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STATE B. Y. P. U. CONVENTION; FIVE THOUSAND MESSENGERS EXPECTED

"Living for Jesus" is the motto of the State B. Y. P. U. Convention of Texas. Many of the outstanding pastors and leaders of the Southern Baptist Convention have been secured to deliver addresses which will be centered around this motto.

The annual convention sermon will be preached by Dr. M. A. Jenkins, pastor of First Baptist Church, Abilene, Thursday morning, November 27th at 11:00 o'clock. His subject will be "Living for Jesus."

The first session of the convention will be held Thanksgiving morning. It will begin at 10:00 o'clock with a great song service directed by Mr. Harry P. Wootan, educational director of Gaston Avenue Baptist Church, Dallas. At 10:30 o'clock Dr. W. R. White will deliver the missionary sermon for the convention.

The Baylor College Choral Club composed of a large group of young women will give a musical program Thanksgiving night immediately after the address delivered by Dr. M. M. Wolf of Houston.

The 17 District B. Y. P. U. Conventions will convene in Temple in connection with the State Convention Friday, November 28th. These conventions are being called to meet in Temple to choose the District Junior Memory Contestants and the Intermediate Sword Drill contestants. The plan calls for two representatives from each church in an association to compete for first honors within the association. The associations in each district will send their winning contestants to the District Convention in Temple. A final state contest will be held Saturday morning, November 29th. These District Conventions will be presided over by their respective district presidents.

Free entertainment will be provided all messengers; that is to say bed and breakfast will be provided free. The citizens of Temple are planning to royally entertain all messengers. Temple is a splendid city with many modern hotels. The Kyle Hotel will be the headquarters hotel and the general meetings of the convention will be held in the Municipal Auditorium of the city.

A special rate has been secured over all railroads in Texas. It is known as the Thanksgiving rate and is one full fare plus one-third for round-trip tickets. It is said by the Chamber of Commerce of Temple, "that all good roads lead to Temple." Automobile parties are being organized in every section of the State. Temple is accessible, Temple is centrally located, Temple is therefore an excellent city for a Texas convention to be held in.

Mr. W. L. Howse, Waco is president of the convention. Mrs. W. E. Hamilton of Dallas, recording secretary and T. C. Gardner, Dallas, corresponding secretary.

"There is such a thing as a rosary of words that is as formal and ineffective as a Roman rosary of beads or a Buddhist rosary of seeds or precious stones. One can recall preachers whose prayers induced sleep in which one might indulge with security, knowing that at a certain point near the close there would be the click of a well worn phrase to arouse one in time for the 'Amen'."—W. O. Carver.

"Jesus emphatically taught that whatever hindered single-hearted service of God disqualified for citizenship in the kingdom of heaven."—Milton G. Evans.

Without a dissenting ballot, Dr. L. R. Scarborough of Fort Worth was re-elected president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas when the organization opened its forty-fifth annual session at the Municipal Auditorium at Amarillo Wednesday, November 12.

Dr. Scarborough's administration was approved by the unanimous vote of the messengers registered at the convention, representing 4,000 co-operating churches and a membership of 600,000 Baptists, the largest state organization in the nation. He was elected president at the convention in Beaumont last year, succeeding former Governor Pat M. Neff in the office. Dr. Scarborough is president of the Southwestern Baptist Seminary at Fort Worth.

The election of officers was the first official step taken by the convention. Dr. D. B. South of San Antonio, veteran secretary of the convention, and Rev. J. L. Truett of Whitewright, were retained as recording secretaries, also by unanimous vote of the body. Dr. J. H. Pace, secretary of the corporation, also was re-elected.

Dr. J. E. Nunn, of Amarillo, a leading layman in the convention, was one of three vice-presidents elected for the new year. Others were Dr. W. W. Chancellor, a pastor at Mineral Wells, and Dr. Harlan J. Matthews, pastor at Marshall. No other nominations were made. They will succeed Dr. M. T. Andrews, Texarkana; Dr. J. H. Pace, Beaumont, and A. D. Foreman, Sr., Houston.

The convention was opened with prayer by Rev. L. R. Millican of El Paso, 77 years old but an active district missionary in the border section looking after charges in a wide area. He is a native Texan and fought Indians in the early days. He is president of the Cowboys' Camp Meeting at Paisano. Others who pioneered in Baptist fields who had places of honor on the platform included Dr. J. M. Carroll of San Antonio, who has never missed a convention, Dr. M. P. Morrow of Fort Worth, and Dr. R. C. Pender of Abilene.

A Hard-Fought Battle

In the president's annual address, Dr. Scarborough pointed out six essentials for successful convention: Abounding fellowship, a prevailing spirit of supplication, a wide missionary vision, a program for building constructively Christ's kingdom throughout the world, a compassionate concern for a lost world, and conquering spirit. He predicted that all would prevail at the convention, and that there would be no discussion.

"We have been through a long, hard-fought battle for progress of the gospel," Dr. Scarborough said.

"It is my hope this convention will be characterized by a whole missionary vision—not for Texans only, nor Southern Baptists only, but world Baptists in our sympathies and purposes—the duty of carrying forward the doctrine of Jesus Christ.

It is up to us to try to lift this old world toward God, without narrowness and without selfish provincialism.

"In the New Testament there are no mountains, no seas, no color lines, and no political and ecclesiastical divisions.

"We should be mastered only by a compassionate concern for a lost world. Every sinner is three-fold afflicted: in his soul with sin; in his brain, with ignorance; in his body with disease. There is a three-fold remedy: salvation for his soul, Christian education for his brain and Christian sanitation for his body."

Welcome Address

Dr. G. L. Yates, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Amarillo, took charge of the meeting following.

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SISTER PENDER

Mrs. Mattie Lee Copeland Pender, wife of Dr. Robert Cecil Pender, was born in Troy, Alabama, April 13th, 1865, and departed this life October 15th, 1930, from the family home in Abilene, Texas.

December 4th, 1888, at Mt. Vernon, Texas, she was married to Dr. R. C. Pender, then a young Baptist minister, and for almost 42 years they walked together in the happiest bonds of wedlock. One son, H. A. Pender, of Abilene, survives; with six children, who found in her a true and devoted mother: These are Mrs. Neil K. Pryor, of Fort Smith, Arkansas, Mrs. Jack C. Castellaw, of Ennis, Mrs. Josh Wood, of Waco, Perry, R. B. and J. W. Pender of Denton, Texas. Two sisters, Mrs. John Myrick, of Wolfe City, and Mrs. Ike Williams, of Cooper, Texas, survive. Four own grandchildren survive, Joy, Mildred, Hal and Martha Pender.

Sister Pender, as she was affectionately called by her many friends, was in every way ready for the summons of her Lord. For more than two score years she had been, next to God and His blessed Son, the main strength of her noble preacher husband as he went out over Texas first as a pastor, then missionary of the State Board and for twenty and more years the Field Secretary of Buckner Orphans Home. She was a quiet, unassuming, beautiful Christian. Her faith in God and her blessed Master was deep and abiding. There never was a time when she was not willing to sacrifice her comfort and pleasure if by doing that she could help somebody or advance the cause of Christ. In the largest and fullest sense of the word she was a real, true partner and helper of her honored and distinguished husband. Quietly, sweetly, beautifully, unselfishly, and with a spirit of sacrifice that was God like she reigned as queen of the home that she made for this preacher and family of motherless children, who loved her as tenderly and devotedly as if she had been their own mother. Truly Sister Pender was one of God's own and in her gracious way, all her own, she went about doing good. She was loved by all who knew her. Her sweet, devoted life impressed everyone. Her going has enriched heaven. Her relatives have a happy reunion to look forward to. Such a life will live on and on and the countless years that shall be, if Christ delays his second coming, will reflect the influence that she left for good.

Brother Pender and the other members of the family have been made sad. The passing of this dear wife, and mother, will never be forgotten. The sorrow is almost crushing. No one will wonder that she is missed nor that the very heart strings of the bereaved are thus torn and bleeding. It could not be otherwise, but the blessed Christ who brought back to life his friend Lazarus, and who said "be not afraid, it is I" will heal the broken hearts. Sister Pender basks in the sunlight of the eternal city, whose builder is God, and in perfect joy, free from the sufferings that she endured here, and awaits the homecoming that shall know no end.

May God bless you and yours Dear Friend, and may He show you the paths of greatest usefulness, and may the last years of your wonderful life be filled with a service for Him that shall be the means of leading hundreds to find Jesus as Saviour and Master, and may the hundreds of orphans yonder at Buckner Orphans Home continue to have the comforts of life because you are their friend and helper.

One Who Loves You.

"For Baptists the South is the greatest, richest, ripest mission field on earth," says Dr. A. L. Aldredge, after making a careful survey of the territory.

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THE STATE CONVENTION

The Baptist State Convention which met in Amarillo last week was one of far-reaching importance to our people. The three days session was constructive and forward looking. Two matters of tremendous importance were presented before the body. One was the plan to create seventeen conventions with our present B. Y. P. U.'s, Sunday School and W. M. U. districts as a basis. This matter was deferred for another year. The other matter was the Foundation plan for better caring for the Baptist institutions. This matter when it first came up was deferred for another year, but later on it was brought before the convention and passed with only two dissenting votes. We will have more to say in later issues about these two matters.

Amarillo did the magnanimous thing in entertaining the visitors in the typical western way. Every possible thing was done to make the visitors feel at home and have a good time. A large fleet of automobiles were on hand at all times to convey the messengers to any part of the city. We are all ready to go to Amarillo again pretty soon.

This issue of the West Texas Baptist is given to a report of the Convention and to the W. M. U. reports. On account of the convention this issue is coming out late. We will issue the next paper on December 1, and this and subsequent issues will give more detailed information in regard to Texas Baptist work as revealed at the convention.

THAT SUBSCRIPTION OFFER

We are receiving a number of subscriptions for the West Texas Baptist and Baptist Standard on the special subscription price of \$2.00 per year. We have arranged with Editor McConnell to continue this rate indefinitely. Renew your subscription for these two papers before the first of the year. In selecting a Christmas gift consider a subscription to these publications. It will mean a blessing weekly to continue throughout the year. We will still offer until after January 1 the West Texas Baptist for fifty cents per year. The money is greatly needed right at this time. If you believe the West Texas Baptist is worth while help us tide over the present financial depression and in return we will pledge our support to the world wide Baptist program as fostered by our great Baptist host.

THINK ON THESE THINGS

WHOLESOME MEDITATION

Selected by Brother Andrews.

The Christian Budget

"Add to your faith VIRTUE;
And to virtue KNOWLEDGE;
And to knowledge TEMPERANCE;
And to temperance PATIENCE
And to patience GODLINESS
And to godliness BROTHERLY KINDNESS;
And to brotherly kindness CHARITY.
For if THESE THINGS be in you and ABOUND,
they make you that ye shall neither be BARREN
nor UNFRUITFUL in the Knowledge of our Lord
Jesus Christ.

—Peter.

REPORT OF BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

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lowing the president's address and introduced Mayor Ernest O. Thompson, who welcomed the visitors in behalf of the city, and W. H. Fuqua, local banker and church leader, who spoke in behalf of the Baptist churches.

Mayor Thompson lauded the convention as the greatest he had ever welcomed to Amarillo, and offered the visitors every accommodation possible. He outlined the progress of Amarillo through recent years for the benefit of the strangers.

"We invite you especially to see our new churches," the mayor said. "We recently cut city taxes one-fourth in order that the people might pay for these churches."

Mr. Fuqua was introduced as a denominational leader in the Panhandle for 40 years, and moderator of the Palo Duro Association for more than a quarter of a century.

Response to the welcome addresses was made by Rev. R. E. Day of Big Spring. He stated that the visitors had been shown every courtesy, and expressed the belief that the greatest convention on record was in the making.

The only dissension of the morning session arose when Rev. Sam Morris, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Stamford objected to a motion made by Former-Governor Neff to submit all resolutions to the resolutions committee instead of reading them one at a time as they came up. Rev. Morris stated that he wanted to submit a resolution commending the work of Dr. W. R. White, executive secretary.

Convention Sermon

The convention sermon was preached Wednesday shortly before noon by Dr. W. Marshall Craig, pastor of the Gaston Avenue Baptist church, Dallas.

Taking his text from First Corinthians, first chapter, 23rd and 24th verses, Dr. Craig laid emphasis in the convention sermon on the first four words of the text: "But we preach Christ."

He pointed out that there is not only a business depression, "but a religious depression," and said panaceas were offered by the wholesale while "a bewildered world solemnly asks, 'what next?' and hope in many hearts is waning."

To bring truths of God's word into contact with all people is the panacea to "a torn, bleeding and baffled world," he said.

Any other message than "to preach Christ" would be impudent if it is hoped to lead the world to brighter days, Dr. Craig said.

"Preach Christ who is coming back again in all his glory to claim this world as his own; no other theme will suffice in life or death," he said. "Half-hearted faith will make half-hearted followers."

Dr. Craig told the Baptists they needed to have their wealth consecrated, adding: "Unconsecrated wealth is one of our darkest perils. Our vast material possession may soon become our curse. What a responsibility rests upon us as ambassadors of God to see that this wealth of Christians is turned into channels of blessings. We cannot hope to get much nearer the heart of the world with our message of salvation until we are willing to dedicate anew our all to Christ. A spiritual people will be a giving people."

He said "the doctrine of the Atonement must be defended at all costs, the blood of Christ once offered for the salvation of the world: ineffective will be our preaching unless we hold up a crucified Savior."

Wednesday Afternoon

The first fight on the floor of the convention resulted in the defeat, at least temporarily, of a plan to organize the state into 17 district conventions to meet in November, and the postponement of the general convention to the latter part of January.

J. Howard Williams of Corsicana, who read the report of a committee on "Plans for Better Enlistment of Associations and Churches" in the work of the convention, led a fight for adoption of the new plan.

Speakers on the floor of the convention attacked the plan, and a motion to postpone it for another year finally was adopted. In the meantime, details of the plan will be published and distributed among Baptists throughout the state, and it will be dis-

cussed at association meetings during 1931 in order that messengers to the convention next year may vote intelligently on the matter, it was said.

Reasons are Given

The committee report gave eight reasons for adoption of the plan; as follows:

It would place responsibility on 17 different groups, having a tendency to localize interest in the work of the convention, and to utilize talent that now remains unknown; the scope of the work would be large enough to challenge the best talent in each district; the districts would become units through which the general convention would operate; programs commanding enough to attract many who do not now attend the annual meetings could be worked out; smaller towns could entertain the district conventions, and receive the benefits therefrom; district meetings could be held the first week in November; the 17 presidents would form the cabinet of the general secretary, making unity in the work; the general convention would meet the latter part of January, the church year closing with the calendar year.

The 17 districts already exist for the Women's Missionary Union, and the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. organizations, which hold separate conventions, it was pointed out. The plan would combine these with the denomination meetings, and where there are 34 of these district conventions each year now, there would be only 17 under the new plan.

Claims Saving of \$120,000

Dr. W. R. White, general secretary, who favored the plan, estimated that it would mean a saving of \$120,000 in expenses for messengers to the two separate conventions.

Some of the speakers who attacked the plan said it would not work, but might result in disruption of the whole organization because of a disorganized state.

A committee of 17 members, one from each district, will be appointed by the president to work the matter out and present it to the 1931 convention.

Those attending the afternoon session heard two former Texans who are now associated with the Southern Baptist Convention headquarters at Nashville, Tenn. They were Dr. Austin Crouch, formerly of Dallas, who is now executive secretary of the Southern convention, and Dr. W. P. Phillips, formerly secretary of the Baptist Sunday School board in Texas, now holding a similar position with the larger body.

Dr. Crouch reported conditions in the south as generally good, so far as churches are concerned. He said that four of the states in the Southern convention showed good financial reports. Although Texas was not one of the four, he said the state had shown a gain of \$4,000 in the general fund over last year. He predicted that business conditions would start on the upward trend within a comparatively short time.

Need Missionary Revival

"The greatest need of the Southern Baptists is a missionary revival," Dr. Grouch said. "In 1929 there was a gain of \$4,000,000 in receipts of the organization over 1920, when the \$75,000,000 campaign was at its peak. At the same time contributions to mission work were cut almost in half."

If contributions to the mission work had been on the same basis, the receipts would have been \$18,000,000 instead of \$7,000,000, he said. He gave figures to show that when missionary receipts are greater, the entire work of the denomination is greater.

"Mission contributions reflect interest in lost souls," he said.

Dr. Phillips said his publications furnished contact between states and that they were stressing state work. His organization publishes 25 periodicals, he said, all trying to establish contact between the Bible and the churches. He said \$2,000 worth of literature was given to poor churches last year.

Dr. T. J. Watts, secretary of the Relief and Annuity Board, said that hundreds of preachers and widows of ministers were in dire distress in Texas today. There are 5,000 dependents in the Southern Baptist Convention, he said. If they were paid the \$41.66 monthly to which they are justly entitled, it would require \$2,500,000 a year, he stated. He

predicted that a fund for this purpose would be created in future years.

Recommends Annuity Plan

As a relief, he recommended the annuity plan, by which ministers pay two and one-half per cent of their salaries into a fund that insures them against need in old age.

Dr. Wallace Bassett, also of Dallas, read a report of the committee on relief and annuity.

Hear Hospital Reports

Following a report on Baptist hospitals in various sections of the state, Robert Jolley, superintendent of the Houston institution spoke on "Hospitals in Christ's Program." He pointed out that 29 of the 38 miracles Christ performed, as recorded in the Bible, were healings, and he added that the Texas Baptist hospitals were "healing more people today than Christ did in his time." He said hospitals had cut the death rate in half, and that he did not doubt the approval of Christ of such work.

Dr. J. C. Boyd, superintendent of the Fort Worth hospital read a report on his institution, and one was read for the Valley Hospital at Harlingen. The West Texas Hospital, Abilene; Central Texas Hospital, Waco, and the Baptist Hospital, San Angelo, did not report. The Dallas hospital reported Wednesday night.

The nomination committee's report was read by R. L. Powell of San Marcos. Many of the committees named ordered meetings immediately.

The report on layman's work was submitted by Rev. Earl B. Smyth of Dallas, and George J. Burnett of Memphis, Tenn., associate secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, spoke to it, urging employment of a full-time man who would reach men in stewardship. Rev. Smith said the laymen in Texas were almost entirely without organization and unified effort. Where women have majored the men have been more than deficient, he said, although, he added, men are making progress, there being thousands now "zealous and active" while formerly there were only hundreds.

Thursday Session

Reports of educational institutions were order of the day. The Baptists heard some encouraging reports, and others not so heartening.

Dr. J. L. Ward, president of Decatur Baptist College, was the first to report in the afternoon. He declared that his school stresses loyalty to the church rather than to the school. The charter forbids debts, he said, but it closed the year with an indebtedness of \$900, he said.

The institution was established in 1898, and 6,000 students have attended during its existence, Dr. Ward said.

Reporting on Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, President G. W. McDonald pointed out three highlights of the past year: Dedication of the \$25,000 Lindsay Nunn gymnasium; deepening of spiritual interest, and the announcement of Dr. J. E. Nunn of Amarillo that he would contribute \$5,000 to the endowment fund every time \$25,000 was raised from any other source. The total endowment will be \$250,000.

President McDonald read a lengthy and splendid paper on "The Place of the Junior College." By vote of the convention, the Baptist Standard was requested to publish the paper in full.

Baylor Is Threatened

In presenting the report of Baylor College, Belton, Dr. M. T. Andrews, Texarkana, announced that the college must reduce its indebtedness and increase its endowment to remain in the Association of Southern Colleges, but stated that the school had agreed to postpone the launching of its campaign until the 1931 convention, in order that attention might be given the present drive to pay off Baylor University's indebtedness by January 1.

"Baptists schools are not too close; it's the Baptists themselves that are close," said President Thomas H. Taylor of Howard Payne College in his annual report. He stated that his school cut operating costs \$20,000 in 1930, and would cut them another \$10,000 in 1931. He boasted that his school had never graduated an unsaved person.

Dr. F. M. McConnell gave the report of the Baptist Standard, denominational mouthpiece of the convention.

Dr. L. R. Scarborough, president of the convention, appointed Dr. W. H. McKenzie of Waxahachie,

Dr. John A. Ellis of Denison, Dr. J. A. Hill of Canyon, A. D. Foreman, Sr., of Houston and Dr. W. Marshall Craig of Dallas a committee to recommend to the state executive committee a future policy for Burleson College of Greenville, whose president, Dr. E. W. Provence, recently suffered a nervous breakdown and still is incapacitated.

The Rev. W. E. B. Lockridge of Terrell said it was the first time in 39 years Burleson College had been unprepared to submit a report with recommendations to a convention. He said Dr. Provence's illness had made it impossible to assemble the necessary data. He said Dr. Provence would probably be incapacitated for a year.

Must Change Curricula

Dr. M. M. Wolf of Houston, delivering the report on Christian education, said a necessity exists for adjustments in the curricula of church educational institutions "to meet modern educational standards" if Baptists intend to stay in the field.

An appeal for better support of negroes who seek to train themselves for the ministry was voiced by Dr. O. L. Hailey of Nashville, Tenn., representing the American Baptist Theological Seminary for negroes. He said the \$25,000 Southern Baptists were spending for the work was inadequate and said negroes were drifting from the church because of inattention. He said 3,000 negroes attended a meeting of Mohammedans in Chicago recently.

Dr. B. L. Davis of New Orleans asked co-operation with the Baptist Bible Institute and Dr. W. T. Conner and Dr. Scarborough, the latter president of the institution, told of the work of Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth. Dr. Scarborough said the seminary must soon be endowed if it is to continue abreast of needs of the denomination. It has an enrollment now of 400 and hundreds of young men who would like to enter the ministry cannot realize their ambitions because they do not have the money to maintain themselves while they are studying, he said.

Dr. F. S. Groner, president of the College of Marshall, located at Marshall, stated that his institution did not owe anybody, and that it was receiving the wholehearted support of the Baptists of East Texas. The present enrollment is 257, a gain over last year of 20, and Dr. Groner said he expected a total enrollment of 400 for the year.

Dr. J. D. Sandefer, president of Simmons University, Abilene, was absent because of the death of a faculty member, and a report on Simmons was made by Rev. Sam Morris, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Stamford.

The convention voted down a proposal submitted by the Rev. S. Holloman of Bryan to amend the constitution to make members of the state executive committee ineligible for re-election until they had been inactive for at least one year. The board is comprised of 68 members, divided into three divisions so that not more than one-third shall retire at any one time. The Rev. Holloman argued that his plan would permit more general representation.

Dr. J. B. Tidwell of Waco led the opposition and the vote showed a preponderance against the change.

Speaking of the civic righteousness report, S. M. Gibson of Houston told the convention that he and others intended to go before the next legislature in advocacy of state censorship of motion pictures. On motion of Dr. J. M. Carroll of Seminary Hill, the messengers, by rising vote, endorsed the move and pledged support.

The report on religious literature, read by Rev. Sam Malone of Abilene, took a fling at the "large metropolitan newspapers" for printing "sordid and sensational news," using "every device known to yellow journalism."

Baylor University

The Thursday evening session was given over to the report on Baylor University and the campaign to raise \$350,000 within the next 30 days to lift the institution's debt. This will be necessary if Baylor is to receive \$300,000 from the education Board of New York. At this session nearly \$50,000 was pledged to the debt paying campaign. The First Baptist Churches at Dallas and San Antonio each pledge \$10,000 and Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Nunn of Amarillo gave \$5,000. At the Friday morning session it was announced that H. L. Kokenot, wealthy cattleman of San Antonio, would give \$75,000,

provided the entire indebtedness was raised.

Friday Session

With appeals for more money to carry on mission work at home and abroad in order that the spread of Communism, Bolshevism, Mohammedanism and Buddhism might be checked among foreigners and negroes in the United States and in most of the foreign mission fields, the convention came to a close Friday evening.

Waco was selected as the 1931 convention city, being recommended by the committee on "time, place and preacher" for the next session. The convention will be held November 11, 12 and 13. Dr. Millard A. Jenkins of Abilene was selected to deliver the convention sermon, and E. L. Carnet of Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth will direct the singing.

Aside from a number of courtesy resolutions thanking various agencies in Amarillo which contributed to the success of the convention, only one other resolution was passed. It requested the next legislature to pass a law "exempting from taxation a house owned by a church and used exclusively as a dwelling place for the ministry of such church."

At the final session, it was announced by Dr. S. P. Brooks, president of Baylor University, that Carr Collins, Dallas insurance man and lay leader, would direct the \$200,000 debt-lifting campaign launched Thursday night. The total indebtedness is \$350,000, but \$150,000 of it already has been pledged.

Back-tracking some of the ground they had previously covered, the convention Friday reconsidered its previous decision to postpone action on the proposal to establish a foundation to handle funds for its institutions, and decided to create an agency as recommended by a committee appointed at the Beaumont meeting last year.

Dr. L. R. Scarborough of Fort Worth, president of the convention, said adoption of the foundation plan was the greatest work of the session and described the action as "the most constructive step toward orderly financing of the schools and benevolent institutions."

Business Methods Urged

The matter was resurrected after it had been decided to let it rest a year while policies involved could be more closely studied, when Dr. W. R. White of Dallas, executive secretary, said the convention had never won the confidence of its wealthier members because of "lack of proper business organization."

Considering money matters, past and future, the convention learned from Dr. W. R. White of Dallas, secretary of the executive board, that the churches met the financial goal set for them and applied \$166,517 towards the convention indebtedness, which had been reduced to \$750,000. Dr. C. V. Edwards of Fort Worth, submitting the report on convention budget, revealed that \$267,839 had been allocated the coming year as preferred items to care for fixed obligations; \$322,500 for missions and education, state and south-wide, making a total budget of \$590,339, or approximately \$37,000 in excess of the budget of the past year.

The report of Dr. I. E. Gates of San Antonio, chairman of the committee on evangelism, revealed there "was a favorable atmosphere in the state for the promotion of evangelism" the past year. The state mission board maintained a staff of seven evangelists who conducted evangelistic campaigns in many of the more needy sections of the state.

Eighty-one revival meetings were held, 2,487 sermons preached, 3,068 persons converted and 2,337 baptized and admitted to church membership.

Loyalty Is Pledged

At the opening of the session, 126 ex-students of Simmons University sent up a resolution expressing their loyalty to and cooperation in the debt-lifting campaign now being waged by Baylor University. The resolution was passed by the Simmons students at a banquet Thursday evening.

It was also announced that Dr. J. M. Carroll had been offered a room in the seminary dormitory at Fort Worth, and that he had contributed the most valuable original documents ever received by the seminary. Dr. Carroll, a brother of Dr. B. H. Carroll, founder of the institution, was introduced and

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Woman's Missionary Union of Texas, District No. 17

WATCHWORD—"BE YE STEADFAST." 1 COR. 15:58.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF PRESIDENT OF DISTRICT 17 SUBMITTED TO STATE W. M. U.

The seven associations which comprise District 17 have attempted as one body to follow the W. M. U. plan of work.

We have tried to give ourselves more wholly in prayer, in study, in personal service, in education of young people, and in stewardship to help the progress of the Master's work.

More of the women in our district are studying of our mission fields than ever before. Several local churches held schools of missions and one association, Sweetwater, conducted a mission study institute. The Lueders Encampment program showed this increased interest in mission study when the classes in every phase of W. M. U. work were so enthusiastically supported. The large number of awards stands as proof of the enlarged work. Every age of young people was reached by instruction and inspiration; far-reaching will be the effects in this section. Especially did the Y. W. A. girls in their building receive education and enjoyment.

Lueders also gave the women an awakening in stewardship faithfulness. We consider the most outstanding high point in this year's work to be the coming of Mrs. Carter Wright, state president of Alabama, and her heart messages on stewardship which our women received and carried to their homes in the many sections. God be praised for the great outpouring and infilling, for realization of stewardship will solve all problems.

We have had among our missionaries on furlough our own missionaries, Dr. and Mrs. Lockett and Miss Viola Humphreys, Mrs. Christine Coffee Chambers, and Miss Lucile Reagan, and have had inspiration from others who were former students of Simmons University.

The Mexican mission work has been enlarged, and results are being seen. Our women have had a part in all this, in the work of Brother Torres, of the different Mexican missionaries in our midst, in the education of several Mexican students, and in the sending of Brother Paul Bell to the New Orleans convention.

Objects local and world-wide have been fostered. Miss Catherine Sullivan of Jackson University, Tennessee, is our scholarship girl in Ft. Worth Seminary and Russell Deter our Margaret Fund boy in Simmons University. The maintenance fund for Baylor Colleges, pledges to the Baylor College Endowment, Baylor Memorial Dormitory at Waco, the Bible Chair at New Orleans, all have been remembered. Religious education has not been neglected. Daily

vacation Bible schools are held each year.

The loan funds all, with our Rosabel Breedlove Loan Fund, are now assisting hundreds of students. The Silver Anniversary Fund of Sweetwater Association has aroused a deeper interest in Simmons University and other associations are following with individual plans for our own university.

The sick have been remembered in our W. T. B. Sanitarium. The chief aim attained this year was an enlarged fund for caring for the needy patients. Linens for use in the sanitarium have been provided by all associations; Cisco association is fulfilling their pledge to replenish the splint cabinet and two women of one association have given a baby incubator—a much needed addition of mercy. This sanitarium under the glorious leadership of Superintendent and Mrs. E. M. Collier is of great aid in our district work.

Workers' meetings and quarterly conferences have been well attended, and our district meeting at Stamford in April was epoch-making in the number present and in the inspiration and the practical methods received. Mrs. Leigh and Mrs. McGarity greatly helped in accomplishing these results. We always look to Mrs. Leigh to inspire us to do things and to tell us how.

The president has visited every association and has found loyal associational preidents leading beautifully in spite of seemingly hard conditions. May God receive all praise for His blessings.

Mrs. C. M. Caldwell.

DISTRICT WOMEN ENTERTAINED

During the recent convention in Amarillo, Mrs. C. M. Caldwell entertained the women of her district with whom she could get in touch with a dinner in the Red Room of the Amarillo Hotel Wednesday evening, November 12 at 6 p. m. Six of the seven associations comprising District 17 were represented.

After a delightful social hour during the enjoyment of a beautifully served turkey dinner, Mrs. Caldwell called for a few minutes of business. She first brought a message of greetings and love from the former president, Mrs. E. B. Atwood. The week previous Mrs. Caldwell had seen Mrs. Atwood in California and reported her as looking well and happy especially so in the companionship of her dear little granddaughter.

The women in informal meeting decided to hold the regular midwinter executive board meeting in Abilene at Simmons University Dec. 11 unless the date could be arranged to fit

that of the coming of Mrs. Sallee to our district.

Observance of the Lottie Moon Week of Prayer was stressed and the idea of making the Christmas offering a real gift—an "Alabaster Box" if possible, was favored.

Attention was called to different items to which our women are giving and thus was closed a true love fest.

Those enjoying the evening with Mrs. Caldwell were: Mrs. G. C. Cowan, Rochester; Mrs. L. M. Kay, Rochester; Mrs. H. H. Stephens, Ranger; Mrs. George Green, Sweetwater; Mrs. C. A. Powell, Mrs. S. J. T. Williams, Mrs. W. S. Daniels, Mrs. Geo. L. Paxton, Mrs. R. M. White, Mrs. A. T. Douglass, Mrs. Ed Shumway, Mrs. J. M. White, of Abilene; Mrs. W. R. Underwood, Albany; Mrs. Brink, Ranger; Mrs. Stewart, Roby; Mrs. W. T. Turner, Eastland; Mrs. L. W. Dixon, Roby; Mrs. D. G. Reid, Roby, Mrs. C. W. Cowden and Miss Carpenter, Abilene and Mrs. Jessie K. Hunter, corresponding secretary.

MEETING OF HASKELL W. M. U.

The quarterly meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of Haskell County Association met on October ninth with the ladies of the Munday church.

The associational auxiliary president, Mrs. L. M. Kay, of Rochester, called the meeting to order at ten o'clock and presided throughout the day's session.

The "Parable of the Talents," was the subject of the morning devotional beautifully given by Mrs. G. C. Cowan of Rochester.

Reports of the different chairmen were read and much interest was taken in the discussion of them. A bountiful lunch was served at noon. The afternoon session was opened with a devotional led by Mrs. C. O. Davis of Rule. "Faith," was the keynote of her devotional.

Much regret was felt because of the absence of Miss Lilius Penick who was to have discussed, "Our Young People's Work."

The address of the president, Mrs. Kay, was heard with much interest. She stressed the necessity for wise planning for the year before us.

At the request of the president, Mrs. J. D. Bowden, discussed the Standard of Excellence for Associational W. M. U., pointing out the benefits that may be derived by the careful observance of the points to be gained on the Standard.

During the business session appointments were accepted and the year's work outlined. All present manifested great interest in the discussion of plans for the Mission Study Institute to be held soon at Haskell.

The attendance record showed representatives from Gillespie, Haskell,

Knox City, Rule, Rochester, Wienert, and a large number from Munday. Knox City received the attendance banner for this meeting and Rochester the annual banner for largest attendance at the meetings during the past year.

The day was a pleasant and profitable one. The next quarterly meeting will be held with the ladies of Knox City. Date to be announced later. We are enjoying our work and we thank our Heavenly Father for our consecrated, efficient leaders.

Publicity Chairman.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF TREASURER OF DIST. NO. 17 OF W. M. U. OF TEXAS

July 1, 1930 to September 31, 1930

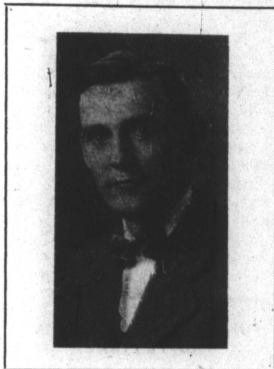
Expense Fund	
Receipts
July 1 Balance on Hand	\$491.81
July 7 Jones County Associational Auxiliary	75
July 22 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	75
August 5 Refund from Miscellaneous Account Advanced on Bible Chair Fund	26.50
September 15 Haskell Associational Auxiliary	2.83
September 30 Cisco Associational Auxiliary	4.75
Total	\$527.39
Disbursements.	
July 7 Mrs. Bible expense teaching Mission Study Institute	\$ 2.99
August 2 Abilene Printing Co. District Stationery	11.25
Total	\$14.24
October 1 Balance on Hand \$513.15	
Miscellaneous Fund	
July 1 Balance on Hand	\$ 22.50
July 7 Jones Co. Baylor maintenance	15.00
July 7 African Relief	9.00
July 22 Sweetwater Missionary's Daughter	3.50
July 22 Sweetwater Associational Debt	3.00
July 22 Sweetwater Lilius Hut	2.00
July 22 Bible Chair, Bible Institute, N. O. La.,	1.00
July 22 Sweetwater Baylor Maintenance	13.25
July 28 Sweetwater Missionary's Daughter	9.25
August 5 Jones County Association Bible Chair, Bible Institute, N. O., La.	3.00
August 6 Sweetwater Association Bible Chair	25
August 25 Sweetwater W.M.S. House at Lueders	25.50
September 15 Haskell Association, Lilius Hut	37
September 18 Sweetwater W. M. S. House, Lueders	25.00
September 18 Sweetwater Association, Lilius Hut, Lueders	

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A Page of Simmons University News

Funeral Rites Held Thursday For D. Swanzy

Dies Of Illness Brought On
By Attack Of Double
Pneumonia



Peace and quiet reign over the campus. The hurly-burly bustle and confusion is ceased. Simmons has its head bowed and noise hushed in mourning for one of its most popular men that has gone never to return again.

For the Grim Reaper has let his icy fingers touch among the one big family and from its loving circle has taken Douglas B. Swanzy, an ex-student, and for the past five years business manager and secretary for the university.

Death came as a result of complications brought on by several years illness. Mr. Swanzy had continued in active pursuit of all business duties, however, until last fall when his illness became more acute. He had been under the care of physicians since that time. He resumed his duties at Simmons in the late spring, but retired again in August.

At his bedside at the time of his death were Mrs. Swanzy, her little daughter, Gwendolyn, 3 years old, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tabor of Clyde.

Parents Arrive

Mr. Swanzy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James T. Swanzy of Beaumont, arrived Wednesday afternoon, receiving the message too late to get here before his death.

Douglas B. Swanzy was born at Center, Texas, August 17, 1900. He became a member of the Baptist church at the age of 7. He graduated from the Center high school at the age of 17 and went to Beaumont where he worked in a grocery store one year.

At the age of 18 he enlisted in the United States army as a volunteer and was in training for the aviation corps when the war ended. He was due to sail for France in four days when the Armistice was signed.

After the war he worked in a Beaumont bank three years. In the fall of 1921 he entered Simmons university. He was graduated with honors in 1924, getting his degree in three years, and was made assistant in the bursar's office where he had worked as a student to pay his way through school. In 1926 he was made

secretary-treasurer of the university, taking the place vacated by Prof. A. E. Chandler. On May 26, 1926 he was married to Miss Jewel Lee Tabor.

Active pall bearers for the funeral were: J. T. Haney Jr., Gilbert B. Sandefer, Prof. J. E. Burnam, Prof. D. W. Arnette, Prof. E. M. Landers, and Prof. W. C. Ribble.

Honorary pall bearers who are members of the Simmons faculty were Professors H. R. Arrant, O. E. Baker, M. M. Ballard, O. H. Cooper, Hoyt Ford, Sam Malone, R. N. Richardson, W. D. Rich, Irl Allison, D. O. Wiley, W. J. Work, D. M. Wiggins, C. F. Anderson, L. W. Cranfill.

Dr. J. D. Sandefer, university president, was in charge of ceremonies and was assisted by Dean Julius Olsen, Prof. W. D. Bond, and Prof. W. T. Walton, all members of the Simmons faculty.

Interment was made in Cedar Hill cemetery, with a brief rogram.

B. S. U. is Sponsor Of Two Programs

Two groups of students will represent Simmons in special programs, one at Big Spring, the other at O'Donnell on Sunday. These engagements have been made through former students and interested friends who have written for programs to be presented in their churches, and all such programs are sponsored by the local B.S.U.

Students taking part in the program at Big Spring, leaving in the B. S. U. car Saturday afternoon in time to be present at an associational reception to be held at the First Baptist Church, Big Spring, on Saturday evening, then presenting one program at each of the worship services on Sunday and before the Associational B. Y. P. U. Assembly on Sunday afternoon, are: Messrs. John Lee Harris, Ewell Porter, Ben Stripling, Miss Mary Gartner, and Mrs. Andrew Allen. Miss Carpenter will accompany this group.

The O'Donnell group will also leave Saturday in the car of Miss Mabel Reeves. Those making this trip are: Messrs. Foy King, Clarence Howell, Misses Ethel Comer, and Marguerite Parish. They will give a program before the Federated B. Y. P. U.'s in the afternoon, as well as one at the morning preaching hour.

Programs presented at both places will be of inspirational nature, having topics along line of consecration, service or stewardship.

Ministerial Council Holds Weekly Meeting

With twenty-four members present, the Ministerial Council met Friday night, November 14. Devotional was given by Aubrey Smith, and a brief discussion of the week's religious news was related by Morgan Evans.

The subject of the program was, "Is the Christian Religion Negative, or Positive?" The various parts were given by the following ministers:

"What Does Christianity Really Mean to Me"—Clarence Howell.
"Jesus is Religion, Not a Religion"—Aubrey Russell.

"What Is the Greatest Responsibility of the Modern Christian"—Fred Swank.

Ministers are urged to be there Friday night because a report will probably be given by the delegates to the Amarillo Convention.

Runnels County Club Has Reorganization

The Runnels County Club re-organized last week with Esther Parish president, Frankie Pierce vice-president, Clara Nell McAdams secretary and Vhelma Parish reporter. The social committee was not appointed but will be in the near future.

It has been the custom of the club for several years to give a Christmas party to the graduating class of both Winters and Ballinger inviting all of the ex-Simmonsites. This is the chief social event of the year. As was agreed this is held alternately at Winters and Ballinger. It is scheduled at Winters this year. Plans are under way to make this the most successful the club has ever given.

Member of the club are: Esther Parish, Horace Gustavus, Clara Nell McAdams, Vhelma Parish, Thelma Parish, Marguerite Parish, Ballinger; Henry Dixon, Faye Mitchell, Irene Smith, Jewel Mitchel, and Frankie Pierce, Winters.

A quartette, featured by the Harley Sadler company, entertained by vocal and guitar numbers Wednesday morning at the assembly period.

Numerous appearances have been made by the players in Abilene, the company being a West Texas enterprise. Each year when the show visits the city, various schools are hosts to entertainers representing it. A week's run was made here this week.

Prizes Offered For Story Contest

Simmons students are eligible to compete for cash prizes of \$1,000 and \$500 offered by the Ladies Home Journal for the best short story or the best short story submitted in their contest open only to undergraduates of American colleges and universities.

The short story must be of 5,000 to 7,000 words in length, the short short story must be of 1,200 to 2,500 words. All manuscripts must be typewritten, double spaced, and on one side of the paper only. The author's name, address, college, and class in the upper left hand corner, the number of words at the right, and the title of the story in the center at the top of the first page.

Short short stories must be mailed before midnight of February first, the short stories not later than March first. There is no limit as to subject matter or title. All communications should be addressed to: Contest Editor, Ladies Home Journal, Independence Square, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Simmons will be represented in the international debate with Oxford University by Ralph Grant and Charles Barnes, it has been announced by the Oratorical and Debating Association. (Continued on page seven)

Application for Scholarship in Simmons University

To:
The John Sebastian Bach Foundation
Simmons University
Abilene, Texas

Dear Sirs:

I,, hereby make application for one of the 254 County Scholarships in piano, valued at \$60.00 for the year 1931-'32.

I have studied piano..... years and plan to attend college, majoring in music for Bachelor or Arts or a Bachelor of Music degree. If awarded one of the 254 scholarships, I shall attend Simmons University and become an applicant for one of the five \$200.00 scholarships. I submit herewith a transcript of my high school record thus far, and two recommendations from my teachers, one of whom is a piano teacher.

Respectfully,

Name.....
County.....
City.....
Street.....

Note To Applicant: This application for a piano scholarship valued at \$60.00 for the year 1931-'32 must be filled out and mailed to Irl Allison, director of Scholarships, Simmons University, Abilene, Texas, not later than May 10, 1931. Early applications will be given early consideration. (Signed): Irl Allison, Director.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF TEXAS, DISTRICT NO. 17		July 7 Jones Co. Associational Auxiliary	4.00	July 22 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	129.80	cash to B. A. H. \$38.54; boxes, \$98.00; boxes to W. T. B. San., \$55.50; cash to an old minister, \$37.40. One widow adopted.
(Continued from Page 4)		July 22 Callahan Associational Auxiliary	7.50	August 6 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	25.10	Chairman—Mrs. J. F. McWilliams, Eastland.
September 30 Cisco Association Jerusalem Crusade	1.00	July 22 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	2.00	September 18 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	2.50	Chairman, Mrs. J. F. McWilliams, Eastland, Callahan Association.
September 30 Cisco Association Lueders Baptist Encampment	2.50	July 28 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	10.03	September 30 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	211.10	No. talks, 1; cash to W. T. B. San., \$5.00. Chairman—Mrs. W. E. Faires, Cisco, Rt. 4.
Total	\$126.12	August 22 Jones Co. Associational Auxiliary	2.00	Total	\$368.50	Fisher Association—No reports from local chairman.
Disbursements.		August 25 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	16.65	Disbursements.		Chairman—Mrs. Emery Scott, Rotan, Texas.
July 8 To State Treasurer, Mrs. Olivia Davis, Dallas		September 15 Haskell Co. Associational Auxiliary	4.43	August 2 To Bursar, Simmons University, Silver Anniversary Fund	\$ 36.95	Haskell Association—No. chairman in association, 9; No. talks made, 1; cash to aged minister, \$10.00. Chairman—Mrs. J. E. Mansell, Rochester.
Baylor Maintenance	\$ 15.00	September 18 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	11.90	August 4 To Bursar, Simmons University	92.85	Jones Association—No. talks made 2; Chairman—Mrs. F. E. Lonroy, Lueders.
July 23 To State Treasurer, Baylor Maintenance	13.25	September 30 Cisco Associational Auxiliary	2.00	August 7 To Bursar, Simmons University	25.10	Stonewall Association—(annual report): No. boxes to sanitariums 8; value of boxes \$48.00; cash to B. O. H., \$46.17; cash to aged ministers, \$12.00; box, \$3.00. Chairman—Mrs. J. F. Lancaster, Peacock.
July 23 Transferred from Africa Relief Fund to District Bible Scholarship	9.00	Total	\$56.51	September 30 To Bursar, Simmons University	211.10	Sweetwater—Cash to B. O. H., \$36.60; boxes, \$430.99; cash to W. T. B. San., \$118.07; linens, \$40.00. Chairman—Mrs. W. F. Joiner, Tye.
July 23 To Miss Penick, Lillias Hut	2.00	Disbursements.		Total	\$368.50	Mrs. Geo. L. Paxton, Chairman Dist. 17.
July 23 To F. W. Joiner, Association Debt	3.00	October 1 Balance on Hand	\$.00	West Texas Baptist Sanitarium Abilene		CONCERNING THE SEASON OF PRAYER
July 23 Chaparro's Daughter, Mexican Missionary	3.50	August 2 To Bursar, Simmons University, for Breedlove Student Loan Fund	13.50	July 1 Balance on Hand	\$.00	Mrs. J. E. Leigh
August 2 Chaparro's Daughter, Mexican Missionary	9.25	August 26 To Bursar, Simmons University, for Breedlove Student Loan Fund	16.63	July 7 Jones Co. Associational Auxiliary	7.55	In reply to the oft asked question whether I thought it advisable to study a mission book during the season of prayer, I will answer, I do not, and my reasons are these:
August 5 Refund to Expense Fund from Bible Chair	26.50	September 6 To Bursar, Simmons University, for Breedlove Student Loan Fund	2.00	July 27 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary Charity Fund	6.40	First, the programs are so full and interesting there is scarcely time to carry them out in the time we give each day, and second, however interesting the study is, it can not take the place of earnest importunate prayer. While the study of a mission book is fine, to take the time of prayer for the study of it defeats the very purpose for which it was intended.
August 22 Lueders Baptist Encampment, First Baptist Church, Abilene, W. M. S.	12.50	September 19 To Bursar, Simmons University, for Breedlove Student Loan Fund	11.90	August 6 Sweetwater Associational Linens	12.00	Now, I do say and have said to you many of you, I recommend the study of a Foreign Mission book before the 'Lottie Moon Week of Prayer and a Home Mission book before the Week of Prayer for Home Missions, but the study should be finished and the way cleared for this season of Prayer. My conviction is that we should not combine this Program with any other social, study or otherwise.
September 19 Lueders Baptist Encampment, First Baptist Church, Abilene W.M.S.	25.00	September 30 To Bursar, Simmons University, for Breedlove Student Loan Fund	2.43	August 11 Cisco Associational Auxiliary Cabinet and Aluminum Splints	20.75	Another question. Will one day be sufficient for the Week of Prayer? In small societies in the country where women are far removed from the house of worship, this is permissible, but surely in our towns and cities we would not even want to do thi. Where the program has been followed and the women have come together for prayer for the entire season suggested the results have been very satisfactory spiritually and financially.
September 20 Lueders Baptist Encampment, First Baptist Church, Abilene, W.M.S.	3.00	Total	\$56.51	September 15 Haskell Co. Assoc. Aux. Linens	.22	Let there be no idle words in the pulpit. Let the full gospel be preached. Let the truth be set forth in its simplicity, in its ruggedness, in its tenderness, in its grace, in the love of Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit, that souls may be saved and that God may be glorified.—Presbyterian.
September 30 Lueders Baptist Encampment, First Baptist Church, Abilene, W.M.S.	2.50	October 1 Balance	\$.00	September 30 Sweetwater Assoc. Aux. Linens	2.00	
Total	\$124.50	First Baptist Church, Abilene Loan Fund, Simmons University	\$.00	Total	\$48.92	
October 1 Balance on Hand	\$ 1.62	July 1 Balance	\$.00	Disbursements.		
Baylor Belton Endowment		July 28 First Baptist Church, Abilene	45.15	July 23 To Treasurer West Texas Baptist San.	\$13.92	
July 1 Balance on Hand	\$.00	August 25 First Baptist Church, Abilene	48.30	August 7 To Treas West Texas Baptist San.	12.00	
July 7 Jones Associational Auxiliary	.75	September 18 First Baptist Church, Abilene	46.80	August 12 To Treas. West Texas Baptist San.	20.75	
July 22 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	2.50	Total	140.25	September 30 To Treas. West Texas Baptist San.	2.22	
August 22 Jones County Associational Auxiliary	.25	Disbursements.		Total	\$48.92	
September 15 Haskell County Associational Auxiliary	.10	August 2 Bursar, Simmons University, First Baptist Church Loan Fund	\$ 45.15	October 1 Balance on Hand	\$.00	
Total	\$3.60	September 19 Bursar, Simmons University, First Baptist Church Loan Fund	46.80	Baylor Maintenance Fund Receipts.		
Disbursements.		Total	\$140.25	August 22 Jones Co. Associational Auxiliary	\$ 6.00	
July 23 State Treasurer, Baylor Endowment	\$3.25	October 1 Balance on Hand	\$.00	September 16 Haskell Co. Associational Auxiliary	1.13	
August 12 State Treasurer, Baylor Endowment	.75	Foreign Mission Fund		September 30 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	10.00	
Total	\$4.25	July 1 Balance on Hand	\$.00	September 30 Cisco Associational Auxiliary	31.25	
October 1 Overdraft	\$.65	September 15 Haskell Co. Associational Auxiliary	.37	Total	\$48.38	
District Bible Scholarship Fund		September 18 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	5.00	Disbursements.		
July 1 Balance on Hand	\$ 61.99	September 24 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	.75	August 12 To State Treasurer, Baylor Maintenance Fund	\$ 6.00	
July 22 Callahan Associational Auxiliary	12.50	Total	\$10.12	September 30 To State Treasurer, Baylor Maintenance Fund	41.38	
July 22 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary	33.25	October 1 Balance on Hand	\$10.12	Total	\$47.38	
July 23 Transferred from Miscellaneous Account	9.00	State Mission Account		October 1 Balance on Hand	\$1.00	
August 22 Jones County Associational Auxiliary	3.00	Receipts.		Expense Fund	\$513.15	
September 15 Haskell County Associational Auxiliary	2.50	July 1 Balance on Hand	\$.00	Baylor Maintenance	1.00	
Total	\$123.17	September 26 Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary, State Missions Week of Prayer	\$37.52	Miscellaneous	1.62	
Disbursements.		Disbursement.		District Bible Scholarship	23.17	
September 20 To Treasurer, Southwestern Seminary, Seminary Hill For Bible Scholarship	\$100.00	September 30 To State Treasurer, State Missions	\$37.50	Foreign Mission Student	10.12	
October 1 Balance on Hand	\$23.17	October 1 Balance on Hand	\$.00	Total	\$548.96	
Breedlove Loan Fund		Silver Anniversary Fund of Sweetwater Associational Auxiliary		BENEVOLENCE REPORT		
Receipts.		Receipts.		Benevolence report for quarter ending September 30, 1930. Cisco Asso-		
July 1 Balance on Hand	\$.00	July 1 Balance on Hand	\$.00			

BIG SPRING ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Big Springs Association met in Stanton Texas Nov. 4.

Rev. J. W. Sailor, pastor and host, presiding at the morning session.

Devotional at ten o'clock.

Rev. B. G. Richbourg, clerk of the association, discussed, "The Difference Between "Salvation and Rewards."

Rev. Scott Cotton, missionary for the Mexicans, spoke of his work in Midland and Big Springs.

Eleven o'clock Rev. J. O. Heath of Garden City, delivered the associational sermon, "The Peril of Looking Backward," which was a very forceful address and was well received. Luncheon was served at one o'clock in the church by Mrs. T. E. Mashburn and her committee Mrs. J. R. Sale, Mrs. L. J. Harrison, and the ladies of the church, which was heartily enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. K. S. Beckett associational president announced the women's work for 1:30 p. m.

Hymn—"Faith of Our Fathers,"—Mrs. A. M. Gantt, pianist.

Devotional—Mrs. P. L. Hall.

Prayer.

Recognition of representatives from the various churches.

Rev. Geo. F. Brown, moderator of the association, delivered a spiritual soul winning address on "Steadfastness."

Misses Eula Gee and Alberta Gantt gave a message in song, "In The Garden," Mrs. Gantt playing their accompaniment.

"A Plea from Africa"—Mrs. K. S. Beckett.

"Report of State Executive Meeting."

Mrs. B. Reagan, president of the District Association and the following chairmen were present:

"Benevolence"—Mrs. K. S. Beckett, Big Springs.

"Stewardship"—Mrs. M. B. Robertson, Midland.

"Educational"—Mrs. J. T. Mercer.

"Methods and Finance"—Mrs. Norman Read, Coahoma.

Program Committee of women's work include: Mrs. R. C. Hatch, Big Springs; Mrs. M. B. Robertson, Midland; Mrs. M. C. Williams.

Prayer.

Announcements.

Meeting adjourned to meet at Coahoma in December.

Midland's delegates from First Church attending the association, were as follows: Rev. and Mrs. Geo. F. Brown, Mrs. Albert M. Gantt and daughters, Mrs. J. M. White, Mrs. M. B. Robertson, Mrs. Ella Youngblood. Mrs. Albert M. Gantt, Reporter.

One of the great crimes which shortens life is indifference. As one loses interest in his church, in his political party, in his club, his friends, and acquaintances, he dries up and the grave claims one whom no one wants nor laments. The two most fatal phrases are: "What's the use?" and "Why should I?"—Chauncey M. DePew.

Don't think that when you get older your way will change. It's hard to bend a well-grounded tree.

RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING BROTHER J. H. BURNAM

Since Bro. J. H. Burnam, our beloved moderator, is going to move into another part of the field, therefore we, the Callahan Baptist Association do herein express our regrets because of his going. For many years he has been one of the most faithful workers among us, having served several years as moderator.

We will miss his wise council and tender fellowship. We pledge faithfully to him, and our prayers and earnestly covet his. We shall wish him well in his new acquaintances but shall anxiously hope for his early return to us. We can ill afford to give him up, but we trust the Lord will supply us with another good leader to take his place.

We commend him to the fellowship in service to the good Runnels Association where he is going and feel sure that soon a place of service will be given over there.

Adopted by Callahan Baptist Workers meeting assembled at Clyde Monday, Nov. 3, 1930.

"You wish to marry my daughter. Can you cook, sew, wash and iron, sweep, darn, nurse children, shop—?"

The young man gave a puzzled laugh, "Why ask me if I can do these things?" he said.

"Because," said the elderly man, "my daughter can't."

SIMMONS UNIVERSITY NEWS

(Continued from page five)

In a tryout Monday night, the two were chosen by a group of judges composed of Dr. Richardson, Miss Thelma Andrews, and Dean Wiggins.

This is the fourth year for Grant and the second year for Barnes in debate and oratorical teams, representing Simmons. Barnes represented the school at the Pi Kappa Delta national meet, winning second place in oratorical contests and Grant attended the same meet representing in debating.

The debate is scheduled for December 11, and is the third international debate for this university.

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The Classical Club has held several meetings so far this year and are working out plans for a more active term after Christmas.

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the men's chorus with a clever musical social on third floor of Fine Arts Building on Friday evening. All the guests were dressed in costumes to represent some familiar melody, and the winning costume in point of cleverness was adjudged after some demonstration was given by the wearer.

All nominations for university queen must be given to the Student Assembly president, Johnny Lovell, ten days prior to the election of the queen, which is to be held this year on Dec. 2.

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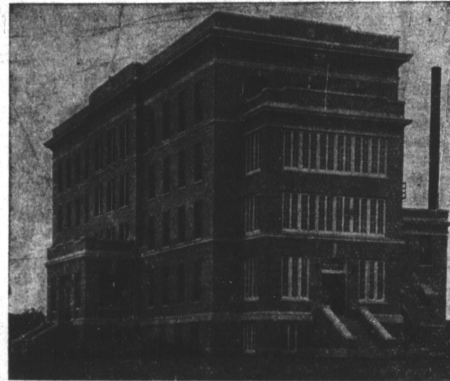
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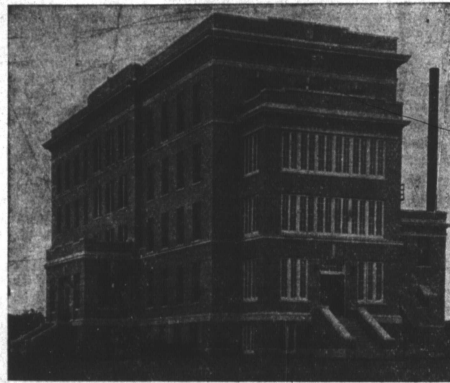
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