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Our Present Pressing Need.

Our present pressing need is not the recruiting officer, but the drill master. In the interest of our efficiency I sometimes think we could afford to suspend all evangelistic efforts for a term of years till we can convert into efficient soldiers the vast army of raw recruits who in very large measure compose our membership. That of which we have been most proud in the past—our ability to win followers—is likely to become the greatest menace to our future stability; for the church that is not more than evangelistic can not live. The undue emphasis that has been placed by us upon the value of proselyting has worked injury to us in several ways. It has filled the church with half-converted people who can not be assimilated and who are a constant source of trouble and sorrow. In addition to this the notion has been created that there Churches. Chicago, with over a million no success that can not be expressed in terms of numerical increase. This is a serious matter as well as a serious mistake. Churches which are making beautiful progress in knowledge,

discipline and spirituality are often deprived of capable and consecrated shepherds by the restlessness and dissatisfaction of people who feel that there is nothing being done unless there are constant additions. Gideon increased the strength and efficiency of his army by eliminating the careless and the cowardly ones. Not in numbers, but in intelligence and spirituality lies the strength of the church. Whatever our course may be with reference to evangelism, the time is certainly upon us when we must give more time and thought to the matter of the edification of the body, which means spiritual growth. The time has come for our missionary boards—all of them—to throw their support to the missionary pastor, who does permanent work. Let them plant men in strategic fields and keep them there till the cause has been permanently established—good men of broad culture, liberal ideas and clean lives. Only such can do work that will stand, and only work that will stand is worth doing at all. The Presbyterian church scarcely more than held its own for

many years, numerically. But it was gathering strength of another kind. Now it has entered the evangelistic field with a virility and a vigor that can be born only of great intellectual and spiritual strength. While the rest of the winter does not add to the bulk of the oak it does add something quite as important. Let us give growth in grace a larger place in our missionary plans.

W. H. BAGBY.

WEST TEXAS AS A MISSION FIELD

Among the last words of our Savior we find this command: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."—Mark 16:15. What great importance do men attach to the last words of a man today! No man can question the truthfulness of the statements he may make; and in law, they are equivalent to an oath. Why is it that we are so reasonable in those things which pertain to man and so unreasonable in those things which pertain to God?

The last words of the Redeemer are of all words the most important, because they have at least a two-fold meaning to us. First, it is a command to be obeyed. Second, the salvation of men depends upon our obedience to this holy mandate.

Does this command apply to the people of Western Texas? Does it apply to the Christians of the West Texas district? That is, the disciples scattered along the line of the Texas & Pacific railway from Abilene to the west line of Reeves County. If it could be applied anywhere, it certainly could in this region.

There is a good field open before us, and will we take advantage of this opportunity? Why not? There are

many hamlets and towns where good churches could be built up, if we had regular preaching, if only on week nights once or twice a month; and one or two meetings a year. In many of these places the pure and simple gospel of our Lord and Savior is seldom or never heard. We can not overestimate the value of planting the gospel in the small towns of this section at the earliest possible date. Hear this. The day is coming when these small towns will be the centers of a vast population. We have not yet learned the lesson of being on time, of being the first in the field. In how much better position will we be to capture the country for Christ if we now plant the gospel in the small towns? "A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump." To prove that my position is correct I cite you to Oklahoma as an example. When the land was opened for settlement our preachers went in with the "rush," and hear this and be wise. Today we are the foremost people of Oklahoma. Shall we be the foremost people of Western Texas? The disciples of Western Texas must answer this question. What shall our answer be?

Again, the people are willing to listen to the preacher, and everybody comes to everybody else's service. I would not, however, be understood to mean that there is no sectarian prejudice here in the West, but I speak of the custom of the people, as a general rule. Brethren, shall we sit idly by and let this field go to waste? No! Indeed this work must be carried on. Let us remember we have a mission in the world, and we stand for something. May our cry be as we press onward and upward to victory: No

book but the Bible, no creed but the Christ, no plea but the gospel, and no name but the divine. We have the promise of Jesus that He will be with us—what more could we ask? Finally a great work can be done if each one will make a sacrifice of some of our time, our talents and our money for the promulgation of the gospel in this district. Twenty-five years from this time West Texas will be what we of today choose to make it. Brethren, what shall our choice be?

J. C. MOTT.

Stanton, Texas.

Bay City, Tex., Sept. 5, 1905.

Bro. J. C. Mason, Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir and Brother: Your card came to hand a day or so ago. We are glad to learn that you think you can send us an evangelist soon to hold a meeting at this place. I was sorry to learn, however, that you do not think we can get Bro. Granville Jones. I hope you will prevail on his coming, for we have a rather different town from many places. We have had meeting after meeting by the ordinary run of ministers in the different denominations with but little results, and not very large crowds, and while a large crowd can be drawn out by the right man, we want such man, and none can come up with Bro. Jones in getting an audience or convincing the people, as he has been here, and many who never go to church will hear him, because of the great speech he made last fall and the effect it had on our county. I just a day or so ago learned of an old "drunken sot" of a carpenter who went up to hear him a confirmed anti, and when he put the question defying any saloon man to show one

good thing that the saloons had done he got to thinking, and came out a changed man and my informant said he has never to his knowledge taken a drink since, and has never loafed with the class of people he did before. He will bring men from other parts of the county, so if you can possibly do so help us to get him.

WM. CASH.

If you think of moving west settle where you can have church privileges. There is fine unimproved land in West Texas to be had at five to twenty dollars per acre. It will double in value in five years.

A new house was dedicated at Biardstown and another is reported under way at Petty. J. C. Eubank, the North Texas evangelist, is the missionary.

CANCER MICROBE SAID TO HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED.

The Cancer Germ said to have been discovered by an Eastern Physician caused great surprise. Heretofore this disease was supposed to be caused by a cell growth. Careful experiments are being made. Dr. Bye, the Eminent Cancer Specialist, of Kansas City, Mo., is being besieged by hundreds of people suffering with this dread disease. The Doctor is curing many cases, thought to be incurable, with the combination of a Medicated Oil. Persons suffering or having friends afflicted should write for an illustrated book on the treatment of cancer, tumor, ulcer, piles, fistula, and all skin and womb diseases. Address Dr. Bye, Cor. 9th and Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

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NOV. 5 IS TEXAS MISSION DAY.

Take the offering for Texas Missions. Make a thorough canvass for Texas missions. Give every member a chance to contribute for the support of mission work in Texas. Four more Churches offer to give \$300 each for the support of a Texas missionary in needy fields, if our State Board will guarantee their support. We await the offerings of our Texas brotherhood that we may answer affirmatively. Let these offerings be prompt, general, generous, cheerful, liberal and with a prayer for larger success. Pray for our missionaries. Pray for our pastors that they may be alert for this offering.

APPEALS.

Read a few notes from a few of the appeals received at this office and act accordingly. We could double the number of Churches established by our

Texas missionaries last year if we could add 33 1-3 per cent increase to our offering for Texas missions.

Five thousand dollars is the sum named by your State Board as the minimum for the November offering. To reach this sum we must enlist more Churches and secure larger sums from most of the contributing Churches. Individual offerings have been encouraging the past year. We hope to secure many more of these. There are children of God who can give \$1,000, \$500, \$250, \$100, etc., and be all the better off and happier for the sweet fellowship and assured usefulness thus secured. Try it. Come and see!

We mention a dozen or so of our Texas missionaries in this issue to give our readers a sample. They are men who do things. We can well afford to aid in such work.

The writer has offered to affirm that "The Texas Missionary Convention, with its executive committee or board is working in harmony with New Testament teaching." Bro. A. B. Barrett, who had challenged us for a discussion, replies that he will not deny that proposition. Now we thought that he did and that loudly. Bro. Barrett asked me to affirm that I was an "old line" preacher, but when I agreed to do so he replies that "I do not care what sort of a line preacher you are." Bro. Barrett is growing rapidly.

Your secretary has recently made a canvass of our churches on the Texas Pacific Railway from Eastland to Pecos, with the result that in the near future four additional men will be preaching the gospel in the territory

mentioned. The plan is to select some church that can pay for part of a minister's time and aid him to preach also for mission points near by. This work is done under the supervision of the eldership of the near by and aiding church. This puts the work close to the people and disarms opposition.

Winters is situated 18 miles north of Ballinger in as fine a farming region as is Dallas County. We have twenty-five members there. We spoke there eight times to attentive audiences, ranging from 150 to 600 persons. With just a little aid a good Church can be planted at Winters. Miles, Sherwood, Eldorado, Sonora, Christoval, Paint Rock, Robert Lee, Dickens, all offer great inducements to the Christian who would take this great and growing country for Christ. What shall our answer to these isolated Disciples be? Shall we join them in planting pure gospel seed in this virgin soil? Brother ministers, if you could go with me over these fields you would urge your members to respond liberally to this God's call to you.

We hope to print in script a pastoral letter which we can supply to the ministers and for every family in your church. These the pastors can sign and mail with a Texas mission envelope asking each to contribute. Send for the number which you can use. Please send to-day. A postal card will do. Do it now.

A. D. Rogers reports for August 85 baptisms, 9 from the denominations, net gain 94.

RECEIVED FOR TEXAS MISSION WORK IN AUGUST.

Churches—	Amount.
Mesquite	\$94 50
Colorado	25 00
Winters	60 00
Brownwood	7 75
Pecos	6 25
Individuals—	
E. D. Hamner	1 00
V. L. Graves	50 00
Jas. A. Stevens	1 00
— Stearns (Taylor)	5 00
A. W. Lander	5 00
A. J. Bush	5 00
J. Austin Strong	5 00
Home Board	25 00
Subscriptions and advertising in Texas Missions, Our Monthly.	60 75
Total	\$351 25

THE JEALOUS GRAND CANON.

Walter Page Tells How Demanding Is the Great Arizona Chasm.

Walter Page of New York, editor of the World's Work and a member of the firm of Doubleday, Page & Co., publishers, was here yesterday, eastward bound from the Pacific coast. He had spent six weeks on the coast preparing material for a Northwest edition of his magazine.

"My life is divided into two parts—that before I saw the Pacific and that after my visit," he said in summing his high opinion of the Western country. "And coming East I met Mr. Harvey's eating house. The climax came in the heart of the Arizona desert, the nearest water in an irrigation ditch. There, out in the sand, was a hotel, and the first thing on the bill

of fare was—what do you think? Frogs' legs!

“On the edge of the Grand canon I found as fine a hotel as, I think, I have ever seen. The El Tovar is a great structure of logs, with all the comforts one would ask in any good hotel in a city. Yet, they told me every drop of water used in the hotel was brought many miles in tank cars. In the hotel there is a billiard room and a large music room or ball room, both beautiful apartments. Although there

were many guests the billiard tables, ball room and piano were never used. This seemed strange until I got under the spell of the canon. That great chasm won't permit billiards or dancing. Not that it is oppressively overpowering, but it is fascinating to a degree that makes one want to look at it all the time.

“Describe it? A man who's never seen it can do that as well—better—than one who has been under its charm. I want to see it again.”

* **Brownwood District Convention.** *

The Brownwood District Convention was held at Ballinger Sept. 2-4. Bro. H. M. Bandy as district secretary planned the work wisely and well. H. M. Bandy, E. B. Watson, C. C. Scittern and F. F. Grim have done mission work in the district the closing year. The report was, all debts paid and a small balance in the treasury. The recommendation was that the work be enlarged and that especial attention be given to grouping weak churches and mission points and supplying them with regular preaching and pastoral care. Evangelists will be employed only for special meetings and at such places as the young churches and converts can be cared for.

The Ballinger people made us feel that it was good to be there. Preachers present were: Bandy, Grim, S. T. Shore of San Angelo, A. W. Jones and J. W. Smith of Brownwood. The outlook is encouraging if only we in the

older settled parts of Texas can help a little West Texas will come to the front.

The Brownwood District preachers are a splendid set, reliable, unselfish, faithful they need the hearty co-operation of their business men. Christians who are busy with their personal affairs have left the ministers too much alone in the advancement of this God-given work. Our Father blesses us that we may be a blessing to others. Let our business men and women join more heartily in this great work.

Virgil L. Graves reports for August 38 baptisms, 10 from the denominations, net gain 48.

Frank Lanehart has been invited to take a circuit of four churches west of San Angelo. We hope that Bro. L. can accept as he is eminently fitted for that kind of work.

GRATUITOUS GROWTH IN TEXAS MISSIONS.

Colby D. Hall.

One time I climbed a lofty cliff and carved my name in stone. In later years I climbed again. The name was there unchanged, the color darker, but the form and size the same. Ages ago that stone had been alive—the life of the shells of the sea. But now its form was fixed forever, till it crumble into dust.

Under the solemn arches of an old-time wooden bridge I carved my name. Years passed; I visited the spot. Deep in the woody fibre weather-worn the engraving was the same as I had made it long ago. That wood had once been life—the life of the mighty forest. But now its fibres can be fashioned only by some force outside itself.

I rambled in the pathless woods and came to a smooth-barked beech. Once more that passion of ambitious souls—the longing to be known by generations yet unborn—compelled me, and upon the tender skin of that fine youthful tree I cut my name. A few years later as I passed the spot I looked upon it—with a start. Was this the name that I had carved? These letters now so large, that could be seen from far away and gave distinctive feature to the tree; were these the scratches I had made? I felt almost uncanny to think some wizard hand had made so large a thing—and yet the very same thing—from those few feeble scratches I had one time formed and since almost forgotten. The

tree had life. And so the marking I had put upon it in its youth increased without my effort by the power of its own inner life and growth.

Thus does God magnify the work of those who mould the young.

Wait! Do not rush now into a homily on the training of a child in the way he should go. To a larger field. The law which makes the apple fall to the ground is the same that holds the earth in its orbit about the sun. And this principle of gratuitous growth is powerful not only in training a youthful human, but also in developing a youthful state. God's laws do not hesitate to undertake the largest problems.

Our beloved state is a young tree which we may brand. Texas is great, but her chief greatness lies in the fact that she is young and the possibility of determining the character of her maturity.

Texas has a unique history. No other State possesses such distinctive and grand memories of her beginnings. We have a right to glory in the past of the Lone Star. Texas is a mighty empire now. While she has many of the marks and inconveniences of a new country, she will compare favorably with the North and East in the character of her citizens, the standards of her morals, the purity of her politics and the advancement of her education. Her acres, used and

unused, are counted by the millions. Her transporting facilities are great; some of her crops are determining factors in the world's market and her present production would feed a population manyfold her size. Our enthusiasm may justly glow in contemplating the present Texas.

But the real greatness of Texas is yet to come. The real strength of Texas is in her undeveloped resources. The supreme motive for loving Texas to many hearts is her growing possibilities. And the greatest joy to be had in Texas life is the privilege of taking a hand in determining what this future shall be.

But more. The great opportunity, the weighty responsibility, the appalling thought, is that what influence we put into it now will not only abide, but will be magnified manyfold, by the gratuitous growth of nature.

Texas has six cities of over 30,000 population. A few decades rapidly passing will make these metropolitan cities, counting people by the hundred thousand. New York City, with her four millions, has but six Disciples Churches. Chicago, with nearly a million of these are struggling missions. Our cause is difficult in the great cities because they are old and we are new. But plant, now, numerous missions in these Texas cities and when they become greater our cause will be established in the front rank.

Texas has 16 towns of over 8,000 population, a greater number than any other Southern or Western State. Texas is peculiar in having a large number of towns of between 2,500 and 10,000 people. Only seven States excel her in this. And only eight States excel her in the number of towns of 2,500 to

50,000. A great strength lies in these thriving county towns. They will soon make our cities. Give the towns clear and lofty ideals of citizenship, and you make it hard for graft in the future cities. Teach them the clear, simple principles on New Testament Christianity, now, and the future city will not only respect the plea, but will be led by it.

What shall we say of the "country" in Texas? What of the hundreds and thousands of schoolhouses that afford the only neighborhood place for worship? What of the stretches of miles and miles where the only opportunity for church service is at the summer "big meeting?" In many parts of Kentucky you can scarcely travel five miles without coming to a Christian church. That is because the mark of a vigorous campaign was put upon the new country in its smaller days.

The cause that is preached in these schoolhouses to-day, and to the summer throng under the brush arbor is the cause that will have a garrison every five miles after awhile. Now the tree is young. Brand it. Not only will the brand stay; it will grow.

They were only scattered frontiersmen who heard the preaching of the Restoration in the Western Reserve. But to-day Ohio is strong in the primitive faith. It was in a wild and almost uninhabited country that G. W. Muckley had claims staked and churches built in Oklahoma. But now no church is stronger than we.

New farm lands are being opened in Texas continually. Great sections are springing from desert into gardens. Villages are being born and towns are growing into cities.

Now is the time ripe for the influ-

ence of primitive Christianity to be planted. Texas is young. Time is precious, for she is growing. Every stroke counts for ten. Never had people greater opportunity than the Disciples in Texas.

Do you believe that the simple gospel is worthy of being the moulding influence of this young life? The Texas Mission work has the tools and the methods to do the marking. Are you willing to have a hand in furnishing them with the strength to carry on this work? Every mark that you make through them will be magnified by the gratuitous growth of nature. Let us in this way be co-laborers with God.

Hillsboro, Texas.

REPORT OF J. C. MASON, SECRETARY FOR AUGUST, 1905.

Days 31, sermons 28, baptisms 3, by statement 2, total 5. Cash in the field \$146.50, cash through the office \$186.75, total cash \$331.25. Pledges taken \$1020.00, places aided 4, church dedicated, Mesquite.

Leaday, Tex., Sept. 10, 1905.

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The other, Leaday, is a river town, and will be a manufacturing place. It already has a hotel, postoffice, blacksmith shop, school, real estate office and three stores. My ranch is in the southwest corner of Coleman County, on the Colorado River, and is 16 miles southwest of Coleman, 8 south of Talpa, 40 east of San Angelo, 50 south of Abilene, 40 west of Brownwood and 50 north of Brady.

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J. C. MASON.

Theodore Waters, writing in Pearson's Magazine, takes up what may be called "The Faker's Trust," an alleged combination of fakers who make a living by getting up fake damage suits against corporations, municipalities and firms. Mr. Waters cites hundreds of cases of persons who have worked up suits against corporations and cities to gain a few paltry dollars, and tells stories of men and women who make a profession of getting hurt, just to bilk railroad companies, street car companies and municipalities. This is all too prevalent in this country, and even in Texas one case is pointed out, that of a man who threw himself under a Texas & Pacific passenger train and had a leg cut off,

just to collect damages. The man with the fake damage suit is no better than the highwayman who holds up men and takes their money at the point of a pistol.—Sherman Register.

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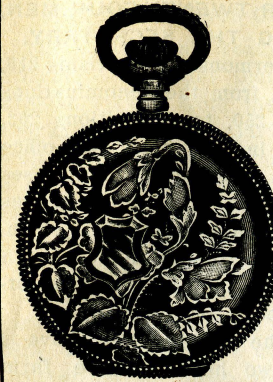
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WHAT WILL WE DO?

What will our Texas brotherhood do about it? About what? About the great commission, "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations."

There can be but one answer to the question, for we are in earnest, and that answer is we will obey it, or do our part. But since "all nations" embraces every race of man wherever he is found, whether in Africa, Asia or the islands, we are not left to chose which one we will endeavor to bring to Christ. Our love for mankind must be as far reaching as that of our Savior, who came to save the world. As his disciples we learn this doctrine, as his followers the salvation of all men is our purpose. As a Texas brotherhood how are we to do our part most effectively to succeed in worldwide missions?

It seems that common sense, business-like methods characterized the movement and operations of the apostles under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Can we do better?

With special reference the condition

that obtains in Texas what is our duty regarding missions at home and abroad? The leading of the nations back to God is or has been a slow process, step by step. The present indications are that gradually the work will continue, but with some acceleration.

We have time to look ahead and plan for the greatest results, not temporary, but permanent results.

As we peer into the future do we see more people embracing the gospel by our doing more now for foreign missions than for Texas?

Comparatively we are not strong, but growing in Texas. Is it best in this comparative weakness to scatter our means and specialize our progress in behalf of foreign work to the neglect of Texas? If there are foreign mission enthusiasts, the writer is glad to be classed with them. But why be one-sided? One has only to go into the broad expansive and populous Texas to see and observe and to become a Texas mission enthusiast also. The cry comes up from the East, South and

the West especially for help. Here are people living in the enjoyment of wealth, and whatever civilization has afforded them, in the way of education and social privileges, yet vast sections are without one church or individual to represent the pure and simple teaching of the Christ.

Just recently a man said to me: Bro. Simmons, to my certain knowledge there has not been a gospel sermon preached in my community for fourteen years. Can't you come and hold us a short meeting? Think of it, and I could not go for reasons obvious to all acquainted with our missionary resources.

There is just as purely foreign mission work to be done in Texas as there is in India, people by the thousands who are oblivious to our cause and plea. How are we to break into their ranks? By centralizing more on Texas. Realizing the heathens are at our own doors. Here are open doors. No Chinese wall to break down.

If we want to realize the purpose of world-wide missions and rejoice in having done a great part in evangelizing the world, we will do so by putting more money and more faithful men into this ripened harvest field.

Lay a more solid foundation at home, build a fortress here, gather supplies, organize a grand army in Texas, then can we carry our warfare on into other lands. This is the quickest way for us to carry to the world the blessings they have a right to expect of us.

The stronger we are at home the better can we invade regions beyond.

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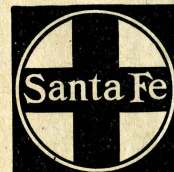
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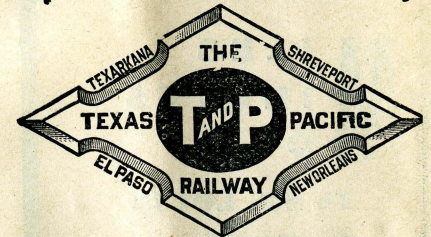
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