

the various groups "in communal affairs." But as the meeting went on it seemed clear to us that no method of better community understanding and co-operation without the sacrifice of "important" convictions was suggested which would be as effective as that already in effect among orthodox Christians with the love of God in their hearts acting under the leadership of the Spirit and in harmony with the Word of God.

An interesting feature of the meeting was a dialogue among the three clergymen on matters considered to be causes of misunderstanding and ill will among the various groups. In our judgment most of the answers, at least, were unsatisfactory and did not go deep enough.

Considering the seriousness of some of the questions introduced, the levity of the speakers and of certain in the audience oft seemed strangely out of place. For instance, the question whether one believes certain others will go to hell or not is not suitable to be approached in a jocular vein. But in the spirit of "brotherhood" it seemed that neither of the speakers believed that the others would go to hell. This is true provided they are born again before they leave this earth, but "Ye must be born again."

To the extent that natural human kindness prevails natural brotherhood among men prevails. But real transforming, hate-removing brotherhood on a genuinely religious basis is found only in the grace of God at the Cross of Christ in Whom alone men are gripped by "the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." This was ignored in the "world brotherhood meeting," so far as we observed it. We did not arrive in time for the first item on the program, but the meeting was dismissed without even a benediction.

The most definite and solid religious statement was made by "Father" Wynhoven when he said that "no sensible person believes that one religion is as good as another." But in certain other statements the priest went far astray.

The most definite and direct reference to Christ was made by the Jewish Rabbi in the closing address of the evening. But though he eulogized Jesus as "the Christians' Savior" and as "inspired of God," yet he adroitly put Jesus in the category of Moses and other great "prophets" and "leaders." We cannot keep from looking askance at "brotherhood" on such a basis of compromise.

Whether a fully disinterested motive be granted or not to all connected with this movement does not affect its essential nature in itself. One must affirm that a merely cultivated, naturalistic, ethical brotherhood, even though dressed up in the guise of "religion," which ignores the atoning cross is merely external and will prove to be a farce when the real

test comes. However, this just suits "the god of this world," who desires to enthroned his anti-christ.



MRS. R. L. HARRIS,
State President

The Successor To Dr. Van Ness

As previously reported by Secretary Freeman in the **Baptist and Reflector**, the special committee of the Sunday School Board, appointed with Dr. V. E. Boston, Clarksdale, Miss., as chairman to nominate a successor to Dr. Van Ness, has chosen Dr. T. L. Holcombe, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla. Before this issue of the paper comes from the press it seems clear that the committee's choice will have been ratified by those who are to pass on it.

The **Baptist and Reflector**, having full confidence in the committee, has taken it for granted that it would act wisely. It has, therefore, refrained from editorial



MISS MARGARET BRUCE,
Young People's Secretary

comment until a public announcement of the committee's choice should be made.

Through a long term of service Dr. Van Ness has wisely, tactfully and fruitfully given an account of his stewardship. Uniformly he has been courteous and helpful to the editor. Wide and deep will be the regret for his leaving his accustomed place. But he will leave honored and loved and his service shall continue to bear fruit through the summoning years.

Observation and consideration of the factors involved lead us to believe that for a successor to Dr. Van Ness a wise choice has been made. The spirit of the committee, the circumstances connected with the case, and the personal qualities of the man who has been chosen point to the divine leadership in the matter. **Baptist and Reflector** bids Godspeed to the retiring Executive Secretary of the Sunday School Board and turns wholeheartedly to welcome the incoming one as a brother in Christ and fellow worker in the Kingdom upon whom we pray the grace of God.

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Tuesday Afternoon

- 1:30 State Stewardship Declamation Contest.
- 5:30 Young People's Banquet.

Tuesday Evening

THE CALL TO YOUTH

- 7:15 Hymn: "Jesus Calls Us."
- A Call to Fellowship With God, Mrs. Victoria Logan Laws, Johnson City.
- A Call for Stewardship Practice, final Y. W. A. Contest.
- A Call for Winners, Presentation

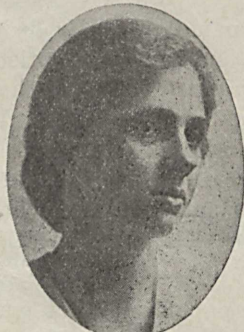


MRS. NORMAN WILLIAMSON, Japan

of Contest Awards, Mrs. C. G. Carter, State Stewardship Chairman, Memphis.
 Special Music.
 Coronation Service.
 Bugle Calls, Mrs. W. J. Cox, Southwide W. M. U. Treasurer, Memphis.

Wednesday Morning

- 9:00 The Woman's Hymn
- Scripture Reading.
- Prayer.
- Hymn: "Fling Out The Banner."
- Welcome: Mrs. R. E. Pettigrew, Springfield.
- Response: Mrs. Dan Majors, Ripley.



MRS. NELSON BRYAN, China

- Recognition of Visitors.
- Appointment of Committees.
- 9:30 Playlet: Tennessee Banners Unfurled, by State Officers.
- Awarding of Banners.
- The President's Message.
- The 100,000 Club Lifting Our Missionary Banners, Dr. Frank

Tripp, St. Joseph, Missouri.
 Offering.
 The Torment of Light, Mrs. W. J. Cox, Memphis.

Wednesday Afternoon

- 1:15 Hymn.
- Scripture Reading, Mrs. J. Frank Seiler, Vice-President of East Tennessee.
- Prayer.
- Our Orphanage, Miss Adelia Lowry, Director Religious Activities.
- Personal Service, Mrs. Jesse Daniel Ames, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 2:00 The Annie W. Armstrong Home Mission Offering at Work, Mrs. M. K. Cobble, Andersonville.



MRS. W. J. COX, Southwide W. M. U. Treasurer

- Lottie Moon Offering in North China, Mrs. Nelson Bryan, China.
- 3:00 How the Lottie Moon Offering Has Helped Japan, Mrs. Norman Williamson, Fukuoka, Japan.
- A Bundle of Fagots, Dr. John D. Freeman, Executive Secretary, Tennessee Baptist Convention.
- 5:30 Missionary Banquet, Mrs. John D. Freeman, Toastmistress.

Wednesday Evening

- 7:15 Scripture Reading, Dr. W. R. Pettigrew, Springfield.
- Special Music, Mrs. Rayburn Pitt, Springfield.
- 7:35 Home Mission Banners, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Atlanta.
- 8:15 Pictures of Our Chinese Mission Work, Dr. George Leavell, Wuchow, China.

Thursday Morning

- 9:00 Hymn.
- Scripture Reading, Mrs. R. C. Dickinson, Vice-President West Tennessee.
- Prayer.
- 9:15 Report on Obituaries, Mrs. W. W. Cox, Bolivar.
- 9:30 Report on Plan of Work, Mrs. H. B. Cross, Nashville.
- Miscellaneous Business.
- 10:00 Mission Study Banners, Mrs. T. C. Meador, Orlinda.



MRS. GEORGE LEAVELL, China

- Our Baptist and Reflector, Dr. O. W. Taylor, Nashville.
- 10:30 Stewardship in Chile, Dr. J. W. McGavock, Chile.
- 10:50 Our W. M. U. Training School, Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn, Principal, Louisville.
- 11:20 The Message Written with Crosses, Mrs. W. J. Cox.

Thursday Afternoon

- 1:15 Hymn.
- Scripture Reading, Mrs. High C. Moore, Vice-President of State.
- Prayer.
- 1:30 Our Duty to Our College Students, Miss Sybl Brame, B. S. U. Secretary.



DR. J. W. MCGAVOCK, Chile

- Recognition of Our Baptist College Presidents.
- The Margaret Fund, Miss Laura Powers, Knoxville.
- Business.
- Election of Officers.
- 3:00 We Will Lift Up Our Banners, Mrs. W. F. Powell, Nashville.