Potosi as pastor. We are expecting the work to look up under his leadership.

Brother Alcorn of Sardis and Brother Joe Mayes of Crossroads are planning a joint Daily Vacation Bible School this spring. These two churches are only three miles apart and this ought to work out in a good way.

The First Church, Anson, started their budget last Sunday and subscribed more than three thousand dollars in the morning service. We are going to hear more from Anson as the days go by. Brother Doyle is giving himself to the building of a great program there.

Let all of us plan to attend the district convention at Breckenridge the 28th and 29th. Certainly every pastor should come and urge his people to come. We want to make this the best convention in the state.

We want to remember that the last Associational-wide Training Service Conference is to be held in Waco May 2 and 3. The Sunday School Board will allow two cents a mile on three cars from each association. It is not too early to begin work on this. We want 21 cars filled with people to go from our district.

Brother D. G. Reid spoke to the Brotherhood of the Cottonwood Church Monday night. He had a good crowd present. If your church does not have a Brotherhood, organize one. They will be a blessing to your church.

DISTRICT 9 MISSIONARY GOES TO WICHITA FALLS

Rev. A. C. Huff, Plainview, who has successfully led District 9 as missionary for two years, resigned last week to accept the call as pastor of Highland Heights Church, Wichita Falls.

He assumed his new duties on March 17, and will move on the new field immediately. The church has been without a pastor since Rev. J. I. Gregory resigned just before Christmas to accept the pastorate at Bonham.

Missionary Huff leaves one of the best organized districts in the state and one in which he has consistently cooperated in advancing the work of laymen. His last task as missionary on the Plains was to lead a group of deacons in studying the duties of their office.

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R. E. DUDLEY Editor

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THE DISTRICT CONVENTION

Although the district organization in Texas has functioned long enough to establish its undeniable merit, the district convention is still in the formative stage, with leaders all over the state still exploring an uncharted domain.

In many districts there is only a joint conference of the Training Union and the Sunday School with some prominent visiting speakers. In the western districts, there is a definite tending toward a full review of all denominational work within the district.

We believe such will be the ultimate solution, not to create a divisive trend in our State work, but, rather to strengthen it by inspiring thousands of Baptists who could not get inside the State convention halls if they should attend.

A NEW FEATURE

The West Texas Baptist is exceedingly happy to present to its readers a series of able and timely articles on various phases of Christian Education, prepared expressly for them by a group of Hardin-Simmons faculty members.

The first of the series, written by Dr. R. A. Collins, dean of students, appears in this issue. Other writers from week to week will include Dr. W. D. Bond, Dr. N. A. Moore, Miss Eva Rudd, Dr. W. A. Stephenson, Miss Thelma Andrews, Dean L. Q. Campbell and Dr. E. B. Atwood.

As Dr. J. M. Price recently pointed out, Southern Baptists have lost fifty schools since the Civil War, while of 300 educational institutions founded by Southern Baptists before the Civil War, only six remain.

If we are to continue the schools which we have, we must do more than wishful wishing that rich men will contribute large sums. Large endowment gifts are worthy and are very important; so, too, are continued and multiplied small donations.

If Baptist churches in Texas would average setting aside one dollar each Sunday for Christian Education, the total would exceed probable present interest on a five million endowment. God has a place for every giver, great or small.

TEN DON'TS FOR THE PULPIT

By Jeff D. Ray, D. D., Professor of Homiletics, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. (From the book "Meant for Men")

Yes, I am flying in the face of recognized pedagogy, that teaching should be positive—not negative. But I am in good company. I am in harmony with an old document printed first on Mount Sinai. Most of its ten paragraphs begin with "Thou shalt not." But in spite of that presumably improper pedagogy it has gone quietly on shaping the thinking of nations for about forty centuries.

Since I am more interested in preachers than in pedagogy, and like them more than I do it, I wish to give very tersely, somewhat timidly, and certainly affectionately, "Ten Don'ts for the Pulpit."

Don't snort. If the nose needs blowing, perform the operation gently—noiselessly.

Don't yell. All your hearers are on this side of the street. Noise is a poor substitute for ideas.

Don't make a figure four of your legs as you sit in the pulpit by placing the ankle of the right leg on the knee of the left, or vice versa. Such a performance is not only not graceful, but positively crude.

Don't put the hands in the trouser pockets. You probably got the habit from the scientific fact that nature abhors a vacuum. But it is, to put it mildly, a very inelegant practice. The great Dr. Broadus characterized it as vulgar.

Don't wear sport clothes in the pulpit. A dark suit, a white shirt, collar, and handkerchief will evoke no remarks. The best dressed man in the pulpit or anywhere else in the United States is the man whose clothes call forth the least comment.

Don't scold absentees. You are paid a salary to preach to those who come to hear you, not to those who prefer to stay away, or are providentially kept away. If you have anything to say to the absentees, go to them and say it to their faces—if you are man enough.

Don't brag. Your bragging about your achievements or making an atmosphere that will proclaim them is reprehensible even though you apologize for the display of bad taste with the pious camouflage—"I do it for the sake of the cause, and give God all the glory." To you it may "make a noise like good," but it grates on the nerves of people who are both sensitive and sensible. If you have achieved unusual success, let somebody else portray it without any adroit connivance from you; and even if nobody tells what notable things you have wrought, I think you will live over it and live happily ever after. At least the experiment is worth a trial. I know some men who seem never to have tried it.

Don't whine. You may think your road is rough, but with most of your congregation it is much worse. You are put in the pulpit to help, and your doleful idledrums will not help anybody, not even yourself. The people out there will trust and follow the preacher who knows how to "take it on the chin."

Don't be a snob. The surest way to lose the good will and respect of your leading men, if they are men whose good will is worth having, is to fawn on them and kowtow to them and ignore the lesser lights.

Don't say "set" when you mean "sit," and "lay" when you mean "lie." If you have no grammar, sell your golf sticks and buy one.

News Notes

The Baptist Standard has been enlarged from 16 pages weekly to 20, making it the largest Baptist state paper in size as well as circulation. Dr. McConnell is to be congratulated on this distinction.

"Religion With a Song," the new volume by Dr. Millard A. Jenkins, is being featured in Baptist Book Store advertising throughout the South.

There were 156 additions the first week of the Hyman Appelman revival at Immanuel Church, Tulsa.

Rev. Sidney Martin, pastor at Memphis, Texas, supplied March 17 for First Church, Vernon, in the absence of Dr. E. S. James, who is assisting Pastor C. R. Joyner in a revival at Spur.

Six Littlefield churches will hold simultaneous revivals, beginning Easter. Pastor Roy Shahan and local forces will conduct the Baptist meeting.

First Church, Littlefield, has added opera-type chairs to the wings of the auditorium and now have them as well as the pews practically all filled at Sunday morning services.

Rev. and Mrs. Sam E. Brian and Alice Dequire helped Brother Cole in a study course at Pumphrey last week.

Missionary A. C. Huff of District 9 led the study of "Honoring the Deaconship" three nights last week at Muleshoe. Deacons from several churches in western West Plains Association attended.

Clyde Church invites the pastor and deacons of Callahan Association to participate in ordaining of four deacons at 3:00 Sunday afternoon. Candidates are: R. P. Adams, M. L. Green, Amon Petty, and Archie Pee.

The Potosi W. M. S. held an all-day meeting with a covered dish luncheon March 6 in connection with the Annie W. Armstrong Week of Prayer. "Home Missions" was the subject of the day's study which closed with an offering.

Comment and Reports

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gram. If your church is not in the list then they have not given this month:

Baylor-Knox Association	
Red Springs	\$ 21.00
Vera	30.00
Total	\$ 50.00

Clay Co. Association	
Belleuve	\$ 22.54
Blue Grove	2.50
Henrietta	25.00
Petrolia	15.00
Vashti	3.17
Total	\$ 68.21

Red Fork Association	
Broadmore	\$ 10.00
Childress First	201.00
Chillicothe	16.60
Elba	4.35
Hoolyanne	1.50
Paducah	53.77
Quanah	106.02
Tell	1.05
Valley View	13.53
Total	\$407.82

Throckmorton-Young Assn.	
Graham First	\$ 25.00
Graham Oak St.	5.00
Ingleside	14.60
Jean	25.00
Markley	3.10
Olney	37.76
Proffitt	1.46
South Bend	2.00
Total	\$113.92

Wichita-Archer Association	
Cashion	\$ 16.00
City View	2.50
Electra	86.25
Iowa Park	35.26
Holliday	24.75
Wichita Falls Churches:	
First	814.18
North Side	27.00
South Side	34.00
West Side	12.61
Total	\$1,086.45

Wilbarger-Foard Assn.	
Harold	\$ 6.00
Oklahoma	7.65
Rock Crossing	1.00
Tolbert	6.40
Vernon First	297.00
Total	\$318.05

SEMINARY NEWS ITEMS

At the recent Texas Sunday School Convention at Harlingen, Southwestern Baptist Seminary was host at a unique reception. On the occasion of the convention's first visit to the Rio Grande Valley, President L. E. Scarborough and several other faculty members entertained friends of the Seminary at the Floral Mills Carter Citrus Grove. This grove of two hundred acres was an endowment gift to the Seminary by Mrs. Carter of Mercedes, Texas. Several hundred guests journeyed the 40 miles from Harlingen for the reception at which they were served all the grapefruit they could eat. Dr. Scarborough reports only slight damage done to the valuable citrus trees in the grove during the recent freeze.

Dr. Scarborough is this week in a revival meeting with the Temple Baptist Church, Wilmington, North Carolina, Dr. A. J. Barton, pastor.

Dr. J. B. Cranfill of Dallas was a recent speaker to the chapel of the Seminary. Dr. Cranfill's message was a tribute to President and Mrs. L. R. Scarborough and the faculty of the Seminary whose untiring efforts have brought the Seminary through many critical periods to its present place of growth in serving the denomination.

PROGRAM

Jones County W. M. U. Mission Study Institute, First Church, Anson, March 23, 9:30 A. M.

9:30 Devotional, Mrs. M. P. May.

9:45 Day Dawn in Yoruba Land, Mrs. Stell and Doyle.

10:30 Livingston the Pathfinder, Mrs. George Smith, Intermediate R. A. and G. A. book.

11:13 Little Black Sunday, Mrs. George Flournoy, Sunbeam Book.

11:45 Inspirational Address, Mrs. Dick O'Brien.

12:15 Covered dish lunch.

1:15 Song Service and Prayer.

1:30 Patricia of Rumania, Mrs. H. E. East, Junior R. A. and G. A. Book.

2:00 Day Dawn in Yoruba Land, Mrs. Stell and Doyle.

2:30 Short Business Session.

Returned Conventioneer

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We got our home assignment at the First Baptist Church (a good place to see who was there). We were fortunate to be centrally located. The convention opened Tuesday morning with President Robert Jolly at the helm; Robert Coleman of Dallas leading the congregational singing in a great fashion; welcome given by Hugh Ramsey and Paul Vickers, Harlingen.

Our secretary of Sunday School Board, Nashville, Dr. T. L. Holcomb, filled our hearts with new visions of service and encouragement as he spoke on "The Father Glorified." It is useless for me to begin to tell you of all the good things of the convention. It was a great convention.

Many Baptists from every section of the state were there: an actual correct registration of 5,335. In the Valley proper there are 29 Baptist churches with a membership of 9,327 and 680 baptisms last year. People were there to get information and inspiration for themselves and to take back to the workers who could not come. It was a thrill to be one of the great host of Baptists there intent on the King's business.

We made two tours after the conference closed Tuesday and Wednesday. Wednesday's tour took us to the Seminary groves, where we were greeted by Dr. Scarborough and his staff of helpers. Every one was served all the delicious sweet grape fruit they could eat. We also visited Mrs. Scarborough's "Log Cabin," where they will live when they get old. Some cabin it was, with all modern conveniences and eight or nine rooms. Looking out of one of the cabin windows upstairs all we could see was grapefruit and orange trees, a beautiful scene; about 500 acres in this one grove of citrus fruit.

Harlingen entertained the convention in a great way. Three other towns, Weslaco, McAllen and Brownsville, had services each night.

On and on we could go but space forbids. We must now turn homeward.

We left Mercedes where we ate lunch about 1:30 p.m., drove to Blanco and spent the night, leaving early Friday morning we reached Brownwood, ate lunch, and left immediately for Abilene, arriving about 3 p.m. with gratitude in our hearts to God for His care and keeping, and to our driver and his good companion for their kindness in taking us along, and many courtesies while there. May we not be a disappointment to the churches from which we went.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

March 24, 1940

By Hight C Moore

THE SEPULCHER: TRIUMPH OVER DEATH

Read Matthew 27:57 to 28:15
Study Matthew 27:57 to 28:6

Into the tomb from Calvary was borne, embalmed and buried the dead body of Jesus. Before the tomb on the cliffside, stone-closed by the owner and officially sealed by the government, was stationed a squad of Roman soldiers. Out of the tomb on the third day emerged the risen Christ just as he had repeatedly predicted. So the sepulcher proved the scene and setting of his triumph over death.

1. The Jewish Councilor Who Gave the Tomb (Matt. 27)

The dead body of Jesus was buried. The man who buried Jesus: who was he? His name was Joseph, a good name, and no doubt he bore it worthily. He was a man of Arimathea which was a city of the Jews. He was rich, having probably won his wealth by his own effort rather than by inheritance. He was of honorable estate, well esteemed by his fellow citizens. He was a councilor, a member of the Sanhedrin, though it is expressly stated that he had not consented to the death of Jesus. He is called a good and righteous man—good as to his inner life and righteous as to his outer life. He was looking for the kingdom of God, and for long his eye had been gazing heavenward for the fulfillment of the messianic promise. And, best of all, he was a disciple of Jesus, for, though he sat in the highest court of the Jews, he was yet a sincere student at the feet of the lowly Nazarene.

Such was the man who went boldly in unto Pilate who had pronounced the death sentence upon Jesus. With earnest devotion he asked the Governor for the body now lifeless at Golgotha. Under his own supervision the limp form of the Savior was carefully and tenderly taken down from the cross. A costly linen cloth was purchased, and in it was wrapped the body of Jesus together with the spices furnished by Nicodemus.

2. The Roman Soldiers Who Guarded the Tomb (Matt. 27)

The dead and buried body of Jesus was government guarded. The Jews in their hate, better than the disciples in their sorrow, remembered the prophecies of resurrection. And they knew that a resurrection, or any semblance of it, would be a terrible indictment of them. So they determined to forestall any such event. In violation of their own sabbatic law, therefore, they besought Pilate for a guard to be placed at the tomb. Their request was granted, and either on the evening of the crucifixion or, more probably, the next morning, a guard of Roman soldiers was stationed at the sepulcher where the body of Jesus lay. It was their duty to know that the body was within and to see that it was not taken away till the prediction was falsified. (Continuing the government story: The strength of the guard and the weight of the stone at the sepulcher's mouth and the authority of imperial Rome as stamped in the seal—all were defied and overcome by the mightier power within. Despite the hate and cunning of the Jews, the resurrection prophecy must be fulfilled. It was very early Sunday morning, perhaps not later than 3 o'clock, when this glorious event took place. The Holy One had not seen corruption. No more bled, the aching wounds nor throbbed the pulses in agony. With angels attending he conquered death and emerged victor from his dark stronghold. The guard was filled with consternation and fled into the city to report the startling news. It was a shock to the Jews more than to the Romans; they saw the pitiable plight they would be in if the resurrection were heralded abroad, and hence by bribing and going security for the guard, they started the false report that the body of Jesus was stolen by the disciples while the soldiers were asleep at their post by the tomb).

3. The Risen Christ Who Vented the Tomb (Matt. 28)

The dead, buried and guarded body of Jesus arose and left the tomb empty. First of the followers of Jesus to find his tomb empty was that famous group of godly women

who turned sadly away from the hasty burial on Friday afternoon and apparently went Saturday evening to find the sepulcher sealed and guarded, but reappeared on Sunday morning as the dawn-streaks illumined the horizon. What was their amazement now to find the Roman guard gone, the government seal broken, the stone rolled away, the sepulcher emptied of its dead, the grave clothes lying in place, and the white-robed angel sitting within the vault! Affrighted but reassured and given a message to the apostles, they turned away from the deserted tomb as the earliest witnesses of the resurrection.

Jesus Triumphed Over Death

Jesus Died. The actual death of Jesus is asserted in the Gospels. His suffering was sufficient to produce it. The spear-thrust demonstrated it.

Jesus Buried. Two members of the Sanhedrin provided for and officiated at the burial. Faithful women attended and marked the hallowed spot.

Jesus Guarded. The detachment of Roman soldiers was stationed before the sealed sepulcher, which, to their certain knowledge, contained the body of Jesus and no other.

Jesus Risen. Very early on Sunday morning came the awful earthquake, the mighty angel, and the glorious resurrection—the best attested fact in all history.

Jesus Missing. How the hearts of those godly women ached that morning when they found not the dead body of the Master! But the absent Jesus was nearer than they thought!

Jesus Located. Angel voices told the glad news of the risen Christ. He was not dead. His body had not been stolen. He would meet his disciples in Galilee.

Jesus Seen. The empty tomb was good evidence of the resurrection. But the ten or twelve appearances of Jesus were even more convincing.

Jesus Proclaimed. The good woman who first saw the risen Christ was authorized to spread the good news of the resurrection. Better Gospel the world had never heard.

Jesus Trusted. The resurrection seemed too good to be true to the primitive disciples. They wanted to believe it, but for a time doubt overcame the faith of some. They doubted in order that we may never doubt.

Jesus Reigning. There can be no reasonable doubt that Jesus is living at this moment and will live forevermore. And remember, the risen Christ is the reigning and returning Christ.

GOLD IN THE GOLDEN TEXT

Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that sleep. I Cor. 15:20.

The dead Christ did not hang upon the cross in vain. He died for our sins, according to the Scriptures.

The risen Christ proved his power over death and the grave. He is now at the right hand of the Father. He occupies his throne and will put all enemies under his feet.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

March 25. The Continuing Task. Matt. 28:16-20.

March 26. Christ's Program for His Church. Acts 1:1-8.

March 27. Our Task in Evangelism. John 1:35-42.

March 28. Our Task in Teaching. Deut. 6:4-9.

March 29. Our Christian Example. I Peter 2:11-17.

March 30. Supporting the Church. II Cor. 8:1-8.

March 31. The Universal Call to Worship. Psalm 96:1-13.

PROGRAM

Workers Conference, West Plains Association, Meeting With Lum's Chapel Tuesday, March 25

Song and Praise Service, Rev. Gerald Moore, Plainview.

The Deacon and His Place in Kingdom Work, Rev. A. C. Huff, district missionary.

The Opportunities and Responsibilities of Officers and Teachers, Rev. C. T. Jordan, Earth.

Special music arranged by Brother A. M. Sanders, Earth.

Sermon, Roy Shahan, Littlefield. Luncheon.

W. M. U. and executive board meeting.

Budgeting The Church, Rev. E. H. Dickerson, Sudan.

Stewardship of Money, Rev. Alfred Richards, Circle Back.

Note: We want the services in our churches to begin and close on time. May we strive to carry out the same desires in our Workers Conference? The program begins at 10 a.m.

"The Evils of the Liquor Traffic"

By L. H. WELCH

(Delivered at Cisco Association Workers Conference March 1)

Whether one is young or old, gay or sedate, we cannot get away from the evils of the liquor question today. With more than one hundred thousand liquor saloons, beer taverns, and cocktail bars, strewn on every highway from Maine to California, you are confronted everywhere you turn with the menace of drinking drivers. There is not so much danger in the drunk driver, as in the drinking driver.

A government does not serve its full purpose if it fails to guard jealously and with all its power, the moral well-being of the people.

The evils of intemperance, intemperate drinking, remain with us, whether we have prohibition or the legal sale of intoxicating liquors.

Alcohol improperly used will kill, and it makes no difference whether it be the product of a bootlegger's plant, or a modern distillery. The suffering, disgrace, remorse and heartaches are there, no matter who fills the bottle.

In prohibition days we battled against the illicit maker and distributor, who operated under cover. Today our battle is against the licensed distributor whose greed blinds him to his social responsibilities.

The situation today with reference to the liquor traffic is worse than it was in the darkest days of the saloon. We have permitted conditions to grow up that demand drastic treatment.

We are wandering far away from the ways of our fathers when we assume that a Dive Keeper may wreck the morals of our youth and pay off his damages in dollars. How can you appraise the damage to a wrecked and fallen youth, whether a fine boy or the fairest flower of the home, a maiden, and repair the blighted character in paying assessed value of damages in dollars.

Beer joints with obscure windows, with booths for privacy, dance floors as one adjunct and tourist facilities as another, are a combination as vicious as any that has ever been devised to bedaub the morals of our rising generation.

When the Democratic party wrote repeal in its national platform eight years ago, putting the morals of our youth on a dollar valuation, they thereby sealed the doom of the Democratic party, unless it can redeem itself from its plight. Man shall reap the fruits of his sowing.

When our great national leader advocated the repeal of the 18th Amendment to our National Constitution, placing the morals of our future generations on the basis of dollars and cents for revenues, there was a sowing that has begun to produce its harvest.

Some of the reported results of repeal. Note moral condition in the District of Columbia. Morals at low ebb, liquor sold everywhere. In 1938 1,044 illegitimate births reported in Washington, D. C., of which 234 were of mothers 16 years of age or under, some mothers reported to be eleven and twelve years of age. The nation's

capital reported to have the highest illegitimate rate for the whole nation!

Statistics show more than thirteen million five hundred thousand girls and young women behind bars dispensing alcoholic beverage in America today. Three times as many as there are young women in our universities and colleges. Think of the influence, physical and moral effect this will produce in the lives of our next two generations.

Survey in some leading universities reveal as high as 83 per cent of those enrolled drink intoxicating beverages. 17 per cent only abstainers. Another survey shows 52 per cent of the young people in certain cities and sections drink, while 19.3 per cent reported opposing drinks. Other surveys show in certain cities more than 68 per cent of the girls drinking alcoholic beverages, as well as more than half the boys.

Yet, we have been fooled in believing repeal will check drinking, bring back prosperity, and put millions of unemployed to work. MAY GOD HELP US TO OPEN OUR EYES AND SEE THIS EVIL IN ALL ITS DECEIT.

Some people argue that to attempt to regulate drinking interferes with man's personal liberties, and his inherent right to drink. Would you say the engineer on passenger trains should enjoy the liberty to get drunk at will and drive trains and endanger the lives of his passengers?

You say the law should regulate their drinking and require these men to be sober so as not to endanger the lives of their passengers.

Then how about the thirty-five million licensed automobile engineers, entrusted with high powered automobiles upon the public highways daily, where there are no rails or guards or signals to warn or guide them? Should these not be required to be sober? How about the pedestrians, when the statistics show such an alarming number killed each year because of being intoxicated and walking directly in the path of moving automobiles.

Tragic it is to contemplate the economic and social wreckage lying in the wake of repeal. The cost of accidental injuries in America in 1938, was \$2,300,000,000; from motor vehicles alone \$750,000,000. One person killed every 16 minutes on an average by automobiles, 89 average deaths per day, or 32,400 yearly. Persons injured from automobile accidents being 1 every 27 seconds, 130 each hour, 3,200 each day and 1,150,000 during the year.

If we could just devise some mechanical device, similar to the radio, by which we could gather up for just one hour, all the wails, moans, cries of pain and distress which come up from the streets, highways and hospitals of America, caused by drinking alcohol, every person who could hear this for one moment would never again need to hear a prohibition speech, they would ever after vote, at every opportunity, to forever banish the curse from America. We could not stand to hear these cries for one hour.

During the year 1939, Texas alone paid into the U. S. treasury as taxes and revenues for alcoholic beverages, the staggering sum of \$4,890,240.40. Add to this the taxes and revenues paid to the State of Texas, then to this the cost to the consumer, then estimate, if your minds are capable of doing so, the loss yearly to Texas, by drinking alcoholic beverage. Take this staggering sum, invest it in some legal, profit-gaining, commercial en-

Cooperative Program Percentage Report

February, 1940

Below is a table giving District, Missionary, Number Churches in District, Number Churches Giving in February, Percent Churches Giving in February; Percent Churches Giving in January, Number Churches Not Giving for Year, and Number Churches Giving First Time This Year, in order:

1. M. A. Roberts	177	51	28.8%	24.8%	84	8
2. Frank Gayer	221	58	26.2%	30.3%	99	4
3. O. D. Martin	135	32	23.7%	48.1%	50	—
4. J. D. Brannon	211	91	43.1%	51.1%	45	5
5. N. B. Moon	99	42	42.4%	53.5%	24	—
6. W. J. Ray	161	92	57.1%	65.8%	18	6
7. J. A. Kidd	41	31	75.6%	60.9%	1	2
8. W. C. Harrison	86	26	30.2%	34.9%	22	—
9. A. C. Huff	184	54	29.3%	34.8%	44	4
10. J. C. McKenzie	93	66	71.0%	64.5%	9	4
11. J. M. Riddell	118	39	33.0%	40.7%	37	4
12. W. R. Hornburg	321	59	18.7%	26.7%	150	11
13. E. W. Marshall	397	93	23.4%	33.1%	167	4
14. M. O. Cheek	216	103	47.6%	46.5%	46	8
15. J. A. McIver	249	51	22.9%	34.2%	96	3
16. J. P. King	202	58	28.7%	32.3%	71	4
17. Henry Littleton	173	67	38.7%	31.2%	55	12
Totals	3084	1013	32.5%	38.7%	1017	79

From the above statement you will see that we did better by the Cooperative Program in the month of February than we did in January. Yet not half of our churches gave. Brother Pastor, won't you try to get your church to do something for Missions before the first of April. The church that is not Missionary will DIE.

terprise, and estimate the number of unemployed men who could be furnished employment and an honest support annually in Texas from this investment. Where is our prosperity derived from return of sale of alcoholic beverage and the repeal of prohibition?

No person has a right to dethrone his reason and impair his good judgment by intemperate use of alcohol, and thereby endanger public safety and the general welfare of society. Personal liberty in society is circumscribed by the rights of others.

Personal liberty does not mean personal license to inflict an injury upon another person or to his property. Personal liberty cannot in justice infringe upon the rightful liberty of others.

No person has a right or liberty to rob another of his property, his honor or his life. No man has a right to sell to the public poisoned food, or a deadly, habit-forming drug, no matter how much the individual may crave it, and justify himself under the guise of personal liberty.

Those who advocate sale of alcohol agree adulterated food, injurious to health, should not be sold under claim of personal liberty.

Again the wets say the prohibition laws were not enforced. The law against theft, murder, robbery, arson, etc., are no more efficiently enforced. Therefore, will we be justified in licensing these criminals to continue in crime, provided each criminal will pay the government \$500 a year as a privilege and as a revenue to operate the state and relieve the tax burden for the tax payer.

Would these same people advocate the legalizing of ravishing the young womanhood of our state, just so long as the criminal maniac pays \$500 yearly revenue into the state for this privilege, and for the wrecked and damned souls.

How then can we justify ourselves in granting a license to sell alcoholic beverages to the most ruthless, heartless, consciousness, and lawless gang and say to them that for so much revenue they may transform hundreds of thousands of men and women into staggering, reeling, cursing, fighting, irresponsible drunkards, criminals, murderers and vagabonds.

It is a matter justly conceded that it is utterly impossible for a wet officer to enforce a dry law. Therefore in this election year, it is the duty of all voting citizens, not only to vote for return of prohibition. Duty is not done when you vote for return of prohibition, unless you also vote to elect men to public office who are in harmony with dry laws. Until this is done prohibition will still be a failure.

No father has a right to come home staggering, curse and abuse his wife and children because of drink.

No mother has a right to bring shame, disgrace and a handicap upon her off-spring because of drink.

No son has a right to bring reproach and disgrace, dishonor, and ingratitude upon an upright and respectable father and mother because of drink.

No daughter has a right to bring shame and reproach upon the mother who gave her existence, because of drink.

Any nation that debauches and corrupts its youth through the curse of drink destroys its own future and commits national suicide. Every man or woman who voted for legalized sale of alcoholic drinks, brings a curse upon himself or herself, and their off-spring, and the blood of every man, woman and child, who loses life or suffers personal injury because of drink, will be on the hands of the voter who votes for the sale of alcoholic beverage.

DISTRICT 11 MISSIONARY STRESSES D. B. C. RALLY

To Pastors in District 11, Dear Brethren:

A rally in the interest of Decatur Baptist College is to be held in the college chapel at Decatur on Friday March 29, beginning at 9:30 a.m., and all pastors of District 11 are requested to advertise this meeting in their churches and workers' meetings. In addition, pastors are urged to attend this rally, bring as many friends of the college as possible, and also as many young people as possible who are planning to go away to college next fall.

The contribution of Decatur College to the various phases of denominational life, and the consequent obligation of the people to the college will be discussed in 15-minute talks by the following pastors and workers: Revs. J. R. Balch, W. J. Epting, J. D. Thorn, C. R. Bullock, E. L. Moody, Oby Nelson, W. H. Townsend, A. J. Quinn, Perry Evans, Mr. Solon Featherston, and Mrs. B. A. Copass. Miss Newlin, head of the music department of the college, will provide music for the occasion.

Rev. R. A. Clifton, new pastor of the First Baptist Church of McKinney, will preach at 11:30, a barbecue dinner will be served on the campus at the noon hour, the trustees of the college will meet in annual session at 1:30 p.m., and the Y. W. A. House Party will convene in the afternoon of the rally day. So this is to be a day of triple attractions and outstanding importance.

District 11 was well represented in a similar rally held at the college last year, and many people from District 11 will be glad to avail themselves of this opportunity to attend an inspiring rally, and become better acquainted with the opportunity for a thorough going Christian education offered at Decatur College, "The Oldest Junior College in the World."

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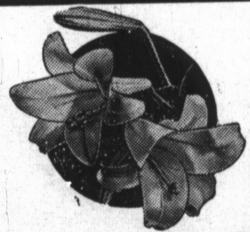
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Y. W. A. HOUSE PARTY ABILENE, MARCH 29-30

Presiding, Mrs. Dick O'Brien, Young Peoples Leader, District 17
Friday Afternoon, March 29

2:30 Registration, First Church.
3:00 Song Service, Elizabeth Duck.
3:10 Introductions, Mrs. Dick O'Brien.
3:25 Welcome, Edna Mangel.
3:35 Response, Marie O'Brien.
3:45 Devotional, Jewette Patton.
4:00 Music, Hardin-Simmons Trio.
4:15 Address, Mrs. B. L. Lockett, Missionary to Africa.
5:00 Adjourn.

Friday Evening

6:45 Fellowship, Men's Adult-class-room.

7:00 Banquet, dining room (special feature, Hostess Y. W. A.).
8:25 Reassemble in Women's Adult assembly room.
8:30 Song Service, Elizabeth Duck.
8:40 Chalk Talk, Frances Saunders.
8:50 Address, Mrs. B. L. Lockett.
9:30 Adjourn.

Saturday Morning

Women's Adult assembly room.
8:30 Morning Devotional, Mrs. J. B. Buckley.
9:00 Hardin-Simmons tours.
10:00 Hardin-Simmons chapel.
Reassemble in Women's Adult as-

WASTELLA BROTHERHOOD ENTERTAINS NEIGHBORS

The Baptist Brotherhood of Wastella entertained a group from other churches at their last meeting. The program was furnished by the Bethel Brotherhood with Pastor Alvin Swearingen making the closing talk on prayer. One feature was whistling and singing by "Mocking Bird" Miles who accompanied himself on a guitar.

Other churches represented were Roscoe, Dunn, Union, Champion, and Colorado Second.

The Wastella Church has maintained a Brotherhood for several years under the leadership of Brethren Wade, Wimon and Joe Williamson, the association Brotherhood leader.

Pastor W. A. Strickland is doing a good work with this church. He has recently moved on the field, where he has 266 members. In this rural church a recent Training Union school issued 72 awards with others to complete the examination later.

10:50 Song Service, Elizabeth Duck.
11:05 Business, Mrs. Dick O'Brien.
11:15 Greetings from Foreign Student, Carmen Arroyo, Mexico.
11:30 Special music, Negro Sextet.
11:45 Address, Mrs. B. L. Lockett.
12:15 Adjourn for lunch (church dining room).

District 17 Baptist Convention

Meeting with First Baptist Church, Breckenridge, Texas, from 10:00 A. M. Thursday, March 28, through the Afternoon of March 29. Rev. Phillip C. McGahey, Host-Pastor.

Officers: President, Rev. P. D. O'Brien, Stamford; vice-presidents: Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. J. B. Buckley, Abilene; Sunday School, J. M. Cook, Abilene; Training Union, L. B. Harden, Stamford; Brotherhood, Judge E. S. Cummings, Abilene; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Broughton Harden, Stamford. Chairman of the district executive board, Rev. C. A. Powell, Abilene; Secretary, Rev. J. S. Tierce, Clyde; Treasurer, R. E. Dudley, Abilene. Missionary, Rev. J. Henry Littleton, Abilene.

Thursday Morning—Rev. Dick O'Brien, Presiding
10:00 Devotional, S. E. Kidd, Breckenridge.
10:30 General Training Union Conference, Dr. T. C. Gardner, leader.

11:15 Special music.
11:20 Address, Mr. G. S. Hopkins.
11:45 Introduction of visitors, announcements.
11:50 Address, President J. D. Riddle.
12:10 Lunch.

Thursday Afternoon—Mrs. J. B. Buckley, Presiding
1:30 District Missions, review and preview, Rev. J. Henry Littleton, leader.

2:15 Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. N. A. Moore, chairman of Christian Education, in charge.
3:00 Violin solo, Macon Summerlin, H-SU.
3:15 Scholarship students, including foreign students.

Thursday Evening, Beginning at 7:00
Laymen's Mass Meeting, Judge E. S. Cummings presiding, R. A. Springer, principal speaker.

Thursday evening, 7:00 to 7:30, First Church Auditorium, W. M. U. business session, Mrs. J. B. Buckley presiding.
7:30 Evangelistic Service, Rev. Carroll B. Ray, guest preacher.

Friday Morning
9:30 Songs, prayers, testimonies, J. M. Sibley, Woodrow Harris.
10:15 General Sunday School Conference, J. M. Cook.
11:00 Congregational song.
11:05 Vacation Bible School, Demonstration and Conference, Abilene First Church.
11:45 Special music.
11:50 Sermon, Jones Weathers.
12:15 Lunch.
1:30 Song Service, 10 minutes, Woodrow Harris.
Reports of committees, election of officers, announcements.
2:00 Special music.
2:05 Sermon.

MITCHELL-SCURRY NEWS

Pastor Cone Merritt is in a revival this week with his church at Buford.

Pastor Melvin Leech and Mrs. V. A. Merritt of Snyder are in a Baptist Training Union school at Dunn, where a new union has just been organized.

Missionary Gozales held a successful meeting with the Mexican Baptist Church at Sweetwater, and goes next week to Champion for a revival.

Pastor Ira Harrison is in a Temple Sanitarium for rest and throat improvement.

Pastor Funderburk of McCamey was a recent supply at First Church, Colorado City.

Mrs. V. A. Merritt of Snyder will teach a group of Intermediates and lead in a week's Training Union Revival at the Second Baptist Church in Colorado City, beginning Monday night, March 25. She is giving much of her time to this work.

A class of adults in "Winning Others to Christ" will be taught by the pastor, and the Juniors and Primaries will have courses.

This church is a member of the 500 Club and has set an aim of 100 awards in this revival.

KOKERNOT GIVES A MILLION

Gift of Corpus Christi, Texas, business property valued at \$1,000,000 to Baylor University and the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary has been announced by the Baptist Foundation of Texas. It is the gift of H. L. Kokernot, long time Baylor trustee, ranchman and capitalist.

Two-thirds of the amount goes to Baylor and the other third to the Seminary. It is to be used for the endowment of the two schools, and raises the Baylor endowment figure to approximately \$2,500,000.

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CHURCH BULLETIN SECTION

O. K. CHURCH

Our Training Union study course will begin March 24. Every member is urged to attend.

We are planning a Fifth Sunday meeting to meet with our church; let us be praying that God will give us a great day.

Be sure to come to church Sunday. Our crowds are still growing.
Joe Snellgrove, S. S. Supt.
Sam E. Brian, Pastor.

WILMETH CHURCH

Our Spring revival will begin Monday evening, April 7. Everyone is invited and urged to come.

Our next study course will be an all-day course April 10.

We will observe the Lord's Supper in the evening service on April 7.
John W. Henry, S. S. Supt.
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B. T. U., 7 P. M., Alvis Bond, Director.

Sunday was a good day. We missed a number of you. We had one conversion and three re-dedications. The Lord was there. Sunday is Easter. Rejoice because you have a living Savior.
Chas. Tarrance, Pastor.

JOHNSON CHAPEL

Preaching service Saturday night, 7:30.
Sunday School, 10:00; Preaching, 11:00.

The Missionary Band from University Church will put on a program at the evening service.
Cecil McBeth, Pastor.

DRASCO

We want to make ready for the Workers Conference on Monday after First Sunday. Remember our conference Saturday night before First Sunday. The study course on Wednesday nights seem to be a success. All are invited to attend.
Harold Russ, Pastor.

SECOND BAPTIST, COLORADO

Next week, March 22 to 29, is Training Union Study Course week and the school will be under the direction of Mrs. Merritt, volunteer associational worker. Several out-of-town speakers have been invited, and the goal set at 100 awards. An effort will be made to enroll the entire church membership.

Easter Sunday the pastor will speak on "The Lord's Day, a Weekly Reminder of the Resurrection," and at night, "The Christian's Strongest Desire," Philippians 3:1-14.

The church enters its eighth month with thanksgiving and zeal for a greater future.
Scott Hickey, Pastor.



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