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BARACA CLASS, MONTEVALLO BAPTIST CHURCH.

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This class was organized about one year ago with four members. At the time this picture was taken there were 65.

Please send my paper to Altoona in future. I am principal of the school there next year. Very truly—James E. Dean.

Hon. R. E. Pettus had a beautiful tribute in the Huntsville Daily Times on his friend, Rev. J. W. Hilliard, who recently passed to his reward, leaving behind him a monument in the hearts of many loving friends.

Enclosed you will find my check for \$2. Place same to my credit on account of the Alabama Baptist. I have been a subscriber to the paper since it started. Yours very truly—John W. Inzer.

I understand that Brother Ray, who is to teach at Gaylesville, Ala., next session, is in Birmingham, and I do not know just how to reach him by

letter. I want to try to secure his help in some meetings next month, and I am very anxious to get into communication with him. Yours fraternally—A. B. Carnes, Cedar Bluff.

Please change my paper from Box 995, Fort Worth, Tex., to Ballinger, Tex. We are getting on the finest kind, and like the new work with the First church all right. Hope all the kingdom affairs in Alabama are moving on gloriously. Best wishes to you all. Fraternally yours—T. C. Jester.

Please send my paper to me at Dothan from July 13 to August 13. Then let it come back to Maryville, Tenn. I leave on the 13th for a month's rest. Our church is moving on nicely. We hope to be in our new building October 18. Here comes the stuff that makes an editor smile and the wolf

leave the door. Sincerely—James Allen Smith.

The program for the educational campaign for the Baptist churches in the Bibb County Association, July 3 to July 29, 1914, is an interesting one. Rev. J. G. Chastain, returned missionary from the foreign field, will be expected to speak at each church. Also Miss Patrick or Mrs. Hamilton are expected to speak to the ladies at each church.

This is a fine country down here in more ways than one. There seems to be the opportunity here for a good work, and I pray that the Father may use me to advance His kingdom in this place. Have had eight additions to the church since I came here. Remember me to the brethren in Ala-

bama. With best wishes for yourself and continued success for the Baptist, I am yours fraternally—Ed S. Barnes, Fort Meade, Fla.

From Notasulga: The revival meeting here has just closed. Dr. W. D. Hubbard, of Dadeville, came to us and for 10 days preached unto us Jesus. There were visible results. We baptized eight and received three by letter. One of the letters was 13 years old, but, having no time limit, was accepted, and joyously at that. Brother Hubbard grew on us, and sweet are the memories we shall cherish because of his helpful ministrations. We paid him well because he served us conscientiously, faithfully, capably and altogether acceptably. He knows the Lord, believes the word, preaches the truth.—Pastor.

Three Interesting Departments of the Pelham Heights Encampment, July 31 to Aug. 10, 1914

DEPARTMENT OF EVANGELISM.

1. **Conferences on Personal Evangelism.** Led by Mr. R. D. Garland, Richmond, Va. This new feature of our encampment program will be of interest to many who feel a desire for better service in soul winning.
2. **Evangelism Day—Sunday, August 9.** On this day the morning and evening sermons by pastor-evangelists will stress this important obligation of our churches.

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC.

1. **Music Throughout the Encampment.** Mr. and Mrs. Scholfield, of the Home Board evangelistic force, will lead the encampment music, and much stress will be placed on song throughout the meetings. A supply of books will be on hand and a good chorus will be formed.
2. **Special Musical Programs.** On Saturday evening, August 1, a special musical program will be rendered, and special music will feature several other services.

DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION.

This side of our encampment life will be emphasized this year, and Mr. Jas. H. Chapman will be director of recreation. The tennis courts will be really in use this time, and croquet will be in vogue also. Some tramps to surrounding points will be arranged, and the limpid waters of the beautifully winding Buck creek will be available for swimming purposes. Bring your tennis racquets.

International Sunday-School Convention

Electricity was to keep before the eyes of the delegates to the 14th International Sunday School Convention the words "Jesus Shall Reign," which was the theme of the convention held in Chicago from June 23 to 30.

Above the electric sign bearing these words which was hung over the stage in Medinah Temple was a picture of Oriental people observing the Mohammedan law of prayer, reminding the delegates of the millions of persons who have not been conquered by Christ's message of Love.

Representatives from every Province of British America, from the Island possessions of the United States and from every State of the Union were delegates to the convention, which was the largest ever held. Europe, Asia, Africa and Austria also had representatives. All of these coming from East and West, and North and South, as they looked up at that electric sign and the picture of non-Christian people, sang with faith and determination, the convention song:

"Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run;
His kingdom spread from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

It was with this song that the convention opened Tuesday evening, June 23, and it was with the same song that the convention closed June 30. How they did sing under the leadership of Prof. E. O. Excell and Prof. A. W. Roper at the piano.

To record only partially the plans and the addresses of the more than four hundred speakers at the one hundred and fifty-seventh session of the convention held in forty-one churches, besides the Auditorium hotel, Princess Theatre, the Moody Bible Institute and Medinah Temple will require the publishing of a report of six hundred pages, a copy of which will be mailed to each delegate.

The goals set by Marion Lawrence, general secretary of the International Sunday School Association, will become the objectives for the more than 18,441,036 members of the 175,000 Sunday schools, which constitute the organized Sunday School forces of North America.

Mr. Lawrence thrilled the convention when he called upon them to strive to gain each year for the next quadrennial:

- 1,000,000 New Sunday school members.
- 1,000,000 Total abstinence pledge signers.
- 1,000,000 Accessions to the church from Sunday school membership.
- 10,000,000 to be reached through home visitation campaigns.
- 25,000 Additional organized classes in the secondary and adult divisions of the Sunday schools.
- 20,000 New home departments.
- 50,000 New cradle rolls.
- 5,000 New mission study classes.
- 100,000 New members enrolled in teacher training classes.
- A city training school or institute in every city of fifty thousand or more with at least one or more in every State or province.
- 100 New graded unions.
- 10,000 Organized classes engaged in some definite form of community service.

Only denominations recognizing the Deity of Jesus Christ and the Bible as the only Word of Jehovah can become affiliated with the Sunday School Association. This recommendation was made by the Executive committee after it had discussed pro and con for hours the advisability of such action. The convention, without a dissenting vote approved the recommendation of the executive Committee. Christian Scientists, the reorganized Mormon and similar bodies are thus excluded from membership or any possible membership with the Sunday School Association.

The time for holding conventions was changed, and will be held quadrennially in the future instead of triennially. The next International Convention is to be held in New York in 1918.

A budget of \$101,000 a year was approved, which will permit the establishment of several new departments headed by experts.

The lesson committee, formerly appointed wholly by the International Sunday School convention, in future will be comprised of representatives selected by the International Sunday School Association, the Sunday School Council of evangelistic denominations and by all denominations having lesson committees.

Applause followed the reading by Marion Lawrence at the opening session of the convention of telegrams from President Woodrow Wilson, Secretary of State William J. Bryan and Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels, Count Okuma, Premier of Japan, through the delegates to the convention from Japan, also sent greetings to the convention in which he referred to the World's Sunday School Convention to be held in Toyko, Japan in 1916.

The following resolutions reported by the resolution committee, of which the Rev. H. H. Bell, of San Francisco was chairman, were adopted by the convention:

"In this the Fourteenth Convention of the International Sunday School Association, assembled in Chicago, we, the Officers and Delegates express our profound thankfulness to Almighty God for the gracious way He has led us through another Triennium; for the enlargement of Sunday School Work, and for its increasing power and achievements in soul winning, in character-building, in Social Service, and in the creation and culture of righteous, loyal Citizenship. We especially thank Him for the peaceful, harmonious way in which, during this Convention, He has led us out of our constitutional and legislative difficulties into the clear promising pathway of the future, until under the unerring leadership of the Holy Spirit, we believe the Sunday School more and more shall become an agency for individual salvation and world betterment.

Declarations.

"We declare ourselves as definitely evangelistic in purpose, and as more than ever determined to stress the one, chief aim of all Sunday School Work, that, namely, of seeking to lead scholars, young and old, to saving knowledge of Jesus Christ as their personal and only Redeemer.

"We declare ourselves as distinctly Missionary in vision, purpose, program, and achievement.

"We declare in favor of greater emphasis by all Field Workers and in all our schools upon the Home Department as an evangelizing agency and upon the obligation and privileges of the Family Altar.

"We declare in favor of the vacation Bible schools and urge hearty cooperation on the part of all our forces in this great work.

"We declare in favor of the proposed annual Bible Day—on the third Lord's day before Christmas.

"We declare in favor of the movement in favor of country religious education in churches by a system of credits and examination with public schools as is so successfully practiced in Colorado, North Dakota, Gary, Ind., and in various provinces of Canada.

"We declare in favor of the cooperation of Protestants, Orthodox and Liberal, as also of Roman Catholics and Jews in the great movement of home visitation wheresoever possible to operate the same in order to help children and adults alike into personal rightness with God and into social rightness with men.

"We declare in favor of the child welfare movement, including the abolishment of child labor under the age of sixteen, and the creation of public playgrounds and wholesome amusements for the young.

"We declare in favor of national legislation for the effective censorship of motion pictures covering the entire jurisdiction of national legislation.

"We declare ourselves in favor of social purity reform, including a single standard of morals for both sexes and the most rigid laws against commercial vice, lotteries and gambling of every form.

"We declare ourselves in favor of faithfulness and diligence on the part of all Sunday schools in the use of the temperance lessons in order to educate every member for total abstinence, for the destruction of the liquor traffic, for the extinction of the cigarette and the tobacco habits in every form, and

for the surrender of every self-indulgence which impairs or destroys the power to render service to God and man.

"We urge that throughout all the courses of the international lessons, both graded and uniform, four Bible temperance lessons for each year shall be governed by the same sound principle of adaption to the spiritual needs of the scholar which are applied to the selection of other lessons.

"Recognizing the value and importance of the world's temperance teaching and temperance pledge-signing, we earnestly request that throughout the courses of the graded lessons, as in the uniform lesson plan, the world's temperance Sunday lesson shall be supplied; and we urge the observance of that occasion throughout all Sunday schools.

"In hearty cooperation with other agencies, the Sunday school pledges itself to unceasing warfare against the legalized liquor traffic; and we look with unfaltering confidence for the coming of that day when the united forces of religious, moral, and civic agencies, God directed, shall "take up the stumbling-block out of the way of the people;" and when prohibition as the result of congressional action shall become nation-wide, and as the result of national legislation, shall become world-wide throughout all civilized lands.

"We declare in favor of international peace between the nations of the world, and in favor of the substitution of conciliation and arbitration in the settlement of both industrial and international war.

"We declare in favor of the submission of an amendment to the federal constitution delegating the control of all questions of marriage and divorce to the federal congress, and we exhort all American States and provinces to take action to secure a uniform marriage law conforming to the highest standard.

"We declare in favor of the religious work planned by the committee of one hundred, appointed by the federal council of the churches of Christ in America to be done during the Panama Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco, and commend the same to the careful attention of our constituency. We also endorse the plan to hold an international Lord's day congress at San Francisco during the said exposition, and express the hope that it will result in quickening the Christian conscience as to give California a weekly rest day.

"We declare ourselves as in perfect harmony with the Christian Endeavor society, Epworth League, the B. Y. P. U., North and South, and all similar organizations of all young people, and we cordially congratulate them upon the work they are doing for Christ and His kingdom."

The following officers were elected to serve the International Sunday school association until the next convention:

President—Dr. H. M. Hamill, of Nashville, Tenn.
Vice Presidents—E. K. Warren, Three Oaks, Mich.; Rev. George W. Truett, D.D., of Dallas, Tex.; Francisco; Frank Yeigh, Toronto, Ont.; E. O. Excell John R. Peper, Memphis, Tenn.; Dr. H. H. Bell, Sam and William G. Sherer, of Chicago.

Treasurer—E. H. Nichols.
Assistant Treasurer—W. A. Goodman.
General Secretary—Marion Lawrence.
Chairman Executive Board—F. A. Wells.
Chairman Trustee's Board—E. K. Warren.
Chairman Business Committee—E. O. Excell.

"It was the greatest convention ever held," said Marion Lawrence, general secretary of the International Sunday school association. "More delegates registered than at any previous international convention, and the publicity given to the proceedings in the secular press has benefited the whole Sunday school movement.

"The men's parade held Saturday afternoon, June 27, in which regiment after regiment of manly Christian men marched along the streets, thus showing their loyalty to Jesus Christ, impressed the on-lookers with the idea that men are interested in the study of God's word."

The Baptist young people of Pennsylvania will hold their summer assembly July 17-26 on beautiful Conneaut Lake.

SOME SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Here are a few extracts from the report of Marlon Lawrence at Chicago:

"Every State and province has a paid general secretary of its own, except the more sparsely settled States of Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming. We have a record of 1,690,739 Sunday school officers and teachers, showing a gain of 19,893 over the record of three years ago.

The total Sunday school enrollment of North America is 18,441,036, being a gain of 1,323,686, meaning that 1,665 new members join our Sunday schools for every day of the year.

The home department shows a membership of 788,057, being a gain of 143,650.

The cradle rolls now number over 44,000, with an enrollment of over a million. This indicates a gain of 347,000.

Two thousand, five hundred ninety-two counties of the 3,442 counties in our field are now organized, and out of these 1,122 counties have reached the banner standard, indicating that they are fully covered with township, city or district organizations. This is a gain of 51 counties organized and 72 banner counties. Three hundred and eleven cities have organizations of their own, being an increase of 74.

The number of Sunday school conventions held during the last triennium reaches the enormous figure of 58,435. This shows a gain of 5,055. This means that we are holding 19,478 conventions annually, or an average of over 50 conventions a day, including State, provincial, county, township and city.

The total number of Sunday schools reported is not what we would like it to be. The figures indicate 9,394,747, which is just about 50 per cent of the enrollment. The enrollment, however, includes the home department and the cradle roll.

Decision day, or its equivalent, was observed during the triennium in 28,302 Sunday schools.

One great occasion for rejoicing is that according to the figures there were added to the church from the Sunday school by conversion and confirmation, during the triennium, 1,055,444. This is a decrease from our last report of about 140,000. However, the figures are encouraging. They indicate that about 6,765 of our scholars unite with our churches every Sunday during the year.

The number of schools holding workers' meetings weekly is reported as 18,864.

There has been a large gain in the number of departments reported as using the graded lessons. We report 16,869 beginners' departments, as against 10,234 given in our last report, also 18,578 primary departments, as against 8,773, and 17,763 junior departments, as against 7,310. This shows a total gain in departments using the graded lessons of 26,893, or a trifle over 100 per cent. In addition to the above, there are reported 5,914 intermediate departments and 3,625 senior departments using the graded lessons.

There are 171 graded unions reported, with a membership of 6,238. Three years ago we reported 179 graded unions, and six years ago 258.

The secondary division reports 10,416 organized classes, with a registration of 93,345.

The adult department has made a great gain in its organized classes, reporting 43,517, as against 22,567. Six hundred and sixty-one classes are reported as having disbanded. The total registration of adult classes is 819,061. The estimated membership of adult classes not organized is 1,116,316.

The number of first standard diplomas granted for teacher-training is 31,321, a gain of 4,313.

The number of advanced standard diplomas granted is 1,905, a gain of 1,435.

There have been 4,035 seals granted for specialization in teacher training.

City training schools have been held in 63 cities, and have enrolled 13,930.

The number of schools reporting definite missionary instruction is 18,597.

Home visitation has been carried on in 156 cities and 72 counties, reaching 16,856,000 people.

When we were half way through the triennium we instituted a pledge-signing campaign, hoping to reach a million pledge-signers for the triennium. We are glad to report 1,049,314.

There are 97 superintendents, associations in cities and towns. Seven of our associations report having superintendents departments and 33 have not.

Number of paid workers giving full time to the or-

ganized Sunday school work, 189, a gain of 35. Number of paid workers giving part time, 132, a gain of 89, showing a gain since our last report of 124 workers paid for part and full time.

THE SALT OF THE EARTH.

Tho the world may besmirch the good name of the church,

And may call it of lessening worth,

Yet the world will declare that the people of prayer

And of faith are the salt of the earth;

For the world keenly knows she would die with alarms,

Were the soldiers of Christ to all lay down their arms.

It is fearfully true that the church does n't do

Half the good in the world that she should,

From the fact that she holds in the heart of her folds

To the bad ones as well as the good—

From the fact that her rolls are all lengthened and spliced

With the names that have never been soldiers of Christ.

Yet the soldiers in deed that are true to their creed,

That are living the life that they teach,

That are standing for right in the thick of the fight,

That are doing the good that they preach—

These, yes, these—these in truth are the Lord's very own—

These, yes, these are the power behind the great throne:

What the church needs today, and has needed al-

ways,

Is a soldiery, true to its trust,

That will fearlessly fight for the untarnished right,

That her streamers trail not in the dust—

That when missiles of wrong at the right have been hurled,

Would dare fight, if it need be, against the whole world.

Yes, the remnant, the few, in the church that are true,

Those that live as their tongues have professed,

Are the ones that must win the old world from its sin—

Are the ones that are born to be blessed.

These alone are the ones that have known the new birth—

Such as these, says the Bible, are the salt of the earth.

—H. C. C.

Dothan, Ala., R. F. D. No. 1.

A COUNTRY TRIP IN CHINA.

By J. T. Williams.

I have just returned from my first country trip in China. It was my pleasure to travel with Brother H. F. Buckner and Brother W. H. Tipton, of Wu Chow. I did not make this trip because of the good I could do the people, but because of the good they could do me. It was to see, hear and study them and their language that I went. My impressions were varied. I was almost overcome by the vastness of the task before us and the fewness of the workers, and then my heart was made to rejoice by seeing the power of the gospel in China.

The territory covered by the South China Mission is immense. This trip was up the West river into Kwong Sai province. From Wu Chow, the main station in that province, we went 300 miles up the river. All along the way were cities, market towns and villages by the thousand. I spent some time sitting out on top of the motor boat on which we traveled, looking at the cities and villages we passed, gazing at the beautiful hills and valleys and thinking of the progress of the kingdom. As I sat thus thinking these words of the Psalmist came to me: "Every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills." Then I prayed for the time to come when the Chinese of a thousand cities and villages might in their hearts belong to our Lord.

A large part of Kwong Sai is yet untouched by the gospel. There is great need of more men and women to man the stations we already have, and a large number of new stations ought to be opened.

But to some extent the depression of these appall-

ing needs was alleviated when we reached Shek T'ong, which is practically a Christian village. This mud-house village has about 400 inhabitants. About 32 years ago a Chinese preacher visited there, talked the gospel to one of the men and left a book for him to read. In a few weeks he believed and accepted Christ as his personal Savior, but kept it a secret for a time. Shortly afterwards he went with the preacher who had given him the gospel to Canton, 350 miles away, to be baptized, though he did not tell his people the purpose of his trip. When he returned they found out what he had done. At once they had an indignation meeting and gave him a severe beating. This one beating was not enough for so great a crime, so they continued to persecute him for several days. It was a joy to see this old soldier of the cross on the very spot and hear his graphic description of his persecution. But he was faithful to his Master, and soon they began to inquire among themselves what it was that could make him hold out against such persecution. It was not long till they realized it was a power they had never known before and they wanted to learn about it. The result was that soon, one by one, they began to give their hearts to the Lord of all the earth.

At present one-third of the people of this village belong to the church, another third or more are interested in Christianity and are largely dominated by its principles, while there are a few who still practice a little idol worship at certain seasons, but are friendly to Christianity. They have a large church building, which will seat about 300 people, built partly of burned and partly of sun-dried brick. It cost about \$700 (gold), of which \$500 was contributed by themselves and \$200 by the missionaries. They realized the need of a new church, and every one agreed to give one month's salary last year for that purpose. It cost more than they had anticipated, and some of them gave another month's salary. Even though there may have been some Chinese who were Christians for the loaves and fishes, to my mind this is positive proof that there is one group of them who are in the church to honor and glorify their Lord.

We were at this place on Sunday. Brother Tipton preached; then they celebrated the Lord's Supper and had a business meeting. The building, the services and the general spirit of the people were not unlike the best type of country church at home. There was a Christian atmosphere to be felt in the village which I have felt no where else in China. The membership of the church is 200 or 300, some of them coming from neighboring villages.

Besides the church, they have a boys' boarding school, with an attendance of about 50 students. It is owned and operated entirely by the Chinese, and is a monument to the power of the gospel in China and to their ability to advance in Christian culture.

It was a great spiritual uplift to be present at this service and see how the gospel has transformed this heathen village into a Christian community. What God has done for Shek T'ong He will do for all the villages of China when the gospel is presented to and gets a hold on the people. I pray that I may live to see many such villages in China, and that any who may chance to read these words may be encouraged and inspired to give more money, so that more workers may come to this great field, which is ripe unto the harvest.

WHAT IS THE MATTER WITH THIS?

"We must take care of everything we have. Every Baptist should stand for every other Baptist and all stand together for everything that is right."—Baptist Standard.

Wonder if that is the Texas Baptist spirit! There is nothing little or mean about it. It is very definite and determined. Baptist success is bound to follow the working out of that sentiment. Why not in Alabama, too? "Everything we have" is worth while, and "we must take care" of it. No school, no board, no institution must be left to struggle alone. Let all stand or fall together. From the organization of the State Board of Missions that has been the sentiment pervading the board. The secretary and every missionary have been for the Alabama Baptist, every school, every board. Like a band of brothers, every Baptist standing for every other Baptist, and wholeheartedly "all standing together for everything that is right," will put our cause in Alabama to the front and keep it there.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

On account of a threatened collapse Dr. G. Campbell-Morgan has been compelled to resign the presidency of Chestnut College.

Margaret Gardner has been made city attorney of Los Angeles and assigned the special duty of handling cases in which women are involved, a class of work in which she has already achieved great success as an orator.

The Alliance, of the Panama Railroad Steamship line, was the first passenger ship to make the passage from ocean to ocean. The chief purpose of this experimental trip was to try out the electrical towing machines. It is reported that these locomotives worked perfectly, and that the biggest liner afloat can now be handled easily in the Gatun and Miraflores locks.

Dr. George Fitzpatrick, of Chicago, made a scathing arraignment of modern society women before the American Institute of Homeopathy in convention at Atlantic City recently. He declared that the women of today who are of the "cigarette-smoking, cocktail-drinking, tango and" class make poor mothers and are the cause of infant mortality. "The woman I have described," he said, "is a defective, a muscle degenerate. She is a weakling, morally, mentally, physically and socially."

On May 19 the Welsh disestablishment bill, having been passed on its third journey through the lower house, became a law, the first under the new parliament act, that is, without the consent of the lords. The bill provides that so far as Wales and the shire of Monmouth are concerned, the Church of England will cease to be established by law; that all cathedrals and ecclesiastical corporations are to be dissolved, and that the bishops of the four Welsh dioceses cease to be members of the house of lords. According to figures presented by Home Secretary McKenna, the greater part of the income of the Welsh church will not be affected by disestablishment—"the only portion of the income affected being the sum of £157,000 represented by ancient endowments, chiefly tithes." The "life interests" which the bill perpetuates, on the other hand, are estimated to be worth \$10,000,000.

After his return to this country Colonel Roosevelt, in an address before the National Geographic Society at Washington, gave an account of his exploration of the "River of Doubt." As to the length of this river Colonel Roosevelt said: "We found that the river flowed steadily northward, after we got embarked on it, between the 59th and 66th meridians of longitude due west from Greenwich, never varying except between those two meridians. Where we embarked it had already run for roughly something in the neighborhood of 300 kilometers. We went down in canoes something in the neighborhood of 800 kilometers, and then down by steamer to the mouth in the neighborhood of 300 to 400 kilometers, making from 1,400 to 1,500 kilometers, all told, somewhere between 900 and 950 miles."

It is interesting to note that Dr. George Brandes, Denmark's "first citizen," who recently visited America, regards Emerson as the greatest American thinker and Poe as the foremost of American poets. He considers Whitman more living than Swinburne, but much less an artist, and censures him for slovenliness of form. Longfellow, he says, is beloved of the Danes for his translation of the Danish national hymn. In a lecture Dr. Brandes denied the oft-repeated statement that Shakespeare "has effectively concealed his personality in his works" and showed how many things in the life of the poet were mirrored in his writings. He said: "Shakespeare is not 36 plays a few poems jumbled together and read pell-mell, but a man who felt and thought, rejoiced and suffered, brooded, dreamed and created. For too long it has been the custom to say, 'we know nothing about Shakespeare' or that 'an octavo page would contain all our knowledge of him.' Even Swinburne has written of the intangibility of his personality in his works. Such assertions have been carried so far that a wretched group of dilettanti has been bold enough in Europe and America to deny William Shakespeare the right to his own life-work, to give to another the honor due to his genius, and to bespatter him and his invulnerable name with an abuse which has re-echoed through every land."



EDITORIAL

CARNEGIE AND THE CHURCHES.

The "canny" Scot has at last learned that he cannot carry out his fondest dream without the aid of churches. He found it easy to give away libraries, to even discriminate against teachers in religious institutions, but despite his wealth and grouch against churches, in announcing the gift Mr. Carnegie said:

"Certain that the strongest appeal that can be made is to members of the religious bodies, to you I hereby appeal, hoping you will feel it to be not only your duty, but your pleasure, to undertake the administration of \$2,000,000 of 5 per cent bonds, the income to be so used as, in your judgment, will most successfully appeal to the people in the cause of peace through arbitration of international disputes; that as man in civilized lands is compelled by law to submit personal disputes to courts of law, so nations shall appeal to the court at the Hague or to such tribunals as may be mutually agreed upon, and bow to the verdict rendered, thus insuring the reign of national peace through the international law. . . . After war is abolished by the leading nations, the trustees, by a vote of two-thirds, may decide that a better use for the funds than those named in the preceding paragraph have been found, and are free, according to their own judgment, to devote the income to the best advantage for the good of their fellow men."

This endowment is in addition to the fund of \$10,000,000 devoted by Mr. Carnegie in 1910 to "hasten the abolition of international war," and to the cost of the Peace Palace at the Hague.

We are glad of the gift, but gladder to know that Mr. Carnegie is beginning to realize that the churches are not without influence. In connection with the present gift is the organization of a permanent "Church Peace Union" with a board of 27 trustees, headed by Bishop Greer, of New York, and including leaders of Christians and Jews, which adopted the following resolution:

"That we, as members of the Church Peace Union, representing the following religious bodies: Episcopal, Roman Catholic, Methodist, Baptist, Lutheran, Congregational, Presbyterian, Church of the Disciples, Unitarian, Jewish and Universalist churches—as our first duty appeal to the rulers, statesmen and people of all civilized lands to give their immediate, earnest and prayerful attention to the lamentable facts here presented. Here lies, as it appears to us, the two outstanding evils of our day, entailing grave responsibilities upon all religious men, from emperor to workmen, that the crime of men killing each other may soon be banished from the face of the earth. First, the combined debt of the world, mostly borrowed and used for war purposes, amounts to nearly \$37,000,000,000. The interest charge of the world on its national bonded debt amounts to \$1,500,000,000. Amount expended yearly on standing armies and battleships, \$2,500,000,000. Second, the second and distressed crime of our day is that in war we are still capturing private property upon the high seas, although it is exempt from confiscation in war upon the land."

Porfirio Diaz, who was in power 30 years and now is enjoying life in France with his spoils, is responsible for the present state of affairs in Mexico. He became president in 1877 through a revolt. By that time the people, exhausted with so many civil and foreign wars, fell into a relaxation that permitted Diaz to get a strong hold of the reigns of the government. Diaz was a dictator. He appointed all officials, from the ministers down, being always careful, however, to show that his was a "constitutional" government.

If we Baptists play our full part in bringing the world to Christ we must be filled with a daring ardor that gives hilariously and makes sacrifices to carry on our propaganda at home and abroad. We must have a passion for invading, absorbing and possessing the places where Baptists are without a foothold.

An interesting discussion has been proceeding in one of the New York papers concerning the best short story. A wag suggests this: "Enclosed find check in full of account." What delightful reading this would make coming, this hot weather, from some thousands of our friends. They might shorten it further and simply write: "Enclosed find check." We will do the rest.—Religious Herald.

It is said that Chancellor James R. Day, of Syracuse University, is the one man in the history of Methodism who was elected a bishop, yet remained steadfastly wedded to the task in hand. When James R. Day took charge of Syracuse the student body numbered 625; now it has reached 4,000, and the material developments of the university have more than kept pace with the growth of the student body.

Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst, of New York, has a startling way of putting things: "There is a stimulus in speaking to a congregation made up of men and women who think that there is not in addressing a crowd of intelligent dummies, or an assembly of such people as the preachers of 50 or 100 years ago had to address, who in all matters of Christian doctrine expected the parson to do their thinking for them, and during his ministrations slept out of confidence in his doctrinal infallibility."

Czar Nicholas, the Czarina and their five children narrowly escaped death recently when a dynamite bomb, so placed as to blow up the train on which the royal family was returning to the summer palace from a visit to King Charles, of Rumania, exploded. Since Czar Nicholas has occupied the Russian throne more attempts have been made on his life than on the life of any other monarch now reigning, the last attempt at assassination being the fourteenth that has been made on his life. The first attempt at assassination was made in 1891, before he ascended the throne, and since that time his life has been constantly fraught with danger.

Speaking before the bureau of dermatology at the convention of physicians at Atlantic City, Dr. R. P. Miller, of Albin, Iowa, said: "The greatest prophylaxis against the increase and spread of the social evil is a deep religious conviction that will keep the youth of our land from temptation. This is the most important of all remedies to curb this awful sin. There is a tremendous religious awakening throughout the world at the present time, and I do not think it out of place to call attention to it before this splendid body of doctors. This is a day of preventive medicine. It behooves us as medical men to contribute to the value of a clean life as related to our future well-being as a nation. The essential thing for a strong nation is to have a generation of men with clean bodies. There is no hope for the future strength and welfare of our country in the judgment and discretion of the profligate."

A discriminating writer says: "Mr. Andrew Carnegie is an illustration of a man with a splendid intellectual equipment. No one questions it. But he speaks 'inadvisedly with his lips' in reference to religion. Why is this thus? It is because he has not applied his giant intellect to such considerations. On the subject of 'steel rails' he is an expert. He has given the benefit of all his thinking powers to that study. If he knew his Bible as thoroughly as his fathers did, if he applied his great faculties to Scriptural studies, it is not too much to aver that Mr. Carnegie would be a devout follower of the meek and lowly Jesus; of the Divine-human Redeemer. He would thus see most clearly that Jesus Christ is really and truly 'God manifest in the flesh,' and that He became incarnate that, as one of us, 'Bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh,' He might die in our stead; and, as our substitute, satisfy the demands of divine justice for every one who is willing to accept the full and free salvation. Mr. Carnegie represents a large class of thinking men, who have given their powers to the material rather than the spiritual concerns."

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B. Y. P. U. WORK OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

(Continued from Last Week.)

Training for Church Membership.

This, as has been stated, has become the ideal of the Baptist Young People's Union work in this section. Just as a business college denies itself the general field of education and confines itself to the one task of preparing those who wish to enter business life as bookkeepers, stenographers and clerks, the B. Y. P. U. was so directed as to confine its efforts, not to general Christian culture, but to the specific task of making better church members. As has been said above, the group plan has been a great and helpful feature along this line. It has been brought to the forefront because the aim was not to have a good meeting at any given time for the edification of the pastor or older brethren, but to have a meeting where the young people were learning to do things which they must afterward do in the general work of the church. The ideal of the B. Y. P. U. then becomes not the enthusiasm of a given meeting, but how many of its members actually have been developed week by week and made effective workers. With this change in ideal comes a new incentive. Many unions unable to have a large membership had become discouraged because they could not have a crowd; many where a large company could be gathered found that they were not doing anything worth while. In every case, by the introduction of the group plan, they found what they were lacking. The small union discovered that it had plenty of ability to carry on the meeting and had some very great advantages because there were not many in the union. Indeed, it has now become an accepted fact that a union numbering more than 50 is too large and ought to be subdivided. The young people's meeting is now no longer simply another church prayer meeting, or another place for the pastor to preach, or a place where a few intelligent younger men and women hold forth to those a little younger. It has become a place where all the young people of the church are grouped together, and each one given something to do, and that something along the line of greater effectiveness in doing the things that Baptist church members regularly have to do.

The Weekly Meeting.

Great stress is laid upon the weekly meeting. It is brought to the forefront. It is the place where most young people can be gathered together, and, therefore, the place of greatest opportunity. The study class is not disparaged; it gets the pick of those who come to the regular weekly meeting of the union, but it gets them because of what that meeting has done for them. The weekly meeting cannot be educational except as it remains interesting. It must provide, not for consecutive study, but for topics with some educational direction, and yet each one interesting in and of itself, for the members are not regular in their attendance, and we must always provide for strangers. Some years ago, in order to make the

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regular weekly meeting have some educational purpose, the topics were arranged under four heads, and one meeting each month was to be strictly devotional, with a prepared topic; one was to be a Bible study meeting, when the topic should cover a book, a chapter, a character, or some special theme for a Bible reading; a doctrinal meeting, with topics covering our distinctive doctrines, the great fundamental truths of religion, the doctrines of salvation, and kindred themes; one meeting to be the missionary meeting, the topics being those used by the Woman's Missionary Union and other organizations, and which were treated from month to month in the Foreign Mission Journal, the Home Field and the Baptist state papers. When there is an odd meeting, as happens once every three months, the subjects of temperance, good citizenship, the call to the ministry and the need of trained and educated workers are emphasized. Through a course of years it has been found that this general series of topics has proven in every way helpful. The topics are treated in the B. Y. P. U. Quarterly. The information given makes the topic plain, so that those using it should be able to develop the thought of the theme for themselves. A program is given in detail by which the groups can carry on the different meetings of the month. From the very beginning we have laid unusual stress upon the weekly meeting. It has been felt that it was the center of everything. Without it none of the other interests could survive. When it was also made the center of the training work and the two things went together it became in truth the greatest feature of the work of any B. Y. P. U.

The Study Course.

The organization of the Baptist Young People's Union and the conducting of a vigorous and enthusiastic weekly meeting will always bring together a number of young people eager for a little more training than that which is possible in the short hour of the weekly meeting. The educational idea is prominent in all religious work, and ought to be. The special feature of the B. Y. P. U. work of the south has been that it has planned its study course along the line of its motto, "Training for church membership." An education committee of six men has for several years been directing this feature of our work. They have planned for text books which should have for their purpose the training of Baptist young people for efficiency as church workers. The first of these books is typical. It bore the title of "Training in Church Membership" and was a brief, simple study of the principles from which a church is organized, the mutual relations of the members and

the church, and the work which the church is set to do. This has been followed by other books along the same line, including certain books on missions which tell of the work which Southern Baptists are themselves doing. The study course as planned for covers 13 weeks. It is hoped there will be one course in the fall and another in the spring. Sometimes the work of the study course is done in connection with the weekly meeting, taking up half of the time of each evening. The most successful way, however, has always been to meet on a separate night. In some cases the work is done by meeting for a couple of hours every night for a week. The result of this study course work has been to take the most interested and best trained workers and give them a clear and comprehensive understanding of the doctrines, the duties and obligations of intelligent Baptists.

(Concluded Next Week.)

PROGRAM OF THE BAPTIST STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Tuesday Night, July 28.

- 7:15. Song service—Conducted by Mr. I. A. Reynolds, of the Home Mission Board evangelistic force.
- Devotional service—Rev. W. M. Olive, Luverne, Ala.
- 7:45. Address, "How We Learn"—Rev. Harvey Beauchamp, field secretary Baptist Sunday School Board, Dallas, Tex.
- 8:30. Address, "Equipment"—Rev. C. Ross Baker, D. D., Opelika, Ala.

Wednesday, July 29.

- 6:45 a. m. Prayer and praise service—Rev. P. C. Barkley, Birmingham, Ala.
- 7 a. m. Breakfast.
- 8:30 a. m. Song service—Mr. I. A. Reynolds, leader.
- Devotional service—Rev. Alfred Dickinson, Jr., Eufaula, Ala.
- 8:45 a. m. Triple conferences—Cradle Roll, Teen Age, Superintendents.
- 9:20 a. m. Triple conferences—Beginners, Junior, Home Department.
- 9:55 a. m. Song service—Mr. I. A. Reynolds, leader.
- 10:05 a. m. Address, "The Adolescent Pupil"—Rev. Harvey Beauchamp.
- 10:50 a. m. Triple conferences—Primary, Senior and Adult, Pastors.
- 11:25 a. m. Address, "The Need for Personal Work—Found in the Fact of Sin"—Rev. L. O. Dawson, D. D., Tuscaloosa, Ala.
- 12:45 p. m. Dinner.
- 4:30 p. m. "The State Program" outlined by Mr. H. L. Strickland.
- 5:15 p. m. Address, "The Mastery of the Central Truth"—A Devotional Hour—Rev. Jesse A. Cook, Decatur, Ala.
- 6:15 p. m. Supper.
- 7:45 p. m. Song service—Led by Mr. I. A. Reynolds.
- Devotional service—Rev. W. D. Ogletree, Greensboro, Ala.

- 8:15 p. m. "Church Building"—Mrs. J. E. Green, Birmingham, Ala.
- 8:30 p. m. Address, "The Workers' Encouragement—Found in the Greater Fact of God's Grace"—Rev. L. O. Dawson, D. D.

Thursday, July 30.

- 6:45 a. m. Prayer and praise service—Rev. A. B. Metcalf, Carrollton, Ala.
- 7 a. m. Breakfast.
- 8:30 a. m. Song service—Led by Mr. I. A. Reynolds.
- 8:45 a. m. Triple conferences—Teen Age, Superintendents, Pastors.
- 9:20 a. m. Triple conferences—Beginners, Junior, Home Department.
- 9:55 a. m. Song service—Mr. I. A. Reynolds.
- 10:05 a. m. Address—Rev. Harvey Beauchamp.
- 10:50 a. m. Triple conferences—Primary, Senior and Adult, Workers' Council.
- 11:25 a. m. Address, "The Motive Power"—Rev. L. O. Dawson, D. D.
- 12:45 p. m. Dinner.
- 3:45 p. m. Triple conferences—Beginners, Primary, Junior.
- 4:30 p. m. Business session.
- 6:15 p. m. Supper.
- 7:45 p. m. Song service—Mr. I. A. Reynolds.
- Devotional—Rev. E. M. Stewart, Montevallo.
- 8:15 p. m. Address, "The Worker in Action"—Rev. L. O. Dawson, D. D.
- Adjournment.

The Philadelphia Quarts Company have small works located in Indiana, New York and Pennsylvania, and some time ago the men at each of the works were offered a 10 per cent increase in wages if they did not use intoxicating liquors, or would discontinue their use and frequenting of places where such are sold. All of the men accepted the proposition but two, and after some six weeks' trial they are apparently very well satisfied and so is the company. Some of the men have opened savings accounts and are depositing their 10 per cent.

Rev. B. S. Ralley, of Cuthbert, Ga., has had a busy year. The pastor's record of work done is: Sermons preached, 170; other religious services, 110; marriage ceremonies performed, 9; funerals attended, 19; services engaged in by the pastor during the year, 377. The membership has increased 81. The larger per cent of the teachers in the Sunday school now hold diplomas from our Sunday School Board.

A teacher can learn, if he will, to present a thing in a way to hold the listener without his conscious effort, and without needlessly arousing his prejudice or dislike, and yet without either avoiding or compromising the truth.

Miss Mary B. Harris, a daughter of President John Howard Harris, of Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa., and a graduate of the University of Chicago, has been made superintendent of women prisoners of Blackwell's Island penitentiary, New York.

Life without hope is like a house without a roof.

Baptist News and Personals

Rev. Frank Norris of Fort Worth, will begin a revival meeting at Aspermont, Texas, Monday, July 13. Rev. W. J. Wade is the pastor.

Dr. Allen Fort, pastor of the First Baptist church, Nashville, Tenn., recently was wonderfully blessed in a meeting at Toccoa, Ga. There were over 50 additions to the church.

President W. H. Faunce, of Brown University, received the degree of Doctor of Laws at the commencement exercises at Denison University, Granville, Ohio.

The revival meeting at the First Baptist church, Meridian, in which Pastor Shipman was assisted by Dr. W. W. Hamilton, with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Snodgrass doing the singing. Seventy additions to the church were reported, 50 by baptism.

Rev. Catt Smith will supply in Alabama this summer. He will hold two or three protracted meetings and enjoy the renewal of associations of other years. —Baptist Standard.
(We are glad to have him back with us, and hope he will make Alabama his home.)

Mrs. J. S. Carroll, of Troy, Ala., has given \$5,000 to Howard college at Birmingham. More and more people who have money and hold it as a sacred trust are coming to realize that our struggling institutions of learning must be saved for the glory of God. —Baptist Advance.

The First church of Oklahoma City has had over 300 accessions during the past 18 months. Recently the church presented Pastor H. H. Hulthen with a handsome Buick touring car, the presentation poem closing with this couplet: "We hope you'll wear the whole thing out on Oklahoma ground!"

Rev. W. E. Entzinger, editorial secretary of our Brazilian Baptist publishing house, Rio de Janeiro, arrived in Greenville, S. C., during the time of the Southern Baptist convention. Mrs. Entzinger, who underwent a very serious surgical operation while in Germany, will arrive in Greenville with her daughter, Ruth, about the first of July. —Baptist Courier.

Assistant Professor Edwin T. Chamberlin, of the Department of Geology, in the University of Chicago, will be absent during the summer quarter on a visit to Australia in connection with the British Association for the advancement of science. The members of the association will be the guest of the commonwealth and will hold their sessions in the principal cities of the country.

Dr. W. M. Vines has just closed a very helpful meeting at the First Baptist church of Albemarle. Although the meeting was short there were several conversions and a number joined the church. Brother Miller paid high tribute to Dr. Vines as a great preacher and profound thinker and a man who preached the truth without fear of favor. Baptist Recorder.

Samuel Chiles Mitchell who was formerly president of the University of South Carolina, and at present is president of the Mercier college of Virginia, at Richmond, has been recommended by a special committee, after considering more than 60 applicants, to the board of trustees of Delaware college for the presidency of the latter institution, to succeed Dr. George A. Harter, who has been president of the college for 18 years, and who leaves the office at his own request, to devote his time to class room work. The salary will be \$5,000 a year.

Here is a list of the largest district associations in the United States: Philadelphia, with 41,161 church members; Southern in New York, 25,042; Chicago, 23,446; Long Island of New York, 23,360; Dover of Virginia, 17,442; Atlanta of Georgia, 15,498; Long Run of Kentucky, 14,308; Blue River of Missouri, 12,481; West Chowan of North Carolina, 12,148. The "Baptist Standard" says that there are negro associations that have each 20,000, 24,000 and 25,000 church members. —Western Recorder.

We respectfully inform the Word and Way that in Virginia, at any rate, the churches do control the naming of their representatives in the Southern Baptist Convention. As a matter of convenience the General Association (composed of representatives of the churches) requests the State Mission Board to make the appointment, but any church in the General Association entitled to representation in the convention may at any moment exercise its right to make the appointment independently of the State Mission Board. Does the Word and Way believe that our conventions and associations, without any sort of notice to the churches, have the right to promulgate formal doctrinal statements and to claim that these statements represent the views and beliefs of the people? If they may, then we cannot tell at what moment our associations and conventions, organized for the most part upon a financial basis, and frequently unrepresentative, may make our creeds for us and commit us to formal and semi-authoritative statements with the making of which the great mass of us had nothing whatever to do. —Religious Herald.

The Baraca class of the Fifth Avenue Baptist church, McKeesport, Pa., recently placed a fine electric sign in front of the church.

Dr. J. A. Chambliss will be professor of the Bible in Carson and Newman college, Tennessee, for next session. This is an admirable arrangement.

The Florida Baptist encampment will be held at Columbia College, Lake City, July 12-17. Wish we could be present and hear Dr. Montague say, "Hello, Frank!"

Mr. W. N. Hartshaw, the retiring president of the International Sunday school association is a permanent Baptist layman. His successor, Dr. H. M. Hammill, of Nashville, is a Methodist.

Mrs. D. G. Whittinghill, wife of Missionary Whittinghill, of Rome, Italy was operated on for appendicitis in Richmond June 9th. She has been seriously ill for several weeks, and it is earnestly hoped that she will soon be completely restored to health.

At their recent convention the Pennsylvania Baptists adopted the Baptist Commonwealth as their state organ. A joint stock company was organized with sufficient capital to put it on a permanent basis. Rev. Henry W. Stringer has been secured as editor. He has our best wishes.

Rev. Dr. Augustus H. Strong, president Emeritus of Rochester Theological seminary, says, "A text that has been of great service to me is: 'Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and will show the great things, which thou knowest not' (Jeremiah 33:3). There is a promise of knowledge and strength beyond all our natural powers, and bestowed by God himself in response to the prayers of his people."

The many friends of Dr. W. W. Landrum will rejoice in the almost miraculous escape from death of his son and daughter and son's wife, who were passengers with a small party of friends on the private yacht "Sunshine," which was run down and demolished at 3:15 a. m. Saturday morning in the Ohio river opposite Rising Sun, Ind., by the steamer "Indiana." Happily all were rescued from the water or wrecked vessel before it sank. —Baptist Recorder.

September 3, 1912, I wrote "2,000 Members in the Eighth Pingtu Churches," and now, after yesterday's baptisms, I can write that we have 4,014 church members. One cannot but praise the Lord for what the gospel and Christian love is doing for Pingtu. The first church in 1889 was organized with six members; in eight more years, 1897, we only had 100 members; in eight more years, 1905, we had our first 500 members; in four more—20 years in all, 1909, we got our first 1,000 members; in three more years, 1912, another 1,000, making 2,000 members; in 12 months, 1913, another 1,000—we then had 3,000 members; in ten months, May, 1914, another 1,000. So we now have 4,014 members. Wm. H. Sears.

At the First Baptist church, Homestead, Pa., Dr. A. F. Williamson, the pastor, is having a taste of the joys and perplexities of foreign mission work in America. He writes: For a long time there was a conviction in the minds of several of our people that something ought to be done for the 8,000 or more Russians in and around Homestead. But it was not till early in March last that our plans materialized. Rev. Michael Levine, who is the untiring missionary to the Russians in and about Pittsburg, is the leader in this work. But for his wise counsel and consecrated devotion to the work we could not have succeeded. Already some ten or twelve have been baptized and about as many more have been approved for baptism. Others have broken with the so-called 'Mother Church' and we are hoping to see them come out squarely for Christ.

The Baptist Times and Freeman (London), noticing the growth of our American Baptist membership, tells its readers "there are several Baptist communities in the States which differ from English Baptists on minor points, and which are therefore not included in the figures given. Chief among these are the Disciples of Christ, with a total membership of 1,519,369. Adding these to the figures already given, the members of the Baptist community in the States is close on seven and a half millions, a total of considerably larger than any other Protestant body." We wish that all who reject infant baptism could be counted as genuine Baptists; but we would rather have credit for five million of the genuine stripe than for seven millions of a speckled variety. We do not want to reckon as Baptists any who have to use a qualifying word to tell where they belong. We are not half so anxious to count numbers as we are to sustain a reputation for consistency and a New Testament character. We want better, as well as more "Baptists." —Journal and Messenger.

Rev. J. F. Watson, corresponding secretary of the Southern California Baptist convention is spending the summer abroad.

Dr. S. Y. Jameson has received three gifts of \$5,000 each toward the debt-paying fund of Ouachita college.

The late Lormer said: "Remember that when you are in the right you can afford to keep your temper, and when you're in the wrong you can't afford to lose it."

Mr. Joseph E. Brown, son of Editor S. M. Brown of The Word and Way, recently returned from the law school of Columbia University, New York, where he was graduated with high honors. Mr. Brown took high honors in the Kansas City High School, in William Jewell college and in the Missouri University.

Dr. Curtis Lee Law in a felicitous paragraph on Dr. Curtis Klein Jones says: It is said of this man that all Virginia loves him because of the "Carter" in his name, that all Kentuckians love him because of the "Helm" in his name, and that everybody loves him because of the "Jones" in his name!

The Watchman Exchange says: Dr. Cornelius Woelfkin made a sudden change in his vacation plans at the cordial invitation of Mr. William E. Hale, of Rochester, New York, and sailed for Europe on Saturday in company with Mr. Hale and his son for a month of tramping and mountain climbing in Switzerland.

While Dr. MacArthur was on his way to Burma he became acquainted with three English university men who were going out to positions in the civil service of Burma. These young men were busily engaged in studying the Burmese language, and upon closer observation Dr. MacArthur found that the Burmese dictionary that they were using was prepared by Adoniram Judson! —Watchman-Examiner.

The following resolution was adopted unanimously at the Northern Baptist Convention: "We congratulate the Baptists upon the co-operation and assistance received from aggressive Baptist newspapers in carrying on our educational, missionary and evangelistic work at home and abroad, and we urge that pastors and members of all our churches give to the men who own and conduct these papers the fullest sympathy and support, and thus multiply the efficiency of all our work."

Dr. B. F. Riley, of Birmingham, is to address the Sagamore conference, of which George W. Coleman is the president, on the assigned subject, "What We Can Do for the Negro." Dr. Riley has for years been profoundly interested in all matters relating to the Southern negroes. For the past six years he has devoted his entire time, at his own expense, to the study of the situation in the South, and has labored among the colored people and among the whites with a view of attaining conciliation and co-operation. —Watchman Ex.

The membership of the Northern Baptist Convention now totals 1,587,868, an increase of 61,999 members in one year. There were 72,422 baptisms during the year, an increase of 5,710. The churches total 10,414 American, 655 new American and 1,163 Afro-American. There are 186,687 Sunday schools, with 1,109,102 members enrolled; 9,512 church buildings have a value of \$89,189,045, an increase for the year of about \$4,000,000. Budgets for church expenses during the year equaled \$12,841,818.32, an increase of more than \$1,000,000, and for beneficiaries \$2,596,818.59, an increase of \$108,000.

The Northern Baptists urge the adoption of the following amendment to the constitution of the United States: "No law shall be passed respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, nor shall the national government, or any state, county, city, town, village or other civil division use its property or credit or any money raised by taxation or otherwise, or authorize them to be used for the purpose of founding, maintaining or aiding by appropriation, payment for services, expenses, or in any other manner, any church, religious denomination or religious society, or any institution, school, society or undertaking which is wholly or in part under sectarian or ecclesiastical control."

The registration at the University of Chicago for the summer quarter already exceeds that for the corresponding period a year ago, when more than 3,000 students were enrolled. All parts of the country are represented in the attendance at the university, the southern states as usual having large delegations. One special train of 200 teachers came from Texas alone, Galveston, Fort Worth and Dallas being among the cities represented. Among the members of the summer faculty of the university are more than 50 from other institutions, including Harvard, Yale and Leland Stanford, and the universities of Texas, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. The second term of the summer quarter begins July 23 and the quarter closes with the autumn convocation on August 28.

Alabama Woman's Missionary Union

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE.

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as a hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing.—Isa. 35:5-6.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad His wonderful name;
The name all-victorious of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.

Then let us adore, and give Him His right,
All glory and power and wisdom and might,
All honor and blessing, with angels above,
And thanks never ceasing, for infinite love.

—Charles Wesley, 1745.

THE BLUERIDGE CONFERENCE.

Now do you not wish that you could have been there, dear Alabama Y. W. A.'s and leaders? You cannot know how many times your leader wished that you could have the privilege of attending this beautiful conference.

I know just how many questions you would like to ask about it all, and I wish we might have a "Blueridge party" and let the Alabama delegates tell you of the wonderful things they saw and heard while there.

The Alabamians in attendance were: Misses Kathleen Mallory, of Baltimore, Md.; Irene Embry, Ashville, Ala.; Mae Peaks, Montgomery; Clyde Metcalfe, Montgomery; Bernice Jackson, Evergreen; Ulma Crumpton, Selma; Corrie and E. C. Nowlin, Gadsden; Mrs. D. I. Purser and Rev. Frank Moody Purser, Richmond, Va.

"Where is Blueridge?" About 16 miles from Asheville, N. C., simply surrounded by mountains. Oh, if you could have only gathered with us on the large veranda for the Vesper services as the sunset glow came over the mountains! We realized more fully that our God was the wonderful Creator. In those quiet evening services were drawn closer to nature's God. The Vesper service, led by the volunteers—those who were going out across the waters as His messengers—almost made us want to go, too.

"Why did we go and what did we do?" We went because we realized the need of better training for service.

This conference is one of the conferences conducted by the Missionary Education Movement, which is held annually for the purpose of bringing together young men and young women of all denominations to study methods of work.

We had the opportunity of taking one of the many courses in mission study—Winning Young People for Service, Mission in the Sunday School and Story Telling. The quiet hour services, led by Dr. Williams, were helpful, as were the platform meetings, with splendid addresses by a returned missionary or other able speakers.

The conference was truly an uplift to those who attended. The outdoor life was all that one could ask. In the afternoons parties of young people could be seen starting out for a "mountain hike" to "High Top" or "Brown's Pasture," where the mountains were beautiful with daisies, mountain laurel and rhododendron. Perhaps others were on their way to the swimming pool or tennis court.

This was a happy and helpful experience to be thrown with so many young and older people who had gone to the "mountain top" for a clearer vision of God's plan for His workman.

Will you not join the party another year?

CLYDE METCALFE.

WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY ABOUT "LITTLE ALABAMA" ACROSS THE WATERS.

2 Rue Tomanne, China, April 27, 1914.

My Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

"Little Alabama" walked to the "North Gate"—walked from the United States postoffice. I should think she would have been seasick from her long

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trip across the ocean, for she took one of the new boats, Empress of Asia, which takes a very northerly route and is sometimes very rough, but she did not say anything about being dizzy—just came right in and brought us a lot of cheer. She came just in time for our "Little Kaung-Soo" W. M. U., and our little band took courage from the fact that all great things must have a small beginning.

WILLIE H. KELLY.

The Y. W. A.'s of Alabama are grateful to our Mrs. Hamilton for dedicating this beautiful story of "Little Alabama" to us. Have you read it? If not send to the mission rooms and your leader will be glad to send you a copy.

The little Sunbeams will be glad to know that they, too, are to have a new story right soon.

How we love to think of the beautiful work our young people are doing. You will be glad to know that the Y. W. A.'s and S. R. B.'s more than met their apportionment, and I feel sure that the R. A.'s will be more loyal "Ambassadors of the King" in every feature of their work this year.

As young people we have a great task before us. Doubtless you have read many times about the W. M. U. Training School at Louisville, Ky. We have something new to tell you about this now. So many girls have wanted to enter the school, and they kept coming until the "House Beautiful" was crowded to the limit. It was decided in Nashville that the school must be enlarged. You know it will never do to let those who are longing for training for His work be turned away. It will take \$75,000 to enlarge the school, and Alabama has promised \$5,000 of this amount.

Listen! Our president of the Woman's Missionary Union in Alabama has such confidence in the young people that she suggested that we become responsible for a part of \$5,000. You may get frightened at these figures, but I think we should feel honored to have our W. M. U. ask us to give \$600 a year for three years to the enlargement fund. Don't you think so? I am sure that we are going to plan right away to send in our apportionment for this fund. Our slogan shall be, "Not failure, but low aim is crime."

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Y. W. A.'s and Girls' Auxiliaries will be interested to know that Miss Hester Avant, of Eclectic, Ala., will be our representative at the Training School, this year, having been awarded the Y. W. A. scholarship. Is it not beautiful to know that we have a representative there each year?

ARE YOU GOING TO THE ENCAMPMENT IN AUGUST?

Will you not plan to attend the encampment from the 1st to the 10th of August? Besides the W. M. U. hour each morning there will be helpful addresses, mission study classes and just what you want in your Sunday school work. Let us pray that this may be one of the most inspiring meetings we have had at Pelham.

We would remind the Y. W. A.'s and college girls of the important place which has been given them on the program and urge as many young women as possible to come. There will be things of interest to all ages of young people.

THE W. M. U. YEAR BOOKS AND MANUALS.

With a few days we hope to mail a copy of the new Year Book to each society officer in the state. One copy of the Year Book is furnished each society free for the use of that society. Please take these books and study the new plans of work for the

year. Do not lay them aside, but let them have an important place on your desk.

The revised Manuals for the Y. W. A.'s, R. A.'s and S. B. B.'s are at your headquarters. Please write us if you wish a copy.

SUNBEAM LITERATURE AND HELPS

Which Thoroughly Understood and Rightly Used Will Make Sunbeam Work Easy and Efficient.

THE MANUAL, "HOW TO SHINE," should be carefully studied (the constitution, duties of officers and members, standard of excellence, etc.) Notice also suggestions as to special helps, essentials, variety in meetings, methods, etc. The outline lessons (page 14) can be used to supplement those in our Mission Fields, or for an extra meeting. See LEAFLETS for each lesson, page 22. See list of books in the back, also "Report of Organization," which should be filled out and returned to me immediately after organization.

"MISSIONARY HELPS FOR SUNBEAMS" has listed a number of splendid things ordered from the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.—Curio boxes, Chinese dolls, illustrated missionary programs, picture cards, wall mottoes, etc.

FISH are given out, not as souvenirs, but as a reward for bringing in new members (permanent). Let them see which one can "catch the most fish" on his string.

TREASURE TEMPLES—Children enjoy using these as banks for their mission money. I furnish them FREE upon request, also the FISH.

CATECHISMS on the work of our State, Home and Foreign Mission Boards furnish information that both leaders and children should know.

THE CATALOGUE of Baltimore publications is most valuable. See leaflets on each foreign country, also special ones for Sunbeams on page 19; biography page, 13, and especially exercises, dialogues, songs, etc., on pages 13 to 15. In this list are splendid things, very inexpensive, for missionary entertainments, anniversary meetings, public and regular meetings, etc. Some of the best things are marked. All are ordered from Baltimore. (We have no PRICED literature at this office.) The young people's societies can do much good in creating missionary interest, giving information, etc., by means of these special programs, and at least one or two should be given each year, inviting the whole church.

THE YEAR BOOK is very important, and should be carefully read. Study the "Sunbeam Department," notice the monthly "Record" for keeping the Standard of Excellence, also the Questionaire.

SPECIAL THANK OFFERINGS FOR FOREIGN, HOME AND STATE MISSIONS.—The programs and envelopes for these are sent out from this office in due time. The Sunbeams observe these in only ONE extra meeting.

REPORTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS.—Each band should write a letter to the associational superintendent once each quarter. All gifts to missions should be sent to Miss Laura Lee Patrick.

OUR MISSION FIELDS or "Royal Service" has the programs for each month. It is necessary for the leader to take this, but it costs only 25 cents a year. It would also be well for the president to take it. Order from Mrs. W. R. Nimmo, 15 West Franklin street, Baltimore, Md.

THE FOREIGN MISSION JOURNAL (25 cents in clubs of 10), KIND WORDS (50 cents a year, ordered from the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.) and THE HOME FIELD (25 cents in clubs of 10), furnish splendid missionary literature for meetings.

Samples of all the above literature are sent to new Sunbeam Bands and others requesting it. This should be carefully kept and given to succeeding leaders when changes are made.

For further information as to the young people's work write to Miss Clyde Metcalfe, 127 South Court street, Montgomery, Ala.

A man may be the best man in the neighborhood if his neighbors say he is, but not if he says so himself.

GLIMPSSES OF THE B. Y. P. U. CONVENTION.

(E. J. Loucks in Journal and Messenger.)

The convention which convened July 2 at Convention Hall, Kansas City, Mo., will go down into history of Baptist young people activities as a memorable occasion, this being the first joint convention of B. Y. P. U. South and of B. Y. P. U. A. Kansas City's Convention Hall, which needs no introduction, was beautifully decorated with our own and Canadian flags. A chorus of 250 Kansas City young people added much to the enjoyment of the song services. One can readily imagine the enthusiasm present in such a large gathering of young people. Of the visiting delegations, Alabama, with 18 members, came near to capturing the mileage banner, which went to the Illinois delegation of 130 members. Aside from Missouri and Kansas delegations, Illinois, Iowa, Alabama, Nebraska, Ohio and Michigan were present in numbers in order named. In the awarding of pennants to unions that attained 100 per cent standard of efficiency Willson Avenue, Cleveland, took first place; Antioch, Cleveland, was among the 12 unions which reached this high mark.

Mr. H. W. Reed, outgoing secretary, who has served through 19 consecutive conventions, was presented with a loving cup.

Mr. Frank L. Anderson was re-elected president.

Keynotes of the convention, as struck by various speakers, are faithfulness, intelligent and trained service, efficiency and high standards.

Young People in Their Individual and Religious Life.

In the address of welcome Dr. J. C. Armstrong, of Kansas City, emphasized the need of faithful service. In his response Rev. George P. Beers, of Maryland, a border state, spoke of the significance of this convention. He expressed the wish and the belief that out of this convention may come some plan bringing about unity of operations of the south and the north and Canada, taking the best of each and building a stronger structure.

President W. W. Hamilton, of the B. Y. P. U. South, urged genuineness and intelligent application, training not merely entertainment, foundation laying, not flag raising, service not mere show, building of real character. Find out what God is doing and do it with Him.

The subject of the keynote address by Dr. H. L. Winburn, of Kentucky, was "The Call of Christ as Interpreted by This Convention." Christ calls to 100 per cent faithfulness, which is consecration of the whole man, to the whole task, the whole time.

The work of the B. Y. P. U. South was ably presented by Dr. I. J. VanNess, of the Sunday School Board, S. B. C., in an address on "Educational Courses and Literature of the Southern B. Y. P. U.," and by L. P. Leavell, of Mississippi, who spoke of "Baptist Young People and Their Union."

They work by the group system, membership in a union limited to about 50, as many as six unions in some churches. Every member is placed on some one of the four or five groups into which the union is divided. The meetings each month are: One devotional, one missionary, one of Bible study and one on Baptist doctrines. When there is a fifth Sunday subjects such as citizenship, temperance or Christian education are studied. The program is in charge of some one group, each member of which having a definite part in the service. They place the emphasis on the individual member, aiming by instruction and practice to train for church activity. Their two mottoes are: "We Study That We May Serve" and "All Baptist Young People Utilized." A delegation of 18 members from Birmingham, Ala., demonstrated a model meeting under their system.

The educational work of the B. Y. P. U. was presented by Dr. George T. Webb, of the American Baptist Publication Society, who laid special emphasis upon daily Bible study, the sacred literature and conquest missionary courses.

Dr. W. W. Hamilton called attention to five temptations which led to defeat of young people, namely: purposelessness, neglect, worldly pleasures, doubt and inactivity. Aim to maintain a high and lofty purpose.

Dr. J. C. Massee, of Ohio, responded on topic, "Victory in Christ." Victory is won by our having a clear and definite heavenly vision, ever pressing on toward the heavenly ideal. Get the habit of victory.

Young People in Their Society, Church and Denomination—Friday, July 3.

The relation of the young people to their union was defined by L. P. Leavell as the training of young, inexperienced Christians for church activity.

Rev. George A. Briggs, of New York, speaking on "Young People in Their Church," called attention to the unlimited environment and wide field of activities of the church which affords the most profitable outlet for energy and enthusiasm of young people. Young people with initiative are needed.

An open parliament on B. Y. P. U. standards and workers' conferences was held, topics for various groups being work of principal committees, membership, devotional, social, educational, unions, evangelistic, social and executive.

These were very practical and helpful and largely attended. A resolution was adopted requesting that more time on future convention programs be given to such conferences.

Dr. O. C. S. Wallace, of Quebec, presented "Our Baptist Heritage." This, he said, consisted of three things: An ideal of personality with emphasis on freedom of the individual in thought and expression; a standard of piety which recognized Jesus Christ as our authority; a method of polity which insists upon the separate function of church and state.

Dr. F. E. Taylor, of Indiana, presented the theme, "Present Baptist Responsibility." Our Baptist heritage demands that we reveal to the world a heroic type of Christianity, an intelligent Christianity, a new type of prayer life, a passion for the souls of men. We should resolve to be Bible Christians, prayer Christians, soul-winning Christians.

Young People in the Community and Nation—Saturday, July 4.

This being our great national birthday, the services were largely of a patriotic nature. What could be more fitting on such a day than the adoption by such a nation-wide band of young people of such resolutions as these:

1. Urging Sabbath observance by our constituency.
2. Endorsement of Bible study credits in public schools and colleges.
3. Endorsing efforts toward universal peace and commending President Wilson for stand in this matter.
4. Condemning the liquor traffic, urging adoption of the Hobson bill for national prohibition and adoption of slogan, "A Saloonless Nation by 1920."

Home mission problems of the north and south were presented by Rev. L. C. Barnes, of New York, and Dr. A. C. Cree, of Georgia.

In 14 states more than 50 per cent of the population of the state are foreign-born, mostly from countries where the open Bible is not known. If we are to successfully meet this condition it is essential that we have our fighting clothes and our working clothes on. Dr. Cree presented a strong array of facts to further emphasize the peril we face in our home mission problem.

The evening was devoted to singing of national anthems and listening to an address by Mr. L. C. Boyle, of Kansas City, representing the Civic Alliance League.

His subject was "The Menace and Problem of the City." We will determine the destiny of our nation as we solve the problem of the city and it is the opportunity of the church to take a leading place in this work.

Young People and the World-wide Kingdom—Sunday, July 5.

The afternoon topic was "Foreign Missions." Inspiring addresses were given on "Student Volunteer Movement," by Wm. H. Stallings, of Illinois; "Northern Baptists in Foreign Lands," by Dr. E. W. Hunt, of Boston, and "Southern Baptists in Foreign Lands," by Dr. C. C. Coleman, of Texas. Then followed the climax of the convention, when a number of young people arose, signifying their purpose to go wherever the call might send them. At the closing service, this evening, various state delegations will give their message in song, to be followed by a testimony meeting, led by Secretary Chalmers.

Richard C. Cabot in his recent book, "What Men Live By," says that real life, he has learned from a long medical experience, demands four invariable elements: Work, play, love, worship; "the interplay of these four is the end of life and its sole worthy end."

WHY I ATTEND CHURCH.

Moulton, Ala., July 1, 1914.

Dear Brother Editor:

I am indebted to Senator J. H. Bankhead for the following splendid article written by Hon. Claude Weaver, congressman from Oklahoma, and printed first in Leslie's Weekly, afterward read before congress, where it was highly eulogized and copied in the Record.

The article teems with brilliancy, pathos and devotion to the church of God. It deserves to be published in every paper, read and referred to in every church and Sunday school in the land. I heartily commend the eloquent article to every reader of the Alabama Baptist.

A. T. SIMS.

Why I Attend Church.

It is sweet on a summer's morning, when the air is aquiver with the love songs of the birds and fragrant with the order of roses blown, to hear the music of the church-going bells, an invitation to the world-weary to enter God's temple and find peace, because the instinct of worship is in the hearts of man, and the church is the temple of the living God.

I go to church because I find peace there, that peace which DeQuincy described as a resting from human labors, a Sabbath of repose, a respite granted from the secret burdens of the heart, as if I stood at a distance and aloof from the uproar of life; as if the tumult and fever and strife were suspended; as if there brooded over me a dove-like and halcyon calm.

I go to church because I love the music that I hear there, the mighty roll of the great organ, mingled with the marvelous symphonies of that divine stringed instrument, the human voice, untwisting all the chains that tie the hidden soul of harmony.

I go to church because I delight to hear the teachings of the preacher, whose soul is dedicated to God, whose field is as wide as God's universe, whose theme is the destiny of man, and whose words are the oracles of fate. Marvelous is the spell of the preacher to whom God has given genius and conservation and the power of illustration drawn from the old, sacred, immortal book, and from the miracles of nature, no less revealed in the crimson-tipped flower turned up by the plowshare of Robert Burns upon the soil of age than in the long reaches of the star-girt skies.

I go to church because "the way is dark and I am far from home," and because the church is the polar star to light my pathway in the rayless night.

I go to church because the church ministers not only to the spiritual but also to the material needs of life, and because it is then that the charities that soothe and heal and bless are scattered at the feet of man like flowers.

I go to church because in that atmosphere vice and crime wither and die.

I go to church because I hear the teachings of the philosophy of Jesus, the incomparable man; and if you say his teaching is philosophy and not religion and that He was a man not a God, then the philosophy of that man has redeemed the world from savagery and blessed mankind with Christian civilization, and, to my mind, it is a thing worth while to hear.

I go to church because I find there consolation and hope; because I see there the dawn and not the sunset; and it is better for man, if the hope is baseless and the vision but an elusive phantom, to cherish a dream so glorious and beautiful than to be weighted down and crushed with the mountains of a world without God and without hope.

October 11-15 Brown University will have one of the greatest events in its history. It will then celebrate the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the beginning as Rhode Island College in the town of Warren. Among the distinguished visitors and speakers will be ex-President Taft, E. Benjamin Andrews, Andrew Carnegie, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., more than a dozen presidents of colleges and many other persons eminent in education, literature, commerce and diplomacy.

Northern Baptists have a vision. For example, the budget of benevolences expected within the next 12 months for the various agencies of the convention will aggregate \$2,461,835.

SOME NOTES FROM BROTHER CRUMPTON.

Pray for Texas.

Probably the most bitter prohibition fight ever waged is now on in Texas. Let fellow Christians pray that God will give His people the victory. It means much to the kingdom if our greatest state goes dry. Kingdom lines are being drawn more closely there than in any similar contest. The liquor forces of the nation against the righteous!

A systematic war is being waged against the preachers. Prominent liquor farmers are being rushed over the state to warn the country people against the "political parson." They declare that the "pages of history are wet with blood shed at the hands of political preachers." The only "political preachers" of whom that might be said were the Catholics—the "preachers," God save the mark, whom the liquor forces everywhere have enlisted on their side. The Catholics have openly espoused the cause of the liquor traffic. Secretly they have always aided these enemies of God and man, but in Texas they are no longer under cover. A priest has sent out a letter in behalf of the liquor candidate for governor, saying: "He is not only a personal friend of mine, but a true friend of our church, and for years one of its monthly, generous contributors." Here in Alabama in the late primary word was sent out by those in authority that no Catholic voter should support a prohibitionist for any office, especially for the legislature, and the word was obeyed to the letter.

Our Baptist and other Christian people need to realize "the fight is on" in America for supremacy. Driven from power in other countries, they seek to install themselves in free America. The liquor power, combined with legalized vice, will be aided by this ever increasing foreign element in the Catholic church. It remains to be seen if the free-born American Catholic can be voted by the priests. Again I say: Let devout hearts petition the Ruler of the universe, our beneficent God, to intervene and save Texas from the curse of rum.

Speaking of Prayer

Reminds me that in all this awful June drouth, in all my travels, I have heard but one man speak of prayer for rain, and he was a man of the world. He said: "You Christians ought to pray for rain; everything is burning up."

Is God the same He was of old? If His ear is not open to the cry of His children now, what profit is there in the claim that the God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob is our God? He heard their cry in every emergency and sent deliverance. "To whom shall we go" if He who said "Whoever ye shall ask the Father in my name He will give it you" has gone back on His promise? Surely humiliation and confession for our sins, followed by prayer for rain, will be answered now as in the olden time. Have we not sinned? Are we not sinning every day? How extravagantly we live! How we lavish gifts on ourselves, and how grudgingly we dole out to God the things which His cause need! How the multitude avoid the place of prayer! How the children of the godly, forgetting their training, "follow the multitude to do evil!" How indifferent and careless, the best of us live! Are we surprised to witness the signs of God's displeasure? Let the hosts of God recognize in the blistering sun and the hot winds His visitation for the sins of the people and humble themselves before Him and cry to Him for relief.

I have just fallen upon this from "Word and Way," which God's people would do well to study:

"Curse Ye Meroz."

"Have you read the story of Meroz? You will find it in the fifth chapter of the book of Judges. Under Deborah and Barak a bloody battle had been fought and a splendid victory won. A proud song of triumph was sung. The song celebrated the loyalty and valor of the tribes that responded to the call to arms and faced, fought and defeated the enemy. In the midst of the torrential song there poured forth a blistering, bitter curse upon the inhabitants of Meroz, because they came not to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty. Meroz heard the call for help, but made no response. Its inhabitants were content to let others face the dangers, fight the battles and win the victories. Meroz stands for idleness, indifference, cowardice

and shirking. And on these there is an abiding curse."

What became of the people of Meroz we do not know; but in the midst of the song of triumph the curse was pronounced.

The battle is on now in Alabama and everywhere. The hosts of God will triumph in the end and the victory will be reclaimed. Have we the Merozites among us—men and women who claim to be of us, who witness the battle from afar, but lift a spear and shoot no arrow? W. B. CRUMPTON.

THE LAW AND THE GOSPEL.

"Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other."—Ps. 85:10.

These are the words of the sweet singer of Israel, and they convey to our minds the thought of reconciliation between earth and Heaven, between God and the sinner. We see in them both the law and the gospel. God's justice is vindicated, His mercy revealed, and peace secured.

Divine justice demands that God's holy law shall be respected, honored, and obeyed, or that sin, which is the transgression of the law shall be punished. But mercy cries, on the behalf of the sinner, for peace and reconciliation. Mercy is as much an attribute of God as justice. All sins deserve to be punished, and truth requires that each sin shall receive its just desert. The great question to be settled is this: "How can the demand of truth and justice be met, mercy shown, and peace secured? Or in other words, how can God be just and the justifier of the ungodly? How can God be righteous and account the unrighteous righteous?" Let us, therefore, consider:

I. The Law.

Define—The divine principle of right and wrong. Its language is, "Thou shalt, and thou shalt not."

Paul tells us, (Rom. 7:12) that, "The law is holy and righteous and good." And yet there are some things which the law cannot do, because we are unholly, unrighteous, and bad. Rom. 8:3. "For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh." Let us, therefore, consider:

1. What the law cannot do.
 - (1) Justify. Rom. 3:20. Gal. 3:11.
 - (2) Disannul the covenant of redemption. Gen. 12:3. Gal. 3:17.
 - (3) Show mercy. Heb. 10:28. 2:2 Rom. 1:18.
 - (4) Give life. Gal. 3:21.
 2. What the Law Does.
 - (1) Shows what sin is. Rom. 3:20. 7:7.
 - (2) Requires perfect obedience. Luke 2:28. Jas. 2:10.
 - (3) Works wrath. Rom. 4:15.
 - (4) Pronounces a curse upon disobedience. Gal. 3:10.
 - (5) Condemns. Rom. 3:19.
- Let us not consider

II. The Gospel.

Define. Good news about Christ our Savior; Luke 2:10-11. It reveals to us God's sure remedy for sin. Rom. 1:17.

It unveils a righteousness apart from law—a righteousness which is secured by faith in Jesus Christ, and not by works. Rom. 3:21-26.

1. How this was effected.
 - (1) God sacrificed His son to be a propitiation. John 3:16. Gal. 4:4. 1 Cor. 1:23-24. Rom. 3:24-26. 5:9. "When God set forth in His blood to be a propitiation for sin." (See also Eph. 1:7. 2:13. Col. 1:14, 20. Heb. 9:14, 20. 1 Pet. 1:2. 19. 1 Jno. 1:7.)
 - (2) The son laid down His own life. John 6:51. 10:15, 17, 18. Isa. 53:12. Heb. 2:9. Rom. 5:8.
2. Why Christ was put to death in the flesh.
 - (1) That He might bring us to God. 1 Pet. 3:18.
 - (2) That we might be reconciled to God. Eph. 2:14-16. Rom. 5:10. 3 Cor. 5:18-19.
 - (3) That God might be just and the justifier of believers. Rom. 3:26.
 - (4) That He might pay the ransom price. Matt. 10:22. Mk. 10:45.
 - (5) That He might redeem us. Gal. 3:13. 4:5. Rev. 5:9.

Thus the demands of truth and justice were met by Christ, so that God's mercy can freely flow to the penitent believing sinner. Will you accept Him, and be saved? A. J. PRESTON.

There is no place among Baptists for exploiters and rulers, but there is a place for leaders.

FROM THE COOSA RIVER W. M. U.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Coosa River Baptist Association held its third quarterly all-day meeting with the Winterboro society on June 12.

So much is in the welcome one receives to set the heart atune for a good day's work. Nothing was lacking in this respect when we reached Winterboro.

At the appointed hour the morning session began by all singing the hymn, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow," followed by prayer and reading of the 67th Psalm by our superintendent, Mrs. John C. Williams.

Instructive and stimulating reports were heard from those societies represented, all with one exception having met their apportionment; but with a "long pull and a strong pull" the dear women of this society will have a different report at the annual meeting in September. At least it shall be our prayer that such may be the case.

Many prayers were offered at the throne of grace that great success might attend this onward march in the cause of missions, and they will be answered.

There were many fine subjects on the program, and the earnestness with which they were discussed evidenced the sincerity of these Christian women.

Mrs. John C. Williams gave many helpful and encouraging words on different topics.

Many expressions as to the importance of these quarterly all-day meetings were given. Mrs. Russell said this coming together stimulates the weaker societies. Mrs. Matthews declared that wonderful good is derived from this coming together at stated seasons. Miss Keith said we are getting on a higher plane.

"Place of Prayer in W. M. U. Work," by Mrs. B. P. Autrey, gave us a glimpse into the holy of holies.

The morning session closed with prayer.

Then came the social hour and a grand feast in the shade of the trees.

The afternoon session was opened with prayer by Mrs. Matthews.

Virginia Prather, a young girl, illustrated the importance of early training by a well written paper on the subject: "Missionary Giving—The Manner, the Measure and the Motive."

"Personal Service," "Good Deeds," "Noble Living," "Liberal Giving," "Soul Winning," were the subjects of different members of the Sylacauga society.

Miss Minnie Ogletree gave an account of the work done by the Y. W. A.'s and the Y. A.'s.

Mrs. Brown sang the Jubilate hymn.

In the quiet hush of the afternoon came the crowning hour of the day—the consecration service. Not one but felt the presence of the Master in this sacred hour. It was then we realized what is meant by the words of the hymn, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds Our Hearts in Christian Love." Our hearts were full to over flowing.

The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Howard of Sylacauga. ELIZABETH HOOD, Sec'y.

LITTLE MISS TARDY GIRL.

At bedtime she sat in the firelight's gleam,
And little Miss Tardygirl had a queer dream.
She dreamed that she'd turned to a wee flower elf,
And was out in the meadow to live by herself.
Her breakfast was served in a big buttercup,
But she came there too late, and a bee ate it up!
She managed to miss every thistle-down car
That went to the knoll where the blueberries are,
And she was too late at the Toadstool Cafe,
And so she went hungry the long summer day.

At last it grew dark and she looked for a bed,
"I'll sleep in that lily," she drowsily said.
To reach it she climbed a grass-stalk so green;
How soft was its golden heart, a bed for a queen!
"Too late," said the lily, and she shut her bed tight,
Leaving poor Tardygirl out in the night.
At bedtime she sat in the firelight's gleam,
And little Miss Tardygirl woke from her dream.
She blinked her blue eyes and she rushed to her bed,
"Oh, don't shut it up—I am coming," she said.

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The loss will reach \$12,000,000 at least. The situation is rendered more serious by the fact that so many have lost not only their home, but also their places of business, so cutting off their means of support.

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SALEM CALLS IN DISTRESS.

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ly with over \$350,000, and the federal government is expected to appropriate \$200,000 more, but even with these large amounts it will require another \$500,000 to meet the situation.

The need is desperate. It is well nigh impossible to exaggerate the conditions. The fire spread so rapidly that very little could be saved from the homes. In a few hours time 300 acres of closely built territory was a raging mass of flames.

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(It was in the above church that the first American Baptist society for Foreign Missions strictly was organized on April 23, 1812. And the mother of Rev. Edward Judson, D. D., and Dr. Adoniram B. Judson was a member here before going to the foreign field.—Ed.)

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The writer preached to an appreciative audience at Double Branch Missionary Baptist church on the third Sunday in June at 3 p. m., and will, God willing, preach there again at 3 p. m. the third Sunday in July, and at Big Hill Missionary Baptist church, in northern Pickens, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in July at 2 p. m., and on the fourth Sunday in July at 11 a. m., and the fourth Sunday in July at 4 p. m. at Cross Roads Missionary Baptist church. Our congregations are unusually large and very attentive. Yours in Christ—
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The State of Alabama, Jefferson County—Probate Court, June 25th, 1914.

Estate of William V. DeRamus, a Minor.

This day came Leon B. DeRamus, guardian of the estate of William V. DeRamus, a minor, and filed his application in writing in due form and under oath, praying for an order of sale of certain land described therein, for the purpose of supporting, maintaining and educating said minor.

And whereas, the 22nd day of July, 1914, having been set by this court as a day for hearing said petition and the proofs which may be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered by the court that notice of the filing and nature of said application and of the day set for hearing the same be given by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in this county, for all persons in interest to appear and contest the same if they think proper.

J. P. STILES,
Judge of Probate.

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TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

We, the Ladies' Aid of Six Mile Baptist church, send tribute of respect.

"Ah! how soon our hopes decay;

We must suffer and endure;
Strive and struggle as we may,
Life is short and death is sure."

Died at her home, near Six Mile, Ala., July 1, 1914, Mrs. Augusta Anna Pratt, wife of W. C. Pratt.

She was first married to Mr. George Cottingham, with whom she lived until his death. Several years later she was married to Mr. W. C. Pratt.

She leaves a husband, three sons, two daughters and a number of relatives and friends to mourn her loss. Her soul gently took its flight on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The casket was placed before the altar in Enon church Thursday morning at 11 o'clock. A large number of relatives and friends sat in tears while Rev. J. W. Mitchell spoke in behalf of her sainted remains.

She suffered untold agony for three days, but she bore her suffering with Christian fortitude and patience, without a murmur, often repeating if it was God's will she was ready to go.

Indeed she was a true Christian, and has gone to dwell with God and the angels, where there is no more suffering.

"As true as the daylight is to the night,

The rain drops to the sod,
Tried by the Savior's suffering test,
So true was her soul to God."

She was a zealous worker in our society and will be missed by us, for she was ever ready to render her assistance at any time to advance the cause of Christ.

"Many kind friends looked on her face

Before they laid it in its resting place
And called to memory in loving thought

Some kindly deed that she had wrought."

MRS. J. C. WOOLLEY,

MRS. J. M. HAYES,

MISS THEO. ARNOLD,

Committee.

Our meeting at Flat Wood, Ala., has just closed. Rev. J. C. Hill, from Goshen, Ala., was with us and did the preaching. The good people there surely have the work of the Lord on their heart. Surely they believe in taking care of their pastor and helper during a revival. Each day God proves his love and mercy more and more. During this week we have received 14 members for baptism, two by letter and one by restoration. With the good prayers of the people, the faithful preacher and the great working power of the Lord a number of the Devil's work shops have been broken into and set on fire with the spirit of God. One of the members was once led off by the Mormons, but, thanks be to God, he said: "I have found the Savior now; that satisfies me." Our Lord stands ready to open to those who knock. He has meant much to me at all times. May His blessings continue among His people.

—Horace G. Williams.

(Glad he is coming to Howard and hope some churches will give him work.)

BROTHER FENDLEY COMES TO GENEVA.

I am now pleasantly located on my new field at Geneva, among as good people as the earth affords.

We held our first service here yesterday, and the congregations were good and interest fine. In the afternoon I went out in an auto seven miles and made a speech on temperance at a Sunday school convention.

It seems that the opportunities here are almost unexcelled—lots of people and others coming, and those who are here have a mind to work.

Of course our hearts are troubled over leaving our former field in Meridian, Miss. The people had come to seem as though they were really ours. During our pastorate of six years there the Lord was good to us, adding to the membership more than 400 souls and increasing the Sunday school attendance from 56 to 212, and helping us to pay off an indebtedness of 15 years' standing, besides doing about \$3,500 worth of improvements. No better church can be found anywhere, but we are here now, and the goodness of the people here will fully compensate for what we sacrificed in leaving there.

I want to say to the people of Alabama that I am not here for a vacation; neither have I come for a vacation. I am here to stay and work until the good Lord needs me elsewhere. If I can serve you in any way remember that I am here for that purpose. Use me any time. Abuse me no time. Pray for me all the time.

Affectionately,

W. E. FENDLEY.

HOWARD COLLEGE ITEMS.

On every hand are heard expressions of pleasure at the coming of Mrs. Patrick.

Mr. James R. Edwards, who is studying in New York, writes happily of his experiences there and sends remembrance to all his friends in Alabama.

Mr. Moon will rest for a few weeks with his father's people at Hillsboro, Tex. A good friend of our dignified professor has hinted that for some unaccountable reason the moon is just now deflecting from his usual course. Is it true that there are bodies celestial in Texas?

Visitors to the college campus this summer are more numerous than ever before. So are registrations at the office, and so are expressions of approval and co-operation from many sources.

Dr. Carey Pratt McCord, who since his graduation has done such brilliant work with Parke, Davis & Co., Detroit, will sail in August for a year's work in Europe. He is home at present with his friends for a few days of leavetaking.

With Christ for the center of human beings, being human is a blessed thing.

There are men in prison for from five to fifty years for the same offense. When the judge was in a pleasant mood the sentence was light. When in a bad mood, heavy. God will deal justly with every man. He has no moods.

A VALUABLE TABLE.

In every State Convention minute sent out after this will go a statistical table of 1913. Every preacher and worker should hang it up for reference.

The Per Capita

Column will be an eye opener. I think Tuskegee would have worn the crown but for a mistake in the minute. As it is, Selma bears off the honors, \$3.44, with Tuskegee next, \$2.39, and Russell just at her heels, \$2.30.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

(See back page.)

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The Indian Head Baptist church, at Cordova, has just closed the greatest revival in its history. The writer was assisted by Rev. Oliver C. Dobbs, of Birmingham. Brother Dobbs is a strong and successful helper. For two weeks he preached with such power it stirred the hearts of men and women and caused them to think seriously about their souls' salvation. During the meeting 26 gave Jesus their lives. Twenty-two joined this church and four went to the other church, and nine joined by letter, making a total of 31 during Brother Dobbs' stay. Recently the pastor has baptized 36, and has four others awaiting baptism. The Lord has greatly blessed our labors here, and we are praying that we might still see greater results. Come over and see our Sunday school—see the boys and girls in their teens at work. It will surprise you what they are doing. I have with me one of the best Sunday school workers in the state in the person of A. G. Sullivan. My people are not satisfied with anything short of the best in church and Sunday school work. Listen for the boys and girls in our school.—J. C. Abernethy.

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Lot No. 22 of Spence and Springer's addition to West Woodlawn as follows by the plat of said addition, recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Jefferson county, State of Alabama, in Map Book No. 8, at page 25.

Said sale is made for the purpose of paying the mortgage debt and cost and expenses of foreclosure.

W. A. SPENCE,
Mortgagee.

JAMES M. RUSSELL, Attorney for Mortgagee.
July 15



REV. LEWIS W. DOCKERY.

Last Wednesday night Rev. Lewis W. Dockery, pastor of Richmond Place Baptist church, brought to a close the revival services of the church, which had been conducted the past 10 days with much prayer and consecration. He was ably assisted in the services by his brother, L. G. Dockery, who led the singing, and by a large number of the members of the church, who stood by him loyally during all the hot days.

The members believe this revival is going to prove to be the most beneficial and permanent in its results ever held by the church, owing to the fact that the pastor did all the preaching himself. As a result of the meeting 12 confessed Christ as their Savior and asked for baptism, while seven were received by letter. Three others have told the pastor they were going to send for their letters and place them with us, and several others have manifested deep concern over their soul's welfare. Sunday night a beautiful scene was witnessed, when nine of the new converts were buried in the waters of baptism. Brother Dockery is a young man, still a student of Howard College, but since assuming the pastorate of Richmond Place Baptist church, 15 months ago, 75 members have been added to the church. His sermons reflect study and much thought, and by his seriousness and spirituality he has endeared himself to his congregation as few pastors can.

R. R. DARDEN,
Birmingham, Ala.

Most people are willing to do their duty as they see it.

FROM MILLPORT.

We are moving along nicely here. Our Sunday school has taken on new life since Brother Davis held the training school here. After the school we made the canvass and arranged separate rooms for the classes, graded the school and got some in who had not previously attended. The church has moved up from one-fourth to half time, and things look more encouraging. We take collections regularly for the several interests of our work.

The Sunday school gives the collection the first Sunday in each month to the Orphans' Home. I think we will reach \$60 for the home this year, with possibly that amount for missions.

The church is very good to the pastor and family. We have some of the

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salt of the earth here. I regard the church twice as strong as when I commenced.

This is the home of Brother A. L. Stephens, one of the state Sunday school workers. He has held a training school here, and is to hold another commencing the 9th of August.

The school is doing good work now. They have a live Woman's Missionary Union and Sunbeam band, with Sister Stephens leading.

We have celled the house, and the paint is ready to put on; a new bell has been bought, and we take collections according to the calendar. With such workers as Brother and Sister Stephens, Sister Brown, Brother Mayhall and others, I am expecting in the near future to see this church move up to full time, with a pastor located on the field. So you see we are marking some progress all along the line.

As to myself, I am in poor health, and have been for some time. There

is such a demand for my services I regret that I am not able to do more.

In this and adjoining counties there is a great deal of friction among Baptists—board and anti-board. Division and strife reign supreme, churches divided and dividing, until it now looks like there will be a complete division. Pray for us over here that the will of the Lord may be done.

T. W. SHELTON.

The Baptists ministers of the Birmingham district will have a pastors' picnic at Avondale Park on Monday, the 20th. A regular session of the Pastors' Conference will be held at 10:30 in the tabernacle of the Avondale Baptist church. All pastors are expected to be present and are urged to bring their families. Revs. P. C. Barkley, John W. Inzer and W. S. Brown are the committee on arrangements. Revs. Wm. Blackwelder and John W. Inzer will furnish the topics for discussion.

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TIMMERMAN-DONOVAN.

A marriage of unusual interest was that of Mr. James McKisate Timmerman, of Montgomery, and Miss Ida Belle Donovan, which was beautifully solemnized at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, June 4, at "Oak Grove Cottage," the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Donovan, at Mountain Creek.

The home was beautifully decorated with smilax, ferns and cut flowers. In the parlor, where the ceremony was performed, the color scheme was white and green. The altar was beautifully arranged with palms and ferns studded with Easter lilies. White tapers burned in silver candelabra, casting a soft glow over the pretty scene.

Before the ceremony Mrs. J. L. Roberts, of Montgomery, sang very sweetly "I Hear You Calling Me" and "Because I Love You, Dear." She was accompanied on the piano by Mrs. J. E. Gordon, of Deatsville, a girlhood friend of the bride, who also played Mendelssohn's wedding march as the bridal party entered.

Misses Kathryn Marbury and Cynthia Fowlkes, of Birmingham, were

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flower girls. They wore dainty frocks of white lace and carried baskets of pink rosebuds. Little Miss Nell Russell, of Montgomery, was ring bearer. She wore a white lace frock, with pink ribbons, and carried the ring on a silver tray.

Miss Mary Timmerman, of Prattville, a sister of the groom, was maid of honor. She wore a costume of pink crepe de chine and lace and carried pink Killarney roses.

The petite bride entered with her father, Mr. James Donovan, by whom she was given in marriage. She was a picture of girlish beauty in her wedding gown of white duchess satin. It was trimmed in princess lace and seedless pearls, and her veil, which was fashioned effect, was caught to her hair with orange blossoms. She wore a diamond necklace and carried a bouquet of bride's roses and lilies of the valley.

Mr. Timmerman was attended by Mr. N. A. Moore, of Montgomery, as best man, and the ceremony was performed by Dr. Preston Blake, of Birmingham. During the ceremony Mrs. Gordon played softly "Traumerie."

Afterwards a reception was held and ices and cakes were served.

Miss Mary Henderson, of Mountain Creek, and Miss Annie Florence Sanford, of Deatsville, presided at the punch bowl.

Miss Dovie Timmerman, of Prattville, a sister of the groom, was in charge of the bride's book.

Later in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Timmerman left in an automobile for Montgomery, where they took the train for Nashville, Chattanooga, Lookout Mountain and Atlanta. After 10 days they will return to Montgomery and go at once to housekeeping in their home on Highland avenue.

The bride is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. James Donovan, and was educated at the Judson College. She is a charming girl, vivacious and attractive, and by her sweet nature has endeared herself to many friends, who wish for her every happiness.

Mr. Timmerman is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. O. Timmerman, of Prattville. He is a member of the faculty of the Barnes School, and is held in the highest esteem. He has a host of friends in Montgomery, who will welcome his bride most cordially.

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Mrs. Donovan, the mother of the bride, wore a costume of Wisteria crepe de chine, and was assisted in receiving by Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Marbury, Mrs. Charles Russell, Mrs. C. E. A. Timmerman, Mrs. Dennis Donovan, Mr. R. G. Mushat, Mrs. Horace Stringfellow, Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Maddox.

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In early life he professed faith in Christ as his Savior and joined Mt. Bethel Baptist church. He remained a diligent, consecrated member until death. He had been deacon of the church, Sunday school superintendent, and teacher for a number of years, and performed his duties faithfully. He was a regular subscriber to the denominational papers and took great interest in the things which pertain to righteousness. He was a successful business man, having accumulated quite an abundance of this world's goods. He gave generously of his means to all benevolent purposes. He leaves a wife and seven children, with a host of relatives and friends, to mourn his death. He was a devoted husband and father, and it was his eager desire for his children to become Christians.

We miss him as a relative, as a citizen, and above all we miss him in the church relations.

We mourn not as those who have no hope, for we believe if we live godly lives we shall meet him in the "house not made with hands."

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Mrs. Susan Elizabeth Nalls, who left us June 21, 1914, was truly a Dorcas in the East Birmingham Baptist church. In her nine years of membership there she had not only endeared herself to every one in and out of the church, but had largely shaped the benevolences of the church by her wise policies and matchless leadership in all lines of church work. She was truly appreciated for her real worth.

Born in Elmore county November 6, 1868, the daughter of Col. and Mrs. S. D. Oliver, she was married November 2, 1887, to R. A. Nalls. Mother and husband still survive, as also three sons and three daughters.

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Alabama	16	55	927	21	15 35	28 97	23 38	91 60	35	25 20	10 04		8 45	203 35
Antioch	14	30	880	39	112 74	42 01	54 60	22 66	14 69	37 63	32 98	12 71	18 32	348 40
Arbacoochee	6		322											
Bethel	31	123	2338	97	774 03	429 46	493 21	181 51	15 59	150 20	57 15	57 67	128 53	2287 35
Bethlehem	29	112	1993	58	391 25	219 01	245 08	3 27	18 45	125 94	52 15		115 21	1170 37
Bibb County	25	212	2992	50	276 67	310 05		180 44	2 00	239 25	35 36		141 74	1513 83
Big Bear Creek	34	124	2220	07			26 81	139 15						165 96
Bigbee	24	22	1121	1 68	372 84	449 88	573 14	63 91	40 34	245 09	65 47	22 50	58 27	1891 44
Birmingham	71	723	12857	1 16	3030 89	3299 33	4548 35	647 25	220 62	1601 58	354 52	537 21	725 07	14964 86
Blount County	36	194	2786	17	60 17	80 39	120 91	87 01	7 22	98 15	5 30	16 71	18 87	494 73
Butler County	29	148	2768	91	589 28	575 53	634 20	166 98	31 73	149 37	58 67	240 10	89 85	2535 77
Cahaba	30	98	2206	1 29	462 04	725 41	975 1	95 86	29 20	377 35	62 72	30 73	103 19	2861 64
Calhoun County	50	334	5291	1 13	1029 64	1160 55	2501 25	94 57	116 38	553 01	119 77	229 41	202 42	6007 03
Carey	33	159	3237	41	178 90	258 74	246 02	284 01		305 03	2 00		78 60	1353 30
Cedar Bluff	18	66	853	16	29 37	40 62	19 30			42 63	7 42		5 05	144 39
Centennial	15	45	866	1 31	197 98	354 46	247 2	8 70	2 60	238 80	2 65	18 50	69 50	1140 40
Central	43	267	4869	65	785 05	517 08	740 3	235 38	85 33	301 66	158 63	297 00	74 65	3195 12
Cherokee County	25	90	1837	18	62 61	75 17	71 80	7 03	15 03	81 56	17 45		12 58	343 29
Chilton County	23	83	2896	18	43 66	132 86	130 5	4 00	11 50	193 66	9 55	3 47	14 30	543 51
Clarke County	47	192	4814	33	341 36	261 75	424 70	25 13	20 50	375 90	61 27		78 12	1588 81
Clay County	21	98	1994	11	42 37	41 07	39 82	12 00		93 26				228 52
Clear Creek	31	142	2023	04	13 06	17 15	17 3	3 40	3 50	33 68	4 80		7 75	100 69
Cleburne	28	113	2258	07	29 65	29 38	21 20	1 81	21 00	63 19	2 80		3 00	172 03
Coffee County	28	179	3147	37	228 23	274 94	276 08	32 22	28 75	241 89	35 99	19 00	16 25	1173 35
Colbert	17	89	1635	31	93 62	111 57	118 10	85 69	23 75	51 57	13 52		22 53	520 41
Columbia	43	321	5241	07	411 81	366 20	554 9	2750 25	6 86	425 24	124 52	253 14	216 27	5109 23
Conecuh County	23	141	2247	77	356 95	344 79	436 60	149 45	3 22	280 57	30 60	135 85	9 17	1747 26
Coosa River	40	385	4321	79	646 58	663 09	873 9	208 18	52 24	413 55	82 78	152 01	363 78	3456 12
Crenshaw County	20	141	1612	36	139 64	95 05	67 50	16 23	15 49	239 25	27 55	7 31	7 80	615 82
Cullman	50	251	4179	21	195 03	167 14	138 37	84 14	7 22	235 50	50 94	8 41	10 25	897 00
Dale County	30	307	3749	51	335 26	277 45	367 90	289 89	55 91	237 24	59 53	87 00	208 20	1918 44
DeKalb County	46	276	3327	20	136 24	134 09	133 40	23 77	12 71	179 74	20 04		45 14	685 13
East Liberty	40	151	4373	86	821 68	712 02	901 21	15 61	118 39	605 86	250 89	141 79	224 91	3792 36
Elim	10	25	541	13	15 45	13 35	2 71	24 85		15 85				72 21
Escambia	22	66	1863	65	177 01	295 42	318 31	77 36	59 42	180 77	58 16		45 33	1211 80
Etowah	36	272	3548	60	329 83	760 76	375 04	183 81	11 27	238 96	44 93	10 43	185 61	2140 74
Eufaula	21	90	2114	1 12	318 00	293 53	941 84	275 58		357 91	78 03	15 37	108 07	2388 33
Geneva	22	131	2390	39	202 42	231 79	171 18	9 35	19 05	217 14	32 83	35 00	17 00	935 76
Gilliam Springs	22	65	1837	09	12 21	14 87	9 17	30 56		37 86			66 50	171 17
Harmony Grove	19	80	1268	35	26 13	293 70	32 50	35 37		34 55	11 77		10 37	444 45
Judson	23	126	2590	26	147 98	89 20	154 77	21 37	15 00	203 74	15 50	32 00	8 00	687 76
Lamar County	8	63	523	30	72 09	22 45	22 80	3 50	8 21	21 75		7 50		138 30
Lauderdale	17	69	1234	37	103 13	99 04	118 81	28 98	4 35	48 18	25 76		30 97	459 22
Liberty, North	27	265	2962	59	322 29	392 28	509 81	23 66	19 29	162 10	38 75		83 06	1751 24
Macedonia	14	59	736	08		18 77		41 85						60 62
Marshall	36	291	3394	28	199 65	194 11	198 25	21 80	131 84	180 26	22 40		28 14	976 42
Mineral Springs	15	83	921	07	5 63	1 20	5 82	3 45	20 38	30 94	75		3 86	72 03
Mobile	34	224	3976	1 24	1048 55	1370 25	1293 96		42 75	659 60	190 10	191 24	168 86	4965 25
Montgomery	26	103	3936	1 87	1428 00	1649 20	2347 52	65 17	126 49	930 69	217 69	314 20	281 92	7360 88
Mt. Carmel	15	63	870			25				5 65				5 90
Mud Creek	24	41	1203	06	2 85	10 35	9 44	19 25		16 56	20 90			79 31
Muscle Shoals	43	297	4398	84	422 54	549 93	1896 43	122 80	14 48	389 10	48 89		281 12	3725 29
New River	18	104	1580	60	94 21	64 07	144 74	73 99	5 00	47 73	14 36	493 75	10 91	948 81
North River	36	190	3264	31	243 22	188 61	266 31	29 01	19 49	176 98	40 16	24 18	26 69	1014 65
North St. Clair	20	83	1322	39	67 71	80 16	158 99	24 28	5 10	75 54	12 29	25 70	67 62	517 39
Pine Barren	24	73	1492	1 35	432 94	419 30	484 28	11 53	13 60	322 37	107 74	114 85	115 48	2022 09
Pleasant Grove	12	25	505	07	8 00	5 50	8 06	3 08		15 65				40 23
Randolph County	30	245	2677	71	341 11	389 22	354 25	193 53	18 75	415 01	126 83		67 01	1905 75
Russell County	17	47	638	2 30	313 91	191 31	464 51	7 90	45 38	242 84	30 44	126 34	46 05	1468 68
Saint Clair	17	75	1729	05	13 50	26 23	3 94	14 70		20 22	1 16		10 00	89 76
Salem-Troy	31	94	3141	1 07	553 02	713 17	1027 44	18 53	99 37	528 85	51 34	217 43	179 40	3388 55
Sardis	18	84	1052	09	7 04	8 00	10 71	36 42		37 59	2 00			101 80
Selma	17	43	1427	3 44	1285 25	784 58	1139 26	35 71	52 13	54 00	605 24	724 17	229 88	4910 22
Shady Grove	21	71	1479	09	19 57	20 06	23 04	39 80		34 90	6 71	75	1 10	145 93
Shelby County	31	248	2581	53	385 83	197 91	216 05	51 06	44 44	210 67	130 83	81 07	53 01	1370 87
Sipsy	20	51	1280	12	32 66	39 61	33 26	13 20		27 15	8 20	4 00	7 00	165 08
Southeastern	10	13	207	06				13 20						13 20
Sulphur Springs	19	54	890	18	16 85	13 35	13 85	35 05	4 00	60 00	17 75	1 00	1 00	162 85
Tennessee River	35	196	2800	49	212 42	224 83	337 07	96 68	31 14	362 48	91 43		23 31	1379 36
Tuscaloosa	38	202	4296	95	972 10	730 16	1045 43	276 84	15 45	284 21	228 42	343 80	189 32	4085 73
Tuskegee	29	83	2479	2 39	1024 86	815 63	1397 21	351 29	70 84	603 11	203 90	1216 68	255 05	5938 57
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Washington	22	51	1205	43	138 28	117 35	96 01	5 79	24 42	18 10	51 92	28 14	42 29	522 30
Weogufka	15	29	1043	03				22 25		9 38				31 63
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Totals					\$24169 64	\$24810 79	\$32759 52	\$8601 10	\$2047 67	\$16565 13	\$4704 13	\$6352 54	\$6055 60	\$125566 12

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