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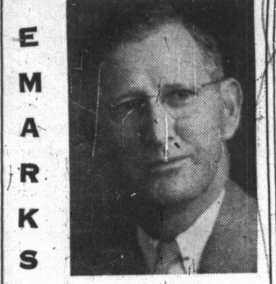
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## HOSPITAL PREPARING FOR LARGER CALL FOR CHARITY

### RAMBLING



By DICK O'BRIEN

Over a period of nearly ten years I have sat down to my typewriter on Monday of practically every week and pecked out in my own peculiar typing technique the above title. I have tried to visualize my "seven readers," and entertained a secret hope that the column that week would give each of them a passing smile. The response I have had by letters, cards and personally spoken words has led me to believe that I have provoked a few chuckles over the years. I have spent about an average of one hour per week writing the column, and they have been happy hours as I have turned my imagination loose and let it ramble from the ridiculous to the more ridiculous and often to the most ridiculous. I have found welcome release from the serious side of life which constantly presses itself upon a modern preacher. Maybe you seven readers had never thought of it, but it is the rarest thing in the world when anybody comes to see a preacher unless they have troubles and want counsel, or want a willing shoulder to weep on. . . . I have written on hundreds of subjects and have never thrown light on any of them. I have pounded my family and my best friends and they have taken it in stride and often asked for more. I have had old people, sick people and other shut-ins to indicate their interest in this weekly nonsense, and have thrilled at the opportunity of giving them a brief moment of relaxation. I have had letters from editors, lawyers, insurance men, farmers, housewives, bankers, and about every other type of individual native to this hemisphere, expressing appreciation for some tall tale or some ludicrous incident which had reminded them of something similar in their own lives. "And my preacher friends have been more than kind in their generous comments on the column. I had the rare experience of having the greatest living preacher tell me personally that he read the column each week, and to use his own words, "it made him chuckle." If anyone ever criticized the column it has been mercifully kept from me. I did have one serious minded person ask me why I did not put something sensible in it, and I replied that by so doing I would lose every reader I had except him and it just wasn't worth the sacrifice. . . . It makes me a little sad to think this will be the last time

### EVENTS TO COME

- May 10—Mother's Day Offering for Hospital Charity.
- May 14-15—W. M. U. Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, San Antonio.
- May 16-20—Southern Baptist Convention, San Antonio.
- June 1-4—State Evangelistic Conference, Seminari Hill.
- June 10-18—B. S. U. week, Ridgecrest.
- June 15-17—Boys' camp at Ceta Glen.
- June 17-19—Girls' Camp at Ceta Glen.
- June 22-28—General Encampment, Lueders.
- July 1-10—Texas Baptist Encampment, Palacios.
- July 6-7—Girls Camp, Lueders.
- July 8-10—Boys Camp, Lueders.
- July 13-21—Alto Frio Encampment, near Leakey.
- July 14-22—Central Texas Encampment, Latham Springs.
- July 13-19—Lampassas Encampment.
- July 6-12—Menard Encampment, Menard.
- July 27-August 8—Paisano Encampment, between Alpine and Marfa.
- August 3-9—Ceta Glenn Encampment, near Happy.

### PAPER HAS PERFORMED A NOBLE SERVICE

By W. R. White

West Texas Baptist has rendered a noble service to the people of West Texas and especially to the development of our Baptist life. It has experienced the longest continuous service of any of our sectional papers. It has been ably edited from its beginning. It was never more ably edited than now. At the climax of its circulation for several years, it now merges into a larger paper for a greater service. The generosity of a noble layman has made possible its continued existence through the years.

The coming of the District Convention idea has created a new situation among Texas Baptists. It has made inevitable a number of adjustments and changes.

Hardin-Simmons University is profoundly grateful for the invaluable service rendered it by the West Texas Baptist through the years. We can see and understand the basis for the present change. We wish to express our deepest thanks to Mr. George Anderson, Mr. R. E. Dudley, and all those who have been associated with the paper through the years.

There was a time when such a paper was indispensable. A state has to develop by sections. Solidarity comes with time. The West Texas Baptist has promoted the larger vision through the years, but now sees the full fruitage of its labors. It has rendered an enduring and effective service. All of us should throw ourselves anew behind the wider circulation of the Baptist Standard in our section. We should back our District Missionaries to the limit. An intense emphasis upon our work in this section, along with our cooperation with the larger group, should be the passionate purpose of all our hearts. This is just another step of healthy growth through which we are passing. We will welcome it as such and move on by God's grace to still greater things.

### BALLINGER MISSIONARY IS HOMEWARD BOUND

Miss Mary Elizabeth Truly and Miss Vivian Nowell left Nigeria the latter part of March for the United States. Let us remember them in prayer during these days of peril on the high seas.—F.M.B.

The Christian Service Band of H-SU gave programs at Pleasant Valley, Cross Roads and Roby churches on April 26. They found the work going fine at these places and had appreciative audiences. Love offerings amounted to \$20.

### HOSPITAL GIVEN \$1,325 FOR MEMORIAL EQUIPMENT

A check for \$1,325 has been received by Hendrick Memorial Hospital to be used for the purchase of an operating room table which will cost \$1,000 and a modern oxygen tent at \$325. The donor selected these items from a list of equipment needed by the hospital and presented them as a memorial for her deceased daughter.

There will be no extra charge to patients who use the tent, Superintendent E. M. Collier has assured the donor, but it will serve as needed in memory of the Christian character of the one in whose memory it is given. Charity patients will be given preference in the use of this life-saving instrumentality.

- The items below are among the opportunities for memorial gifts which will greatly enlarge the possibilities of the hospital for serving the sick and unfortunate of West Texas.
1. X-ray machine. Will occupy a room 13x20 feet. The machine will have rotating anode tube, which is necessary to give proper detail of the spine.
  2. Laboratory equipment, \$2,000. In this department all the tests are made to determine the different types of diseases and infections. This space in the new wing will be 13x36 feet, will have three full-time workers, and is one of the most important departments of the hospital. Practically every patient being admitted to the hospital will have some work done in the laboratory.
  3. Memorial bed rooms, \$300 each.
  4. Student nurse's tuition, \$100. We have many very poor girls who cannot pay for their books and incidentals that would like to enter our school of nursing. We have one now who plans to become a Missionary. This is a most worthy cause, costs so little, and would mean so much to some poor girl.

### BITS OF NEWS COME FROM OCCUPIED CHINA

During the past few weeks several bits of information have come in to the board's office concerning missionaries in occupied China. Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Hamlett and Mr. J. E. Jackson in Musih are reported to be living in their own homes in Chinese style. They are not allowed to leave their compound.

From Yanchow, Dr. and Mrs. D. F. Stamps have reported that they are well and confined to their own compound. Since spring has come in China they are enjoying their gardens.—F.M.B.

Dr. W. R. White spoke to the high school seniors at Lamesa April 24.

### WEST TEXAS BAPTIST MERGES WITH STANDARD

The West Texas Baptist was established and has been maintained for the double purpose of giving publicity to the regionally owned Baptist institutions and to promote denominational interests in this area. It has ever been in cooperation with the Baptists of the state and the South. These institutions are no longer regional, but now are in full affiliation with the Baptist General Convention of Texas and are receiving monthly apportionments from the Cooperative Program. The Baptist Standard is owned by the whole denomination in the state and also has a part in the budget of the Cooperative Program.

Since these things are now true, and since the Standard has worked out plans whereby it is to maintain a western representative and has arranged for pages of district news and announcements, we have come to the conclusion that every purpose of the West Texas Baptist can now be served more effectively through the use of the Standard. This is not a snap judgment, but is the result of much prayerful consideration and counsel with those most interested.

Having reached this decision, we have arranged for a merger of the West Texas Baptist with the Baptist Standard, effective at once. This will be the last issue of this paper and next week all of our subscribers will receive the Standard instead. All paid-up subscribers will continue to get the state paper for the full period which they have paid for this one, and those who are already on the Standard list will have their subscriptions extended. The editor of the West Texas Baptist will join the staff of the Standard as the western representative.

We take this occasion to express our gratitude to our readers and to each and every person who has had some part in this paper as contributor, advertiser or subscriber. The publication of this paper has been a service of joy to us, in which we have been more than repaid for all that we have put into it.

So, with this issue we sign "30," which in newspaper language is the end of the story.

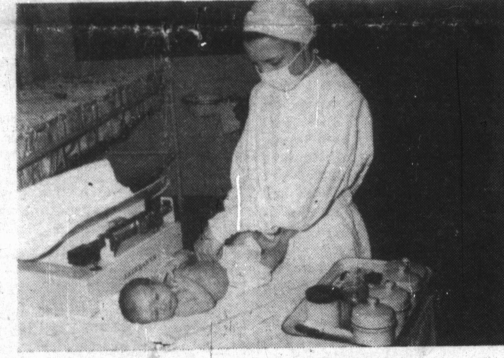
### A DAY IN THE HOSPITAL



Stella McCullough, superintendent of nursing, is interviewing Benneta Bates, Abilene high school senior, who is interviewing to enter the school of nursing in June.



Rebecca Latimer, Rotan, Mary Elisabeth McCombs, seated, and Chrystal Neff, Colorado City, student nurses, study in the anatomy laboratory.



Pauline Dougherty, Rotan, takes her turn in the nursery.



Rebecca Latimer and Mary Elisabeth McCombs giving a patient bedside care. In this connection they study nutrition and diet therapy.

### SOME CASH DONATIONS FOR HOSPITAL CHARITY

The following is a list of cash donations for charity which have not been previously listed in the West Texas Baptist:

- Compepe & Compepe, Feb. 20, \$2;
- First Church, Abilene, Feb. 27, \$100;
- Friendship Mission, \$1.30;
- Elmdale Church, \$20.10;
- Tommy Grant, Abilene, \$5;
- Miss Lou Ella Jones, Abilene, \$2.62;
- University Church, Abilene, \$22.17;
- Compepe & Compepe, Abilene, March 18, \$2;
- First Church, Abilene, \$100;
- Hamlin Church, \$26.17;
- Compepe & Compepe, April 18, \$2.

The following is a list of donations for the past week:

- San Jacinto Church, Amarillo, bath towels;
- Ruth Bible Class, Jayton Church, 1 pr. pillow cases;
- Midway Church, Electra, wash rags.

Force has never conquered, nor can it.—Lawson H. Cooke.



Marie Duff, Slayton, cares for A. C. Kennedy, Jr. Nurses have course in pediatrics, or care of children. Hendrick Hospital is approved for the treatment of crippled children under the state board of education organization for this purpose.

### MOTHER'S DAY OFFERINGS ARE CHIEF MEANS OF AID

Mother's Day, 1942, finds Baptist hospitals in no less need of funds for charity patients than other years, states E. M. Collier, superintendent of Hendrick Memorial Hospital. Baptist churches throughout Texas observe the day each year by taking offerings for charity in their hospitals. An increasing number are including this occasion in their special offerings.

During the last year the nature of charity patients in the Abilene institution has had a marked change, the executive revealed recently in an address before the District 17 W. M. U. Convention. Increased employment due to the construction of the army camp and related building has enabled many people to meet hospital bills who formerly had no resources for such emergencies. On the other hand there have been increasing calls from the families of low income soldiers, many of whom are trying to exist on \$21 per month. The indications are that there will be more calls of this nature in the future.

**On \$30 per Month**

As an example of this service Mr. Collier tells of a soldier with his wife and small son to whom he gave a ride recently. Inquiry revealed that the family were on their way home from the hospital where the little boy had been a patient. They had no idea of the identity of the driver of the car.

"You know," declared the soldier appreciatively, "those Baptists at the hospital were really good to us. On \$30 a month you can barely live, let alone pay hospital bills, and they took care of our boy the same as if we had paid cash."

"Do you mean that is all you have to spend for your family?" asked Collier.

"Yes," answered the little wife, "and we were making out somehow until this came on."

It is such cases as this, states the superintendent, which are coming with greater frequency. Many of the soldier families had other resources, including cars, furniture and other personal belongings, which have been sacrificed for current expenses. Where there are small children in the home, it is extremely difficult for the mother to arrange for outside employment, even when it is available.

**Food Donations**

The donations of food and other articles by missionary societies have been a very great help, state the hospital authorities, who add the hope that more organizations will remember the hospital in this way out of the promised abundance of a season.

### SEMINARY GRADUATES 109 MEMBERS OF 1942 CLASSES

The Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary is making plans to graduate 109 theology, religious education, and sacred music students at the end of the regular school term, May 7 and 8, when Dr. Theodore F. Adams, pastor, First Church, Richmond, Virginia, and Rev. Perry Crough, secretary of Christian education of North Carolina, will give the graduating addresses to the students of the school of theology and religious education respectively at that time, according to Dr. L. R. Scarborough, president of the Seminary.

Fifty-seven students will receive degrees from the school of theology of the Seminary, 47 from the school of religious education, and three from the school of sacred music. One is receiving a combination degree from the theology school and religious education school, and one is receiving a combination music and religious education diploma. Dr. Scarborough will present the degrees.

At the same time the schools of religious education and theology announced the names of those selected to speak to represent the two schools. Rev. Lindell O. Harris of Campbell, Mo., and a graduate of Baylor University, will speak for the theology graduates; Mrs. J. W. Outley, of Columbia, Mo., has been selected by the faculty to speak for the religious education graduates. The exercises for the school of religious education will be held Thursday evening, May 7, and the school of theology, Friday, May 8.

The school of sacred music will honor their graduates with the musical drama "Ruth," written by Pro-

### MISSIONARY MESSAGES



By J. HENRY LITTLETON  
517 Hickory, Abilene

This will be our last article in the West Texas Baptist. In many ways we regret to see the paper merged. Yet, under all conditions it seemed the most logical thing to do. I have been in every conference with Mr. Dudley and Mr. Anderson since this matter has been considered and I have never seen a finer spirit than they both have manifested. The final decisions was that, the hour had come when the Baptist Standard could serve the purpose for which the West Texas Baptist came into being. There are now more than 60,000 Standards going into Baptist homes in Texas. We hope to see that number increased to 100,000 within the next year or so. This ought to be. The Baptist Standard is owned by the Baptist General Convention and if any profit is made it will go into our missions work.

The West Texas Baptist or its predecessors have served this section of Texas for the past 50 years. It has been a mighty influence in helping to mold the thinking of our people around our denomination. It has ever stood for everything fostered by Texas Baptists, and in a big way, promoted Hardin-Simmons University and Hendrick Memorial Hospital. Sacrifices have been made by those who kept it in existence, but I verily believe that the rewards for their service will far outweigh the sacrifices made. Some way it is like loss.

### This Changing World

"... that those things which cannot be shaken may remain."—Heb. 12:27.

By LOUIE D. NEWTON  
I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands — one nation, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

The War Cabinet, announced last week by the President, has been described as "three men and a team," Vice-President Wallace and Milo Perkins composing "the team," in charge of the Board of Economic Warfare. Donald Nelson, WPB; Leon Henderson, OPA, and Paul V. McNutt, WMC, being the "three men" above referred to. This group of five men, working

### TEXT FOR THE WEEK

Be still, and know that I am God. —Psalm 46:10.

directly under the President, may be said to be in complete charge of the affairs of the nation today. Former Washington bosses, including Jesse Jones, William Knudsen, Sidney Hillman, et al, have been carefully tucked away.

Congressman Moraney, Oklahoma, made one of his infrequent speeches in the Congress last week. He said, "The people are ahead of Congress in their willingness to do anything and everything necessary to win the war. Congress has got to lead and not follow in the awful test that faces us. . . . We are all guilty." He went on to enumerate many illustrations of the failure of the 76th Congress, concluding: "We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought to have left undone."

Farmers are urged to redouble their efforts in feeding the Allied Nations. The farmers are ready to do their full share, and they are blessed with

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SOLDIER VOICES THANKS FOR BAPTIST CHAPELS

Camp Barkeley, April 20, 1942.

Dear Sirs:

I am a soldier, living with many of my comrades at Camp Barkeley just south of Abilene. Outside of the camp entrance is a small, white building erected in good Baptist faith and cared for by the man of God you've selected for our chapel. The door is always open to receive the boys from camp and offer to them a shining welcome in the name of our Savior.

I have been going to the chapel since it was opened for our service. There I have enjoyed the friendly games provided and I have written my letters home using the writing materials provided. I've enjoyed the socials and felt a lifting power in the inspirational and evangelistic services.

I feel attached to this chapel. Here I have seen young men lift their voices in singing praises, and others learn to lead their buddies in devotional services. Our pastor has been an untiring aid in helping us with our spiritual work. Here I've seen my buddies give their hearts to God and others' brought back from sin to a new life of glory to serve again the Master they once knew.

Our camp is large. Many evils abound and it is through the ceaseless efforts of our Christian men that these evils do not harm us more than they have. Without the contact we receive through worship with our God could we live above the sinful nature.

I hope our army chapels may keep their doors open long after we have gone across the oceans, as a beacon to lost men who follow us to replace the camps.

I am grateful to God for these fine chapels and for the men who saw fit to give Camp Barkeley the one we enjoy.

Sincerely, I am, JOHN MATTHEWS, Sergeant, U. S. Army

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR BIBLE?

By Orval A. Hendon

What name was given to the disciples at Antioch? Acts 11:26.

Which was the strongest of the prison or the prayer of Christians? Acts 12:5.

Did Peter hurry out of the prison? Acts 12:8.

Did Jesus hurry out of the tomb? John 10:7.

What did the church do about Peter's imprisonment? Acts 12:5.

Who came to deliver Peter from his prison cell? Acts 12:7.

Whom did Herod kill and why did he seek to get Peter then? Acts 12:1-3.

Peter thought it a vision but when did he realize he had been delivered? Acts 12:9-11.

To whose house did he go when he came to himself? Acts 12:12.

Those in this house were united in what? Acts 12:12.

Peter knocked at the door. What girl came to see whom it was? Acts 12:13.

How did Rhoda recognize Peter? Did she ask him in? Acts 12:14.

They thought her mad and it to be an angel. Did Peter stop knocking and go away? Acts 12:16.

WON BY HIS SON'S APPEAL

By Edward B. Jenkins

He was a church member but he was overcome by drink. His boy volunteered for the air force and when he arrived at camp he wrote to his father, and asked him to give up the habit of drink. When the father received the letter it touched his heart and he wept. The next Sunday he went to church for the first time in a long, long while, and at the close of the service, he walked down the aisle and told the pastor he wanted the church to forgive him for his drunkenness, and he promised by the help of the Lord to give up drink, and to attend the services and live for the Lord. Of course, this made a profound impression on the congregation.

"Therefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you but such is common to man; but God is faithful who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able to bear, but will with the temptation also make a way of escape, that ye may be able to bear it" (I Corinthians 10:12-13).

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NEWS NOTES

First Church, Tucumcari, N. M., has had a great meeting with Rev. B. N. Shepherd of Hobbs preaching and George Wilson singing.

Rev. John W. Williams has recently assisted in the organization of a Southern Baptist Church in San Diego, California. He reports that the work is encouraging.

The First Southern Baptist Church of Phoenix, Arizona, has had 207 additions since October 1. Rev. C. Vaughn Rock is pastor.

Rev. Clyde Jackson of Temple Church, Abilene, is in a revival with Pastor Roy O. Young in the Duoor Baptist Church, Duoor, California.

Young people's classes in college center churches, under an amended requirement for standards, may base their quarterly average on the number of Sundays that the college is actually in session, if the class is composed entirely of students. Other classes may count the attendance of non-resident students the same way.

The first state Sunday School convention for Louisiana will be held at Baton Rouge on Friday, May 8. L. Mark Roberts is state secretary for Sunday School work.

Miss Helen Gardner of Tennessee, formerly with the Training Union department in Texas, will be with Pastor Dean Elkins in a training school at Turnertown.

Rev. Harry Lee Spencer of Stephenville is assisting Pastor H. E. East in a revival at Hamlin.

Ralls Church had a good revival recently in spite of bad weather for most of the meeting. It was the seventh spring revival in which Pastor W. R. Derr has preached in the Ralls Church. Claude B. Stovall was song leader.

Pastor Douglas Crow is conducting a revival at Balmorhea with Bob Lawrence of H-SU leading the singing.

There were 32 additions and many other professions and rededications in a recent revival at Bonham, with Evangelist Wm. H. Joyner assisting Pastor J. L. Gregory. L. C. Gayle of Tyler led the music. Dr. Joyner is now at Harlingen with Pastor T. P. Lott.

Rev. Jesse B. Leverett, formerly pastor of First Church, Silvertown, is now located at Sudan.

Clyde Church has set June 1 for the opening date of the Vacation Bible School and Friday, July 10, for the beginning of the summer revival.

Rev. Vernon Shaw and J. Lawrence Dever of Snyder have been in a revival at Denver City, where Rev. W. C. Dever is pastor. There were 36 additions, 25 coming for baptism. It is reported to be the most spiritual and far-reaching revival ever held in that oil town.

Rev. D. C. Ham is now an army chaplain stationed in Panama. Mrs. Ham is at present with relatives in Abilene.

Dr. W. R. White is to deliver the commencement address at Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee, on Friday, May 8.

Dr. W. B. Erwin, superintendent of the Lubbock schools, was guest speaker at First Church, Lubbock, April 26, in the absence of Pastor C. E. Hereford, who is in a revival at Roswell. The choir presented "The Holy City" at the evening service.

A very good meeting was reported at Portales, N. M., in a revival with Dr. E. T. Miller of Corsicana preaching and Leo E. Waite of Lubbock directing the music.

Mrs. R. L. Brown of College Station conducted a mission study institute at Post last week.

Buffalo Gap Church had four candidates baptized by Pastor Scott Hickey April 26.

Dr. W. R. White was speaker for the Rule high school senior banquet which was sponsored by the W.M.U.

Thelma and Pearl Matthews of Merkel, with Christine Collins, ac-

companied, gave a program Sunday for the men's department of First Church, Abilene. They are singers on Station KRBC.

First Church, Stamford, was host Sunday afternoon, April 26, to the aviation cadets of the adjacent flying school.

Dr. E. B. Atwood supplied at Haskell First on April 26 for Pastor H. R. Whatley, who is in a revival at Navasota.

Rev. Don Armstrong taught Building a Standard Sunday School at View with 12 taking examinations. The wife and daughter of Pastor Gene Hall have been very ill.

There were 14 additions to First Church, Odessa, and five rededications in the first services of Pastor Judson Prince.

Rev. Finis Williams of San Angelo will be inspirational speaker for the Rannels Association Training Union meeting at Robert Lee at 8:00 Tuesday evening, May 5. A playlet will be given by Winters Intermediates and the fellowship hour will be directed by Miss Taylor of Winters.

Rev. Aubrey Short of Rochester conducted a good spring revival with First Church, Colorado City, closing April 19. Rev. A. E. Travis is pastor.

Dr. Edward B. Jenkins of Abilene supplied for Pastor Avery Rogers of Brownfield on April 26. He is to be at Temple Church, Abilene, on May 3.

AT THE TOP O' LIFE

By Orval A. Hendon

Roses should be given while people live. Flowers around a casket cannot be seen by the one they are meant for, after all they wither in the cemetery. We should be more thoughtful of our loved ones while they are in our midst. For more than three months now I have been laid up with rheumatism in my left leg so bad that at times it seemed I could not bear the pain, however, I have not missed an appointment yet, and how thankful I am to God for that. Many a time I have felt like I wouldn't be able to deliver the message, but God has given me the strength. On two occasions it has been for funerals of our members thus the reason for this thought "giving roses." For our southern, district, state and associational leaders we are thankful and praise God for their work and pray Him to lead them on that they may lead us on. All of these have lead fearlessly and we must follow. God deserves our best. He is not satisfied with any less. We cannot be at the top of life if we fail to praise the living or put it off till they have gone.

Since I have been pastor here, all the churches in the association have changed pastors save three. Many were given no praise at all while here. Somebody failed to strew flowers along their pathway. I say we should be thankful for every one of them, God's men. A busy world we live in but Jesus, when here the busiest of all, had time to notice even the boys and girls. It is time to be thankful for every Christian in the world. Words of praise, prayers of faith must be said today. Roses need to be given now. If more were given now there wouldn't be so many tears shed in the hour of death. Go visit that friends or loved one today, right now, tell them how thankful you are for them and what they mean to you. Take that rose, let its fragrance be enjoyed before it is too late. A handshake and smile will help a weary soul. It may cause a tear, but it will be well shed. The clasp of hands is a universal language but gives a peculiar feeling when the body is cold. Go shake that outstretched hand and smile and bid him God's speed for tomorrow may be too late. Be at the top of life by clapping a hand and telling again of Christ and his great love.

The Master gave roses, and even more he gives life. He praised those who did him good, who obeyed his command. Follow his example today, give of the best you have... Life. "I was sick, and you visited me" (Matthew 26:36).

SENTENCE SERMONS

By O. D. Henley

No one ever graduates from the school of experience. Put your wishes to work. What a person reads ought to help meet his needs. God's business is a godly business. Instead of putting Christ on, most people put Him off. Natural-born leaders are frequently self-appointed. Part-time members lead to part-time churches. Ambition is willing to work; vanity is only willing to wish. If your conscience doesn't hurt you, it is because you have hurt it.

Sunday School Lesson

May 3, 1942

SUNDAY: THE DAY OF ACCLAM Read and Study Mark 11:1-11;

Luke 19:41-44

On Friday afternoon before his crucifixion Jesus, with his disciples, arrived at Bethany, having come up that day afoot from Jericho over the steep and rocky road which in 15 miles makes a climb of 3,000 feet. The Jewish sabbath began at sunset and was doubtless spent quietly in the home of Lazarus, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. After sunset on Saturday, Jesus was given the supper during which he was anointed by Mary in preparation for his burial. On Sunday morning he made his triumphal entry into Jerusalem, thus presenting himself to his people as their Messiah in exact and impressive fulfillment of prophecy.

1. Entering into Jerusalem (Mark 11)

THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST AS KING was effected by his triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

The place was the road from Bethany to Jerusalem, the village of Bethphage lying across a ravine from the road over the Mount of Olives.

The purpose was not an ordinary visit, but the graphic and final presentation of Jesus to his people as their King.

The preparation involved securing from Bethphage a colt and its mother, owned probably by a disciple and borrowed for but a few hours, so that he might ride into the city as the Jews were expecting the Messiah to do.

The Prophecies of Isaiah and Zachariah were thus fulfilled; for not upon a fiery steed, animal of display and of war, but upon an ass, animal of work and peace and of the common people, would the Prince of Peace ride forth to receive the plaudits of men.

The procession started with Jesus on the garment-saddled, unriden colt and gained momentum as it moved cityward, the multitudes strewing garments and palm branches in the way. The praise that rose from the throng, increasing with every step, took form in rhythmic chant of Hosanna and respons of beatitude.

The Pharisees (says Luke) demanded that Jesus rebuke the crowd, but he refused and rode on in triumph.

The prediction of Jerusalem's fall was then made by the weeping Savior as Luke also records.

The people of the city were struck as by storm when Jesus and the shouting crowds came in, perhaps through the Golden Gate, and Jesus was pointed out as the Prophet of Galilee.

The presentation in the Temple courts gave the nation one more chance to accept him as Messiah.

Thus he came unto his own; but alas, they received him not.

2. Weeping Over Jerusalem (Luke 19)

THE PREDICTION OF CHRIST AS KING was made during the triumphal entry. The critical Pharisees protested against the praise of the multitude and asked Jesus to stop it. But he refused, declaring that if the crowds were silenced the very stones would speak. It may have been at a turn in the road over Olivet where they first beheld, across the Kidron Valley, the city in its splendor that Jesus, foreseeing its fate in A. D. 70 at the hands of Titus, wept aloud over Jerusalem as he had wept at the grave of Lazarus. He knew the cause of it all—how it sinned against God, refusing the light, rejecting the Messiah, and was insensitive to its day of visitation from him. And he saw how the Romans would besiege the city, circling it with a rampart, leveling it to the ground, killing its people, and leaving it utterly desolate. No wonder he wept!

Gold in the Golden Text

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.—Mark 11:9.

Jesus is here. He came over Olivet on that triumphal Sunday. He has marched in triumph down the centuries to our time. He is with us today in power.

Jesus is Lord. He appeared in Jerusalem bearing the name of Lord. He has not changed his name. He is entitled to our allegiance. He is our Sovereign as well as our Savior.

Jesus is blessed. Heaven bends low with benediction upon him. Earth takes up the glad refrain. In our heart of hearts we magnify him as blessed forevermore.

Daily Bible Readings

May 4—Jesus' Right to Command. Matt. 23:18; Eph. 1:17-23.

May 5—Jesus Exercises His Authority. Mark 11:12-26.

May 6—Opposers Silenced. Mark 17:27-33.

May 7—The Cleansing of the Temple. Matt. 21:12-17.

May 8—A House of Prayer. Isa. 56:6-8.

May 9—Respect for Authority. 1 Peter 2:13-25.

May 10—A Tree Without Fruit. Matt. 21:18-22.



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The relationship of college and newspaper, pioneers with similar objectives of service in a developing empire, has continued from that day. Its present editor, R. E. Dudley, has a daughter, Perla, as a member of the freshman class in Hardin-Simmons University today.

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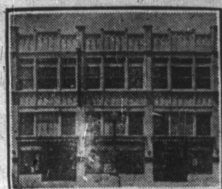
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**This Changing World**

bright prospects of the best grain crop in years; but where are they to get the labor necessary to cultivate and gather the 1943 crops? Kansas, for example, has the best prospect of a wheat crop in many years—plenty of rain, and an estimated 625,000,000-bushel winter-wheat harvest, but no farm hands. The same condition obtains, to a large degree, throughout every farm belt. School children may be the answer, insofar as they can shoulder the job. Some states are paroling petty offenders with the understanding that they report immediately for farm work. Maryland will sentence all idlers to work on the farm or go to jail.

The Government started out by telling the men that they couldn't have any cuffs on their trousers, and other similar restrictions, which was quite all right with the weaker sex; and then the Government turned to the women and laid down the law about where they were to stop when it comes to the matter of unnecessary use of cloth. The restrictions for the women will save 100,000,000 yards of fabric a year, according to the War Production Board. And the women haven't said a word by way of objection.

There are two and a quarter million more people employed now than this time last year, and word comes from Washington that there will be further effort to shift all able-bodied men now on relief to definite employment.

Butter, cheese and eggs are now selling less at wholesale than when the war began. This is due, we are told, to the rapid increase in production of these three important food products.

Women are now entering many fields of employment hitherto restricted to men. For the first time in 50 years women have been employed in the U. S. Weather Bureau. An Atlanta radio station, WAGA, has put on a woman announcer, as has KRBC, Abilene. Women are taking the places of men in automobile repair shops, electrical repair shops, and many other types of physical work. And they are doing a good job in every instance.

It is generally agreed that the original proposal to ask the churches to aid in the sale of war bonds on Mother's Day was unwise, and the decision, in many states, to shift the day to Monday, May 11, has met with universal approval and appreciation. The churches are ready to do their full part, but we should not turn the Lord's Day into a day for promotion of bond selling.

I referred to the Honorable Ezequiel Padilla as President of Mexico two weeks ago. That was an inadvertence. Mr. Padilla is Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Mexico.

The increase of venereal disease among soldiers and sailors has evoked a strong statement from the Surgeon General in which he appeals to the public generally, and specially to parents, to cooperate in building a strong conviction into the minds and hearts of our young people regarding personal purity. We cannot win wars with diseased men, nor can we sustain a healthy civilization with diseased men and women. This whole problem goes back to the home. Showdown, by God's help, we must train our young people that they will be able to resist this sinister trap when the church has succeeded from the responsibility of completely convincing the young people of the danger acceptable to them.

Recently the U. S. State Dept. has been charging Germany with the violation of the Geneva Convention. The State Dept. General Biddle declares that the magazine is clearly a violation. We are glad that Washington has at last awoke to this menace. Many are puzzled by the attitude of the British Cabinet in refusing to refuse to take any steps to punish the press of the Little Flower. Coughlin said two years ago that he had no connection with Social Justice. Last week he said he was entirely responsible for it. The Vatican, of course, is always neutral.

**UNIVERSITY LAYMEN HOLD ANNUAL BANQUET**



America should lay aside the sins which brought us to this evil day and get back to fundamentals, lasting and enduring virtues, looking to Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, declared Attorney General Gerald Mann, speaking Friday night to the University Church Brotherhood banquet in the H-SU dining hall. Mann is a prominent Methodist layman.

The banquet, an annual ladies night affair, had capacity attendance. New

officers were installed by Judge E. S. Cummings, state president. They included Ed Francis, president; H. R. Arrant, L. Brasher, Ollie McMinn, vice-presidents; E. L. Williamson, treasurer; and S. E. Pass, secretary.

Pastor E. Douglas Carver was presented with a handsomely embossed cowboy belt as a token of appreciation. S. E. Pass, retiring president was toastmaster, and H. R. Arrant introduced the guest speaker.

**Missionary Messages**

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ing one of the family. Since I have been the District Missionary of District 17, the West Texas Baptist has been my medium of reaching our people. I could never gather words that would express my appreciation for Mr. Anderson and Mr. Dudley since coming into this work. They have been more than considerate in everything that I have undertaken to do. I have had my office here in the Abilene Printing Company and not one penny of remuneration would they let me pay. I will still be closely associated with both of them, but to my dying day I will thank God for them.

Next week we will have a full page in the Baptist Standard. This will be continued week after week. I would like very much to have the news from over the district to use in this page. If you would only write me a postcard it would mean much to our work. Others are interested in what you are doing. So please, won't you send me your news.

I have moved to Anson. I will get my mail there. Just address it Anson, Texas. We united with the church there Sunday night. Brother McBeth is leading in a good way. May God bless everyone of you who have been reading these articles from time to time, and you will pray for our work there.

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