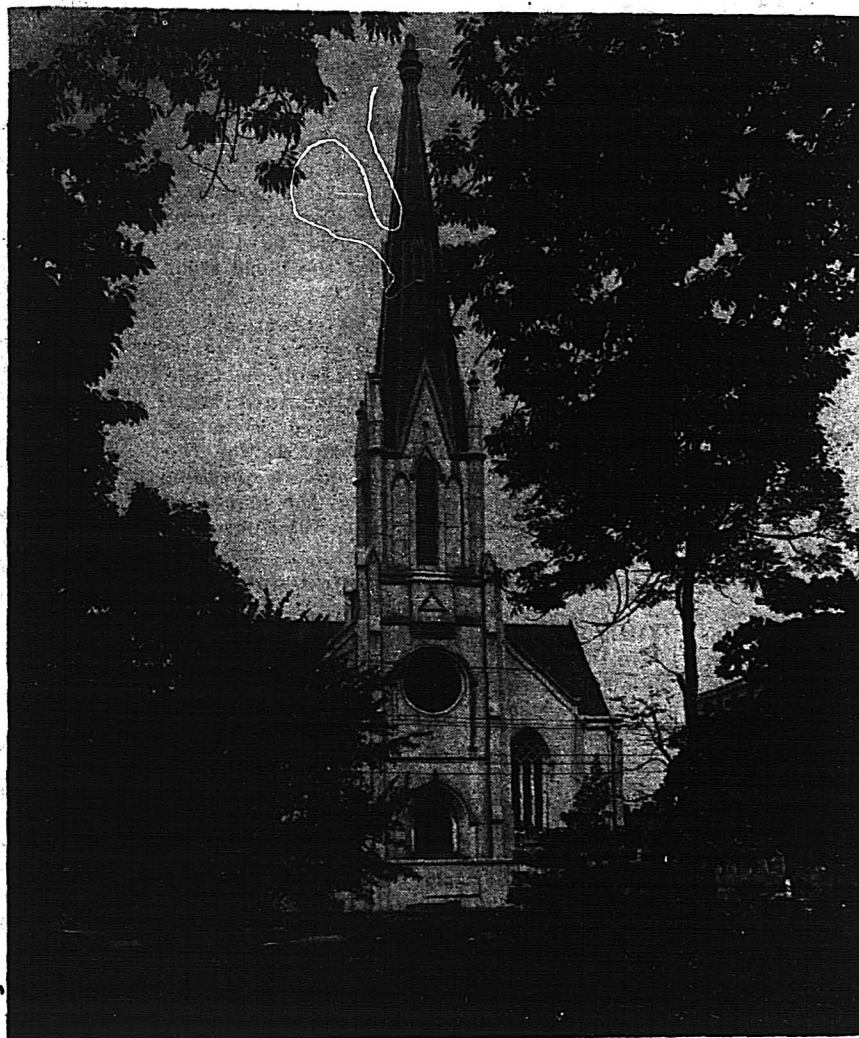


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Welcome to the First Baptist Church, Raleigh—State Convention



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, RALEIGH

"Sir, you are very welcome to our house;
It must appear in other ways than words,
Therefore I scant this breathing courtesy."

—SHAKESPEARE.

The old historic First Baptist Church of Raleigh is throbbing with activity and thrilling with joy. The reason is obvious—the Baptist State Convention is coming. For three momentous days it is to be our guest. Because this church is bound to the Baptist State Convention by intimate and unbreakable ties of loyalty and affection, welcome is more than a word—it is a deep emotion, an abiding impulse.

But welcome "must appear in other ways than words." So, we are putting our house in order. Every possible arrangement is being made to provide for the comfort and pleasure of the messengers and to facilitate the work of the Convention. Since Raleigh is the capital and gasoline restrictions have been lifted, we are expecting and preparing for a record-breaking attendance. Since this is Baptist Centennial year, the best Convention of many years is anticipated. In the name of Christ and the eternal worth of His cause we welcome the Baptist State Convention to our church. Welcome, thrice welcome, ye ambassadors of Christ.

BROADUS E. JONES, *Pastor,*
First Baptist Church, Raleigh.

Editorial Brevities

THE MINUTES of the Tuckasegee Association are the first we have received for the 1945 season. This association was held with Lovedale Baptist Church, Sylva, August 16-17, and W. N. Cook is clerk.

REV. GEORGE W. WIESEN has been named by the United Baptist Convention of New Hampshire as the first director of town and country work for that body, Religious News Service reports. The position was created at the 119th session of the Convention meeting in Manchester, N. H., recently. Mr. Wiesen will promote the church's program in rural sections of the State.

The convention voiced strong disapproval of race track and dog track gambling, and protested the legislature's action this year "in extending the race-track franchise to 1950," and the "growing practice of having public officials in the payroll of the track."

Delegates also called upon capital and labor "to see their problems not only in the mirror of their own interests, but also in the light of the common good of all Americans."

CHAPLAIN (Major) T. H. Biles writes that it seems likely that he will be coming back to North Carolina to make his home very soon. Chaplain Biles was pastor of West End Church, High Point, when he entered the service. When he returns he expects to live in Charlotte until he is located in a pastorate. We hope some good church will call Chaplain Biles very soon.

JAMES S. POTTER has been pastor of the Apex Church only since June of this year, but the work is going forward and the people are greatly pleased with his ministry. He was reared in Wilmington. He is a graduate of Wake Forest College and the Southern Seminary at Louisville. Dr. Marvin Jones, Jr., is superintendent of the Sunday school at Apex and Ralph Poe, chairman of the Board of Deacons.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH of Lincolnton, O. D. Moore, pastor, has voted to put the RECORDER into every home of the resident church membership. Of course, this pleases us very much.

The associational report of this church shows that the grand total gifts of all organizations in the church amounted to \$30,769.36. This includes \$4,641.71 for missions and \$519.56 given by W. M. U. There were seventy-two additions to the church: thirty-one by baptism, thirty-six by letter, four by statement, and one by restoration. There were twenty-nine losses by all causes. Dr. W. G. Bandy is chairman of the Board of Deacons, and W. E. Garrison is chairman of the Finance Committee. This information was sent to us by Miss Richie Harris, educational director.

PASTOR GUY S. CAIN of the First Church, Graham, is leading his people in evangelism and church building. A special effort was made in October to revise the roll of the church and locate every non-resident member. A letter was sent or in most cases delivered in person by the deacons, asking each member to rededicate himself to Christ

and the work of the church. Then a revival meeting was held the last week in the month with the pastor doing the preaching. A. H. Andrews is chairman of the Board of Deacons; Morris Burke, superintendent of the Sunday school; and Mrs. H. G. McElroy, president of the W. M. U. The writer enjoyed a visit in this church October 14 while the pastor was away assisting in a Sunday school training week in the West Chowan Association.

CHAPLAINS can make a real contribution to American Christianity is the opinion of Dr. Alfred Carpenter, Home Board superintendent of camp work, now on tour for the Government of the China, India, and Burma theaters.

"Each denomination should plan to utilize fully the capabilities and assets possessed by returning chaplains," Dr. Carpenter urges in a dispatch from India. "They have something to contribute now that the home front vitally needs."

"Chaplains should not be encouraged to return hastily to pastorates or to any other limited work. Rather, they should be made available for a period of time to a large number of churches. This is not a matter of what the denomination can do for the returning chaplains, but rather is a question of the denomination utilizing the assets of the returning chaplains.—JOE W. BURTON.

Many Associations Met in October

THE WRITER attended many associations in October, but not all of them, for no one man could get to all of them. The attendance at the associations this year has been very large and, as a rule, the programs have been excellent.

THE SANDY CREEK Association met at Sandy Branch Church near Siler City, October 4-5, with V. M. Dorsett, moderator; W. L. Warford, clerk. The first day the house was crowded to the doors and out into the yard. Dr. Frank Lide brought a strong address on the great missionary opportunity today. K. E. Bryant preached the annual sermon on the subject, "Thy Kingdom Come." In the afternoon Charles E. Parker spoke on the Baptist Hospital and Secretary M. A. Huggins on missions. We were not able to attend on the second day, but among visiting speakers were Lee Sheppard, F. O. Mixon, and L. L. Morgan of Raleigh.

THE GREEN RIVER Association met at the Silver Creek Church, October 4, and Morgan Chapel, October 5. In company with Secretary Huggins the writer attended the second day at Morgan Chapel. R. E. Price is moderator and C. W. Keeter, clerk. Rev. Oren Bradley has been elected field worker for the Green River and Blue Ridge associations, dividing his time between the two. He brought an interesting and able message on the progress which he hoped the associations would make during the next twelve months.

THE FLAT RIVER Association with W. D. Poe, moderator, and Sam Howard, clerk,

met at the Mountain Creek Church, October 9. The program was stream-lined for one day and evening, and again there was a very large attendance. Among the visiting speakers were Charles Parker, Dr. J. A. Easley, W. C. Reed, L. A. Martin, Dr. L. E. Spikes, and the editor of the RECORDER.

THE ALEXANDER Association met at the Stony Point Church, October 10-11, and had as its theme, "Building the Church to Secure Peace Throughout the World." E. C. Shoe was moderator and Homer L. Good, clerk. The annual sermon was preached by Howard J. Ford. It is interesting to note that the colleges were better represented than we have seen at any other association. There were five representatives as follows: W. Lawson Allen, Gardner-Webb; M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill; C. C. Burris, Wingate; R. H. Satterfield, Meredith; and J. B. Willis, Wake Forest. Professor Allen gave the main address and the others followed with excellent five-minute talks.

THE SOUTH FORK Association met at Boger City Church, October 11-12, with L. L. Hatfield, moderator and R. T. Boatwright, clerk. The general theme was "Enduring Peace." Brother Hatfield is an excellent moderator and plans a rich, worth-while program. He carries out the program on time and in good order. The program this year was up to the high standard maintained in this association.

Pastor J. B. Willis of the First Church, Hamlet, and the writer attended the SANDY RUN ASSOCIATION on the second day, October 11, at Trinity Church. We only had time to spend a short time at the afternoon session. C. C. Matheney is moderator and M. B. Blanton, clerk.

THE BLUE RIDGE Association met at the First Church, Marion, October 16-17, with W. R. Chambers, moderator, and R. L. Smith, clerk. The annual sermon was by W. E. Abrams. We attended on the afternoon of the first day. Oren Bradley, the new associational field worker, and his wife were given a good old-fashioned "pounding." M. O. Owens, Jr., reported the complete revision of the constitution and by-laws of the association, which was adopted.

THE SOUTH YADKIN Association met at the Mocksville and Bethel Churches, October 18-19, with H. W. Baucom, Jr., moderator, and C. B. Winberry, clerk. The theme for the program was "Enlarging the Ministries of the Church to Secure the Peace." The annual sermon was preached by W. B. Carr, Mooresville. Miss Willa Marks is associational field worker.

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Editorial Outlook

MOTHER was forty-six years of age when father died. She was a confusing mixture of sternness, gentleness, and strength of will and purpose. She had borne twelve children, and had buried three of them. When the harvest required it, she had taken her place in the field. She had planted and

A Great

Mother In Israel

tended the vegetable garden. She had spun the cloth, and had made the clothes which my father, my sisters, John, and I wore. She had directed the girls in addition to performing her share of the household tasks. Spinning and weaving and sewing, washing and ironing and canning—she now undertook the financial planning for the family. Her hair was unstreaked; she walked erect. She rarely lost that unruffled composure which told completely the full strength of her spirit. She was a woman of great, simple faith: a faith so strong and so indestructible that it sustained and comforted her through all the years of a long and useful life. She was eighty-two in the summer of 1900, when she died in the farm home she and my father built. Among my most vivid recollections of my mother is of her sitting straight and rigid in a chair, reading to us from the only book in our home, the Bible. Each year she read the Bible through. On Sunday afternoons she would gather us to her side and, opening the worn pages, read for hours.—GEORGE W. NORRIS in *Fighting Liberal*.

'Rejoice, and Be Exceeding Glad'

DR. THEODORE F. ADAMS, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia, is one of the ablest and most attractive preachers in America today. Preaching in a revival meeting in the Hayes-Barton Church in Raleigh recently, he took as his theme, "Rejoice, and be exceeding glad," based on the Beatitudes of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount.

"It is God's plan that we should enjoy life," Dr. Adams said. "Life is the mingling joy and pain, but God said 'Rejoice and be exceeding glad.' Happiness comes in various ways. Each in his own way will find his particular kind of joy. Happiness is not something, however, which one can go out and seek; it is something which comes as the result of a certain kind of living, a certain kind of heart. It is something within, and is based upon the laws of the spirit. God defines some of the ways of the Kingdom of Joy. Happiness does not come from possessions, or attainment of position; it does not depend upon things. To the Christian, happiness comes in a life of service—a life lived according to the rules of the spirit which Jesus laid down.

"There are many saboteurs of happiness. Some of these are the loss of the meaning of life and its purposes, such things as selfishness, resentment, hate, worry, fear, and anxiety. What these things do to one physically, they do to one spiritually. The poet said, 'Safely they rest who in His love repose.' Do not lose the deep undercurrent of Christian joy. Two of the chief saboteurs of happiness are worry about tomorrow and the loss of faith in God, in one's friends, and in one's self. In quietness and confidence shalt they find rest in the Lord. Wait patiently upon Him and He shall give thee thy heart's desire.

"The unforgiven sin is the greatest of all saboteurs of happiness. Be sure your sin will find you out—not necessarily be found out, but will find you out. Be your sins one or many, why be a slave to the unhappiness they bring? Christ Jesus sets us free if we seek His forgiveness. There is joy in the hearts of the angels and joy and peace in one's own heart at one sinner repenting. With this joy comes the peace which the world cannot give or take away. If you know these things, happy are you if you do them."

"Our Churches Facing the Future"

THE PROGRAM of the Baptist State Convention this year promises to be more interesting and helpful than usual. One or two new features have been added. In addition to the usual order of business, there has been added a symposium by eight representative North Carolina Baptists on the theme, "Our Churches Facing the Future." And then there is another symposium on "The Task of the Churches in the Postwar World" by three outstanding leaders outside our own Convention—Dr. Frank S. Hickman of Duke University; Dr. Bernard C. Clausen, Cleveland, Ohio; and Dr. Roy Burkhart, Columbus, Ohio. These discussions ought to be very informing and stimulating.

This is a time for taking stock and making plans for the immediate and more remote future. The world is wide open with need and opportunity. We are indeed in the midst of a transition period. The world is hungering and thirsting after righteousness, or at least should be. The way of hatred, greed and war has failed; and there is a better way. This is a time when every Christian should be and do his best, and every local church should be and do its best, too. The Good News of Jesus Christ will meet the needs of the world if it is properly understood and applied, but this must mean much more than repeating the old shibboleths and following the old ruts of ignorance and prejudice. We welcome all the light we can get from these brethren who will present the symposia to the Convention.

A deep moral and spiritual revival is the first need of the churches. A decisive turning from wicked ways will open the way for a revival. Instead of greed, selfishness, and immorality, there must be unselfish goodwill and service. "If any man have not the spirit of Christ, he is none of his." Jesus said, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." This following of Jesus must find expression in fine character, daily conduct, righteousness in business and social life, and unselfish service.

The urgent need for the rank and file of our church members is for training and enlistment in the whole program of Christ at home and abroad, including practical service for human welfare in all walks of life. The gospel needs to be interpreted anew from the standpoint of personal salvation and practical righteousness. Ethical teaching has not kept up with theological teaching in some quarters. The reparation of religion from

life has been a serious weakness. Too often strict orthodoxy and unethical living go together as they did in the days of the prophets and Jesus. We need a modern Isaiah to cry out against the travesty of wickedness and worship going together. The spirit and practices of the scribes and Pharisees persist in our day.

The brethren are to discuss social evils and recreational life. Wholesome recreational life will do much to save from social evils. The churches must give more attention to the social needs of the people. Narrowness and prejudice, and lack of vision, stand in the way of progress here. Laziness and indifference also stand in the way. Clear, sound thinking is needed in the whole area of social and recreational life. We need light and guidance so that we can distinguish between that which is right and wholesome on one hand and that which is wrong and harmful on the other; and our teaching should not be limited to the negative and merely to that which cramps and restrains. We hope that our speakers at the Convention will be frank, clear, and practical.

And then let us have a ringing challenge to give generously and sacrificially to feed the hungry and rehabilitate the regions destroyed by war. There will be no chance for any self-respecting Christian to live in ease and luxury during the next five

years. There is too much suffering to be relieved and too much rebuilding to be done.

The great mission of the church is world-wide evangelism. Southern Baptists have had in the past a total of about 500 missionaries on the fields of the world. This number should be increased to 5,000 in the very near future, and buildings and equipment must be provided for the expanding program.

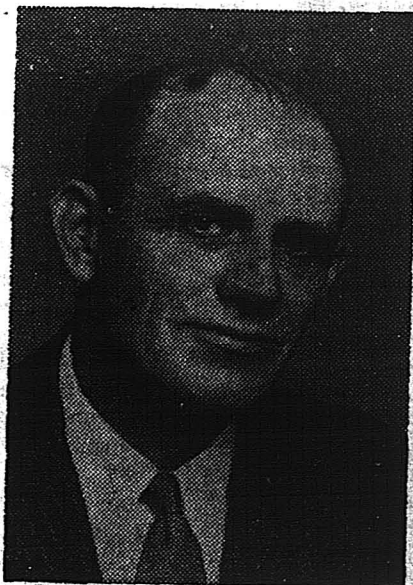
"Rise up, O men of God!
Have done with lesser things;
Give heart and mind and soul and strength
To serve the King of kings.

"Rise up, O men of God!
His kingdom tarries long;
Bring in the day of brotherhood
And end the night of wrong.

"Rise up, O men of God!
The Church for you doth wait
Her strength unequal to her task;
Rise up, and make her great!"
—WILLIAM PIERSON MERRILL.

Raleigh Baptists Will Welcome Convention

BAPTISTS OF RALEIGH are looking forward with keen anticipation to the 115th session of the Baptist State Convention which will be held in the First Church, November 13-15. This will be the 20th time the Convention has come to Raleigh, it having met more often in the Capital City than anywhere else in the State. This is perhaps not surprising in view of the fact that its headquarters are located in Raleigh. In the Biblical Recorder Building on West Hargett Street are located the offices of the Baptist State Convention, M. A. Huggins, executive secretary; the BIBLICAL RECORDER, L. L. Carpenter, editor; the Woman's Missionary Union; the Sunday School Department; the Baptist Book Store. The Training Union and Student Union departments have overflowed into the Professional Building next door.



BROADUS E. JONES
Pastor, First Baptist Church

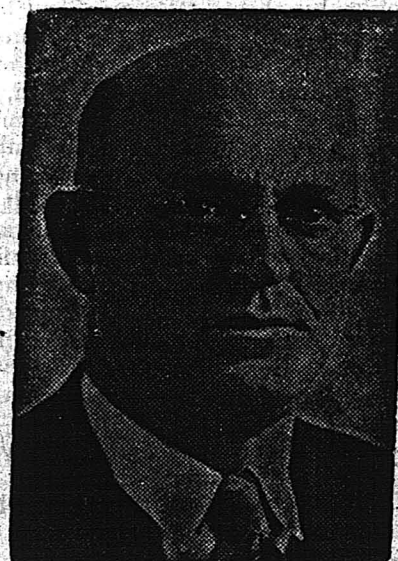
THE CAPITAL CITY now has nine Baptist churches for white people, with a combined membership approaching 9,000. Of these the First Baptist Church, located at the corner of Edenton and Salisbury streets, northwest of Capitol Square, may be said to be the mother church. "The church was organized on Sunday, March 8, 1812 (eighteen years before the Convention), with 23 members, nine of them white and 14 colored. In 1826 the membership had grown to 77 white and 157 colored. When in 1868 the membership had increased to 270 white and 200 colored, the colored members were granted letters of dismission and formed the First Colored Baptist Church of Raleigh." (This quotation is from a history prepared by the late Joseph D. Boushall.)

The present building, the cornerstone of which was laid in 1859, is the fourth church home the congregation has had. The first two were near Moore Square in the neighborhood of the present home of the Tabernacle Church, and the third was diagonally across Capitol Square from the present location in the building at the corner of Wilmington and Morgan streets now occupied by the First Baptist Church, Negro.

When the Convention held its last meeting in Raleigh, at the Tabernacle in 1938, Dr. S. L. Stealey had just come as pastor of the First Baptist Church. After a pastorate of four years, he became a member of the faculty of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. After a year with Dr. Charles H. Durham as interim pastor, the First Church of Raleigh called Dr. Broadus E. Jones from the First Church, Norfolk, Va. Under his leadership the membership of the church has grown to 1,902, with a Sunday school enrollment of 1,069, and a budget of \$54,000. The First Church has supported denominational causes loyally during its entire history, and it is interesting to note that it is still contributing as much or more to the Co-operative Program and other benevolent causes as it spends on its

local work. Few churches do this.

THE TABERNACLE CHURCH was organized in 1874, when ten members of the First Church obtained letters of dismissal in order to become the charter members of the new church. This church, first located on Swain Street but moved to its present location at the corner of Hargett and Person streets in 1878, has proved to be a very lusty child and has grown to be the largest in Raleigh's family of Baptist churches. The present membership is 3,242. One hundred and fifty members were received by baptism in the associational year just past, and 130 by letter. The budget is \$70,000, but it is expected that the church will raise about \$85,000. The indebtedness on the church has been reduced since January 1 from \$52,000 to \$18,000. The average Sunday morning attendance is about 1,000 and the



F. ORION MIXON
Pastor, Tabernacle Church

evening congregation averages 300.

Quoting from the pastor, Dr. F. Orion Mixon, who came from a Georgia pastorate a little more than two years ago, soon after Dr. Forrest C. Feezor had resigned to accept the pastorate of the Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas: "The program of the church is centered around Evangelism, Christian Education, Stewardship and Missions, due stress being given each of these items from the pulpit and the classroom. Within the past year the church has been fortunate in having the privilege of three outstanding ministers—Dr. W. F. Powell, Dr. F. C. McConnell and Dr. M. E. Dodd—assist in revival services."

A new feature in the program of the Tabernacle Church is a weekday school for pre-school children, with an enrollment of 40. It is A-grade according to the standard of the Federal Government, and is operated by persons employed by the church—Miss Elizabeth Dowell, Mrs. Bryan Sandlin, and Mrs. William Sanner, with the assistance of a maid and a cook.

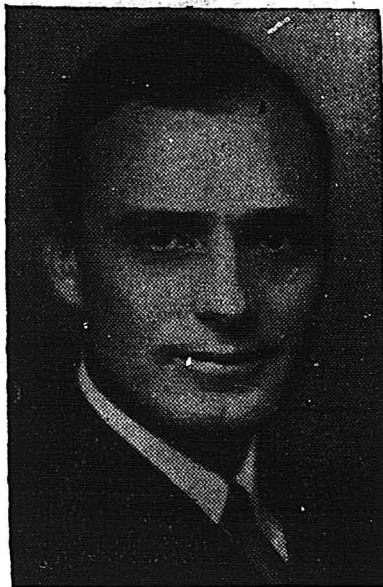
PULLEN MEMORIAL Baptist Church has been located at its present site on Hillsboro Street near State College since 1923. Its beginnings go back to the Swain Street Mission; then in 1884 the same group organized the Fayetteville Street Church, of which Rev. O. L. Stringfield was the first pastor. In 1892 a new location on Fayetteville Street, at the corner of South Street, was chosen for the church home. The church's name was changed to Pullen Memorial Baptist Church in 1913, shortly after the death of John T. Pullen, who willed to it all his real estate. In 1921 the building on Fayetteville Street was destroyed by fire, and the building now in use on Hillsboro Street was constructed in 1923.

At its present location the church has had only three pastors—Rev. J. A. Ellis, Dr. E. McNeill Potent, and the present pastor, Rev. Lee C. Sheppard, who came January 7, 1938. The church membership and Sunday school enrollment are each between 400 and 500. The budget for the current year is \$14,000. The church is out of debt and there is something more than \$30,500 in a building fund,



LEE C. SHEPPARD
Pastor, Pullen Memorial Baptist Church.

Convention President Sounds Call for Prayer



RALPH A. HERRING
President, North Carolina Baptist State Convention

THE ATTENTION of North Carolina Baptists is being focused now on their one hundred fifteenth annual Convention to be held in the First Baptist Church, Raleigh, November 13-15. Although nothing of an unusually controversial nature—such as that which last year drew a record attendance of 1,827 to Charlotte—exists, the gathering will be great by reason of the conditions under which we meet. It is our first Convention in the atomic age! The much discussed post-war era is here! Baptists have come to the cross roads of destiny. Words must give

way to action. This is a crucial day.

Last year I think all of us were conscious that a great many people had been praying about the issues which were before us. The spirit of the gathering made it evident. It would be a tragedy this year if we were to relax on the prayer front and thus be caught off guard by the adversary. The responsibilities of victory are greater than those of war. Financial prosperity such as most of our churches know now is a test of spirituality more severe than adversity itself. Only by the grace of God can we meet the challenge of this new day.

If I were privileged to sound a call to Baptists' before the Convention, it would be a call to prayer. Prayer habits of those who attend are interrupted by the strenuous days of the Convention, and the very nature of the program makes intercession difficult while it is in progress. Therefore, let there be much earnest prayer beforehand for the guidance of the Holy Spirit that we fail not our Lord in such a time as this.

A glance at the program indicates that the committee is alert to the significance of the hour. The prominence of invited speakers and the nature of the subjects for consideration promise moments of high inspiration. The Convention awaits with keen anticipation the report in which its newly established Council on Christian Education gives an account of its first year of stewardship. The crying need for expansion will be sounded again and again. It is a time for great faith and unflinching loyalty. The world has never so needed the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As we consider the work of the Convention, let the fulfillment of this need be our criterion of values.—RALPH A. HERRING, President, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

and the church will expand its building as soon as feasible at a cost of approximately \$60,000. Miss Elizabeth Murray of Burgaw, a 1945 graduate of Meredith College, has recently come to assist the pastor as student worker and church secretary.

building as soon as materials are available. The departments of the Sunday school, which now has an enrollment of 994, are crowded and additional space is badly needed.

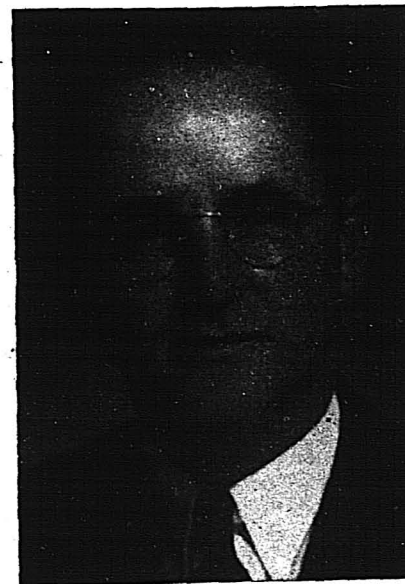
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HAYES-BARTON CHURCH was organized in 1926 in a rapidly growing residential section. Situated on Glenwood Avenue at a point where five streets intersect, it has a commanding location.

Dr. Charles E. Maddry, then Secretary of the State Mission Board, was influential in its organization. Dr. James B. Turner, now pastor at Laurinburg, was the first pastor, and he was succeeded by Dr. Louis S. Gaines, now serving First Church, Fayetteville.

Dr. Carl M. Townsend, the third pastor, is now serving his twelfth year. Since his coming in 1933 the church has shown a continued growth. The membership has increased from 566 to 1,206; a debt of \$57,050 has been paid, and additional property immediately back of the church has been purchased and paid for. The church is debt-free, and the budget for the current year is \$32,252. Offerings are now \$3,500 above the budget and at the end of the church year all offerings above the budget needs will be divided half and half between Foreign Missions and the building fund.

Plans are being made to construct a new



CARL M. TOWNSEND
Pastor, Hayes-Barton Church

During the past year a Men's Fellowship Club has been organized to promote fellowship and the work of the church and denomination. The church this year is sending the BIBLICAL RECORDER to the homes of all resident members.

THE NORTH STREET Baptist Church had its beginnings in 1910 when Mr. John S. Johnson, a member of the First Baptist Church of Raleigh, organized a mission Sunday school in a vacant store building in the same block of West North Street where the church is now located. Several other persons from the First Church assisted Mr. Johnson, a lot was donated on the corner of North Boylan Avenue and West North Street by Mr. Will Eatmon, and money was rapidly raised for a building by the people in the community, assisted by Mr. Johnson.

A church was organized in 1914, and the charter members named it "Johnson Memorial Baptist Church," honoring John S. Johnson, who had died since he founded the mission Sunday school. The church bore this name until 1940, when it was changed to North Street Baptist Church.

The present pastor, John L. Coley, came to the church in November, 1939. The present membership is 566, and the 1945 budget is \$8,000. Money is on hand to install new pews, which will cost over \$2,000. There have been 39 baptisms during the year, and at present there is a fine spirit of co-operation and evangelism. The church has a good Woman's Missionary Society, a Training Union with five unions, and a Sunday school with modern equipment for all departments. The present value of the church plant is \$40,000, and there is a nice eight-room parsonage.

CARALEIGH CHURCH, organized in June, 1904, was the outgrowth of a mission started by Mr. John T. Pullen some years before. The congregation worshiped in the first building, of wood, until 1922, when a brick veneer structure with a large auditorium and sixteen classrooms was constructed.

The church is progressing today under the leadership of its second full-time pastor, Rev. A. W. Brooks, who succeeded Rev. T. L. Newton recently. For the current year the church has a budget of \$3,977 to take care of local expenses, \$1,000 of this amount being intended for the purchase of an organ. The church recently purchased a parsonage at a cost of \$2,500 and spent approximately \$1,200 in remodeling it, and all of this expense has been paid.

CALVARY CHURCH, located on Fayetteville and South streets, has grown remarkably since its organization in 1935, with 62 members. The present membership is 380, Sunday school enrollment is 319, and the budget for 1945-46 is \$9,610, and it appears that the budget will be met and surpassed without difficulty.

Under the dynamic leadership of Pastor L. J. Morriss practically every member, and certainly every department, is busy about the work of the Lord and thoroughly enjoying it. On June 24 of this year the church paid its debt of \$14,000 and, debt-free, embarked upon a new era of expansion and service which already gives promise of much accomplishment for the coming church year.

PILOT CHURCH is at present without a pastor, Rev. A. S. Lamm of Bunn having resigned as of October 1. C. E. Danieleley is superintendent of the Sunday school, which has an enrollment of 169, with about 70 per cent attending regularly. The church membership is between 120 and 140. It is hoped that the church will soon have a new pastor, according to Mr. Danieleley, and expansion of the building is planned for the future.

RALEIGH'S NEWEST Baptist church is Forest Hills, organized in August, 1945, which meets in the Fred A. Olds School in the western section of Raleigh. The member-

ship has grown already from 80-odd to more than 130. Missionary L. Bun Olive has accepted the pastorate until he is able to return to China, and Rev. Charles Howard of Bule's Creek recently conducted revival services.

Some information about two other Baptist institutions in Raleigh—Meredith College and a newly established Goodwill Center—is given elsewhere in this issue of the RECORDER.

All Raleigh Baptists join in a cordial welcome to all the messengers who will represent North Carolina Baptists at the 115th meeting of the Baptist State Convention, November 13-15.

Program

NORTH CAROLINA PASTORS' CONFERENCE, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, RALEIGH, N. C., NOVEMBER 12, 1945

General Theme: THE PASTOR IN THIS NEW WORLD

R. KNOLAN BENFIELD, Hickory, *President*
CHARLES JOLLAY, Swannanoa, *Chorister*
MRS. CHARLES JOLLAY, Swannanoa, *Pianist*
CHARLES B. TRAMMEL, Troy, *Secretary*

MONDAY AFTERNOON

- 2:30 Praise and Prayer.....W. S. CAUDLE, Raleigh
- 2:45 Announcements.
- 2:55 The Pastor and the Returning Veteran.....DOUGLAS M. BRANCH, Scotland Neck
- 3:15 The Pastor and An Effective Church Program for Youth—
W. WILBUR HUTCHINS, High Point
- 3:35 Music.
- 3:40 The Pastor Administering the Ordinances of the Church—
A. Baptism.....LOUIS S. GAINES, Fayetteville
B. The Lord's Supper.....V. WARD BARR, Gastonia
- 4:00 The Pastor's Preparation for This New World.....J. A. EASLEY, Wake Forest
- 4:20 Music.
- 4:25 The Pastor's Ministry In This New World.....O. R. MANGUM, Lenoir
- Adjourn.

MONDAY EVENING

- 7:30 Praise and Worship.....E. C. SHOE, Taylorsville
- 7:45 Business.
- 8:00 In Memory of Our Brother Charles L. Gillespie who Was Vice-President of the Pastors' Conference.
- 8:05 The Pastor's Life in This New World.....C. C. HOLLAND, Statesville
- 8:25 Music.
- 8:30 The Pastor's Message in This New World.....S. L. STEALEY, Louisville, Ky.
- Adjourn.

R. KNOLAN BENFIELD, *President*;
CHARLES B. TRAMMEL, *Secretary*.

Dr. D. B. Bryan, dean of men at Wake Forest College, spoke to the students at a recent chapel convocation.

Rev. Lee C. Sheppard, pastor of Pullen Memorial Church, was at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, the week of October 14, participating in a program sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

The centennial report of the First Baptist Church, Salisbury, for September shows that there were total contributions of \$3,876.46. This includes \$1,653.35 contributed to the building fund. Rev. R. A. Ellis is pastor.

A city-wide Baptist evangelistic crusade began in all the Baptist churches of Richmond, Va., on Sunday, October 21. A great

rally was held at 3 p. m. in the First Church, with Dr. C. O. Johnson, preacher, and Mr. Homer Rodeheaver, song leader.

Chaplain Charles B. McConnell has been separated from the service, and is now living in Nashville, where Mrs. McConnell has remained since he resigned the pastorate of the church there to enter the chaplaincy. We expect to hear before long that Mr. McConnell has been called by one of our good churches in need of a pastor.

A poor excuse is worse than none.—*Ex.*

It is not a man's behavior that is the most important factor in life, but it is the quality and the source of his life that determines his behavior.—PAUL SCHERER.

Sunday School LESSON • • •

R. PAUL CAUDILL

Fellowship in the Church

Lesson for November 4
Printed Text: Romans 12:3-18

To have a proper understanding of this lesson one will need to do more than consider the printed text referred to above. Special attention should be given to Matthew 18:15-20 where Jesus outlines the procedure for discipline in the church, and also Acts 2:44-47 and 4:31-37 where one has a bird's-eye view of the early Jerusalem church at work. The modern church could do no better thing than to restudy its methods and objectives in the light of first-century Christianity.

For the study of the printed text of our lesson, may we turn to Romans 12, verses 3-18.

The Starting Point

Really this study should begin with an examination of verses 1-3, which constitute the basis or starting point for fellowship in the church. In these opening verses a plea is made for self-dedication to God, "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service. And be not fashioned according to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

Fellowship with God is the only tenable basis for fellowship with man. That is why it is so important from the standpoint of world peace that we seek to evangelize the whole world and that right early. As men dedicate their lives to God by faith in Christ his Son, they come to stand upon a sort of common ground and are thereby enabled to deal with their mutual problems in a spirit of Christian charity that otherwise would be impossible.

This dedication of self demands a transformation of the mind and heart. The Christian is not to fashion himself in agreement with the ways of the world. He is not to conform himself outwardly to the pagan way of living, and this is to the end that they may "prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God." It is not an easy matter for an individual to submit all the powers of his being unto God for the doing of his holy will, but this is what the Christian is commanded to do if he is to live the abundant life. It is indeed a hard saying, but there is no alternative. Apparently first-century Christians sought to do just this, however. Their pure lives, austere morality, together with their heroic deaths, challenged the admiration of the Roman world. Their willingness to sacrifice, to suffer, yea, to die, was responsible no doubt for many of the early victories of the Christian churches.

Harmony in Diversity

One of the most apt warnings ever given the Christian church is that directed against self-conceit, "For I say, through the grace that was given me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but so to

think as to think soberly, according as God has dealt to each man a measure of faith. For even as we have many members in one body, and all the members have not the same office; so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and severally members one of another."

Instead of conceit there should be on the part of every believer a spirit of humility. There should be "recognition by each Christian of the limits of his own gifts; the reality of the gifts of others, and the position of the individual as only a part of the great community, as well as the very important fact that gifts, whether many or few, are the sovereign bounty of God."

Whatever gift one possesses comes to him as a measure of God's grace. It is by the grace of God that we are what we are. As Alexander Maclaren has well said, "There is quite as much harm done to Christian character and Christian service by our failure to recognize what is in our power, as by ambitious or ostentatious attempts of what is above our power. We have to be ourselves as God has made us in our natural faculties."

If an individual has been blessed with exceptional talents, let us say, in the realm of music, it is fitting that he, the gifted one, and others, his neighbors, consider the gifts as coming from above, even as "a measure of faith" which God has graciously measured unto him. The very fact that God bestows upon his children these marvelous gifts reflects his own faith in us and in our ability to achieve through him his holy purposes. We become his vessels of truth, his instruments of self-expression. What a solemn thought!

Now the Christian church is merely a body of baptized believers banded together for the purposes of Christian fellowship and co-operative endeavor in a common effort to evangelize the world.

In our diversity of gifts lies the secret or, rather, our greatest capacity for harmony. The stringed instruments should teach us this. It is only as all of the parts are blended together in concord of sweet sound that the rapturous melodies are to be enjoyed. It is not our business as Christians to attempt to suppress any diversities which may exist in the realm of God-given abilities; rather, opportunity should be provided for combining these different gifts into the greater harmony of the whole.

Until Christians come to the point that they can recognize greatness in others, even greatness which they themselves can never lay claim to, they will not have advanced far in the stature of Christian charity.

The Necessity for Christian Virtues

The closing verses of our lesson (9-18) call our attention in a further way to the necessity for other Christian virtues. "Let love be without hypocrisy." Love is the originating cause of our salvation. It was be-

cause of his great love for the world that God gave his only begotten son to be our Saviour. It is by this sign, the sign of love, that men are to know that we are his disciples. Plainly, we are enjoined in the Scriptures to love one another. In truth, love is the fountainhead of all Christian virtues. If we abound in love, we are certain to abound in other graces.

Moreover, the Christian is to shrink (with horror) from that which is evil. He is to have no part with evil. On the positive side, he is to keep company with (glue himself to) that which is good—the good.

With a heart conditioned by unfeigned love and with a mind and spirit that is properly related to the good, it should not be difficult for the Christian to achieve the other virtues suggested by the Apostle Paul. They should follow, in fact, as the day the night.

Eastern Association Meets

The one hundred eighteenth annual session of the Eastern Baptist Association met with the Ingold Baptist Church in Ingold on Tuesday, October 9.

The theme of the meeting was: "Following Christ from Victory to Victory."

Reports on the following were made to the association: Christian Education, Hospitals, Old Ministers' Relief, State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, W. M. U., Christian Literature, Sunday Schools, Temperance, American Bible Society, B. T. U., Orphanage and Memorials.

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. J. V. Case of Rose Hill.

Secretary M. A. Huggins made a stirring missionary address urging that we give of our substance and of our sons and daughters.

Rev. J. B. Willis of Hamlet brought the address on Christian education.

At the evening session Dr. I. G. Greer of Thomasville brought a stirring Orphanage message and Rev. G. N. Ashley of Salemburg preached the missionary sermon.

Over 500 pastors, messengers and visitors were in attendance.

The Ingold Church entertained the association in a royal manner. Two delicious, bountiful meals were served.

The next annual session will be held with the New Hope Baptist Church. If the program committee arranges a two-day program next year, the second day's session will meet with the Mt. Vernon Baptist Church.

The association voted to employ Rev. Gilmer Beck as associational missionary. He is to begin work about the first of November.

Officers elected were: F. W. McGowen, moderator; Rev. G. Van Stephens, vice-moderator, and C. I. Robinson, clerk-treasurer.

Revival services are in progress at the First Baptist Church, Charlotte, with Dr. W. F. Powell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn., as the preacher. Dr. C. C. Warren is pastor.

It is easier to live up to a good reputation than to live down a bad one.—Copied.

News: PERSONALITIES and EVENTS

RECORDER circulation, October 24—34,235.

Bulletins from the Temple Church, Wilmington, W. J. Stephenson, pastor, show that a substantial amount is being collected each week for a fund for a new building.

J. L. Jenkins of Boiling Springs is assisting Dr. F. A. Bower of the First Church, Morganton, in a two weeks' series of meetings which began October 28.

Rev. E. D. Poe, pastor of Belmont Baptist Church, Roanoke, Va., assisted Pastor J. Marshall Walker of Stovall in a revival meeting which began at Bullock Church, at Bullock, on October 15.

R. T. Howerton, North Carolina Baptist Student Secretary, spoke on "Three Kings and Kingdom of You" at chapel, at Campbell College recently. He was presented by Emma McPherson, president of the Campbell B.S.U. Council.

Dr. A. Paul Bagby has resigned the pastorate of the Louisburg Church in order to accept a similar position at Buie's Creek. We understand that he will enter upon his duties at Buie's Creek within a short time.

Rev. Charles B. Howard, teacher of Bible at Campbell College, was guest minister in revival services at East Lumberton Baptist Church the week of October 21. Rev. E. A. Paul is pastor of the church.

Rev. Lester Sorrells, Macon County Baptist minister, died at a Franklin hospital recently following a serious illness of five days. He was a lifelong resident of Macon County and had served in rural churches in the county.

Rev. Ben J. McIver was a recent visitor at the RECORDER office. He is pastor at New London and Kendalls, in the Stanly Association. He came to this field all the way from the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Zeigler, Ill.

A Wake Forest College Dinner will be held during the Baptist State Convention at the S&W Cafeteria, Raleigh, on Wednesday, November 14, at 6 p. m. Elsewhere in this issue an ad about the dinner appears.

Prof. M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill College will speak on the North Carolina Baptist Hour radio broadcast next Sunday morning, November 4, from 8:30 to 9:00 o'clock. Stations WPTF of Raleigh, WBT of Charlotte, and WSJS of Winston-Salem will carry the program. Professor Kendall's subject will be "The Gospel and the Good Life."

Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, spoke at the Sunday morning service at St. John's Church, Charlotte, on October 21. This Sunday was observed as Centennial Day. At the evening service on the same day, the sound film, "Romance of a Century," was shown.

Rev. W. W. Finlator of Weldon, N. C., was the principal speaker for Youth Week, October 14-21, in St. John's Baptist Church, Charlotte, Claude U. Broach, minister. Other speakers were Miss Lorene Kinlaw, counselor at Belmont High School, and Euticus Renn, minister of music at St. John's Church.

Mr. M. A. Huggins of Raleigh, one of North Carolina's leading laymen and General Secretary of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, was guest speaker at Trinity Baptist Church, Spencer, Sunday night, October 14, at the ordination service for the following deacons: S. M. Bryant, R. M. Barnett, and Arthur Jones. Rev. Smoot Baker is pastor of the Trinity Church.—MRS. OSCAR KETCHIE.

The appeal of a new world era with its greatly emphasized need for salvation was central as the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary observed its first Missionary Day of the post-war period on October 10.

Guest speakers for the day were Dr. T. L. Holcomb, of Nashville, Tenn., executive secretary of the Sunday School Board, and Dr. George Ragland, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lexington, Ky., and a member of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"What is man, that Thou art mindful of him?" was the Psalmist's question echoed by Professor A. L. Aycock in a chapel address at Wake Forest College recently. Professor Aycock, an alumnus of Wake Forest College, who for many years has been a member of the English department, is also curator of the college art museum and faculty director of forensics.

The Associational Sunday School Meeting of the Wilmington Association was held October 16, 7:30-9:00 p. m., in the Burgaw Baptist Church, with the theme: "A New Year and a New Opportunity." Addresses were made by W. J. Stephenson, pastor of Temple Church, Wilmington, and J. N. Evans, pastor of the Wallace Church. Paul Nix, pastor of Maffitt Village Church, Wilmington, is the Associational Sunday School Superintendent. Departmental conferences were led by representative laymen and pastors.

President Harry S. Truman will be honored at the William Jewell annual "Achievement Day" ceremonies, when the college will confer on him an LL.D. degree November 15. President Walter Pope Binns, officiating.

President Truman will make the "Achievement Day" address, honoring the seven alumni who will receive citations for achievement: Clarence Cannon, 1904, Missouri Congressman; Manley O. Hudson, 1906, the only American member of the World Court, and professor of international law at Harvard University; E. Kemper Carter, 1906, engineer; Emile E. Watson, 1908, consulting actuary for the states of New York, Maryland, West Virginia, Ohio, Illinois, North Dakota, Oregon, and Idaho; War Risk Corporation; Puerto Rico and Brazil; Captain Stanley E. Smith, 1923, chaplain, formerly in Iran, now assigned to Governors Island,

New York; Ted Malone, 1928, war correspondent, author, editor, radio commentator; and Mrs. Georgia Bessie Sherrebeck, 1934, radio chief midwestern area American Red Cross, and formerly of Station WLW, Cincinnati, and also of the faculty of Missouri University.

Ted Malone will broadcast his regular broadcast November 15, from the William Jewell campus, at 10:45 in the morning. (Rewrite Agnes Bickford Cooper, 1926.)

J. L. Jenkins has been called as full-time pastor at Boiling Springs, beginning January 1, at a considerably increased salary, and the church is also seeking an assistant and educational director—a person qualified to take charge of the music and work with the organizations. For a number of years Mr. Jenkins has given part time to Boiling Springs, which is the location of Gardner-Webb College.

Mr. Jenkins assists with teaching the 60 ministerial students enrolled at Gardner-Webb, and he also teaches in the Pastors' Forum at Boiling Springs, which enrolls about 25 pastors from the Kings Mountain Association and a number from Gastonia and Gaffney, S. C., and also some from the Sandy Run Association. There is great opportunity in working with this group. This fall they are studying The Acts.

W. B. Carlton, chairman of the Board of Deacons of Ardmore Church, Winston-Salem, recently underwent a serious operation at the Baptist Hospital. At the last report he was doing well and we join with the members of the Ardmore Church in wishing his speedy recovery.

J. E. Dowd, editor of *The Charlotte News*, announces that Harry S. Ashmore has become associate editor. The new member of the staff came out of the army as a lieutenant colonel. Before entering service he was a reporter on the *Greenville* (S. C.) *News*.

Rev. A. C. Cheshire has resigned as pastor of Advance and Bear Creek churches, South Yadkin Association, to accept the full-time pastorate of Beulah Baptist Church near Statesville, which is also in the South Yadkin Association.

Friends of L. B. Reavis, a North Carolinian who is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Plainview, Texas, will be interested to learn that his church has adopted a budget of \$49,041 for 1945-46. This amount will mean that contributions must average \$943.10 per week.

A church library of more than eight hundred volumes was dedicated and opened for service in an unusual service at the St. John's Baptist Church, Charlotte, Sunday night, October 14.

The church library is the outgrowth of the gift of Dr. Chauncey W. Durden, former pastor of the church, who gave his personal library to the church at the time of his retirement last year. Under the direction of a library committee, many new books have been added and a well-rounded collection is

now available for all ages of readers.

The evening service was presided over by Mr. B. Arp Lowrance, chairman of the library committee, and brief talks were made by Mrs. Ben L. Berry, Mrs. Virginia Burkhead, Mr. W. W. Crymes, and Mr. D. W. Fink. The librarian, Mrs. Beth Cone, introduced her staff of library workers—Mrs. Evelyn Pace, Mrs. Doris Hubbard, Miss Jean Hester, Miss Helen Woodside, and Miss Beatrice Bumgardner. Following the dedication service, the congregation was invited to inspect the new library, and light refreshments were served.

Rev. J. L. Jenkins of Boiling Springs reports that Gardner-Webb College will have \$400,000 for its building fund by January 1. It is planned that at least one dormitory will be constructed this year. Mr. Jenkins says that President P. L. Elliott is building a strong faculty.

Dr. Ralph McLain, professor of Bible at Meredith College and considered an authority on Sunday school lessons, recently was elected teacher of the Jones-Brewer Berean Bible Class of the First Church, Raleigh. Randle Burt Carpenter was elected president; M. B. Koonce, first vice-president; R. D. Graham, secretary; and C. M. Brickhouse, treasurer.

A recent visitor, Chaplain (Capt.) J. Andrew Morgan, former pastor of Mt. Pisgah and Lowe's Grove Churches, Mt. Zion Association, will be separated from the Army on December 5, 1945, after serving 18 months in the European theater. After separation from service, Chaplain Morgan will make his residence in Boone, N. C., until he accepts a pastorate.

The associational letter of the Trinity Church, Spencer, Rev. Smoot Baker, pastor, shows that a grand total of \$22,578.37 was given for all purposes. Of this amount, \$1,051.14 went for missions and benevolences and \$21,527.23 for all local work. This new church has erected a building since its organization. There were 74 additions to the church by letter, 33 by baptism, and two by statement.

The associational letter of the First Church, Hickory, R. Knolan Benfield, pastor, shows a church membership of 1,029 and a Sunday school enrollment of 1,068. There were 43 baptisms, and total gifts of \$48,493.76, including \$13,104.10 for a building fund, \$14,493.76 for current expenses, and \$21,122.26 for missions and benevolences.

Scotland County has raised more than \$308,000 for a hospital which will honor the boys from the county who served in World War II. It is to be called Memorial Hospital and will be located in Laurinburg, the county seat. Funds which will come from the Duke Foundation will bring the total amount to be expended for the hospital to \$350,000 or more. Such a memorial, it seems to us, is the best kind that could be erected.

Dr. Ralph E. McLain, head of the department of Bible at Meredith College and supply pastor here, last Sunday afternoon conducted the first of a series of seminars on "Religion in Our World."



MISS ANNIE IVEY
Director of Good Will Center Sponsored by
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A group of students and teachers attended the seminar held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Marshbanks. Dr. McLain's theme was "How do we as Christians fit into our world's problems?"—Creek Pebbles, Campbell College, Buie's Creek.

Rev. Howard G. Dawkins, pastor of Hertford Church for the past three years, has resigned in order to become pastor of the First Church, Kinston.

During Mr. Dawkins' stay at Hertford the church received 123 members, the church debt was paid entirely, and the parsonage was renovated. Gifts to missions and benevolences were increased from \$929 in 1942 to more than \$6,000 this year. In gifts to missions, the church rose from 233rd place in the State to 62nd.

Rev. Howard Ford, who has been pastor of the Wilkesboro Church for four years, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Elkin, and will enter on his new duties there about November 15.

Mr. Ford has been successful and beloved as a pastor in Wilkesboro, and has also taken an active part in civic affairs. A native of Taylorsville, he went to Wilkesboro from Sparta; after one year at Wilkesboro, he attended the Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas, and then came back to Wilkesboro for the last three years of his pastorate.

E. C. Chamblee, missionary in the Wilmington Association, in a recent visit to the RECORDER office, told us of the organization of a pastors' conference in this association. The following officers have been elected: President, L. Grady Burgiss, pastor of the Jacksonville Church; vice-president, Lewis Ludlum, of the Carolina Beach Church; secretary-treasurer, E. W. Pate, of the Calvary Church; pianist, G. Carl Lewis, of the Sunset Park Church; and chorister, J. O. Walton, of the Southside Church.

The conference will meet at 10 o'clock on

the first Monday morning in each month at the First Church, Wilmington. A program committee will be named at the next meeting.

President Walter Pope Binns announced on October 10 the completion of plans for the new administration building at William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. The building is the gift of W. D. Johnson of Kansas City, who has been a member of the Board of Trustees since 1909 and its president since 1925. The building will be named the "John Priest Greene Memorial" for the man who was president of the college, 1892 to 1922.

The building, to be American Colonial architecture to correspond to historic William Jewell Hall built in 1852, will be completed for occupancy on September 5, 1945, the opening day of the college next year.

The date of President Binns' announcement was the 85th birthday of Mr. Johnson, who had given the money for the building at commencement in 1942. The war, however, had delayed plans for erecting it. Mr. Johnson in 1942 also gave \$250,000 for the endowment of the department of religion and philosophy.

The First Baptist Church of Memphis, Tennessee, of which Dr. R. Paul Caudill, who writes our Sunday school lesson commentaries, is pastor, recently made arrangements during a two-weeks revival campaign to have the evangelistic services translated into sign language to enable deaf persons to participate fully in the program.

Miss Fay Osborne, a student in religious education at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas, served as interpreter. She has normal hearing, but learned the sign language before she mastered the spoken word.

The services at the First Church were a part of simultaneous revival services in which fifty churches in Memphis participated in connection with the Southern Baptist Convention's centennial crusade to win "A Million Souls for Christ." Religious News Service reported the item.

The Wake Forest College Library has just received a replica in facsimile of the Ellesmere Chaucer, the finest and most famous of the 83 extant original copies of Chaucer manuscripts.

The third outstanding Chaucer work to be acquired by the library, this facsimile arrived recently from London to be added to the collection. The original manuscript is at present on exhibit in the library of the noted Huntington Estate in San Moreno, Cal.

Dr. E. E. Folk, Wake Forest's Chaucer expert, noted the fact that the manuscript is elaborately decorated and illuminated and that it is illustrated with portraits of the pilgrim narrators of the Canterbury Tales. He also pointed out that this work was done by hand by painstaking scribes shortly after the death of Chaucer in 1400.

A revival meeting began at the Rowland Baptist Church on Sunday, October 14, to continue through the next Sunday, October 21, with Rev. C. P. Herring, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Fairmont, assisting Pastor O. A. Anderson in the services.

In 1944 the gifts of Southern Baptists amounted to \$13.51 per capita.

The 1945 Baptist Hour

SUNDAY MORNINGS, JANUARY
THROUGH MARCH

(Hour to be announced later)

"FOLLOWING CHRIST IN THE PATHS
OF PEACE"

JANUARY—

6. "The Lordship of Christ," DR. W. MARSHALL CRAIG, *Pastor, Gaston Avenue Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas.*

13. "The Source of Peace," DR. ROBERT E. HUMPHREYS, *Pastor, First Baptist Church, Owensboro, Kentucky.*

20. "Life's Supreme Allegiance," DR. W. O. VAUGHT, JR., *Pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas.*

27. "Courage for the Tests of Peace," DR. FRANCIS P. GAINES, *President, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia.*

FEBRUARY—

3. "That the World May Know," DR. BAKER J. CAUTHEN, *Missionary to China.*

10. "Freedom for All Men," DR. J. W. STORER, *Pastor, First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.*

17. "My Best for Christ," DR. W. DOUGLAS HUDGINS, *Pastor, First Baptist Church, Houston, Texas.*

24. "Christian Men for a Better World," HON. J. M. BROUGHTON, *Ex-Gov., Raleigh, North Carolina.*

MARCH—

3. "We Must Believe," DR. CLIFTON J. ALLEN, *Editorial Secretary, Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee.*

10. "Christian Justice in Human Relations," DR. CLARENCE W. CRANFORD, *Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D. C.*

S. F. LOWE, *Director*

THE RADIO COMMITTEE

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SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Three Wake Forest College men who have been serving in the Western Pacific aboard the Essex Class Carrier USS Hancock will return to the United States October 24 when their ship will arrive in San Pedro Bay from Tokyo Bay.

They are: Lieutenant Commander Hubert Potat, USN, of Wake Forest; Earl T. Wilborn, Storekeeper (Disbursing), First Class, USNR, of Knightdale and Raleigh; and John H. Marshall, Specialist (X) Third Class, USNR, Navy correspondent, of Raleigh and Elizabeth City.

OBITUARIES AND RESOLUTIONS

Obituaries and formal resolutions of one hundred words or less, will be published free of charge. Above one hundred words the rate will be three cents a word. We are compelled to make this charge because of the pressure on our news columns. Cash must accompany copy.

BIBLICAL RECORDER

121 W. Hargett St. Raleigh, N. C.

IN MEMORIAM

MACK HOBBS

On June 14 Western Prong Baptist Church, Columbus Association, lost a devoted and loyal member in the passing of Mr. Mack Hobbs.

He was a man of strong convictions towards those things which pertain to righteousness and truth. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That in appreciation of his consecrated life we offer the following resolutions:

First. That we shall greatly miss the fellowship of Mr. Hobbs, recognizing that our church has lost a devoted member.

Second. That we bow in complete submission to God's will, remembering that "He doeth all things well."

Third. That a copy be sent to the family, file a copy with the records of the church, and a copy be sent to the BIBLICAL RECORDER.

MRS. B. T. WATSON,

MRS. BILL HORKE,

MRS. BERTHA WOOTEN,

Committee.

The time to take advantage of the future is now.—Copied.



Pray for Chinese

THE heart of Christianity has long been turned with compassionate interest toward China.

The hearts of Southern Baptists should be turned with increased interest toward the Chinese in our land.

These friends from the Orient quickly respond to genuine Christian friendliness.

They can be won from the traditions of their fathers to simple faith in Christ.

A modest advance in mission work among the Chinese would be the employment of 5 new missionaries—to add to the 6 now at work—and the erection of 4 new mission buildings.

This expansion is easily possible through increased Co-operative Program gifts.

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Spice Box

A Jew asked an aviator what he would charge to take him and his wife up in his machine. Upon being told that fifteen dollars was the minimum charge, the Jew began to dicker for better terms. At last the aviator told him he would take him and his wife up without charge on condition that he would keep perfectly quiet; but if he should speak, he would have to pay the fifteen dollars. The Jew agreed to the proposition. The aviator rose to a dizzy height, but silence reigned behind him.

After the motor had been cut off, and the machine was gliding to the ground, the aviator said, "I give it up, you won a free ride, but I would like to know whether it was the nose-dive or the tail-spin which came nearer making you speak.

"Neither," replied the Jew, "but I came mighty near speaking when my wife fell out."—Copied.

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A preacher was addressing the Sunday school and explaining the significance of white. "Why," he asked, "does a bride desire to be clothed in white at her marriage?" As no one answered, he went on, "Because white stands for joy, and the wedding day is the most joyous occasion in a woman's life."

Immediately a little fellow piped up, "Please, sir, why do the men all wear black?"—Exchange.

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Alan, arriving home from school, beamed with such happiness that he almost forgot he was hungry.

"I didn't know my second-grade teacher liked me so well, Mummy," he confided—I heard her talking to some of the other teachers, and she must be awfully fond of me! Do you know what she said?"

"What did she say, Alan," queried mother. "She said that the happiest day of her life was the day little Alan Williams was promoted into the third grade."—Ex.

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Asked to write a brief essay on the life of Benjamin Franklin, a little girl wrote this essay:

"He was born in Boston, traveled to Philadelphia, met a lady in the street, she laughed at him, he married her, and discovered electricity."—Ex.

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"And how is your husband now, Mrs. Jones? Did you give him the sleeping powder?"

"Yes, sir. You told me to give him as much as I could get on a nickel; but as I hadn't any, I used five pennies and he's been fast asleep ever since."—Copied.

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The preacher's evening discourse was dry and long and the congregation gradually melted away. The sexton tiptoed up to the pulpit and slipped a note under one corner of the Bible. It read:

"When you are through, will you please turn off the lights, lock the door and put the key under the mat?"—Ex.

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FARMER: I have bought a barometer, Hannah, to tell when it's going to rain.

HANNAH: Oh, I never heard of such extravagance; what do you suppose the Lord has given you the rheumatism for?—Clipped.

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MISS RUTH KELLER, Field Worker

Divisional Royal Ambassador Conclaves

Again fall brings our Divisional Royal Ambassador Conclaves. For several years a Conclave has been held in each of the ten divisions of our state. These have created a great deal of interest in Royal Ambassador work and have strengthened the work.

These Conclaves have been planned and directed by our ten capable Divisional Royal Ambassador Counselors. At present these counselors are as follows: *Asheville Division*, Rev. E. V. Plemmons, Marshall; *Bryson City Division*, Rev. Mark Osborne, Jr., Cullowhee; *Charlotte Division*, Rev. C. R. Hinton, Albemarle; *Elizabeth City Division*, Rev. Ronald Wall, Elizabeth City; *Greensboro Division*, Rev. J. A. Neilson, Thomasville; *Hickory*

Division, Rev. James Ray, Spindale; *Raleigh Division*, Rev. E. N. Gardner, Henderson; *Rocky Mount Division*, Rev. W. W. Finlator, Weldon; *Wilkesboro Division*, Rev. Howard Ford, Wilkesboro; *Wilmington Division*, Rev. G. Carl Lewis, Wilmington.

This year the Conclave theme is "Ambassadors of Peace." A missionary will be present at each Conclave.

Below are the dates and places for most of the 1945 Conclaves. If you plan to attend, please write to your Divisional Counselor. More publicity material will come from him. The information about Conclaves not listed below will appear on this page as soon as it is complete.

Division	Place	Date
Asheville	First Church, Asheville.....	November 2
Bryson City.....	Cullowhee	November 9-10
Charlotte	First Church, Monroe.....	November 9-10
Greensboro	Southside, Winston-Salem.....	November 10
Hickory	First Church, Shelby.....	November 23-24
Raleigh	First Church, Siler City.....	November 2-3
Wilkesboro	Lower Creek Church, Lenoir.....	October 27
Wilmington	First Church, Lumberton.....	November 10

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION—AUXILIARY TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

I like that name. It is a bit long, but I don't know how you could cut a word out without making it bleed. If I were to attempt to improve on it, I would have to lengthen it and call it "Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary to Every Southern Baptist Cause." And I speak from personal knowledge reaching back almost to the beginning of the organization.

When I was a barefoot boy, mother often took me with her to the Woman's Missionary Society; for forty years I was a pastor; for nearly as many years I served upon denominational committees and boards; and for the past nine years I have been giving all my time to the promotion of the program of Southern Baptists. I have had every opportunity of knowing. I testify, without equivocation or mental reservation, that the W.M.U. has been a tried and true helper to me and to every Christian cause I have tried to promote.

In the churches, where I was pastor, the Woman's Missionary Society responded to every call promptly, gladly and effectively. They not only kept our women and young people interested and enlisted in mission study and giving, but they also helped by calling upon the sick, the strangers, the unenlisted and the disgruntled. They helped in the Hundred Thousand Club, in the Every-Member Canvass and in promoting special

days and seasons. I could count upon them for 100 per cent co-operation in promoting the Co-operative Program.

Of course, they had and still have their own goals and special offerings, and they keep records and make reports just as they ought. They know that to set goals, keep records and make reports encourage and stimulate giving and enable them to set higher goals with hope of success. How could they know they had reached their goals if no records were kept or reports made? Let's give them full credit for all they do and bid them Godspeed. They understand women and know how to use and enthruse them. If we men understood men as well and worked as hard, we would do better, much better.

Then, how these women come to the help of our denomination in times of emergency! How in the world could our mission work have been carried on in those dark days of debt if it had not been for the W.M.U.? And how could our Home Mission Board even have survived if it had not been for the contributions of the W.M.U.? You will recall that the Home Mission Board in refinancing its debt had to apply its regular receipts upon its debt. The W.M.U. Annie Armstrong Offerings enabled it to carry on.

Will any Southern Baptist ever forget or cease to be grateful for the help the W.M.U. rendered our denomination through the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club? It actually contributed more than one-third of the club receipts for payment on our southwide debt.

It has also contributed over \$10,000,000 through the Lottie Moon Christmas and Annie Armstrong Offerings for foreign and home mission work. The W. M. U. has the record of having contributed nearly \$80,000,000 to Southern Baptist causes, including the above mentioned offerings, since its organization fifty-seven years ago. What a record!

And would you believe it? The W.M.U. has voted enthusiastically to raise one-third of our Centennial Crusade financial goal of \$20,000,000 to "Crown the Century for Christ"; that is \$6,666,666.66. What a goal for one year! And the women and their young people will raise it too.

Then bear in mind the fact that the W. M. U. turns over all the money it raises to the Convention boards for disbursement. It is certainly an auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Yes, sir, I like the name the women chose and put in the preamble of their constitution, and I like the way they live up to that name "Auxiliary." Now let us "help these women" (Phil. 4:3).—J. E. DILLARD, S.B.C. Director of Promotion.

BEULAH ASSOCIATIONAL YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLY

THEME: "Forward Along the King's Highway."

3:00 P.M.—Prelude: Y. W. A. Hymn.
Acknowledging Our Guide—Mary H. Taylor, Semora, Y. W. A.

Duties As We Travel—Mrs. Lansdell and Yanceyville G. A's.

Welcome, Travelers!—Effie Wrenn.
Thanks!—Miss Vivian Hiers, Roxboro.

3:20—Our Talents for the King—Arretta Yarbrough, Presiding.

4:00—G. A. Camp Trails—Roxboro; Clement.

4:10—Business: Roll Call, etc.—Mrs. Garrett, Effie Wrenn and Frances Williams.

Rest Period.

4:40—G. A. Hymn.

5:00—Special Goals Along the Way (Conference Period)—Misses Ella Thompson, Hazel Carver, Dorothy Taylor, Estelle Gentry and others.

5:40—Communing With the King—Arretta Yarbrough; "Were You There?" Blanch Auxiliaries.

6:00—Supper.

6:45—Singing Along the Way—Mrs. J. F. Funderburk, leading; There's Fun Along the Way—Mrs. Hugh Barnette, presiding.

7:30—Mountain Top Experiences—Y. W. A. Campers, "Open My Eyes"—Roxboro Y. W. A.

8:00—Melodious Traveling—Mrs. Funderburk, leading; Devotion to Our King—Mary A. Thornton and Roxboro Y. W. A.

8:30—Inspiration for the Way—Mrs. J. Boyce Brooks; Seeking His Guidance As We Go Forward—Pastors.

It is a great mistake to suppose that God is only, or even chiefly, concerned with religion.—*The Baptist Evangel*.

Christian Education

IN THE CHURCHES

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Some Things to Do

The amount of Bible teaching promoted by our churches during the next twenty-five years will largely determine the kind of peace we are to maintain. In North Carolina we have enrolled in our Baptist Sunday schools about 400,000 pupils, but there are still 800,000 prospects that are Baptists, or Baptist inclined. We should earnestly seek to double our enrollment during the next eight or ten years. Here are some of the things that will help us to accomplish this challenging task:

1. Each church should secure the name of every prospect, with the idea of enrolling every one as soon as possible.

2. Most of our churches should be remodeled and enlarged to double the size of the average building. We should think in terms of providing workshops rather than building so many rooms.

3. The average church should prayerfully select, personally enlist, properly elect and persistently train twice as many workers as are now serving.

4. Every prospect should be personally visited until he is enlisted, or there is no hope of ever reaching him.

5. Our teaching should be such that the thoughts, conduct, and attitudes of the pupils will be improved. Lecturing alone is not enough.

6. Every church should promote a Vacation Bible School for the boys and girls every summer.

The Sunday School Division of our Convention is willing and anxious to serve every church in North Carolina as rapidly as it is possible to get to them.—L. L. MORGAN, Secretary, Sunday School Division.

L. L. MORGAN, Sunday School Secretary

R. T. HOWERTON, Jr., Student Union Secretary

HARVEY T. GIBSON, Training Union Secretary

"Stickability"

Do you have the determination that you ought to have concerning the training program of your church? Do you let indifference and complacency on the part of your church membership defeat your spirits when it comes to promoting so vital an undertaking as seeking to make your good people good for something? We all need an unwavering determination to stick to the task which is ours. Just because some deacons and even some pastors are blind to the possibilities of a trained church membership, does not mean that it is a matter of little consequence. We must be determined and have "stickability" in the face of the odds that are often against us.

Sometimes a situation may be found where it is almost impossible to get a deacon (servant) to serve as a sponsor or leader in the Training Union. Many times even deacons are very cold and indifferent toward the Adult Union of the church. They go blindly on their way mistakingly saying, "Ah, that is the 'B.T.U.'—that's for the Young People."

Again, we might find a church whose Training Union is about dead. The leaders and sponsors are inadequate in number, and the few available ones know little about their work. The programs are dull, dry, and seldom very interesting. Such situations are discouraging for those consecrated Christians who have a vision of a trained church membership. The best people even feel like giving up at times. Let me say, though, that situations such as these should make us pray and work more than ever. Resolve that you will not be defeated. Be characterized by "stickability" and a will to conquer.

"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee the crown of life."—Revelation 2:10b.—Law M. Mobley, Associate.

And two things have altered not
Since first the world began—
The beauty of the wild green earth
And the bravery of man.

—Exchange.

TRAINING UNION

Training Union Study Course Awards

For your information here is a report of Training Union study course awards by associations for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1944, and ending September 30, 1945. This is an increase of 3,665 over last year.

Alexander	0	Macon	120
Alleghany	0	Mecklenburg	869
Anson	0	Mitchell	112
Ashe	124	Montgomery	26
Atlantic	116	Mt. Zion	894
Avery	0	Neuse	63
Beulah	128	New Found	0
Bladen	14	New South River	240
Blue Ridge	120	Pee Dee	115
Brier Creek	0	Piedmont	1,182
Brunswick	35	Pilot Mountain	692
Brushy Mountain	38	Raleigh	975
Buncombe	737	Randolph	144
Burnt Swamp	43	Roanoke	457
Cabarrus	450	Robeson	235
Caldwell	407	Rowan	543
Carolina	235	Sandy Creek	214
Catawba River	813	Sandy Run	418
Cherokee	0	South Fork	756
Chowan	31	South Mountain	92
Columbus	23	South Yadkin	362
Dock	0	Stanly	390
Eastern	701	Stone Mountain	0
Elkin	51	Stoney Fork	0
Flat River	60	Surry	33
French Broad	17	Tar River	341
Gaston	1,296	Tennessee River	1
Green River	200	Three Forks	534
Haywood	404	Transylvania	40
Johnston	301	Tuckaseigee	96
Kings Mountain	488	Union	72
Liberty	510	West Chowan	198
Little River	548	West Liberty	0
		Western North Carolina	26
		Wilmington	504
		Yadkin	0
		Yancey	20
		Total	18,646

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Meredith Will Hold "Open House" During Convention

By AGNES COOPER

Dr. Carlyle Campbell, president of Meredith College, has issued the following invitation to friends of the college who will be in Raleigh during the days of the Annual Baptist State Convention, November 13, 14, 15.

The staff and student body of Meredith College extend to friends a special invitation to visit the college from 5:00 to 6:00 o'clock, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, November 13 and 14.

Trustees Plan First New Building

W. H. Weatherspoon, president of the board of trustees, has appointed a building committee to formulate plans for the construction of new fireproof buildings on the campus to take the place of the old temporary chapel and classroom buildings which have supplied needs since the college moved to its present oak-wooded acres from the original crowded "downtown" campus of the early 1900's.

The committee members are Dr. Campbell; LeRoy Martin, chairman of the executive committee; Mrs. J. Wilbur Bunn, all of Raleigh; and C. T. Council of Durham. They are now holding conferences with architects relative to the needs of the departments to be supplied by the new buildings, and to the architectural unity to be maintained between the new buildings and the six permanent buildings already on the campus which hold the dormitories, offices, and dining hall.

The members of the building committee and of the executive committee have unanimously decided that the first building will be an auditorium, classroom, and music building, containing facilities for chapel, classrooms, studios, and rehearsal rooms. They also have agreed on the location of this building, which is to face the front quadrangle on the campus from the east.

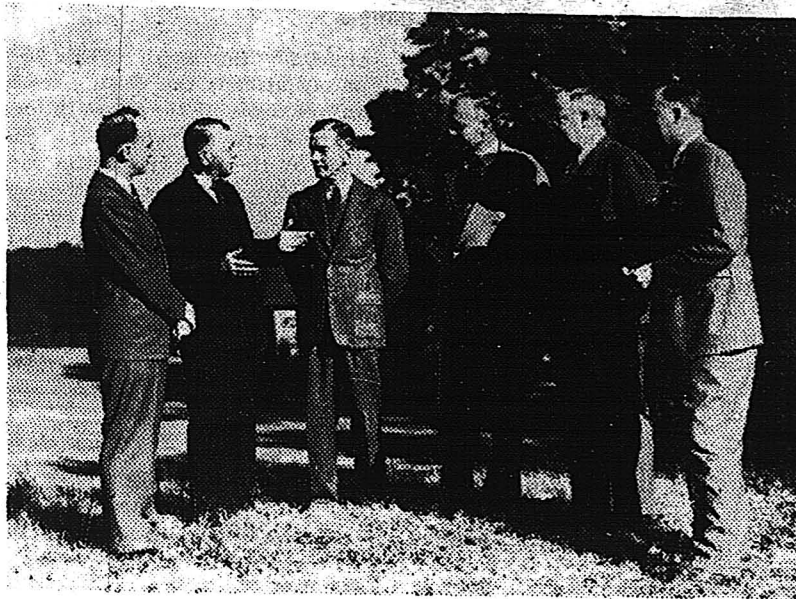
Other building plans are awaiting attention at the present time, and will follow as details on the construction of the first new building are completed.

The results of the expansion campaign, so generously contributed to by the friends of Meredith, soon will show definite form as Meredith, one of the greatest Baptist Girls' Colleges in the United States, adds new buildings and equipment commensurate with the ever-growing needs of its great educational work.

A one-night BTU conference was held by the churches of Wilmington on Monday evening, October 8, in the First Baptist Church of that city. Law Mobley of the State Training Union office in Raleigh was in charge, and others from the headquarters offices who helped and taught classes were Misses Margaret Sparks and Adelaide Charles and Rev. Woodrow Bullard. Mrs. G. Carl Lewis of Wilmington was also a teacher.

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Seven new personalities appear in the faculty of the Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, this year. Mr. Cecil Hyatt in the School of Theology; Mr. Ellis L. Carnett, Miss Sara Thompson, and Mr. S. D. Johnston in the School of Sacred Music; Mrs. Alpha McDill, Miss Anna Bradford, and Miss Hazel Moseley in the School of Religious Education.



W. H. Weatherspoon (second in line), president of the board of trustees at Meredith College, confers with Dr. Carlyle Campbell, president of the college (third); Dean Joseph Burk (fourth); Zeno Martin, college bursar and treasurer (fifth); LeRoy Martin, chairman of the executive committee (sixth); and Dr. Ralph E. McLain (first), the new head of the department of religion at the college, as they plan for construction of an auditorium and classroom building on the campus. They are looking forward to a cornerstone laying in the early spring.

Should We Build Another Seminary?

By J. C. CANIPE,
Pastor, Boone Baptist Church

The answer to that question should be no, not of the regular seminary type that we now have. We have enough seminaries at present to take care of the situation if we will abide by the suggestion of the editor of *Charity and Children* and others. The suggestion, which is fine, was that only men who have graduated from our regular four-year colleges be allowed to enter these seminaries. Why should it not be that way? Really, men who have not finished college are not capable of doing the work that ought to be done in our seminaries. After we have settled that matter in the right way, as suggested above, then we are ready for other suggestions.

Southern Baptists have a field that is absolutely untouched, a field that offers them the finest and ripest opportunity in all our great territory: the uneducated, untrained, underprivileged mountain preachers. There are around six hundred of these men within a hundred-mile radius of Boone, North Carolina. We have about 25 mountain counties in Western North Carolina alone, to say nothing of those in the neighboring states. These mountain preachers are mature, serious, God-called men, most of whom are ready for training. They are not qualified to take the regular seminary courses, but will respond to a leadership of teaching in Bible study, homiletics, missions, church history, church efficiency, and English. And many of them will go on to the seminaries after they catch the vision in a school of prepara-

tion. What greater thing could Southern Baptists do than open up at Ridgecrest, in the heart of the mountains, a school that would train men like these? Or they could back Dr. L. C. Kelly at Clear Creek Springs in Pineville, Ky., where such a school is already in operation. Two such schools for all this vast mountain region would not be too many. The Sunday School Board and the Home Mission Board could unite and put a school like this on its feet immediately. God help us to see the opportunity.

Members of the faculty of the Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, will represent the seminary at the various state Baptist conventions as follows: Alabama, November 13-15, William Hersey Davis; Arkansas, November 20-22, Gaines S. Dobbins; Florida, January 23-24, Charles A. McGlon; Georgia, November 13-15, J. Leo Green; Illinois, Harold W. Tribble; Kentucky, November 13-15, Ellis A. Fuller; Louisiana, November 13-15, W. O. Carver; Maryland, October 24-26, Sydnor L. Stealey; Mississippi, November 13-15, Jesse B. Weatherspoon; Missouri, October 31-November 1, Hugh R. Peterson; North Carolina, November 13-15; Sydnor L. Stealey; Oklahoma, November 6-8, Olin T. Binkley; South Carolina, November 13-15, Edward A. McDowell; Tennessee, November 13-15, Harold W. Tribble; Texas, November 13-15, Harold W. Tribble; Texas, November 13-15, Henry C. Goerner; Virginia, November 13-15, Ellis A. Fuller.

Rewriting of Constitution Recommended

Report of the Committee on Constitutional Changes

The members of the committee have made a careful study of the present constitution and are of the unanimous opinion that it should be entirely rewritten. The constitution should have the various objects treated segregated, there should be a rearrangement of the material and a division made between the constitution proper, which should seldom be changed, and the by-laws by which the provisions of the constitution can be carried out.

The committee feels that this committee should be continued or another committee appointed which would bring in a complete new constitution at the 1946 session of the Convention.

A majority of the committee think that certain changes should be made in the present constitution at the coming session and that these changes should be incorporated in the new constitution.

In this article I will not give the present articles, but indicate the changes which we think should be made.

Article II. On basis of representation. "The Baptist State Convention shall be composed of one messenger from each co-operating church for every hundred members or fraction thereof, the officers of the Convention, and the members of the General Board." The effect of this change would be to change the basis of representation from one messenger for each fifty members of a church to one for each one hundred members. It would eliminate life memberships and associational representatives. The provision that no church should have more than ten messengers would remain unchanged.

Article III. Time of meeting. Proposed reading, "The Convention shall meet annually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in December." This would eliminate the changes in the time of meeting of the Convention when there is a conflict with Thanksgiving, and avoid meeting at the time that adjacent state conventions are in progress.

Article IV. Section 1. The term "Statistical Secretary" be listed among the officers of the Convention. We have that office, but it is not named in the present constitution.

Section 2. "The President and the Vice-Presidents shall not be elected for more than two successive terms." A few years ago a motion was passed limiting the term to one year; however, that action was binding only on that session of the Convention. If any limitation is made, it should become a part of the constitution. The action of the Convention last year in re-electing the present President would seem to indicate that the Convention did not wish to be bound by the one-year restriction.

Article VI. Section 1. Change the terms of office of the members of the General Board from three to four years. This would bring the terms of office of the members of the Board in line with the terms of office of other boards of trustees.

Article VIII. Section 7. We have recognized the fact that the constitution is too easily changed to suggest that notice of any change in the constitution be given on the first day of the Convention and acted on on the second day. This would make it impos-

sible for the small group, which unfortunately attends the closing sessions, to make any changes in the constitution.

These are not all of the changes agreed upon by the majority of the members of the committee, but they are the ones which are clearest and which are possibly the most radical. It is hoped that the brethren will give to them their most careful and thoughtful consideration.—WM. HARRISON WILLIAMS, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Changes.

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The Chaplains Department of the British Army is collaborating with the YMCA in plans to set up a preparatory "soldiers' college" for men serving with the occupation forces in Germany who wish to enter the ministry after their discharge.

The courses will also provide training in church youth leadership. They are open to Protestants of all denominations who wish to prepare for Christian vocations.—*Religious News Service.*

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Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor of the First Baptist Church, New Orleans, led the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas, in their annual Religious Emphasis Week, October 1-5.

Two services were held daily—at 10:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Dr. Grey's inspiring messages attracted the entire student body, the chapel being filled to overflowing at every service.

President E. D. Head, in commenting on the meeting said, "The ministry of Dr. J. D. Grey has been a real tonic to our entire seminary family. His messages have inspired us to new enthusiasm and challenged us to a greater diligence and to a deeper devotion."

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Dr. Grey is a graduate of Southwestern and a native of Paducah, Kentucky.—RALPH D. CHURCHILL.

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Edward C. Robinson, attorney of Sampson County, died in a Durham hospital, October 14, following a brief illness, and on October 17 funeral services were conducted from the Roseboro Baptist Church by Rev. E. E. Ash-

ley, pastor, assisted by Rev. W. J. Jones, president of Pineland College, and Dr. R. F. Marshburn of Salemburg. Mr. Robinson, a member of Roseboro Church, had taught a Sunday school class there and was very active in civic affairs. He is survived by his wife, two sons, one daughter and his father, C. I. Robinson, of Garland.

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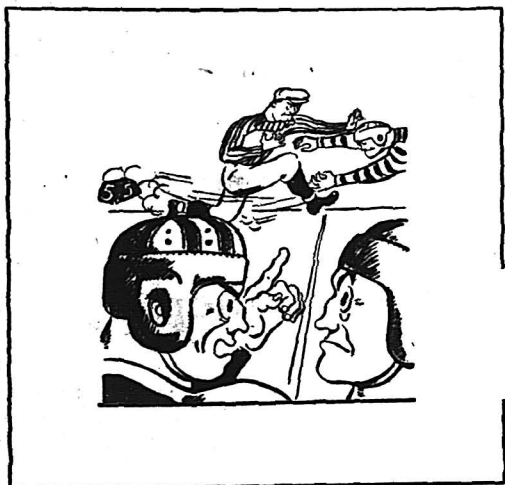
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CONFERENCE FOR WORKERS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN THE CHURCHES OF NORTH CAROLINA

A conference for Educational Directors, Pastor's Assistants and Associational Missionaries will be held preceding the Baptist Stage Convention in Raleigh, North Carolina, November 12, 1945.

The conference will begin Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the First Baptist Church. The program will appear soon in the Recorder. It is hoped that each person doing Christian Education work will plan to be present.

Thirteen new missionaries were appointed recently by the Home Mission Board, to bring the total number of workers employed by the Board to over 650.

The appointments follow: Rev. D. M. Regalado, Rio Grande City; Mrs. Daniel Cantu, Raymondville; Miss Estefana Trejo, Alice; Rev. A. Valdez, Rotan; Rev. Daniel Delgado, Victoria; Rev. José Lujan, Pleasanton; Miss Concepcion Rivera, San Marcos; Rev. Collins Wickham, Ballinger; Mrs. Jesus Rios, Edinburg; Rev. L. L. Lowry, Beaumont; and Rev. C. Melancon, Port Arthur, all in Texas; Mrs. H. L. Hardman, Sells, Arizona; and Miss Pearl Clifford, Baltimore, Maryland.—JOE W. BUEYON.

Some months ago the RECORDER carried an article on the plan of the Myers Park Baptist Church to improve the teaching in its Church School. In accordance with this program a test was given to every person in the school at the beginning of the last quarter. The grade for the whole school was 68. At the end of the quarter another test was given to every member of the Church School and the grade in this case was 81.8, which shows an increase of 13.8 over the grade at the beginning of the quarter. These grades would seem to indicate that the members of the Church School have made good progress during this quarter in their knowledge of

the Book of Genesis. The same plan is being followed for the current quarter, each person in the school above the Juniors having been given a test the first Sunday in October.

W. W. Lawton, Jr., pastor of Oakhurst Church, Charlotte, writes that this church has closed one of the best revival meetings in its history. The whole church entered into the spirit of the revival as it never had before. The members did as much work, if not more, in the matter of inviting, visiting, and soul-winning as their pastor did. Rev. J. N. Watson of Marshville brought soul-searching messages every night for ten nights. Rommie Pierce of Wingate led the singing and also brought two messages when Mr. Watson could not be present. There were fifteen conversions and five persons came by statement and letter.

At the close of the meeting an evangelistic committee was organized under the leader-

ship of the following persons: Mrs. P. O. Earnhardt, Mrs. James Williams, Mrs. Shellie Smith, H. A. Ridenbour and J. T. Alexander.

Fifteen churches in the Surry Baptist Association participated in a School of Missions, October 7-12. Seven services were held in each church with a different missionary speaking each time. The missionaries represented the three fields of mission service: Home, Foreign and State. We had missionaries from China, Hawaii, the Indian Reservations in Florida, and to the defense communities of Baltimore and many other Home fields.

Dr. Richard K. Redwine, pastor of Mount Airy First Church, was the director of the school. The pastors and Sunday school superintendents of the other churches co-operated in making the school a success.

The meetings were well attended with an average combined attendance of 630 throughout the week; 1,400 on Sunday morning, 1,100 on Sunday evening. Over and above the expenses of the missionaries, an offering of \$170.62 was given for the Centennial Thank Offering.—FRANCES WINSTON.

Dr. C. Roy Angell of Miami, Florida, will be heard in a series of broadcasts over WGNG of Gastonia, North Carolina, through the rest of this year, as announced by the Radio Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, S. F. Lowe, Director, Atlanta, Georgia.

The announcement further states that Dr. Angell, pastor of the Central Baptist Church of Miami, and formerly the popular pastor of the First Baptist Church of San Antonio, Texas, is in constant demand as assembly speaker and also preacher in revivals.

"In this series he is at his best in illustrating Bible truth with good stories," according to Mr. Lowe.

The music in the series is by the choir of the First Baptist Church of Atlanta, Ray W. Smathers directing, with special numbers by guest singers from The Baptist Hour Choir.

Consult your local papers for date and hour.

Raleigh Baptist Association

By H. FLETCHER LAMBERT

On October 26, 1944, the Central and old Raleigh associations combined to form the new Raleigh Baptist Association. Sixty-eight churches, with a membership of 23,694, compose the association which covers the major part of Wake County, and smaller portions of Franklin, Granville and Vance counties. At least one new church, the newly organized Forest Hills Church, Raleigh, will seek admittance into the association at its forthcoming session in the Wake Forest Baptist Church, November 2.

The directory of the association lists, among others, the following officers: Rev. George Griffin, pastor of the Zebulon Church, moderator; Rev. Ryburn Stancil, pastor of the Garner Church, clerk; Mrs. F. O. Mixon, Raleigh, president of the Associational W. M. U.; Rev. John L. Coley, North Street

Church, Associational Sunday School Superintendent; and Mr. Charlie Herbert, Garner, Associational Baptist Training Union Director.

At the 1944 session of the association, the newly organized Raleigh Baptist Association called to the superintendency of Missions the writer, who at that time was pastor of the Front Street Church, Statesville.

There are nine Baptist churches in the city of Raleigh. These are organized into the Raleigh Baptist Council, the chief aim of which is the fostering of missions in the city of Raleigh and vicinity. In the six months that the Council has been in operation, it has led in the organization of the Forest Hills Baptist Church and the setting up of the first Goodwill Center in the State of North Carolina. The Council has recently employed Miss Annie Ivey, Burlington, as the full-time director of its Goodwill Center.