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## EAGLE CHOSEN PRESIDENT OF BAPTIST CONVENTION

The session of the Southern Baptist convention, which opened here yesterday, is acknowledged to be the greatest that has ever been held. There are approximately 1500 delegates in attendance, representing a million of the best men in the southland.

The meeting is one in which truly great men abound, and their influence is felt as a potent magnetic force. The grand, dignified Hawthorne, the retiring president and the president-elect—both parliamentarians of the most finished type, who would be masters in any parliamentary gathering in the world—McConnell, Broughton, Gregory, Burrows, Landrum, Marsh and a hundred others are men that tower, morally and intellectually, above their fellows, and whose coincident presence is any community is a notable event, a thing to be chronicled and remembered.

### LAST EVENING'S SESSION; DR. M'CONNELL'S SERMON

The Baptist convention assembled at the auditorium last night at 8 o'clock and the house was packed to its utmost capacity.

The aisles became crowded and an announcement was made from the platform that an overflow meeting would be held in the First Baptist church, where a sermon would be delivered by Rev. L. G. Broughton of Atlanta.

E. W. Stephens, moderator of the Missouri Baptist General assembly, and ex-president of the National Editorial assembly, occupied the chair during the evening. The meeting opened with a hymn sung by the chorus on the platform and the entire audience. Mr. Millikan of the First Baptist church led the singing throughout the evening. Then followed a prayer by Rev. J. William Jones of North Carolina, after which another hymn was beautifully rendered by the male choir. Rev. Curtis Lee Laws of Baltimore read the Bible lesson and delivered a prayer.

Rev. Dr. F. C. McConnell of Atlanta then delivered the convention sermon. His text was taken from the 14th verse of the 13th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, commencing: "For so hath the Lord commanded us saying, I have set thee to be light of the Gentiles, that there shouldst be for salvation unto the ends of the earth."

Dr. McConnell stated that he would deal with the doctrine of missions. He said in part:

"The progress of the doctrine has been a stranger history than that of anything that has happened in the course of human events. Immediately after the Pentecost the disciples went out into the world to preach, as they had been told, to all the earth. Ever since that first missionary movement there have been certain times when the truth of the gospel has taken possession of the hearts of the people and certain periods when beliefs other than the truth have been allowed to displace it."

"I have heard it said that our churches are overladen with an unconverted membership. About this, I do not know. Human nature has never been forward to embrace what does not gratify itself. We can hardly recall the time when we first felt the call of God in our hearts. Perhaps it came in infancy, when we lay in loving arms, or in childhood's innocent days. But the time came when we heard the call of God in another way. In thunder tones and realizing the sin in which we were born we cried in the agony of our distress, 'O, God have mercy on my soul.'"

"We felt an aching void which we realized could be filled by nothing upon this earth. We were awakened to our sinful nature and the danger of the fearful hereafter to which we were hurrying and our souls cried out to God in terms for grace and help."

"That cry was the first cry of repentance. Repentance is the cry of the aching void and faith is the answer to the cry. Repentance and faith are the twin sisters of the soul. They go hand in hand."

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In hand. The soul convicted of sin feels that if it could but reach the ear of the Redeemer and make one promise of repentance the wrath of God would be turned away. I would not take you down into the miry pit of despair and awful suffering through which many must pass before reaching the goal of faith and trust but I believe in a personal experience of grace not along the objective feeling and seeing that one must give oneself to God but the



**JAMES P. EAGLE.**  
Who Yesterday was Chosen President of the Southern Baptist convention.

real regenerating change of heart, the subjective, the inner experience of the soul as it realizes that, down in the bottomless pit of perdition in which it is sinking in despair and horror, it can see just on ray of light gleaming from on high. That is the first feeling of hope, of faith which comes after profound repentance.

"That man is preaching the best missionary sermon who teaches that the human soul experiences a distinct feel-

ing of grace and regeneration when it repents and casts off its burden of sin. We must learn that the Lord meant exactly what he said when he told us to lift up our hearts to him and then to preach the gospel to every creature. There will never be a great race of missionary people until there is a great missionary conscience in the hearts of the people."

"To violate the command to preach the gospel is as great a crime before God as to violate any of the commandments of the decalogue. I believe we should hold our religious theories subject to change and retain nothing in our belief which is not laid down in the gospel. It grieves me that hundreds of our brethren are loitering in their tents when the field is thronged by the hosts of our enemies. I want to see this convention wipe out the words 'reach them' in our tents and substitute the words 'teach them.' I believe in human total depravity. I care not what the aesthetic, what the humanitarians, what the people who always see 'some good,' say, we are lost, we are sinking down into hell, we are going to our graves doomed to a life of everlasting torment in a lake of seething fire. You are already condemned to the bottomless pit of hell. When we believe that the son of God said he that believeth not shall be damned just as

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### BUSINESS OF THE MORNING SESSION

The Southern Baptist convention held the first meeting of its forty-seventh annual convention in the auditorium yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. There were fully 2,500 people present.

The meeting was called to order by ex-Governor of Georgia William Jonathan Northen, president of the convention. Rev. Dr. Dunaway of Virginia then read the 62nd chapter of Isaiah and delivered a prayer.

President Northen made some prefatory remarks before the convention proceeded to business in the course of

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### The Gazette's Information Bureau For Convention Visitors.

The estate of George W. Vanderbilt, of 10,000 acres, including a beautiful chateau, "Biltmore House," the total cost of which is not known by Mr. Vanderbilt himself, has been opened daily to convention visitors.

Apply for tickets at the office of reception committee, Auditorium, between 12 m. and 4 p. m. Asheville likes the Baptists, and will make a vigorous effort to have the convention next year.

All persons wearing board of trade badges will cheerfully give information about the city.

The granite monument on court square is erected to the memory of Zebulon Baird Vance, war governor, statesman.

The population of this city and suburbs is 20,000.

Asheville is 2300 feet above the level of the sea.

The mountain drives, maintained by the Good Roads association, —Sunset, Beaumont and White Faun Gap—afford magnificent views of the plateau.

The full order of business will be found in today's Gazette. Rev. McNeely DuBose replies in these columns to Dr. Peters' doctrinal address.

Full detailed information regarding yesterday's doings of the convention and the program for today will be found on this and other pages of the Gazette.

### CONVENTION NOTES

Hon. Joshua Levering of Baltimore was a schoolmate of H. Redwood, and the two shook hands yesterday for the first time in more than 40 years.

Captain T. W. Patton was one of the busiest men about the auditorium yesterday afternoon. He it was who dealt out tickets of admission to the Biltmore estate, and for several hours he had a steady stream of applicants.

H. Redwood and C. W. Brown were still busy, all day yesterday, in the office of the reception committee in the auditorium, providing homes for delegates.

The reception committee, which has been in continual session since Tues-

day, will probably disband today. Asheville owes a debt of gratitude to these men.

H. Redwood's estimate of the number of visitors in the city early yesterday afternoon was 3200. The reception committee has cared for all but 400 or 500 of these.

Two special trains came in yesterday afternoon from the south, via Spartanburg.

**Special Rent List.** During the past week we rented three of the houses advertised in last Sunday's Gazette. For this week we call your special attention to the following:

A select eight room house on Montford avenue, large lot, all conveniences, furnished, \$80 per month.

A new four room cottage, modern conveniences, Blair street, \$12.50 per month.

A new seven room house on Central avenue, near Chestnut street, modern conveniences, \$18 per month.

A nice seven room house on Montford avenue, modern conveniences, \$30.

A desirable nine room house, modern conveniences, stable, Montford avenue \$50 per month.

A desirable eight room house, modern conveniences, near South Main street, furnished, \$40 per month.

A modern ten room house, Starnes avenue, large lot, completely furnished, \$60 per month.

Two large boarding houses in choice locations, furnished, \$50 and \$60 per month. Rent one and get ready for the summer rush of visitors.

### We Will

Be ready for today's (Saturdays) trade in fresh BREAD, CAKES, AND PIES. Will have a large assortment. Large cakes 15, 25 and 40 cents each.

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## THE AWFUL DISASTER AT ST. PIERRE CITY

A Ship with Rigging Burned Off and Many of Her Crew Dead Arrives with Account of the Eruption and the Earthquake—Could not Approach the Burning Town.

St. Thomas, Danish West Indies, May 9.—The British steamer Roddam, which arrived at St. Lucia from St. Pierre, Martinique, today, brings news showing the awful devastation wrought at St. Pierre. The Roddam arrived at Lucia in almost a wrecked condition, she having only escaped destruction by the fact that she had a full pressure of steam up and thereby was enabled to run out of the harbor. She was struck with pieces of whitehot lava and her rigging was burned off. Her captain was seriously burned. Seventeen of her crew perished. It is stated her other officers, engineers and surviving members of the crew are so badly injured by the lava and inhaling the sulphurous fumes thrown out by the volcano that there is little chance of saving their lives.

The Quebec steamship company's steamer Roraima, that was at St. Pierre, was lost with every soul on board.

The British steamer Eska attempted to reach St. Pierre but was unable to do so as the city was blazing. She sent a boat ashore, but the crew did not

see a living soul. The darkness was impenetrable except where relieved by the burning city. For five miles on the landward side of the city the grounds were covered to a considerable depth with hot ashes, which rendered approach to the city by land impossible.

The French cruiser Suchet, which arrived today at Point A Pitre, Guadeloupe, confirms the tale of the disaster brought by the Roddam. The purser and ten of the crew of the Roddam were lost by jumping overboard while the steamer was at St. Pierre. The Suchet saved thirty persons from the burning ships in the harbor. Some of the officers went ashore in small boats to rescue survivors. They were unable, however, to penetrate into the city. From the wharf where they landed a large number of dead bodies could be seen.

### THE CITY DESTROYED

Washington, May 9.—The state department is advised by the counsel at Guadeloupe that not a single house is left standing in St. Pierre. All the inhabitants except 20 were killed. Four American ships were among the eighteen destroyed in the harbor of St. Pierre. All on board were lost.

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## A woman

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## TEMPORARY STRIKE OF MINERS ORDERED

Saratoga, May 9.—The executive committee of the miners decided tonight to submit the question of a strike to a general convention. A lengthy order addressed by the miners executive committee instructs all persons employed in or around collieries to temporarily obtain work beginning May 12, and to continue idle thereafter until after the final decision is reached by the convention, which shall convene May 14 at Hazleton.

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