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Stamford Host To District Convention March 6-7

RAMBLING



By DICK O'BRIEN

Usually the title at the head of this column accurately describes what is written, but not today. We are employing the space so generously granted us each week by the editor, to issue an earnest invitation to all Baptists of District 17 to attend the convention here next week. Most of our people are denied the privilege of attending state or south-wide meetings, and this district convention is the next thing to these larger meetings. In fact the man who preached the sermon for the Southern Baptist Convention at Baltimore last Spring, will deliver the principal sermon of our convention here. The two men heading the departments of Sunday School and Training Union work in Texas, will speak and conduct conferences. There are larger conventions that you might attend, but no bigger men and women would appear on the program than you will meet and hear at Stamford next Thursday and Friday. There are many more churches represented in the larger conventions, but the same kind of churches which make up District 17.

We wish there was some way of knowing how many of you will be here so that we might prepare lunch for you, but this is impossible. Our entire community will welcome you, and we hope that great numbers of you will spend the night with us, as homes will be opened on the Harvard plan for all who come to stay through. And now excuse me until next week, when I expect to get back to the remarks, but now I must shuck the corn and pump water for your horses, and put an extra comfort on the spare bed for you. Yes, and get a fresh sugar cured, country ham from the smokehouse, and maybe a sack of sausage or two.

TO ASSOCIATION TREASURERS IN DISTRICT SEVENTEEN

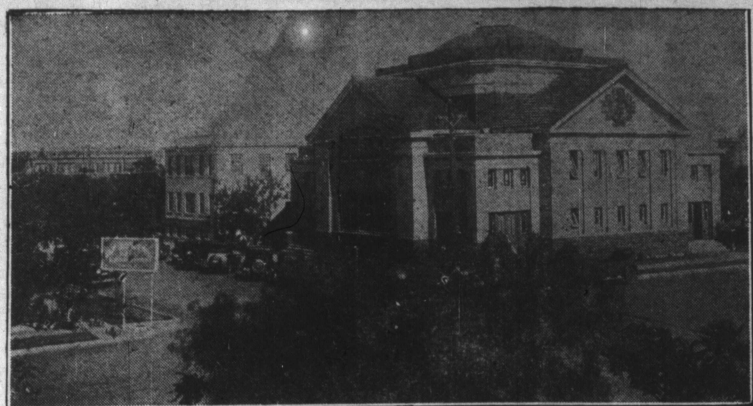
Since the District convention will be held Thursday and Friday of next week, will you please send in all funds in your care for district missions not later than Tuesday so we may come to our annual meeting with all bills paid.

R. E. Dudley, Treasurer.

EVENTS TO COME

- February 28-March 1-District 7 Convention, Van Horn.
- March 4-5-District 8 Convention, Colorado City.
- March 6-7-District 17 Convention, Stamford.
- March 3-7-Home Mission Week of Prayer.
- March 7-8-Y. W. A. House Party at H-SU.
- March 17-18 - State Laymen's Rally, Dallas.
- March 25-26-District 9 Convention, Brownfield.
- March 27-28-District 10 Convention, Pampa.
- March 27-28-District 11 Convention, Paducah.
- April 15-17-Texas Baptist Sunday School convention, Dallas.
- April 22-23-District 17 W. M. U. Convention, Breckenridge.
- April 28-29-Formal installation of President W. R. White, H-SU.
- May 14-18-Southern Baptist Convention, Birmingham.
- June 2-5-Evangelistic Conference, Seminary Hill.
- June 23-29-General Encampment, Lueders.
- July 7-9-Girls' camp, Lueders.
- July 9-11-Boys' camp, Lueders.

Where District 17 Messengers Meet



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, STAMFORD, REV. DICK O'BRIEN, PASTOR

United Youth Demonstration Protests Liquor Situation

More than seven thousand Texas young people from every section of the state assembled in Austin February 18 for a gigantic and almost unprecedented demonstration against the liquor traffic. The key-note address was delivered by Dr. Homer Price Rainey, President of the University of Texas. He said, "The day is coming when Texas will be dry and I am inclined to think that day is not far distant. We need now a sound program of alcohol education to prevent the social evils rather than spending millions on prevention of crime resulting from alcohol."

Other speakers of youth as well as leaders of youth declared, "Liquor must go"; "Texas must vote liquor out of the state."

Over-Flow Crowds
The crowd was so large that huge sound trucks were secured in order that the messages and program in detail which was rendered in the First Methodist Church could be carried to the streets and even to the Capitol lawn. It was estimated that approximately six thousand people were present by ten o'clock. In the afternoon, the auditorium of both the First Methodist and the First Baptist Church were filled to capacity. The meeting at the First Baptist Church was termed an over-flow crowd; but the crowd was so large that it could not begin to get in that great building.

Parade
After the morning session, the young people marched on the Capitol where their leaders expounded against liquor at sessions of the House and Senate; led by the famous Hardin-Simmons University Cowboy Band, the San Marcos Baptist Academy Band and two Austin High School bands, they paraded throughout the business section, singing, "The Eyes of Texas" and "Onward Christian Soldiers." Including the Austin people, the crowd that participated in the parade and that observed it from the streets was estimated at fifteen thousand. Young people from every section of the state who marched in the parade carried banners and placards with impressive mottoes on them. Some of the mottoes are as follows: "Less Beer, More Biscuits," "Swat the Honky Tonks," "Let Texas Youth Be Heard—Liquor Has No Defense," "Liquor Destroys Democracy," "Out With Liquor—Our Life Is At Stake," "Don't Pay Pensions With Rum Revenues," and many others.

The Program
The United Youth Conference opened its session the morning of February 18 at ten o'clock. Mr. Ward Fouts, President of Student Assembly of the University of Texas, was the presiding officer during the morning session. The opening musical numbers were given by the San Marcos Baptist Academy Band. The songs, "The Eyes of Texas," and "Onward Christian Soldiers" were led by Jack Gardner of Dallas. The speakers at the morning session were Dr. Jeff Davis, United Texas Drys, Dallas; Dr. Homer Price Rainey, President, University of Texas; Dr. W. H. Mc-

Kenzie, Austin; Mrs. Claude De Van Watts, State President of the W. C. T. U.; Dan Sharpley, Liberty; Miss Margaret Falmer, Keene; J. W. Marshall, Dallas; and T. C. Gardner, Dallas. In the afternoon, Dr. W. R. White, Abilene, and Dr. C. R. Hooten, Dallas, were the two key-note speakers. Their addresses were followed by an open forum where young people from every section of the state had an opportunity to express themselves about liquor and its many evils.

Resolutions
Dr. W. L. Howse of Fort Worth, Chairman of the Resolution Committee, presented the resolutions to the over-flow crowd at the First Baptist Church and to literally thousands of young people at First Methodist Church. The resolutions presented below were unanimously adopted with instructions to send a copy to each Senator and Representative of Texas. The request was also made that the resolutions be given to the Associated and United Press and to all church (Continued on page 2)

MCBETH BIBLE LECTURES WIN DISTRICT 8 ACCLAIM

The second pastor's and laymen's Conference of District 8 was held in the First Church, Big Spring, February 18 and 19. It was what the name implies — a Bible Conference. There were other related subjects discussed but the major emphasis was on the Bible. Dr. J. P. McBeth, pastor First Church, Dumas, was our highly esteemed teacher. This was his second engagement and every one speaks in the highest terms concerning his teaching. Dr. Geo. W. Parks brought an additional Bible lecture on the two Covenants. Bro. Parks, who has been characterized as "being high as a windmill and deep as a well," sits at the feet of this young scholar and enjoys it as well as the rest of us and doubtless comprehends it more. This young Bible scholar is an exegete, not an isotope. He unfolds the Scripture in a way that holds the listeners in spell demand.

Bro. McBeth is in great demand on such occasions as we had. He taught in a similar meeting at Amarillo, Plainview, in New Mexico, and has been invited to teach at the Ruidoso Encampment this summer. It is the candid judgment of many of us that he ought to be employed by some of our Christian Schools. He would improve with use.

Hon. E. S. Cummings, President of the State Brotherhood, was another visiting speaker. He did a good job. The some two hundred people who attended these meetings were royally entertained by the thoughtful pastor, Dr. C. E. Lancaster, and his good church.

The moderator W. C. Harrison, and Secretary-Treasurer, N. W. Pitts, were reelected and Bro. John Matthews, Educational Director, First Baptist Church, Midland, was elected Musical Director.



CONVENTION PRESIDENT
Rev. Philip C. McGahey, Breckenridge

FISHER COUNTY WOMEN HOLD MISSION INSTITUTE

The Associational W. M. U. of Fisher county held an all-day meeting with First Church, Roby, February 18, with Mrs. George McBeth, chairman, in charge. Mrs. Ray Hennington conducted the song service. Rotan furnished special music. The morning study period was followed by a sermon by Pastor Thomas J. Young, Roby.

After a brief lunch period, Mrs. O. D. Henley led in devotions. Mrs. W. L. Taylor taught "The Way of Missionary Education" to adults; Mrs. Robert Gray taught, "This World's Goods" to the Y. W. A. class; Mrs. L. L. Trott taught intermediate leaders "Questing in Galilee." Mrs. Rex Parks taught "The Guitar and the Water Jug," a book for juniors.

Mrs. L. L. Trott was elected associational president, succeeding Mrs. John P. Hardesty, resigned. Plans were made to present a W. M. U. pin to Mrs. Hardesty as a token of love and appreciation.

Thirty were present from the following eight churches: Roby, Rotan, Royston, Sylvestre, Sardis, Highland Home, Hobbs and McCauley.

FLOYD ASSOCIATION WILL PUBLICIZE EVANGELISM

The Floyd County Association has completed its organization for the Summer Evangelistic Campaign. It is planned that a revival meeting shall be held in every school-house community where the possibilities are such as would justify holding such meeting. Plans are also to have from one to two revivals in every church in the association.

Rev. Aaron Shaw, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lockney, is the evangelistic organizer for the association and Rev. W. R. Derr, pastor at Ralls, clerk of the association, has been selected as publicity director of the campaign.

It is planned that beginning next week some phase of the program for the Summer will be mentioned in every newspaper in the four counties which are included in the association.

ALL PHASES OF CHURCH LIFE TO BE PRESENTED AT DISTRICT 17 MEET

All departments of church activity will be presented to those attending the District 17 convention at Stamford, Thursday and Friday, March 6 and 7. Meetings will be held in the commodious First Baptist Church and guests who remain over night will be furnished bed and breakfast by the Stamford people.

The Training Union work will be featured in the Thursday morning program with Dr. T. C. Gardner speaking and leading a general conference. Dr. G. S. Hopkins will lead the Sunday School session in the afternoon. Thursday evening will be given to the Brotherhood with Dr. Tom Taylor and Mr. R. A. Springer addressing the laymen. Young People's work of the W. M. U. will be emphasized Friday morning with Mrs. R. L. Mathis, state young people's secretary, and Pastor L. L. Trott of Rotan, making the addresses.

Convention sermons will be delivered by Pastors Jones Weathers of Eastland, H. R. Whatley of Haskell, and C. A. Powell of Rule. Business will be transacted Friday morning at 11:00.

Rev. Philip C. McGahey is convention president and Rev. J. Henry Littleton is district missionary. Vice-presidents are Mrs. J. B. Buckley, representing the W. M. U.; J. M. Cook, Sunday Schools; Rev. L. L. Trott, for the Training Union; and Judge E. S. Cummings for the Brotherhood.

B. B. I. HAS HOMECOMING LECTURES NEXT WEEK

Twelve leaders among Southern Baptists will appear on the program of Homecoming Week at Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, March 8 to 7. Features of the week include the Layne Foundation lectures by Dr. Everett Gill, and the Tharp lectures by Y. H. Hodgepeth, New Orleans attorney.

Dr. Gill, emeritus missionary to southeastern Europe, will also speak daily on missions.

Other speakers will be Dr. W. T. Conner of Southwestern Seminary; Dr. Austin Crouch of the Southern Baptist executive committee; President W. W. Hamilton of B. B. I. and the Southern convention; Secretaries W. H. Knight of Louisiana and D. A. McCall of Mississippi, Wyatt Hunter, Mississippi pastor, and Mrs. C. R. Creaman, Tennessee W. M. U. president.

Music will be directed by I. E. Reynolds, Fort Worth; Fred C. Scholfield, Laurel, Mississippi; and E. L. Carnett of B. B. I.

ATTENDANCE REPORT CHALLENGES MEXICANS

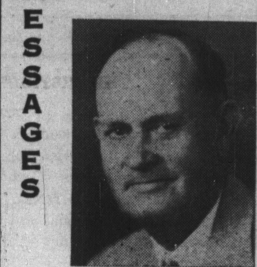
"La Voz Baptista" is a Spanish language weekly published at the El Paso Seminary for Spanish-speaking Baptists. The following is a free translation of its comment last week upon Sunday School attendance reports:

More Than Two Thousand. The West Texas Baptist of Abilene, Texas, publishes the attendance in Sunday Schools of the American churches of that region and they are very numerous, for in the city of Dallas alone there are eleven churches of our denomination, the least of which has an attendance of 335 persons and the First Church, of which the eminent Dr. Truett is pastor, one notes a total of 2,120. This makes us wonder when will our Sunday Schools in Mexico and the United States have a larger attendance.

H-SU TO FURNISH PROGRAM FOR FISHER WORKERS

At the request of the association program committee, a group from Hardin-Simmons University will give the program for the Fisher Association Workers' Conference which meets at Sylvestre, Monday, March 3. An interesting and inspirational program is being planned.

MISSIONARY



By J. Henry Littleton
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The past week we spent in the Cisco Association in a school of missions. I believe fourteen churches entered into this program. The weather man was against us, but in spite of bad weather, the reports coming in are good. Brother Blair and Mrs. Crawford gave a great deal of time to organizing for this week of work. So far as I know, it is the first time that we have tried an association-wide school of missions in this section. I wish every association would plan to do this fine thing.

All told, I spoke in eight churches. Sunday morning, the sixteenth, I was with Brother Richardson and the church at Desdemona. Sunday night with Brother Palmer and the church at Olden. Monday night with Brother Williams and the church at Moran. Tuesday night with Brother Christian and the church at Carbon. I was supposed to have gone to the First Church with Brother Price on Wednesday night, but it rained us out. Thursday night I was with Brother Phillips in the First Church and also Brother Rogers in the Second Church at Banger. Friday night I was with Brother Prince in the First Church at Cisco. After the weather man turned his hand against us so hard, I felt like the crowds were unusually good.

In most of these places I used my Projector and brought pictures of mission scenes in Africa. Sunday, the twenty-third, I preached both morning and evening for Brother Weathers in the First Church at Eastland. I was a member of this church when I surrendered to preach, and enjoyed very much going back there for this day's services. We are starting this week out by going to Rotan, where Mrs. Littleton teaches a W. M. U. class this Monday afternoon. We are going to Knox City for the worker's conference tomorrow.

We finally succeeded in getting the worker's conferences of this district so they will not meet in conflict with each other. The Fisher County conference meets on Monday after the first Sunday in each month. Cisco, Tuesday after the first Sunday. Calahan, Wednesday after the first Sunday. Sweetwater, Thursday after the first Sunday. The Stonewall association will meet Tuesday after the second Sunday. The Jones County meets Tuesday after the third Sunday. Haskell County, Tuesday after the fourth Sunday. I know that it has inconvenienced some to get all of these changes made, but I was so anxious to be in each association every month, and I found it impractical and nearly impossible to make two on the same day. I want to thank everyone for cooperating in a good spirit with this program.

Let's remember our district convention which meets at Stamford next Thursday and Friday. A program will be found in this week's issue of the West Texas Baptist. Every pastor is supposed to be getting this paper. For some weeks I have tried to send the paper to each individual pastor who was not a subscriber. I wish we could find it in our hearts to get our churches to put the West Texas Baptist, as well as the Baptist Standard in our church budget. Mr. Dudley has been very kind in carrying the news of our churches and associational meetings in the columns of the paper from week to week. We could do no less than get our people to support this by sending in subscriptions. We are looking forward to a (Continued on page 2)

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THE DISTRICT CONVENTION

The district plan of work is still new in Texas, yet not too new for those in the best position for observing to concede that it is the most successful arrangement which the denomination has yet tried in this vast empire that is Texas. However, it is new enough that we are still learning by the trial and error method something of the best plans of utilizing this agency to the glory of God and the forwarding of His kingdom work.

This is the season for district conventions and it is interesting to note the different types of meeting in the various districts. In the more western districts, the sentiment seems to favor a two-day convention in which all phases of the work of the churches are presented. Further to the east, it appears to be more popular to have a one-day meeting given over to the Sunday School and the Training Union work. On some other occasions they have the annual W. M. U. meeting for the district and a Brotherhood rally. Where this custom is followed there is usually no general convention for the district, the district board being elected by the constituent associations, and concerned chiefly with employing and paying the district missionary.

The best plan is that which elicits the best response from the people and the churches, resulting in the most effective work for the Master. As to which of the many variations of these two instances is the better may depend upon the particular district with all the variations of terrain and personalities involved.

Let us pause for a moment and consider just what we are trying to accomplish after all. Is not all our organized work primarily interested in enlisting more of our people in missions, in personal evangelism, in Bible study and in better Christian living? Is there an emphasis of the Sunday School, the Women's Missionary Union, the Training Union, or the Brotherhood which does not resolve itself into one or more of these objectives? In them can be found all the denominational agencies including education, hospitals and care of the orphans. Is not this the Great Commission restated?

The question then seems to resolve itself into whether we can best attain these ends, in the area in which we live and work, through group meetings from time to time or by a coordinated, unified effort in which each is for all and all for Christ. As we come to answer that question, may we come, not in pre-conceived opinion, but open-mindedly asking, what would God have us do?

ON PUBLICITY

An exchange gives an unfavorable comparison upon the amount of Baptist publicity in the newspapers as compared with that of some other denominations. Before grumbling, however, Baptists should first check up on what they are doing to present newsworthy Baptist affairs to the press in timely, authentic and acceptable form.

So far as Texas, and particularly West Texas, is concerned, Baptists get a fair break. The larger dailies of the state, almost without exception are making special efforts to cover such obvious Baptist events as major conventions, and in addition to giving front page space, are liberal with headlines and pictures.

There is no doubt that they would be eager to use much more Baptist news if it were given to them while still news and especially if it were properly presented. Business institutions, colleges, and all sorts of organizations, including the government, have publicity directors. Hard-headed executives who must show dividends are sold on the practice. But it must be done right. Countless reams of government "releases" have gone straight to editorial waste baskets because it was propaganda and not news.

Some will wonder if such methods are ethical for churches and if it is a proper expenditure of the Lord's money. It seems that it is quite as ethical to proclaim the good tidings of the gospel work in that way as any other, more so than the sensational ways in which some religionists break into print. As for the expense, people give to causes in which they are interested. There are three quarters of a million Baptists in the state, over two-thirds of whom never read a denominational paper, yet nearly all of them read the newspapers. Let's give more of our news to the secular press.

CONCERNING BURDENS

We frequently sing, "Take Your Burden to the Lord and Leave It There," and then the most of us heave up the same old familiar burden and lug it along as best we can in our own strength. How daily do we hinder our own usefulness and grieve the Lord through such lack of faith!

Only through faith is it possible to live the triumphant life, bringing joy to ourselves, happiness to others and honor to God. And only as our faith grows, expanding to full fruition, can we lay aside the crushing burden of worry, which shortens our every step, and swing out in the freedom of Divine assurance to serve Him to the fullness of our capacity in whatever station in life we find ourselves.

"Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved."

News Notes

Dr. Thomas H. Taylor addressed 237 men at the February meeting of the Brotherhood of First Church, Odessa. For four months they have averaged 160 in attendance. The March speaker will be Earl B. Smyth of Dallas.

Lee Stulce has resigned as education director of First Church, El Paso.

Friendship Church, where Rev. W. K. Horn is pastor and Tom Williams superintendent, has had an average of 87 in Sunday School this month and two additions to the church.

Dr. R. S. Jones, field secretary of the Foreign Mission board, was in Albuquerque last week end.

The Baptist New Mexican passed the three thousand mark last week, more than doubling the circulation in two years. It now reaches a larger percentage of the Baptist homes in the state than any other state paper, except the Arizona Beacon which is sent monthly to every Southern Baptist home in that state.

The young people of Clyde church dedicated a special service, Sunday, February 23, to the memory of Bernice Welch, daughter of the pastor, who passed away recently.

Rev. Douglas Carver is leading in a revival at Bay City with George Wilson, the Indian singer, in charge of the music. This meeting was planned before Rev. Carver accepted the call of the University Church, Abilene.

In spite of a rainy week, 109 enrolled and 87 completed the course in a Training Union course at Ralls. Missionary Lowell Ponder, Pastor W. R. Derr, Rev. J. Earl Landtroop of Lorenzo, Mrs. B. B. Huckaby of Morton and Mrs. A. J. Boyd of Ralls composed the faculty.

Dr. W. R. White will assist Pastor Luther Holcomb in a revival at Durant, Okla., next week. This meeting was scheduled before Dr. White came to Hardin-Simmons and will be carried over the radio in that section.

On February 23, when many rural and small town churches failed to have services on account of the rain, the largest crowd remembered for a regular service heard Pastor R. E. Jones at Clairemont, and a still larger number came at night. There were two additions and plans were started for the church budget.

On account of the district convention at Stamford, the Workers' Conference of Sweetwater Association will be postponed a week, meeting March 13 at Shep Church.

Lakeview Church on the Plains has advanced from fourth to half time. They are giving regularly to the Co-operative Program and have some new members of the 100,000 Club. Seventeen families have tithing banks in their homes. Pastor W. K. Horn reports that the plan works fine.

R. G. LeTourneau, manufacturer who will be one of the main speakers at the state laymen's meeting at Dallas next month, has given Louisiana Baptists a check which will pay the expense of a rural church enlistment evangelist for the rest of the year.

Rev. Loyal E. Brown is engaged in a meeting at Bethel Baptist Church, Kansas City, 27 uniting with the church the first week. He reports Mrs. Brown's health greatly improved since going to a lower altitude. They are located at 731 Fremont Street, Kansas City, Mo., and he is open for evangelistic or pastoral work.

There were several conversions and a number of reconciliations at Clyde, February 16, in a service led by Rev. J. T. Watson, Wayland college student, who supplied for Pastor O. D. Welch.

H-SU STUDENT PASTOR HOLDS MEETING AT BIG SPRING

Rev. Sam Brian of Hardin-Simmons is in the third week of a meeting at West Side Church, Big Spring. No more faithful preaching has been done by any one than his has been. Sam is a real spiritual feast for us.

Please pray that gracious blessing shall be ours yet, in having souls saved and added to our church. The church needs recruits constantly as many from our mission field here move on to other places. Be partners with us in our prayers.

—E. E. Mason, Pastor.

DEACON FLOYD BURIED AT ROBY MONDAY

I. J. Floyd, senior deacon of Pleasant Valley Church, Fisher County, was buried at Roby February 24, beside his wife, who preceded him five years ago. Although he had been indisposed for some time, he had been seriously sick only two days before his death.

He had been a Christian for 50 years and a deacon for 36. He and Mrs. Floyd had lived together nearly 60 years at the time of her death. They had 11 children, eight of whom are still living, 47 grand children and 17 great grandchildren.

During his active years, he was one of the best helpers and leaders in the Pleasant Valley Church.

United Youth--

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papers in the state. The resolutions that were unanimously adopted are as follows:

"The young people of Texas are convinced that liquor is one of the greatest problems confronting the citizens of America today. Liquor and gambling are two of the worst enemies of youth. Therefore, the young people of Texas, working together as 'United Youth,' are calling upon all of those in authority to give serious consideration to the following resolutions:

First: Whereas, the brewers have already pushed their merchandise near to the camps and stations where the soldiers and sailors are being trained, that 'United Youth' of Texas call upon the President of the United States, the Secretaries of War and Navy and all others in authority to take such action as will secure for our soldiers and sailors in the army and in the navy as great moral protection as was given to them in the selective draft act of 1917.

Second: That the youth of Texas call upon the State Legislature to consider carefully the subject of liquor and vice as it relates to personal welfare and urge the Legislature to enact such measure as will reduce intemperance and vice.

Third: That in view of the fact that the laxity of the drug store liquor bill has been and is a menace in dry territory; that most any person regardless of physical condition and age may secure a prescription and purchase as much liquor as desired; therefore, we urge that the Texas Legislature now in session take such action as will bring about a revision of the drug store liquor bill by passing H. B. 373 to remedy such abuses.

Fourth: That the law-making bodies of Texas be requested to amend the constitution giving the citizens of the state of Texas the privilege to vote liquor out of Texas at the earliest possible moment. We also strongly urge the submission of H. J. R. 12 which would prohibit the legislature from enacting any gambling laws.

Fifth: That our Texas Senators and Representatives be asked to vote and use their influence against H. B. 261 or any other bill that may be presented looking toward legalized pari-mutual betting, commonly known as horse race gambling.

Sixth: We urge the legislature not to enact any laws legalizing the sale of liquor by the drink, but to enact such legislation as will forbid highway drinking establishments and to amend Texas liquor control act as an immediate remedy so that no beer or liquor permit shall be granted to any establishment which is nearer than a radius of three hundred feet to the nearest corner of any property belonging to any church, school, or hospital.

Seventh: We urge that our conventions, conferences, synods, encampments, assemblies, and other youth meetings having for their purpose the betterment of our social order, shall adopt resolutions similar to these, and that time shall be given on the programs of such meetings for youth to express themselves concerning such subjects, and that these expressions of our young people shall be forwarded to our Senators and Representatives.

Respectfully submitted, W. L. Howse, Fort Worth; Margaret Palmer, Keene; C. R. Hooten, Dallas; H. L. Graves, Austin; W. W. Ward, Fort Worth; Leighton Cornett, Clarksville.

A Visit to State Capitol

By a special resolution unanimously adopted by both the House and the Senate, United Youth of Texas were given the privilege to visit the House and Senate chambers and to listen to their chosen representatives speak against the liquor traffic and pari-mutual betting. The ones representing United Youth to deliver the addresses before the Senate were Robert LaPrade, S. M. U. student, whose parents live at Temple, and T. C. Gardner, Texas United Youth Leader. The speakers before the House were Bob Wideman, a young attorney of Dallas, and Dr. W. H. McKenzie of Austin.

Sunday School Lesson

March 2, 1941

By HIGHT C MOORE

THE AUTHORITY OF CHRIST

Read Luke 19:1 to 20:8
Study Luke 19:41 to 20:8

In Jericho and vicinity on his last journey to Jerusalem only a few days before his crucifixion the authority of Christ was evident in the conversion of Zaccheus the publican and in the parable of the pounds. His entry into the capital on Sunday was marked by triumph in fulfillment of prophecy, featured by his lament over the city, and followed next day by the second cleansing of the Temple. All these kingly acts were challenged by the Sanhedrin on Tuesday and most effectively answered by Christ.

1. Christ's Authority Over the City (Luke 19)

AS PROPHET Jesus exhibited his authority over the city. It was 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!

2. Christ's Authority in the Temple (Luke 19)

AS LORD Jesus exercised his authority in the Temple. It was a polluted sanctuary that opened its gates to the Lord following his triumphal entry. A second time he cleansed the Temple of the traffickers who again (as some two years before, according to John 2:13-17) had made it a robbers' den. How earnestly and in Scripture phrase (Isa. 56:7; Jer. 7:11) he lifted up his voice for truth and righteousness in the sacred courts!

3. Christ's Authority Among the People (Luke 19)

AS TEACHER Jesus displayed his authority among his friends. Day by day "the Lord of the Temple" came to the Temple of the Lord. The crowds gathered eagerly around him and literally hung on his words. Not such another teacher had ever risen in their midst. Not such a message had they ever heard before. The leaders hated him but the people heard him with close attention and respect. But for his hold upon them he would have been destroyed at once by the authorities. As it was, they dared not touch him. But at length came their hour and the power of darkness.

4. Christ's Authority Among His Critics (Luke 20)

AS MESSIAH Jesus defended his authority against foes. On Tuesday of Crucifixion Week while he was teaching and preaching to throngs in the Temple, he was confronted by a group (apparently a deputation like that which came to the Baptist) composed of chief priests, scribes, and elders (the three classes in the Sanhedrin) who demanded his authority for doing "these things" (as the triumphal entry, and the cleansing of the Temple). Since the question involved and was aimed at his mission as the Messiah he replied with a most apt counterquery: "The baptism of John (including the whole ministry and mission of the Forerunner), was it from heaven, or of men?" At once they saw they were caught in the trap they had set for him. If they said it was of men, they would enrage the people who regarded John a prophet. If they said it was of God, Jesus would rebuke them for not acting upon it. They therefore answered they could not tell. Thus the challengers were shamed and silenced.

Accept and Acknowledge the Authority of Christ

Authority of the Compassionate Christ. "He beheld the city, and wept over it." He saw it with all its sin and shame. He foresaw its fate in utter wreck and ruin. Yet he loved it, yearned for it, wept over it. Is he not worthy of the throne in every heart?

Authority of the Redeeming Christ. "Thou knewest not the time of thy visitation." He came to seek and to save the lost. Faithfully, gloriously he fulfilled his mission. He came to

redeem but he redeems only those who receive him. How important that we should know the time of our visitation from him!

Authority of the Reforming Christ. "He went into the temple, and began to cast out." Is the Temple infested with traffickers? Out with them! Has the house of prayer become a robbers' den? Clear out the rascals! Is evil entrenched and wrong rampant and wickedness enthroned? None but Christ can overcome and overthrow. But he can—and he will!

Authority of the Revealing Christ. "He taught daily in the temple." The word of God was on his lips. Indeed, his own words were the very words of God, divine, inerrant, essential, credible to the last and least iota. When he speaks, let no one question, quibble, or criticize but everyone hear and heed!

Authority of the Rejected Christ. "The chief priests and the scribes and the chief of the people sought to destroy him." He had exposed them when they wilfully and persistently opposed him. Now they made their last official attack upon him. Their hearts were harder and their tongues were sharper than ever. He was "despised, and rejected of men."

Gold in the Golden Text

Why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?—Luke 6:46.

Profession is good when it is good; but when it is vain it is utterly vain and worse than useless. Jesus is truly Lord, and he only is Lord. He deserves to be called Lord. But to call him "Lord" and disregard his Lordship is abhorrent to him.

The remedy lies in sincerity and consistency. Accept him as Lord. Then from the heart call him Lord, listening to learn and standing ready to do just what he says. And then—devote the whole life with every strand of strength and every moment of time to doing what he has commanded.

Daily Bible Readings

March 3—The Wicked Husbandmen. Luke 20:9-18.
March 4—Seeking to Trap Jesus. Luke 20:19-20.
March 5—The Captious Question about Taxes. Luke 20:21-26.
March 6—Moses Opposed. Hebrews 11:24-27.
March 7—Christ's Followers Opposed. Matthew 10:16-22.
March 8—Paul Persecuted. 2 Corinthians 11:23-27.
March 9—Reproached but Rejoicing. Matthew 5:10-12.

Missionary Messages

(Continued from page 1)

great convention at Stamford this year. In my way of thinking, this is one of the best programs we have ever had and it ought to be satisfactory in every way in the thought of changing the program of our convention. I have refrained from giving my personal opinion as to our annual meeting. I am going to say now that I do not believe we will work out any plan that will satisfy the district, as a whole, in a better manner than we have this present program. I wish we would give much thought and prayer to this matter, and I believe we will come to the convention with one opinion, and that is to go on as we are at the present time. I do hope our men come from every church for the Thursday night service. Mr. Springer and Dr. Taylor will be the speakers at this time. Let us give them a good hearing.

In checking over my books in the library, I find that there are numerous copies out. This library has been run in a helpy-selfy way. Much of the time I was not here and books have been taken out and brought back at all times, and we are glad for this to be done. We are asking that you look about your place, and if you find you have not returned the books, you ought to do so at once. We are having many calls and we need every one of them. We do not expect this service to pay dividends, but we are finding that it is not meeting expenses. We are going to ask everyone to keep a closer check on the books carried out and get them back within a period of ten days. We will also expect the rentals to be paid when the books are rented. At the rate we have been going, we will soon be without a library, and we know you don't want this. We have now in the library books that most of you will need. Write in or come in and let us help you in this way in your training service.

LARGER SUNDAY REPORT ATTEN

G. S. Hopkins,

February 19

Report of Sunday School enrollment of 900 reports so that they Burt Building, Dallas day of each week.

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Port Arthur, Memorial
Austin, First
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Pampa, First
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Palestine, First
Corpus Christi, First
Sherman, First
Lamesa, First
Waco, Emmanuel
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Odessa, First
Texarkana, Rose Hill
Paris, First
Henderson, First
Midland, First
Borger, First
Greenville, First
Groves, First
Coleman, First
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Houston, Second
Houston, South Main
Houston, West End
Houston, Park Memorial
Houston, First Heights
Houston, Trinity
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Fort Worth, Polytechn
Fort Worth, North
Fort Worth, Riverside
Fort Worth, Tabernack
Fort Worth, College Av
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Dallas, Gaston Ave.
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Dallas, Forrest Ave.
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LARGER SUNDAY SCHOOLS REPORT ATTENDANCE

G. S. Hopkins, Missionary

February 19, 1941

Report of Sunday Schools that have an enrollment of 900 or above. Mail reports so that they will reach 707 Burt Building, Dallas, before Wednesday of each week.

Amarillo, First	1951
San Antonio, First	1717
Lubbock, First	1427
Longview, First	1268
Abilene, First	1194
Beaumont, First	1065
Wichita Falls, First	1056
San Angelo, First	1007
El Paso, First	1003
Galveston, First	1098
Denton, First	908
Waco, Columbus Ave.	860
Vernon, First	827
Tyler, First	818
Fort Arthur, First	808
Wichita Falls, Lamar Ave.	793
Port Arthur, Memorial	787
Austin, First	773
Kilgore, First	719
Pampa, First	705
Peaumont, Calvary	679
Faestine, First	649
Corpus Christi, First	620
Sherman, First	616
Lamesa, First	586
Waco, Emmanuel	575
Big Spring, East Fourth	557
Sulphur Springs, First	555
Odessa, First	544
Texarkana, Rose Hill	543
Paris, First	575
Henderson, First	544
Midland, First	518
Rogers, First	517
Greenville, First	491
Groves, First	485
Coleman, First	422
Houston, Baptist Temple	1362
Houston, First	1210
Houston, Second	1164
Houston, South Main	1002
Houston, West End	900
Houston, Park Memorial	808
Houston, First Heights	792
Houston, Trinity	757
Fort Worth, Travis Ave.	1539
Fort Worth, Broadway	1320
Fort Worth, Rosen Heights	824
Fort Worth, Polytechnic	714
Fort Worth, North	699
Fort Worth, Riverside	574
Fort Worth, Tabernacle	556
Fort Worth, College Ave.	469
Dallas, First	2348
Dallas, Cliff Temple	2465
Dallas, Gaston Ave.	1544
Dallas, Calvary	1041
Dallas, East Grand	819
Dallas, Hillcrest	722
Dallas, Forrest Ave.	685
Dallas, Highland	600
Dallas, East Dallas	589
Dallas, First Oak Cliff	417
Dallas, Forney Ave.	388

Debts repudiated dishonor God. We are paying our debts. We will pay them in full.—K. Owen White, vice-president, Home Mission Board.

PROGRAM

Y. W. A. House Party for District 17, Meeting at H-SU March 7-8
Theme: "Ye are the light of the world" (Matt. 5:14).

Scripture: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven" (Matt. 5:16).

Theme Song: "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning."

Friday, 2:00—Glad you're here! Register, please! Mary Frances Hall. (Get your meal ticket when you register).

3:00—Mrs. Dick O'Brien, presiding, parlors, Mary Frances.

Song Service, Elizabeth Duck. The Wise Shall Shine, Inez Henley, Sylvester.

Special Music, Golden Girls Quartet.

Welcome, Dr. W. R. White, president, H-SU, Mrs. J. B. Buckley, president, W. M. U., District 17, Dell Johnson, president, H-SU Y. W. A.

Response, Evelyn Thomas. Our Shining Lights.

Announcements or appointing of committees.

Special music, Sweetwater Y. W. A. Christ Shall Give Thee Light, Mrs. R. L. Mathis.

Let's meet everybody! 6:00—Barbeque.

8:00—Praise Service, Cowgirl Band. Chalk Talk, Frances Landers.

Does Your Light Shine? Dr. E. B. Atwood.

Social Hour; Miss Jaxie Short and Mrs. J. B. Buckley and Mrs. O. W. Woodrum.

Glowing Lights (closing devotion), Verna Lee Carson Hill.

10:30—Safely rest! God is nigh! The Way We Go

6:30—Rising Bell, A New Day Is Dawning! Scripture for the day, "Arise! Shine! for thy light is come!"

7:00—Breakfast.

7:30—Campus Prayer meeting, Room 303, Science Hall, Doris Wayne O'Brien, 3rd vice-president, B. S. U., in charge.

8:00—Tour of the campus.

9:00—Praise Service, Carolyn Evans.

Lamp Unto my Feet, Light Unto My Pathway, Eva Lois Harmonson.

Lights from Afar, Miss Blanche Rose Walker, China.

10:00—Chapel in Hardin-Simmons University, Mrs. R. L. Mathis.

Preparing for God's Candlelights: Vice-President, Doris Elaine Clonts, Knox City.

Program, Sibbie Holder, Eastland.

Personal Service, Fannie Mae Rogers, Clyde.

Socials, Mrs. Hubert Morton.

Stewardship, Bobbie Copeland.

Mission Study, Clara Nell Armstrong.

Lighted to Lighten (Y. W. A. suggestions), Mrs. Philip McGahey, Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Mrs. Dick O'Brien.

Special music, Bobbie Lawson, Reba Tallison.

Lighting the Whole World, Maye Bell Taylor, Brazil.

Recognition Day Planned as Next Jubilee Event

The next major event to be celebrated in accordance with the semi-centennial celebration of Hardin-Simmons is to be H-SU recognition day in the Baptist churches throughout Texas. The date has been set as March 16. H-SU day in the denominational churches will be directed by the church contacts committee, of which the Rev. P. D. O'Brien of Stamford is chairman.

Already celebrated is the annual Charter Day, with a banquet observance. Hardin-Simmons is now under the control of the Baptist General convention. A \$30,000 building repair program was completed last summer and a great financial campaign for the President Sandefor Memorial has been launched with \$300,000 as a goal.

Other major dates for the spring are a tri-associational meet, on April 3; Founders Day, April 17; the inauguration of Dr. W. R. White as seventh president, on April 28 and 29, and June 2 commencement. Plans are being made for a series of climax events to continue until the 50th commencement, in June, 1942.

MIDLAND COUNTY CHURCH HAS DEDICATION SERVICE

The Cotton Flat Baptist Church, five miles south of Midland, dedicated their new building Sunday, February 23.

This church was organized in 1937 in a school house after a meeting had been held by Rev. Walter F. Smith, with 12 members. The church now has 48 members and is a thriving organization, supporting all of our work. In 1939 Rev. L. O. McGallian, was called as pastor and remained almost two years, then the church called the present pastor, Rev. Floyd Hull.

The two former pastors were used along with the District Missionary in the dedication services. This church is filling a long felt need and we bespeak for it a very useful service.

—W. C. HARRISON.

PROGRAM

Fisher Association Workers' Conference, Meeting at Sylvester, Monday, March 3, 10 a.m.

Song Service, led by Bill Bell. Stewardship, Sidney E. Cox. 100,000 Club, J. M. Cook.

W. M. U. in District 17, Mrs. J. R. Fielder.

Song, H-SU Golden Girls Quartet. Sermon, Christian Education, Dr. E. B. Atwood.

Noon. 1:30—Song Service, Bill Bell. Devotional.

What H-SU Means to Me, Bobbie Copeland.

Golden Girls Quartet. Missions Our Mission, Missionary J. Henry Littleton.

Charles A. Wells, New York cartoonist and religious lecturer, gave a series of addresses at Lubbock last week.

On a tract of land, comprising 23,280 acres, purchased by the government near Talladega, Ala., where a powder plant will be erected, there are several villages that will be moved, also five Baptist churches will be moved.

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We are very fortunate to have Rev. D. A. Jones and his wife living on the field. They are well educated, consecrated and untiring workers in our Master's cause.

We have eight deacons and seven of them are active members of the Training Union. We plan to have a training school for the Training Union and the Sunday School soon.

Allen Kuykendall is Sunday School Superintendent, M. D. Wilcher, Training Union Director, Mrs. Essie Blackard is W. M. U. president, and J. S. Franklin is board member.

The Mitchell-Scurry workers conference meets with Buford March 11.

HAMLIN PASTOR HONORED AFTER YEAR OF SERVICE

Members of the First Baptist Church presented their pastor, Rev. H. E. East, with a new Chevrolet on Sunday morning, February 16. This was the beginning of his second year as pastor of the church. Mr. H. O. Casle, Chairman of the Board of Deacons, made a short address expressing the appreciation of the church for the work accomplished during the past year. The car was a complete surprise to the pastor and his family. It was sitting on the church lawn at the close of the morning service.

The Lord has blessed the work in Hamlin during the past year. A summary of the work follows: Sunday School average, 284.7; Additions to church, 130; baptisms, 76; amount paid on building debt, \$3,800.00; total collected for all causes, \$10,300.46; special offering on February 9, for work in camps, \$72.31.

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WORKERS CONFERENCE

CALLAHAN ASSOCIATION

Meeting With

Putnam Church

Wednesday, March 5th

Theme: Sunday School Efficiency.

10:00 A. M.—Devotional, E. L. Redden.

10:15 A. M.—Maintaining Proper Organization, J. Henry Littleton.

10:45 A. M.—Maintaining Proper Spirituality, J. M. Cook.

11:15 A. M.—Announcements, Recognition of Visitors.

11:25 A. M.—Sermon, C. E. Poe.

12:05 Noon—Lunch hour.

1:15 P. M.—Board Meeting, W. M. U. Meeting.

2:00 P. M.—Inspirational Address, O. D. Welch.

2:30 P. M.—Adjournment.

Pastor H. C. Reddock and Putnam Church extend to all an invitation to attend this conference.

HEBRON MEETING PLACE

FOR ZONE 1 SECOND TIME

Mrs. V. L. Merritt, secretary and publicity chairman of Zone 1 Sunday Schools of Jones Association desires to clarify any question arising as to the place of the monthly Sunday School meeting in March.

At the February meeting, held with Hebron Church, only three churches were represented because of inclement weather and impassable roads. This resulted in a fellowship meeting rather than a program. For that reason, H. G. Smith, zone superintendent, asked that Stith sponsor the program, meeting at Hebron March 2, instead

of March 22, as was announced some time ago, possibly due to a typographical error.

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Dr. W. R. White, President, Abilene, Texas

NEWS FROM BRAZILIAN MISSIONS FRONT

By Lee L. Johnson
Dear Brother Dudley:

At your invitation, I am happy to bring to the readers of the West Texas Baptist information as to how the battle goes in the Land of the Southern Cross.

But first will you let me recall the most happy months I spent as a student of "Simmons College," as it was then called, back in the year of our Lord, 1905. Those are unforgettable days in my life. I lived with my good friends, Rev. J. D. Kennedy, where I worked for my board, and walked nearly two miles through the mesquite pasture to the college. Dr. Cooper was the cultured president, and Dr. L. R. Scarborough the dynamic pastor of the First Baptist Church. While there, my life was profoundly influenced, and my decision to give my life to the work of foreign missions was made after hearing Miss Blanche Rose Walker tell of blessed experiences with the Lord in China.

Later, I went to Baylor University, where I finished in 1909, and continued my studies in the Southwestern Seminary. I later went to a pastorate at Whitesboro, Texas, where after three and a half years, I left in 1915 for Brazil. For the most of these 26 years, we have been located in Recife, Pernambuco, North Brazil. God has been wonderfully good to us and we have been permitted to see the work multiply and over during these years. When we went to Recife, there were five Baptist churches in that city. Today, there are 37 churches, the greater part of which are self supporting, and many of them with good buildings.

Mrs. W. B. Bagby, who still lives in our city, went with her sainted husband to Brazil just 60 years ago to see the first church organized in 1882

with five members, four of whom were missionaries, now multiplied into around 700 Baptist churches with a membership of 60,000. Our churches are strict in their discipline and are evangelistic and missionary. All our men preach the Gospel, not just the pastors. Brazilian Baptists sent missionaries to evangelize Portugal, the mother country, and Portuguese Baptists have sent the Gospel on to unoccupied parts of Africa, where they have already organized five Baptist churches.

At the recent meeting of the National Baptist Convention, in Rio de Janeiro, 939 messengers were registered, and problems which had been disturbing the denomination found a happy solution. A revival tide sweeps our churches. At one service in one of our Pernambuco churches recently, 46 people manifested their acceptance of Christ as Savior. In a meeting in Pagueaquara, Bahia, Brother Enette recently had 120 professions followed by 65 baptisms. Our God is marching on in Brazil in spite of all the machinations of the Devil.

We have no difficulty in getting hearers for the Gospel message. The present government in Brazil is very liberal and friendly toward the United States and toward our evangelical work. Dr. Getulio Vargas, the president, reads the Bible and has a son

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named Luther. There have never been so many open doors in Brazil and all Latin America as today. Our government is spending millions of dollars in the cultivation of the Good Neighbor policy. If we would just take advantage of this marvelous opportunity to preach the Gospel of the living Christ to Brazil's fifty million inhabitants, as well as to the rest of Latin America, we would make a far greater contribution to continental peace and fraternity than all that the government may spend.

There are still four States in Brazil which have no Baptist missionary. When I left Brazil last May, I was serving as missionary for four states, in my own and in three others where there was no missionary. May God help Southern Baptists to enter these many open doors!

PROGRAM

Workers' Conference of the Floyd Association, with the First Church of Matador, March 4

Theme: Soul Winning Necessities. 10:00—Song and devotional service, led by W. R. Moffett.

10:15—A Burden for the Lost, Rev. B. P. Harrison.

10:35—The Prayer Necessity, Rev. R. C. Malone.

11:00—The Necessity of Personal Contact, Rev. G. C. Applewhite.

11:25—Male quartet.

11:30—Sermon, Rev. Walter Brian.

12:15—Lunch.

1:45—Executive Board and W. M. U. meetings.

2:00—Congregational Singing, led by W. R. Moffett.

2:10—Special music, George Owens.

2:15—Sunday School report, R. E. Campbell.

2:30—The Sunday School as a Soul-Winning Agency, Rev. J. J. Terry.

2:55—Inspiration Message, Rev. N. V. Guice.

Ideals of Freedom Based On Bible H-SU Prexy Asserts

The constitutional ideals of freedom of speech, press, assembly and worship grow from Biblical conception of the dignity of man and the sovereignty of individual, Dr. W. R. White said in concluding a series of talks on the Bible and constitution.

Equality before the law, a constitutional right in America, has Biblical background, Dr. White said.

The conceptions of freedom in the Bible and in the American constitution are the same. He said in a timely discussion series contrasting the national way of life in America, with its democratic ideas and Christian philosophy with that of the totalitarian states.

SENTENCE SERMONS

By O. D. Henley

Boozers are losers. Demands unmet are ever met. You don't have to reach the devil's standards, they reach you. Friends are fortunes. A taste of hell here ought to give us a taste for heaven hereafter. When satan steps in the sinner steps out.

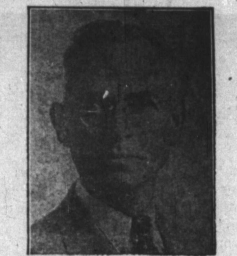
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We as citizens of this great nation are called upon by our President to make every preparation necessary from the greatest factories on down to every individual, to give our attention and our all in defending democracy. He calls on the United States to have faith that democracy is not dying and cannot die.

So Christ, our great leader and ruler of this universe, calls to his people. We who claim His great name are called upon to have faith. As soldiers of the cross, let each of us stop in these hurrying times long enough and ask ourselves, "Am I a soldier of the cross, a follower of the Lamb?" He wants us to be faithful and stand true to him. Obey His command. Be loyal to Christ, stand up for Him and move at His command. "Lift high the royal banner, it must not suffer loss."

Our President also called the attention of the United States that in the face of great perils never before encountered that our purpose and our aim is to protect and perpetuate the integrity of democracy.

So in the face of sin and so many ways, Satan has to draw our young and old away from God and from His House of Worship, away from service, partaking of the evil things of this sinful world, forgetting God, may we as his soldiers throw out the life-line, for there are many that are sinking today. Let us make it our aim and purpose to give our best, our all to Him. Christianity will grow and His people will live honest and upright lives and His name be glorified. Let us serve and honor Him. With faith in Him we will march on to victory. Faith is the victory!

—MRS. J. H. WELDON.
(Courtesy Stamford American)

The Supreme Opportunity Of Alumni History

I know of no college or university fifty years old that does not have on its campus a sizeable, substantial monument of some kind, placed there by the alumni and exes, except one; that one is Hardin-Simmons University. Our alumni and exes have been called on less than those of any school in the nation. The alumni and exes of the University of Texas have poured millions into their Alma Mater. Yale follows her former students everywhere and enlists most of them.

This is perhaps providential. The alumni and exes are numerous enough and financially able enough to do a worthy thing. Since the going of Dr. Sandefer, they have a definite objective—a memorial to him. It is a memorial that serves a desperate need. A great library building with office and auditorium space set in the center of the campus would step us up in every way.

Now is the appropriate time. Later will be too late for a memorial so far as any special advantage in sentiment is concerned. General financial conditions are as ideal as they will likely ever be.

Is Hardin-Simmons going to march on in triumph or is she going to settle down to a status quo? Other institutions are building and improving. In a few years you will be ashamed of your Alma Mater unless you rally behind this great program for a bigger and better day. It is the first large concerted effort for your old school and your "Prexy" of hallowed memory to be sponsored by the alumni and exes. Can you match the spirit and devotion of the alumni and exes of other institutions? I believe you can and will.

W. R. White, President.

Church Bulletins

SALT BRANCH

The Sunday School at Salt Branch has had an average of 52 for the past month and preaching services have been well attended. An offering was taken for the soldier's work amounting to \$11.91.

Houston Robertson, Supt.
O. A. Hendon, Pastor.

PLEASANT VALLEY AND CROSS ROADS

Too much rain kept us from having any service at the Valley last Sunday. I was there and did a lot of going around, but the only service I was in was at the Rotan Church, Sunday night. As it was too bad for service in the country, I went to town and preached, for Brother Trotter. The service was in a theater and was well attended for the kind of night.

I will be looking forward to Sunday with Cross Roads. Maybe the weather will be settled and the sickness over. Let's pray for a good Sunday.

—Joe R. Mayes, Pastor.

You must not shut yourself up in your religion as if it were a prison. You must issue forth from it as the home in which you have found peace for your heart, and strength for your work, and inspiration for your duty. Christ must be your Door, by whom you go in to God and out to man.—Henry Van Dyke.

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