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NOTES ON THE CONVENTION By Frank Willis Barnett

The following Alabamians occupied pulpits in Nashville on last Sunday: Revs. R. J. Bateman, B. F. Riley, A. G. Moseley, C. A. Stakely, Powhattan W. James, J. M. Shelburne and A. C. Davidson.

We are not only glad that so many of our preachers got to be at Nashville, but glad that so many preachers' wives were present. God bless the faithful women who serve and sacrifice for their husbands' sake.

It was good to see a goodly number of our strong laymen at Nashville. It means that at last our laymen are taking their religious professions seriously and that they mean to have a part in spreading the gospel.

One need not agree with Ashby Jones, but no man who saw him stand almost alone against the venerable leaders of the convention can doubt either his courage or his ability. He comes from good Virginia fighting stock, and if we mistake not, will for many years to come provoke the elder brethren and irritate the men who get their opinions second hand.

For long and faithful service as secretaries we believe that Drs. Burrows and Gregory have made a record that will never be surpassed. It grieves us to think that these true and tried servants are gradually beginning to feel the weight of years, but we pray that the touch of time's hand may be light and that they may both be spared to attend many more conventions.

Hon. H. S. D. Mallory, who was elected vice-president of the convention, has had much experience in presiding over Baptists. He knows them in the local church, in the association, in the State Convention, and he knows they are the same folks only in bigger lots in the Southern Baptist Convention. This royal ~~business~~ has been faithful in every trust imposed upon him by his denomination.

We certainly had a good time on the Alabama special. Five coaches were packed with men and women from all parts of the state, many of whom had in our 12 years' service as editor endeared themselves to us by their kindness and loyalty. We believe Alabama Baptists love their editor as he loves them, for everywhere he foregathers with them they make his heart glad with their kind expressions.

It makes no difference how well a man plays his part, there will be critics to cry down his work. These are men who pride themselves that they abhor hero-worship and boast that they are iconoclasts. Every now and then one of them rises in the convention and throws his little handful of pebbles at some popular idol and thinks he has broken his usefulness, only to find that appreciative men shun him as unworthy to consort with Christian gentlemen.

That was a great duel between Drs. McConnell and White. McConnell was terrific in his assaults, but White was hard to unhorse. It was a study of types. Around such strong champions will always be found groups of men ready to fight. McConnell had at his back a band of young and vigorous insurgents itching for battle. White was supported by conservatives whose heads had braved many a storm. It was but the continuance of the age long trial of strength between impetuous youth and sobered manhood. We had friends on both sides.

Saturday afternoon we sat just below the president, trying to report the cyclone that was sweeping over the convention. The air grew tense, the thunder rolled, the lightning flashed, and it all beat around the venerable head of a man who, although for 33 consecutive years from the platform had looked into the faces of his brethren, had never seen anything so tumultuous. Deeply interested in the momentous issues, we could not overlook the personal fact that the mob spirit was aroused and that men in their frenzy had become elemental and were ready, if need be, to beat down the man who was trying to rule them. It's easy to say he failed, but did he? Could you have mastered them? We hold no brief for Dr. Burrows, but our heart went out to him as he stood there with his back to the wall, at times patient, at times fretted, at times calm, at times ruffled, at times defiant, but at all times a great-hearted, manly man trying to bring order out of chaos, and who to the last refused to be beaten, but stood on parliamentary grounds against all comers.



REV. LANSING BURROWS, D. D., LL. D.,
President of the Convention.

THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

This is one of the greatest religious bodies in the world. Where can you find more capable or consecrated men than the secretaries of our Home, Foreign and Sunday School Boards? Dr. Gray is an ecclesiastical statesman; Dr. Willingham is a great-hearted missionary; Dr. Frost is an enigma, for his rare business ability is only exceeded by his spirituality. And we are proud of the corps of associates who surround these men. We wish we had time and space to name them all. And how good it is to look into the faces of our preachers as they come from city and country to fraternize. Note well the strong business men who have put aside their work to give their time and money in the upbuilding of our denominational enterprises. And the women—God bless them—how it rejoices our hearts to look in their lovely faces as they fight up with womanly love under the call of some great leader. And we can't help but admire and sympathize with the men who sit around the tables to catch every worthy note to give through their papers to those who couldn't be present. It's great to be here and get the thrill of the convention spirit. Momentous questions have come up for solution. New forces are at work. It's hard to tell whether the things set in motion will make for efficiency or will generate friction, but this we know: what has been done has been done by men who are Baptist freemen, and in the end we have faith that through the convention Southern Baptists will go on to still higher and better things.

Alabama had the biggest delegation at Nashville in her history, over 200 delegates being present. It seemed like a State Convention. The enrollment for all states reached about 1,900.

It was a joy to sit at the reporters' table and meet the new editors and greet the old-timers. The personnel changes each year. We greatly missed Drs. Bell and Pitt.

Dr. Gray is still, in our opinion, the greatest platform orator in our own or any other denomination in America. He grows in grace, eloquence and power, and is in the best sense of the word a great ecclesiastical statesman.

Dr. J. F. Love, the new home missionary secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, is one of our strong men. His work as author, administrator and preacher has been greatly blessed. He made a fine impression on the convention. Dr. Love is a thoroughly dependable man and is worthy the utmost confidence.

Dr. Hamilton, the president of the B. Y. P. U. of the South, is one of our safe and sane growing young leaders, who always rises to any duty put upon him, as was evidenced by his address on Sunday afternoon, when he was called upon to take the place of Dr. Edward Judson in the Judson Centennial celebration. We have watched his career with interest, and predict for him a brilliant future.

We cannot but be proud of Alabama's Sunday school secretary, H. L. Strickland, and his assistants, Davie, Stephens and Miss Forbes. They have done much to put forward our Baptist Sunday school work in Alabama and have made their weekly page in the Alabama Baptist one of its best features. We are also proud that Miss Annie Williams, who stands in the forefront in elementary work in America, is an Alabama Baptist.

We believe the happiest man at the convention was our "Beloved Secretary," whose eyes gleamed and heart throbbed as he looked at the tables showing the gifts of the various states. It is true Alabama Baptists just failed to reach the apportionment, but they made a great showing. We took joy in his pride in Alabama Baptists, for he loves them and is just as proud of them as they are of him. We wouldn't swap him for any state secretary, even with boot.

Alex W. Bealer, who reported the convention for the Associated Press, is wonderfully well equipped for such work. Knowing so many of the delegates and being a trained newspaper man, and familiar with Baptist doctrines and practices, he is in a position to give to the public not only an accurate, but a sympathetic story of the convention's doings. One of the joys of going to the convention is to chum with this gifted writer, eloquent preacher and noted lecturer.

We thought we would have a joke on Brother Crumpton. He is always preaching to the delegates to get to the convention at the opening and stay to the close. This time he even went so far as to reserve a berth for Sunday night, but true to his teaching he gave it up and remained for Monday. He not only goes, but he sticks to the sessions. He took it all in, and Alabama Baptists will hear from him through the paper and at the associations. He is always on the job.

Our Alabama women set a new pace this year, God bless them. Without invidious comparison, we believe that our Alabama W. M. U. is just the loveliest lot among Southern Baptists. We are proud of Mrs. Stakely, the president, and of the district vice-presidents. Mrs. T. A. Hamilton, the state organizer, is one of the best equipped women in the land. Miss Clyde Metcalfe has already won the hearts of the young people, and Miss Addie Cox is doing a great work, and Miss Laura Lee Patrick has made a reputation as a secretary that is enviable. The advisory board is made up of active and picked women. Mrs. Wm. H. Sanson, the recording secretary; Mrs. M. C. Scott, the auditor; Mrs. W. F. Yarborough, the press correspondent; Mrs. W. H. Simpson, the librarian, and Mrs. A. J. Dickinson, the training school trustee, all are efficient workers. Let us not forget that Mrs. Mallory is an Alabama girl and got her training among Alabama Baptists.

Start the Convention Year Right

We are willing to send out 1,000 papers from now until January to new credit subscribers at \$1.00, even though we may not collect a dollar. Just get the names and tell the new subscribers they can pay in the fall. If the names come in before June 1 we promise to mail the convention numbers. Now is the time to start new subscriptions. Let the news of the convention, with its work and plans, get a wider publication. Please hurry up, as we want to close this offer on June 1.

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- Y. W. A. Watchword—They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever—Daniel 12:3.

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE.

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. Eph. 6:10.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

Life without endeavor is like entering a jewel mine and coming out with empty hands.—Japanese Proverb.

PRAY

For our aged ministers.
Remember the birthday offerings this month, and the special offerings are for the aged and infirm ministers.

ANNUAL ADDRESS OF W. M. U. PRESIDENT AT THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION, NASHVILLE, TENN., 1914.

Facing a Prophecy.

Last year as we gathered at the close of our first quarter of a century and turned into a new term of service, we gave ourselves to prophecy. Today those prophecies rise to face us. Have we made a year's progress toward those ends which it was predicted we would have attained by the close of the next 25 years? What lines shall we follow in the opening year to assure still further advance to those far heights? The jubilate first presents itself for examination.

Began last May by a celebration which few who took part in it will forget, it has been carried to every state. The miles traveled by officers of the union and representatives of the Home and Foreign Boards to the central jubilates would reach half round the globe. In these and other jubilates thousands of women and children have gathered. Each celebration has left some lasting memorial, in the shape of a gift to the Judson Centennial, church building loan fund, some form of the personal service for the community begun or strengthened or one or more mission study classes. In many places all four points have been among the results.

What the jubilate has meant to each state has been partly told by its representative. The whole story can never be put into words. What is lacking? Little but continuance. While the first jubilate was held in St. Louis a year ago, the celebrations in the state unions and the central jubilates were not held until the fall. Therefore the time had not been sufficient for them to reach the great mass of the societies. I now propose that they be continued throughout the opening year until our original purpose is accomplished and these celebrations reach from the largest city to the remotest hamlet.

You have heard what these occasions have meant where celebrated.

The thrill and throb of them lingers and must ever linger in many of our hearts. They are high points in Christian experience. From them many memorable scenes now flash before my mind. Most of these celebrations, however, have been held in cities and towns, and shall we, in continuing these occasions, be content to have it remain so?

The village and country societies outnumber those towns and cities. Are we unwilling that they should have no share in the jubilate joys? Let me urge again that the jubilates continue in the cities and towns until all have joined in the jubilate choruses, while special emphasis be placed on celebrating in small towns and country places.

To this end, I recommend that each association organize a jubilate party of at least three women who will visit societies within the bounds and hold jubilates with the societies visited, paying their traveling expenses, which as they pass from place to place will be small. These parties should map out a careful line of travel and divide between their members the services to be rendered by "team work," increasing their forces not merely by arithmetical but by Bible progression, by which there can be ten thousand obstacles to fight.

They should put before each society, whether large or small, a definite aim for its gifts, whether the amount be \$5 or \$5,000, and stress the point that it must be from individuals rather than from the society. They should also remember that while gifts are an important part of a jubilate, and no celebration is a complete one without them, they are not the whole.

Their inspirational and educational value is great and plans should be made to have well defined results in enlistment, mission study and personal service. A successful jubilate, however small, means all these. An unsuccessful jubilate, however large, is one which falls in them all. So much for the individual society.

To complete the celebration of the jubilate the central or executive committees must throw themselves unreservedly into the effort. On their energetic planning and support depends the success of the whole.

During the six months since the central jubilate some have viewed the extra jubilate offering with fear. Knowing that the Foreign Board was carrying a debt, that the Home Board had on it great responsibilities and that each state union had before it a definite aim for the regular work of both these branches of mission endeavor, they hesitated to bring this appeal before the women. We may rest assured, however, that the Foreign and Home Boards gave deep thought to all phases of these matters before they put them before Southern Baptists. If once the sorely needed equipment is given, the lack of which causes our missionaries to work as men with one hand, the burden carried by the Foreign Board will be lessened by a large amount of rent now paid. When the building loan fund helps homeless churches to house themselves they will speedily return to the general work all and more than was put into them. Instead of needing support they will become valiant supporters.

Some months ago a plan was outlined by which a comparatively small number of women in each state could give \$750,000 to the jubilate fund in three years. The largest number of givers in any one state did not reach 2,000. With a few exceptions the largest gift proposed was \$1,000, the smallest \$5, or \$1.66 2/3 a year.

I most emphatically believe that this plan is a reasonable one, which might be carried out without injury to the regular work in the years in which it was operative and be vastly beneficial to it in enlargement of our gift ideals in the years which follow.

A very incomplete statement of amounts pledged by the women has been obtained. It appears, however, that they have already paid in as their jubilate offering \$54,119.59, \$8,596.65 of which was for the church building loan fund and \$45,522.93 for the Judson Centennial. The preponderance of gifts to the Judson Centennial evinces no lack of interest in the loan fund, which the women were so influential in beginning, but the fact that the Judson Centennial was being more strongly urged before the whole church. When, in this year, the loan fund is more widely presented by the Home Board, I am convinced that the gifts will be more equalized. In the months that the jubilate has been before the women they have, as stated, paid in \$54,119.58. This includes though a part of the largest gift, \$30,000 from Mrs. J. S. Carroll, of Alabama. I think we are safe in saying that this represents less than a third of the pledges. We may say, therefore, that \$240,000 has been pledged of the \$750,000 asked from the women.

If this is true when 12 of our states report only 346 jubilates as held within their borders, what will it be when 18 states hold ten times that number?

The report submitted by our treasurer today shows us that we need not fear any disaster to the regular work from these special gifts. Be it remembered that the regular contributions through the mission society average probably less than 10 cents a month and the regular offering at the Christmas and thanks offering season probably less than 25 cents. While it would be fatally disastrous to divert this into other channels, it cannot be anything but triumphant to call upon the individual members of the societies to come out into a broader conception of their privilege, their ability and their rightful joy in giving.

We often proudly call attention to the fact that the union gives one-fourth of all given to Home and Foreign Missions by the Southern Baptist Convention. How shall they complete these two great funds unless we give a fourth of them? We have as yet confined our appeal to a few. Since it has brought such joy to the few have we any right, I ask again, to withhold it from the many?

For the few to whom large wealth has been entrusted is the uplifting experience of giving thousands and by our devotion or sacrifice coming into large partnership in God's designs. But for the many is reserved holding this purpose near the heart

day by day, until it becomes part of the life and the gift has grown to be the precious spikenard, distilled from many a white flower of sacrifice, sweetened by the dews of prayer. Such a jubilate gift is vastly worth while. With such a spirit animating those who place the jubilate before the societies as well as those to whom they go, we can and will give the whole amount named as our proportion.

And besides the jubilate, what? Stripped to the barest statement, the other prophecies of our growth in the new quarter of a century, to which last year you seemingly gave your assent and in the fulfillment of which you seemingly counted yourself a factor, were:

The organization and continued life of 9,000 new societies; a steady increase of the working force at the general and state offices, for a closer touch with organized societies and an enlistment of the great unenlisted forces; the maintenance of a monthly magazine, growing through years to a list of 50,000 subscribers; great growth in mission study classes, with an ever broadening conception of the mission purpose of God in His world; the mission training of the children and their attachment to the Sunbeam society held by their mothers as important as their attendance on Sunday school; the erection of a great house beautiful at the Training School, filled by our attitude towards the mission calling, with our best young women, training for official and voluntary mission workers; some wise plan mapped out for giving larger help towards the education of the children of our missionaries; through personal service the opening of settlements, mothers' clubs, night schools, girls' clubs, cottage houses and summer rests, and finally, that the jubilate we were then beginning would teach Southern Baptist women the joy of larger giving, so that their gift thoughts year by year would be commensurate with their increased consecration and their present prosperity and leap from this to hundreds and from hundreds to thousands.

After a year I am not afraid to face this prophecy. I believe in it. The only wonder is its moderation. Let us examine our year's report and look into the work of the opening year in view of its forecasts and in belief in you.

First, the growth of the societies. Before this I have called attention to the society cemetery, where many societies which apparently began life well find an early burial. Year by year a long list of new societies is reported by the states. This is so largely counterbalanced by the number of dead societies dropped from the list that the net gain is often less than half the number of new societies reported. Indeed, in some years there has been an actual loss in some branches. To illustrate:

In 1913 and 1914 1,224 new Sunbeam societies were reported. Surely a very fine record. But the net gain in active societies is only 666, so that 558 Sunbeam societies died in these two years. More than half as many Royal Ambassadors as were organized in the two years died. A similar rate of organization and discontinuation runs through all branches. To sum up:

In 1910 10,563 societies were reported. In two years the surprising number of 3,883 new societies have been organized. But the net gain is only 1,510. This is a serious problem. The vital statistics are alarming when less than one-third of the number born survive.

In connection with this I would call your attention to the fact that the Bible promises rewards not to the beginners, but to the overcomers. What did hinder, for they ran well for a season? Generally the complaint is the lack of leaders. But who is a leader but one who overcomes difficulties? Here, however, is a great need. How shall we train leaders for missionary societies of all grades? We are not without example in Sunday school institutes, summer encampment courses and normal study and correspondence courses. One of the commissions on efficiency will wisely recommend courses in missionary leadership in our denominational colleges. These and other plans are for your thought and working out. A beginning has been made in mission courses in summer encampments.

Here, too, I would put before you another question for consideration: What is a missionary society? What is a school or a Sunday school? Is it one class of one grade or a group of classes of various grades, all engaged for one educational end? Our ideal is the missionary society with a graded system of mission departments, all working under the same

organization to the same purpose. That only 246 can claim to have reached it out of the 12,098 reported is evident from the fact that there are only 246 girls' auxiliaries. There are doubtless many small churches who cannot have yet the full graded system, but all need at least two grades—the W. M. S. and the Sunbeam. In most churches the whole system—Woman's Missionary Society, Young Woman's Auxiliary, Girls' Auxiliary, Royal Ambassadors and Sunbeams—should have a place, and long before the new 25 years have passed I trust there will be thousands of societies known as the graded society of such and such a church.

Increasing the working force at our state and general offices must be gradual. For the general union I can say that the volume of travel by the officers and those associated with them has been greater than ever before, while a greater amount of work has been done at the office. It is my belief that the efficiency of the central committees is steadily increasing. This does not, however, prevent the earnest belief that we should constantly look into our methods to see that there is no waste from overlapping, overstimulation at some points and neglect of others, old and worn out plans taking the time and place which should be given to new and better ways. Georgia is earnestly seeking to multiply its efficiency by dividing the oversight of the societies among many volunteer workers, beginning with the district secretary, who has, say, 10 societies under her care, and so on in every larger circle, each with its leader, until we reach the state president and corresponding secretary, who have the oversight of all. Others have similar plans, though perhaps not yet worked out in equally full detail. Others are trying out the interesting methods. Our commission on organized efficiency brings new and helpful suggestions. Everything here points to advance.

Nothing will help us on our onward way more rapidly than the third point, the monthly magazine. Such a magazine, with 50,000 subscribers before 1938, was the prophecy. The year has not shown the advance in subscribers which we said was necessary to begin the transfer of our quarterly into a monthly publication. But your executive committee in its faith in you cannot, I might almost say, dare not, longer delay this forward step. They believe the union needs this informer of purpose and leader in execution too much to wait for it another year. Hear what they say of this matter later.

In mission study the advance has been notable. Will you pardon me for saying that as I have heard of the number of classes studying our own history I have asked myself, with something of a clutch at my heart, will it teach its lesson? Will it pass with inactive pride and self-congratulation on the past? Will it lead to more consecrated, more self-sacrificing work in the future? If the former, the matter is of little worth; if the latter, the effort is most amply repaid. But the fulfillment of this prophecy entailed much more than the reading or study of any book. It meant a wide outlook on life from the point of Christian statesmanship. To this end the missionary library will be demanded. The mission magazine and in cities and towns the missionary alcove in the public library, which will be easily obtained by concerted action on the part of all the missionary organizations of the city.

Mission training given its rightful place in the life of our young people as a branch of the Christian training, the next clause of the five-fold prophecy will necessitate a deep readjustment of the conception of the obligations and immediate demands of Christian life. These thoughts may and should be directed to this end in the Sunday school, but it is evident that in the short time allowed for the lesson no extensive or intensive study of mission facts and conditions is possible. Therefore, the Sunday school classes as such should, each according to its grade and as a class unit, go into the missionary branch suited to its ages. Then, and only then, can the Sunday school and the missionary society mutually react upon one another and fill out the full purposes of both. Some are working to this ideal. Let the thought find lodgment and speedy fulfillment.

Today we lay before you the plans for the first building of the enlarged Training School, which we foresaw. The year has brought unlooked-for expansion. The school has so overflowed its wall that it has expanded to two apartments across the way. It has reached out to the wives of ministerial students in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; it has established itself in a larger and better settlement building held for it as a part of its \$20,000 endowment fund. With confidence it comes to you today asking you to expend the enlargement fund of \$35,000, which you have been creating for four years, with the view of completion at the close of this year, to more than double that amount, that by the fall of 1915 we may have completed, on the beautiful adjoining corner lot, the first unit of an ultimate structure which, when fully completed, will accommodate 200 young women. This first building will contain chapel, dining room and rooms for 60 students, and with the lot and furnishings cost some \$80,000. This, together with the present building, which is thus retained, will give present accommodations for 100 young women. Should we at any future time wish to change to a point nearer the property which the seminary has purchased and on which it may build at some future date, the building now proposed, complete in itself, would be a most salable property, standing as it would in one of the

best locations in Louisville. It was not, however, until we had consulted with the president and other members of the seminary faculty that it was decided to purchase the adjoining lot, as we were empowered to do by a previous decision of those entrusted with this matter, and to lay before you this present plan. It will probably not be ten years before 200 young women are asking missionary training at our hands. We will be lamentably at fault if we hesitate from small vision to build now, as we would wish then we had done.

No one can review the reports of today without seeing the advances in personal service. The deep hold this work has taken on the hearts of all classes of societies, the growing wisdom with which they are handling the great questions of spiritual and physical uplift, which are challenging the highest wisdom of the followers of Christ and calling together in deep conferences such gatherings as those which others of your representatives and I have just attended in Memphis in its great social service work. It is with great pleasure that I see this great organization hastening towards its rightful place as a compact, wise, recognized factor among the great Christian forces, which are aligning themselves shoulder to shoulder to lift our country out of disease and poverty up nearer to God.

The growing settlements in the cities under the beautiful name of Good-Will Center will soon stand side by side with the Wesley Houses, the Doors of Hope and similar organizations whose praise is on every lip. In smaller places homemakers' club, teaching through well thought out plans the care of woman's chief realm in all its branches, from the food of the little child to its closing evening prayer, will multiply. Among the young girls cheer-all clubs will bring together in a great helpful, Christian sisterhood, and boys and girls will seek not merely to emulate for themselves the good, but to grow good by doing good. The plan for continuing the growth of personal service along these lines so well begun are expanded for you by your personal service committee.

Also following the lines you have before pointed out as your desire, there will be brought to you by the Margaret Home committee wise plans for the continuation and expansion of the union's interest in the education of missionaries' children.

Gifts? We have spoken of the gifts through the jubilate. The prophecy, as you remember, was that these gifts would cause the women of the Southern Baptist Convention to realize the possibility and joy of giving in much larger terms than formerly, and those who had burst the bands of small gift thoughts to hold fast to their new liberty. Even now, while we are in the midst of our jubilate and the giving of large sums, this thought of greatly and permanently increasing our yearly contributions should be planted and watered.

Indeed, the emphasis on proportionate gifts is increasing; the number of givers is growing; churches are seeking and finding better ways to give steadily through the year, on one hand, and God on the other is providing continued ability to give. Surely our gifts will increase mightily.

And so we come to the close of the first century of united Baptist mission work in America. Will our mission task be completed in the century that opens? There are many who prophesy that it will. Indeed, if the mission consciousness grows as it has done in the last hundred years and with it the mission forces, who can doubt that long ere the close of this new century the world will be evangelized?

As a union we covet a noble part in this end. We ask nothing better than to "be led that we may lead," "be taught that we may teach" the living echoes of those tones which plead in loving accents, calling the whole world to come up higher in life, in hope and in love.

FANNIE S. HECK.

From a denominational standpoint we are starting a new year. Please send in a list of names on the \$1.00 offer, cash or credit, so that the new subscribers can start the new year right by reading the convention numbers.



Get Your Present

A number of our friends are sending in new subscribers, but failing to ask for the present. Now we bought the presents to give away, and you will rob us of a real pleasure if you do not state the kind you want. See list published and write for one.

A YEAR OF WOMAN'S WORK.

Annual Report of the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, to the Sunday School Board, May 1, 1913, to April 30, 1914.

A new school of art has developed, one distinguishing feature being that each picture must somewhere have a touch of color. If the records of the past 26 years of the Woman's Missionary Union were on exhibit there would doubtless be a touch of color illuminating each year.

This is markedly true of the year just closing in so far as the jubilate, or twenty-fifth anniversary celebration, is concerned. Beginning with the one in St. Louis last May, the celebration has been observed in each of the 18 states. It is safe to say that this celebration quickened the spiritual life of our people, enlisted many new members, as is evidenced by an increase in the number of societies of over 17 per cent, widened the circulation of missionary literature, raised the standard of giving to where one woman contributed \$36,000 to the Judson Centennial fund and left many memorials in the form of practical, personal service.

Another touch of color is seen in the phenomenal growth of the W. M. U. Training School at Louisville, Ky. After consulting the advisory board, of which the corresponding secretary of the Sunday School Board is a member, the W. M. U. executive committee authorized the purchase, for \$20,000, of the corner lot adjoining the Training School property. Arrangements will be made at the annual meeting for the building to be erected on this lot.

Throughout the year, as formerly, the union has gratefully realized the substantial co-operation of the Sunday School Board. It will be our desire to continue to try to help the enterprises of the board, especially as they pertain to the promotion of missions through the Bible fund, "Kind Words" and Missionary Day in the Sunday schools. We heartily congratulate the board upon its new headquarters and upon the excellent literature which proceeds therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

FANNIE E. S. HECK, President.

KATHLEEN MALLORY, Cor. Sec'y.

Woman's Missionary Union.

Whenever making a list of the forces that have made the Sunday School Board we must include the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention. This was begun at the very beginning and has been continued through all the succeeding years.

We rejoice in the increasing success of the W. M. U. and its augmented power for usefulness. It is always enlarging its operations and has found success in well nigh everything the women of the south have undertaken in this organized capacity. We especially congratulate the W. M. U. on the phenomenal success and growth of the Woman's Training School at Louisville. This school is under the very able and efficient management of Mrs. Maud Reynolds McLure, whose training in home and school, with all her fine qualities of southern womanhood, have given her exceptional fitness for the high position.

The school has outgrown its building, and enlargement has been imperative. The present property, which costs something over \$20,000, is commodious, but wholly inadequate. We congratulate the school in having purchased an adjoining property, which locates the school on a prominent corner of Louisville's most commanding thoroughfares. We wish for the school an increasing growth altogether commensurate with this advance movement. The prospects are all that could be wished, and the school will more and more become under this able management a large factor for carrying forward the work of the convention.

Wisdom, says Carlyle, is intrinsically of silent nature. Of such silent nature is Woodrow Wilson, whose reticence would have delighted Carlyle, scornful of talk and intolerant of words with no meaning. He has put his impress upon the state department, as he has upon all the other departments of the government. He controls congress. He dominates Washington. He is the most masterful figure in American politics. The Mexican policy is his policy. He cannot shift responsibility. He must accept blame for whatever happens, and to him will be accorded the credit if he brings about peace without having forced his own country into a great war.

The Pathfinder says: "Thus far ours has been a 'wet' navy—officially so—but now it is to be case of 'water, water all around, but not a drop to drink,' as the Ancient Mariner put it. Secretary of the Navy Daniels has laid down a rule that hereafter no intoxicants of any kind are to be allowed aboard any United States war vessel or in any naval station. In the old days sailors were kept filled up to the gunwale on grog as a matter of course, but it is, and that the modern fighting ship—which is \$10,000,000 complicated piece of machinery cost the care of or so—cannot safely be entrusted to the care of drunken or besotted officers."

CONVENTION NOTES

The convention fixed the amount to be raised for missions for next year at \$1,119,500. Of this sum \$658,000 is to be raised for Foreign Mission and \$461,500 for Home Missions.

At its final session Monday the Southern Baptist Convention adopted resolutions protesting against a representative of the Vatican being at the American seat of government. The resolutions set forth that 2,500,000 Southern Baptists viewed with alarm the disposition of governmental representatives to give sanction to the Catholic church by attending their services and official functions.

The banquet given in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium Thursday, complimentary to the visiting alumni of the King's Teachers Association, was a splendid success in every particular. About 500 were seated at the banquet table, with more than 250 persons in the gallery, the latter coming in for the speeches. The King's Teachers are those who have taken the normal course in teacher training prescribed by the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. G. C. Savage of Nashville, made a fine presiding officer. Dr. C. M. Thompson spoke on "The King's Teacher and the Sunday School Organization." Dr. W. L. Poteat spoke on "The King's Teacher and Sunday School Psychology." Dr. J. H. Strong spoke on "The King's Teacher and Sunday School Evangelism." Dr. F. M. McConnell spoke on "The King's Teacher and Christian Doctrines." "The King's Teacher and His Bible" was the subject taken by Dr. L. R. Scarborough.

For more than 31 years we have known Dr. E. L. Poteat. We first met him when doing some special work at Yale. He was then pastor of the Calvary Baptist church. We heard him preach and got a spiritual uplift; we heard him teach a Bible class and got instruction. We heard him hold his own in scholarly debate in the Ministers' Union in New Haven with the great theologians of Yale, and we got joy. But this is ancient history. We heard him Sunday afternoon at the great Judson meeting, and our little cup overflowed, and as we couldn't catch it all we begged him to give us his manuscript so that we could give it to our readers. He showed us two little slips of paper about the size of an envelope and said, "Here it is." These were as useless to us as a bill of fare that called for an imaginary dinner. We knew the notes stood for great feasts, but like many menus, they were unintelligible hieroglyphics. Seeing our real hunger, he promised to appease our appetite at a later time. We know all Alabamians who heard him will at least want to get another bite of that new dish set before Southern Baptists, labeled "Indigenous Christianity."

Dr. Burrows is an enigma to his friends. At times he is brusque to rudeness; at times he is the very flower of courtesy. At times he roars like a hurt bear; at times his voice is lute-like. At times he appears unfeeling; at times he overflows with it. At times he roughly shoulders strong men; at times his arms go gently around children. We have always set him down as a big red-blooded man, whose roughness was a pose to hide a heart that beats as tender and as true as a good woman's. We don't, however, pretend to understand him. How could we? When we left him Saturday afternoon he was standing like a bull at bay with head down and horns pointed outward, ready to throw over the fence all who failed to get into the field in any other way than through the parliamentary gate. It was what he was put here for, and we beside the bold matador who tried to slip in. At times the blood of many of them trickled on the ground. When we found him Sunday morning he was transformed into an angel of sweetness and light, and his sermon was luminous with sympathy and colored with love. He was put there to speak for Jesus and right nobly did he do it. But whether we understand him or not, we know that we love him, and that's enough.

Rev. A. J. Barton read the report on temperance, giving a statement of the status of the liquor traffic in each state in the south, and telling of the progress made in state and national legislatures during the past 12 months. It is a matter of satisfaction to the Baptists, he said, that the Southern Baptist Convention was the first great body to endorse and back the movement for national prohibition. The last meeting of the International Anti-Alcohol Congress was mentioned in the report, with a note of rejoicing that so many countries were represented, and that the movement for world-wide emancipation from the liquor traffic is growing so fast. It was insisted in the report that the liquor traffic is more than a state menace, and should be handled as a national question. There was some discussion and debate over the recommendation by the committee that the church support an agency of field worker against the curse of intemperance. Dr. Barton insisted that this was one of the most important recommendations. Dr. Livingston Johnson, on the other hand, pleaded that no appearance of lobbying, even for a good purpose, be risked by the Southern Baptist Convention. He said that the Anti-Saloon League should be supported by Baptists and all other denominations and allowed to carry on the legislative campaigns. Rev. L. F. McConnell endorsed this position. Rev. Joshua United, former candidate for president of the question in on the prohibition ticket, discussed the date of the committee's recommen-

Dr. Lofton is certainly a wonderful man. Just think of making a welcome address one of the features and sensations of a religious gathering.

Dr. Hight C. Moore, editor of the Biblical Recorder, who was elected secretary of the convention, is well qualified for the position.

It was a privilege to meet our beloved friend and personal traveler, Dr. W. J. E. Cox, who is making himself felt in Louisiana. We surely missed him at the associations.

Dr. Powhattan James, of Selma, was busy as a bee reporting the convention for the Baptist World. It's no easy job, but we are sure his account of the session will be noteworthy.

We kept our weather eye out for Dr. Montagu. We kept longing to hear his fraternal greetings. Few know just how much we miss the companionship of this one of the most lovable and gracious of men.

After the singing of "How Firm a Foundation" and a general hand-shaking the benediction was pronounced by Dr. Burrows and the convention adjourned until 1915.

It was good to look into the faces of many of our Alabama teachers who now labor in other fields. We didn't meet one of them that we didn't wish he would come back home. We have lent a number of glorious preachers to sister states.

We had hoped to meet Dr. Nowlin, editor of the Baptist Witness, and personally congratulate him on the marked improvement in the paper, but we learn with sorrow that he was hindered from coming by the serious illness of his wife.

Dr. Gambrell, as was his right and as was the wish of the convention, was much in evidence. As we sat at the reporters' table often we caught ourself looking up into his face, intently studying its lines and expression. A many-sided and marvelous man is the editor of the Baptist Standard. Long may he live to inspire Texas and Southern Baptists with his virile pen.

In spite of some statements made against the cost and worth of Our Home Field, as an editor who receives many exchanges we wish to go on record as saying that, in our opinion, Dr. V. E. Masters gets out the brightest and best publication of its kind which reaches our desk, and deserves the sympathy and help of Southern Baptists for the effective work which he is doing as editorial secretary of our Home Mission Board.

For days we missed the spiritual note that usually characterized the convention, and then we awoke to the fact that the spiritually-minded Willingham, though present, was hindered by his physicians from pouring out his great heart in prayer and supplication and praise. It was good to have him at the convention, but it was sad to know that for a while at least his consecrated enthusiasm had to be checked. God's blessings upon our great foreign missionary leader is our prayer.

Dr. George W. Truett, in our opinion, is the best beloved Baptist in our Southern Zion. If flattery, if position, if power, could spoil him he would have been rotten long ago, but today he is the same humble, sensible, lovable George of old. People began at 8 o'clock to flock out to Immanuel on Sunday to hear him, and by 9 the seats were filled, and enough to fill several overflow meetings were turned away. We dined with a remarkably cultivated and refined woman who heard him. She was entranced with his sermon, but she had more to say about the great spiritual uplift she got from his opening prayer. We fear too many of our preachers put not too much into the making of their sermons, but too little into their preparation for their public prayers.

Ryman Auditorium was crowded at Friday night's session, when the rally of home mission forces was held. Mr. W. H. Wolf, a layman of Texas, read the report on the church building and loan fund. The existence of hundreds of homeless churches was shown in the report, and an appeal was made for additional aid for the people who have no place to worship. Dr. W. D. Powell spoke earnestly of the needs of the Baptist churches in many parts of the south.

The report on the general survey of the Home Mission Board was read by Dr. Powhattan James, of Selma. Since the last convention of Southern Baptists in Ryman Auditorium, held ten years ago, the work of this board has increased wonderfully, he said. Financial receipts, additions to the church, baptisms and other features of the work have grown remarkably, according to this report. More than 1,000 have offered themselves to the ministry and the mission field during the past year, he said. In every convention since 1845 the Baptists of the south have expressed their interest in and responsibility for the negroes, and there is no more important work before the convention than the evangelization and education of this class, the report declared.

Dr. E. C. Dargan, of Macon, was appointed to bear the fraternal greetings of this body to the Northern Baptist Convention, which meets next month in Boston.

Dr. John Lake, a missionary to China, gave a brief account of his experiences in China in the past ten years. Ten years ago the news came that Japan had conquered Russia—an Oriental nation had overcome an European power. At the same time the world turned with a new and more correct impression of the eastern people.

Out of the 36 Baptist weekly papers in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, all of which were ten years ago owned by private individuals, all have been acquired by stock companies except the Alabama Baptist, of Birmingham, which is owned by Dr. Frank Willis Barnett, of Birmingham, formerly a supply pastor of the First church, Nashville. Dr. Barnett is one of the most erudite, influential editors in the south.—Banner.

Dr. F. C. McConnell, of Waco, Tex., met with hearty applause again and again when he spoke against the present divided situation of the three Baptist boards—Sunday School, Home Missions and Foreign Missions. The committee on efficiency had recommended that no change be made at present. A unified and enlarged denominational literature and centralized location and relation of the boards were eloquently advocated. He said that Atlanta and Richmond, homes of the Foreign and Home Mission Boards, are no longer in the center of Southern Baptist population, the denomination having grown marvelously in the region beyond the Mississippi. Dr. John E. White, of Georgia, defended the clause of the efficiency report, saying that titles to donated property in Atlanta and Richmond would be jeopardized and the credit which the boards have built up in those cities would be materially reduced and crippled for years if the boards were moved.

Some years back, when the convention met out west, a young man stepped out to welcome us, and all the men at the reporter's table asked, "Who is he?" but in a few short years this would be "foolish question 9999" if asked by any Baptist at a Southern Baptist convention. Dr. H. A. Porter has a radiant personality. In speech his tongue drips honey, but is saved from cloying by its freshness. In manner he is unctuous, but instead of even faintly suggesting Uriah Heep, it brings up visions of the beloved John. In thought he is like Shakespeare, myriad minded, and his sermons and addresses are shot through with heavenly light. But all these things do not make him unique. The thing which sets him in a niche to himself is his supreme gift as a master of assemblies. He is the only man we have ever known to still a multitude of Baptists and send them in reverent silence out of the convention upon adorning. Yet he did this on that glorious Sunday afternoon. Who that was present will ever forget that wonderful close? In years to come men and women will be proud to say "I was there."

The report of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention shows wonderful progress since the last meeting in Nashville, in 1904. A comparison of the condition then and now bring out more strikingly the marked progress that has been made. In 1904 the receipts for the work were \$127,850; in 1913 the receipts were \$337,583. In 1904 the baptisms reported by the home workers were 8,017; in 1913 the number reported reached the 30,861 figure. In 1904 there were 17,288 additions to the church as a result of the work done by the home missionaries; during the past year there were 56,747. For the 11 years since the convention met in Nashville the receipts of the board total \$2,981,974. During this time the baptisms have run up to 238,856, and the total additions to the church to 441,779. In 1904 there was no church building fund. Now there is on hand a fund of \$95,476. The report calls on pastors to contribute systematically every Sunday in order that the collections may come in a little more evenly distributed, instead as almost the entire fund coming into the hands of the secretaries at the close of the year.

The subject of Dr. McDaniel's sermon was "Southern Baptists at Kadesh Barnea," and he read Deuteronomy 19:40 as the basis of his discourse. Dr. McDaniel gave a review of the history of the Israelites while they were in the land of bondage and drew a parallel with their condition in many respects with that of Southern Baptists. He spoke of how the trials and persecutions through which the former passed while in bondage had served to develop some of their strongest and best characteristics, and said that the difficulties which had confronted the Southern Baptists in the early part of their history had likewise served to develop the best that was in its ranks. Speaking of the lack of faith on the part of some of the Israelites being the greater cause of their tribulations, Dr. McDaniel said: "No church is stronger than its faith. It is not in numbers of our people, nor the extent of our material resources that our strength lies, but that Jehovah is among us. The people of our times are more concerned with deeds than with creeds, and if Baptists desire perpetuity they must be willing to sacrifice for the sake of service."

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THE FIELD WORKERS' MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Field Workers' Association was held in Nashville, beginning on Saturday night previous to the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Secretary George Andrews, of Georgia, and Secretary W. D. Moorer, of Oklahoma, were detained on account of sickness. Florida and South Carolina are temporarily without secretaries. Otherwise the entire membership was present.

The meeting was helpful from every standpoint. Dr. Frost stated that no other denomination in the world could bring together such an array of talent giving their time to this phase of Christian activity.

Probably the two things of greatest moment to be discussed were the teacher training course and the adult class movement.

The normal course committee was enlarged, and now consists of Dr. P. E. Burroughs, chairman; Dr. B. W. Spilman, Rev. Harry Beauchamp, L. P. Leavell, Rev. J. T. Watts, of Virginia; J. E. Byrd, of Mississippi, and H. L. Strickland, of Alabama.

Many matters of vital importance to our work in teacher training were discussed. Announcements will be made later. Nearly 25,000 teachers now hold the diploma from the Baptist Sunday School Board.

The adult class movement is going forward by leaps and bounds. The book on adult class work by J. T. Watts, of Virginia, which is to be a part of our teacher training course, is pronounced by those competent to know as the best work on the subject now in print.

Dr. VanNes reported the progress of the lesson committee. He told us that every denomination, without exception, is putting more emphasis on the fact that the lessons must be treated more and more from the denominational standpoint.

The International Lesson committee is to be reconstructed so as to be brought much nearer the denominations themselves and to be controlled directly by them.

In all this movement the Baptists have been the most conservative and the most moderate.

Next week I want to give some special attention to the adult class movement as it now looms up before us.

The Baptist Young People's Union work came in for some splendid discussion. Every man and woman seemed to feel the growing importance of this great activity in our churches. Arthur Flake, E. E. Lee, F. H. Leavell and others gave us much inspiration to go forward with renewed vigor in B. Y. P. U. work.

The next meeting will be held just prior to the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston, Tex.

H. L. STRICKLAND.

DR. FROST'S DAY.

Saturday was denominated by many Dr. Frost's day. This was proper, for in the presence of 8,000 people, with the entire Sunday School Board on the

platform and the employes seated in a body in the audience, the work of this great man's hands was made manifest to the world. A great record it is. Glorious record. Mightily blessed of God has been the work of our Sunday School Board. Its many achievements cannot be recorded here. Dr. Frost has written a history of the board. This may be had for 25 cents. Every Southern Baptist ought to read it.

The mighty concourse of people sung a song, the words of which were composed by Miss Margaret Ann Frost and set to the music of "The Crowning Day Is Coming." The very foundations trembled as this mighty melody rang out from the thousands of throats.

People wept for joy. It was the greatest hour that I ever expect to witness until the kingdom comes.

The field workers presented Dr. and Mrs. Frost a loving cup. The employes presented a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

Dr. Lansing Burrows and Dr. Geo. W. Truett made great addresses.

The audience sang "How Firm a Foundation." What's the use of trying to tell it? Use your imagination.

H. L. S.

THE B. Y. P. U. REPORT.

The report of the executive committee of the B. Y. P. U. of the South was read by Dr. W. W. Hamilton, of Lynchburg, Va.

In this day, when efficiency is the big word both in secular and religious circles, the training of our young people is coming to have some deserved attention.

The Sunday School Board has recognized the necessity for specific training in Christian work. Some of the states have men giving their entire time to B. Y. P. U. work. Practically all of the Sunday school field workers are giving more or less time to this work.

Arthur Flake and E. E. Lee have been designated by the board for specific B. Y. P. U. work. Kentucky, Texas, Oklahoma and Georgia have B. Y. P. U. secretaries giving their entire time and employed by the State Mission Boards.

In my opinion nothing is of more importance than the development of this work in our own state. May this day come when we will have a state B. Y. P. U. secretary.

H. L. STRICKLAND.

THE B. Y. P. U. TRAINING SCHOOL.

The training school for B. Y. P. U. workers held in Birmingham May 23 was the largest in point of attendance and also in numbers in the study classes and taking the various examinations ever held in the south. I have asked Mr. Flake to write something about it and he has consented. Owing to the rush of the Southern Baptist Convention he has been unable to get the copy ready for this

week. It will appear in a later issue.

There never was and never will be a meeting when more splendid young people co-operated more beautifully together. May the Lord bless every one of them and use them mightily in the work of His kingdom.

H. L. S.

A GREAT CIRCULATION.

The Baptist Sunday School Board is printing for the third quarter of 1914 the following:

58,000	Teacher
195,000	Bible Class Quarterly
540,000	Advanced Quarterly
290,000	Intermediate Quarterly
320,000	Junior Quarterly
183,000	Children's Quarterly
75,000	Lesson Leaf
25,000	Primary Leaf
56,000	Child's Gem
90,000	Kind Words
6,500	Youth's Kind Words
54,000	Baptist Boys and Girls
56,000	B. Y. P. U. Quarterly
8,600	Junior B. Y. P. U. Quarterly
6,500	Superintendent Quarterly
50,000	Home Department Magazine
250,000	Picture Lesson Cards
2,500	Bible Lesson Pictures

A LIVE SUPERINTENDENT.

Nowadays the old saying, "There's always room at the top," is modernized thus: "There is always a demand for the man who is bringing things to pass."

Because Secretary W. E. Entzinger was bringing things to pass in Kentucky the First Baptist church of Fort Worth, Tex., laid hands upon him to be superintendent of their Bible school.

When he went to them seven months ago the average attendance in their school was 249. This was in September. In October they thoroughly graded and organized their school to definitely reach the people. Their April record shows how they have succeeded, the average for that month being 797.

Great as this is, far greater things have also been accomplished. Over 80 per cent of their pupils come with prepared lessons, 85 per cent bring their Bibles, 95 per cent attend preaching at least once each Sunday. Is it small wonder when God's work is thus honored and studied, when the preaching service is thus supported, that 100 have been led to Jesus Christ within the past six months?

Some one has said, "Diligence and earnestness are not enough. We need horizon." Having horizon is a first essential, and when it has coupled with it such diligence and earnestness as are found in this man great things are realized for the kingdom of God.

L. S. F.

JUST A WORD.

I do not know that it is proper to say it on this page; and yet a Sunday school word should be said about the

great Southern Baptist Convention at Nashville.

(1) Of all the glorious things I saw and heard in the Field Workers' Council the best was the report from Alabama. The lightning fairly struck the blackboard under Brother Strickland's finger tips when that was made.

(2) I was one of those appointed to sell badges to the banquet of King's Teachers—only the holders of normal diplomas being eligible. Here is my best guess: That one out of every three or four delegates held a diploma and was a trained worker. We laid covers for 520, that being the limit of our wildest dream. But when every cover was claimed we had to refund the price of badges to 190 oversold.

(3) The Ryman Auditorium, said to have a seating capacity of about 8,000, was always nearly full. And this I say in all seriousness: Standing room is getting scarce in this world for our Southern Baptist Conventions. Something has got to be done. Perhaps the angels will saw out a section of golden sunset wall and let us in on the ground floor for annual sessions with the distinct understanding that we "return back" to unfinished business.

B. DAVIE.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD'S NEW HOME.

In the presence of the great hosts of the Southern Baptist Convention and many interested spectators the magnificent new Baptist Sunday School Board building, completed last fall in Nashville, was formally presented to the convention in a special services. The big Ryman Auditorium was filled to its utmost capacity by those gathering to witness the exercises which marked the official taking over of the handsome home by the Sunday School Board, the building of which was a great achievement in the history of Southern Baptist annals. Dr. J. M. Frost, the beloved corresponding secretary of the Sunday School Board, gave largely of his time and efforts in the work of getting a permanent home for the board and co-operated with the architect in getting a splendidly adapted and well constructed building.

The exercises incidental to the presentation were presided over by Mr. M. H. Wolf, of Texas. All the members of the board were seated on the rostrum. Mr. A. B. Hill, chairman of the building committee, formally presented the building. The building, he said, when completed, cost \$160,021.72, and is now not encumbered with a debt. In conclusion Mr. Hill spoke of the great pleasure it gave the board to present the building complete to the convention.

Armstrong lake, within the Bear-tooth national forest, Montana, is said to rival the famed Lake Louise of the Canadian Rockies. It lies at an elevation of 7,000 feet surrounded by towering mountains. A good road, which can be traveled in half a day by automobile, connects it with the railroad at Billings. A rustic hotel has recently been completed, and many trails make the surrounding region accessible.

ALABAMA BAPTIST

LAYMEN'S ENLISTMENT TEAMS.

By Arch C. Achs, Enlistment Secretary.

This form of campaign, which has grown out of the splendid work of the noble laymen here and there and has recently received emphasis from the Laymen's Missionary Movement, has proved quite successful and popular of late, and will continue to grow in importance and power as the stronger churches and laymen of the stronger churches come to realize their responsibility and obligation to the weaker churches of their associations.

I. Organization.

1. **The Teams:** The laymen's teams should be organized in the stronger churches of the association to do enlistment work among the weaker churches. There should be at least two men to each team, and more if possible. The very best men should be secured, but undeveloped material should not be overlooked. The size and number of the teams of course will depend on the number of men available. The teams should plan to visit all of the churches of their association on the regular preaching Sundays, one church at a time, until all have been visited.

2. **Engagements:** Engagements are usually made through the pastor or some other representative of the church to be visited at least a month ahead and duly announced and advertised. A week before visiting a given church the team should address a letter to the pastor and a number of the laymen in the church inviting them to meet the team at the church on Sunday morning an hour or two before the regular service for a preliminary conference.

3. **Information:** A select library of standard missions books, covering State, Home and Foreign Missions, should be secured for the team. Suggestions for such a library can be secured on application to the Department of Enlistment of the Home Mission Board.

A set of very interesting charts on our Home Mission fields can be secured from the Home Board, Healey building, Atlanta, Ga. (25 cents per set); and another set on our Foreign Mission work from the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va. (Small set, 10 cents postpaid; large set, paper, \$1.12 postpaid; \$2.25 cloth, postpaid.) It will be well for each team to have both of these sets of charts and to carry them from church to church as they bring out some striking facts and figures in regard to our mission work.

Each team should furnish itself with a full set of the current tracts on State, Home and Foreign Missions. These tracts may be secured from the different boards upon application and without cost. An additional supply of such tracts as the team thinks best suited to their association will be furnished for general distribution. Don't write, "Send me some tracts." Write for samples so you can order intelligently. The team should also furnish itself and secure for distribution tracts on stewardship, tithing and church finance.

4. **Subjects:** Our experience proves that the best team is a team of three men with a program of three subjects—Missions (State, Home and Foreign), efficiency in the local church and financial plans and principles in kingdom work. Let each man master one of these subjects for a given campaign, and in succeeding campaigns let speakers and subjects be interchanged until the team is thoroughly prepared on the whole program.

Here is a list of subjects for enlistment programs: "Church Efficiency," "The Missionary Enterprise and Motive," "The Home Mission Task," "The Great Commission," "The Stewardship of Wealth," "Systematic Giving" (proportionate giving, tithing), "The Every Member Canvass," "The Mission Committee," "Mission Study Classes," "Laymen and the Kingdom," "Associational Campaigns," "The Forming of Pastoral Fields," "Adequate Pastoral Support and Service," "Value of a Pastorium," "Social Service."

II. Operation.

1. **The Conference:** The team should meet the pastor and some of the leaders of the church in a preliminary conference held an hour or two before the regular services of the day. This conference can be held in a Sunday school room, a near-by school house or dwelling, or, as often done, in the woods—some private place. In this conference the team in an informal way will go over their program for the day as it relates to that church. The church should be studied in the light of the minutes of that asso-

ciation. They will call for information as to the membership, missionary organization, gifts, contributors and possibilities of that church. They will outline a program and policy for that church, covering local current expenses and all missions and benevolence. After a full and free discussion they should press the men in the conference to agree to adopt and support the outlined program. This will create a nucleus of prepared hearts that will greatly aid in leading that church in the service that follows to attempt a larger work in the kingdom. On the other hand, this informal conference disarms possible suspicion on the part of the pastor and leaders and assures the church of a square deal. In this conference and with the aid of the pastor and leaders present suitable committees should be selected to be nominated to the church in the regular service to follow up the work of the laymen's team in an effort to enlist the whole membership. This conference should always close with a season of prayer, every man on his knees, every man praying, if only a circle of sentence prayers.

2. **The Service:** Do not let the conference overlap the time for the regular service. Start the service promptly at 10 o'clock, or such other hour as may be agreed upon, with a brief opening exercise led by the local pastor. Let there be several 20 or 30-minute addresses covering different phases of the proposed advance program and our mission work. Have each member of the team to speak; where there are only two let them alternate. Adjourn one hour for dinner. During the dinner hour the men of the team have a large opportunity for personal work, looking to the enlistment of the whole church for larger service. Reassemble promptly. Have one or more ringing addresses urging the adoption of an advance policy and program of the church. Have some brief responses by the pastor and the laymen of the church. Have the church to adopt the plan proposed and to appoint the committees nominated. Take an hour after dinner to organize and instruct the committee. Where necessary equip the committee with cards, tracts, etc.

3. **Later Correspondence:** The team should secure the name and address of each member of the committee, especially the chairman, and of such other members as may be interested. A regular correspondence should be kept up between the team and the committee. This correspondence should be divided between the members of the team, each member being responsible for the correspondence with certain churches. This correspondence can be made an invaluable factor in the development of the churches, not only by further advice and suggestion to the committee, but also by making it a channel for the distribution of missionary information. In fact, there is no limit to the possibilities of the work opens to a laymen's enlistment team.

The Department of Enlistment stands ready to cooperate as far as possible with laymen's teams, and correspondence is invited.

The enlistment field workers for the state of Alabama are: Mr. Harry L. Strickland, Birmingham, Ala.; Rev. S. O. Y. Ray, East Lake, Ala.; Rev. G. L. Stephens, Phil Campbell, Ala.; Mr. B. Davie, Clayton, Ala.

Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

A YEAR OF HOME MISSIONS.

It has been a fine year with the Home Mission work. The board reports by several thousand the largest number of baptisms and additions to churches it has ever reported, which number is far larger than that of any other Home Mission board in America.

The receipts for the year are something more than \$396,000—about \$7,000 more than the year preceding. The board closes the year's work with a slight debt—less than \$7,000.

The various departments of the board have made each in its own place an excellent showing. In the mountain school department there has been 34 schools and more than 5,000 students. The property

valuation of these schools is \$600,000, and 78 preachers were educated in them during the year.

The publicity department of the board has sent out more tract and other literature than ever before. Its operations include the issuing of 9,000,000 pages of tracts and the furnishing of about 175,000 words of matter for the Baptist press, the circulation of 20 Home Mission stereopticon lectures among the churches of the south and the issuing of the mission study book, "Baptist Home Missions," which is just from the press.

The enlistment department has made a start in its great new field which is distinctly gratifying. Eleven workers have been engaged for a year, and these have developed into activity many moribund churches, established many pastoral fields, held about 100 associational field workers' institutes and stimulated the building of more than 20 churches and parsonages. The department has made a survey of more than 5,000 country churches in 256 associations, which is the copiest effort of the kind ever undertaken among our churches. It indicates that 25,000 churches are rural, that 18,000 of them are once-a-month churches, and that 89 per cent of the pastors of the once-a-month churches are absentee pastors. This survey also indicates that our country churches are not decadent, but are increasing in number and vitality. It is remarkable how well they are doing when you consider that they are dependent for spiritual instruction on once-a-month preaching.

The church building department has made a substantial beginning in its great task of raising the million dollar church building loan fund, though the campaign has not been actively pressed in most of the states for the reason that the Judson campaign had the right of way.

A larger work has been done among the foreigner population than at any former time, though this department still needs encouragement. About 30 missionaries have worked among the foreigners, exclusive of the 25 Mexican missionaries in Texas. The negro work has been conducted as usual, with the addition of a negro department in the evangelistic department of the Home Mission Board. An excellent work has been done among the Indians, with 18 missionaries engaged.

The evangelistic department has had a truly wonderful record this year. It reports more than 8,000 baptisms and more than 12,000 additions to the churches. Twenty-five evangelists has been engaged. Several great city campaigns has been conducted and a wonderful state campaign in Louisiana.

The work in Cuba and in the canal zone has gone forward conservatively, but substantially, and with gratifying success. There are 30 missionaries in Cuba and five in the canal zone. The work in Cuba is being done with special thoroughness.

The board regrets the loss of its assistant corresponding secretary, Dr. J. L. Love, who becomes the home secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. Dr. Love is greatly esteemed by us field workers, as well as by the general body of the membership, and his going from the Home Board service is a distinct loss to that service.

Home Mission Rooms, Atlanta, Ga.

The Independent well says: "President Wilson and Secretary Bryan, therefore, in accepting the good offices of Argentina, Brazil and Chile have shown a political genius equaled only by their humanity. Every patriot should support them in this great peace policy, for somehow and in some way it must prevail to save us from the horrors of war."

The acceptance of the "good offices" of Argentina, Brazil and Chile in helping to settle our dispute with Mexico was necessary on the part of the United States if we were to prove to the world that our primary interest was a peaceful solution of the controversy. Already it has strengthened us immeasurably with all Latin America. The republics to the south of us have found it hard not to believe that the United States, as the dominant power on this continent, had territorial ambitions. Our prompt acceptance of the offers of the A B C powers backs up the repeated declaration of President Wilson that our only interest in Mexico was the elimination of Huerta and the securing of a stable, constitutional government.

Theodore L. Cuyler said of his mother: "During my infancy that godly mother had dedicated me to the Lord as truly as Hannah ever dedicated her son Samuel. When my paternal grandfather, who was a lawyer, offered to bequeath his law library to me, my mother declined the tempting offer, and said to him: 'I fully expect that my little boy will yet be a minister.'" Dr. Cuyler further said: "A few years ago I gratefully placed in that noble Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian church a beautiful memorial window to my beloved mother, representing Hannah and the child Samuel, and the fitting inscription, 'As long as he liveth I have lent him to the Lord.'"

Wake Up!

And get a club of new subscribers on the \$1.00 offer to January, 1915, and be sure and choose your present. If you can't get up a club, surely you can get some friend to take it. Those who really try are getting results.

THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST GATHERING AT NASHVILLE.

(William Russell Owen in Watchman-Examiner.)

"Hope to shake your hand at Nashville" is the postscript to thousands of letters that are threading their way throughout the southern states these days. The Southern Baptist Convention meets at Nashville, Tenn., on May 13. And this handshaking program is no little part of the convention. There are hundreds who attend this convention with their hearts set on social intercourses and good hearty laughs, and a chance to come out of the hills or perchance the valleys and "see the brethren" once again.

The Convention Hotel Lobby.

It is a scene of brilliance and mirth and hearty fellowship that one sees in the lobby of the convention hotel. Southern Baptists make this annual gathering an occasion to gather, among other things, the very best folks in all the Baptist Zion. The creme de la creme are here handsomely dressed. That, of course, has only a feminine application. They are in many cases proud of a good ancestry and have prospered, and are justly the representatives of a cultured folk. Their hearts, however, are graced with the beautiful gift of humility—that is, some of them are, and they are vitally interested in all that the Baptists are doing, and are loyal to our great convention. Then one will observe the "leaders" of the Southern Baptists making their way through the crowded lobby. They are greeted continuously and proudly. Southern Baptists are perhaps more sacredly loyal to those men who are the secretaries of boards, or presidents of schools, or who hold leading pastorates in the several states than any other religious body in America. An open criticism of some distinguished and able leader takes the form of less majesty quickly among the constituency of the ranks, while those who are criticised are themselves undisturbed in the consciousness of practically a unanimous confidence that is born of a real love. Sometimes this prevalence of a form of hero worship has the tendency to transform some personalities into "institutions" which have become such a necessary part of the convention occasion that the lobby would not be quite the same shrine of devotion without them. Then there are committees seeking a pastor, and as a corollary there are pastors seeking to be sought.

The Country Pastor Predominant.

From reports just completed it is discovered accurately that more than two million of the two and one-half million Southern Baptists are in churches that have preaching but once a month. That, in a word, tells why the typical and predominating delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention is a country pastor. Strong faced, able bodied, tanned by the wind and sun, jovial, pure at heart, neatly dressed in sober black and with his typical black sloop hat, alert to every interest of the convention, a faithful attendant sometimes on every session, oftentimes well equipped and sanely trained for the work of ministering, strong-hearted, vigorous, devoted to his pastoral calling, he has come to gather a new inspiration from this host of Baptists, and then to go back to his four or five churches and tell them with a burning heart the program of his own Baptist people. Above everything he is independent, conscientiously and intelligently so. That is why one may expect at our Southern Baptist Convention something to happen at any time, provided, of course, some little time is allowed for free discussion. I remember a word that Dr. O. C. S. Wallace once said to me on his first impression of the Southern Baptist gathering: "I am deeply impressed with the number of great and able men and with their tremendous force."

The First Session.

The convention auditorium is always crowded at the first session. The president is to be elected. Generally one president is continued from two to five years. Throughout our land already many of the Baptist state papers have nominated Dr. Lansing Burrows, of Georgia, for president. He has served the convention as secretary for more than 30 years, and along with Dr. O. F. Gregory, of Maryland, wears a \$250 gold medal, studded with diamonds, presented by the convention on their twenty-fifth anniversary of service. Dr. Burrows is a great bodied and great souled preacher of the word. He has a dignity that is certainly impressive, but when shorn of its official

demands is transformed into the gentlest of courtesies.

Annual Features.

If you should attend a Southern Convention be sure to be present for the addresses of welcome and the response. Sometimes they are sober and droll, but most times they are not. Generally this occasion is taken as an opportunity to tell some new story that is sure to carry the point and bring a laugh. Those who are chosen for this service are usually past masters at good story telling, and there is a god exchange of wit and humor, though always the intensity of purpose finds expression in these addresses.

Each board, the Home and Foreign Boards especially, have large mass meetings at the night sessions. The presentation of the missionaries from the uttermost parts of the earth and from neighboring Cuba and Mexico and the frontier and the highland country is easily the feature of these mass meeting hours. The crowd greatly prefers to hear these warm-hearted missionaries than to hear some speech of unjudged and uncertain length, sometimes containing a dry paragraph, or maybe two. Sometimes native foreigners are on the platform; sometimes bands of Indians and representatives of the negro race will present with pathos and power the call of their people for help and sympathy and love and the gospel.

If one remains at the convention over Sunday he will be asked this question: "Whom are you going to hear preach Sunday?" The answer in the great majority of cases will be "George Truett, if I can get into the church." This is well said, for hours before Dr. Truett, of Texas, begins to preach the church is always crowded and overflowing. Then there will be scattered over the city in all the pulpits of the churches of all denominations the foremost men of the convention.

The Chief Attraction This Year.

The convention meets in Nashville for the chief purpose of looking over its new building, erected at a cost of \$150,000 as headquarters of the Sunday School Board. This board has been in existence since 1891—23 years—and last year its net assets were \$487,000.

NASHVILLE AWAKENS MEMORIES.

By Frank Willis Barnett.

Nashville always brings back many memories. Away back in the 30's we entered Vanderbilt University. Some of our college mates are now learned professors. Little did any of them dream that we would ever be a minister and a Baptist. In fact, it was not even in our thinking. And now the Methodists themselves have little hold over the university. It is a sad state of affairs, and ought to be a warning to all denominational colleges. Vanderbilt has been a great university. Its buildings are handsome, its ground beautiful. No one knows its future.

When we went to Nashville, more than 25 years ago, to matriculate at Vanderbilt, the Methodists, with it as background, and with the great publishing house and McKendree church, overshadowed the Baptists, but our Sunday School Board has put our people on the map in Nashville.

During our student days at Vanderbilt Sam Jones came to Nashville and held his first great tent meeting, and out of that grew the great Tabernacle in which Southern Baptists are assembled. It was built through the efforts of a big-hearted layman.

The story of the Sunday School Board reads like a religious romance. When the centennial was held in Nashville we remember how cautiously Dr. Frost and his board got a private dwelling on a side street and fitted it up as offices. We remember Dr. Frost's coming to the prayer meeting at the First church and asking that we fit up his office. We remember how small our headquarters looked beside the Methodist Publishing House on the square. With wisdom our people then bought the Cole mansion, and how proud we all were of it. Then the Methodists built their great new plant on Broad street and we were again overshadowed, but now our magnificent new building, which was presented to the convention, will hold them for quite a while. Dr. Frost has built an enduring monument for himself and Southern Baptists may well take pride in him and in his able co-laborer, Dr. Van Ness. Long may they live to set the pace in Sunday school work in the south.

When we stroll through Centennial Park and see

the beautiful replica of the Parthenon in our mind's eye appears the genial face of its creator, John W. Thomas, Tennessee's great-hearted Baptist layman, whose death cast a gloom over the whole state.

While doing some special work in the graduate department of Yale we received a pathetic letter from the lamented Hawthorne begging us to come to Nashville and act as his assistant at the First church. For nearly a year we lived in his home and learned to know and love him like a father. He was never fully at himself in Nashville, and the strain was terrific. We have known him to come out of his pulpit and go straight to a bed of intense suffering. How we miss him here in Nashville. It only seems yesterday that his magnificent voice was thrilling the great congregations that filled his church.

Bob Taylor was governor during our stay as assistant pastor at the First church. We had first met him in his home town, Johnson City, Tenn., which was our first pastorate. We saw much of him at Nashville, and to his intimate friends he was always "a big overgrown boy." Strolling around the capitol without Taylor being governor seems to us like the play of "Hamlet" with Hamlet left out. Yet we are mighty proud of Ben Hooper, our Baptist temperance governor.

How we miss the hearty handshake and genial wit of John Rust, the pastor whom all Nashville loved. Take him all and all he was among the most brilliant of our younger preachers.

There is one institution in Nashville that is perennial—our beloved friend, Dr. George A. Loftin, who recently took time from his busy life to celebrate his golden wedding. The learned doctor was a constant source of information to us just as we were starting on our ministerial career.

We have seen Birmingham grow from a village to a great city, and yet while Nashville is not a boastful city, its growth has been steady and sure, and as we walk out Broad street we can hardly identify it as the same one on which in our student days we used to file down to church. Gone are the horse cars that we boys used to tilt to the worry of the driver. It is now a great modern thoroughfare, with swift moving electric cars and lined with stately homes. Gone is our baseball park in front of the campus, and the beautiful homes that now cover the grounds seem to have always been habited.

Some of the new additions out near Vanderbilt are very attractive. The grounds of one of the magnificent old estates, some years back, were cut into building lots, and now hundreds of lovable homes have been erected. Nashville is distinctly a city of lovely homes, schools and colleges.

Dr. Folk, a little older, but the same scholarly and courteous gentleman still, sits in his "easy chair" as an inspiration to a host of Christian men and women, but as an implacable enemy of the whiskey traffic. We hope Tennessee Baptists will not let him go unrewarded. His friends ought to see that the Baptist and Reflector, which for more than a score of years under his editorship has fought for civic righteousness and Baptist views, finds its way into every home. Folk's bravery is only exceeded by his modesty.

Many of the delegates went out to the Hermitage, the home of Andrew Jackson. We remember making the trip on the river and then going across country afoot. It was a beautiful day, and comes to us now as a pleasant memory.

Nashville is a city set on a hill. It is 460 feet above sea level. The capitol, an imposing building of limestone, crowns one of the hills, and from it one gets a splendid view of the surrounding country.

Coming from Birmingham, a new city, it is well to remember that Nashville is an old city, being founded in 1780; incorporated as a town in 1784; being chartered as a city in 1806. It has been the state capital since 1843.

Nashville was baptized in blood during the sixties. In December, 1864, Hood with 40,000 men met

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ALABAMA BAPTIST CONVENTION NOTES

A communication was read from R. H. Pitt, of Richmond, American secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, telling the delegates of the meeting of the alliance in Berlin on June 30, 1916. The letter was read by W. W. Landrum.

A banquet was given in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium for the visiting alumni of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Dr. P. T. Hale, president of the Alumni Association, presided. Addresses were made by Dr. E. C. Dargan, of Georgia; Dr. W. J. E. Cox, of Louisiana; Dr. H. A. Porter, of Texas, and Dr. E. Y. Mullins, of Louisville.

"I do not want to be reported as criticising our boards," said Dr. McConnell. "If we do not show satisfaction with the report it's because of the great swell in our hears for something more. Don't let our boards be hampered. Keep them democratic. Put responsibility on the pastors and keep your boards out where they can make the pastors feel their responsibility."

The discussion of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary was begun by Dr. A. T. Robertson. He said that the convention needs nothing more than it needs more and better preachers. The struggle of the young preacher to get an education and at the period when his salary is very small, is a hard one, Dr. Robertson said. He urged that churches either pay better salaries to their young ministers or help them financially while at the seminary.

Rev. J. W. Michael, evangelist to the deaf and dumb for the Home Mission Board, addressed the dumb of Nashville in a room at the First Baptist church Tuesday night. A reception was given the deaf mute Bible class at the same place Friday night, and a lecture at the Y. M. C. A. building Saturday night. Services at the First Baptist church were carried on at 11 and at 3 o'clock Sunday for deaf mutes.

"I challenge any man among you to put his sacrifice beside that of the young ministers," said Dr. Mullins, his eyes flashing. "I knew of a young student and his wife who went through eight months of the seminary course on the pitiful sum of \$160 for their entire expenses. Two couples lived for the same time on \$200, and another that I know of lived on \$175."

The committee appointed to recommend the time, place and preacher for the next Southern Baptist Convention recommended Houston, Tex., as the next convention city. Dr. J. W. Porter, pastor of the First Baptist church of Lexington, Ky., will preach the convention sermon. The time of the convention will remain as in the past, beginning on the first Wednesday after the second Monday in May. Dr. A. U. Boone, pastor of the First Baptist church of Memphis, will be the alternate.

Dr. T. J. Searcy, a prominent negro preacher of Memphis, was called to address the convention in behalf of the negro race and the National Baptist Convention. His talk was one of the most interesting and humorous of the day, alternately provoking laughter and deep thought. Eloquent and earnestly, even tearfully, he pleaded for the Baptists of the south to give the colored race a chance—to teach them how best to use their natural religious emotions to the best advantage. He asked that the same committee be reappointed this year to devise ways and means for the establishment of a negro seminary. The assembly unanimously voted that the request be granted.

Dr. E. Y. Mullins, president of the seminary, gave a number of concrete instances of brilliant young ministers of great promise who had been compelled to leave the seminary because their funds had run out and the seminary funds were depleted. There is now a debt of \$6,000 on the students' fund, Dr. Mullins said, and he earnestly asked that the convention help the seminary over the crisis. A letter from a layman containing the expression, "No automobile for me; I will put it in a man," was read, and an appeal made for more men to assist. Hundreds of delegates and visitors pledged more than enough money to pay the debt.

As is usual when so many congenial spirits are gathered together, the assembling of the hosts of Baptist clergy and laymen in this city is the signal for a number of good stories and personal anecdotes to be related. One of the latter is told by Rev. Frank Barnett, whom some confers term "a reformed lawyer." Dr. Barnett says that soon after he began to preach he took charge of a church which was attended by an old colored woman. Dr. Barnett's predecessor was a rather strenuous preacher, and when he would reach some of his "climaxes" the devout old negro would be moved to shout, and she had been moved so shout on many occasions. Hearing of her habit, Dr. Barnett resolved to put a stop to it, so he spoke to her privately, telling her she was welcome to attend the church services, but he preferred that she did not make an audible demonstration. The old woman, so Dr. Barnett says, received his admonition without a reply, but later he overheard her tell the janitor that "Dat new preacher needn't bother hisself about me shoutin'. I'd like ter know in de name of goodness who gwine ter shout over any preacher dat he'll do."—Nashville Banner.

At the Monday morning session a committee recommended the employment of a statistician, which was carried.

A resolution providing that the convention be represented in the Panama Exposition in San Francisco in 1915 by an exhibit was adopted.

A resolution was offered and adopted to appoint a committee to arrange for an order of business for the 1915 meeting. Dr. O. L. Hally was made chairman.

Dr. W. B. Crumpton, secretary of missions of Alabama, who is president of the Anti-Saloon League of his state, is one of the leaders in the convention. He has always stood in the forefront for civic righteousness in Alabama.—Banner.

Rev. W. F. Yarborough, D. D., of Anniston, was made vice-president for Alabama of Foreign Missions Board; Dr. Powhattan James, of Selma, vice-president of Home Board, and Dr. Preston Blake vice-president of Sunday School Board.

It was worth the trip to Nashville to watch the joy and pride which filled the heart of our astute, but heavenly-minded secretary of the Sunday School Board. Dr. Frost's face was filled with glory, his heart was bursting with love, and his voice was vibrant with praise.

An important action taken by the convention was the vote to remove the headquarters of the Laymen's Movement from Baltimore to Chattanooga. This action was taken by the adoption of the report of the Laymen's Board, embodying recommendations to this effect.

The question of the convention appropriating \$10,000 to assist in relieving the \$60,000 debt on Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Ark., which was brought up Friday night in a resolution, came up early Saturday morning. The convention referred the matter to the Home Mission Board, with the instructions to grant the request of the college board of trustees in asking for the \$10,000 assistance.

The report of the committee to confer with the Northern Baptist Church was read by Hon. Joshua Levering, of Baltimore. The committee reported that no meetings were held with the committee from the Northern Baptist Church last year, owing to a change in the plans for the meeting, and recommended that the convention appoint a committee of nine to confer with the committee of the Northern body before the next session of the convention. The report was adopted.

We gave convention matter right of way this week, and still have a lot of it left. We had to leave out many news items, field notes and articles. We will try to get the left-overs in next week's paper.

M. H. Wolf presented the report of the church building fund committee. The report showed that 8,000 churches need buildings. Tennessee has 340 homeless churches, while Texas has 1,700, the largest number of any southern state. Mr. Wolf spoke for the report, and eloquently urged the necessity of having churches throughout the south for the converts. Dr. W. D. Powell, of Louisville, declared that no church shows a larger number of conversions and accessions to the church than the Southern Baptist, and no church has so many congregations unhoused.

Dr. Henry A. Porter, of Texas, chairman of the committee on the Judson movement, read the report. During the two years of the Judson Centennial campaign \$602,875 has been raised, he said, and the great success thus far is a cause for great thanks and praise to God. "The Judson memorial movement is the greatest ever launched by the Baptists of the South, and will launch us into a new era of usefulness," the report stated. "A Baptist ignoramus is a dangerous factor in any community, and we must educate our missionaries and their converts in the foreign fields. The Judson memorial fund of a million dollars will be our biggest step toward this goal."

Dr. J. B. Gambrell, of Texas, responded to Dr. Lofton's welcome address, saying: "We appreciate Dr. Lofton's gracious words and we are glad to be here. We came on a purpose, and the largest contribution we can make to this city is to act like Baptists ought to act. Baptists ought to be a good people. They should be humble. They have nothing to brag of. They have not even invented a creed. All they have is in the New Testament. Again I admonish you to go out in this city and be exponents of the Christian faith and wherever you touch the lives of others you will help them. Do right and you will be a blessing to this city."

Rev. F. E. Taylor, representing the Northern Baptist Convention, addressed the delegates, bringing a warm fraternal message from the Northern branch of the church.

"The efficiency commission has worked conservatively and constructively, but not radically and revolutionarily. I believe that the Southern Baptists can make more progress if they act conservatively than if they become radical," said Dr. John E. White.

A mammoth temperance rally of negro students was held Sunday afternoon at the State Normal School, participated in by all the students of the negro colleges of the city. The meeting was held under the auspices of the National Negro Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and the chief speaker was William D. Upshaw, editor of the Golden Age.

Rev. C. F. Caty, a native of France and a former Catholic priest, told of the work among 400,000 French-speaking white and colored people in Louisiana. He also outlined his experiences as a Catholic student and expressed his opinions of that denomination. He declared that the Catholics are not real Christians, and that the home mission work should include campaigns among those people.

The report of the committee on the proposed establishment of a negro theological seminary was made by Dr. B. F. Riley. He said that the committee, after carefully investigating the matter, had come to the conclusion that the Southern Baptists should take such a step for the aid and betterment of the negro race.

Rev. Robert Hamilton made a special plea for the 28 Indian tribes, comprising 280,000, of which 90,000 live in Oklahoma. He said that the Baptists have been leaders in evangelizing the Indians, and that they are depended upon by the Indians for Christian teaching. The fact that the United States government has agreed to care for the educational welfare of the Indian and that only religious work is needed was stressed.

Dr. C. S. Gardner, of the seminary, briefly discussed the education of the Southern Baptist minister. He said that the money spent by the church on the preacher boys is the most remunerative and rich in return of all that is spent in the various departments of work. "It is supreme folly for us to close the doors of our colleges to the young ministers who are seeking an education."

One of the dramatic features of the convention came when Orlando Kinworthy, a full-blooded Osage Indian, made a plea for his people. In broken English he avowed his belief in Christ and his heartfelt desire to spread Christianity among the American natives. A favorite passage of Scripture was quoted in Osage.

The committee on apportionment for the \$50,000 fund, which the convention agreed to raise for the establishment of the Negro Theological School, recommended that the plan of raising the fund be left to the committee, which is composed of Dr. W. E. Atkins, Hon. Joshua Levering and Dr. Z. T. Cody.

Another year's time for investigation and deliberation was requested by the committee on the proposed establishment of an Education Board. The short report read recognized the need of such a new department in the Southern Baptist Church, but stated that the details of the plan have not been worked out yet. Dr. A. J. Barton, educational secretary of the Texas churches, said that the permanency of evangelical success must depend finally on the Christian educational work of the church, and that this branch of activity must be magnified and increased.

Dr. G. A. Lofton, of Nashville, who recently celebrated his golden wedding, extended the formal welcome to the delegates and visitors. Among other things he said: "Baptists have never stood upon the doctrine of justification alone by faith, and held the ordinances as symbols and signs, not mediums, of grace. The deity of Christ, the holiness of law, the damnation of sin, the judicial atonement, salvation by grace, believers' baptism, the independent church as the 'pillar and ground of truth,' the Bible as the sole rule of faith and practice, freedom of conscience, the Baptist maxim: Blood before water, Christ before church, the spirit with the word before all, in all and through all—this is the paladium of Baptist power and success, and we welcome you to its consideration and protection. Twentieth century human nature—its conditions and necessities—is precisely the same as in the first century, and it requires the same old salvation by grace, justification by faith, to save it that it ever did. Again, I welcome you in the progress of Nashville Baptists. Within 26 years they have grown from six to 19 churches, and within 10 years, since our last meeting here, 10 of those churches have been constituted and 15 new houses of worship have been built. We have more than doubled our material resources, numbers and capacity for service, and our contributions to Home and Foreign Missions, to say nothing of other objects of beneficence, have trebled. Time would fail me to tell of the churches and other Baptist institutions of this city, and of the mighty men and women who built them and now direct their operations. These all greet and welcome you."

NASHVILLE AWAKENS MEMORIES.

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Thomas with 56,000 Federals and fought the "Battle of Nashville." Some of the breastworks are still pointed out.

This makes the fifth time that the Southern Baptist Convention has met in Nashville. It is a good place to meet. The auditorium, while large, is comfortable, and in it the speakers can be easily heard. It is a pleasant place to speak in, as we have preached in it without any special strain on our voice.

We are indebted to Dr. Pitt for the following interesting history: "The Southern Baptist Convention was organized in Augusta, Ga., in 1845. It was planned to meet in Nashville in 1849, but on account of an epidemic of cholera it met that year in Charleston. At that period of the convention's history the sessions were biennial. In 1851 Nashville, for the first time, entertained the meeting. It isn't easy for us to understand that at that date there were no railroads in this section. Delegates going from Virginia took in general about eight days to make the journey by stage. Dr. J. B. Jeter preached the introductory sermon that year. The missionary sermon was preached by Rev. J. L. Reynolds, of Charleston, S. C., and Dr. Richard Fuller preached at the Sunday morning service. The convention did not meet again in Nashville for 27 years, in 1878. At that meeting Dr. Boyce was president, and Dr. Carroll, of Texas, preached the sermon. It met again 15 years later with Judge Haralson president and Dr. Hatcher as the preacher of the annual sermon. Eleven years afterwards, in 1904, the convention again met in Nashville, with Governor Eagle presiding and Dr. Landrum as the preacher."

The ante rooms of Dr. G. C. Savage, the widely known author and oculist, looked like an adjourned session of the convention. Ever since the old Centennial days, when we supplied at the First church, Nashville, we have held in high esteem this great layman. Last week while in his operating room we overheard him say to a young preacher, who took out his pocketbook to pay him for treating his little girl: "There is no charge. Just take what you meant to give me and buy you some good books and study them and try and be more useful, and that will be my pay." It's easy to give money, but it is hard to give such good advice.

Sunday we went to the First Baptist church in Nashville, and as we sat amongst friends many were the tender memories that came to us as we thought of the patience and goodness of this great congregation who for nearly nine months listened to us as we stood in the pulpit and preached to a people who had called Dr. Hawthorne, whose voice for the time was hushed because his weary body could not respond to his matchless mind. It was a joy to greet and be greeted by many old friends.

During the week we went around to the First Baptist church just for old time's sake. After 16 years we found that "Ben," the sexton, was still on the job. Preachers have come and gone, but it seems Ben will go on forever. No greeting was warmer or more genuine than was that of this faithful old-time negro.

We had the pleasure of being entertained in the delightful home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eastman, one of the handsomest and loveliest couples in Tennessee. In the old days their friendship surrounded us as a young preacher. It was a joy to know that they still held us in affectionate remembrance. It was a pleasure to motor with them in and about the beautiful city.

In the old days at the First church Alfred Howell used to play the violin. If the good brother who asked Brother Crumpton about the propriety of using the violin in the choir because some of the officials in the church object to it could have with them heard the solo on Sunday that this gifted violinist was playing as we entered the church in Nashville we believe that they would accept Brother Crumpton's opinion with unanimity when he says: "I see no reason why the violin, making the sweetest of all music, should be given over to the devil. I con-

cess to a great fondness for it in the worship of God." There were times when, wearied from work, as we entered the pulpit we felt mentally and physically unfit for the service, but as the soft notes of the violin began to soothe our unstrung nerves we seemed to feel new strength pulsing through our veins, and as the artist's hands grew more confident and his bow obeyed his every mood we were lifted out of ourselves, and when we arose to preach felt that the Holy Spirit had lifted us up on the wings of heavenly music.

Immanuel church, Nashville, has set a new style in church architecture. Its leading features being a roof garden and a beautiful baptistry. The waters of the latter were troubled on Sunday night as Pastor Rufus Weaver baptized a number of converts.

We failed to meet our old friend, Dr. James I. Vance, pastor of the First Presbyterian church and one of the greatest pulpiteers in America. He was pastor during our stay at the First church, and we learned to love and admire him. He went up north for a number of years, but is now back at his old charge.

We had looked forward with pleasurable anticipation to renewing our friendship with Dr. Gross Alexander, the able editor of the Methodist Quarterly Review, who having sat under Broadus has often called upon our leading Baptist for special articles for his magazine. We greatly enjoyed his friendship in the old days.

More than a score of years ago we went out to Bell Mead, the famous stock farm, near Nashville, to a sale of thoroughbreds. It was a great day. There were buyers from all parts of America. Some of the promising colts brought hundreds of dollars. The sale was conducted under a great tent. A few years later we went back out there to see a group of men and women, who had come from a distant state on a special train, unveil a statue to a noble stallion. Last week we rode out there, and although it is miles from the city, much of the land has been subdivided into lots. We didn't see any of the famous herd of deer that used to roam the forests. We didn't see any of the famous horses whose names used to be known throughout the land. We did see a hundred or more Shetland ponies, and we fear Frank Willis and Proctor will never be satisfied until we get them one, for in a moment of weakness we told them how pretty they looked. If we had the money we would like to see that every boy in the land had a pony.

We had a delightful ride with Rev. A. G. Moseley out to the state penitentiary, which is a magnificent structure, located on the banks of the Cumberland, and overlooks a beautiful territory. While pastor at Nashville, before its removal from the city, we remember baptizing nearly a dozen of its inmates on a beautiful summer's day.

We rode out to Glendale with Brother McCormick, of Baltimore, who has many friends in Alabama, he having supplied at the Southside Baptist church, Birmingham, for quite a season. We saw many fine specimens of white deer, some very large alligators, three of the biggest bears we ever looked upon and two of the cunningest little ones, whose friskings greatly delighted us. We believe some of the finest trees in the country can be found in this park.

Nashville is not only a city of homes, schools and churches, but it has built a \$400,000 Y. M. C. A. and a \$200,000 Y. W. C. A. These institutions would be a credit to any city. They both opened their doors to the visitors and delegates, and did everything in their power for their convenience and comfort.

When Nashville was built or rather planned, the forefathers made scant provision for streets. They are dangerously narrow and the sidewalks wholly inadequate.

Dr. R. W. Hooker, who has been a medical missionary in Mexico for 15 years, described his work there. The Bible is always carried on his trips among his patients, he said, and he holds services in his dispensary every morning. The religious work of the medical missionaries is especially effective because of the frequent presence of death and sorrow among the families who seek their aid, he said.

NOTES ON THE CONVENTION.

The first business before the body Monday was the report of the committee on employment of a statistician. Dr. O. L. Hally, of Texas, read the report, which recommended the employment of a statistician secretary. Dr. Lansing Burrows will continue in the discharge of these duties until a permanent secretary is appointed.

It was announced that the official registration showed that 1,912 accredited delegates attended the Nashville convention, thereby breaking all records. The next largest attended convention was in 1910, when the Southern Baptists met in Baltimore, the attendance at that time reaching 1,641.

The Chautauqua salute was given by the audience, standing, as Governor Hooper was escorted to the front of the platform by the president of the convention. He said that he felt small in a convention of over 2,000 Baptist preachers, but that he at least felt at home among an assembly of Baptists, as he had been a member of the denomination since he was 15 years of age. He said that there is a principle of right and wrong beneath every big legislative question, and that the Christians of every denomination should take an interest in it for that reason. This does not mean that the preacher should go into politics, he said, but it does mean that the right side of every public question should have a strong and effective backing from the Christian men and women. The divorce question, anti-narcotic legislation and prohibition fights should all have the attention of good citizens, the governor said. "The only dependable guide for social reform is the religion of Jesus Christ. The spirit of Christianity has invaded the legislative halls, and the result is a great and growing revolt against long existing evils," said Governor Hooper.

The efficiency commission's report was the cause of much spirited debate. The following paragraph, prelude to section 2 of the report and headed, "Report and Recommendations Affecting Work and Relations of the Board," was the subject of the discussion:

"The commission reports as its conclusion that the established plan of organization of three boards—of Home Missions, Foreign Missions and Sunday schools—should not be changed and that their present location at Richmond, Atlanta and Nashville conserves the best interests of the Southern Baptist Convention. We desire also to report that these boards are being effectively conducted; that their methods of office administration are business-like, and that the Southern Baptist Convention is justified in its confidence in their fidelity to the large concerns committed to their trust."

Dr. F. C. McConnell, of Texas, when the question of location of mission boards was taken up, spoke in favor of bringing them all to one city. He urged greater unity in the work and that a great mission journal be established. His address was enthusiastically received, and several times President Burrows had to caution the delegates against hand-clapping.

Dr. White defended the recommendation of the board that the mission boards be left at their present location, stating that the commission had thoroughly considered the matter before making the recommendation. A. J. Dickinson, of Birmingham, favored "specializing" in board work. Others who spoke on the question were E. C. Dargan, of Macon, Ga.; J. J. Taylor, of Knoxville; A. J. Barton, of Texas; E. D. Cameron, of Oklahoma, and F. M. McConnell, of Texas.

After debate prolonged for two days the prelude set forth above was referred back to the commission on efficiency. The convention then added to this commission Dr. F. C. McConnell, pastor of the First Baptist church of Waco, Tex., the leading advocate for centralization of the church boards; Dr. Livingston Johnson, of Raleigh, N. C., secretary of the State Mission Board, and W. D. Powell, of Louisville, Ky., secretary of the Kentucky Mission Board. The commission was then given authority to investigate not only the centralization of the boards at one point and the consolidation of the mission publications of the body to one great journal, but any other matter for efficiency that might be deemed pertinent, and report to next year's convention.

Dr. J. B. Gambrell spoke upon the pronouncement of Christian union and denominational efficiency as outlined in the final portion of the efficiency report, advocating its adoption. M. Ashby Jones, of Georgia, spoke against the adoption of this section of the report, calling it "a confession of faith," and stating that he would not be bound by it. "Southern Baptists have pronounced against priest, pope or presbytery," he said. "Neither should any Baptist preacher confine our beliefs. I protest that the commission has gone beyond its rights in this portion of the report." The president ruled that the speakers were out of order in discussing a portion of the report that had not been reached.

After considerable parliamentary argument the third section was finally acted upon as a whole and adopted.

The report was then adopted as a whole, with the exception of the portions in regard to the centralization of the boards.

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The State of Alabama, Jefferson County—Probate Court, May 2, 1914.

Estate of W. M. Cox, non compos mentis, a Non-Resident.

This day came H. L. Bains and filed his petition in writing and under oath, stating, among other things, that said W. M. Cox resides in Cobb county, State of Georgia, and that said W. M. Cox is a non compos mentis, and that he has been so declared by the Superior Court of Fulton county, Georgia, a court of competent jurisdiction; that he has property in this county requiring the care of a guardian, and praying that upon the hearing of this petition that he be appointed guardian of the property of W. M. Cox, a non compos mentis, in this county.

It is therefore ordered that the 27th day of May, 1914, be appointed a day for hearing said application, and that said W. M. Cox be brought into court as a party to this proceeding, by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in this county.

J. P. Stiles,
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A HAPPY FAMILY REUNION.

On April 11 a party of friends and relatives, children and grandchildren met at the home of Rev. J. J. Shadix to celebrate his 74th birthday. The day was spent pleasantly. He joined the Missionary Baptist church at Campbellton, in Campbell county, Georgia, in 1861. Immediately after enlisting in the army of the Lord he enlisted in the army of the civil war in 1861 and served his country until the close of the war. He returned home in May, 1865. He took up the work of the Lord in 1862. He was ordained to the ministry at Union church, in Clay county, Alabama, in 1868, and began his pastoral work. He fought the battles for his country like a hero and also the battles for the Lord. He traveled as missionary one year for the Boiling Springs Association. After these long, toilsome years of labor for God and his church he is just waiting for God to call him home. He enjoys reading the Alabama Baptist. He waits with patience for its weekly visits.

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Our church here has recently been blessed with a great spiritual uplift. The Troy saints were kind enough to loan us their eloquent and gifted pastor, Rev. R. J. Bateman, for nine days. From the very beginning the congregations were large and the interest good, which increased with each succeeding service, and reached a great climax on the night of the last day. At that closing service 16 persons united with the church. Previous to that 15 had joined, and on the following prayer meeting night one more joined, making a total of 32. Twenty-six of this number were for baptism. I have never listened to a more helpful and stirring series of sermons. They were scriptural, strong and fearless. There was no effort to be sensational and no pandering to popular sentiment, but a plain, pungent, powerful setting forth of the word of truth from a heart that was set on fire with earnestness. It was demonstrated in this meeting that men love to hear the gospel. Frequently we had to place chairs in the aisles to accommodate the crowds, which often overflowed into the Sunday school annex. The spiritual life of the Christian people of the town was quickened to a very perceptible degree, and the church is on a higher plain than it has been in a long time. The meeting was just such a one as I had most desired to see. Bateman is a young man of unusual power and ability, and he is doing a great work at Troy, one of the most important fields in Alabama. I charge the saints at Troy to continue to take good care of him and treat him well, for he is in great demand.—J. L. Thompson, Brundidge.

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IN MEMORY OF SISTER ELIZABETH HOLDER.

On May 4, 1914, the death angel entered the home of Brother J. T. Holder and took from his fond embrace his devoted wife. She was 71 years of age, and had been a constant sufferer for some months, but through it all she manifested a most heroic patience. Some time before the hour came she expressed her readiness to go, and she was perfectly resigned to the will of God.

She had been a member of the Baptist church for 49 years, and was a devout Christian and diligent student of the word of God. She had been a member of Corinth Baptist church for a number of years and one of the joys of her life was to give of her means to the support of the Lord's work. She was always found ready to administer to the wants of suffering humanity whenever opportunity afforded.

The community at large has lost a true friend, who was always in sympathy with the distressed. Let us strive to imitate her examples in her loyalty to her church and her fidelity and upright integrity to her fellow beings. The esteem in which she was held was attested by the large concourse of people present to pay the last tribute of respect and the many beautiful flowers.

She leaves a husband and six children, five sons and one daughter, and a host of relatives to mourn their loss.

Resolved (1), That we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt condolence and sympathy, and refer them to Him who doeth all things well.

Resolved (2), That a copy be sent to J. T. Holder, Joppa, Ala.
P. J. CORLEW.

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I want to thank all for this, as it helped to give my dear wife many comforts in her old age and three years' illness before her death, January 11, 1914.

I pray God's richest blessings on all our organized work and on you and the dear old Alabama Baptist.

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FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING.

Program of fifth Sunday meeting of Unity and Chilton County Association, to be held at Santon, Ala., May 30 and 31, 1914:

May 30.
10 a. m. Devotional exercises—J. E. Moore, alternate, J. L. Long.
10:15 a. m. "Object of Fifth Sunday Meeting"—W. W. Carleton, H. W. Fancher.

10:45 a. m. "How May We Interest Our Ministers to Attend Them?"—W. J. Ruddick, J. H. Wallace.

11:30 a. m. "What Inducement Can We Offer the Laity to Attend?"—T. J. Deason, W. H. Cook.

12:00. Dinner.
2 p. m. "Evidences of Christianity and the Scripture for Them"—R. R. Brasher, F. W. C. Bice, G. H. Williams.

2:45 p. m. "Who Is Directly Responsible for the Languishing Condition of Zion?"—W. H. Connell, E. M. Stewart and W. S. Cox.

8 p. m. Sermon—R. W. Carlisle, J. H. Longcrier, alternate.

Sunday, May 31.
9:30 a. m. Devotional exercises—W. J. Parrish.

9:45 a. m. Sunday school mass meeting—J. L. Moulder.

11 a. m. Sermon—W. B. Crumpton, E. M. Stewart, alternate.
Dinner after preaching service.

2 p. m. "Is It Wise to Continue the Unity-Chilton Baptist High School, at Present Located at Thorsby?"—W. B. Crumpton, J. H. Longcrier and others. It is earnestly requested that all the ministers in the two associations be present and that the churches send messengers. Ministers near us not otherwise engaged at this time are cordially invited.

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Class Night at the Judson.

Class night at the Judson will be very interesting this commencement. It will be an outdoor performance on a small stage erected under the Senior oak, and the little play has been written and will be acted by the seniors, dressed in Greek costumes, its name and plot having been kept a dead secret from all outsiders. It will be about 40 minutes long, or short. After its performance the juniors will take up the duties of attendants of honor to the graduates and will introduce the guests of the evening to the fair new alumnae of Judson College as they stand on the

stage under their oak. Then a promenade for pleasure and conversation will pass away the remainder of the evening.

Dr. Bomar and Dr. Hall attended the Southern Baptist Convention at Nashville last week.

The annual for 1913-1914, "The Conversationalist," out, and is a beautiful and most attractive publication.

The girls, under the direction of Miss Parks, made and sold candy Saturday and Monday to assist in sending delegates to the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. convention. The merchants of the town were very liberal and kind in donating the ingredients

for the purpose. All the candy made was quickly disposed of and a neat sum raised. L. M.

PROGRAM

For Fifth Sunday Meeting to Be Held at White Gap Church, in the Calhoun Association.

- 9 a. m. Sunday school.
9:30 a. m. Devotional and song service.
10 a. m. "Scriptural Duties of a Deacon"—T. F. McCullough.
10:30 a. m. "Does the Bible Teach Individual Responsibility to the Support of Christ's Cause?"—H. L. Johnson.
11 a. m. Missionary sermon—L. A. Nall.
1 p. m. "Which Is the Most Important, an Increase in Church Membership or the Training of What We Have?"—S. H. Bennett.
1:30 p. m. "Is the Gospel of Christ Worldwide in Its Intent?"—H. F. Whittle.
2 p. m. "How to Promote a Closer Fellowship in All Our Church Work"—W. F. Yarborough.
2:30 p. m. "Temperance"—Dr. G. C. Williams and others.

HOWARD COLLEGE NOTES.

Monday morning at the chapel hour a query, "Is Life Worth Ten Cents a Week?" was debated by Garnett Harris, on the affirmative side, and John R. Robertson, on the negative. Both were representatives of the Franklin Literary Society.

The new man's contest of the Philomathic Literary Society was held and Mr. McMillan was the winner.

Dr. James M. Shelburne, with the following students, have been in Nashville at the Southern Baptist Convention: Messrs. Bolen, returned missionary of Japan; Lee, Dockery and Cranberry.

The baseball team made a trip to Blountsville the first of the week and won two games and tied one.

On Thursday morning a selection was read by Miss Olivia Massey, of the Shelburne Literary Society, and a declamation by Mr. Bowden Kingry, of the Franklin Society.

FREEMAN AND DUNAWAY.

Have just closed a great meeting with the pastor at Cuthbert, Ga. The town was not noted for great revivals, but at the first the Lord met with us and the tide of spiritual interest began to rise, and the interest was sustained until the close. There were 52 additions, ranging in age from the tender child to the old man. Pastor B. S. Ralley is God's nobleman. He knew the field in advance and never ceased working until the meeting closed. Happy the pastor who has a head and heart for personal work. God's blessings on the saints at Cuthbert.—W. M. Anderson, Birmingham.

From a denominational standpoint we are starting a new year. Please send in a list of names on the \$1.00 offer, cash or credit, so that the new subscribers can start the new year right by reading the convention number.

Brains can make money, but money can't make brains.

WORTH KNOWING.

Before using a new comb wash it in soapy water, and when dry rub with a little olive oil. It will then last twice as long.

To make jam or marmalade look clear without skimming it, add a piece of butter the size of an egg before removing the fruit from the fire.

When next cooking asparagus add a little rice. The dish will be found most satisfactory.

To remove rust from a knife, plunge the blade into an onion and leave it for an hour. Then polish in the usual way.

A cloth wet with camphor will remove white spots from furniture.

Salt added to the water in which dessert, candies or puddings are cooled will hasten the cooling process.—Janesville Gazette.

Recently Rev. Sam H. Campbell, pastor of the Second Baptist church, Little Rock, Ark., was assisted in a meeting by Dr. B. B. Bailey, evangelist. Mrs. Harry N. Eddins, of Tuscaloosa, led the singing. She has a wonderfully rich voice that is especially suited to evangelistic services.

Some men waste a lot of their time looking for words of encouragement.

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DIGEST OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD REPORT.

The report records a year of gratifying success, showing on the foreign fields 380 churches, 5,252 baptisms, 635 native workers, 9,376 students in mission schools, including 420 students in theological seminaries and training schools.

The receipts of the board for the current support of the work amount to \$587,458.97. This sum falls short of the apportionment of \$646,000 fixed by the convention, and leaves a debt of \$68,000 on the work. It is gratifying to note, however, that most of the states made an encouraging advance over the contributions of last year. There was no serious falling off in receipts except in two states.

These great results have been achieved under many unusual difficulties. Political unrest, war, famine, pestilence, floods, droughts and earthquakes have hindered the work of the missionaries. The most serious difficulty at home has been the long continued sickness of Dr. Willingham, corresponding secretary of the board for over 20 years. His sickness placed the heavy burdens which he has borne through the years upon the other two secretaries, in addition to their usual duties.

The state board secretaries, the state vice-presidents and association representatives of the board, the W. M. U. workers, the returned missionaries and a host of pastors and other leaders gave themselves unstintingly to the work.

The denominational press has been a mighty factor in the success of the year. The report expresses the profound gratitude of the board for the great help of the brotherhood of Baptist editors.

Missionary Day in the Sunday school was a valuable factor in the year's work. The day was observed in a vast number of schools. It is estimated that the Sunday schools raised something like \$100,000 for Home and Foreign Missions on Missionary Day, April 12.

The Laymen's Missionary Movement was a valuable asset in the work. The five Baptist men's conventions in a number of states were of immense help. The laymen are doing much to stimulate systematic giving on the basis of one-tenth as a minimum.

The report commends highly the faithful and efficient work of the three field secretaries, and expresses wonder that they have been able to bear up under the strenuous labors through which they have passed.

The educational department reports a year of marked progress, the most outstanding feature of which is the publication of a new text-book, entitled "In Royal Service," by Miss Fannie E. S. Heck.

The Judson Centennial movement made splendid progress during the year. Cash and pledges covering more than half of the 136 objects listed for equipment were received. More than \$600,000 was raised in cash and pledges.

The report speaks a clear work on the question of co-operation on the foreign fields. Out of a lengthy statement we quote one sentence: "It is hardly necessary to say that the Foreign Mission Board will not enter upon any scheme, co-operative or otherwise, which will, in any way compromise the principles of our denomination or tend to impair denominational integrity."

The largest interest account this year, amounting to \$15,867, emphasizes again the importance of systematic giving on the part of the churches.

The W. M. U. reports to the board a year of successful effort in the interest of Foreign Missions. The women gave to current support of the work \$173,864 and contributed in cash and pledges through the jubilate offering \$71,662 to the Judson Centennial fund.

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN FIELDS.

The African Mission.

Our missionaries in Africa have had gratifying results. They report 199 baptisms in their 17 churches and a total membership of 959. These native Christians, out of their poverty, contributed \$1,577 to the support of their own work. In Abeokuta Station Rev. S. G. Pincock tells of progress in evangelistic work and of a good year in the girls' school under Mrs. Lumbley.

In Ogbomoso Dr. Green reports remarkable activity in evangelistic work and a successful year in the theological training school and five primary schools. In his medical work Dr. Green treated 7,273 patients. Dr. Green greatly needs a permanent hospital building.

At Oyo Station Dr. Lockett pleads for trained workers and better equipment. The gist of the appeal for increase in our African forces is summed up in one sentence by Dr. Green: "A movement away from heathenism is certain. The question is, shall it be toward Christianity or toward Mohammedanism."

Argentine Mission.

Missionary James C. Quarles reports a year of progress in the midst of many difficulties. The financial crisis in Argentina and Uruguay in many sections forced the people among whom the missionaries had been working to move to other places or return to Europe.

The Argentine Home Mission Board, a movement on the part of the native Christians to evangelize their own country, did a successful year's work. While the Argentine mission reports only about 112 baptisms, there was remarkable giving on the part of the native Christians in spite of the financial dis-

stress. They contributed \$2,800 to the support of their own work.

Our missionaries in Montevideo after much difficulty have succeeded in securing suitable preaching halls.

The theological training school in Buenos Ayres has had a group of attractive students. The printing press has issued a monthly Baptist paper and has sent out through the churches 75,000 tracts for distribution.

Missions in Brazil.

Missionary S. L. Gansburg reports a year of blessings in the South Brazil mission.

In the Rio field, 28 baptisms and the native Christians contributed \$17,096, an average of nearly \$12.50 per capita.

Rio Baptist College a Seminary.

The total number matriculated in the college is 231 students and 17 students in the seminary. "The faculty is one of the best in the city of Rio." The outlook for 1914 is the brightest in the history of the school. President J. W. Shepard is hopeful.

The Brazilian Baptist Publishing House.

The outstanding event of the year and indeed in the history of the publishing house was the news of the gift by Mrs. J. S. Carroll, of Alabama, of \$30,000 for equipment of the plant. It is henceforth to be called the J. S. Carroll Memorial. It is impossible to estimate the great good which will come to the people of Brazil through the work of this great publishing house.

In the Sao Paulo field Missionary F. M. Edwards says: "The Lord has blessed us abundantly, and we rejoice, take courage and press forward in His service." A number of Bible institutes have been held by the help of Brethren Bagby, Taylor, Sorren and Gansburg. These institutes have done much for the development of the spiritual life and efficacy of the workers, and the liberality of the brethren was something wonderful. Contributions for all purposes, \$11,300. There have been 111 baptisms in the Sao Paulo field. There are 13 Sunday schools, with 37 teachers and 428 pupils.

The girls' school at Sao Paulo enrolled 122 during the year, and this school very much needs better equipment.

In the Victoria field Missionary L. M. Reno tells of a year in which their strongest efforts have been to organize and train the members of the churches.

In the Parana field Missionary Pettigrew tells of a year of hard work in a new and very difficult field. One church has made fine progress, having been organized in April of last year with 16 members, and it now has 46 members. It has built its own house of worship and has begun to contribute to all denominational enterprises.

North Brazil Mission.

Missionary E. A. Jackson: "There have been two baptisms during the year, and a number of the churches have built their own houses of worship. The Bahia school, directed by Missionary Stapp, enrolled 145 pupils during the year from the best families in the city. Brother Stapp also looks after the colportage work."

Missionary E. A. Nelson, whose work is in the vast Amazon valley, says many souls have been saved in spite of the small number and weakness of the workers.

Missionary A. J. Terrell reports an encouraging outlook in his new field in the state of Piahy.

In the Pernambuco field Missionary D. L. Hamilton has been compelled to open up out-stations in two new states. The boys' school at Pernambuco enrolled 125 students.

Missions in China.

The report from our fields in China is full of encouragement. Some of the missions have made remarkable progress. We can only take a glance at the four great China fields.

The evangelistic work in Central China has been pressed with vigor and success. There were 321 additions by baptism, making a total membership of 1,874. Good progress has been made in the matter of self-support. This is especially true in the Ching-Hiang Station. Monthly or quarterly conferences directed by the missionaries and attended by the native workers have helped to develop Christian fellowship, deepen spirituality and increase efficiency for service.

In the educational part of the work the Shanghai Baptist College and the seminary, with 52 students in the academy and 23 in the seminary, have led the way. All of the other schools in Shanghai had a good year.

In Soochow the Women's Bible School with its new building, and the girls' boarding school are greatly encouraged in their work. At Yangchow the girls' school, with its industrial feature, has been especially successful.

The Union Medical College at Nanking reports 26 students, every one of whom is a church member. Our medical missionary, Dr. Evans rejoices over the fact that he now has his new home sufficiently completed to be occupied.

The Yangchow Hospital, in which 20,353 patients were treated during the year, became so crowded that the money was raised locally to build an addition and furnish it without asking the board for help. The hospital is proving a powerful evangelistic agency.

Interior China Mission.

This is the tenth annual report of the Interior China Mission, and Missionary Sallee sums up the

progress of the ten years. The evangelistic work for the year has been pressed with vigor, notwithstanding the absence of several missionaries on furlough. At Pochow famine conditions have hindered the work and burdened the hearts of the missionaries. Notwithstanding this 21 have been baptized during the year, and about 50 are applying for baptism. The Kaifeng church is making forward strides, though only one year of age. The Kaifeng college is still in limited quarters. The efforts to buy land for the new building have not yet been successful. There are 30 students in attendance, and no more can be taken until the school has larger quarters. A summer Bible school was conducted, with about 40 men in attendance. The Kaifeng girls' school occupied its new building, with 23 girls in attendance, and a year of joyful success.

North China Mission.

The year has been one of substantial increase in all departments. The report shows four new churches organized and an increase in baptism of 840, or a total of almost 2,000 for the year. Great efforts have been put forth by the native leaders for the uplift of the native churches. Native contributions to the work amounted to \$1,992. A new station has been opened at Lialyang, with Missionary J. C. Daniel in charge. He greatly needs other workers to help him.

The Bush Theological Seminary is doing a great work. On account of the plague and revolution the attendance was smaller than usual, with a total of only 30; but for this year there is prospect of 40 students. The ten years' work of this institution has increased the number of native pastors and evangelists from two to nearly 100.

The women's Bible training school at Hwanghien has doubled the number of its students this year, with a total of 34. There are three graduates, who have gone to work among the women of their respective churches. The boys' academy at Hwanghien and the girls' boarding school report a successful year. The boys' school has had, financially, the best year in its history.

The Pingtu Station is still in the midst of a great awakening, which is shown by the following figures: New churches organized, 3; total number of churches, 13; out-stations, 39; native pastors and evangelists, 52; baptisms, 1,290; net gain in membership, 1,246.

The Effie Sears Memorial Boarding School at Pingtu had an enrollment of 108 students, and many had to be turned away for lack of room. The Pingtu Cristian Institute had 120 students, and turned away almost as many more. There is great need of buildings to take care of the overflow. A new feature in the way of manual work has proven attractive to the native Christians. All of the other schools in the mission report a year of progress.

The Oxner Memorial Hospital at Pingtu treated 8,000 patients last year, and report that in connection with the hospital 19,220 people heard the gospel.

The Mayfield-Tyzzler Hospital at Laichowfu has been almost entirely self-supporting.

South China Mission.

This great field, the oldest of our China work, reports 880 baptisms for the year and a total membership of 5,549. The evangelistic feature of the work has been encouraging. The great new fields of Kweilin are opening well, and steps have been taken to open a new work at Pahhol.

The Graves Theological Seminary reports 69 students and a year of most gratifying success. All of the other schools had a successful year. The Stout Memorial Hospital reports the number of patients treated as 11,450.

The China Baptist Publication Society.

The society is an institution of wide influence, and now occupies its fine new building, with up-to-date equipment. Dr. R. E. Chambers, the corresponding secretary of the society, announces with great joy the coming of Rev. Jason Speicher, of the Northern Board, to share in the responsibility of the work as editorial secretary. The society is supplying a sane Christian literature in the way of religious papers, denominational books and up-to-date tracts. The society reports a grand total of the number of pages of periodicals, Scriptures, books and tracts published during the year of 28,068,735. The splendid new building will enable the society to wield an increasing and incalculable influence in China.

Missions in Italy.

Missionary J. P. Stuart, of the Southern Italian Mission, says: "There has been a development of the missionary spirit among the people and an increase in giving and more converts and baptisms than formerly. In 1911 we had 51; 1912, 83, and in 1913, 106 baptisms. Two new churches have been organized and five new preaching stations opened. The most gratifying convention of the Southern Italian Mission was held in Basacia in September, at which the Italian brethren voted to establish a weekly paper, which is supported by them and is useful in reaching many of the people."

Dr. Everette Gill says of the North Italian Mission: "We have just closed one of the best years." Great improvement has been made in the preaching halls, and a new church building has been erected. Dr. Gill had charge of the theological seminary in the absence of Dr. Whittinghill, who has been at home on furlough. Dr. Gill has visited Bohemia (Continued on Page Sixteen.)

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THE NORTHFIELD CONFERENCE.

The call for the thirty-second annual series of Northfield Conferences and Summer Schools has just been issued by William R. Moody. The call is in the form of a letter addressed to the Christian people of all denominations, in which especial emphasis is laid upon Northfield's loyalty to the religious beliefs of Dwight L. Moody, who began the conferences 32 years ago, established Northfield Seminary 35 years ago and Mount Hermon Boys' School 33 years ago.

The Conferences and Summer Schools will be held as usual in the seminary buildings, and those attending can arrange for accommodations during any of the gatherings in the dormitories, in tents on the campus or at Camp Northfield, which is for young men exclusively, by communicating with Amert G. Moody at East Northfield, who has charge of all the arrangements. During the seminary anniversary former students at the seminary will be entertained as guests of the school in the dormitories, and it is expected that nearly 1,000 old students will attend the celebration. The full program for the anniversary and conferences, with the list of speakers as thus far announced, is as follows:

Northfield Seminary commencement and thirty-fifth anniversary, May 30 to June 2. Commencement address by Rev. Wilton Merle Smith, of New York City.

Student Y. M. C. A. Conference, June 19 to 28, inclusive. John R. Mott, leader; Robert E. Speer; Prof. T. Richard Glover, of Great Britain; E. T. Colton, C. D. Hurrey, Rev. Henry Sloane Coffin, G. Campbell White.

Young Women's Conference, July 1 to 8, inclusive. Rev. John McDowell, Prof. Charles R. Erdman, Mrs. John Meigs, Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery, Miss Edith White, George Wharton Pepper, Robert E. Speer, Rev. Charles E. Jefferson, Rev. Henry Sloane Coffin, Rev. Floyd Tompkins.

Summer School for Women's Foreign Missionary Societies, July 10 to 17, inclusive. Rev. F. B. Meyer, of London; Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, Deaconess Henrietta Goodwin, Miss Elvira Slack, Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery, Miss Mary Peacock, Mrs. William Farmer, Miss Margaret Burton, Miss Nellie Prescott, Miss Edith Thomson.

Home Mission Summer School, July 18 to 24, inclusive. Rev. F. B. Meyer, of London; Frank Higgins, Mrs. Ida Vose Woodbury, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Platt, Frederick Wright, Miss Mariam Woodberry, Miss Brunnette, of the Baptist board.

Summer School for Sunday School Workers, July 18 to 25, inclusive. Hamilton S. Conant, dean; Rev. F. B. Meyer, of London; Rev. Charles A. Boyd, Rev. Wm. M. Tufts, Dr. Sidney A. Weston, Rev. Louis Hayes Koehler, Eugene C. Foster, Miss Margaret Slatery, Miss Nannie Lee Frayser, Miss Martha K. Lawson, Mrs. Willena Browne Reed, Mrs. Edith Balch Wright, Miss Katharine C. Bourne, Mrs. Bessie Roper Conant, Mrs. Florence Field Conant, Miss Annie F. Weeks, Miss Ellen B. Cramton, Mrs. Gertrude Holmes Millet.

General Conferences of Christian Workers, August 1 to 16, inclusive. William R. Moody will preside; music under the direction of George C. Stebbins and Nelson P. Coffin; Rev. F. B. Meyer, of London; Rev. Charles

Brown, of London; Rev. John A. Hutton, of Glasgow; Rev. A. T. Robertson, of Louisville, Ky.; Rev. W. Douglas Mackenzie, of Hartford, Conn.; Rev. Joseph Kyle, of Xenia, O.; Rev. John R. Davies, of Philadelphia; Prof. J. Hope Moulton, of Manchester, England; Melvin Trotter, of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Rev. Robert F. Y. Pierce, of Brooklyn; Rev. John Thomas, of Liverpool; Rev. Charles Ingils, of London; Rev. J. Stuart Holden, of London.

There will be Bible study courses and special addresses at the Northfield Schools and Summer Conferences at various times during the season between May 1 and October 1, some of which will be given by Rev. F. B. Meyer and Rev. John Thomas.

On March 29 the death angel came to our little town and claimed for its victim the soul of Sister Elizabeth Prichard. Sister Prichard was one of our very best members. She was baptized into the fellowship of Ebenezer church by Rev. J. M. McCord about 36 years ago and has been a faithful member ever since. I suppose no other member of the church would be missed more than Sister Prichard. She was one of our largest contributors to all of our religious work. We were loath to give her up, but God called her.—R. R. Brasher, Pastor.

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Not a Day in Bed.

Gramling, S. C.—In a letter from Gramling, Mrs. Lula Walden says: "I was so weak before I began taking Cardui that it tired me to walk just a little. Since taking it I do all the housework for my family of nine, and have not been in bed a day. Cardui is the greatest remedy for women on earth." Weak women need Cardui. It is the ideal woman's tonic, because it is especially adapted for women's needs. It relieves backache, headache, dragging feelings, and other female misery. Try Cardui. A few doses will show you what it can do for you. It may be just what you want.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, it has pleased God to remove from our midst our dear sister, Weltha Delila Black, who departed this life on March 6, 1914; be it resolved:

First—That Sardis Baptist church has lost one of its true and faithful members.

Second—That we who remain may profit by her devoted and patient life and be found watching when the evening shadows fall.

Third—That we extend to the bereaved ones our heartfelt sympathy.

Fourth—That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Alabama Baptist for publication.

W. I. EDWARDS,
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ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County—Benson Bryan vs. Albertha Bryan—in Chancery, at Birmingham, Alabama, Fifth District, Northwestern Chancery Division of Alabama.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register by affidavit of Jas. M. Russell, solicitor for complainant, that the defendant, Albertha Bryan, is a non-resident of Alabama, and resides in Washington, D. C., and further that, in the belief of said affiant, the defendant is of the age of twenty-one years, it is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in Jefferson county, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring the said Albertha Bryan to plead, answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 13th day of June, 1914, or in thirty days thereafter a decree pro confesso may be taken against Albertha Bryan.

Done at office this 28th day of May, 1914.

HENRY MORSCHHEIMER,
 may20-4t Register.

FORECLOSURE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed to M. A. Hines by Annie L. Wright and husband, R. H. Wright, on the 22nd day of March, 1912, which mortgage is recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate for Jefferson county, Alabama, in book 665, on page 80, and was duly transferred to the undersigned, Clem Gazzam, on the 7th day of May, 1913, I, the said Clem Gazzam, as such transferee, will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the court house door at Birmingham, in said county, on Friday, the 19th day of June, 1914, the following described property in the city of Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, conveyed in said mortgage, to-wit:

The east 45 feet of lot 23, in block 754, according to the Elyton Land Company's survey of the city of Birmingham, Alabama. Said lot fronts 45 feet on the south line of Eleventh avenue, South, and extends back of that uniform width 137.5 feet to an alley.

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CLEM GAZZAM,
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T. D. HAAS,
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Our church at New Hope has just finished the new house, and last Sunday organized a modern Sunday school. Brother A. L. Stephens, of Phil Campbell, lectured and otherwise encouraged the brethren to organize the school. We use Southern Baptist Convention literature. Rev. John Cunningham and the writer enjoyed a pleasant half hour in the Haleyville Baptist church while three books, "The Divine Plan of the Ages," "The Time is at Hand" and "Thy Kingdom Come," by the so-called Pastor-Russell, were fed to the fire bulb in the stove for this purpose. These books had gotten into the Sunday school library some way. It is time for our people everywhere to watch out for Russell's rotten books and other literature and consign it to the flames in true apostolic style. Such teachers as he are doing much to hinder the coming of the kingdom, when the glory of the Lord will cover the earth as waters cover the sea.—B. R. Love.

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—Record-Herald.

Zentaro Kawase, professor of forestry at the Imperial University of Tokio, Japan, has been making a tour of the national forests of this country to learn the government's methods of selling timber and of reforestation.

Don't forget to send your pastor to the Southern Baptist Convention. It can easily be done if some one will look after it.

A PRIMARY ALPHABET.

We are frequently asked for a Scripture Alphabet to use as a birthday exercise.

Scripture Exercise.

- A—A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favor rather than silver and gold.
- B—Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.
- C—Create in me a clean heart, Oh God.
- D—Do good to them that hate you.
- E—Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father.
- F—Freely ye have received, freely give.
- G—God is love.
- H—Honor thy father and thy mother.
- I—If ye love me, keep my commandments.
- J—Judge not, that ye be not judged
- K—Keep the door of my lips.
- L—Love one another.
- M—My son, give me thine heart.
- N—No man can serve two masters.
- O—Obey them that have rule over you.
- P—Pray without ceasing.
- Q—Quit you like men, be strong.
- R—Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth.
- S—Seek ye the Lord while He may be found.
- T—Thou, God, seest me.
- U—Unto Thee, O God, do we give thanks.
- V—Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on me hath everlasting life.
- W—Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- X—Exercise loving kindness.
- Y—Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I command you.
- Z—Zealous of good works.

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DIGEST OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD REPORT. CONDENSED SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD REPORT.

(Continued from Page Thirteen.)

during the year and a self-supporting company of Baptists there who deserve our sympathy and help. Nearly all of the churches of North Italy report baptisms and a healthy spiritual condition.

Dr. Whittinghill, who has charge of the educational and publication work in Italy, says: "Our theological seminary continues to be an object of pride and increase in usefulness. There were 14 students enrolled during the year, five of whom finished the course of study and were located as pastors of churches. Two-thirds of the Baptist churches of Italy have been trained in the seminary." Dr. Whittinghill also makes an enthusiastic report of the great good accomplished through the publication work this year. By this work the missionaries are reaching great numbers of the most intelligent classes of Italy.

The Japan Mission.

Missionary W. Harvey Clarke reports an encouraging year in Japan. "The progress which has been made may be expressed in two words—numbers and efficiency. Fifty-five new members have been received by baptism, and while this is small in comparison with our desires, they are the results of much earnest effort, and we trust that they will prove to be increasingly valuable to the work. More than \$1,000 was contributed by the churches. The church at Moji has been self-supporting during the year, and we hope its example will stimulate others to press forward in the same direction."

At Fukuoka the Bible school, night school, kindergarten, Bible class work, the literary and publication work have all had a year of great success. The Fukuoka, Kagoshima, Nagasaki, Kumamoto and Kokura fields have all prospered. The work among the women at Kumamoto has been especially blessed.

The Tokyo Seminary.

The seminary has worked under disadvantage during the year owing to the absence of Brethren Pashley and Bouldin. Five young men were graduated, all of whom entered active work among the churches. The evangelistic work in Tokyo was under the care of Brother Bouldin until his return home on furlough. This work is intended as an aid in giving seminary students practical training in preaching and personal work and to strengthen our work in the capital. Three special evangelistic meetings have been held during the year.

Missions in Mexico.

Notwithstanding the devastation of war and the enforced absence of most of the missionaries from their flocks, the work in Mexico has made progress. It is worthy of note that there were 194 baptisms, an increase over last year. The native workers have been faithful in preaching to the people, whose hearts seem to be made more receptive to the gospel because of the adverse conditions under which they are living.

The North Mexican Mission.

Our school at Guaymas closed its session last year in June, and good results were accomplished, despite the fact that continuous fighting was going on at the very doors of the school. There was a total enrollment of 74. The evangelistic work on this Pacific coast field was difficult on account of discontinuation of railroad communication. The report is incomplete, but it shows some 27 baptisms, with a little more than \$400 given for all purposes.

In the Juarez field regular services were maintained in all of the churches for the first half of the year. After that time the missionary campaign could not keep in touch with the workers. At Saltillo the church attendance has been remarkable, the spirit helpful and brotherly love greatly manifested.

In the Chihuahua field both the evangelistic and school work have been interrupted by the revolution, but services have been maintained and the schools have been kept up most of the time. Ninety-three pupils were received, 25 of whom were in the girls' boarding-school department. The missionaries are pleading for a boys' school at Chihuahua. "Let us not lessen our interest in the people of Mexico. They have never had the gospel, and cannot have it unless we give it to them."

South Mexican Mission.

Results of the year show eight baptisms, one new church organized, two preachers ordained, the Toluca school completed the full session, four new books printed and the gospel preached in four different places. This is a summary of a successful year under fearful difficulties. The Toluca Boarding School has an enrollment of 88 students, and the session continued throughout the year. In her medical work Dr. Halle Garrett Neal treated 733 patients.

The publishing house at Leon, under the management of Missionary J. E. David, kept up its work throughout the year. Brother Davis says: "The matter of leaving or staying has arisen several times, but we had to think not only of Mexico, but of Cuba, Porto Rico, the Mexicans in the United States and the people in Argentina, Chile and Peru, in far off America, all of whom receive literature from our publishing plant. So we have stood by our posts notwithstanding the dangers of war." The publishing plant has done a most noble year's work.

In presenting herewith its twenty-third annual report the Sunday School Board welcomes the coming of the convention to Nashville in its session for the present year.

The Ned Building, Eighth Avenue, North.

This is our greatest achievement for the year. It was in progress, as reported one year ago, and was finished last fall, and the board moved in the latter part of October.

This building will speak for itself. It is ideal in its arrangement for our work, is as near fireproof as buildings can be made, is finely located and very commanding in its appearance. It cost about \$160,000 and the lot cost \$60,000, aggregating \$220,000—all of which has been paid. We are able, therefore, to present the property to the convention without any encumbrance and an asset of commanding worth in the denominational life.

We have no printing plant, but the building has been so constructed that we will have ample space and strength to carry such plant should it ever become necessary, but for the present at least the board deems it far wiser to have the printing done by contract, which heretofore has proven satisfactory in every way.

A Great Financial Year.

Our receipts for the year have exceeded the receipts of last year by 36,237.33, making an aggregate of \$374,883.35. We were able to carry the building to completion, paying all bills as they came due, without borrowing any money and without having any money to lie idle for any considerable time. While carrying forward this work, which is of so much worth to the denomination, we have been able also to make practically the same outlay as heretofore in helping forward other denominational interests.

A Fund for Equipment.

As has already been mentioned, the board does no printing, nor does it wish at present to enter the printing business; and yet, as will be readily seen, this may become necessary, and become necessary sooner than we expect. It becomes us, therefore, to hold ourselves ready for such an emergency. To this end a fund has been created for the purpose and will be held as a future protection to take care of any need when it comes. For this purpose the board has set aside the purchase money of the Church street property for the fund, amounting to \$180,000—the other \$40,000 having been used in the construction of the new building. This has been done in the full confidence that it will commend itself to the convention and have your approval.

Missionary Day in the Sunday School.

The great Missionary Day in the Sunday school, which was held this year on April 12, was again conducted jointly by the Foreign and Home Boards and the Sunday School Board. The Sunday School Board initiated the plans for this day and put the full force of its Sunday school periodicals back of its observance. This missionary lesson was substituted in all the quarterlies and "The Teacher," and the full program for the special exercises was published in the "Superintendent's Quarterly" and "The Teacher." This day was generally observed, and so far as we can tell, it yielded many thousands of dollars to the treasuries of the two boards. We are glad to render this service to these great interests of the convention, and through our periodicals to give these interests the right of way on this one Sunday. We hope this annual occasion will grow in power and influence.

B. Y. P. U. Work.

The department of B. Y. P. U. work, as conducted by the Sunday School Board, is in excellent shape, and shows decided advance in every way. Working with the B. Y. P. U. of the south, the forces of the Sunday School Board are doing what they can for the training of the young people in Baptist churches. We have two expert men in this department work, giving all their time to it, one east and the other west of the Mississippi river. Several of the state boards also are giving specific attention to B. Y. P. U. work, all moving on the same line in an effort to set forward the young people in our churches.

We magnify the local union rather than the big convention, emphasize the devotional meeting for scriptural culture, and make special effort for training in church membership.

Book and Tract Department.

The book and tract department of our work has come by slow, but marked and ever-advancing stages. It has large possibilities awaiting development in the future. Each year has seen some new volume or volumes added to our list, either of books or tracts, and sometimes both. Many of these have had frequent reprints, and taken in the aggregate the circulation has been very large and widespread.

We had added the following publications this year to our former list:

"The Religious Development of the Child," by Dr. Rufus W. Weaver.

"What Baptists Believe," by Dr. O. C. S. Wallace.

"The New B. Y. P. U. Manual" is a revision and enlargement of the former issue by the same author, Prof. L. P. Leavell.

"The New Convention Normal Manual" is also a new issue of the one in former use, greatly enlarged and otherwise improved.

"Winning to Christ—A Study in Evangelism," by P. E. Burroughs, D. D.

"Exposition of Romans," by E. C. Dargan, D. D.
"Doctrinal Outlines" and the "Teacher Training System" are two small booklets by Dr. P. E. Burroughs, working in conjunction with the other field secretaries.

The Periodicals, Uniform and Graded.

We again emphasize the primary importance of our Sunday school periodicals. From the very first these periodicals have been the foundation of all we have done. The increasing favor which the board has had with its constituency has indeed brought other departments of the board's business into prominence; it still remains true, however, that it is from the periodical business that the chief revenues of the board are derived, and all our other work is made possible by the sales in this department. It is also true that the periodicals of the Sunday School Board are its greatest single means of exerting its influence. When we realize that over a million and a half people every Sunday are using the periodicals sent out by the board we can begin to get some faint realization of the far-reaching power which has thus been put in our keeping.

The Field Forces.

Through the years there have been drawn out and trained for service a goodly force of Sunday workers who now are leaders in this work of popular Sunday school education. Some of these are in the employ of the Sunday School Board, some are representatives of the state mission boards, while others are sent out by district associations, yet others being in our seminaries and colleges. These men constitute an intelligent and aggressive force, working together in most beautiful accord to forward a great general enterprise. It would be difficult to make a complete list of the men and the agencies thus engaged.

Our System of Teacher Training.

This movement for Sunday school education looks toward the improvement of all Sunday school work through the training and instruction of teachers and officers for their high task. Much interest centers in the question of lesson selection, and every energy is being put forth to prepare suitable lesson treatment. Yet more important than the lesson itself and its treatment is the teacher who teaches.

Post-Graduate Course to Be Offered.

In response to an increasing demand on the part of those who hold our Blue Seal diploma, a course is being prepared for post-graduates and will be offered at an early date. These studies will lead to an appropriate award and henceforth this post-graduate award will be the highest award in our teacher training system and will be given only to those who hold the Blue Seal and do this higher work as well.

Our Normal Course at Present.

The normal course as now planned embraces studies in Sunday school methods and organization, in pupil study, in pedagogy, in Bible, in evangelism and in Christian doctrines. These are the subjects most essential to the equipment of Sunday school workers, and we aim to set them all out in our normal course. Special emphasis is laid upon lines of biblical and doctrinal teaching as contributing directly to the character and effectiveness of the Sunday school teacher.

The Convention Adult Class Department.

During the past year our Sunday school forces have sought to further develop and strengthen the adult class department. The Sunday School Field Workers' Association, composed of Baptist Sunday school workers, and meeting in connection with the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, 1913, discussed at great length the importance of the adult class department. The following class names were elected from a large number which had been submitted for use in Baptist churches:

The Berean Class—For young men.
The Fidelis Class—For young women.
The Convention Adult Class—For men and women.
The T. E. L. Class—For mothers.
The King's Teacher Class—For officers and teachers.

Literature in explanation of the plans for these classes has been prepared, together with a great variety of class equipment. In offering these names there is no purpose to discredit other class names and schemes which are in use. Baraca and Phila-thea, Agogo and Amoma classes, and classes by any and every name are registering the convention adult class department, and through this department we seek to draw all adult classes together in close fellowship, to foster the adult class spirit and movement among our people.

Sunday School Education.

It is our purpose and in line with all our work to give familiar and far-reaching significance to both the words—Sunday school education—and also the things for which these words stand. They may mean either expert training in Sunday school affairs or that specific education which the Sunday school gives through the study of God's word in making character and shaping the conduct of life.

A study course in Sunday school affairs is now enlisting the attention of many thousands, perhaps hundreds of thousands of the best men and women—many in teaching, many more as pupils, to fit them for the high art to which they are giving themselves. A new era has come in Sunday school affairs, and the Baptists of the south are at the very front in caring for these great interests in their churches.