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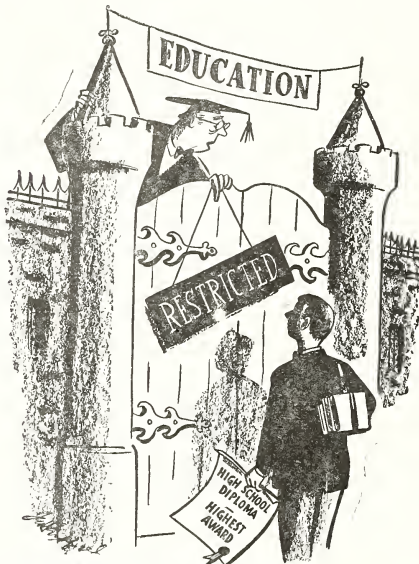
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**"You'll have to wait, son, till we
check on your race and religion!"**

He that taketh his own cares upon himself loads himself in vain with an uneasy burden. I will cast all my cares on God; He hath bidden me; they cannot burden Him. —Bishop Hall.

None could tell me where my Soul might be;
I searched for God, but God eluded me;
I sought my brother out, and found all three.
—Ernest Crosby.

FREE HELPS FOR MINISTERS

The North Carolina Commission on Interracial cooperation in its office to be sent free to those ministers wishing some helps for preparing sermons for Race Relations Sunday, February 8.

For free materials, kindly direct your request to:

The North Carolina Commission
on Interracial Cooperation
Post Office Box 1208
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INTERRACIAL CONFERENCE of

Ministers Organized in Ahoskie

With hope of improving racial relations between the two groups, an interracial Baptist Ministers Conference was formed in Ahoskie recently by a group of 19 white and Negro Baptist Ministers from three counties.

Meeting in the Ahoskie Baptist Church, the ministers elected the Rev. J. B. Daily Jackson, as president; the Rev. R. H. Patterson, vice-president; Dr. P. A. Bishop, president of the General Baptist State Convention of N. C., Inc., secretary; and the Rev. Chester A. Hart, associate secretary.

The ministers represented Baptist churches in Bertie, Northampton, and Hertford counties.

Sponsor of the group, the Rev. Mr. Creech, told the church leaders "that such a group is needed to develop better understanding between the two races and to be mutually helpful."

The Rev. H. L. Mitchell, Negro farm agent for Gates County and pastor of several churches, told the group that there were good reasons for the conference. "Better understanding of the church program, better services to the church program, and finding better means of getting 'our

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Editorial Comments

Our New Executive Secretary

In a special session of the General Baptist State Convention, December 16, the Rev. O. L. Sherrill who had acted as executive secretary since November 1, was elevated to the position of executive secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Sherrill has been associated with the executive office for the past two years as field representative and assistant to the executive secretary. Since the unified program was started some twelve years ago, he has been closely connected with the Convention as a part-time worker.

Before his full-time work with the Convention, the Rev. Mr. Sherrill served as pastor of the Shiloh Baptist Church of Wilmington. Previously, he pastored the Union Grove Baptist Church, Youngsville; Mount Sinai Baptist Church of Fayetteville; and Spring Garden Baptist Church, Washington, N. C.

He has served as instructor in theology at Roanoke Institute since the reorganization of the Institute in Elizabeth City as a unit of Shaw University. The new executive is also president of the Theological Alumni Association of Shaw University.

Born in Troutman, N. C. (Iredell County), the Rev. Mr. Sherrill received his high school training in Statesville. He was graduated from Shaw University in 1936 with the A.B. and B.D. degrees. He has had advanced work in theology at Union Theological Seminary, New York.

The Rev. Sherrill will work directly under an administrative committee that was elected also during the special session. The committee is composed of President P. A. Bishop, Dr. O. S. Bullock, Raleigh; Dr. A. S. Croom, Durham; the Rev. L. W. Wertz, Hamlet; E. M. Butler, Wilmington; and President R. P. Daniel of Shaw University as associate member.

To Rev. Sherrill and the committee, North Carolina Baptists should give their unprecedented support.

Never neglect contributing in the Missionary offering. It is one of the best means you have to express your love for the less fortunate peoples of the world.

From The Executive Secretary

Dear Christian Workers:

I am taking this opportunity to express to you my sincere appreciation which you have given me to serve the General Baptist Convention in the capacity of Executive Secretary. I am conscious of the many responsibilities and hard work that will be involved, but I am also mindful of the fact that with the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the splendid cooperation that I shall receive from the very fine pastors and laymen, the work shall go on smoothly.

I hope you have not forgotten the very fine recommendations that President Bishop made at the Convention in Goldsboro. You accepted these recommendations whole heartedly, and I do hope that you are going to put forth every effort to make this the Banner Year. It can be done if all of us will recognize ourselves as God's faithful stewards.

During the month of December we received contributions from quite a few of our churches, but we would like for the other seventeen hundred churches to see the importance of sending in their contributions monthly. This will enable us to get out of debt and then do more for Shaw, Foreign Missions, State Missions and the Orphanage.

Mission days will be held in most of our cities and rural churches during the next few months and when the notices come to you, please give us a favorable response.

We are also getting ready for our One Day Conferences to be held in each of the Associations during the next few months. We would like for the Moderators to give us their dates immediately because we do not want our program to lag. These meetings are for the purpose of acquainting our people with the objectives of our convention.

With high hopes for a great year in Kingdom Building, I am

Yours for Service,
O. L. Sherrill.

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Reminiscences of 1947

The year 1947 was indeed an eventful year of North Carolina Baptist. There was at least one outstanding happening of state-wide attraction during each of the twelve months.

For a review, we are listing by months some of the events which were carried in the Baptist Informer.

January

On the 3rd day of the year, the five trustees of the General Baptist State Convention, signed a Deed of Trust and a mortgage in which was conveyed to the General Baptist State Convention, a tract of land in Raleigh for the purpose of constructing a headquarters.

February

The Rev. J. H. Clanton, former director of Christian Education and Training, was appointed field director of the "50 Thousand" Club. The Rev. N. A. Cheek, moderator of Original Shiloh Association, and member of the executive committee of the General Baptist State Convention for over 35 years, died following a brief illness.

March

Fourteen One-Day Associational Conferences were held under the sponsorship of the convention. The Rev. Leon C. Riddick offered his resignation as director of Christian Education and Training to assume the pastorate of the Fountain Baptist Church in Summit, N. J. Winston-Salem, Baptists in a quarterly drive, raised over \$4,000.00 for the objectives of the convention.

April

Sixteen One-Day Associational Conferences were held under the auspices of the Convention. In its Annual meeting, the Shaw University board of trustees, made provision for an increase in faculty salaries, approved the purchase of an army chapel to be reconstructed on the Shaw campus for worship, and approved a student body of approximately 835 students.

May

Dr. J. W. Hairston, pastor of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Asheville, and former vice president of the General Convention, died two weeks after Dedication ceremonies were held in connection with the clearance of indebtedness on the marvelous plant of Mt. Zion. Eight Associational conferences were held. Baptists in Wilmington under the chairmanship of the Rev. R. Irving Boone, observed Annual Mission Days and reported \$640.58. One hundred and ten seniors were awarded degrees during the 82nd commencement at Shaw University. Dr. O. S. Bullock of Raleigh, and Dr. William Holmes Borders of Atlanta, were awarded Honorary degrees of Doctor of Divinity. Dr. Borders gave the final address, and Dr. J. Jasper Freeman of Norfolk, Va., preached

the Baccalaureate sermon. The Rev. C. E. Griffin, former executive secretary of the convention, was elected president of the General Alumni Association of Shaw University during the annual meeting of the body.

June

The Annual Ministers' and Women's Leadership Training Conference, sponsored by Shaw University, was held at the institution with a record enrollment. Five One-Day Associational Conferences were conducted by the executive secretary and the field representative. A week's Training Conference for Sunday School and B.T.U. workers was held at Shaw under the sponsorship of the convention. The Rev. Dr. Edwin Luther Cunningham, pastor of the St. Paul Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Pa., was special conference guest.

July

Annual meetings of the Rising Star, County Line, East Cedar Grove, and High Point Associations were held. Anniversary services commemorating 40 years of service of Dr. J. T. Hairston as pastor, was commenced at the Shiloh Baptist Church in Greensboro.

August

Annual sessions of the State Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Conventions were held in Raleigh at Martin Street Baptist Church and Shaw University. The session approved resolutions commending Governor Cherry for his magnificent example in attempting to administer justice and to guarantee to every citizen the inalienable rights of life and liberty. The Rev. T. Ewell Hopkins of West Washington, D. C., was the feature speaker. A successful session of the Woman's Home and Foreign Convention of N. C. was held at the Mars Hill Baptist Church of Winston-Salem. There was an estimated attendance of 600 representing every section of the state. A blue print of the proposed New Headquarters was approved. Miss Luella Dickens, director of Vacation Bible School of the Convention, became the bride of the Rev. Chancey Edwards of Elm City, in a double ring ceremony at the Martin St. Church in Raleigh, with the Rev. P. H. Johnson officiating.

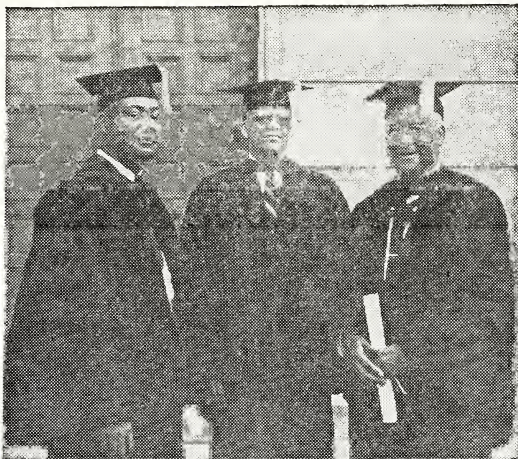
September

Climaxing fifty years of ceaseless service to others, the Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention, held an enthusiastic Golden Jubilee session at the First Church of Roanoke, Va. The fiscal year of the General Convention closed with receipts of \$130,524.40 reported.

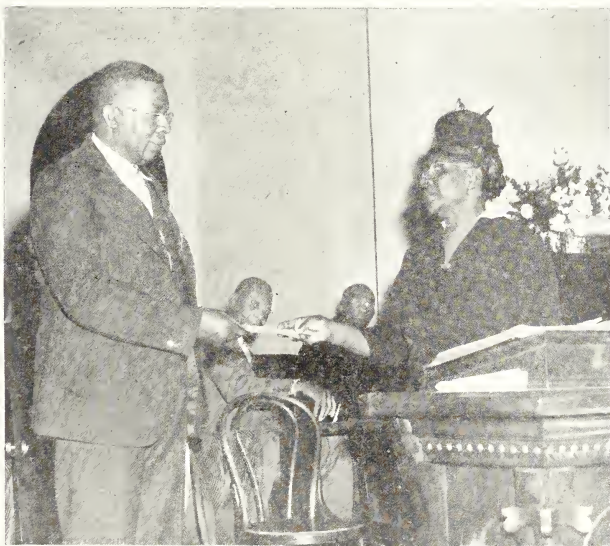
October

Meeting in the First African Church in Goldsboro where it was organized 80 years previously, the General State Convention approved a budget of \$165,000.00 for the next Conventional year and reelected all of its officers. Dr. J. H. Jackson of Chicago, Ill. and Dr. V. W. McLawler,

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RECEIVE HONORARY DEGREES AT SHAW—Shown above with President Robert P. Daniel of Shaw University are recipients of honorary degrees of Doctor of Divinity at this year's Commencement Exercises. At left is Dr. William Holmes Borders, pastor of Wheat Street Baptist Church, Atlanta; at right, Dr. O. S. Bullock, pastor of First Baptist Church, Raleigh.



President Viola McMillan of Tarboro of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Convention of North Carolina, is shown presenting a check for \$5,000 to President P. A. Bishop of the General State Convention during the 80th Annual Session of the Convention in Goldsboro. The check is to be directed toward the campaign for \$165,000 to erect a new Baptist Headquarters building in Raleigh.

THE USHER, A CONGREGATION ENGINEER

The Church Usher is an important factor in God's Business. Church Ushering ought to be more than a Sunday morning habit, according to E. M. Hosman, author of an article on **Effective Church Ushering** in the November issue of the *Baptist Leader* (Philadelphia).

CAN A CHRISTIAN REALLY BE GOD-LED?

H. Max Good

For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God (Rom. 8:14).

In these days of spiritual apostasy many people are wondering, "Can a man really be led of the Spirit of God, or is there any Spirit of God?" This is a fair question for a man to ask who is seeking the truth, but who does not yet know what the truth is. I am sure that every thinking man is convinced that there is a God. We see positive evidence of this statement on all sides today. The very world we live in is a testimony of Him. No one would be so foolish as to look at a watch and say that it "just happened," yet the world runs more precisely than any watch ever manufactured. Therefore, we must be assured of this, that the world has a greater Creator than anything which has been made by man.

Look at the perfect timing and the rotation of the planets and the seasons in our world. Life itself is evidence that God is, for He is the Giver of life. Can God make Himself known to man who lives in this creation and exists by His mercy? God the Father has never been looked upon by any man and that man continue to live, because the holiness and the purity of God are more than man can behold. Therefore, we must determine that man is not led by God the Father.

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Drawing of the Future Home of North Carolina Baptists

Reminiscences of 1947

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Indianapolis, Ind. were among special guest speakers. Dr. George W. Moore of Raleigh, for many years prominent in Christian Circles in North Carolina, died at the age of 86. The Rev. Dr. James E. Shepard, founder and only president of North Carolina College in Durham, died at his residence after several days of serious illness. Dr. Shepard at one time was field superintendent of the International Sunday School Association.

November

The Rev. Thomas Kilgore completed his work as executive secretary of the convention and left to assume the pastorate of the Friendship Baptist Church in New York. The 82nd Anniversary of Shaw University was observed with the Rev. C. E. Griffin of Norfolk, Va. as principal founder's day speaker.

December

In a special session of the General Convention, the Rev. O. L. Sherrill was elected executive secretary. A committee on administration was also elected. Members elected were—President P. O. Bishop, Dr. O. S. Bullock, the Rev. L. W. Wertz, Dr. A. S. Croom, E. M. Butler and President R. P. Daniel of Shaw, associate member.

Dr. Wendell C. Somerville, executive secretary of the Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention, left by Pan American Airways to visit several mission fields, in Africa and South America. A State Laymen's Movement was initiated at the First Church in Raleigh. Approximately sixty laymen, representing twenty-one churches, attended the meeting.

Not getting the better of another person, but getting the best out of one's self is success. Anon.

Faith is the sacrifice of the understanding to God.—Jeremy Taylor.

He does not believe that does not live according to his belief.—Thomas Fuller.

Thou who has given me eyes to see,
And love this sight so far,
Give me a heart to find out thee,
And read thee everywhere.

—John Keble.

God is for us—that is good; God is with us—that is better; God is in us—that is best.—Henry M. Booth.

Can A Christian Really be God-led?

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The prophecy of Jesus Christ came hundreds of years before Jesus did, but finally He came and truly was God the Son in our midst. The miracles that He performed, the words He spoke, the grace He bestowed—all of them declared His deity. The Son was nailed to the Cross and there He died; He was laid in the grave, where an unbelieving world expected Him to stay, but He rose and ascended to the right hand of God the Father. Jesus is not here in person, so He cannot lead us, but He gave the promise of a Comforter. He said, "I will not leave you comfortless . . . nevertheless . . . it is expedient for you that I go away." On the Mount of Olives when He lifted His hands and blessed the people and ascended into heaven, angels reminded them that they were to tarry and pray until they received the promise of the Father.

Now, this is the Dispensation of the Holy Spirit, and without Him we cannot know the will of God or the leadership of God. With Him, the perfect plan of God is revealed. The Comforter was not sent into the world to lead everyone, but only the children of God were to be led. An unbelieving world has been promised no Comforter under any circumstances, but we have received this promise, for we are His. We know that we can be directed of God by the power of the Holy Spirit, for in Romans 8:14 we read, "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." I think this could be acceptably reversed for as many as are the sons of God, they are led by the Spirit of God.

The Spirit of God has led in all spiritual advances. When reading his Bible while yet a monk in the Roman Church, hidden in a convent, Martin Luther

was moved by the Holy Spirit. He learned that "the just shall live by faith" and not by works. He wrote his thesis, nailed them on the door of the Roman Church, and a great revival started.

Wesley's heart was strangely warmed, and you remember the story of the Wesleyan Revival. Today, as a memorial to the leading of the Spirit of God in Wesley's life, there is a chain of Methodist churches around the world.

It was Knox who began the Presbyterian Church, and being led of the Spirit, he won thousands to a saving knowledge of His matchless grace. There was a shoestore clerk in Chicago, too, whose name was Moody. The Spirit of God moved his heart and he went into the streets of that great Windy City and gathered boys and girls around him, and told them of the love of Christ. He was so led and moved until eventually he stood, as it were, with one foot in Europe and one in America, rocking these two nations closer to God by the power of the Holy Spirit. No one dare say that these men were merely "smart" or "shrewd." The Spirit of God leads so directly that He even tells you to turn to the right or left, and He has not confined Himself to one man or community. Thank God, He is everywhere! He convicts of sin and righteousness and judgment. No man realizes his sin but what the Spirit of God has revealed it to him. No man knows what is right but what the Spirit of God has revealed this. None have realized the full fear of the judgment except the Holy Spirit reveals that judgment.

Regardless of your vocation or calling, if you are a child of God, the Spirit of God will lead you, proving which is the wrong and which is the right. He is no respecter of persons. He careth for you!

FILL A SHIP WITH FRIENDSHIP

A shipload of clothing, shoes and bedding is the goal of the statewide drive for overseas relief, January 25-31. Sponsored by the North Carolina Council of Churches, the aim of the drive is to reach every household in the state in an effort to "Fill a Ship with Friendship." With a ship's cargo estimated at 3½ million pounds, that means an average of one pound of goods from everyone in the state is needed to reach the goal.

Organized on a county basis, chairmen have been sought in each of the state's one hundred counties from among church and lay leaders. Representatives of almost all denominations are among the leaders of the drive. Throughout the state, plans are made for house-to-house collections.

All materials contributed will be sent overseas through the interdenominational church relief organization, Church World Service. They will go to the Church World Service Center at New Windsor, Maryland, for sorting and packing. Shipment through this church agency guarantees that all goods will be packed and shipped promptly, that overhead costs will be at a minimum and that distribution will be made abroad on the basis of need alone.

Through the new Church World Service film, THIS ROAD WE WALK, a vivid picture of needs and work overseas is given. There are 50 prints of the motion picture in North Carolina for the drive. The film is 16mm. sound and about 20 minutes in length.

Contributions asked are: goods, used clothing, shoes (tied in pairs), bedding, including worn sheets, linens, kitchenware, silverware, soap and candles.

Remember the date, January 25-31. Remember the goal: "Fill a Ship with Friendship." Give through your local drive.

**WOMAN'S BAPTIST HOME AND FOREIGN
MISSIONARY CONVENTION**

Auxiliary to the General Baptist
Convention of North Carolina

MRS. VIOLA McMILLAN, *President*

MRS. ELLEN S. ALSTON, *Executive Secretary*

Dear Sisters and Co-workers:

We trust that the New Year finds you happy in the Lord and looking forward with increased faith to the accomplishment of greater tasks; the attempting of more difficult undertakings for the CAUSE—with an increasing amount of patience, strength and love.

This new year finds us busy laying plans for greater accomplishments in uniting our forces for a more "Inclusive Stewardship."

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee it was generally agreed that we can meet all of our responsibilities for our Home Field if all our Baptist women would TITHE, we could add to our local church budgets; and double our offerings for missions. What a challenge for Our Baptist Women today! Whether we meet it depends upon our attitude. We can accept the tithing campaign with delight and make it a joyous experience.

Let us teach the doctrine of TITHING as never before and in our teaching let us implant the spirit of love and joy in our giving. DUTY demands our TITHE. Love makes both TITHES and OFFERINGS a privilege.

Our Conventional theme "An all Inclusive Stewardship" certainly demands that "our all shall be laid on the Altar." "But first they gave themselves to the Lord, and to us through the will of God." (II Cor. 8:5.)

FOR YOUR ATTENTION

January is the first month in the Third Quarter—remember to send your contributions early.

"YOUR MISSIONARY HELPER"

Gratifying indeed has been the interest shown in this our little devotional booklet. See that every member of your circle owns a copy—Also other members of your church.

It is designated to give devotional aid, to encourage, strengthen, and inspire Missionary workers. Begin the Year Right. Give Subscriptions to "The Missionary Helper."

SUBSCRIPTION RATE—\$1.00 per year.

From Our Field Director

Happy New Year, Co-laborers:

As we begin the New Year, we are also beginning a new quarter in our Convention's program of work in the Master's Kingdom.

I have received my copy of the Missionary Helper for this quarter, and I am delighted with it.

The theme, "Our task—World-wide Evangelization," fits beautifully into the theme of last quarter "An All Inclusive Stewardship."

World-wide Evangelization can come only when the Christians become willing to practice an inclusive Stewardship. That is, our stewardship must include all of life, the physical, mental, moral, spiritual, social and our possessions.

To be a true Steward the Christian must "study to show thyself a workman of God that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the work of truth." The WORD is the only power that can evangelize the world. The Christian must know the WORD. Study, Practice the WORD; living daily, a workman without shame. Rightly dividing the WORD of truth; teaching. The Christian must give—that the gospel preached unto the utmost parts of the earth so that all peoples of the earth may hear the word.

World-wide Evangelism begins in our own house—our homes, and moves from there to our church, our community, our county, our State, our nation and our world.

The world is in trouble today, its heart is sick; it needs the "mericale drud." The WORD of TRUTH to cure its bleeding heart. I believe that the world could be evangelized within our generation if the so-called Christian nations would take their light of truth from under the bushel of selfishness, prejudice, jealousy, greed and race hatreds and place it on the candlestick of love, so that this sin sick world could see the light.

This quarter is also our mission study emphasis quarter. I trust that each circle will have at least one mission study class this quarter. See that several members of your circle attend the Institute held in your section this winter and spring. Let us use these cold winter days to prepare ourselves for better service when the spring comes. Write the office for books.

If you did not study the "Manuel" last quarter, make a special study of it this quarter so as to have your organization working smoothly and ready for a big job when spring opens.

May God bless you. I am continuing to improve, thank God. Write to me.

Sincerely yours,

Martha J. Brown,

Box 344, Maxton, N. C.

**CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED THROUGH
WOMAN'S CONVENTION IN DECEMBER**

First Baptist—Lexington—Mrs. Beulah Hargrove.....	\$ 1.50
Raleigh Baptist Church—Oxford—Mrs. Lucretia Harris.....	1.00
Helper Sales—Mrs. Lillie F. Bernard—Bolivia.....	4.80
Helper Sales—Mrs. J. B. Hooker—Cameron.....	2.45
First Baptist Circle—Mrs. Rosena Covington—Cumberland Co.....	7.50
Mrs. J. M. Manly—Raleigh—Helper Sales.....	2.25
Warrenton Baptist Circle—Mrs. Princess Wynn—Warrenton.....	5.20
W. M. U. Mt. Zion—Ducham—Mrs. J. H. Waugh, Jr.....	12.00
Subs. Helper—Mrs. Mary Williams—Whiteville, by Mr. Manly.....	1.00
Subs. Helper—Mrs. Emma Foster—Louisburg—by Mrs. Alston.....	1.00
Helper Sales—Mrs. Mary Stallings—Runn.....	1.75
Helper Sales—Mrs. Viola Craig—Waxhaw.....	2.50
Subs. Helper—Mrs. E. T. Powell—Wake Forest.....	1.00
Helper Sales—Mrs. Julia Reed—Charlotte.....	1.00

Helper Sales—Mrs. Lonella Cabrell.....	2.00
Subs. Helper—Mrs. A. J. Duke—Fletcher.....	1.25
Franklin Co. Sunday School—B. T. U. Convention	
Mr. Arthur Williams by Mrs. Alston.....	51.00
Wake Chatham Union—Mrs. Zula Adams.....	7.00
Burkaw Institute for Instruction—Mr. J. M. Powers	70.00
First Baptist—Burlington—Mrs. Nellie Walker.....	5.00
Woman's Reulah Union—Mrs. Devah Gordon—Rich Squaire	5.00
Zion Hill Church—Mrs. H. Kild.....	1.50
Beaver Dam—Rev. W. E. Beauman—Clinton.....	1.00
Wakefield Baptist—Mrs. L. B. Foster—Zebulon.....	7.00
Wilson Co. Union—Mrs. Mary Lassiter.....	6.00
Subs. Helper—Mrs. Elizabeth Jefferies—Clarkton.....	1.00
Subs. Helper—Mrs. V. Bryant—Mrs. Mollie Chavis Virginia.....	1.00
Subs. Helper—Mrs. Pattie Miller.....	1.00
Subscription Helper—Mrs. Esther Cooper—Oxford.....	1.00
Subs. Helper—Mrs. Mattie Petrus—Oxford.....	1.00
Helper Sales—Mrs. Mamie Branum—Ashville.....	3.50
Emanuel Cir.—High Point—Miss Laurine Moore.....	5.00
Nash Co. Union—Mrs. Annie Stokes.....	1.00
Helper Sales—Mrs. A. P. Battle—Castalia.....	2.10
Castalia Cir.—Mrs. Annie P. Battle—Castalia.....	4.00
Mt. Pilgrim Cir.—Lenoir—Mrs. Annie Newwood.....	4.00
Helper Sales—Mrs. Elizabeth Jefferies—Clarkton.....	1.50
One Day Conf. Dist.—Group 2—Mrs. Alice Taylor.....	2.50
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Durham.....	1.00
Subs. Helper—Mrs. Annie Thompson by Mrs. Luvenia Eaton.....	1.00
Subscription Helper—Mrs. Ida Eaton by Mrs. Luvenia Eaton.....	1.00
Subscription Helper—Mrs. Luvenia Eaton—Durham.....	1.00
Longwood Institute, Mt. Zion—Mrs. Bertha C. Gore, by	
C. Lyons.....	49.00
Anson Co. Union—Mrs. Alice Hilliard.....	6.00
Subscription Helper—Mrs. T. S. Eaton—Henderson.....	5.00
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Manual Sales—Mrs. M. A. Horn—Winston-Salem.....	3.50
Helper Sales—Mrs. Mary Robertson—Durham.....	3.50
Subs. Helper—Mrs. C. E. McLester.....	10.00
Subs. Alice Hilliard—Ebenzer Cir.—Wadesboro.....	1.00
First Baptist Cir.—Mrs. Early Little, by Mrs. Alice Hilliard	
Wadesboro.....	4.00
Antioch Church—Mrs. Eunice Youngblood—Charlotte.....	10.00
Subs. Helper—Mrs. Eunice Youngblood—Charlotte.....	2.00
Mrs. Alice Hilliard—Book Sold—Wadesboro.....	4.50
Charlotte City Union—Mrs. M. Gaither—Charlotte.....	45.00
Subs. Helper—Mrs. Fannie Harrison—Nashville.....	1.40
Macedonia Cir.—Mrs. Grace Taylor—Farmville.....	10.00
Third Creek Cir.—Mrs. Martha Miller—Stony Point.....	3.00
Shiloh Cir.—Mrs. Johnnie McEachin—Maxton.....	10.00
St. Stephens—Mrs. Naomi Daniel—Chadbourn.....	5.00
Gettysburg Cir.—Mrs. Annie McEachin—Charlotte.....	3.50
First Baptist Cir.—Mrs. F. R. Davidson—Statesville.....	19.38
Subs. Helper—Mrs. Jessie Parker—Mrs. McMillan.....	1.00
Subs. Helper—Mrs. F. V. Herring—Mt. Olive.....	1.00
Inform. Subscription—Mrs. F. V. Herring—Mt. Olive.....	1.00
Tithing Offering—Mrs. Lillie McMillan—Tarboro.....	2.00
Zion Bapt. Cir.—Mrs. Lillian M. Tapp—Reidsville.....	20.00
Mt. Vernon Cir.—Mrs. Violet Fusser—High Point.....	4.25
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Wayne Co. Union—Mrs. Lillian R. Everett—Goldsboro.....	8.31
North Granville—Mrs. Mollie Galt—Oxford.....	10.00
Subscription Helper—Mrs. C. C. Massenbur—Louisburg.....	1.00
Subscription Helper—Mrs. Willie Bullock—Louisburg.....	1.00
Subscription Helper—Miss M. R. Bullock—Louisburg.....	1.00
Subscription Helper—Mrs. S. W. Davis.....	1.00
Person Co. Union—Mrs. Damer Outlaw—Lynchburg.....	4.00
Jordan Chapel Cir.—Mrs. Mabel E. Rang—Eberon.....	2.00
West Durham Cir.—Mrs. Naomi Johnson—Durham.....	9.00
Piney Grove—Mrs. Rachel Mitchell—Walstonburg.....	2.00
Ilong Cir.—Mrs. Willie Howard—Oxford.....	1.00
Zion Grove—Mrs. Helen Harrel—Woodland.....	4.00
Mt. Zion—Mrs. M. J. Allen—Rocky Mount.....	5.00
Subscription Helper—Mrs. Flora Thomas—Louisburg.....	2.00
Helper Sales—Mrs. Luvina Garrison—Whiteville.....	4.00
Personal Scholarship—Mrs. A. C. Matthews—Weldon.....	2.00
Personal Scholarship—Mrs. H. L. Watson—Weldon.....	2.00
Mrs. W. T. Edmond—Personal—Weldon.....	4.00
Goldsboro City Union—Mrs. C. A. Boney.....	3.00
Ebenzer Cir.—Mrs. Estelle Wright—Charlotte.....	25.00
Special Worker—Mrs. General—Windsor.....	5.00
Friendship Cir.—Mrs. Lottie Barbour—Hickory.....	3.00
Helper Sales—Mrs. Addie L. Lawrence—Ashoke.....	6.00
Hammond Creek—Mrs. Mary C. Carter.....	5.00
Yancey Co. Union—Mrs. W. M. Martin—Henderson.....	15.58
Helper Sales—Mrs. Katie Allen—Henderson.....	3.50
Sycamore Hill Cir.—Rev. J. A. Nimmo—Building Fund.....	10.68
Robeson Co. Union—Mrs. Viola Thompson.....	20.00
Mrs. Mary Durr—Personal—Zebulon.....	1.00
Mrs. Rochelle Malone—Personal—Zebulon.....	1.00
Sycamore Hill—Rev. J. A. Nimmo—Missions.....	5.00
Mrs. Carrie McCullers—Personal—Good Hope.....	1.00
Mrs. Foster—Personal—Zebulon.....	1.00
Wake Co. Union—Mrs. Ellen Powell.....	12.00
Wake Co. Union—Mrs. Harriet Smith—Mimeo. Work.....	5.00
Paul Cir.—Mrs. M. Galt—Mt. Zion.....	1.00
Mt. Zion Cir.—Mrs. Lucy A. Siler—Murphy.....	5.00
Subscription Helper—Mrs. E. T. Powell—Wake Forest.....	2.00
St. James Cir.—Mrs. Rebecca Martin—Rocky Mount.....	3.00
St. James Cir.—Mrs. Rebecca Martin—Rocky Mount.....	3.00
Johnston Co. Union—Mrs. Delia Sanderson.....	10.00
First Baptist Church—Mrs. Hettie Beltha—Fairmount.....	21.75
Antioch Cir.—Mrs. Louise Wamble—Goldsboro.....	10.00
Durham City Union—Mrs. Maggie Crawford—Durham.....	10.00
Community Baptist—Mrs. Julia Garrett—Durham.....	4.36
Helper Sales—Rev. J. C. Brewer—Madin.....	35

Junior Corner

The Junior Officers met in a half day session on December 6, 1947, to formulate plans for 1948. Our State Jr. Supervisor gave us many plans and suggestions which you will receive soon. Already our field worker is mailing each circle a copy of our *Outlook* for 1948.

I can't tell you just what the plan is to raise the Junior Funds for 1948, because this campaign is going to be very short and will not start until nearly convention time, but I'm sure you will be most enthusiastic about the idea.

As a result of our December meeting this Corner is going to be ours, Juniors—so if you have any inspiring thoughts and happenings in your circle, or if your circle has some method of making our service for Christ more effective—please write and tell me. Don't you think the rest of us should know?

I wish for each of you a new year filled with blessings, happiness and most of all—Service for God and love for your fellowmen.

Don't forget to send your happenings to Jr. Corner! Mozelle, Alston,

Publicity Chairman, Box 1818,
Raleigh, N. C.
Mrs. L. E. McGrier,
State Jr. Supervisor.

Mrs. June Manley—Helper Sale.....	35
Mrs. June Manley—Bladenboro Inst.....	30.00
Union Bapt.—Mrs. Clara McDaniel—New Bern.....	9.00
Subscription Helper—Mrs. S. Z. Kooztz—Lexington.....	1.00
Subscription Helper—Mrs. S. Z. Kooztz—Lexington.....	1.00
Davidson Co. Union—Mrs. S. Z. Kooztz—Lexington.....	5.00
Star Bethlehem—Mrs. Maggie Crawford—Fairmont.....	3.00
Greenville Cir.—Mrs. Lucinda White.....	5.00
Mt. Zion Cir.—Mrs. Maude Griffin—Wadesboro.....	1.50
W. M. U. Mt. Zion Assn. Mrs. J. H. Waugh, Jr.....	36.25
Helper Sales—Mrs. C. C. Johnson—Monroe.....	3.00
Mt. Sinai—Mrs. Ella Trice—Durham.....	2.50
Union Bapt.—Mrs. Alice Brame—Durham.....	6.00
Yancey Co. Union—Mrs. Katie Allen.....	25.00
Shiloh Cir.—Mrs. Clara A. Moore—Wilmington.....	5.00
Helper Sales—Mrs. Alberta Harris—Huntersville.....	2.00
St. Paul—Mrs. Ruth G. Pearson—Charlotte.....	25.00
Waughtown Bapt.—Mrs. Minnie Campbell—Winston-Salem.....	2.00
Second Valley Baptist—Mrs. Leona M. Edwards—Charlotte.....	10.00
Friendship Cir.—Mrs. I. C. Wilkins—Lowell.....	25.00
Ocean View—Mrs. Estella Burney—Supply.....	2.00
Mt. Calvary—Mrs. Clara McDaniel—New Bern.....	5.00
Helper Sales—Mrs. Daisy Durham—Mt. Olive.....	2.50
Libson St. Baptist—Mrs. L. J. Taylor Davis—Clinton.....	2.00
First Baptist—Mrs. M. Rand—Clayton.....	2.00
Mrs. Carrie Purdie—Personal—Bladenboro.....	2.50
Second Baptist Cir.—Mrs. Helen McDade—Durham.....	12.00
Rocky Mount City Union—Mrs. Annie E. Boykins—Rocky Mount.....	6.00
First Baptist Cir.—Maggie Matthews—Roshell.....	7.50
Morshad Ave.—Mrs. Gora O'Neal—Durham.....	15.25
First Baptist—Mrs. Susie Williams—Louisburg.....	2.00
Shiloh Cir.—Mrs. Sadie Johnson—Greensboro.....	5.00
Eastern Chapel—Mrs. Rena Sheffield—Goldsboro.....	3.00
Lower Person Co. Union—Mrs. Willie Barnett.....	6.10
Helper Sales—Mrs. Lela P. Browder—Hillsboro.....	1.75
Mt. Bright Cir.—Mrs. L. P. Browder—Hillsboro.....	4.00
Friendship No. 8—Mrs. Hattie Royal—Mt. Olive.....	5.00
Helper Sales—Mrs. Gertrude Deere—Sheby.....	5.00
Galilee Cir.—Mrs. Tena Solomon—Smithfield.....	2.00
Adoration Cir.—Mrs. Irene D. Powers—Wallace.....	5.00
Upper Sampson Co. Union—Mrs. N. A. Butler.....	5.00
East Cumberland Union—Mrs. Ethel Malloy.....	10.00
Pleasant Grove—Mrs. Sarah Humphrey—St. Paul.....	10.00
Helper Sales—Mrs. R. A. L. Hoyer—Windsor.....	5.25
Friendship Cir.—Mrs. Donnie Thompson—Cayletville.....	10.00
Columbus Co. Union—Mrs. Lillian Horn.....	42.35
First Baptist—Mrs. Lula A. Powell—Morgantown.....	5.00
Olive Branch Cir.—Mrs. Ellen T. Powell—Wake Forest.....	2.00
First Baptist Cir.—Mrs. Bertha Smith—Goldsboro.....	6.00

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THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

LUELLA DICKENS EDWARDS, Director
Vacation Bible School Division

My dear Little Friends:

First of all, I want to wish every one of you a HAPPY, HAPPY NEW YEAR. For twelve months now, a page just for you has been appearing in the Baptist Informer regularly. Just think: one whole year. My! how swiftly time passes. At that rate this marks our First Anniversary. Well, boys and girls, I have really enjoyed writing to you every month, and I hope that the stories, special features, articles, poems, cut-outs, pictures and questions have been both interesting and helpful.

So, here we start again on another year's journey. A New Year. Do you remember our very story last year? It was about a little boy named Tom who learned that "life is a stairway and it depends how you live each step of the way up what kind of man or woman you will grow up to be." There are 365 steps before us, and we'd better start climbing.

Some people like to begin every New Year by turning over a new leaf, or by making New Year's resolutions (making up their minds to do better). Some of them are broken within twelve days instead of twelve months. But, what about you. Have you made any yet? Have you kept them up to now? If you have made some that's all right. It is quite popular to make resolutions, not only at New Year's but at any time. I think it's a good thing, because in this way, we attempt to correct our faults, develop new habits and become better boys and girls. As a matter of fact, I have a few to suggest. I know it will be the last of the month before your copy of the Informer arrives, therefore, my resolutions are not for New Year's only, but are as Life resolutions.

Little Friends, say to yourselves:

I will do all that I can to contribute something toward helping those about me whether in my home, at school, at play, or in my community. I will press out the rough edges of my personality and conduct so as to cause as little trouble as possible to others. I will stay out of quarrels and not say harsh words to any of my friends. I will try to be very, very friendly to all.

I will acknowledge my talents that have been given to me by God. I have two hands, two feet, two eyes, and one life—these are all I will ever have, so, with them I will try hard to prepare myself to work in His vineyard.

I will be more loyal to myself, my parents, my friends, my country and my God. I will control my actions so as to "grow in wisdom and knowledge, and in favor with God and men."

Let's have a prosperous new year boys and girls and let me hear from you soon.

I have chosen some questions for you this month. It has been quite some time since I wrote any. So here goes.

Fill in the blanks of these Bible Stories. Answers on page 16.

THE BOY JESUS

1. Jesus' parents went to _____ every year to the Passover Feast.
2. Jesus was _____ years old when his parents found Him sitting in the midst of the doctors.
3. Jesus told His parents that He must be about His _____'s business.
4. After Jesus went back to Nazareth with His parents He increased in wisdom and _____

THE FIRST GARDEN

1. _____ was made out of the dust of the ground.
2. God planted a garden eastward in _____.
3. God made woman out of Adam's _____.
4. The _____ told Eve that she would not surely die if she ate of the forbidden fruit.

ABRAHAM'S SACRIFICE

1. God told Abraham to take _____ to Mount Moriah and offer him for a burnt offering.
2. Isaac asked Abraham where the _____ was for a burnt offering.
3. Abraham stretched forth his hand and took a _____ to slay his son.
4. The _____ caught in the thicket was offered for a burnt offering instead of Isaac.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

THE BOY JESUS

1. Jerusalem (Lk. 2:41) 2. twelve (Lk. 2:41)
3. Father's (Lk. 2:49) 4. Stature (Lk. 2:52).

THE FIRST GARDEN

1. Adam (Gen. 2:7) 2. Eden (Gen. 2:8) 3. Rib (Gen. 2:22) 4. Serpent, (Gen. 3:4).

ABRAHAM'S SACRIFICE

1. Isaac (Gen. 22:2) 2. Lamb (Gen. 22:5) 3. Knife (Gen. 22:10) 4. ram (Gen. 22:13)

**STATE LAYMEN'S MOVE-
MENT ORGANIZED AS
AUXILIARY
to
General Convention**

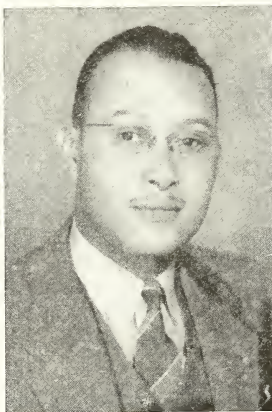
In response to a call issued by the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Inc., approximately sixty laymen representing twenty-one churches attended a meeting held at the First Baptist Church of Raleigh, Dr. O. S. Bullock, Pastor, on Sunday, December 14, at 2 p. m.

Following dinner which was served by the Laymen's League of the First Baptist Church as a courtesy to the visitors, the meeting was called to order by Dr. O. S. Bullock.

Dr. Bullock and the Rev. O. L. Sherrill, acting executive secretary of the Convention, made introductory statements regarding the purpose of the call and emphasized the important functions which such an organization could have in helping to carry on the great Baptist Program of the state. Representatives present readily accepted the idea and formed a permanent organization.

Initial officers elected were: W. H. Quarles, Shaw University, Raleigh, President; Dr. W. R. Perry, Burlington, first vice-president; James J. Rhoe, Wilmington, second vice-president; Arthur Williams, Louisburg, third vice-president; R. E. Dalton, East Spencer, recording secretary; George B. Russ, Durham, assistant recording secretary; L. B. Watson, Charlotte, treasurer; Atty. J. S. Bowser, Charlotte, corresponding secretary, and C. F. Graves, Elizabeth City, chairman of the executive committee.

Elected as members of the committee were: Atty. Bowser, George H. Bostic, Pinehurst; W. H. Taylor, Raleigh; R. L. Levister, Rocky Mount; J. E. Evans, High Point; E. O. Hairston, Winston-Salem; George L. Singleton, Lexington; and Robert Harris, Zebulon.



HEADS LAYMEN

W. H. Quarles, secretary of Shaw University and administrative secretary of the President, was elected president of the State Laymen's Movement in its initial meeting December 14 in Raleigh.

Mr. Quarles is president of the Usher's Board of the First Baptist Church, Raleigh, and is a recognized leader in the scouting, and community improvement movements in Raleigh and vicinity.

The following churches were represented in the meeting:

Fancy Hill, High Shoals; Saint John, Aberdeen; Galilee, Pinehurst; Shady Grove, East Spencer; New Jerusalem, Winston-Salem; Union, Winston-Salem; First Baptist, Zebulon; Maiden Chapel, Maiden; First Baptist, Raleigh; Tupper Memorial, Raleigh; Saint Paul, Charlotte; First Baptist, Charlotte; Union Baptist, Durham; Mount Nebo, Wilmington; Mount Zion, Rocky Mount; Mitchell Chapel, Louisburg; First Baptist, Burlington; Cornerstone Baptist, Elizabeth City; First Baptist, High Point; First Baptist, Lexington; and Smith Grove, Lexington.

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**FORMER EXECUTIVE
SECRETARY
Listed on Tide-Water
ACHIEVEMENT HONOR
ROLL**

The Rev. C. E. Griffin, pastor of the First Calvary Baptist Church of Norfolk, Va., and former executive secretary of the General Baptist State Convention of N. C., Inc., was listed on the first Honor Roll of citizens of the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Peninsula areas, "who by their exceptional achievements in ten categories of vital activity, and by their contributions to the general welfare, eminently merit the felicitations of their fellowmen."

The Honor Roll was inaugurated by the *Norfolk Journal and Guide*, national weekly newspaper. Selections were made by a distinguished committee of citizens, in cooperation with the *Journal and Guide*.

In naming the Rev. Mr. Griffin, the newspaper gives the following citation:

"The Rev. C. E. Griffin has set a laudable example of religious leadership as pastor of the First Calvary Baptist Church. While integrating the activities of his church with those of the community during 1947, he continued and expanded a broad program of educational, missionary and health advancement.

"The church now gives each year to home and foreign missions a total of \$12,000, the largest amount of any Negro Baptist Church in the country. It has held this record for the past three years. Rev. Mr. Griffin's church sponsored 11 students in college during 1947, in some cases paying the entire cost of their schooling. It pays full rent for several poor families in the city. The church also hires a full-time graduate nurse to visit sick members. Caring for its own old and indigent members, it does not send them to the city home, but houses them in its own home in the adjoining county.

"A credit union organized in

June, 1946, has grown through skillful direction to a membership of 100. In addition, there is a visual aid program each week. An annual leadership program is conducted by the pastor.

"The chimes of First Calvary Baptist are heard for several blocks each noon, reverencing the memory of veterans who gave their lives for the country in World War II.

"Rev. Mr. Griffin, who was called to the Norfolk church three years ago, is active in various community organizations. He is a member of the board of Norfolk Community Hospital, a gold star member of the executive committee for the expansion membership campaign of Hutton Branch Y. M. C. A., and president of the local NAACP."

Interracial Conference

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folk to church' were cited as possible results by Mr. Mitchell.

Dr. Bishop echoed the sentiments of the Rev. Mitchell and said the conference would "help us to take more seriously the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God."

Among other ministers attending was the Rev. John W. White, state director of Baptist Training Union work of the General Baptist State Convention.

JUST FOR FUN

A grocer passed away. Hades rapped on the gates of Hades asking permission to enter.

"What do you want to come in here for?" inquired Satan.

"Because every time I tried to collect from them, this is where they told me to go."

Officer (to Blind beggar)—you are under arrest for reading a newspaper!

Blind beggar: I wasn't reading—I was just looking at the picture.

Officer: Oh, excuse me.

—Messenger.



Above is a group of church members of Zion Baptist in Reidsville in a Mission Study Class. The class is being taught by Mrs. Eunice Kirby. Pastor E. L. Kirby is seated at the extreme left on the first row.

PREJUDICE

HOW DO WE RECOGNIZE IT?

We are prejudiced

IF we believe that our race is born with more ability, more brains and character, than other races

IF we think that members of our own church are good and most others queer or bad

IF we ever accuse a whole group of people of anything

IF we repeat rumors or gossip about other groups

IF we believe members of some groups should stay out of certain jobs and schools

IF we keep our children or friends from associating with members of other races and creeds

BUT

We are people of goodwill

IF we judge every person by his own record

IF we believe that all groups are born with the same ability and can make good if they have equal chances

IF we make friends with members of all groups

IF we work for a square deal in jobs, votes, homes and schools for everybody

IF we acknowledge the many made by all groups to our own welfare

—From Building Bridges; by Willard Johnson

"Pat, said the fifth-grade teacher, in an arithmetic review, "How many make a million?"

And the experienced and realistic Pat promptly replied, "Very few."

—Carbon Copy.

TOLERANCE ON INCREASE

While the American people, as a whole, have not been made more deeply religious as a result of the war, greater understanding and tolerance is developing between persons of different faiths, according to a survey made by CBS' "Guiding Light" author Irna Phillips, who polled 4,500 ministers affiliated with the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. The "Guiding Light" serial's principal character is a minister who has, during the program's decade on the air, dealt with a wide variety of social problems common to every community. (CBS, 1:45-2:00 PM, EST., Mon.-thru-Fri. From Hollywood).

History is repeating itself, the polled clergymen believe, in a post-war decadence in morals and manners.

Asked to name specific qualities an "ideal" minister should possess to be of maximum service to his ministrants and community, most clergymen stated: "Christian faith"; followed by "Love of people, humility" and "scholarship and training." Other qualifications suggested were "sincerity, imagination, devotion, sound judgment, idealism and a sense of humor."

The Baptists Need Shaw University and Shaw University Needs the Baptists

What has 82 years of Shaw's influence meant to the Baptists of North Carolina? Or putting it another way, what would have been the status of the Baptists in North Carolina today without Shaw's influence?

How would the Methodist feel in North Carolina without a Livingston College? How would the Presbyterian in North Carolina feel without a Johnston C. Smith University? How would the Episcopalian feel in North Carolina without a St. Augustine's College? The Baptists which boast of more members than all the other denominations combined, would feel like a man with both arms cut off without Shaw University.

The fact is, Shaw University is directly responsible for the large number of Baptists which we have in the State today.

Eighty-two years ago, before the skies were clear of the smoke from the Civil War which resulted in the freedom of the slaves, Tupper, a Baptist minister, from Boston, came down to train Baptist preachers and teachers. So the "Tupper School" got a grand good start in training leaders for the church before any of the other denominations. The name of the "Tupper School" was finally changed to Shaw University, because of large gift of several thousand dollars by Elijah Shaw to build the first brick buildings. So back in those early days, Shaw University stood tops in Education in North Carolina. History reveals the fact that Negroes in North Carolina had a four year Baptist college in Raleigh, the capital, before there was a four year college in the capital of North Carolina for White people. This fact gives one the feeling of the powerful influence Shaw University had in spreading Baptist influ-

ence throughout North Carolina in those early days which now makes it possible today for us to enjoy and boast of 250,000 members and about 1,700 Baptist churches. If today we do nothing but sit down and boast and enjoy the **number** of Baptists we have in North Carolina, within the short space of another 82 years other denominations, including the Catholics, will rightfully take our place and the Baptists of North Carolina will then be a negligible influence among us. With no school to train leadership for the church, with no school of our denomination to support, in the short space of four generations, the boot can slip on the other foot.

So the Baptists of North Carolina needs Shaw University now as much as it did in any period of its history. If Baptist heritage is stabilized in North Carolina the Baptists must become Shaw's greatest benefactors today and onward. This is not a trival matter. There are more than 100 vacant Baptist churches in North Carolina today. We do not have enough room at Shaw to accommodate enough young men in training to take care of the vacant Baptist churches which now exists.

Because of the prevalence of public high schools now scattered over the State and five Public Colleges, most of our churches from now on are going to demand leadership of some training, or else many of their members will turn in other directions where they can find the type of leadership desired.

At this very moment, Shaw University is practically our sole help in meeting this demand not only in training further leadership, but also in training pastors now in service. Through its rural church department, department of Missionary and

Christian Education, Ministers' Institutes, and Summer courses at Shaw, our school is training annually more than 1,000 pastors and Christian workers.

Imagine Shaw University taken out of Baptist influence today and you will see the cause of the Baptists in North Carolina slipping backwards faster than the waters rushing down the strong current of a river. **The Baptists of North Carolina need Shaw University.**

Again let us remember that the educational influence in the public schools will not favor our cause during the next 82 years as it has done in the past. The "State School Fact" as late as 1932 stated that 65% of its public school teachers attended school at Shaw University. With many teachers now being trained at five State supported colleges the above picture has more than reversed itself. And the churches throughout the State are realizing a change. This means that Shaw's influence needs to be broadened and strengthened in its Extension Departments, institutional service to pastors, added emphasis or courses in Christian leadership through the School of Religion, etc. The Baptists need this help and influence from Shaw in order to hold its own.

But this additional service to the Baptists cause will call for additional finances. So that brings us to the second thought. **"Shaw University needs the Baptists."**

Shaw needs more support from the Baptists, if it is to render greater service to our cause in the State. Shaw does not need more support from the Baptists in order to exist. But if Shaw is to increase her services and influence to our cause, which is mandatory if we are to hold our own, she must have more support from the cause that needs her help and influence.

If the Baptists is to continue to hold her influence in North Carolina, plans should now be made by the Baptists to encourage each member of our 1,700 churches to make an **annual contribution to Shaw University.** And the proper machinery should be set in motion to sell this need, as a matter of self preservation of our cause, to the pastors of our 1,700 churches. The Baptist body of North Carolina can save itself by becoming Shaw's greatest benefactor. What a glorious opportunity and challenge for the Baptists to maintain its strength in the State, and what a glorious opportunity and challenge Shaw Univer-

sity will have to strengthen and continue its helpful influence to a great cause which she has so nobly challenged for 82 years.

G. E. Cheek
Public Relations Director
of Shaw University

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Contributions Received Through Woman's Convention

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Gethsemane Cir.—Mrs. Nancy Chaplin—Charlotte.....	5.00
Sandy Grove Cir.—Mrs. A. L. Thompson.....	10.00
New Bensalem—Mrs. Isabella Lane—Robbins.....	2.00
Helper Sales—Friendship Bapt.—Mrs. W. L. Bishop—Winston-Salem.....	25.00
Little Hope Cir.—Rocky Mount.....	2.00
Hickory View Cir.—Mrs. Mary H. Battle.....	5.00
New Bethel Cir.—Mrs. E. Norris—Durham.....	1.50
Helper Subscription—Mrs. E. L. Eaton by Mrs. Z. Walker.....	1.00
First Baptist Cir.—Mrs. Annie O. Pinnix—High Point.....	6.00
First Baptist Cir.—Mrs. Willette Patterson—Charlotte.....	6.40
Mt. Carmel Cir.—Mrs. Amanda Wilson—Rocky Mount.....	3.00
Oberlin Baptist—Mrs A. Pettiford—Raleigh.....	1.50
New Shepard Cir.—Mrs. Prudence L. Johnson—Cooleemee.....	1.00
Gaston Co. City Union—Mrs. M. J. Cabness.....	10.00
West End Cir.—Mrs. Laura J. Peebles—Winston-Salem.....	6.00
First Baptist—Mrs. Lillie Gerferad—Fremont.....	1.00

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New Shepard Jr. Cir.—Mrs. Prudence Johnson—Cooleemee.....	1.00
West End Cir.—Mrs. Laura J. Peebles—Winston-Salem.....	1.00
Community Bapt.—Mrs. Viola Jones.....	1.00
Nash Co. Jr.—Mrs. Annie Stokes.....	6.00
Ebenezer Jr. Cir.—Mrs. E. D. Alexander—Wilson.....	1.00
Wilson Co. Jr. Union—Mrs. E. D. Alexander—Wilson.....	3.00
N. Granville Jr. Union—Miss Pattie R. Evans—Oxford.....	8.40
Durham Co. Jr. Union—Mrs. S. H. Russ—Durham.....	10.00
Union Baptist Jr. Cir.—Mrs. S. H. Russ—Durham.....	2.00
First Baptist Jr. Cir.—Mrs. Helen Harrowe—Lexington.....	1.50
Second New Light Jr. Cir.—Mrs. Lucy Robinson—St. Paul.....	2.00
Castalia Jr. Cir.—Mrs. Annie P. Battle—Castalia.....	2.00
Zion Asso. Jr. Aux.—Mrs. Alice Hilliard—Wadesboro.....	6.00
Ebenezer Jr. Cir.—Mrs. Alice Hilliard—Wadesboro.....	.50
Friendship Cir.—Mrs. Maggie L. Jordan—Fayetteville.....	5.00
Zion Bapt. Cir.—Mrs. Lillie Mae Tapp—Reidsville.....	7.00
S. Granville Jr. Union—Mrs. Mary Lee Brandon.....	9.00
Ilong Jr. Cir.—Mrs. Susie M. Thorpe—Oxford.....	1.00
Mt. Zion Jr. Cir.—Mrs. M. J. Allen—Rocky Mount.....	5.00
W. D. Baptist—Durham—Mrs. Naomi Johnson.....	1.00
Piney Grove Cir.—Mrs. Rosa Mitchell—Walstonburg.....	3.00
Wayne Co. Union Jr.—Mrs. C. A. Boney.....	15.00
Vance Co. Jr. Union—Mrs. W. M. Martin.....	13.00
Roberson Co. Jr. Union—Mrs. Ellen S. Alston.....	2.50
Miss Ella Christian Kelly—Personal Granddaughter—Mrs. M. Dunston.....	5.00
St. James Jr. Cir.—Miss Rebecca Martin—Rocky Mount.....	3.00
Ebenezer Jr. Cir.—Mrs. Lucy Forman—Wilmington.....	10.00
Calendar Sale—Rev. J. C. Brewer.....	3.35
Ebenezer Jr. Cir.—Mrs. E. M. Youngblood—Charlotte.....	10.00
Mt. Zion Jr. Cir.—Mrs. Maude Griffin—Polkton.....	1.00
Union Bapt. Jr. Cir.—Mrs. Alice Brame—Durham.....	1.00
First Bapt.—Mrs. Margaret Rand—Clayton.....	1.00
Emmanuel Cir.—Mrs. Carrie Byrd—High Point.....	2.00
Rocky Mount City Union—Mrs. Annie E. Boykins.....	2.50
Friendship Cir.—Mrs. Mary I. Gary—Gastonia.....	5.00
E. Cumberland Jr. Cir.—Mrs. Ethel Malloy.....	10.00
Mt. Shiloh Cir.—Williamston, Jr.—Mrs. Sadie M. Hill.....	4.00
St. James Jr.—Mrs. V. O. Bryant—Boivia.....	4.00
Mrs. Amanda Wilson—Mt. Carmel—Rocky Mount.....	1.00
New Bensalem—Mrs. Isabella Lane—Deep River.....	1.00
Raleigh City Jr. Union—Mrs. Harriett Smith.....	6.00

**Total Contributions Received
THROUGH OFFICE of EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
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Buncombe—Mocksville: Rev. F. R. Mason	\$ 3.80
Ebenezer—Wilson: Rev. C. T. Jones	25.00
Piney Grove—Macon: Rev. C. C. Staton	2.75
First—Enfield: Rev. T. P. Battle	2.50
Mitchell Chapel—Louisburg: Rev. E. L. Brodie	8.23
Shiloh—Arcola: Rev. E. L. Brodie	5.15
Mount Zion—Candler: Rev. T. A. W. Johns	1.70
Union Baptist—Willing Worker's Mission: Rev. A. S. Croom	25.00
Phillipi—Chiclod: Rev. E. H. Harris	10.00
Mount Carmel—High Point: Rev. L. F. Wallington	10.00
Edward Grove S. S.: Rev. C. T. Jones	3.22
Edward Grove: Rev. C. T. Jones	1.87
Olive Grove: Rev. P. G. Davis	5.05
Belton Creek: Rev. P. G. Davis	5.12
Heccks Grove: Rev. P. G. Davis	2.62
Clifton Grove—Kernville: Rev. Earl Hines	25.00
Mud Creek—E. Flat Rock	7.20
Shiloh—Mocksville: Rev. G. W. Campbell	5.00
Hickory Grove—Fair Bluff: Rev. L. M. Stevenson	3.90
Franklin Co. S. S. & B. T. U. Convention	20.00
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