

Baptist Convention To Meet At Wendell In Two-Day Session

Interesting Program For Two-Day Session of Annual Convention of Region Four Baptist Training Union—Prominent Speakers Coming.

Starting Friday, March 20, and continuing through Saturday, the Annual Convention of Region Four Baptist Training Union will be held in Wendell, with 369 churches, 9 Associations and fifteen counties represented, which is expected to bring together more than five hundred delegates. It will be by far the largest meeting ever held in Wendell, and one of the important meetings in the state this year.

Featuring a program, which has been mailed to the churches already, are three of the denomination's ablest speakers—Rev. Albert E. Simms, of Littleton; Dr. J. Levering Evans, of Richmond, and Rev. Charles B. Howard, of Buie's Creek. All three are men intensely interested in the training of the youth of the state and each will have a vital message for young folks of this troubled day.

In coming here for this Convention Rev. Albert E. Simms is in a sense coming back home. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Simms of Raleigh, and held his first pastorate in Wendell. A graduate of the Raleigh public schools, he took his college training at Wake Forest, later going to the Southern Theological Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky. Mr. Simms has been marked for his eloquence since his high school days, and has always been deeply interested in the problems of youth. To his abilities as a minister Mr. Simms adds those of an accomplished musician and singer. A featured song on the program was written, words and music, by him while in Wendell and dedicated to the Wendell Baptist church.

The second of the featured speakers, Dr. J. Levering Evans, of Richmond, Va., who has been pastor of the Weatherford Memorial Baptist Church in Richmond since 1932, has had a most eventful life, though still a young man. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Phillip S. Evans, for many years missionaries in China, a grandson of the late Joshua Levering, of Baltimore, who served for some time as president of the Southern Baptist Convention. His youth was spent in China, to which he returned as instructor in the University of Shanghai after his graduation from Yale University in 1923. In 1927 he was awarded a Ph. D. in Economics by his Alma Mater, and was for a time before entering the Seminary in Louisville, advisor for a large industrial concern. Shortly after his graduation at Louisville he went to his present pastorate. Dr. Evans is well known in Wendell where he conducted a revival last summer.

Perhaps few ministers of any denomination have so deeply and consistently stirred their hearers to the depths as Rev. Charles Barrett Howard, now teacher of the Bible at Campbell College and pastor of the Buie's Creek Baptist church. He was born in Sampson County. His parents died in his early boyhood and he was reared in the home of his grandparents until 15. Largely on his own efforts he has attained a thorough education, being a graduate of Cary High School, Wake Forest College and the Louisville Theological Seminary. He also attended State College, Raleigh, for two years. Rev. Mr. Howard delivered the convention sermon for the State Convention in 1940, an address that is still referred to as one of the most powerful ever heard by this body. He is a magnetic and winning speaker.

Certainly no less a headliner than the three mentioned will be the Rev. E. Norfleet Gardner, of Henderson. Always interested in young peoples' work, Mr. Gardner has been very closely connected with Region Four since its formation. He was Pastor Advisor for the Region last year, and has given invaluable aid in the plans for the convention this year. He is a worthy fourth to make a quartette of the three preachers already mentioned on the program.

Space alone prevents the mention of many others who will appear on the program. With a wide choice and an almost unlimited wealth of talent from which to choose the program committee has prepared a program, every number of which is a feature. In spite of the unsettled conditions it is confidently predicted that this will be one of the largest and most enthusiastic conventions ever held in this region.

A feature to which most of the boys and girls look forward will be the Bonfire Goodnight service to be held around a large bonfire Friday night at the end of the formal services. This has been planned and arranged by the Wendell Intermediate Union with Miss Hilda O'Neal as chairman, and Rev. Mark Osborne, Band Director.

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Alertness Pays



Joseph L. Lockard, whose warning, had it been heeded by his superiors, might have saved Pearl Harbor, is shown as he passed through Chicago en route to officers' training school at Camp Monmouth, N. J. It was Lockard who, at a listening device, heard planes on December 7 which proved to be Japs.

GOVERNOR ISSUES PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, for the defense and protection of those liberties which we as citizens of North Carolina and the United States of America enjoy and are pledged to defend, a permanent reservoir of natural resources is essential; and

WHEREAS, the forests of North Carolina constitute one of our most valuable resources, from which materials for the construction of barracks, ships, planes, wharves and other military and civilian essentials can be obtained; and

WHEREAS, the forests products industries of our state rank third in importance, being exceeded only by tobacco and textiles; and the forest land represents about 60 per cent of our State's total land area, our state ranking first among all the states in the American Union in the number of operating saw mills and fourth in a total lumber production; and

WHEREAS, during the year 1941, 728,947 acres of privately owned forest land in North Carolina was burned over by fire; and

WHEREAS, only 1 per cent of the state's forest fires are caused by lightning and the remaining 99 per cent resulting from the acts of man and classified as preventable; and the interest and welfare of the citizens of this state and the cause of national defense are involved in the reduction of fire losses and the preservation of our national resources:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. MELVILLE BROUGHTON, for the purpose of bringing the matters above mentioned to the attention of the people of North Carolina, and for the purpose of stimulating more interest in the efforts to protect and preserve the forest resources of our state, do hereby designate and proclaim the week of March 15th-21st, 1942, which includes Arbor Day on Friday, March 20th, as **FOREST PROTECTION WEEK**, and call upon all public officials, agencies of the press and radio, the State's various law enforcement agencies, the schools, the American Legion and auxiliaries, the civic clubs, woman's clubs, and all other organized groups, to lend their efforts during this designated week and throughout the ensuing year to the protection and preservation of North Carolina's forest resources.

Done at the City of Raleigh, this seventh day of March, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-two, and in the one hundred and sixty-sixth year of American Independence.

J. M. BROUGHTON,
Governor.

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Washington Snapshots

by JAMES PRESTON

The Administration and the farm bloc are having a tug-of-war.

It came to the fore at the time of the enactment of the Price Control Bill. The question then was the extent of the power of the Price Administrator to fix maximum prices for agricultural commodities. Round one ended in a victory for the farm bloc. Rigid standards set by the Price Control Act must be met before ceilings can be fixed for the products of farmers.

The farm bloc is now trying to bolster its position by supporting an amendment introduced into the Senate which prohibits the use of certain funds by the Government to buy farm products below a given price. This amendment is designed to plug a loophole in the Price Control Law which the President intended using to stabilize farm prices, according to its sponsor.

President Roosevelt and Price Administrator Henderson are bitterly opposed to this amendment. They favor the present set-up, under which the President can, for example, instruct Federal crop agencies to turn over thousands of bales of cotton to the War Department.

The War Department could then sell the cotton to a manufacturer for use in Army supplies at a price which for the most part, would be below the designated price level. This procedure, Administration experts point out, will have the effect of decreasing the demand for cotton, or whatever commodity may be involved, on the open market and thus serve to keep cotton prices stable.

There is another angle to this battle in which both sides are adamant. The Senate farm bloc has succeeded in passing a bill forbidding the Government to sell below parity its huge stocks of cotton, corn and wheat, despite a direct appeal by the President for its defeat.

There is much conjecture in the corridors of Capitol Hill as to whether the President will veto the bill if it gets through the House.

Congressmen who disapprove of the efforts of farm Senators and Representatives to jockey farmers into a favored position cite official Department of Agriculture figures to show that in 1941 the cash income of farmers totaled almost 12 billion dollars, and represents an increase of 29 per cent over the agricultural income for 1940.

They insist that such Senators and Representatives are not indicative of the spirit of the nation's farmers. They point to 50 Indiana farmers who resolved, at a meeting, that they will permit no interest of their own to interfere with their war time duty to their country.

A good deal of discussion among businessmen here is centered around a bill introduced by Representative Boland of Pennsylvania. The bill attempts to modify the present capital-gains tax, which has long been regarded with disfavor in business and financial circles.

The present tax is levied on the transfer or sale of all assets, with enumerated exceptions. Most of the revenue comes from security transactions.

It is felt that the Government should follow the lead of other countries and abolish this type of tax entirely, because experience has shown that it discourages the investment of capital in business enterprises. The Boland Bill, by setting a flat rate of 10 per cent on the net capital gains of both individuals and corporations, is hailed as a step in the right direction.

Proponents point out that the lower rate of taxation together with other corrective provisions of the bill will encourage transfers. This means that, although the rate is lower, there will be more taxable transactions. The result will be, according to experts, an estimated increase in revenue from \$80,000,000 to \$300,000,000 annually.

An additional \$220,000,000 of tax revenues isn't anything to be sneezed at these days, say Mr. Boland's backers.

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Smithfield Attorney Speaker at Meeting Woman's Club Here

The following excerpts are taken from an address delivered before the Woman's Club of Selma Wednesday afternoon by Mr. James R. Pool, Smithfield attorney, and chairman of the Johnston County Council of National Defense.

The speaker was introduced by the program chairman, Mrs. George D. Vick.

"In this big hour of the World's History, when practically the entire world is bathed in the blood-red drama of war, we who live in America should thank God for our beloved country and for the ideals and principles of free government upon which she was founded and upon which in a little more than 150 years she has grown into the great nation which we all love and call the United States of America. . . . Our proudest fortune is the legacy of American citizenship and our proudest achievement should be to hand down that inheritance to our children untarnished and undiminished. . . . And today as I think about our great country, of her glorious history, of how she has grown from 13 scattered colonies along the Atlantic Seaboard until today when her borders stretch from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the land of perpetual snow in the North to the land of unending Summer in the South. . . . I say when I think on these things. . . . I know that though she may have her moment of indecision and apparent unconcern on vital matters, I know, nevertheless, that in every great crisis which she has faced, her people have united to meet the common danger and from each dark vale through which she has passed she has emerged united and free. . . .

"Today we face the greatest crisis in our history and today we are united to meet this grave situation, and we will meet it and win through to absolute victory.

"I know that each one here will do her part in the defense and preservation of our beloved country. The women of America always have and always will. . . . And you will do your part to the extent that you are able to lose yourself in the unselfish service of your country in small yet important ways as you go about your daily work. . . . Yes, the word 'Unselfish' is the keynote of this hour. Of all the virtues, I think that the greatest is the virtue of unselfishness.

By way of illustration of the virtue of unselfishness, Mr. Pool related the myth concerning the origin of the City of Athens, telling how the people refused to follow Neptune who offered them wealth and power and glory and followed the God, Athene, who tendered them wisdom, virtue the unselfish spirit to serve; and then Mr. Pool said: "They named their village Athens and her learning culture became the glory of the ancient world. . . . Yes, today the same Gods stand and bid for the allegiance of all Americans in this supreme hour of our history. Let us follow Athene and

Greyhound Bus Drivers Awarded Defense Bonds

In recognition of seven consecutive years of safe driving, 56 Atlantic Greyhound Bus drivers were each awarded this week a \$50 United States defense bond, and a handsome safe-driving pin.

According to Arthur M. Hill, president of the Atlantic Greyhound Corporation, a considerable amount of money has been expended by the company for defense bonds and stamps. The bonds and stamps are being awarded to drivers and maintenance men throughout the entire territory served by the company, as prizes in regional safety contests sponsored during the past year.

This new policy of safety awards, which has been enthusiastically accepted by all employees, was recently adopted by the transportation company to supplant the former practice of awarding cash prizes and sponsoring safety banquets for winners of regional safety contests. Each individual winner, under the new plan, receives defense stamps in amounts totaling the pro rata share of the cost of a banquet plus his earned cash award.

In every way possible render to our country unselfish and devoted service."

Mr. Pool cited how our people have always unselfishly responded in every great emergency and at the same time pointed out some of the shortcomings as a nation, emphasizing that when Peace comes we should all, people of all parties, all faiths and all creeds should be united in one determined purpose to aid in every possible way in the establishment of a just and lasting peace, a peace which would be fair and just to the small and weak as well as to the large and strong.

Navy recruiting offices were so flooded with applicants after war was declared that they had to close temporarily.

'MYSTERY OF NAMELESS LADY'—DETECTIVE STORY

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