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"BEAT THE HEAT" SUNDAY

EDUCATIONAL NOTES . . .

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to our Sunday School and Training Union for the fine work that you are doing. For the past four Sundays our Sunday School attendance has been better than the same Sunday last year. Our average for these five weeks was 844 as compared with 748 for last year.

Training Union continues to grow with an average of 227 for the past five weeks as against 183 for last year. Let us not be satisfied with well doing, but continue to be faithful and "Save the Summer for the Savior."

DO YOU REALIZE that there remain only SIX more weeks before promotion. Teachers, are there any unsaved in your class that need to be won to Christ during these weeks that remain? Do your best to get them to walk the aisle for Christ next Sunday. Bring them into the worship service and sit with them. Speak the word in season and God will surely bless.

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YUM, Y U M—WATERMELON!

The following Unions will be feasted on the patio Sunday evening at the close of church, as a result of their winning the B B B contest in their respective departments: Original, Co-Weds, Leo Green, Phil Padgett, F. B. I., Eager Beavers and Pastor's Partners.

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. J. Hugh Fellows, united with our church on October 27, 1912, and departed this life on August 4, 1950.

SUNBEAM FOCUS WEEK

Throughout the Southern Baptist Convention August 6-12 will be observed as Sunbeam Focus Week. Our Sunbeams will be recognized in the 11:00 Worship Service on Sunday morning. Mrs. James Hurt, Mrs. Charles Overman and Jackie Godfrey are the Counselors.

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WHAT IS WORSHIP ?

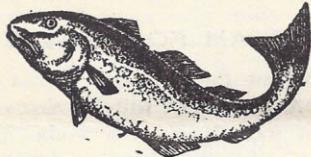
It is the soul searching for its counterpart.
It is a thirsty land crying out for rain.
It is a candle in the act of being kindled.
It is a man listening through a tornado to the Still Small Voice.
It is a cry in the night for help.
It is a soul standing in awe before the mystery of the Universe.
It is the Prodigal Son running to his Father.
It is the poet enthralled by the beauty of a sunrise.
It is a workman pausing a moment to listen to a distant church bell.
It is a hungry heart seeking for love.
It is time flowing into Eternity.
It is a man climbing the altar stairs to God.
— Author Unknown.

IN TRAINING UNION

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Ladder of Success	Present	Con-tacts
General Officers.....	8	80
13 Adult "A"	107	147
7 Adult "B"	214	262
3 Young People	82	62
11 Intermediates	46	20
15 Senior	35	5
6 Junior "A"	69	30
4 Junior "B"	56	117
12 Primary "A"	24	10
5 Primary "B"	38	16
10 Primary "C"	33	7
2 Beginner "A"	32	20
7 Beginner "B"	27	0
1 Nursery "A"	12	5
14 Nursery "B"	26	3
8 Nursery "C"	35	20
Total.....	844	804

FISH FRY



All men please note the "grapevine" says that the monthly Brotherhood meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 17 will be an outdoor meeting with plenty of food, fun and fellowship. Plan to attend. Make your reservation early.

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THINGS TO FORGET

The mean things others have said about you.

The injury any person has done you.

The mistakes you have made in the past except as they may warn you in the future.

The kindness you have tried to do others.

The days when you were better off than you are now.

The promises other people have made you.

The ill-natured gossip you have heard concerning others.

The secrets entrusted to your confidence.

The worry that hinders your happiness.

The drawbacks that seem to stand in the way of your success.

— Selected.

TRAINING UNION

A two-fold program of activity for the Training Union will get under way on Sunday. A large poster containing two thermometers will be placed in the entrance to the church auditorium. Thermometer No. 1 will give the actual temperature at 10:45 each Sunday. The goal for Training Union will be the heat plus the number on No. 2 Thermometer. The goal for Sunday is 200 plus the heat. Be in Training Union and help "BEAT THE HEAT."

Simultaneously a "DO OR DIET Enlargement Campaign" will be conducted. Come and be a part of one of the greatest fellowships to be found anywhere.

"DO OR DIET" ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN

Date to begin work — NOW!!!!

Date to begin counting points, Aug. 13th.

Date to close contest, Sept. 17th.

AIM: ENLIST AS MANY NEW TRAINING UNION MEMBERS AS POSSIBLE. ENLIST AS MANY DEACONS IN TRAINING UNION AS POSSIBLE. ENLIST AS MANY NEW WORKERS IN TRAINING UNION AS POSSIBLE. ATTAIN A VERY HIGH GRADE OF EFFICIENCY.

Points given for attainment of the above aim:

For each new Training Union member.. 50
For each Deacon enlisted in Training

Union 75

For each Department Officer enlisted..100
The exact number of points given in
accordance to your department grade
each evening in Training Union..... ?

For each visitor in our Training Union.. 25
THE GOAL — 350 people in Training
Union in our church.

The reward: The department having
earned the highest number of points after
the records are in on Sept. 17th, will be
treated to a full course dinner of TURKEY
and ALL THE TRIMMINGS.

The department having earned the small-
est number of points during this same pe-
riod will be fed SOUP and CRACKERS.

All other departments between the high-
est and the lowest in points, will be fed
BACON and EGGS.

PROVIDED — WE REACH THE GOAL
OF 350 IN OUR TRAINING UNION, AT
LEASE TWICE DURING THE PERIOD
OF THIS ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN.

The standings of each department will
be given on each evening for the first four
Sundays. The final standing of all depart-
ments will be given on the night of the
supper.

BEST OF LUCK TO EACH DEPART-
MENT.

Your Director,
EMORY ROGERS.

A PARABLE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

"What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it. And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing, and when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbors, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost." (Luke 15: 4-6).

1. HE WAS NOT SATISFIED WITH 99 PER CENT ATTENDANCE.

He was not to go about shouting, "What a remarkable showing, one was absent."

2. HE FELT PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ONE WHO WAS NOT THERE.

He went after the missing sheep. He did not say, "it will probably come back." He felt it was his duty to bring it back himself.

3. HE DID NOT GIVE UP.

Note he went until he found it. Hidden away in its own indifference or worse, or in the indifference of father and mother, the straying sheep needs the searching shepherd.

4. HE WAS NOT SATISFIED UNTIL IT WAS SAFE WITHIN THE FOLD.

This is the ultimate endeavor of every true Sunday School teacher. Not merely present in the class, but in the fold of Christ.

5. HE WANTED OTHERS TO SHARE HIS INTEREST AND HIS JOY.

His friends and neighbors must have come to feel that to find a lost sheep was the most joyous and worthwhile work in the world.

If every Sunday School teacher would read this parable every Sunday morning it would be a valuable preparation for his work.

— Ryland Knight, in S. S. Builder.

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A world without a sabbath would be like a man without a smile, like a summer without flowers, and like a homestead without a garden. It is the joyous day of the whole week.

— Beecher.

WHY WORRY?

There are three things which Jesus never did. He never worried; he never hurried; and he never doubted the outcome. Dr. Charles H. Mayo, co-founder of Mayo's Clinic, is quoted as having said: "Worry affects the circulation, the heart, the glands, the whole nervous system, and profoundly affects the health. I have never known a man who died from overwork, but many who died from doubt."

This reminds us of what Jesus said in the twelfth chapter of Luke (ASV). "Be not anxious for your life, what ye shall eat; nor for your body, what ye shall put on. For the life is more than the food, and the body than the raiment." From these words of Jesus and the comments following we reach four conclusions.

1. WORRY IS NEEDLESS. "Consider the ravens, that they sow not, neither reap; which have no store-chamber nor barn; and God feedeth them: of how much more value are ye than the birds!" (v.24).

2. WORRY IS HOPELESS. "And which of you by being anxious can add a cubit unto the measure of his life? If then ye are not able to do even that which is least, why are ye anxious concerning the rest?" (v. 25-26).

3. WORRY IS FAITHLESS. "If God doth so clothe the grass in the field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven; how much more shall he clothe you, O ye of little faith?" (v. 28).

4. WORRY IS USELESS. "And seek not ye what ye shall eat, and what we shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind. For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: but your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things." (v. 29-30).

— John Jeter Hurt, Jr.
Baptist Bulletin Service.

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DON'T FORGET YOUR CHURCH
PLEDGE, AND YOUR TITHES AND
OFFERINGS DURING THE SUM-
MER MONTHS.

KEEP UP WITH THE LORD —
HE KEEPS UP WITH YOU

YOU ASK ME WHY I GO TO CHURCH ?

You ask me why I go to Church?
 I give my mind a careful search.
 Because — I need to breathe the air where
 There's an atmosphere of prayer.
 I need the hymns the churches sing —
 They set my faith and hope a-wing;
 They keep old truths in memory green,
 Reveal the worth of things unseen.
 Because my neighbor needs to go —
 His faith in right is rather low;
 He needs the Church to hold him fast
 To those great truths that always last;
 And when he sees me on my way
 It draws him to the Church to pray,
 And both our hearts are lifted up
 To heavenly places where we sup.
 Because my boy is watching me
 To note whatever he can see
 That tells him what his father thinks,
 And with his eager soul he drinks
 The things I do in daily walk,
 The things I say in daily talk;
 If I with him the Church will share,
 My son will make his friendships there,
 Because the Church builds up the state,
 Breaks own the barriers of hate
 And helps to spread unselfish life
 Allay all bickerings and strife;
 Sustains a wholesome public health,
 And builds a righteous commonwealth:
 A joyous place in which to live
 With all the blessings God can give.
 — Deleware Baptist Church News.

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WEDDING BELLS

Miss Katherine Henderson and Ormond Dickerson.

Miss Eleanor Kast and J. W. Mashburn.

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SYMPATHY

To Mrs. H. G. Lee in the loss of her father.

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TRAINING UNION IS A FAMILY AFFAIR

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

AUGUST 13 - 19

MAKE SUNDAY THE LORD'S DAY—IT IS

Morning Worship.....	8:30 and 11:00
Sermon	Pastor
11:00 service Broadcast over WEAR	
Evening Worship.....	8:00
Sermon	Pastor
Sunday School	9:30
Training Union	6:45

2:30 — Baptist Hour. WPCF, Panama City
 5:30 — Youth in Religion, Station WCOA.
 7:00 — Instruction Class for new members.
 9:00 — Singspiration in lower auditorium.

MONDAY —

7:00 — Church visitation.

TUESDAY —

3:00 — Sunbeams and Junior G. A. meetings.

6:30 — Youth Choir rehearsal.

7:30 — Adult Choir rehearsal.

7:30 — Circle 12 will meet with Mrs. T. J. Parda, 903 W. Moreno.

WEDNESDAY —

7:15 A.M. — Morning Watch.

6:15 — Sunday School Workers Supper. T. E. L. Class will assist the dietician.

7:30 — Prayer and Praise Service. Monthly business meeting of church.

THURSDAY —

7:00 — Brotherhood meeting.

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LAST WEEK IN OUR CHURCH

Sunday School	844
Training Union	237

OFFERINGS:

Local	\$1,528.48
Building Fund	290.79

Total.....	\$1,819.27
Envelope of ering	\$1,285.80
Contributors	432

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