

The Baptist Column

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SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GIRLS

The executive committee of the Johnston association is authorized to offer three scholarships worth \$100 each to girls in the association, the scholarships applying to their expenses in the Pineland School for Girls and Junior College for Young Women at Salemburg, N. C. I pass on the offer as a thing of value. Girls securing the scholarship can attend the school a year for approximately \$150, so it is claimed. And I am fairly well acquainted with the school and its principals, Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Jones. I have visited the school twice, and know it to be an excellent school, with an exceptionally wholesome moral and religious atmosphere. Last year the standard of the school was raised to that of a Junior College. Salemburg is one of the best rural communities in the State, giving tone to the school. Any worthy girl desiring the scholarship should apply promptly to me or to our moderator, R. H. Gower, of Clayton. Preference of course would be given, other things being equal, to girls with a record for earnest Christian purpose and superior attainments as students. Two Smithfield girls are students in the Pineland school, and any who are interested can secure helpful information from them.

BAPTIST S. S. ASSOCIATION

Last Sunday representatives from a good number of our churches and Sunday schools met at Four Oaks in response to a general letter sent out, and voted to organize a Johnston Baptist Sunday school association. Mr. Levinson of Benson was chosen president. It was understood that each of the four districts into which the association is divided will have a quarterly institute or convention, and that all Baptist Sunday schools in the association will meet once a year in a general convention. For some time the need of such an organization has been felt as a means of stimulating the Sunday school work throughout the Johnston.

All our association is saddened by the recent death of one of our able pastors, Rev. J. S. Connell, of the Trinity field. He had been on the field little more than a year, and was supposed to be in good health until lately. A complication of diseases set in, and the end came rapidly. The sympathy and prayers of many of our people will be offered for the sorrowing widow and daughter. Material was on the ground for beginning a parsonage near Trinity. All the churches of the field, it is hoped, will get together promptly and take steps looking to the calling of a pastor. At least one desirable man is before the executive committee, and they offer their services to the field for any help they can render. They take for granted Pauline will unite with the other churches of the field in extending a call to a new pastor.

Special congratulations are offered Pisgah church in the great revival that has recently come to it, with an increase of about 75 per cent in its membership, many of the new members being mature and substantial men and women. No rural church in the association has been making a finer record for the last few years, and it may be reasonably hoped that Pastor McGregor will now be called for at least three Sundays, and that the church in due time will go to full time.

Baptist Center also had a great revival with more than fifty additions. Revivals are going on in many other churches or will soon be held, and there is prospect that the year will be remarkable for the unprecedented number of additions to the churches. I shall be grateful for a line from all churches telling of the results of revival meetings, and giving any other news of interest.

A Wandering Defense

Mr. Darrow has not only lost his temper several times too often; he seems to have lost his bearings as well and to be more interested in successful repartee than in a convincing presentation of the mai nisse in the case. That issue is whether the state of Tennessee may consistently with American doctrine of the separation of church and state establish the Bible of the Fundamentalists as the official standard of truth in its public schools.

The defense has all but lost sight of this issue. It has presented, for example, affidavits from a number of scientists to show what they would have "proved" if the judge had been willing to listen to them. Some of them apparently would have proved that the Bible can be "reconciled" with "science," and some would have

"proved" that "evolution" is a "fact." It is just as well they did not have the chance to begog the issue with such proofs. For they are not only irrelevant to any sound theory of opposition to the Tennessee law, they are destructive of what ought to be the main contention of the defense. For any attempt to prove in court that science can be squared with the Bible is to admit the premise of the Fundamentalists that a religious test may be set up officially to control public agencies.

What, for example, is the essential difference between Mr. Bryan, who quotes Genesis, i. 26, and Prof. Kirtly F. Mather, ii. Peter, 8? They are both arguing as if a branch of the American government had the right to treat a Biblical text as part of fundamental law of the land. The Tennessee law is objectionable precisely for this reason, and it is a very poor service to truth and liberty for the defense to set about showing how much more cleverly than Mr. Bryan it can interpret the Bible. If it really represents the American tradition of religious liberty it should be denying that any interpretation of the Bible, Fundamentalist or Modernist, Catholic or Jewish, can be recognized by any legislature or by any court as an official standard of truth. When the defense attempts to show that the Modernist version of the Bible is more intelligent than the Fundamentalist it abandons its case.

Just because the World believes that there is a serious issue underlying the Dayton trial it has no sympathy at all for the manner in which Mr. Darrow heckled Mr. Bryan. The attempt to prove as part of the legal record that Mr. Bryan is ignorant of many things has nothing to do with the case. When Mr. Bryan said "I have all the information I want to live by and to die by;" when he said "I believe it (the Bible) was inspired by the Almighty"; when he said "I believe in creation as there told, and accept it," he was announcing a faith for which he is not accountable in any court of law, nor fairly subject to ridicule at the bar of public opinion.

The only question is whether Mr. Bryan shall be permitted to establish his religion officially in the state of Tennessee. It does not matter whether

it is a true religion or a false religion; it does not matter whether Mr. Bryan is ignorant or learned. The only question is whether he shall be allowed to call out the police. Mr. Darrow achieves nothing but obfuscation when he makes it appear that Mr. Bryan's campaign would be any less objectionable if Mr. Bryan had read more books and took a more sophisticated view of the Bible. For it would be just a subjectionable if Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick were trying to make his Bible the official standard of truth in Tennessee.

Mr. Darrow has no right to attack Mr. Bryan's religion. That is wholly Mr. Bryan's private affair. What is legitimately an object of attack is the effort of Mr. Bryan to impose his religion upon the government of a state. It is upon the pretension to use the government for a sectarian purpose that the champions of religious liberty should concentrate their fire.—New York World.

STATE FAIR NOW PUBLIC INSTITUTION

Raleigh, July 27.—The North Carolina State Fair is now more of a public institution than ever before. Not only is it supported by public funds but it is also governed by a Board of Directors representing North Carolina and particularly the State College of Agriculture and the State Department of Agriculture.

For this reason it should be supported by people from all sections of the State and not alone by those who live adjacent to Raleigh, believes O. Max Gardner, President of the Fair this year. Mr. Gardner believes that farmers particularly should start at this time to select and prepare attractive and worth while exhibits for the fair this fall. This must be done, he says, if these exhibits are to compete successfully for public attention and interest with the amusement features of the fair.

"The North Carolina State Fair is primarily an educational and if it is to fulfill its purpose, quality must be one of the outstanding considerations in preparing exhibits. This applies to the individual entries of products in the field crops, horticultural and livestock departments as well as in the county, individual farm and community exhibits," says President Gardner. The State Fair this year will run the entire week of October 12. A number of new classes have been opened for competition, especially for livestock growers, and no livestock man

need fear that his animals will have to compete this year with the animals grown in another State unless he so desires. Special State classes have been arranged and prizes are offered for the champion animals in each breed. General Manager, E. V. Walborn, states that the new and enlarged horse show will be one of the features of the fair this fall. He states that this show and the musical program together with the usual exhibits and fea-

tures will place the fair for 1925 on a high plane among such institutions in the South.

A Family Reunion

There will be a family reunion at the home of Hawk Adams on Tuesday, August 18. His mother, Mrs. Harriett Adams, will celebrate her seventy-fourth birthday. Everybody is invited to come and bring a well filled basket.

LILLIE ADAMS

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Quart can	50c	Four ounce bottle	27c
Gallon can	\$1.85	½ pint can	32c
MAZOLAM Pint can	29c	Pint can	53c
Quart can	55c	Quart can	95c
Gallon can	\$1.90	½ Gallon can	\$1.90

PEANUT BUTTER, pound 23c

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GELFAND'S		FRENCH'S	
Three ounce bottle	13c	Three ounce bottle	12c
Eight ounce bottle	25c	Eight ounce bottle	23c
Pint jar	49c	Pint jar	45c
Quart jar	87c	Quart jar	83c

PICNIC SHOULDERS, pound 24c

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Post Toasties, package	10c	POSTUM CEREAL Small package	12c
Kellogg's Corn Flakes package	10c	Large package	22c
Post's Bran package	12c	INSTANT POSTUM Small can	25c
Kellogg's Bran package	13c	Large can	43c
Shredded Wheat package	12c		
Puffed Rice package	16c		
Puffed Wheat package	14c		

SUGAR, Best Granulated, pound 6¼c

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GRAPE JUICE		GINGER ALE	
Welch's, Small bottle	12½c	C&C Imperial Dry, bottle	18c
Pint bottle	35c	Cliquot Club bottle	16c
Quart bottle	65c	Jamestown, bottle	12c
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