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PASTOR'S CONFERENCE ECHOES

The June meeting of the West Kentucky Pastor's Conference in Mayfield elected L. R. Riley, Lone Oak, treasurer for the work of J. C. Dance and wife in connection with the Hazard Institute, Hazard, Ky., with which Brother C. D. Stevens is connected.

Interesting discussion on Revivals took most of the morning session. D. B. Clapp gave an interesting lecture in the afternoon on Communism. W. M. Wood, State Mission Secretary, said we might or might not quote him. We mean to be accurate in the following paragraph:

"We have been standing up crowing about our soundness as Southern Baptists, but discordant voices are increasing among us.... The tendency at the Convention at St. Louis was strong to strike every downgrade movement.... I don't think our theological Seminary is doing the Baptists of this State much good. They brought in a Campbellite to lecture to our young preachers, and he advised them to bring dances into our churches.... Instead of Kagawa (if he is right, I'm wrong) they might have brought a man that would have brought an inspirational message and preached Christ.... The teacher in theology says any man may administer baptism. If we would open up on false teachings as they did in Whitsitt's day, we'd have a fight.... Learned men need regeneration and Christ.... Dr. Weatherspoon said about the Research Bureau, 'I've washed myself clean of this forever.'"

BAPTIST GAINS

Last year American churches gained 670,801 adherents. Catholics head the list with a gain of 210,793; Baptists come second with 163,318; Methodists are third with 91,069. God speed the day when Baptists head the list.

Z. E. Clark goes from Marion, Ky., to one of the younger churches in Detroit.

BIRDS OF A FEATHER

Dr. E. M. Poteat, Jr., who has become known to Southern Baptists by his contentions for the Social Research Bureau, declares in his book, "Jesus and the Liberal Mind," "If, he asks in dismay, you deny the inerrancy of the whole Bible, how can you tell which is true and which is false? To which the only possible reply is, I trust in the guidance of the Spirit, and even if that is hazardous, I cannot shrink from it" (p. 110).

Editor Gordon Hurlbutt of "The Christian Thinker" in the May issue on "The Authority of the Spirit" tries to substitute for the infallible Book the guidance of the Spirit in Christian life.

Booth claim to be Baptists but deny the supreme authority of the Bible. Baptists take the Bible as their only and all sufficient rule of faith and practice. That is a characteristic mark of Baptists, and he who denies the final authority of the Bible thereby classes himself as not a true Baptist and not a sound leader of Baptists. The sooner such "Liberals" get out of Baptist ranks, the better.

Mr. Poteat will not object to the label "Liberal." Last year at the Memphis Convention Editor Hurlbutt said that I would call him a Modernist. I did not name him; his own utterances classify him as more Modernist than Baptist. He finds contradictions in the Bible, denies a hell of eternal torment, and carves the heart out of the atonement. I am not careful about labels, but such unscriptural views are sufficient label.

These men refuse the infallible and inerrant Book under the guise of following the guidance of the Spirit in Christian life. After all, it becomes the professed infallibility of one's own opinions. To illustrate: one believes in immersion for baptism; another accepts sprinkling, pouring, and immersion. Each claims to be following the Holy Spirit. How can we test their views? Both are equally sincere and are living clean lives. "To the law

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LIST OF MONUMENT DONORS

Below we give as complete a list of the donors to the H. B. Taylor Monument as we can. Any that may be overlooked will be noted later. A graduate of W. K. B. S. writes, "I could not do enough to show my appreciation of what he did for me while I was under his teaching and preaching." We have all said "amen" by our gifts.

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WHAT IS REPENTANCE?

In a recent meeting at "the Church of Christ" in Paducah Evangelist Brewer of Memphis gave, according to the local daily, this definition of repentance: "Repentance means ceasing to do wrong; it includes restitution, reformation, and Godly sorrow." That is undiluted Campbellism and shows they are not coming closer to the gospel.

That makes repentance outward instead of inward as the Bible makes it, Joel 2:13, "Rend your heart." This question arises: How much wrong must one cease to do in repenting? We all know that no one is saved without repentance. Let Mr. Brewer answer, "It is a thing men continue to practice as long as they live." That is why they teach no sure salvation in this life. Otherwise, one would have to quit all wrong or live above sin to have gospel repentance.

The preacher confuses repentance with its fruits. Ceasing to do wrong, restitution, and reformation come as products of repentance and regeneration. "Godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of," II Cor. 7:10.

Repentance means an inward hatred for, confession of, and turning from sin to trust in the Savior. As one has well said, it means taking God's side against sin. And if one feels with God about sin, his life will show it. But we must clearly distinguish between the real thing in the heart and the fruit of it in the life.

Oh professed Christian, have you really repented? Oh sinner, will you not now turn in repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ? Do it now.

Wally, the San Francisco elephant that killed a man in June, went to his death in line with Ex. 21:28-32. Yet some sentimentalists wanted to save the elephant.

Vignettes For Preachers No. 3 No. 3

"If I were somewhere else" is a common but idle statement for the preacher who is not working on his own field. He can talk of the personal work another preacher ought to do or dream of what he would do if he were there. Yet while the preacher is dreaming idly of what he would do, lost ones are dropping off into hell from his very doorstep. How much more zeal he would have if he were on the foreign field, thinks the young Christian who has been called abroad. It is easy for one to dream of how he would denounce sin if he was pastor of a certain church but keeps his mouth closed in his own pulpit. It is easy for preachers to berate someone for misbehavior of other children and let theirs go uncontrolled. Let such idealistic preachers become practical where they are, and things will already have undergone great transformations.

HIGH POINT REVIVAL

There was one profession and four additions by letter in the High Point Revival, Mayfield, at the first of June. The church is struggling against difficulties in a great way. Their house is not complete, but they worship in it. The Editor spoke at the yard daily in addition to the services at the house. Two Graves County Baptist preachers died while we were there: Brethren Jesse Wells and E. C. Crawford. We were one of the more than twenty Baptist preachers at Brother Crawford's funeral.

WEST END REVIVAL

Selsus E. Tull, Middlesboro, Ky., preached for us at West End from June 22-July 3. The pastor baptized 4 July 5; 5 others came by letter. The church offered free conveyance to people in Paducah; many visitors came. All our hearts were stirred.

BOOK REVIEWS

THE HIDDEN HAND, Gerald B. Winrod. Defender Publishers, Wichita, Kan. pp. 34. Twenty-five cents. "The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion," which purports to be the minutes of a meeting of Jewish financial wizards, was published in 1905 by Professor Nilus, a Russian. These Elders laid plans to bring about a Gentile catastrophe by attacking morals, religion, and government. The acknowledged purpose of these some 300 Jewish Elders is secretly to "undermine all faith, to tear out of the minds of the nations the very principles of Godhead and the spirit." They are grasping at the reins of world government under a world Dictator. Mr. Winrod finds here the true solution of Russian Communism and the outline of the Antichrist, known to Bible students. Read it if you care to know world trends today.

THE UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA IN PROPHECY AND THE RED HORSE OF THE APOCALYPSE, Gerald B. Winrod. pp. 38. Twenty-five cents. This is an unveiling of Communism and a study of trends in these two countries in the light of prophecy.

LEADING HYMNS, Robt. H. Coleman, Publisher. 187 songs. about 135 standard hymns and about 52 new songs. A small handy book of songs. Board binding, \$27.50 for 100, \$3.50 a doz., .40 a copy. Leatherette binding, \$17.50 for 100, \$2.40 a doz., .25 a copy. 50 books at 100 rate.

WHO'S WHO IN OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT, The Independent Publishing Co., 1865 Wisconsin Avenue, Washington, D. C. Price 50 cents.

A book of intimate facts about the people who run our Government. 136 pages with tables and charts.

Gives party affiliations, place of birth, racial descent, religious and fraternal affiliations, previous occupation and political offices held, and military service rendered, for the President, Supreme Court, Cabinet, Heads of Bureaus, Senators and Representatives of the U. S. Also contains the Constitution, Declaration of Independence and miscellaneous information on government and political affairs.

Joe T. Odle will begin revival services with L. R. Riley at Lone Oak July 19.

CONVENTION ITEMS

Home Missions

The Convention strongly approved the reestablishment of a department of evangelism. That is a forward step. Missionaries from various fields brought inspiring messages.

A strong Indian man sang, "Nor silver nor gold hath obtained my redemption," and an Indian choir sang, "I am bound for the promised land."

Some brother said that a church that goes thru Sunday without expecting a conversion is far below its privilege. God give us spiritual churches.

A Baptist church building in Mexico has been recently confiscated and is being used by atheistic radicals.

Chinese Baptist Centennial

We give some choice statements in this memorial to the Shucks and Rice. In 1836 there were fewer than a dozen Christians in China, but the Bible had been translated and printed in the most difficult language to master. Much creative work had to be done to express Christian truths in Chinese. Faith and patience are special needs in penetrating spiritual darkness.

A Chinese preacher began a sermon by saying, "The name that is most familiarly known in China today is the name of Jesus," not the name of Confucius. In the Boxer revolution in China they talked of the twilight of missions there, but revolution advertized the name of Christ. The churches can go thru the fire and come out the purer. Idolatry and ancestor worship have been mightily shaken in China, yet there are multiplied millions not yet brought under the light of the gospel.

Christianity is an established fact in China, not an experiment. Our Lord was not an experimenter; He knew what He was doing. One might as well try to turn the waters of the Niagara upstream as to try to stop Christianity in China. There are now 100,000 Chinese Baptists, of whom 37,600 are Southern Baptists, with four missions, more than 400 churches, not including chapels and missions.

A man sold his first child into slavery; as soon as he was saved, he set about to raise enough money to buy her out of slavery. The lesson is not hard to get: get the man saved, and he will change his environment and circumstances. A conference of Presbyterian missionaries said

that the tendency among Chinese Christians is toward congregational government.

There has been a revival of Buddhism of late in China. Why? Because, about fifteen years ago, many from America told them that science was above religion. But heart hunger is greater than the mind; they are turning back to Confucianism, Taoism, and Buddhism. China is the challenge of hungry hearts. Go to these intellectuals with a toned down gospel and see if you reach them. They want a dynamic that will reach hungry hearts.

Brother Hamilton, president of the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, reported that they averaged one profession every thirty days for every student in the institution.

Someone stated the fact that Southern Baptists had last year less than one conversion a month for a minister. Shame on us; I take my part of it.

DRINKING LEGISLATORS

State Representative Eugene Gough, of Christian county, tells Hopkinsville Kiwanis club members that some members of Kentucky's General Assembly entertain themselves by going to the cloak room to drink liquor. The same fellows tried to "entertain" the House by accusing other members of "milking" the liquor supplies left in the cloak room.

However, the serious business of drinking in Frankfort during legislative sessions doesn't begin until nightfall. Then the rafters ring.—Henry Ward.

ABOUT SOLOMON

Present day excavations in Palestine bring to light pottery of the day of Solomon and the stables built by him at Megiddo "on a scale to bear out the Biblical statement that Solomon had stalls for 40,000 horses." The Christian need fear nothing from the pick and spade in Bible lands. Every new effort confirms the Bible to the letter.

SCHOOL OPENS SEPT. 29

Look for special announcements next month. Get names of prospective students. Pray for problems of the School. As never before the School is needed to offset this flood of false teachings that is sweeping over the land.

UNGODLY ADVICE

The Associated Press publishes this unsound advice, "George C. Bowman, Superintendent of North Adams Schools, Pittsfield, Mass., has advised teachers to 'dance, smoke, dress in style, and live like other people.'" Contrast Psalm 1:1, "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly," etc. That man is not fit to be head of Schools for our boys and girls. Again, the Press that headlines such immorality is unworthy of this Christian nation.

The Sermon on the Mount

Germany's present "Kaiser," Adolph Hitler, has gone to unwarranted extremes in opposing the Jew. Now he has authorized Reichsbishop Ludwig Mueller to Germanize the Bible by omitting from the Sermon on the Mount all references to Jews, Jerusalem, Pharisees and scribes, law and prophets, and the Ten Commandments. All trace of the meekness of Christianity is changed into "strong, militaristic" German ideals by translating Christ's reference to turning the face "in his wrath, it is not always right to smite him back." It is more manly to preserve a superior calm. Mayhap thy comrade will repent.

East Church Anniversary

East Baptist Church, Paducah, celebrated her forty-fifth anniversary and the fourth anniversary of Pastor Odle July 12.

The church has had a steady growth in a needy section of Paducah. The Editor spoke on "God's Pictures of His Church." Among former pastors our friendship with J. P. Riley leads us to mention that noble spirit.

G. O. Cavanaugh is with W. W. Dickerson in a meeting at Spring Hill near Clinton.

B. E. Averitt, Perryville, Tenn., began a meeting July 8 with Hopewell Church, Golden Pond, with Pastor C. E. Robertson,

Sinking Spring, the Editor's home church, will hold a meeting the last half of July. J. J. Gough is pastor.

Pastor F. R. Bingham reports that things are taking on new spiritual life at Birmingham, Ky., the Editor's first pastorate.

A FINE LETTER

The Roaring Brook Baptist Church

Hunlock Creek, Pennsylvania

June 22, 1936

Dear Brother Beaman:

Whoever spent fifty cents on a subscription for me to the W. K. B. S. Voice, has certainly brought a blessing in the life of this country pastor. I am still one of the number of "sound" pastors who have not left the Northern Baptist Convention, hoping that our witness to the pure Gospel of Grace may save the body from inevitable doom. It seems like a big job, for even now Modernism is rampant among the leaders of the N. B. C. should die, then we who hold the truth in righteousness will simply keep the name of True Baptists in the place where it belongs.

I do not know of any paper in this section of the country that is still "in" the convention, that holds to the Faith as your paper does in the South. If you know of one I would be glad to hear of it.

May the blessing of God be upon your work, and your paper.

Sincerely in the Coming One,
DOUGLAS E. CHRISTEN.

A. V. BOARD MEETS

The Board of the Amazon Valley Baptist Faith Mission met in Murray July 7. Word from the Hallums in Iquitos, Peru, is encouraging. Plans were discussed for providing Brother Hallum with literature in Spanish. Pray for a helper for him there.

Here is an excerpt from Brother Hallum's letter of June 10, telling of two professions of faith:

"We are now having three services each week, with growing interest. I believe that the Lord is with us. Two men especially, have professed faith in Christ, and others seem interested. The work of instructing and preparing the natives for church membership is a slow process, and none but God can do it. I ask the prayers of you and your church and all. Especially pray for two young men who are very intelligent and seem to be interested. Pray for those that profess faith in Christ, that they may have the will and courage to break away from the sins and temptations that they have to meet every day."

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B. B. Murphey goes from Hickory Church in Graves County and Mt. Pleasant and Bethlehem in McCracken County to two churches in South Carolina.

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and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them," Isa. 8:20. Here is their dilemma: either settle all matters by the law and the testimony, or hear God's verdict of "no light in them." Will they claim that Isa. 8:20 is not God's truth? If so, they prove my contention that they logically claim infallibility for their own spiritual impressions and ability to pick out the true from the false.

1 Cor. 14:36-37 establishes the principle of the supremacy of God's word over the guidance of the Spirit. Note verse 37, "If any man think himself to be a prophet or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord." Mr. Hurlbutt dislikes a tangible and outward authority and prefers the changeable and contradictory versions that sincere Christians put on the guidance of the Holy Spirit in their lives. As a loyal Baptist I gladly take the inerrant word of God and know that the Spirit is guiding me when I track the Scriptures.

John taught us the need for trying the spirits. "We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error," 1 Jno. 4:6. To refuse the writings of John and other New Testament writers as supreme is "the spirit of error." To hear them as final is to follow "the spirit of truth."

(Editor Hurlbutt may contend that I have disregarded his statements about the canon and text of Scripture; I have done so deliberately to make more evident later his "Liberalistic" trend).

Magoffin County, Ky., went Dry June 1 by a majority of 5,037. The mandate of the voters outlawing intoxicants becomes effective August 1. More counties will do likewise in due time. King Alcohol will be smitten.

Word from Carl Crosby, Parsons, Tenn., one of our students, says he is preaching almost every Saturday night and Sunday and is planning meetings soon.

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