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News Notes

....The W. M. U. of the Mecklenburg-Cabarrus Association will meet with Ninth Avenue Church, Charlotte, October 2.

....By mistake we gave the price of Tarbell's Teacher's Guide to the International Sunday School Lessons for 1925 in the Recorder last week as $1.00. The price is $2.00 instead of $1.00.

....Rev. J. Abner Snow, moderator of the South Fork Association, requests us to announce that the association meets with Penelope Church, two miles west of Hickory, Thursday, October 2, at 10 a.m.

....The Sandy Creek Association will meet with the Aberdeen Church on Thursday, October the second. Any delegates coming on the train will be met at the station. We would be glad for any visitors coming to the association to notify us.—Jesse Blalock, Pastor.

....We regret to learn that Bro. Stephen McIntyre, of Lumberton, has undergone a serious operation in a Charlotte hospital. At last report he was doing well, and his multitude of friends throughout the State will hope and pray for his speedy recovery.

....Rev. S. N. Watson announces that the Bladen Association meets with Galeed Church, a mile and a half from Bladenboro on October 8. Brother Watson is moderator of the association and says he is anxious that this shall be the best session of the body ever held. All visitors who will notify Brother Watson at Bladenboro will be met. A cordial invitation is extended the traveling fraternity.

....Judson College, Marion, Ala., opened its session on October 17. A strong faculty has been made even stronger by the addition of several well equipped teachers. All the departments are filled with teachers of ability and experience. Dr. E. V. Baldy is president of this institution, this being his second year as head of the college. We wish for our old friend and Seminary mate highest success in his important work.

....A series of meetings at the Union Chapel in Middleton Heights came to a close on Wednesday night of last week. Rev. E. C. Taylor, of the East Laurinburg Baptist Church, did the preaching. There were 12 professions of faith, three applications for church membership, and a spiritual revival in the community resulting from this meeting. It is announced that in the future Mr. Taylor will preach at the Union Chapel every second and fourth Sunday afternoons, the hour of service being 4 o'clock.—Exchange.

....We were pained to read in the papers last week announcement of the death of Prof. R. P. Johnson, of Pittsboro. Brother Johnson was a graduate of Wake Forest College, and devoted his life to educational work, having taught for many years, and for ten years was superintendent of education in Chatham County. For sixteen years he was moderator of the Sandy Creek Association. He leaves a wife, who was Mrs. Ballentine (nee Miss Minnie Bell), one son, Victor R., who is an attorney and cashier of the Farmers Bank of Pittsboro; three daughters, Miss Pearl, a missionary to China; Miss Clara, who teaches at Millbrook; and Miss Ethel, who is teaching at Apex. Brother Johnson was a true man in every sense, and lived a useful life. He will be greatly missed. The Recorder joins the bereaved ones in sorrow at the death of his dear friend.

....Bro. J. W. Downey has resigned his field at Severn and Conway, and is in a position to consider a call to another field any time. Brother Downey is a strong preacher and a good pastor. Some field in North Carolina or Virginia should call him at once. Virginia has an eye on him, but we need him in North Carolina. He can be reached by writing to Severn, N. C.

....A card from Bro. W. C. Barrett, dated September 19, stated that he and his great church, the First Church, Gastonia, were in the midst of a gracious meeting in which Dr. W. A. Ayers, of Forest City, was doing the preaching, the singing being led by evangelistic singer James B. McCravy. We trust Brother Barrett wil give us the results of the meeting when it closes.

....We did not learn until recently of the death of Bro. John M. Barrett, brother of Rev. W. C. Barrett. Brother Barrett died at his home in Carthage, after a lingering illness. Brother W. C. was with his brother much of the time during his last illness and he, with the other relatives, did all that could have been done for the sufferer, but God knew best, and called him home. To the bereaved the Recorder extends sincere sympathy.

....This writer cannot recall when he began reading the Recorder, and he does not believe he ever saw an issue that contained so much important information about our State Mission work as is contained in the paper this week. We trust every article will be carefully read. No one can read the Recorder through this week without being convinced that the Board of Missions has on a great program, and that money spent in this department of Kingdom work is wisely invested.

....The other day a beloved and honored brother showed us an insulting letter which he had received from an individual who seems to be of mobile residence, as his letter bore the postmark of "The Durham and Goldsboro Railway P. O." The anonymous writer said that the Baptist laymen of North Carolina were tired of certain things the gentleman was doing. We had not heard that the 340,000 Baptist laymen of North Carolina had given any individual authority to speak for them, and if they should do do, we are very sure they would select a gentleman who was not afraid or ashamed to sign his name to what he wrote.

....The University Baptist Church of Baltimore, of which Rev. A. C. Dixon is pastor, through our advertising columns extends an invitation to Southern Baptists visiting Baltimore to attend its services. Special emphasis is laid upon the invitation from that church to college men and women from the South in Baltimore to come to the University Church and make themselves acquainted with its pastor and people. It is suggested that any parents in the South who have children in Baltimore whom they desire to have brought in touch with Baptist activities, can write to Mr. Joshua Levering, Chairman of the Board of Deacons, who will be glad to get in touch with any young man or young woman, whose names are furnished to him.

....We are glad to hear of a gracious meeting at Coneross Church in South Carolina, of which our old friend Dr. G. W. Gardner is pastor. The church was without a pastor and asked Dr. Gardner to supply for a while. He proved such an acceptable supply that they called him as pastor, and he is doing some of the best work of his life. We are very sorry to note that during the meeting Dr. Gardner was called home on account of the serious illness of his son-in-law, which illness proved fatal a short time after Dr. Gardner and his wife reached their home. At the conclusion of the meeting Dr. Gardner stated that the present building was inadequate and asked all who favored rebuilding to arise. And not one of the large congregation was left seated. We congratulate Dr. Gardner and his church upon this forward step.

....We are in receipt of a letter from Rev. James W. Marshall, Presbyterian minister of Mobile, Alabama inquiring about Rev. Louis Whitfield, a Baptist minister who lived in North Carolina about sixty years ago. Mr. Marshall is trying to trace up the genealogy of the Needham Bryan family of which the Whitfields appear to have been a branch. It seems that the family was scattered in Bertie, Craven, Johnston and other Eastern counties. Any information in regard to them, if forwarded to Mr. Marshall at the above address will be highly appreciated.

....Would you be interested in visiting Bible Lands and Europe? There will be operated an exceptionally fine tour, sailing next spring visiting Maderia, The Azores, Gibraltar, Algiers, Palermo, Athens, Constantinople, all Palestine, Egypt, Italy, Switzerland, France and England at a remarkably low price for a high class tour. If you would be interested in such a tour, making an arrangement whereby you might be able to secure the tour free, you can get full information by addressing "Tours" Box 522 Richmond, Virginia.

....A week or two ago the Baptist Witness carried a statement relative to the church membership of Hon. Jno. W. Davis, now a candidate for the presidency of the United States, however, the statement is still going the rounds that he is not a member of any church. We have the statement from Rev. Dr. E. J. Woofter, a trustworthy brother, who is on the grounds near Clarksburg, W. Va., that Mr. Davis is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of that city and also a trustee of the church. Dr. Woofter knows whereof he affirms and this ought to settle the question.—Florida Baptist Witness.

....A clipping from the Asheville Citizen of August 16 tells of a plan adopted by the Ministers' Association of Asheville for raising money for charity. The plan is to raise money through taxation and turn the funds over to the churches for distribution. Several of the ministers of Asheville were out of town on vacation, only eight being present. Of the eight present five favored the plan and three opposed it on the ground that it was a violation of the principle of separation of church and state. The three were clearly right. The churches certainly should not depend on the State to raise money which they (the churches) are to distribute.

....We began our meetings the first Sunday in August and finished the first Sunday in September. Brother Braxton Craig holding our first meeting for us. Then Q. C. Davis came to us for our second meeting. Brother R. E. Powell holding our last meeting. Our churches were in fine condition for revivals therefore we had great meetings. These brethern came to us filled with the Spirit and gave us great Gospel messages. The churches of our field have been greatly revived. We also had a great ingathering, ninety-seven in all, eighty-three by baptism, some who will mean much to the Kingdom. We trust this will mean that the Recorder will find its way into many new homes.—M. L. Dorton, Pastor.

....In Texas the law forbids the giving of free transportation on railroads to ministers of religion, but allows them to be given to "sisters of charity." Seems to be an invisible government out there.—Baptist Record.

....Correspondents will please note the following changes in address: Revs. B. G. Whitley from Tabor to Albemarle; Charles F. Owen from Plott to Canton; T. S. Crutchfield from Roanoke Rapids to Booneville; W. M. Page from Lillington to New York Hall, Louisville, Ky.; T. C. King from White Pine, Tenn., to Burnsville, N. C.

....Dr. Russell H. Conwell, long time Baptist pastor in Philadelphia, has delivered his lecture, "Acres of Diamonds" 6,150 times, has received for it $12,000,000 and given every cent of it over his expenses to the education of poor young men and young women. He is retiring from the lecture platform after 54 years.—Baptist Record.

....The bulletin of the First Baptist Church of Knoxville, Tennessee, dated September 7, tells of the opening services in the great building which has just been completed. This structure cost a little less than one-half million dollars. It is to be paid for in annual installments and it is estimated that the final payment will not be made until 1931. This is said to be one of the most complete buildings in the South. The same architect drew the plans for this building and for the great structure of the First Baptist Church, Winston-Salef. The two buildings are very much alike and the cost will be almost the same. Dr. Fred Brown is pastor of this great church.

....Please allow me to introduce to you, and to your good people of North Carolina, my friends Mr. and Mrs. E. Whisenhunt, who have accepted the pastorate of the church at Lincolnton in your State. Mr. Whisenhunt is a graduate of Mercer and the Seminary and Mrs. Whisenhunt, is a training school girl. They spent a year in China, but because of her failing health they had to come home last spring.—Louie D. Newton. We are glad to welcome to the State this new pastor and his wife. They are coming to an important field, and we wish for them the highest measure of success.

....Rev. F. R. Barnaday, of Indiana, is sojourning in this State for a short time. Having been educated at our Seminary in Louisville, he would like to locate in the South, as he finds himself in sympathy with the doctrinal views of Southern Baptists. Brother Barnaday called at the Recorder office the other day, and all the brethren who saw him were much pleased with his appearance and demeanor. Those who are interested, and would like to know more about him can write Rev. Joseph Belcher, Occidental Building, Indianapolis, Indiana. He can be reached for the present at Asheville, N. C., general delivery.

....The Concord Times of September 8 contained a full account of the opening of the beautiful new building of the First Baptist Church at Concord. Dr. G. A. Martin is pastor of this good church. At the opening service Sunday, September 7, an address was delivered by Mr. Archibald Johnson, editor of Charity and Children. In the evening there was a service in which representatives from all the churches participated in extending congratulations. The new building cost $70,000, and there is not a penny of debt on it. This is a remarkable achievement, and we congratulate Dr. Martin and his heroic flock.

The Department Of Missionary Pastoral Assistance

CHARLES E. MADDRY
Corresponding Secretary

At the meeting of the State Mission Board last December a total of $126,000 was appropriated for the work of State Missions. We have gone over our books and find that for ten months of this Conventional year, we have spent a total of $105,000 for departments and phases of our State Mission work. We have employed as Missionary Pastors this year 179 men. The record of their work and achievements cannot be summed up until the close of the twelve months October 31. But we know enough now to say that we will report to the Convention the greatest and most victorious year of all the long years of our history. We have as fine and devoted men on our State Mission Board as ever served in any cause or calling. We thank God for them with every remembrance of them. In a wonderful way these faithful men are doing their part to make North Carolina a great Baptist State.

Below we give the names of these State Missionaries who are serving 315 churches:

LIST OF PASTORS WHO ARE RECEIVING AID FROM THE BOARD OF MISSIONS ON PASTOR'S SALARY

Name of Pastor and P. O.	Name of Church	Association
J. M. Alderman, Troy	Troy and Forks of Little River	Montgomery
J. M. Arnette, Wagram	No-Man's-Land	Pee Dee
L. J. Atkinson, Washington	Aurora Field	Roanoke
G. A. Bain, Dunn	Beulah and Mill Creek	South River
M. L. Barnes, Gastonia	Ranlo and Flint Grove	Gaston County
*M. M. Barnette, Clyde	Clyde	Haywood
W. L. Barrs, Welcome	Welcome	Liberty
*W. R. Beach, Hillsboro	Efland and Hillsboro	Mt. Zion
A. H. Beasley, Mocksville	Cornatzer, Smith Grove and Turrentines	South Yadkin
J. O. Belton, Mt. Airy	Slate Mountain	Pilot Mountain
H. S. Benfield, Rutherford College	Glen Alpine and Lenoir 2nd	Cat. River and Caldwell
J. C. Bennett, Candler	Hominy Field	Buncombe
J. P. Bennett, Asheville	North Asheville	Buncombe
S. W. Bennett, Burnsville	Burnsville	Yancey
R. I. Berghauser, Asheville	Chunn's Cove	Buncombe
*W. O. Biggs, Elm City	Pleasant Hope Field	Roanoke
S. C. Blackburn, Todd	Bald Mountain, etc.	Ashe and Three Forks
*N. D. Blackman, Marines	Atlantic Field	Neuse-Atlantic
P. E. Blackman, Kershaw, S. C.	Henrietta	Union
Jesse Blalock, Aberdeen	Aberdeen Field	Sandy Creek
J. H. Booth, Rockingham	Entwistle Field	Pee Dee
W. C. Bowden, Ivanhoe	Mt. Holly	Wilmington
*D. P. Bridges, Newland	Newland Field	Avery
*J. P. Brock, Paw Creek	Thrift	Mecklenburg-Cabarrus
C. V. Brooks, Goldsboro	Goldsboro, Second	N. Atlantic.
E. M. Brooks, Fayetteville	Person St.	Cumberland
James Brown, Cornelius	Cordelius and Hopewell	Mecklenburg-Cabarrus
W. T. Brown, Cherryville	Mt. Zion, etc.	Gaston Co. and South Fork
Wm. J. Bryson, Newton	North Newton	South Fork
D. T. Bunn, Wadeville	Wadeville	Montgomery
W. J. Byrum, Moyock	Moyock	Chowan
E. W. Byerly, Thomasville	Southside	Liberty
A. T. Cain, Concord	Kerr St.	Mecklenburg-Cabarrus
J. A. Campbell, Buie's Creek	Buie's Creek	Little River
Students of Buie's Creek	Turlington and Barclaysville Missions	Little River
W. P. Campbell, Elm City	Enon and Pleasant Hope	Roanoke
C. H. Cashwell, Wendell	Hales Chapel	Johnston
T. L. Cashwell, Charlotte	Durham Memorial	Mecklenburg-Cabarrus
Benj. Clark, Randleman	Randleman Field	Piedmont
L. V. Coggins, Semora	Semora Field	Beulah
J. L. Coley, Rocky Mount	Calvary	Roanoke
R. L. Cook, Sylva	Lovedale	Tuckaseigee
J. S. Connell, Bentonville	Trinity Field	Johnston
*B. Craig, Monroe	Newell's	Mecklenburg-Cabarrus
T. J. Crisp, Conetoe	Piney Grove and Pantolus	Roanoke
†C. E. Crissman, High Point	Southside	Liberty
J. B. Davis, Carrboro	Carrboro	Mt. Zion
D. E. Deaton, Fayetteville	Cape Fear, Columbus and Mt. Pisgah	Cumberland
T. F. Deitz, Beta	Scott's Creek	Tuckaseigee
W. V. Denton, Nashville	Crocker's Chapel	Roanoke
J. N. Dills, Newton	North Newton	South Fork
B. G. Early, Raleigh	McCullers and Pilot Mills	Raleigh
J. P. Essex, Jackson	Jackson	West Chowan
*J. F. Fletcher, High Point	Southside	Piedmont
I. P. Frazier, Statesville	Front St.	South Yadkin
J. P. Gulley, Hamilton	Hamilton and Hobgood	Roanoke
J. H. Hall, Mt. Airy	Peters Creek, etc.	Pilot Mountain and Surry
R. F. Hall, Elizabeth City	Calvary	Chowan
N. S. Hampton, Pineola	Jonas Ridge, etc.	Avery
*Frank Hare, Jonesboro	Cameron Field	Sandy Creek
G. P. Harrell, South Mills	Geneva	Chowan
Floyd Harris, Kinston	New Hope Field	Neuse-Atlantic
J. P. Harris, Bethel	Everetts	Roanoke
J. S. Harris, Oakboro	Grace	Stanly
M. I. Harris, Hickory	Penelope	South Fork
J. H. Haynes, Leaksville	Kings Mountain	Pilot Mountain
R. M. Hilburn, Blandenboro	Bear Branch	Wilmington
C. W. Hileman, Bee Log	Bald Creek and Byrds Chapel	Yancey
D. E. Hill, Farmville	Farmville	Roanoke
J. W. P. Hill, Newland	Newland Field	Avery
J. M. Hilliard, High Point	Cedar Falls and Mechanicsville	Piedmont
H. B. Hines, Manteo	Manteo and Roanoke Island	Chowan
J. E. Hocutt, Rocky Mount	Stanhope	Roanoke
W. E. Holcomb, East Spencer	East Spencer	South Yadkin
A. R. Holland, Belmont	Center View	Gaston County
L. M. Holloway, Pollocksville	Pollocksville Field	N. Atlantic
W. B. Holmes, Monroe	North and West Monroe	Union
C. W. Hood, Belhaven	Belhaven	Chowan
W. A. Hough, Denton	Denton Field	Liberty
J. D. Howell, Swansboro	Swansboro Field	N. Atlantic
J. E. Hoyle, Wingate	Meadow Branch	Union
F. M. Huggins, Boone	Boone	Three Forks
H. H. Hyde, Hayesville	Hayesville	Western N. Carolina
*R. E. Ingram, Kinston	New Hope Field	N. Atlantic
James A. Ivey, Four Oaks	Burnell	Johnston
G. C. Ivery, Charlotte	Thrift	Mecklenburg-Cabarrus
J. S. Johnson, Hays	Roaring River and Mountain View	Brier Creek and Stone Mtn.
*L. L. Johnson, Delway	Moyock	Chowan
T. L. Justice, Tryon	Tryon	Carolina
*E. C. Keller, Benson	Trinity Field	Johnston
O. A. Keller, Benson	Benson's Grove and Oliver's Grove	Johnston
J. C. Kidd, Bennett	Bennett Field	Sandy Creek
A. D. Kinnett, Tarboro	Ebenezer Field	Roanoke
J. E. Kirk, Rocky Mount	North Rocky Mount	Roanoke
J. T. Kirk, Dover	Ft. Barnwell Field	N. Atlantic
G. P. Lanier, Bakersville	Bakersville	Mitchell
R. C. Lanier, Guilford College	Northwood and Guilford	Piedmont
L. C. Lee, Sanford	East Sanford	Sandy Creek
F. A. Liles, Fremont	Fremont Field	N. Atlantic
E. A. Long, Germanton	Germanton	Pilot Mountain
R. H. Lucas, Ayden	Ayden	N. Atlantic
M. C. Lunsford, Saluda	Saluda	Carolina
Jesse McCarter, Rowland	Rowland Field	Robeson
W. P. McCarter, Gastonia	South Marietta St.	Gaston County
R. P. McCracken, Mars Hill	Walnut Field	French Broad
S. S. McGregor, Davis	Davis and Atlantic	N. Atlantic
J. J. Marshall, Macon	N. Warrenton, etc.	Tar River
C. C. Matheny, Forest City	Florence	Sandy Run
R. P. Merritt, Dobson	Dobson Field	Surry
H. O. Miller, High Point	West End	Piedmont
*O. B. Mitchell, West Jefferson	West Jefferson Field	Ashe
W. L. Morets, Swannanoa	Swannanoa	Buncombe
E. F. Mumford, Wallburg	Wallburg	Liberty
J. G. Murray, Harmony	Harmony Field	South Yadkin
B. O. Myers, Oriental	Oriental	N. Atlantic
E. R. Nelson, Henderson	West End	Tar River
J. S. Nichols, Erlanger	Erlanger	Liberty
W. H. Nicholson, Rosman	Zion, Oak Grove, etc.	Transylvania
S. W. Oldham, Wendell	Bailey	Johnston
E. I. Olive, Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill	Mt. Zion
J. R. Owen, Mars Hill	Mars Hill	French Broad
Rush Padgett, Shelby	Shelby 2nd	Kings Mountain
J. M. Page, Badin	Badin	Stanly
T. E. Payne, Hudson	Whitnel Field	Caldwell
H. T. Penry, Southmont	Stoner's Grove	Liberty
G. C. Phillips, New London	New London and Kendalls	Stanly
A. E. C. Pittman, Marshallburg	Marshallburg and Smyrna	N. Atlantic
R. W. Prevost, Yanceyville	Baynes Chapel, Thompsonville, etc.	Beulah
W. D. Pridgen, Bladenboro	Bladenboro 2nd	Bladen
*C. F. Rogers, Oriental	Oriental	N. Atlantic
C. M. Rollins, Boiling Springs	N. Cove	Green River
J. W. Rose, Pine Level	Princeton Field	Johnston
E. G. Ross, Hendersonville	French Broad	Carolina
W. O. Rosser, Whitakers	Battleboro Field	Roanoke
R. H. Satterfield, Hallsboro	Waccamaw	Cape Fear-Columbus
O. W. Sawyer, Plymouth	Cedar Branch and Plymouth	Roanoke
C. J. Sheets, Rosemary	Rosemary	Roanoke
*N. H. Shepherd, Harmony	Harmony Field	South Yadkin
*A. B. Smith, Hayesville	Hayesville	Western N. Carolina
G. C. Smith, New Bern	North Harlowe Field	N. Atlantic
J. A. Snow, Winston-Salem	Calvary	Pilot Mountain
M. V. Snypes, Huntersville	Huntersville	Mecklenburg-Cabarrus
L. P. Soots, Madison	Comer's Chapel Field	Pilot Mountain
Geo. E. Spruill, Rocky Mount	Halifax Field	Roanoke
T. C. Stallings, Concord	Oak Ridge Field	Mec.-Caba. and S. Yadkin
T. P. Stanfield, South Gastonia	Calvary	Gaston County
*W. R. Stevens, Delway	Mary's Chapel	South River
E. R. Stewart, Fairfield	Hyde County	Chowan
J. I. Stone, Bolivia	Town Creek and Mt. Olive	Brunswick
S. A. Stroup, Columbus	Columbus	Green River
L. R. Tate, East Monbo	Bethel and Troutman	South Yadkin
C. L. Taylor, Marion	East Marion	Green River
C. R. Taylor, Burgaw	Burgaw	Wilmington
E. C. Taylor, Laurinburg	East Laurinburg	Pee Dee
E. N. Teague, Worth	Hardin and Spencer Mountain	Gaston County
J. L. Teague, Granite Falls	Granite Falls	Caldwell
N. C. Teague, Sparta	Sparta Field	Alleghany
*C. T. Tew, Badin	Badin	Stanly
Raymond Thompson, Indian Trail	Newells	Mecklenburg-Cabarrus
D. B. Tritt, Vandemere	Bayboro Field	N. Atlantic
W. T. Truett, Calvert	Carr's Hill, etc.	Transylvania
A. L. Turner, La Grange	La Grange, etc.	N. Atlantic
T. L. Vernon, Sharpsburg	Sharpsburg Field	Roanoke
D. E. Vipperman, Pinetops	Pinetops Field	Roanoke
R. M. Von Miller, Wilson	Conoho and Thanksgiving	Roanoke and Johnston
*J. A. Ward, Stantonsburg	Stantonsburg Field	Roanoke
*R. H. Weaver, Boiling Springs	North Cove	Green River
Davis Wesson, Vale	Long Shoals	Sandy Run
*Ben. S. West, Whittier	Whittier Field	Tenn. River
R. L. West, Eldorado	Eldorado	Montgomery
W. F. West, Cullowhee	Cullowhee	Tuckaseigee
G. W. White, Chinquapin	Springfield	Eastern
H. C. Whitener, Hickory	Highland and Windy City	South Fork
W. W. Williams, Asheville	Black Mountain and Ridgecrest	Buncombe
S. B. Wilson, Wallace	Mt. Holly	Wilmington
W. H. Wilson, Greensboro	Bessemer and Steven's Memorial	Piedmont
A. B. Whithers, Creswell	Travis and Oak Grove	Chowan
J. M. Woodard, Needmore	Arlington Field	Tenn. River
W. R. Yokley, Sylva	Sylva	Tuckaseigee

*Resigned.
†Dead.

FROM A NEW PASTOR

Dear Doctor Johnson:

The first letter I am writing since coming to Charlotte is to you, and it is for the purpose of subscribing for the Biblical Recorder. I am sending a check for $2.00 to cover one year's subscription. You will please send the paper to the address given below.

The people of the Pritchard Memorial Church and of Charlotte have given us a very cordial reception and have already made us feel at home. The church here presents a great opportunity and I am praying that I may be given grace, wisdom and power to lead them in a great work for the Kingdom.

You are extended a cordial invitation to visit our church and I offer to you my services in any way that I may be able to help you in your work.

Cordially and fraternally,
CLAY I. HUDSON.

Charlotte, N. C.

THE GROWTH AND ENLARGEMENT OF THE STATE MISSION PROGRAM

Charles E. Maddry, Corresponding Secretary

By grace of the editor's generosity, we send forth this issue of the Recorder freighted with good things about our State Mission program and work. Years ago I heard Secretary Livingston Johnson make a speech on "State Missions the Seed Corn." That conception of our work has never left me, and since coming into the secretaryship I have realized fully what he meant by that speech.

When the Convention was organized, in 1830, our fathers began at once the work of giving the Gospel to the destitute regions of North Carolina. In that day the work was largely evangelistic. As the years went by and the Baptists grew in numbers and their churches multiplied, it became more and more a question of training and enlightening and enlisting. Therefore, in the course of a few years the Recorder was founded to carry light and knowledge to the scattered Baptists throughout the State. Then, as the churches grew, they demanded a better ministry, and out of the growth and expansion of the denomination came Wake Forest College, for the education and training of pastors and leaders for the churches. Later came Meredith and our secondary schools as the logical result of the internal growth and development of the churches. The "Seed Corn" was multiplying and reproducing itself in new churches and new and needy fields. So, with the passing of the years there have come new demands upon our State Board, and new phases of work have pressed in upon us and demanded a share of our thought and money, and from these new agencies and organizations have come a continuous stream of money for the enlargement and furtherance of the whole denominational program, at home and abroad.

Let us here name some of the agencies and auxiliaries that have come as a natural growth and development of our State Mission work through the years of our life as a Convention.

In point of time and importance we would name the rise and development of the Woman's Missionary Union. When this auxiliary of the Convention was first started, there was much uneasiness and even some opposition from good men. But the work was "tolerated" at least by some for a time, and now who would question for a moment the wisdom and vision of the women in organizing their societies and developing their members in missions and benevolence, when the women have paid one-third of all that has been paid in the 75 Million Campaign?

The same was true of the modern organized Sunday-school movement. When B. W. Spilman began his work in North Carolina, at his own expense, largely, there were many brethren who really thought that a dangerous and unscriptural thing was creeping into the life of the churches! But where would we be today without our great and ever-enlarging Sunday-school movement?

Then came the Baptist Young People's Union, for the training of young Christians in the service of the churches and the Kingdom. Well do I remember the beginnings of this work fifteen years ago. Led by W. C. Barrett and a few others, we had to fight for everything we gained, and it was some years before we secured recognition before the Baptist State Convention and induced the Mission Board to make an appropriation for the employment of a half-time secretary. Today the biggest Baptist meeting in North Carolina is the B. Y. P. U. State Convention, and only eternity will tell the value of this agency in the development and enlistment of the churches. For twelve months now we have averaged a new B. Y. P. U. for every day—three hundred and sixty-five new organizations a year. We have now fourteen hundred organizations of our young people, and yet there are eleven hundred churches without any training at all for our young people in those churches.

Then came the Enlistment Department, co-operating with the Home Mission Board. This department functions in the formation of fields; every member canvasses for the increasing of the pastor's salary, securing better equipment, holding evangelistic meetings at destitute places, organizing pastors' conferences and holding institutes. In short, these men are general utility men, going anywhere and doing anything demanded for the furtherance of our State Mission work as a whole. As long as SIXTY PER CENT of the Baptists of North Carolina are wholly unenlisted in our denominational program, surely there is need for some agency or group of men who can help the Mission Board, the pastors and the churches enlist the people in the whole program of our denomination, from North Carolina to the furtherest confines of civilization.

These are just a few of the outstanding departments of the State Mission Board. Surely they have already justified themselves!

After the Christ appeared to his disciples, what command did he give them?—Matthew 28: 19, 20.

STATE MISSIONARY, E. N. TEAGUE, GASTON ASSOCIATION
Baptizing Near Worth, N. C., Twenty-Three Additions By Baptism

STATE MISSIONS STILL THE MAIN THING

Walter N. Johnson

We must keep on planting new churches in our State. Sometimes old churches die. If all the churches ever planted lived forever, the growth of the State would still make new churches a continual necessity. That's true, if we were only trying to hold our own. But we are not marking time; we are in the task of winning the commonwealth to Christ. There are terrific changes going on in the life of our State. These changes make it impossible for some old churches to thrive—even to live, in some cases.

Our Baptist hold on the country is imperiled where our Baptist strength is greatest. The good roads and the consolidated country schools have made the country community nearly ten times as large as it was twenty years ago. The carrying of our Baptist strength and life to the center of these larger communities without losing out in the smaller communities, served until now by small churches, is one of the most delicate tasks that confronts our present Baptist statesmanship. But if it be successfully done, we shall in less than a generation have some of our strongest churches out in the country. Many of them will be stronger in number and finance and Christian culture than our city churches. This is a pre-eminent opportunity for State Missions in our day.

Then, too, the situation in the town and city is not going to be any less challenging than it has been. With the development of hydro-electric power in all our rivers, at all their falls, it is going to keep new towns springing up like magic in a night. Surprises have almost frightened us among these new towns in recent years. But there are perhaps greater surprises awaiting us in this line of development. We must keep ourselves in readiness to meet these new situations that are to startle us out in our present open country. The present lull has no permanent significance. The process of town-building and city growth is to go on until North Carolina has at least five millions of people. The tides are running this way now.

In North Carolina, State Missions is in a general and relative degree concerned with three grave conditions: destitution in the east; disadjustment in the central part of the State, caused by the sudden growth of industrial towns and the shifting of population from farm to factory; lack of development of our churches in the west, a country of the best people in the world, well evangelized, but waiting to be trained into touch with the larger day thrust upon them by the opening up of remote places to outside travel by the graded road and the gas engine. The challenge is growing more impressive every year in all these lines of work. Added to all three of these features of our State Mission work is the need of development in all our rural districts. There is to be no let-up in State Missions for the next fifty years, unless North Carolina Baptists decide they are willing to wither for a while.

State Missions gathers a constituency for all lines of our Baptist work. Our schools and colleges get their recruits from State Missions. Home and Foreign Missions have their base of supplies in State Missions. Our hospitals and orphanages get their start in State Missions.

State Missions has had a large part of the load to carry in the 75 Million Campaign. It prepared the way for it in North Carolina by burying itself in a common cause with Home and Foreign Missions in what we called at the time the One-Mission Drive. It was the State Mission organization that led the way largely to victory in the first days of the Campaign. It suffered in silence and without complaint when its apportionments were cut to the blood for the sake of other interests, and has never said a hard word to this day about it, and never will. And now there is a supreme obligation upon State Missions, as we at present have our plans of work arranged, to do a large part in pulling through the 75 Million load to the top of the hill.

State Missions is still in the primacy in our Southern Baptist work. The Southern Baptist Convention realizes now more than ever its dependence upon the State Baptist organizations in carrying out its programs. And State Missions is still the heart of every one of our State Baptist bodies. In this situation we have a reassurance of the safety of our Baptist democracy. This is a blessed fact; our people should be inspired by it and made utterly unafraid to go into large plans in the future.

State Missions, more than any other interest among us, will be the pointing finger in marking out the direction in which our Baptist development will proceed in the years to come. It is in intimate touch with our new churches all the time. It is in these that the future general lines of our development are fixed. The churches on the State Mission field are the training ground of the denomination. They are responsive to new situations as they arise. In fact, they are themselves all the time the children of new situations. The old churches, well established in the old order of things, are not alert to what is upon us in the work of the Kingdom. We shall thank God for the young churches, struggling to get on their feet; they are the nursery of our Baptist life; they are the kindergarten of our household.

My heart many an hour in the last four years has gone out to my friend and brother successor as Secretary of Missions—Charles E. Maddry. His problem has been the exact opposite of what mine was as secretary. He has plenty of workers, but not enough money to support them. Money was flowing very freely in my day as secretary, but it was impossible to find but few workers. They were in the bloody war. It is hard to say which is the worse situation. But there is this hopeful fact: State Mission work is much more fruitful now than it was five years ago. There is more being accomplished now than then. This fact should deeply encourage us. If our work could be financed now as fully as it was a few years ago, our impact now upon the whole commonwealth would be impressive beyond words. Something worth while could be done now. And there is no reason why it should not be better supported now. Somebody says "Times are harder now." No such thing! They are easier now. We have no three million of our young men in arms now, and our factories are not now running at full capacity to turn out weapons of death. The trouble is, we are off on a joy ride now, with God forgot. Back there in those dark days we had to think of God. If we shall only think of Him first now, we shall win our greatest victory. He yearns infinitely to give it to us.

THE DEPARTMENT OF EVANGELISM

Herman T. Stevens, Superintendent

This has been a busy year with this department. Each of the evangelists has worked hard. At the close of the year we hope to make the best report in our history. To our merciful and loving heavenly Father we give all the praise.

Evangelist B. Townsend working mostly in the eastern part of the State is being wonderfully blessed of the Lord. He reports over three hundred dollars collected for Evangelism. At one place nine hundred dollars was raised on the church debt. At another place four hundred and fifty dollars was collected for State Missions and one hundred dollars added to the pastor's salary.

Evangelist W. G. Hughes reports for this year over four hundred additions, 361 family altars established, 456 tithers, 116 volunteers and $1500 added to pastors' salaries. At Troutman there was a wonderful work of grace. To the church less than a year old there were forty additions besides many other things accomplished. Brother Hughes is especially gifted in raising money to pay off old debts and to build churches.

The superintendent at the request of the State Mission Board has been visiting many of the mission fields. In the spring a tent was purchased and used the entire summer. In Black Mountain, Asheboro, Badin, Chadbourn, Graham, Gibsonville, Mars Hill, Newland, and Spruce Pine meetings were held. More than five hundred were added to the churches; $1,900 added to pastors' salaries; $1,300 taken off the State Mission Board; $2,400 collected for Evangelism. At Asheboro and Badin we feel that much good was accomplished. Aid was given to both of these churches in securing pastors. After twenty-two years Asheboro comes off the State Mission Board and calls Brother B. E. Morris for a full time pastor. Brother J. M. Page goes to Badin and we ask for him the aid and sympathy of all the churches.

Each evangelist could write a book telling of his wonderful experiences, but we only have space for a few items. We need your prayers. The work is hard but we are happy in it.

FIVE YEARS OF PROGRESS IN THE ROANOKE ASSOCIATION

Charles Anderson

This article, showing something of the progress made in Roanoke Association in the five years from 1918 to 1923, inclusive, is written at the request of Dr. Maddry. Statistics are apt to prove uninteresting reading, but such a showing cannot be made without at least some resort to certain statistics.

At the close of the associational year of 1918 the church membership numbered 7,812, while it showed 10,484 in 1923. The contributions to missionary and benevolent causes increased during this period from $19,536 to $48,378, while the total contributions to all causes increased from $85,690 to $192,495.

In 1918 our Sunday-school enrollment was 5,856, but in 1923 it reached 10,408.

The Associational Minutes for 1918 gave no report on B. Y. P. U. organizations. While some existed, they were few in number. Five years later the minutes showed 49 unions, with a membership of 1,404, and this organization is making itself felt in such a way that it will never again be omitted from the minutes of this association.

The Woman's Missionary Union of Roanoke Association showed in 1918 twenty-one Woman's Missionary Societies, membership not given, with total contributions of $4,054. In 1923 they came forward with the glorious report of 50 societies, with a membership of 2,709, and contributions amounting to $22,315.

But associational statistics do not tell the whole story. There are the number of church buildings, parsonages, fields becoming self-supporting, churches passing from part-time to full-time preaching, from one Sunday to two Sundays, and many other things the length of this article will not permit mentioning. However, attention may be called to at least a few. Red Oak Church, in the country, has completed the finest country church building of which I know. It has an up-to-date Sunday-school department, electric lights, furnace heat, pipe organ, and has also built one of the prettiest and most comfortable parsonages to be found in the State. Its neighboring church, Stony Creek, has passed to two Sundays preaching instead of one Sunday, and has built a beautiful parsonage. Arlington Street Church, Rocky Mount, has become self-supporting and built a thoroughly modern large church. Bethel Church has come off the State Board and built a fine church with modern Sunday-school department. Rosemary is just completing a modern and thoroughly equipped building. Noteworthy among the many advances made in Roanoke Association is the Tarboro Church, which until a few years ago depended on the State Board for assistance. In this time it has become self-supporting, making this important advance under the pastorate of Rev. J. E. Kirk, and since then has been going forward by leaps and bounds under the leadership of Rev. I. L. Yearby. The Tarboro Church now has one of the most far-reaching county missionary programs of which I have knowledge, and last Sunday, September 7, raised in subscriptions $60,000, with which to build a new church that will accommodate their rapidly growing membership.

Greatest of all progress made has been in the vision of our people. Never again will they go back to a small way of doing things. They have learned the power there is in our great Baptist principle of co-operation, and it is inspiring to see that principle in operation in the churches of Roanoke Association.

A SOUTH-WIDE CALL TO PRAYER

Charles E. Maddry
Corresponding Secretary

The Conservation Commission realizing the critical time to which we had come in the supreme effort to complete the 75 Million Campaign, issued a call to Southern Baptists for a week of Prayer and Intercession. The time appointed is September 21-28. The W. M. U. of the South adopted the same week as their season of Prayer for State Missions. So we have written to all pastors and leaders in our Woman's work, urging them to join together as far as possible and make this the most far-reaching and destiny determining week we have had in our Southern Zion since Victory week of 1919.

We call upon our people every where to come together in their appointed places of worship, during the days and nights of this week appointed and humble themselves before High Heaven, seek His face and entreat His mercy in this great and difficult task ahead of us this fall. The eyes of men and angels are upon us and we must not fail God in this critical hour and in the finishing of this glorious task.

Then as a culmination of this week of prayer, we are urging every Sunday School Superintendent to observe in a worthy way, State Mission Day in the Sunday Schools on Sunday September the 26th. A free will offering is to be made to the great work of State Missions—winning North Carolina to Christ and the Baptists. We all must have a worthy part in this great and glorious task. Send all funds immediately to Walters Durham, Treasurer.

STEWARDSHIP THE SALVATION OF STATE MISSIONS

By Walter M. Gilmore

Not only is this true of State Missions, but of all missions, for the Lord never placed any geographical bounds around His Gospel. Apart from the principle of Stewardship, it is utterly impossible for the Lord's people to answer His command and His challenge to take the world for Him. That explains why, after nineteen centuries of Gospel light and privilege, more than three-fourths of the inhabitants of this earth are still in the black night of sin and death. If only the three and a half million Southern Baptists could be made to realize they were stewards of all they possess, including the Gospel, and not owners, this would go far toward solving the problem. If they would practice this principle for the rest of their lives, not only would our homeland be evangelized in this generation, but heathen nations would be born again in a day.

The State Board of Missions itself is a good illustration of stewardship. This Board has absolutely nothing except what is entrusted to it by the Baptists of North Carolina. This Board recognizes that all the money received is entrusted. Neither the Board nor any individual member of it would dare appropriate one penny of these entrusted funds to his own personal uses. On the other hand, every member of the Board feels personally responsible for the wisest and best investment of every cent entrusted to them by North Carolina Baptists.

The greatest and most fundamental task before our State Board of Missions at present is to awaken the consciences of multiplied thousands of our good Baptist people in this State along the line of their relationship to their possessions. They are asleep on this subject. Many of them are leaving the Lord entirely out of their thinking in this matter. They are spending, in some cases lavishly, on themselves what the Lord has entrusted to them to be used for His glory. They are, therefore, defaulters in His sight.

The Board of Missions has not fulfilled its mission when it has evangelized and baptized all the unsaved in North Carolina. All must be taught and trained in the way of the Lord more perfectly. They must be taught that all they have, they have received from the Lord, and it all belongs to Him. A tithe of the income of North Carolina Baptists would enable our Board of Missions not only to carry out our Program for 1925, but to quadruple this. And why not? Hundreds of our best people are tithing their income and finding great joy and blessing in doing it.

The only way in which we may secure permanency and stability in our financing the Kingdom is in bringing our people to practice their stewardship relations, and "upon the first day of every week, every one of them giving to every interest of the Kingdom." The haphazard method which we have practiced too long will never do it.

BAPTIST MOUNTAIN SCHOOL NEWS

Rev. J. W. O'Hara, D.D., Associate Superintendent

Mountain View College had formal opening exercises at eleven o'clock August 18th. Rev. J. M. Hayes, Elkin, N. C., conducted the devotional, after which many friends of the institution and the trustees made short talks. All expressed confidence in the future of the college. The school enrolled a larger number of students this year than last.

Mars Hill College has opened and has in attendance around 475 pupils. The number will quickly reach 500. The new dormitory, the Melrose, will be ready for occupancy about October first. The foundation has been laid for the other boys' dormitory, the Anderson. The new athletic building is about completed. Prospects are bright for the best year in the history of the institution. A strong faculty is busy with earnest, studious young men and young women. The music department has grown so large that an additional teacher has been required.

Dr. J. R. Owen recently celebrated his tenth anniversary with the Mars Hill Church. He begins the eleventh year with a growing membership and with large plans before them. The congregation contemplates a new church house within the next twelve months. The church is a place of deep spiritual worship for the students of Mars Hill College, and Pastor Owen has proved himself a friend indeed to boys and girls.

All of the North Carolina schools have opened with bright prospects. The attendance at the opening is the largest in their history. Yancey Collegiate Institute reports about 200, Haywood Institute about 100 in high school besides the grade pupils, Sylva Collegiate Institute about 165, Round Hill Academy about 100, and Fruitland Institute is full and running over. The attendance will be greatly increased during the year.

The Sylva Collegiate Institute is making steady progress not only in the class-room work, but on the field. Mr. J. T. Gribble has been employed as Field Agent for the institution, and is proving himself a very valuable addition to the forces of the institution. One of the striking features in reference to the Sylva Collegiate Institute program is Sylva Collegiate Institute days in the associations adjacent to the school. Great interest is being manifested in these plans. The mountain schools in other states have likewise opened with bright prospects. The attendance everywhere is larger than last year. A few of the schools face discouraging conditions, but they are heroically pressing forward. Communities are giving hearty cooperation to improvement programs.

The new dormitory for Hiawassee Academy, Hiawassee, Georgia, is well under way. This building brick veneered and completed will cost around $4,000. It has twenty-two rooms. Dr. J. D. Rice is the splendid chairman of the Building Committee. He knows how to get much accomplished with limited funds. Heating plants have been installed in a number of buildings, and additions have been made at a number of other places.

We are needing in many of the schools equipment for Manual Training and Home Economics. We likewise need up-to-date reference books, dictionaries, and current magazines. A few of the schools are fairly well supplied, but others are woefully lacking. We need books of latest history, poetry, the classics, good fiction, biography and up-to-date books on the sciences. There is likewise a need for paying their expenses. We have been forced to turn some away in years past because we lacked funds. Are there not friends who will supply some of these needs?

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STATE MISSION PERIOD

This week almost all the space in the Recorder is devoted to our State Mission work. The Board of Missions was wise in recommending to the Convention a return to the special appeal in our work. The loss by neglect of the special appeal for the past five years has been incalculable. The educational value of such appeal is very great. People must be informed before they can be enlisted. Information which produces results must be concrete and not abstract. It is the direct bolt, and not sheet lightning, that hits an object.

An appeal for the extension of the kingdom at large is too vague to interest and enlist the average church member. There was inspiration at first in the appeal of the 75 Million for the work in general because of the immensity of the undertaking, but that appeal has lost its effectiveness, and people are not informed as to the importance and imperitive needs of the several objects embraced in the program of the 75 Million Campaign. For the above reasons we are glad that we have come back to the direct appeal.

It is with peculiar pleasure that the Recorder gives so much of its space this week to State Missions. When the leaves begin to turn to gold this writer feels something of the anxiety that fills the mind and heart of Secretary Maddry. Of course the responsibility is greater—much greater—now than it was a decade ago, because of the enlargement of the work. Then our task was to supply pastors for needy fields, and practically all the money raised was appropriated to the mission fields, while now other kinds of work have been forced upon the Mission Board.

The Sunday-school Department has been greatly enlarged, as has the B. Y. P. U. work. It requires a considerable amount of the money allotted to State Missions to take care of these expanding departments. In this day when the Bible is being cut to pieces by destructive criticism, it is of highest importance that we emphasize Bible study, and have efficient Sunday-schools for study of the Bible. In order to have such schools the teachers must be trained to do their work, just as teachers in secular schools are trained.

Our young people need to be trained for service, and made more useful as church members. This is the function of the B. Y. P. U., and the increased interest in this department shows that our young people are ready to avail themselves of the opportunities offered for training.

Within the past few years the department of enlistment has been added to the activities of the Board of Missions, in which work the Home Board cooperates with the State Board, bearing half of the expense of the department. It should be said that the Sunday-school Board shares in the expense of the Sunday-school and B. Y. P. U. departments.

Though these new departments have been organized and are being supported at considerable expense, the Board is appropriating more directly to the mission fields than the entire amount raised for State Missions when this writer left the secretaryship. In that year (1915) the total amount raised for State Missions was $50,421.68, of which $39,747.08 was appropriated to the missionaries, and $3,721.50 for church building, making the total to mission fields $43,468.58.

This year the total amount appropriated for State Missions, including all departments, salaries and office expense, was $126,000, of which $60,000 was appropriated directly to the missionaries and $33,000 to church building, making $93,000 of the total for mission fields. This is more than twice as much as we gave to missionaries and church building ten years ago.

While the pastors are the men on whom the secretary must depend, as he does on no others, the pastors need the help of the representatives of the general work for giving definite information in regard to the several departments. Here, again, the writer can speak from experience: When he left the secretaryship for the pastorate nine years ago, he certainly ought to have been as well posted as any pastor in the State about all departments of the work, but he felt it was due his people to give them information direct from those in charge of the several departments of the work. He had representatives of all departments of the boards, both State and Southern, to visit his people, and each of these representatives talked to the church about the denominational agency of which he was in charge. An interest was created by the visits of these brethren that could not have been done by the pastor alone.

This writer can speak from experience as former secretary and pastor, and now, as "an interested bystander," as he is not a member of the Board of Missions, and is, therefore, not responsible for the management of the Board; but as a North Carolina Baptist he does feel tremendously interested in all denominational work, and especially in the work of State Missions to which he gave fifteen of the best years of his life.

The Board is at this hour seriously embarrassed by debt. If a large amount does not come in from next Sunday's collection Dr. Maddry will be forced to strain the credit of the Board further by endeavoring to borrow more from the banks, which have already been very generous in extending credit to the Board. What is contributed next Sunday will be applied to relieving the present urgent need of the Board, and those who contribute will have that much credited on their pledges. There will be a pro rata distribution of the funds at the end of the year, of course, so that each object will get the share belonging to it, but a liberal contribution next Sunday will be of very great help in the present emergency.

OUR WEAKEST POINT

Christian people, as a rule, will do their duty, *at least in a reasonable measure if they can be* brought to see it. But unless they are informed they cannot know what their duty is. Christ said to His disciples, "Look upon the fields that they are white unto the harvest." That is, "inform yourselves about conditions." Then came the admonition, "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers into his harvest," and then "Go ye!" That is the divine order, information, prayer, and service. "Look!" "Pray!" "Go!"

The great need of North Carolina Baptists, as well as Baptists of other states of the South, is information in regard to our work. The best method of disseminating information is through the printed page. The pastor may preach on the objects of the Conventions and may give important information in regard to them, but it is hard for the hearer to hold what he hears in mind, especially if it is made up largely of figures and statistics. But if the information comes in printed form, the reader can study it and read it as often as may be necessary to a full understanding.

The Baptist papers contain each week important information in regard to our work. No one can be an intelligent North Carolina Baptist who does not take and read the Biblical Recorder. It is the only means for conveying weekly matter to the members of our churches. Every pastor who has observed closely will testify that the readers of the Recorder are the ones in his church on whom he can depend for the largest contributions to carry on the work of the Lord. Until many more of our people read the Recorder weekly we cannot measure up to our responsibility as a denomination.

The pastors and Sunday-school superintendents are looked upon as leaders in their churches. The pastor, of course, should be informed as to the work of the denomination. How can he lead his people unless he has a knowledge of the conditions and needs of the various fields of denominational activity? Next to the pastor, the Sunday-school superintendent would, we suppose, be regarded as the most interested member of the church. He certainly ought to be well informed as to all our denominational enterprises.

A close scrutiny of the mailing list of the Recorder, which was recently made in the business department, revealed the distressing fact that a third of the pastors, and two-thirds of the Sunday-school superintendents in this State, do not take the Biblical Recorder! Is it strange that we find it hard to get our people interested in our denominational work?

For the sake of the work, more than for any benefit that would accrue to the Recorder, we earnestly urge our pastors to call the attention of their people to this distressing situation, and plead with them for the good of the cause to subscribe for and read each week the Biblical Recorder, which will keep them informed as to the on-going of the Kingdom.

ERROR CORRECTED

Dear Brother:

Press reports misinform concerning the plan of teaching the Bible which is being tried out here this year in connection with the public schools. I give you the facts.

1. The work is financed by the churches and is under their control. A Bible Study Committee, composed of the pastor and one layman from each church, is charged with the direction of the work.

2. The course is optional. It is open to all, but is required of none.

3. The aim of the course is the teaching and study of the Bible narrative, of the facts of the Book, in a devotional spirit, that those who take the course may not only acquire thorough knowledge of the Word of God but also may receive the moral and spiritual benefits of such knowledge. By this plan of course sectarian and controversial matters must be avoided by the teacher. In these matters the pupils are to be referred to their pastors.

4. A teacher has been secured who has had special training for, and several years experience in, exactly this work. Of this teacher's qualifications to meet the requirements of the situation, consecration and soundness of attitude toward the Bible the committee took pains to be assured before contract was closed.

5. The school authorities furnish only the room for the work, and agree to give credits for work completed.

So far as I know, no one in this place wishes or would consent to have the State teach the Bible in the schools. The plan being tried out is simply a concerted effort of the churches here to meet a grave need in the best practical way now open.

I ask you to publish these facts next week, giving the same prominence you gave to articles referring to this matter in this week's issue.

Truly,

W. E. GOODE.

We are glad to publish the above correction from Rev. W. E. Goode, who is pastor of the Baptist Church in Reidsville. Last week we published a statement taken from the High Point Enterprise, and also had an editorial on the sub-

ject. The same statement which appeared in the Enterprise was published in other papers, and as it was sent out from Reidsville, we naturally assumed that it was correct.

Brother Goode's communication puts the matter in an altogether different light. The salary of the teacher is to be paid by the churches in Reidsville, and does not come out of the public treasury. The teacher, as we gather from the above, was selected and elected by the churches through representatives appointed for the purpose. The teaching is to be under the supervision of the churches, and the school authorities are to give credit for work done under this teacher. This removes many of the objections that would have obtained had the plan as first published been the one agreed upon. However, we do not know how it will work, as there are yet difficulties, as the High Point Enterprise points out in an editorial in which the plan as agreed upon is published. Just how "the facts of the Book" are to be taught and "controversial matters avoided by the teacher" we cannot see, as some of the most important "facts of the Book" are now subject of controversy. However, we shall watch this laudable effort with interest and wish for it all the success its promoters believe it will secure in the study of the Book of books.

At the request of Brother Goode we are publishing this "in next week's issue," and are "giving it the same prominence" we gave to articles referring to this matter. The Recorder certainly meant to do no injustice to Reidsville, but it had no way of knowing that the report sent out from that town was incorrect.—Editor Recorder.

A BONA FIDE OFFER

"The Layman Company" of Detroit Michigan, is doing much to increase an interest in the important duty of tithing. The consecrated layman who is the moving spirit in this movement has proven the Lord and believes He will bless those who "bring all the tithes into the storehouse." This layman sends out tracts and leaflets on tithing for which he pays out of his own pocket, because he believes that the Kingdom can be adequately financed if all church members would adopt the tithing system.

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CURRENT TOPICS

Circling the Globe.—After five months of hardship which few other men have ever endured, the American aviators who undertook to fly around the world, accomplished that most difficult feat. They arrived in Washington on Wednesday, September 10, and were welcomed by President Coolidge, his cabinet and a large crowd of their fellow citizens.

It was twenty-one years ago, at Kitty Hawk, on Roanoke Island, in North Carolina, that the first flight in a machine heavier than air was made by the Wright brothers. That was a very crude affair and remained in the air only a few seconds, but that was the beginning of what is now one of the important developments of the world. What marvelous advancement has been made since the flight of the Wright's! During the war air craft was one of the most useful departments of the service. Let us hope that this modern invention may become a more useful agency in time of peace. The New York World says, editorially, "They have made the eagle a fitter symbol than ever, in the shield of this nation."

The Port Bill.—A very live question before the state now is the bill for establishing a port, which is to be decided by a referendum at the regular election on the 4th of November. The governor is making a personal canvass in favor of the measure and others are likely to take the stump in its favor. Dr. Branson, of the University faculty, has been secured as publicity manager and has established headquarters in the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh.

That North Carolina is suffering because of unjust discrimination in freight rates all who have given any thought to the matter must admit. It is equally clear that everything possible should be done to correct the injustice. But there is a very decided difference of opinion among our people as to whether the plan proposed will bring the desired relief. A port alone will be of little avail. There must be sufficient railroad facilities leading to the port to make it of practical value. Wilmington is the logical place for a port if one should be established, and the railroad facilities at that point are too limited. Indeed it has more ports now than railroad facilities. If we had a port and railroad terminals sufficient to handle traffic, it would be necessary to have a sufficient number of vessels to bring commerce to the port. If such privately owned vessels could not be induced to use the port we should be compelled to own and operate a boat line. Power has been given the Port Commission to buy and operate vessels if they deem it wise to do so. This would entail enormous expense, and as to whether it could be made to pay expenses is an experiment, with the experience of the government not reassuring.

The question is one of tremendous importance and our people should study it carefully in all its ramifications in order to vote intelligently upon it. All will admit that the freight rates are unjust and the question for the voters to settle is as to whether the port plan will remedy the evil. We are not arguing the proposition here, but are simply stating the case as we see it. The statement has been made that 31 states own ports, but does a single one of these states own and operate a boat line?

Callous Consciences.—Evidence abounds on every side that the consciences of our people as to public evils are becoming callous. Things that would have shocked many of our more conservative people a few years ago are now accepted as matters of course.

Take the matter of crime: A recent issue of the Literary Digest contained an article on the criminal record of this country which was enough to cause the blood to run cold. The statement was made that America has the blackest criminal record of any nation on earth. In a later issue we shall give some of the astounding figures contained in the article.

Judge Tally, who for many years has been judge of a criminal court in New York, says that one of the most discouraging features about crime in this country is the indifference shown by the masses of our people.

As with crime so with divorce. No other country which claims to be Christian has such a divorce record as ours. We shall have something more to say about this in a later issue giving some facts gleaned from the World's Work. But though we stand at the top in the black list of divorces, our people, as a whole, seem to have no special concern about it.

Immorality is rife in the land. In some of our cities the conditions are almost as bad as they are in Paris. Indecent dances are tolerated without a protest. Young men are permitted to hold girls in their arms when the apparel of the girls is so scant as to be positively unfit to be seen in respectable company. A pastor who was chaplain in the army and went over to France with the boys told the writer that the indecent dances which are permitted in this country, without any considerable protest, were introduced by returned soldiers who held nude girls in their arms in the Crystal Palace in Paris.

In the prize fights that were licensed by the legislature at its recent session, we have evidence of the carelessness of the public conscience. "Boxing matches" they were called to avoid the odium which still attaches to prize fights, but which will soon pass away, as the boxing matches bloom out into full grown prize fights. We saw a mild protest in one of the daily papers in the state, and a few of the country weeklies criticized this action of the legislature, but beyond that the matter has been accepted as in keeping with the spirit of the times. In one instance a preacher accepted appointment as a commissioner (or whatever the office is) of the boxing ring in his town. Be it said to the credit of another preacher in that town, that he denounced severely and deservedly, the passage of the act.

The public consience needs to be awakened as to the evils that are so prevalent in our day. The fear of being called "prudish" should not deter people who believe in morality from protesting earnestly against the evils which are eating like a cancer at the very vitals of our country.

Aftermath in Chicago.—As a result of the Caverly decision many parents in Chicago fear that their children will be kidnapped. One man, a millionaire, received a phone message the other day from an unknown party informing him that if he did not deposit $10,000 in a certain place his little son would fare worse than Bobby Franks did. Because of this threatening message a special policeman has been secured to escort the child to and from school, and to guard him on the playgrounds.

Many parents in Chicago fear there will be an epidemic of kidnapping. This fear is a perfect nightmare, and renders the parents who have small children attending school miserable. Men of wealth are especially concerned for the safety of their children, as they are able to pay large sums for ransom. This condition of affairs is just what might have been expected when the cold blooded murderers of the little Franks boy were allowed to live. While money seems to bring immunity from the penalty of the law, it increases the danger from kidnappers.

RECEIPTS OF RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD TO AUGUST 1

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Mississippi	116.07	426.12
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Oklahoma	255.14	173.88
Tennessee	2,500.00	1,500.00
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THE GRASS WITHERETH, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.—Isaiah 40: 8.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

E. L. MIDDLETON, Secretary

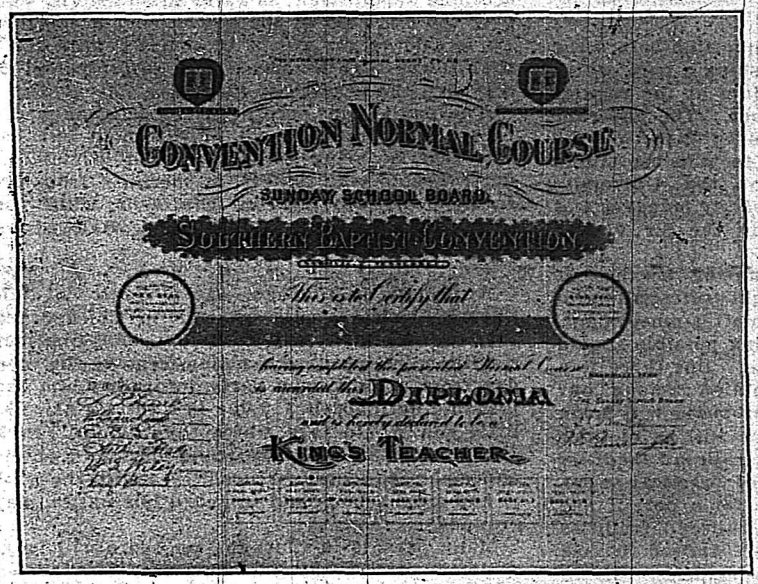
It is school time. Nearly all our schools and colleges are open. Tens of thousands are studying in them. These boys and girls and young people will cost the tax payers and their parents fabulous sums of money $50,000,000, and then some more, yes much more, but it is worth it.

SUNDAY SCHOOL EDUCATION

It is school time for our Sunday-school officers and teachers too. We have nearly as many of them in white Baptist Sunday-schools as the whole State has in all its public and private schools. They are good, faithful, earnest, consecrated people doing about the best they know, but many do not know enough. We are trying to help them to know more. To do this they will have to do what Paul urged Timothy to do if he would "handle aright the word of truth." Timothy had to "study." These will have to do the same thing.

Teacher Training is Encouraging

This work is going well but must go better. In 1923 North Carolina received nearly 6,000 awards for study books completed. In the last six months the awards run thus: March, 443; April, 1,876; May, 1,310; June, 276; July, 269; August, 332. Total 4,704. This is fine but



our colleges and schools made it so fine in April and May.

We must try to get an average month to show at least 500 awards and then let the schools give us about 3,000 extra in April and May. This will carry us near the 10,000 mark annually. We just must do this if our Sunday-schools keep pace with the times and the Sunday-schools in other states.

How Public Schools Do It

A few days ago I was a train companion with Superintendent A. T. Allen of our state schools. He told me that in the summer schools just closed there were over 12,000 public school teachers in them from six to eight weeks. He told me further that his department, by this process, is eliminating annually about 1,000 unprepared teachers.

We do not want to eliminate anybody but we do want our present workers to train themselves for the highest efficiency possible. If they will not do this we want to create such a spirit of progress and effectiveness in our Sunday-schools that they will eliminate themselves.

The Diploma shown in this page is now held by 130,000 people. North Carolina has 11,500 of these. In proportion to churches and membership we ought to have 13,000 of them. Will you not bring up our part?

If 10,000 of our Sunday-school workers and others who will be soon would give two hours a week for ten weeks we would earn 12,000 to 15,000 awards in the next six months. This can be done by studying in the homes or in classes in the churches. Write for full information.

CHILDREN'S WEEK PLANS

What Shall Be Our Forward Step?

"The race moves forward on the feet of little children," is our slogan. We must plan for a definite step. The Committee on Arrangements or the Forward Step Committee, if more than two committees are appointed, is responsible for this part in the week's program. Here are some "forward steps" that we took last year. May we not take even greater ones this year:

Beautifying Children's departments.

Little chairs provided for the children.

Renewed stress placed on the Elementary Departments.

Additional Sunday-school rooms, providing for separate Beginners, Primary and Junior Departments.

Teachers enlisted in Teacher Training.

Weekly meeting of teachers to plan for the children.

Co-operation of parents promised on Six Point record system.

Parent-Teacher Associations formed.

Organization of a Junior Choir.

Playground for Children of the Community established.

Order the forward Step leaflet from our office. Consider prayerfully the forward step for your church to take.

The Teacher's Part

Between the two great Sundays of Children's Week there are six good days comprising at least seventy-five waking hours. Each teacher has, on an average, not more than ten pupils as her personal responsibility. She can, if she will, give back to God one-tenth of these hours during this one week and use them in visiting the homes of her pupils.

It is not an ordinary visit that she is to make, but a visit in the name of Jesus Christ, in the name of the church of Jesus Christ, of which her Sunday-school is a part, and a visit for the sake of the boys and girls for whom she has assumed the responsibility of assisting in their education in matters religious.

It is a visit to get acquainted with the parents, to learn something of the attitude of the home toward the church and its school. It is a visit to acquaint the home with the lesson course of the year, with the memory work requirements, the handwork, the record and grading system of the school, the promotion requirements, the aims and the ideals of the department in general, and the class in particular.

It gives the opportunity to urge attendance on the Parents' Meeting the next Sunday.

It is a visit that requires the tact that only comes through contact with the Holy Spirit in the secret place of prayer.

B. Y. P. U. TRAINING IN SERVICE

PERRY MORGAN, GENERAL SECRETARY

Miss Elma Leigh Farabow, *Junior Intermediate Secretary.*

E. S. Preston, *Field Secretary.*

One more Sunday, and then reports are to be sent in for the third quarter.

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All associational presidents are urged to make a special effort to get every union to report to the State office on October 1st.

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The place of the B. Y. P. U. in our program is one of enlightenment, enlistment, and enlargement. That is just what we aim to do in October. Every union will fall in line.

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Page Mr. Vice-President! Mr. Vice-President, now is your opportunity to enlist new members. One more week to get ready for the Membership Campaign. How about the new converts who joined the church during the revival, the new pupils in school, and all who are of B. Y. P. U. age not heretofore enrolled? Three things to do: (a) make a definite list of them; (b) make definite assignments to members of your committee; (c) go out after them.

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MECKLENBURG-CABARRUS ASSOCIATIONAL RALLY

Addresses by Mr. C. S. Green and Rev. E. A. Stanistreet, of Durham, featured the quarterly rally of the Mecklenburg-Cabarrus Associational B. Y. P. U. at the First Baptist Church, Charlotte, September 14th.

Despite the rain a large crowd was present. State President M. O. Thornburg, who is also President of the Gastonia Association, was promised a surprise in the following song written by Joe Bostick for his special benefit, but when the congregation arose to sing Mr. Thornburg was reported absent, supposedly, because of the downpour of rain and the thirty or more intervening miles between Gastonia and Charlotte:

Associational B. Y. P. U. Song

Words by Joe Bostick

Tune: Solomon Levi

1

We are the Baptist Young People
Of our Association,
We've got the courage, grit and pep
And great determination;
We've gathered here to make it clear
On this august occasion
That Gastonia isn't the only one
Can cause a great sensation.

Chorus

Mecklenburg and Cabarrus wins the
"Banner" next,
Mecklenburg and Cabarrus, Tra, la,
la, la, la, la, la.
We are the Baptist Young People of
our Association,
We've got the courage, grit and pep
and great determination.

2

We'll use our Cadillacs and Packards,
Our Fords and Chevrolets
To spread the news and enthuse
Our young folks through the days,
From crest of Independence Hill
To eastern Pleasant Plains,
From Kan-a-polis to Pine-ville,
Our work must show great gains.

Word has come to the B. Y. P. U. office of the reorganization of the Churchland B. Y. P. U. on August 31st. Mr. Joseph Roach is the newly elected president. These Churchland people hope to accomplish much good work during the coming months.

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HICKORY CITY B. Y. P. U.

The Hickory City B. Y. P. U. has been doing some good work during the past few months. This City B. Y. P. U. has been organized less than two years and has done some real pioneer B. Y. P. U. work in the South Fork Association. This union is responsible for the organization of the South Fork Associational B. Y. P. U. in Newton several weeks ago. The program meetings have been very interesting during the past few months, but no program recently has been more interesting and helpful than that which was held at the First Baptist Church on Sunday, September 7th, when our new field worker, Mr. Edwin S. Preston, gave an address on "Christian Service." He asked the young people to put their lives entirely under the touch of the Master Hand, Jesus, and a large number of the young people declared their intention of getting their lives under the Master touch. We are very much pleased over the good beginning that Mr. Preston has made in our section of the State, and we predict great things from this gifted man. Another delightful feature of our program was a talk by Rev. T. C. Singleton, of Newton, on the subject of "Light-house Powers Are Dangerous Signals," which proved to be very helpful.

We are planning to have a City-wide B. Y. P. U. Training School soon and to do great work during the winter and spring months.

HAZEL CROUCH,
Efficiency Secretary.

What things are better than gold and silver?—Prov. 16:16.

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IN THE WEST

Western North Carolina is often spoken of as the best evangelized section of the State. This may be true, and yet there are many thousands who are not saved. In fact, there are large areas in several of the mountain counties that rarely hear a Baptist preacher, and not because they believe differently, but because these sections are neglected by the denomination. I am thinking now of two of these areas. One is probably ten or twelve miles wide and eighteen in length, peopled by well-to-do farmers. The other is as large, perhaps larger. Episcopalians, Lutherns and Presbyterians in the north have, in past years, attempted work in both places, but today some of the chapels built by them are unused and falling into decay. Occasionally a Baptist preacher goes into a neglected place of this kind and conducts a revival, but there is no one to conserve the results and the people lapse into their former condition. If consecrated, well prepared, young preachers were located and supported in these sections by the denomination, good results would follow soon.

The development of the rich natural resources, the building of factories of various kinds is constantly increasing the work of the Mission Board. For instance, near one town a new cotton mill has been built. Within a year several hundred people have come in from the surrounding country to work in it. They are 90 per cent Baptist. The Mission Board will have to help in building a house and in supporting a pastor, else they will have no attention from the Baptists. Two churches in the country from which these people come are so weakened they will have to receive aid from the Board. This process is going on all the time, so there is no end to State Missions.

The most deplorable fact of all is the indifference on the part of many pastors to our denominational program, with the exception of the Orphanage. One could hardly find a church or pastor not in love with and supporting the Orphanage. But with a gesture of indifference everything else is dismissed. This does not mean that progress is not being made, for it is. I have not investigated the matter fully, but I feel safe in saying that more has been accomplished in any and every way during the last five years than in any ten previous years. Looked at in the light of a comparison, this progress is gratifying, but seen from other angles it is far from satisfactory, observed by itself it is a pitifully small advance.

One of the most encouraging features in the mountains is the large number of church houses being built with part or full equipment for Sunday-school work. These will serve as object lessons for other churches. Within the next ten years we may expect to see the majority of our mountain country churches housed in adequate buildings.

A. C. HAMBY.

C. R. SORRELL: A TRIBUTE TO A FRIEND

"There is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother."

When Charles Kingsley was once asked the secret of his strong, joyous life, he replied, "I have a friend."

Thus he gave his testimony to the value of a true friend. Emerson says, "A friend may well be reckoned the masterpiece of nature."

Rev. C. R. Sorrell, who lost his life in an automobile accident near Liberty, North Carolina, on September 5, was the truest and best friend I ever had outside of my own immediate family circle. He and I roomed together for five years, and we were classmates both in college and seminary. I knew him as only one soul can know another, and I believe I understood him. Only love understands. It is distrust, suspicion, jealousy, hatred which blinds one's eyes to a man's true worth. I beg leave to offer my tribute to a friend whose strength and weaknesses I knew as few men knew them.

C. Russell Sorrell was a true and loyal friend. He knew how to BE a friend as well as how to accept the benefits of friendship from others. He kept his friends in mind, and he was always ready to sacrifice and serve. This fine quality of his helped to make possible his beautiful and happy married life. He married Miss Grace Sullivan of Marble Hill, Mo., in 1916, and through the eight years following I knew them intimately. He was one of the most devoted husbands and fathers that I ever knew. Nobody ever provided better for his family according to his income, for his thought was not for self but for those nearest and dearest to him.

C. R. Sorrell was a hard and tireless worker. He seemed not to know what it was to be indolent and lazy. He was one of the finest and most energetic personal workers I ever saw. He must have taken unconsciously as a motto for his life the words of Jesus, "We must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work." No grass ever "grew under his feet" either in his church work or about his home.

He was a man of strong convictions, and he always had the courage of his convictions. He didn't agree with everybody, neither did everybody agree with him, but he had the highest respect for the opinions of honest men. He was not a hypocrite. His life was honest, rugged and manly; as clear as the sunlight to all who saw him through honest and unprejudiced eyes.

Jesus Christ held the supreme place in the loyalty and devotion of C. R. Sorrell. He was a volunteer for the foreign field in his student days, but when the Board could not send him because of lack of funds he turned with all his zeal and earnestness to the home service, losing not a moment in useless repining. The world was his field anyway.

He was brave and courageous. This was founded on his simple and clear faith in God. Many times I have heard him say that a man's life linked up with God could not fail. He was not afraid; he lived a life of fearless trust. His passing seems untimely and tragic, but who can say? His life was in the hands of God. He died "in the harness," on his way to church where he was to preach the Gospel of Christ. And as pastor he was in the midst of what was perhaps the greatest and happiest work of his life with the Green Street Baptist Church of High Point.

"O light that followest all my way
I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be."

L. L. CARPENTER.

Columbia, South Carolina.

MEETING AT NEW HOPE CHURCH

It was a great privilege to have Rev. C. W. Blanchard, of New Bern, with us in a meeting at New Hope Church in the Eastern Association for two weeks, from August 3 to 17. Brother Blanchard is a great Gospel preacher and it is always a pleasure and inspiration to have him with us. He preaches the Gospel with great power. We seldom hear his equal on the fundamental doctrines of the Bible. His preaching builds up the membership and strengthens them in the faith. All of our people were greatly strengthened by his services and we feel that our work will go forward in a great way.

The ingathering was not very great as there were few unconverted people in the community. There were four who were received for baptism. These were fine young ladies from the Sunday-school and who will make great workers in our church.

N. D. BLACKMAN,
Pastor.

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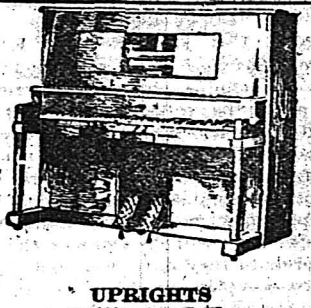

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BAPTIST STUDENT ACTIVITIES AT FOREST AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Forest Avenue Baptist Church is eagerly looking forward to the coming of several hundred Baptist girls, when the North Carolina College for Women begins its session. Forest Avenue Church was organized in the McIver building, the first money contributed for the erection of its church building was by two college girls, the dedication sermon preached by the present editor of Biblical Recorder, her first pastor Dr. Charles E. Maddry, our executive secretary, the first member received after dedication, Professor Merritt, of N. C. C. W.

Forest Avenue Church was designated by the Baptist State Convention as the church in Greensboro through which every effort possible should be made, that the religious life of our girls might keep pace with their physical and intellectual development. To that end we have as Student Director of Religious Activities Mrs. C. A. Williams, who, for the last two years has endeared herself to the students in their religious work.

As to organizations, the college girls will find Sunday-school classes, B. Y. P. U.'s, teacher-training courses, etc., thoroughly organized and efficient leaders in charge.

There will be held at Forest Avenue and in the auditorium of the college October 10-12 a conference for Baptist students of North Carolina.

Just a word to parents and pastors: The religious progress of the girls who come to college here should ever be paramount in your prayers; should receive your finest cooperation. They will be here three years out of the four for the completion of their college course. You want them back, true to Christ and His church. Then urge them with all your soul to bring their church letters. Experience has proven that those uniting with the local church make by far the greater progress, and membership prevents them from becoming church tramps, sermon tasters or church critics. Let no false sentiment on your part hinder us or them in this most vital work. Let us have the fullest cooperation of parents, pastors and members of the home churches. Above all let Forest Avenue Baptist Church, her pastor and student director have your prayers.

EDGAR E. WHITE, Pastor.

THE PLACE OF THE BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION IN OUR STATE MISSION PROGRAM

In the Baptist scheme of work there are ample channels into which may be turned the mental, spiritual and physical energies of every saved person in every Baptist church in the land. In a great world task an individual may make his contribution, but acting alone there is loss of mental and physical energy. When individuals band themselves together in a cooperative effort their strength is multiplied many times. In every church with its own members, as well as for the denomination at large, there is need for enlightenment, enlistment and enlargement. The Baptist Young people's Union occupies a strategic place in the

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of our people. It is educational. It has as definite, clear cut, curriculum as a Baptist college. The course of study includes, Bible, Baptist doctrine, missions, Baptist history, and methods. In fact every phase of the work of the Baptist denomination is included. When people know more of the truth of the Gospel they will do more of the work whereunto they have been called. The place occupied by the B. Y. P. U. in the program of State Missions is by no means a small one in the matter of

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Training is essential in church activities, and the enlistment of young Christians in all forms of missionary endeavor is one objective of the organization.

Enlistment comes hand in hand with training. There must be in the working plans of our churches a place where members can be enlisted and trained in the "all things whatsoever." If our all-important work is to go on there must be a way of approach to the mines and reservoirs of latent resources and powers now lying dormant in the lives, hearts and bank accounts of our people. The awakening in the minds of Christian people on the subject of stewardship which is surely coming will call for the

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of plans for the individual, the churches and the denomination. Enlarged plans bring about a necessity for increased working forces. There is room for enlargement in North Carolina. One could fill a good sized book with the things North Carolina Baptists know not, do not, and have not. The Baptist Young People's Union is striking at the heart of the work of enlargement in education, church efficiency, individual efficiency, gifts, vision and service.

The place of the B. Y. P. U. in our State Mission program is a place of

ENLIGHTENMENT
ENLISTMENT
and
ENLARGEMENT.

PERRY MORGAN.

IN THE EXTREME WEST

There are many hopeful signs in the extreme western tip of the State for completing the 75 Million Campaign with credit and launching the 1925 program with enthusiasm. Plans are rapidly being developed to reach the churches in each of the associations west of Asheville. All of these associations except the West Liberty, which has not met yet, have received their apportionment on the 1925 program joyfully in their annual meetings, and have endorsed the plans presented by the State Board. Already the Directors in some of the associations are calling a meeting of the pastors and church leaders for a day of prayer to God for His guidance and blessing.

Our associational meetings have been on a high plane, and enthusiasm for the success of the Campaign was very marked. These meetings were greatly blessed by the visit of Dr. Maddry and Dr. Gilmore. In one of the meetings after Dr. Maddry had spoken and a profound impression had been made on all who heard him, one of the old pioneer preachers, Brother "Josh" Calhoun, rose with great effort (for he is crippled) to challenge every other preacher present to respond to the call made by Dr. Maddry by giving a substantial cash offering and then go back home and "fox it out" of their people. He voiced the feeling of many others.

The most encouraging feature of the progress of the kingdom work in Western North Carolina is that there is a better feeling and understanding among the rank and file of our people. For the first time, perhaps, our people know what the Baptist program is. As an evidence of this better feeling and understanding, we are making steady increases in our gifts to the kingdom work, and each year shows a reliable increase over the preceding year. Take the Tennessee River as an example, and by comparing 1923 with the preceding years of the Campaign we may form an idea of the progress being made. The year 1921 showed a gain of forty-four per cent over 1920; 1922 showed a gain of seventeen per cent over 1921; 1923 showed a gain of seventy-two per cent over 1922. We have not yet written our record for this year, but by the help of the Lord, we expect to do more for the work of the kingdom than in any previous year. The West would join hands with the East and lock them across the heart of North Carolina and say: "The kingdom of this world for our Lord and His Christ."

R. L. RANDOLPH.

IN THE STATE OF WILKES

I have seen the need for enlisting our Baptist people here in Wilkes County as I have never seen it before.

We have a hundred Baptist churches in the county, and putting the average membership at one hundred and fifty for each church, you would have fifteen thousand Baptists, or at two hundred for each church, and you have twenty thousand Baptists, here in Wilkes County. The latter is more nearly true, but either brings us face to face with a tremendous responsibility.

We are not functioning as Baptists either, which makes it also a problem to be solved. Every nine people you meet out of ten in Wilkes County are either Baptists or Baptist in belief. The most of these good people have never been brought to know what our Mission Board in North Carolina is trying to do. They have in many cases been misinformed about our organized work, and they think we want to make them call whomsoever our Board might name, and do just as our Board bids them do. These people appreciate truth as much as any people in the world. They have been deprived of knowing just what we are as missionary Baptists. Recently I visited a church in our association and presented our work in a kindly way and the Spirit came into the good people, and they suggested that I should preach that very sermon to our association. They were hungry for just the message we have. I know that we need a high type of evangelism, and to let our people know what we stand for. This is the most hopeful day in many years in this section. People are anxious to have the opportunity to do something for Christ. Our hope is to get our ministry educated in our Christian schools. Churches are calling for help all through this section, and are determined to have leadership that will put them in touch with a dying world. They want to give money. Last night at our revival service here in North Wilkesboro the Hon. J. J. Hayes raised $1,130.00 in twenty minutes to pay for a gospel tent presented me by our people, when we only asked them for eight hundred dollars. They have given me a tent costing about $2,800.00 and want my services and the tent any time they can get it. We have a good mountain mission school at Mountain View, or Hays, North Carolina, Mountain View Institute, which is doing much good.

We have had as fine men as ever lived to preach to our people all through the years. Many of them have gone to glory. They led many people to Christ, and we would have been in darkness had it not been for them. Hats off to them. But in recent years seeds of error, and preaching against our progressive spirit has crept in from certain sources, and many have been led off from the right way. But like the peoples of Europe who are under the lash, they are hungry for a chance to come back to the truth. Many of the ministers who have come in here with error, are themselves very fine men, and love their Lord. If you show them that they are in error and that we love them they are ready to stand for our organized work. So, our need is for our Board to come and bring the spirit of love, be patient, prayerful, careful, put enough money here to show our churches that we are really interested, and that we want the preachers to have the churches, and that we will help where help is needed, to pay these very preachers, and let them give their time to pastoral work. The talk is abroad that we want them displaced and our college and seminary men to push them aside. This is not true!

We need a great gospel of co-operation and unity preached here, and show these fine mountain people that we want to be of all the help to our preachers and churches possible; that we do not want to push a single preacher aside if he is worthy in character to preach to the churches, and that we want to train every young man who wants to preach the gospel.

In other words, show these people that we are their friends and that we do not want to deprive them of a single privilege, nor dictate to them, but we want to co-operate with them in every way according to Baptist policies and usage.

If we had a man who understands the situation here, and who would go out among our people and build up a great kingdom force it would be fine. He should have the work on his heart, and be a man of humble spirit, yet a vision of our need, and the goal ever before him. In ten years you would see the difference.

Let our Mission Board try out this plan in Northwestern North Carolina and see! The great trouble in this section is misunderstanding!

W. L. GRIGGS.

FROM YADKIN VALLEY

The outlook is bright and encouraging in the Northwestern section of our State. The Pilot Mountain Association has paid more than $200,000.00 on the 75 Million Campaign, and will, we believe, reach her full quota by December 1st. They voted enthusiastically to undertake $48,000.00 exclusive of the Orphanage for the 1925 program.

We are to have a meeting of all the pastors and executive committee on September 19th to make more definite plans for our work.

The Brushy Mountain Association is doing the best work in her history. Under the leadership of Rev. W. L. Griggs, pastor of the First Church of North Wilkesboro, they are going forward along every phase of our work.

The work in the Ashe Association is indeed encouraging. They have 36 churches, and while none of them are large givers, all of them except four have given something to the 75 Million Campaign. Their annual meeting was held August 29-30 at Tuckerdale, and at the associations I have attended, I have never heard a truer note sounded than at this meeting. They pledged loyalty to the old, and to our new program. Rev. S. C. Blackburn, of Todd, is the director, and is doing fine work.

I am leaving today to attend the meeting of the Alleghany Association, which will be in session at Sparta, the 12th and 13th. This is a small association, but some strong, loyal Baptists live in this territory, and they can be counted on. Brother W. F. Doughton of Laurel Springs, is the associational director and his heart is in the work of the denomination.

Brother N. C. Teague, one of our young men, who could not go to the foreign field because of the debt on our Board, asked Dr. Maddry for a hard place. He is now at Sparta, putting his life into the work of the whole county.

As I think of the whole section, and the spirit manifested in our meetings, I am optimistic concerning the future of our work in the Northwest.

H. W. BAUCOM.

LAURINBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

I have been serving as pastor of East Laurinburg Baptist Church fourteen months, held one meeting in the church since I came here. I did the preaching. There were forty professions during the two weeks' meeting and fifteen added to the church. Since I came here fourteen months ago fifty-one persons have professed faith in Christ in our church and twenty-two have been added to the church and we have five under watchcare of the church now. We have also organized a B. Y. P. U. since I came here. They did not have one when I accepted the work. Just a word about our Sunday-school here: the average attendance of the school for 1923 was 125.

E. C. TAYLOR.

DR. J. W. CAMMACK, THE NEW CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF THE EDUCATION BOARD

Following the resignation of Dr. W. C. James as Corresponding Secretary of the Education Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, a special meeting of the Board was called and held in Birmingham, Ala., on September 4, 1924.

After expressions of regret and appreciation of the services of Dr. W. C. James, the Board went into the election of the new Secretary which resulted in the election of Dr. J. W. Cammack of Richmond, Va. The name of Dr. Cammack was the only one presented and his election was hearty and unanimous. It developed during the meeting that nearly every Southern State had been heard from and the feeling throughout the South seemed to be that Dr. Cammack was the logical man for the place.

Dr. Cammack has been connected with the educational work of our denomination for the past fifteen years; was a member of the Education Commission which preceeded the establishment of the Education Board and has been an active member of the Education Board from its beginning.

Dr. Cammack was born in Orange County, Virginia in 1875; was converted and baptized in 1894; is a

Dr. J. W. Cammack

Master of Arts from the University of Richmond; a Th.M. from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; did graduate work in philosophy under Prof. Noah K. Davis of the University of Virginia; holds the honorary degree of D.D. from the University of Richmond; was seven years pastor in Virginia and West Virginia; was six years Associate Editor of the Religious Herald; has for twelve years been Secretary of the Baptist Education Board of Virginia, during which time the investments in buildings and endowment have increased about 200 per cent. Dr. Cammack has been identified with many campaigns for the raising of funds; has written much for denominational papers and has, in every way, given himself to the promotion of the cause of Christian Education, especially among the Baptists.

Dr. Cammack has indicated his acceptance of the position offered him and expects to take charge of the work in Birmingham on October first, at which time former Secretary James, assumes his duties as President of Bethel College, Russellville, Ky.

It is hoped and believed that the coming of Dr. J. W. Cammack as Corresponding Secretary of the Education Board will meet with the hearty approval and enthusiastic support of the entire denomination.

J. E. DILLARD.

MEETING AT GUILFORD

Dear Brother Johnson:

We have just closed our meeting here at Guilford Sunday night, after fifteen nights of preaching.

The meetings were attended by the largest crowds in the history of the church. On Sunday night a week ago nearly 350 people tried to gain admittance into the church. By borrowing benches from the new high school, we were able to seat 220 people. Only when it rained was the church not full.

A great deal of interest was manifested by the four conversions, eight rededications and about 65 consecrations, and many others. We received three Sunday. The rain kept our crowd down at least 50 per cent the last day of our meeting.

As a result of this meeting we feel our church is going to accomplish greater things this next year for the Master.

The pastor did the preaching and Mr. Philip Roberson of Greensboro led the singing.

Best wishes to the Recorder.

RAYMOND LANIER,
Pastor.

WAKE FOREST OPENING

By Henry Belk

At the opening of the nineteenth session of Wake Forest College this week all previous enrollment records were broken. By the end of the second day of registration (Wednesday) the number had reached 607. At the end of the first week last year the record was around 575. College officials expect that the total enrollment this year will reach 700, of whom some 300 will be members of the first-year class.

The formal opening came at exercises held Wednesday evening, with Gilbert T. Stephenson, of Raleigh, the principal speaker. "The world always has a place for a man with a trained mind, a social disposition, and a passion for service," declared Mr. Stephenson, and he called upon the incoming class to look for these things at Wake Forest. The address was a straightforward presentation of the great things which college should mean to the young man.

Mr. Stephenson told the young men to look for a trained mind because "a sharp axe will cut more wood in less time than a dull axe"; to look for a social disposition because "your success in life will be measured by the influence you have with your fellow man"; and to look for the passion for service because "He who would be great must serve."

Others appearing on the program were President W. L. Poteat, J. J. Tarlton, of Marshville, president of the student body, and Coach Garrity. Dr. A. Paul Baby, college chaplain, conducted the devotionals.

A new feature at Wake Forest, inaugurated with this opening, is a series of four freshmen lectures intended to acquaint the new men with the great opportunities and responsibilities at Wake Forest. Attendance upon these lectures will be compulsory. Dr. J. W. Lynch, of the Bible Department, will in the series speak to the young men concerning their religious opportunities and responsibilities while at Wake Forest.

The College B. Y. P. U., the Church, and the Sunday-school are this Sunday launching special plans to interest the new men in the various religious activities of the community.

HOME GOING OF REV. B. LACY HOGE, D.D.

The Rev. B. Lacy Hoge, who was once pastor in Selma and then in Concord, N. C., died at his home, Beckley, W. Va., at 7:35 on Friday morning, September 12, in the sixty-second year of his age. His many friends in North Carolina to whom he faithfully ministered, remember him with a loving appreciation. His eldest son, Mr. James Fulton Hoge, lives in Greensboro and is the attorney for the Vick Chemical Company. Mrs. George Vick, his eldest daughter lives in Selma, N. C., Robert Hatcher Hoge is a student at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and Miss Nettie is at home with her mother.

Brother Hoge's health had been failing for more than a year. But about the first of June complications of the heart action began to develop and he was forced to his bed. He gradually grew worse until the end. His sufferings were severe, but not once did he murmur nor did he lose interest in the work of his church, which had been the joy of his heart. Within the four years of his pastorate he had seen it double in its membership, now numbering over six hundred, had built a large annex for the growing Sunday-school, and greatly strengthened every department of the church's many activities. More than 150 had been received by baptism since the first of June. About the same number regularly attend the prayer meetings. He leaves the church at the front rank of the West Virginia work with the organization perfect and the fellowship deeply spiritual.

Brother Hoge was a man of fine public spirit and was deeply interested in every worthy cause and found an active place in nearly every community enterprise. At his funeral every white pastor in the city, including the Roman Catholic priest was present and occupied a place on the pulpit platform, several of them participating in the services.

The sermon was by the writer of these lines from the text in Second Thessalonians 5:10. The burial was on Monday morning in the Fairview Cemetery at Roanoke, Va., where his body, according to his request, was tenderly placed by the side of that of his sainted mother.

Brother Hoge was in his sixty-second year. His last days were his best.

He finished his work while still leading on to larger achievements. All that know of his work in Beckley can but say "Well done good and faithful servant enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

W. C. TAYLOR,

Blacksburg, Va.

FROM WILMINGTON

Dear Brother Johnson:

I have learned to love every page of your, or I should say our, paper and pray that its good may continue. Am going to back up my prayer to God with some talks to men that are not at present taking the Recorder, thereby adding works to faith.

We, the members of the First Baptist Church count ourselves blessed of the Lord in having secured Rev. J. M. Kester, D.D., as our pastor. He began with us on the first of the month by preaching the Old Gospel to those in authority, (the Deacons and other officers) as found in the 3rd chapter of Philippians, and (pardon the railroad term) by using the splice bar of responsibility, is stirring up our sense of duty and even now I can see the First Baptist section of the Gospel Train "moving on and gathering speed with every turn of the wheel." We are waking up and today has been one of my happiest for every thing has been to "The King's Taste" despite the downpour of rain.

I began working at New Hope Church with Brother D. H. Wilcox, our former acting pastor and we are having wonderful times together, we hope to begin a series of meetings on the first Sunday in October. This is a wonderful section of "God's Vineyard" and we ask the prayers of the Baptists of North Carolina and the South.

Yours for the Master,

B. V. SUNOFSKY.

THUS SAITH THE LORD, Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.—Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth.—Jeremiah 33:2, 3, 6.

BE CAREFUL FOR NOTHING; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.—Philipians 4:6, 7.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified as executor of the last will and testament of William Wesley Ferfell, deceased, late of Raleigh, Wake County, N. C., notice is hereby given to all those having claims against said estate, to present them to the undersigned executor, at Raleigh, N. C., on or before the first day of September, 1925, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

N. A. DUNN,
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MY EVENING PRAYER

If I have wounded any soul today,
If I have caused one foot to go astray,
If I have walked in my own wilful way—
Good Lord, forgive!

If I have uttered idle words or vain,
If I have turned aside from want or pain,
Lest I myself should suffer through the strain—
Good Lord, forgive!

If I have craved for joys that are not mine,
If I have let my wayward heart repine,
Dwelling on things of earth, not things divine—
Good Lord, forgive!

If I have been perverse, or hard or cold,
If I have longed for shelter in thy fold,
When thou hast given me some fort to hold—
Good Lord, forgive!

Forgive the sins I have confessed to Thee,
Forgive the secret sins I do not see,
That which I know not, Father, teach thou me—
Help me to live.

—Selected.

CHILDREN'S WEEK OCTOBER 19th to 26th

We claim to be Missionary Baptists. The ripest field for real service is right at our doors. There are nearly 300,000 children in North Carolina for whose religious training we Baptists are responsible. Our good women must do most of this in our homes and Sunday-schools.

I write this note to beg every one of you to plan and work and pray in your church for Children's Week. Look up your Recorder for September 10 and read pages one and eight. Write Miss Sophia Berghauser, Raleigh, N. C., for complete literature telling you how to observe the week.

E. L. MIDDLETON,
Sunday-school Secretary.

CHRISTMAS CHEER

Certainly "Christmas comes but once a year," but its cheer circles the twelve months if it is the true Christmas spirit. Thus it is easy early in the fall to manifest Christmas kindness by packing and sending toys and other presents to our foreign missionaries. It is true that our missionaries are too "grown-up" to play with toys, but the children in their homes need them as do also the boys and girls in the mission schools and churches. Last winter while I was in China quite a few boxes came to the missionaries, and no memory of my trip is brighter than that of their joy in receiving them and in planning for their use. Would that you could have seen them. I covet for each of us the privilege of helping to repeat such "joy to the world" scenes this coming Christmas.

In collecting and packing your presents you will find excellent suggestions on page 21 of the August Royal Service. In the article Miss Juliette Mather most enthusiastically enjoins our young people to girdle the world with Christmas cheer. Among the things to send are: toilet articles, such as face and talcum powder, combs, brushes, shoe blacking, soap, wash-rags, tooth-brushes and paste; household goods, such as towels, sheets, pillow slips, doilies, table-cloths, scarfs and pictures; writing materials, such as stationery, school tablets, erasers, clips, rubber bands, pencils, pen-staffs and points; clothes for men, women and children, such as dresses, coats, hats, shoes, stockings, underwear, handkerchiefs, hair ribbon, veils, scarfs; sewing materials, such as goods for curtains, thread, zephyr, sewing and knitting needles; all kinds of pins; toys, such as dolls, tops, balls, puzzles, knives, horns, picture books; kindergarten supplies, such as pictures cut from magazines, Perry Pictures, especially of Bible scenes and of child-life, yards and yards of crepe paper, tinsel and other things for festooning; food, such as shelled pecans, fruit cake, raisins and candy, all such being carefully packed in oil paper and put in tight tin boxes.

Be sure to pack everything carefully, tie tightly and mark distinctly. On each package put: "Christmas Presents; No Commercial Value; for Missionary Schools." If necessary, send the things in a number of packages so that the value of each package will not exceed $10. In that case address the packages to different missionaries in the same station, or if all must be sent to the one person, send the packages at intervals of two weeks apart, so that the postal authorities will not imagine, even, that the presents have commercial value. I believe that parcel post, insured where possible, is the surest, easiest means of transportation. Accompany each package with a letter so that the missionary will be on the lookout for the package. Even as you tell her not to use the things until Christmas so you might enclose in one of the letters a New York draft to pay for any duty which perchance might be levied on the packages. Surely her Christmas cheer will be brightened by such a check, such packages, such a letter and such love which is "the greatest."—Kathleen Mallory.

TAR RIVER ANNUAL MEETING

The W. M. U. of the Tar River Association met with the First Church, Henderson, September 4-5, Mrs. Henry Upchurch, Superintendent, presiding. The meeting was one of inspiration and of unusual spiritual power. Mrs. Upchurch showed by her report of the year's work that, while the women in this association had done no big outstanding things this year, there had been gradual gain along every line of work, especially so in mission study and personal service work. Some of the outsanding features of this meeting was the sermon by Rev. C. B. Howard and the addresses by Miss Dorothy Kellam and Mrs. Martin Buck. Others on the program, all of whom brought deeply spiritual messages, were Mrs. Kimball, Mrs. Ellis, Miss Sue Kelly, Mrs. T. M. Pittman, and Mrs. Parker, all of Henderson; Mrs. Miller, of Littleton; Mrs. Stevens, Norlina; Miss Lillie Harper, Laurel, and Miss Virginia Perry, of Louisburg. Special music was rendered by Mrs. J. A. McIver, of Louisburg, and Mrs. Miles, of Henderson. The banners given by the association for the most efficient work were awarded in a very impressive manner by Miss Dorothy Kellam to the following societies: the W. M. S. banner to the societies at Wood; the Y. W. A. and G. A. to Louisburg; and the Sunbeam to Littleton. Mrs. Upchurch, the Superintendent, and Mrs. Newell, the Y. W. A. and G. A. leader, felt compelled to give up their work. The following officers were elected: Mrs. W. W. Parker, Superintendent; Miss Lillie Harper, Young Peoples' Leader; Mrs. E. C. Bobbitt, Sunbeam; Mrs. R. A. Bobbitt, Secretary and Treasurer; Mrs. J. S. Howell, Mission Study Chairman, and Mrs. Stevens, Personal Service Chairman. This association will meet with the Cedar Rock Church next year.

MRS. R. A. BOBBITT.
Louisburg, N. C.

CENTRAL W. M. U.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Central Association met in its annual session on Thursday, September 4, with the Wake Forest Society. Probably no meeting of the association has been so well attended, nor a more spiritual atmosphere prevailed. There were approximately four hundred and fifty in attendance during the day.

The tone of the meeting was so high and the speeches and addresses so splendid that the secretary is not attempting to speak individually of those who carried out the program, but she feels that much credit is due Mrs. Clarence Chamblee, the Superintendent.

The program included the following speakers: Mesdames J. H. King, W. R. Cullom, J. F. Mitchener, J. C. Satterwhite, C. Chamblee, Fred Walters, R. M. Squires, J. O. Gough, T. Y. Seymore, Miss Mary Warren, Miss Grace Young, Mrs. A. S. Bridges, Misses Mary Bowers, Ellen Brewer, Maud Winston, Mary O'Kelley, Mrs. R. N. Simms, and Mrs. M. W. Buck.

The afternoon session was presided over by Mrs. A. S. Bridges, Young People's Leader.

An interesting presentation of Sunbonnet Baby and World Comrades was given by the young people.

The College Girl, the Importance of Fostering Young People's Societies, How Reach the A-1 Standard were presented by Misses Mary Bowers, Mary O'Kelley, and Ellen Brewer.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. Clarence Chamblee, Wakefield, Superintendent; Mrs. J. F. Mitchener, Louisburg, Assistant Superintendent; Miss Maude Winston, Youngsville, Secretary and Treasurer; Mrs. A. S. Bridges, Wakefield, Young People's Leader; Mrs. T. Y. Seymore, Raleigh, Christian Stewardship; Mrs. Fred Walters, Raleigh, Mission Study Superintendent; Executive Committee, Mesdames T. W. O'Kelly, J. B. Perry, R. M. Squires, Lonnie Newton, and D. D. Chamblee.

After reports of other committees the Union adjourned to meet with the W. M. S. of Flat Rock on the first Thursday in September, 1925

SECRETARY.

WHITE CROSS SUPPLIES

My dear Mrs. Caveness:

I am so glad that Dr. Beall asked me to answer the letter that came from Miss Mallory about our White Cross work. I have gotten so much joy out of these gifts, and they have done so much to make our work here pleasant (and sometimes possible), that it is just a joy to write about it. I know you have been busy doing this kind of work for the new hospital in Winston, but I am glad that you still have a place for us out here in your hearts.

What do we need most? I think the thing that the North Carolina women could do for us right now is to send us pajama suits for women. When I talked to you before I came out I thought that we would need mostly gowns as we use at home. We do use them, but I find also a great need for pajama suits. We have lots of patients who can be up, but who are not quite ready to go home. Their own clothes are too apt to be infested, so I do not want them to be used. And of course short hospital gowns are not quite modest. As pajama suits are so nearly like their own clothes, it makes a far better outfit for them. Now as to the materials. I would be very glad to have some outing ones for winter wear, and some thinner ones for summer. I think unbleached domestic is best for summer, though there might be a few suits made out of some striped or colored cloth. The patients do like to get a colored suit. But I do not want anything that would fade.

Now I don't know how many you feel like you can send us. I am asking for six dozen outing ones and six dozen for summer wear. If you cannot send that many, please send as many as you can. Any number will be gratefully accepted and used.

We once asked the North Carolina Sunbeams for soap. There are still plenty of faces to be washed, and if they want to continue sending soap it will also be very much welcome.

I just wish you could come out and see for yourself just how much we do use these things and what a joy it is to have them. When I go into our attic where we have most of our reserve supplies, I just want to thank each person who has had a part in these gifts. But I cannot do that, so I just ask the Father to give them the joy that comes with service to Him. As you see the friends who have made these gifts to us, won't you thank them for us?

Yours in His Name,
ALDA GRAYSON.
Kathleen Mallory Hospital,
Laichowfu, Shantung, China.

YOUNG PEOPLE

Y. W. A., G. A., R. A., S. B.
DOROTHY KELLAM, LEADER

NOTES

Our Y. W. A. girls are keeping up their pledges. We have a large enrollment, and each girl tries hard to do her part.

RENA BOYETTE,
Y. W. A. President,
Warsaw, N. C.

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Mount Zion is unique in that it is the only association which has a Standard of Excellence Chairman. In the last year this efficient officer has raised the standing of the societies in her association fifty per cent. For the coming year Miss Alva Lawrence will hold this office.

THE RALEIGH REJOICER

All girls of Raleigh over twelve years old are cordially invited to attend the Raleigh Rejoicer on the evening of October 6, 7:30 p.m., at the Tabernacle Church. A wonderful surprise and treat is in store for you!

YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLY

On the afternoon of August 30th the Y. W. A. and G. A. girls of the Central Association met at Wake Cross Roads Church near Wake Forest. After devotional talks were made by several girls, a short period was given to general discussion of problems in our work. We were fortunate indeed in having Miss Kellam and Mrs. Jones with us, and both gave us helpful talks. Several workers expressed their interest in

the cause, Rev. C. B. Howard being among them.

We hope to establish a precedent, and that we shall have a meeting of this nature every year, if not more often, believing that it will be a help to us in accomplishing more work for our Master.

MRS. ALVIN S. BRIDGES,
Central Association Y. W. A.
and G. A. Leader.

COLLEGE Y. W. A. AT SYLVA

The Y. W. A. of Sylva—twenty-eight strong—is a wide-awake organization. No task nor program that lends interest and enthusiasm to their organization is too difficult. Everything is done because of the love that is possessed for the advancement of His Kingdom.

On the night of August 30th our impressive Recognition Service was observed. The Y. W. A. of the summer took in the girls who were entering Sylva Collegiate Institute as students for the coming year. This initiation into the chief departments of Y. W. A., as carried out by each instructor of Y. W. A. lore, made a happy, beautiful—yes, solemn occasion. The entire congregation seemed impressed by the service.

ELLA PIERCE.

HOW I HAVE MADE MY WORK A SUCCESS

Let me tell you some things I have been doing since I was elected Sunbeam Leader in February. First, I want to say that I was interested in the work. I loved little children, and I loved to work with them.

When I was elected leader I began immediately to prepare myself for the work, and subscribed to "World Comrades." I wrote to Miss Hunter at Raleigh for all the free literature that would be helpful, studied the W. M. U. Manual, and read several books on the nature of the child. One that especially helped me was the "Psychology of Childhood," by Noisworthy and Whitley. I ordered several story leaflets from the W. M. U. literature department, talked with the W. M. U. members of our church, consulted the pastor, also several other good authorities on this subject. Then I ordered the Sunbeam Sunbonnet Baby Standard of Excellence chart so the children could see their work progress from time to time.

After I had studied all this literature and consulted these different authorities, I began planning for my first meeting. The first thought that came to my mind was the membership. I took the original roll, then made a list of all the available ones.

The first meeting came on the Sunday after Valentine Day. I sent a valentine to each child in the neighborhood with the date of the meeting and an invitation to come.

I wrote to Miss Hunter for several dozen cardboard fish. At the meeting I showed these to the children and told them that I would give a fish to each one who brought a new member to the next meeting. This helped increase the membership. I also ordered several dozen of the small mission banks and gave one to each child. This helped with the offering and gave the children something to remind them of their duty of saving pennies to help spread the gospel. I made a map of the world by cutting from an old geography maps of the world and pasting them on a large piece of cardboard cross-roads, from which I could easily teach the lesson outlined in the "World Comrades." On the blackboard I made a list of all the things we could do to help Cuba.

The next lesson was on homes and mothers. I had the children bring pictures of the different homes in America and of women they thought would make good mothers. From the pictures of homes we made a poster. I had the children tell why they thought the pictures of women they had brought would make good mothers. We made a list of the things that children could do to help their mothers.

In April the W. M. U. and Sunbeam Band met the Saturday before Easter Sunday. While the children were in session the W. M. U. members hid several baskets of colored eggs, and when the children came out they were surprised to find an Easter hunt awaiting them.

In June after the regular meeting I gave out the parts for a public program. After this the children met every Saturday afternoon for practice. After the practice I would take the children out in the yard and play games with them. In July the W. M. U. appointed an assistant leader. On the third Sunday night in August came the public program. A free will offering was taken to buy materials for the children to work with.

Throughout all the meetings and the public program I have tried to impress upon the children that each one had a definite work to do; that the work was theirs and the success of it depended upon them.

In conclusion I want to say that there hasn't a day passed but what I thought about the work, talked about it to some one, if only my mother, and prayed for it, and if my work has been a success all the honor and praise is to Jesus, the worker of all good works.

OLLIE MAE PUTNAM.
Shelby, N. C.

CONVENTION FOR SUNBONNET BABIES

Dear Sunbeams:

You did not know, did you, that the Sunbonnet Babies of our State are to assemble for an annual meeting at our W. M. U. Convention in March? That is true. They are to be the wall flowers of the occasion.

If up to March 1st your Sunbeam Band has been A-1, then send the Baby to this office, and if necessary a special car can be chartered to carry them to the place of meeting.

In the right hand of each doll will be a small pennant done in yellow and white bearing the name of the church from which she has journeyed.

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Dear Miss Kellam:

In your recent note about the mite boxes you asked if we had the Sunbonnet Baby. Indeed we have! We just finished dressing her in full last Sunday a week ago. She has meant so much to our band this past year. I don't see how we could have done without her.

We have also just had an interesting mission study class of twelve, and I am sending the names to Miss Warren today. We studied "Livingston the Pathfinder," and enjoyed it very much. My band loves to read. They clamour for the reading books which I have in circulation, and I have to keep getting new ones for them.

MRS. H. L. GATLIN.
Raeford, N. C.

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Previously reported	14,718.09
Total this year	$ 15,307.32
Foreign Missions:	
Total this week	$ 33.78
Previously reported	20,665.72
Total this year	$ 20,699.50
Home Missions:	
Total this week	$ 21.20
Previously reported	13,371.62
Total this year	$ 13,392.82
Education:	
Total this week	$ 174.44
Previously reported	3,570.41
Total this year	$ 3,744.85
Ministerial Relief:	
Total this week	$ 2.55
Previously reported	895.23
Total this year	$ 897.78
Missions (undesignated):	
Total this week	$ 312.87
Previously reported	19,652.07
Total this year	$ 19,964.94
Bible Fund:	
Total this week	$ .25
Previously reported	33.44
Total this year	$ 33.69
Margaret Fund:	
Total this week	$ .25
Previously reported	54.32
Total this year	$ 54.57
Hospitals:	
Total this week	$ 155.04
Previously reported	24,621.37
Total this year	$ 24,776.41
Total this week	$ 5,677.72
Previously reported	415,681.60
Total this year	$421,359.32

WALTERS DURHAM, Treasurer,
Baptist State Convention.
September 24, 1924.

KITTRELL BAPTIST CHURCH

We desire to express through your columns, our gratitude to Rev. J. Arch McMillan, for sending—several months ago—Rev. Coy Muckle for our pastor. He has proven truly, a "God-send" to us. His Gospel messages have been both scholarly and of high spiritual force, awakening to the needs and possibilities of Christian growth in our midst.

Through his aid and interest we have recently installed handsome pews, pulpit furniture, lights, etc.

He has just closed a series of meetings with us, which resulted in a gracious revival, eleven additions to the church, five on profession of faith and baptism, six by letter, and a season of earnest re-consecration to all. He has greatly endeared himself in the hearts of the people, who gladly follow his leadership, and motto: "Onward and Upward" with the keynote, "Fill Your Campaign Pledges."

In his departure soon, for the Seminary, we shall feel the loss in his absence which, we pray, will prove his gain, as he "Launches out into the deep" for larger service to the Master.

MRS. C. W. WILLIAMS,
Corresponding Secretary.

ORDINATION SERVICE

At the request of Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, near Shelby, a presbytery of ministers and deacons from Boiling Springs, Poplar Springs, New Hope, Flint Hill, First and Second Churches of Shelby, Trinity, Pleasant Grove and New Prospect Churches, met Sunday, September 7th, 3 p. m., at Mt. Sinai Church for the purpose of examining and if found qualified, ordaining Brother R. H. Weaver to the full work of the ministry. The presbytery was organized by electing Pastor Jas. C. Gillespie, Moderator and Coran S. Rollins, clerk. After a very satisfactory examination conducted by Pastor J. R. Green of Boiling Springs, it was unanimously decided to go on with the ordination. Brother J. M. Goode of Boiling Springs led the ordaining prayer and after the imposition of hands by the presbytery, Rev. R. L. Lemons of Shelby preached the sermon, Pastor Rush Padgett of South Shelby presented the Bible and Brother Weaver pronounced the benediction.

Brother Weaver is now entering Wake Forest College, having finished his high school work at Boiling Springs last session, and we believe he will make a consecrated and very useful minister of the Gospel.

JAS. C. GILLESPIE,
Moderator.

CORAN S. ROLLINS,
Clerk.

SOUTH YADKIN ASSOCIATION

The fifty-first annual session of this body was held with the Calvary Church, six miles north of Salisbury, Thursday and Friday, August 28-29. The church under the leadership of Pastor C. A. Rhyne, Salisbury, took good care of us. The new brick-veneer church building was commodious enough to hold the large congregations.

Brother E. S. Millsaps, Statesville, a fine layman, was elected moderator to succeed Rev. C. S. Cashwell, who positively refused to serve longer in that capacity. Brother W. F. Merrill, Statesville, was re-elected to keep the records. Brother P. A. Hicks, the popular young pastor of the Western Avenue Church of Statesville, preached a strong introductory sermon on "Christian Loyalty." The next session will be held a year hence with the South River Church and Brother W. B. Waff, Mocksville, or his alternate, J. Clyde Yates, Mooresville, will preach the sermon.

Among those representing denominational interests and visitors were: Dr. M. L. Kesler, Thomasville Orphanage, Rev. J. Sam Johnson, Mountain View Junior College, President E. F. Mumford, Liberty-Piedmont Institute, Rev. S. F. Conrad, Charlotte, Dr. A. A. Hutto, Alabama, and this scribe, who represented our Board of Missions and the Recorder. All the discussions by the local brethern were of an unusually high order. The spirit of the Association was fine. With enthusiasm they adopted the plans for completing the Old and for putting on the New Program. Brother J. Ben Eller, Statesville, is our very capable and aggressive director for this good Association.

Among the new pastors taking an active part in the deliberations of the Association were D. F. Putnam, Cooleemee, and J .G. Murray, Harmony. An interesting feature of this session was the completion of the funds for the beautiful marble shaft erected over the grave of Rev. J. N. Stallings in Chestnut Hill cemetery, Salisbury, by his friends in this Association who loved him. But a more suitable and servicable memorial has been erected to the memory of Brother Stallings in the beautiful new $50,000 church building in Salisbury that bears the name of "Stallings Memorial," of which Brother C. A. Rhyne is the very live, efficient pastor. On or near the first Sunday in October the unveiling of the monument and the opening of the new church will take place, and this veteran of the cross, who served his day and generation well and passed to his reward a few years ago, will receive a worthy tribute.

WALTER M. GILMORE.

OPENING AT FRUITLAND

Fruitland Institute opened on August 18th with crowded conditions in the dormitories and many girls have been turned away for the lack of room. Only high school boys and girls are enrolled. Of these 50 per cent are from Henderson County and 25 per cent from other counties in North Carolina, while about 20 per cent come from South Carolina and 5 per cent from other states.

Work on the Martha Sullinger Home for Girls is progressing well. The architect is Mr. Erle G. Stillwell of Hendersonville and the foreman of the construction is Mr. W. Freeman Thomas also of Hendersonville. Nearly all of the carpenters and laborers on the job are local people. The loyalty of these men working on the building and their interest in the school is shown by the fact that more than 10 per cent of the labor is being donated by the men as they work.

We have other good buildings, but this dormitory will be the largest and best building on the grounds at Fruitland. It will provide for one hundred boarding girls and all the lady teachers. There will be fifty-nine bed rooms, a kitchen and dining room, domestic science rooms, a laundry room, an infirmary, and a large assembly hall for the girls. The Martha Sullinger Home named for the lady principal who has served for more than twenty years in the mountain school work, is a brick-veneer structure with steam heat, electric lights, and water in every room.

Funds for carrying on this work are greatly needed and this is an appeal to the friends of Fruitland and to all who believe in Christian education to help us now in this day of crisis and of opportunity. Twenty-five years of successful history lie back of this school. At no period in its history has the opportunity for genuine service been so good, nor has the need for the kind of ideals which Fruitland upholds ever been greater.

Churches, Sunday-schools, Sunday-school classes, missionary societies, as well as individuals, are helping in this great task. Principal N. A. Melton has been asked by the board of trustees to give his time this year to the raising of money for the building program. He will welcome suggestions from any one and he sincerely urges that the friends of the school render every service possible. Please do not wait to be personally solicited, but send in the money and you yourself become a solicitor for the enterprise.

N. A. MELTON.

MEETING AT ROBERSONVILLE

Dear Brother Johnson:

We closed our meeting of eight days here last Sunday night. Bro. W. Furman Betts of Raleigh was with me to lead the music, and I did the preaching. To date we have received sixteen members, and others will come in as a result of the meeting. This makes 25 members received since I came here 2nd Sunday in June. I have had Brother Betts with me in four meetings, but he has never given better service than the one just closed. He knows how to get the people to read the Bible, which I think is a fine help to the meeting. Our church is in fine condition now for real work.

With best wishes, I am, cordially yours,

W. G. HALL.

VISITORS TO

BALTIMORE

IF you are on a business trip or motoring through the city, and expect to stop over Sunday; if you are a student at any of the men's or women's colleges or universities, and you are in the habit of attending the Baptist Church at home, then come to the services at this church. If you have sons or daughters in Baltimore and would like to have them attend a Baptist Church, send us their names and addresses We will be glad to keep in touch with them.

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THE PLACE OF THE W. M. U. IN OUR STATE MISSION PROGRAM

Miss Mary Warren, Corresponding Secretary

Like the mother in the home, with its every interest at heart, so is the W. M. U., to State Missions. It is not a separate and distinct organization but an auxiliary with a threefold purpose:

First, to stimulate a broader religious development on the part of the Baptist women and young people in our State, train in Christian work and enlist all in active personal endeavor for the salvation of those in their own communities.

Second, to receive and distribute missionary information to stimulate and encourage the organization of missionary societies.

Third, to encourage the earnest systematic co-operation of women and young people in contributing money for missions at home and abroad.

Like every true mother, the W. M. U., with all the fine things in life, the better part cannot be expressed. Who would dare try to give a record of the growth in grace, and the knowledge of our Lord, of the prayers that have gone up to God like sweet incense, of the seed that have been sown in the hearts of little children.

Who would dare tell of all the sacrifices of our women for State Missions. Like the widow of old, many are giving out of their want that they may pay their pledges, and even more make a voluntary offering unto the Lord. Often we overlook the sacrifices of the pastors' wives. Many of them in addition to their household duties, are leaders in W. M. U. organizations, teachers in Sunday-schools. Many of our teachers in Sunday-schools are women. Even in the Mission Sunday Schools on Sunday afternoons they are found teaching the Word of God and molding the lives of our young people.

There were thirty-one such schools in which the W. M. U. assisted last year. Some of these missions schools are developing into small churches.

In 1910 the Mother Heart donated $5,000 of the amount received for State Missions that year to the building of churches. The contributions have grown from year to year and eternity alone can estimate the rich returns as the amounts have been appropriated to church buildings.

The Mother Heart adorned with good works in the form of personal service last year made 184,498 religious visits, held 2,563 cottage prayer meetings, resulting in 568 conversions, Bibles distributed, good literature, nursing, baskets, trays. And in other ways it is ministering to the needs of others.

Another way in which the Mother Heart manifested itself was during the process of building the Hospital. When it seemed that all the funds had been spent, the W. M. U. in a most beautiful spirit undertook the furnishing of the Hospital which cost about $15,000. By co-operating with the Hospital Commission, our beautiful building at Winston-Salem, attractively furnished, was completed and opened last year. For the last two years $23,457.39 have been given for the relief and suffering of the sick in our own Hospital.

If there is one thing that gets close to the Mother Heart it is a child and particularly so the little orphan. In addition to the monthly contributions, a special offering is made at Thanksgiving and many times during the year, pickles, jellies, clothing, and other things which add the home touches are sent by her as a constant reminder of her tender love and sympathy. For the last five years the W. M. U. has sent $129,607.72 to the Orphanage.

Another great interest one will find in the heart of the great W. M. U. is the teaching of stewardship—not only the giving of means but time and talents as well. Hence the training, study, and personal service which has already been mentioned. With all of these dedicated to the Master the gifts will come.

Since the launching of our world wide program, including our last report, the W. M. U. shows that $1,552,000.00 has been given. This exceeds the quota by $452,000. The meeting of our quota was glorious but it is even more glorious in going on toward our large voluntary pledge of $2,167,000. Of the $1,552,000 given by our women ($358,296) according to the allocations made by the Conservation Commission $358,296 has been given directly to our state-wide objects.

Another great motive for which the Auxiliary was formed is that of receiving information and teaching others. To this end over 13,917 mission books have been studied in 1,973 classes.

Our women and young people have been looking in other lands through this study. This year many of our faces will be turned toward China for we shall be looking in that direction through China's Real Revolution, Ming-Kwong, Chinese Lantern, and other books as we study during the year in the assemblies' study classes. Through the magazines and Biblical Recorder we shall look in our own State and beyond its borders. We shall endeavor to place the Recorder and one of our magazines in one-half of the homes represented.

Never before was the value of our great W. M. U. program of prayer, study, training and giving so clearly shown as since the campaign. Within the last five years more new societies of all grades have been organized than before. Every branch of our W. M. U. work gives evidence of a quickening into new life such as we had never dared to hope for. Since we know the thrill for the great achievements we shall not be content to undertake small things.

The present is the harvest of the past, the future will be the harvest of the present." We have fallen short many times of the ideals. May our failures be used as stepping stones for tomorrow.

What higher ideals could our W. M. U. have than a W. M. S. in every church and along with it the four young peoples' organizations, certainly one of the four in every church, and every member studying missions.

Let every organization strive to reach the highest point of efficiency.

What more beautiful way could the Mother Heart be felt than that of fostering societies of the young people and assisting a weak society in a neighboring church.

Thus far the Mother leading the little children in Bible and mission study, personal service, and giving has come.

We beg the interest and most sympathetic co-operation on the part of every Baptist in helping us to establish a well organized missionary society in all our churches.

STATE MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS

E. L. Middleton, General Secretary

Since 1896 our Baptist Sunday-schools have been fostered as a part of our State Mission program. For many years there was a separate fund for financing the work and North Carolina was the last State to have its Sunday-school work paid for by the regular State Mission fund. We believe the results have amply justified all expenditure.

Of course we try to make all our work conform to the program of Jesus. Study the Great Commission and then study what we try to do in our well conducted Sunday-schools and you will find we have evangelism, church membership, all forms of missions, enlistment and every type of Christian development. During each year, in our special days, we try to present in an interesting way all the objects fostered by the denomination and make offerings to the same.

There are well defined policies and plans set forth in tracts and complete courses of Normal studies in books for every phase of the work. A very important part of present day Christian education is being conducted by the "Department of Sunday School Education" of our Sunday School Board. Dr. Gambrell said just before he died, "The most significant movement of Southern Baptists is the Teacher Training work of our Sunday School Board." These are strong words from a great leader who was always conservative in his statements.

We are trying to make the work justify the efforts made by the Board. We try to have a Sunday-school in every church. In the South there are over 5,000 churches with no Sunday-school. In North Carolina there are barely 100 in this condition. In twelve years there have been started through the work of the Sunday-school Department about 800 new Sunday-schools. We try every year to make North Carolina 100 per cent in this respect.

In membership we rank well among the states. In the South there are 65.9 people in Sunday-school to every 100 church members. In North Carolina there are 81.3 to the 100. This is a very fine condition relatively if not actually.

In activities we rank well. Texas alone has more Standard Sunday-schools. In Teacher Training we stand in fourth place being led by Texas, Georgia and Kentucky. These all are putting on a much larger Sunday-school program than North Carolina. Give us the workers and money like they have and we will run the race with them.

This is a political year and the parties are adopting their platforms. We do not have a platform but there are certain things we must have as our objective. Of course every school ought to try to reach the Standard of Excellence. This is a little technical but richly worth while.

I am going to propose certain things for us to do. We cannot urge these things too often before our people. We must say them and print them again and again. Keep these things before you as necessary things:

I—Vision

"Where there is no vision the people perish." We must know what ought to be done and how to do it, before we really achieve worth while things. Recently a new superintendent forty years old said in my office: "I have been in Sunday-school all my life, but have never studied its problems and needs." Are you like him? If so, get a vision of what you ought to do and how to do it.

II—Enlargement

There are 500,000 people in North Carolina in no Sunday-school who belong to Baptist Sunday-schools, if they belong to any. Considerably over 200,000 of these are church members. Plan for a religious census and a follow-up canvass to reach thousands of these people. Many of them are ready to be reached. "The harvest is great and the laborers are few."

III—Organization and Equipment

It is useless to reach the people unless we are prepared to take care of them. To do this involves properly grading and departmentizing your school. Every school, however small, may be graded, even if the departmental idea can not be carried out. Then, again, the building and its furnishings must be attractive and comfortable.

IV—Training

This has been mentioned. Every human activity challenges us to perform this task. Here is the challenge condensed:

God commands It
Industry Challenges
The Professions Challenge
Public Education Challenges
Untrained Workers Challenge
Sunday-school Education Challenges

V—Class Organization

In the elementary departments the teachers and their co-workers must do the work, but, beginning with the Intermediates, the pupils must be put to work and trained in service through class activities. Secure full information and learn how to do this.

VI—Evangelism

If your Sunday-school is not in the business of soul-winning, you are missing the mark. Everything else is a means to this great end. Study for it. Plan and pray for it. Let us have this year the greatest ingathering of all our history. Study "Winning to Christ." It was written for you. In North Carolina there are 200,000 lost men and women and at least 250,000 children looking to Baptists for salvation.

ENCOURAGING LETTER

Editor Recorder:

Chairman J. T. Bowden called a meeting of the pastors and workers of the Green River Association to meet in Rutherfordton. Brother M. A. Adam's church hospitably entertained us.

Those who met accepted the plan proposed and divided the association into two parts and asked Brother J. B. Dillard and Sister John Goforth to take oversight of the work in Rutherford and Polk Counties and Brother Bowden and Sister Weatherspoon to look after the work in McDowell County.

Those present agreed to try to raise the allotment on the finishing of the 75 Million and agreed that the plan for next year is the best ever proposed but because of unsettled local conditions that we could not commit ourselves to any definite policy until local matters are adjusted or determined.

Brother Hamby could not be present. We regretted the loss but Dr. Bowden took up the work and all joined in and we had a pleasant and profitable meeting.

I have been absent from our State in three revivals in South Carolina with the greatly beloved pastor, Brother C. M. Teal. He and his folks were a benediction to me.

The meetings were fairly good but wish I could have done more for so good a pastor and in so glorious a cause.

The work in the 75 Million Campaign is not being urged as it deserves to be. Many have paid their pledges and stopped while others stopped without finishing. Wife and I paid up long since and she has gone Home. How glad I am she paid before His call. Brother, let us be faithful as we will wish we had before we are called over the tide. Most of our pledges were too small, it was right to pay but let us not stop. The work must go on. It is a trust. Let us be faithful. Let us so far as we can observe Mission Day and Week of Prayer. Let us not forget to pray and give the Lord of His own.

D. J. HUNT.

HE THAT KEEPETH his mouth keepeth his life, but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction. —Proverbs 13.3.

Home Circle

MOST THINGS ARE RIGHT

By Clarence E. Flynn

Most crops are good. Most days are fair.
Most days are lovely everywhere.
Most hearts are full of joy and song,
Most folks are kind. Most souls are strong.
Most hands are glad to lift the load
Of some tired brother on the road.

Most seasons bring the sun we plead,
Commingled with the rain we need.
Most frosts have mercy on the grain,
And on the buds we thought were slain.
Most friends are true. Most flowers are bright.
In this old world most things are right.—Kind Words.

BOBBERTY'S MANLINESS

Bobberty Owen threw her ball into the air and hit a resounding smack with Sammie's new bat. Crash, and the ball disappeared into Mrs. Ellis' hall straight through her pet plate glass window with its border of colored glass. The next few minutes were exciting ones for the Owen family. Mrs. Owen told Mrs. Ellis to have the window reset and the bill sent to Mr. Owen, and that evening it was decided that Bobberty must help pay the bill.

"It may teach her to be more careful in the future, if she will realize how expensive her carelessness can be," said Daddy.

So Bobberty tried to think of some way to earn money. It was vacation and several of the girls were helping the neighbors with their housework, or taking care of their babies, but these women only laughed at Bobberty and said they didn't need a Tomboy to help. And Bobberty didn't blame 'em a bit; she knew the word that described her—it was "incompetent."

She had no heart for woman's work; she wanted to sail ships and build bridges. The next morning she took the paper out under the apple tree in the orchard. The news didn't interest her! what she wanted was work, and she searched eagerly for "Help Wanted." There was only one advertisement in the whole paper, and her heart sank at the sight of it: It said "Boy wanted. Apply at this office for information."

"I can't do girl's work," Bobberty reasoned to herself, "not even dishes without breaking them. But I can play boys' game almost better than the boys themselves. Why can't I do their work?"

And stopping no longer to think of it, she started for the newspaper office.

They laughed at her in the office, and someone said, "Oh, send her round for a joke." They told her that the man who had put in the advertisement was Mr. Arden who lived just down the street.

Her mind made up to try, Bobberty went straight to Mr. Arden's house and found him on his front porch.

"But I advertised for a boy," he told her, his lips twitching as though he wanted to smile.

"I know you did," Bobberty replied. "But I can do most anything a boy could, Mr. Arden, really I can. There isn't a boy in town my age that can run faster or swim further than I can."

Mr. Arden looked down into her gray eyes. "But none of those things would be required of you here," he said. "You seem willing. Could you start in work today?"

"This very minute," Bobberty said eagerly.

He took her round to the garden and explained to her her duties. "It is not easy work," he told her. Hoeing, spading, transplanting from hot beds into the garden, weeding, and watering the green things."

Bobberty laughed joyously. "Oh, that's fun," she cried.

"But there is something else I want to tell you," he went on. "There is one thing I won't stand, and that is misuse of my tools. I expect them to be used carefully. I discharged the last boy because he wouldn't take care of them. He let some of them get rusty and broke others. I am starting you out with all new tools, and if you can't take care of them, you will have to go, too."

"You will see I will take care of them," Bobberty smiled confidently.

"You'd better get to work right away," said Mr. Arden, "because I'm only going to let you work part of the day. The middle of the day, from eleven till three, when the sun is hottest, you can have for rest and play."

"You're saying that because I'm a girl," Bobberty protested, indignantly.

"Not at all," Mr. Arden assured her. "From now on I shall consider you as a boy."

And then Bobberty began her work.

The next days were the happiest she had ever known. She loved working in the sunshine, she loved the moist, dark earth, the bright new tools, and most of all the tender green plants. They seemed almost like people, those little plants, and she used to play they really were, just for company. This was worth doing, real man's work, almost as good as sailing ships or building bridges.

Then, just when Bobberty had paid back most of the money to Daddy, and was begging Mother to let her keep on at Mr. Arden's for a while longer to get some money towards her bicycle, a dreadful thing happened.

Bobberty was especially proud of the garden that afternoon. She had transplanted a dozen frail little tomato plants, and had protected them from the hot sun by making a little sunshade for each one out of a strawberry basket and a stick.

While she was finishing the last one, Mr. Arden's two nephews who were visiting him came out and looked over the hedge. They were fourteen and sixteen, and just the age when to tease a little girl was great sport.

"Charming millinery effect," said the younger boy, in a most affected tone of voice. "Are those the latest things in tomato bonnets?"

"Isn't that just like a girl?" the older one answered, laughing. "I expect she is going to trim them with pink ribbons," and they stood watching her. Bobberty resented their laughter. She couldn't bear to have her work ridiculed. As they moved off she pounded her trowel vindictively against the edge of the hot bed to remove the dirt. "Horrid mean old things," she said to herself, then to her horror she saw that one very hard blow, given in a fit of temper, had broken the handle of the trowel. And Mr. Arden had said he would discharge her if she didn't take care of his tools.

Remembering that she had seen some glue in the tool house she hastened there at once, fastening the two parts of the trowel together and hurried home.

She could scarcely eat any supper that night; and after supper, when mother said they could all go down to the drug store for a soda, she said she didn't believe that she would go.

"Aren't you feeling well, dear?" mother asked, anxiously.

"Yes, mother," she replied. "I'm all right, but I guess I'll go to bed."

"I am afraid you are working too hard in that garden," mother fretted. "Now you have paid Daddy, maybe you had better not go any more."

Never since she could remember had Bobberty been to bed before while it was yet light, except when she was ill or being punished. Of course, she couldn't go to sleep. She heard her sisters and Sammie start for the soda fountain, discussing the relative merits of sarsaparilla and chocolate ice cream soda. She heard them come back again with the question of the best flavor apparently unsettled. It was growing dark by this time. She heard them coaxing to sit up a half an hour longer. She heard the sleepy bedtime preparations, and she was glad that she slept alone, she had so much to think out.

It seemed as though she could never get it thought out enough so she could go to sleep. It was all about the trowel: he had said he wouldn't let her stay if she mishandled his tools, and she had broken his trowel in anger. But she did want the money so much towards her bicycle, and besides she had fixed the handle so he would never know it had been broken. Was that just the same as a lie? Pretending that it wasn't broken, when it was? Well, she told herself, she would buy another to replace it, and that would be the same as if it had never been broken. He had said she was just as good as a boy. Was it manly to pretend that she was so careful of his tools when she had broken the trowel just because she got mad?

Then she wondered how she was going to stand having him come out the next morning and put his hand on her curls and say, "Bobby, you certainly are a fine lad," as he did most every day, and know she was deceiving him. No; she couldn't bear it.

She slipped out of bed and into her clothes. She was out of the front door as the clock struck ten, and she hoped he would still be on his front porch.

She smelled cigar smoke as she neared the gate, and, her heart quaking with fear, she walked straight by, instead of turning in.

"Coward," she told herself, contemptuously, turning back.

"May I speak to you a minute, Mr. Arden?" she faltered.

Mr. Arden came to the steps, with a little exclamation of surprise. "Why, is that you, Bobby? Is anything wrong at home?" Then she told him how she had broken his trowel because the boys had made her mad, and how she had mended it. After she finished her story he stood looking at her in silence.

"Oh, dear," thought Bobberty. "Why can't he discharge me and let me go?"

At last he spoke.

"You understood that I would discharge you if you broke my tools?"

"Yes, sir."

"You liked the work?"

"Oh, I love it."

"And you were going to buy that bicycle?"

"Yes, Mr. Arden."

"And you mended the trowel, so I would never notice it?"

"Yes, sir."

"And in spite of all this you came and told me?"

"I—I had to," she stammered.

Suddenly Bobberty's little brown hand was grasped in a big, warm, comforting handclasp.

"Bobby, my little lad, I am proud to have you work for me"; and Bobberty thought that she had never heard a man's voice so gentle and kind. "We will go down to the hardware store tomorrow and get a new trowel, and we might as well look over the bicycles while we are there. How would you like to have me advance the money and let you pay me in work, eh?" And Mr. Arden walked back home with her as though she was a grown-up young lady, and stopped to call on mother and daddy. And his explanation of her visit to him must have been satisfactory, because they never once mentioned it, and daddy was willing she should get the bicycle that way.—By Jay Gates, in Kind Words.

Pamela (who has been told to brush her teeth). "Mother, you always ask me to do that, and it's my favorite thing I hate to do."—Life.

Postman—Bad luck, I'm afraid, Mr. Doolan. Here's a black-edged letter for you.

Doolan (glancing at letter)—It's me poor brother Pat, dead. Ol'd know his handwritin' anywhere.—Boston Transcript.

Spice Box

"Your handwriting is very bad, indeed," said a man to a young college friend who was more addicted to sport than study: "you really ought to learn to write better."

"Yes," returned the young man; "It's all very well for you to tell me that, but if I were to write better, people would be finding out how I spell."—Ex.

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Little Mary came into the house bedraggled and weeping.

"My goodness," cried her mother, "what a sight you are! How did it happen?"

"I am s-sorry mamma, but I fell into a mud-puddle."

"What! With your best new dress on?"

"Y-y-es. I didn't have time to change it."—Ex.

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Cop—"Hey, where are you going? Don't you know this is a one way street?"

Abe (in a new car)—"Vell, I'm only going von way, ain't I?"—Patton's Monthly.

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The telephone bell rang at a flour and feed mill. The proprietor, taking down the receiver, said: "What can we do for you?"

"I'd like two bushels of oats," came the voice over the wire.

"All right. What else?" inquired the feed man.

"A bale of hay."

"All right. What else?"

"A hundred pounds of corn."

"All right. What else?"

"A bale of straw."

"All right. Anything else?"

"That's all."

"Who is this for?" said the proprietor.

"Now don't get gay," said the voice, ordering the feed, "it's for the horse."

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Boss, "Well, did you read that letter I sent you?"

Office Boy, "Yes, sir, I read it inside and outside. On the inside it said, 'You are fired,' and on the outside, 'Return in five days.'"

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Parent—"Who is the laziest boy in your class, Johnny?"

Johnny—"I dunno."

Parent—"I should think you would know. When all the other children are industriously writing or studying their lessons, who is it that sits idly in his seat and watches the rest, instead of working himself?"

Johnny—"Teacher."—Exchange.

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After giving the new stable-boy directions for treating a sick horse, the master returned in a little while to see if all had gone well.

He found the stable-boy choking and sputtering, his face various hues of red, blue, and green.

"What's wrong?" said the boss.

"Well, you said to put a tube in his mouth and blow the powder down."

"Yes."

"Well, he blew first."—Exchange.

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The train came to a grinding stop at a small town in the South, and the head of a gentleman of color protruded from a window at the end of a car. Seated by his side could be seen a brown-skinned maiden.

"Does yo' know a cullud pusson by de name o' Jim Brown whut lives here?" he asked of a station lounger.

"Ain' nevah heered o' no Jim Brown hyah, an' Ah lived in dis town fo' ten yeahs."

"Is yo' right suah dey ain't nevah been no Jim Brown aroun' hyah?"

"Positutely."

"Den," announced the arrival, reaching for a suitcase, "dis is whah his new son-in-law gits off."—Exchange.