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**Historic Church Restored at Tulip**

**I**N 1848 THE Arkansas Baptist State Convention was organized at Tulip. The centennial celebration of the Convention was observed in a special meeting of the Convention. Since that time the work



has been revived at Tulip and an adequate church building to serve the needs of the community is being erected.

This has been brought about by the cooperative effort of some nearby churches and the State Convention itself. The sponsorship of this mission is now under the direction of the 1st Church, Fordyce, Lawson Hatfield, pastor.

It will perhaps cost between \$2,000 and \$3,000 to furnish the mission with pews, pulpit furniture, chairs, tables and a piano. At the July meeting of the Executive Board it approved a plan submitted by Brother Hatfield for this furnishing. It included a list of memorials to all Arkansas Baptist Convention presidents and executive secretaries. The Fordyce church would offer the following plan for all interested persons and organizations:

1. That \$50 memorial gifts be given in honor of each of the past convention presidents.
2. That \$50 memorials be given in honor of each of the past convention executive secretaries.
3. That a single memorial plaque be attached to the interior of the building bearing the names of the officers honored and the persons or organizations making the memorial gift.
4. Any additional money raised above the purchase price of the furnishings would be used for further development of educational space.
5. These memorials to be offered on a first come, first served basis.

Because of the historical value, the Board thought this would be a worthy appeal. —S. A. Whitlow, Executive Secretary

**Glorieta Children's Building Dedicated**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB)—Children who go to Glorieta Baptist Assembly, and adults who observe their activities there, now have a new Children's Building over-looking the New Mexico mountains and valleys.

Completed this year in time for the summer season, the building was dedicated Aug. 8. The \$170,000 structure is named the Children's Laboratory School Building.

*Immanuel Church, Texarkana, Scores Great 'Forward Program' Victory*

**T**HE IMMANUEL Baptist Church, Texarkana, has completed a successful Forward Program of Church Finance campaign. The pastor, J. M. Stagner,



recently sent the report to our office and we want to share some of the highlights of the campaign with you.

This church reported 482 enrolled in Sunday School last year with total budget receipts of \$22,852. The budget was not subscribed, therefore they had no pledging record. Six percent, or \$1,378, was given to missions through the Cooperative Program.

The Forward Program of Church Finance report shows that 325 people pledged \$29,400 on the new budget. Two hundred and eight of these signed to tithe. The church proposes to give thirteen percent to missions through the Cooperative Program, or \$3,822. This is an increase of 177 per cent.

**Emphasis on Class Goals**

In answer to the question, "What would you do differently in another Forward Program campaign?", Brother Stagner wrote, "I would place more emphasis on promoting the class goals previous to Pledge Day."

We find that many churches have minimized the Sunday School class goals, then realized too late that they made a grave mistake. As insignificant as it may seem, the proper pro-

motion of the class budget goals can mean success in the campaign. Over and over again we have heard the testimony, "By all means set up class goals and promote them properly."

The class goals should be set up the week before the 29-day campaign begins, and the Budget Promotion Committee should go "all-out" to promote them.

This can be done by:

- (1) Sharing the goals with Sunday School leadership on Wednesday evening of pre-campaign week.
- (2) Publishing the goals in the campaign newspaper.
- (3) Preparing and displaying a goal poster for each classroom.
- (4) Building a large-size goal and report board for display in the church auditorium and at loyalty dinner.

**Would you like for your church to win the victory?**

If you had an opportunity to get your church to do as Immanuel Church, Texarkana, did, and pledge 28.6 per cent more than they gave last year, how would you vote?

If you had an opportunity to help 325 people (which is 75 per cent of the Sunday School enrollment) make a pledge to your church budget, how would you vote?

If you had an opportunity to increase the income of your church so that the church could increase its gifts to missions through the Cooperative Program 177 per cent, how would you vote?

—Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary

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WHOLESUME SUMMER recreation is a must for a growing boy. Arkansas Baptists through summer camp programs are directing this youthful activity into the right channels. Brotherhood Secretary Nelson Tull's article on page 3 gives a brief vision of new opportunities in this field.

# Blazing A New Trail

By NELSON TULL

ARKANSAS BAPTISTS are indeed blazing a new trail in our state with the development of the Arkansas Baptist Campground. Purchased in early 1957, the Campground area has already seen two seasons of pioneer RA Camps. Two such Camps were held in the summer of 1957, one for Junior boys and the other for Intermediates. The 1958 camping season closed on July 25, when the last one of four camps came to a close. Three of these camps were for Juniors, and one for Intermediates. In 1957 the total attendance was 220; in 1958 the attendance climbed to 287.

There were 66 decisions at this year's camps, many boys surrendering to the Lord's will. Of these, three surrendered to be preachers, nine to be missionaries, 17 to other full-time service, nine to accept Christ as Savior, others to rededication of life.

## Assets Doubled

Up to Aug. 1, the Baptist State Convention had put \$11,900 into the camp. Assets are estimated presently to be about \$23,000. This estimate is conservative.

The Brotherhood Department has worked in perfect harmony with the Camps Board of Control in the development of the campground from clearing the first brush until the present. This was done in order that the department could have a site for its 1957 and 1958 camps. Nevertheless, the campground belongs to the denomination, not to the Brotherhood Department. The Brotherhood Department feels that the development of an adequate camping facility is properly the obligation of the Convention, and not a function of the Brotherhood Department or of any other one department of our state work. Surely, the building up of the campground area should be made to fit adequately the needs of all departments which have camping programs.

## For All Work

A Central Arkansas Baptist Campground has been in the thinking of many of our people for many years. And now it is coming into reality; not alone for RA's, but also for GA's and YWA's; for Student Union gatherings; for Missionary retreats; for conferences of various kinds. When developed, the campground will be one of Arkansas Baptist's finest assets, and will find year-round use.

(Pictures at right were made at this year's RA camps.)



# The Proposed States Rights Amendment. — part I

IN OUR humble opinion, one of the gravest threats to the democratic processes of life in the state of Arkansas is tied up in the voluminous "States Rights Amendment" which will be on the ballot as a proposed addition to the Constitution of the State, in the November General Election.

Not the least of the danger is that unsuspecting voters, misled by the title of the proposed amendment and by its first section, will vote for it without being aware of the throttle of human rights it contains in its more than 3,500 words, for only the title and a bare summary will actually appear on the ballot.

Of course, every one is in favor of "States Rights," though there are different concepts of the term. And the most of the people of Arkansas would agree, as stated in Section 1 of the proposed amendment, that Communism is "against the public policy of the State of Arkansas." Also, the most of the people of Arkansas favor segregation in the public schools, something the proposed amendment seeks to guarantee. But before we make this document a part of the State Constitution, let us be sure we want it at the price tag it bears.

At a time when every one is feeling the pinch of high taxes on all levels, this amendment would set up a quarter of a million dollars (\$250,000) out of the General Revenue Fund of the State, and, of course, out of the pockets of the taxpayers, as "The States Rights Commission Fund." This would be for the unrestricted use of the States Rights Commission headed by the governor and including the attorney general, the lieutenant governor and the speaker of the House of Representatives, all of whom would be ex-officio, the other members being eight in number — three appointed by the governor; two from the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate; and three from the House of Representatives, appointed by the speaker of the House.

Provision is also made to assure that the commission would not be prohibited from "receiving and expending additional funds by way of private gifts or appropriations by the General Assembly."

The States Rights Commission, by this amendment of our state Constitution, would be set over and above the courts of the state: "No court in the State of Arkansas shall be empowered to enjoin the Commission from the performing of its duties as set out in this Amendment."

The Commission would actually be given powers over the citizens of Arkansas to compare with the powers of the Gestapo of Hitler's Germany:

"It shall be the duty of the Commission, and it shall have power in the name of the State of Arkansas or any political sub-division thereof, to perform any and all acts and things deemed necessary and proper to protect the sovereignty of the State of Arkansas and her sister states from encroachment thereon by the Government of the United States, or by any government of any nation, or federation of nations, or any branch or department or agency thereof, and to resist the usurpation of the rights and the powers reserved to this State or her sister states by such governments, branches, departments or agencies."

And, remember, this group of a dozen men, comprising the Commission, set over and above the reach of even the courts of the State of Arkansas, would be the ones who would decide what individual or what organization was "threatening the sovereignty of the State of Arkansas."

That the Commission could operate as a court of inquisition that would make the dictator countries look like sister governments instead of sinister forces is seen in the fact that the Commission would be empowered to "make investigations and/or hold hearings (*whether public or in executive session*) in connection with any investigation made by it pursuant to the provisions of this Amendment . . ." (The italics are ours.)

The Commission, these same 12 men beyond the reach of even our own courts, would "have power to issue subpoenas for witnesses to appear at hearings conducted by the Commission . . ." Contempt of court proceedings would be instituted against any witnesses who refused to obey a subpoena issued by the Commission, and here the action would be in "any Circuit Court of the State of Arkansas within the jurisdiction . . ." thus not only setting the Commission above, but over the courts.

What might easily amount to the Commission's own Gestapo would be provided: "All elective and appointive officers and employees of the State and the political sub-divisions thereof, including all public schools, and institutions of higher learning, shall cooperate with the Commission and render such aid and assistance as may be requested of them by the Commission."

Under Section 11, the witch hunting of the Commission would extend to "all persons, corporations, societies, organizations and other groups of persons found by the majority of the members of the Commission"— those same twelve men— "to be engaged in activities designed to further the cause of Communism . . ."

Further strife between the state and the nation would be guaranteed through the forced closing of any school which had been integrated by court or executive order:

"Any school against which a decree, order or proclamation of any court or executive has been rendered, or shall be rendered, causing the mixing of Negro and Caucasian students, and any school or schools from which the students were transferred or were to be transferred in compliance with such decree, order or proclamation, shall be closed forthwith from and after the effective date of this Amendment."

No teacher's contract would be good for as long as a year and school board officials would be subject to recall at any time under a provision which provides for a school election any time during a school year, upon petition "of not less than 10 per cent of the qualified electors" in the given school district. "All contracts for school personnel shall be entered into subject to ratification by the school board as it may be constituted following any special election under the provisions hereof."

We invite our readers to take a look with us next week at Article IV of the Proposed Amendment, which sets out the requirements an Arkansan would have to meet in order to qualify for the right to vote. —ELM

## When a Backslider?

If you were ever closer to God than you are right now, you have backslidden! A man doesn't backslide all at once. Usually, it is quite gradual and unnoticed. Here are some telltale signs:

1. HE FORGETS TO READ HIS BIBLE. Previously, it had a vital place in his life. Now, he cuts him-

self off from the spiritual nourishment. He is too busy!

2. HE CEASES TO PRAY. No longer does he ask God to help solve his problems, supply wisdom and guidance, bless others and forgive sins. God being thus ignored, seems farther and farther away.
3. HE BEGINS TO CRITICIZE OTHERS. He tries to ease his con-

science by making out others are as bad as he. He finds fault with the preacher, and criticizes the church leaders. Thus, he hopes none suspect him of faults.

4. HE NO LONGER FEELS HE SHOULD WIN PEOPLE TO CHRIST. He talks of wasting money on missions. He does not bring others to church because he reasons "nobody else does." —Copied

### Back to School

IN A CARTOON that appeared recently, the bulky, middle-age-spread wife was asking her bald, paunchy husband: "If we had life to live over again, would you marry me?"



"Like you are now, or like you were then?" the hubby wanted to know. The approach of another school year makes some of us older folk wish we could live our school days over again. We think we would put more into it, this time, and get more out of it.

In a book that I have valued since early college days, *Methods of Study*, by Claude C. Crawford, published privately by the author in 1926, are some timely suggestions for students under the topic, "What Characterizes a Good Student."

"He is well prepared — does his work. He is punctual — his work is ready on time. He is interested and attentive in class. He makes intelligent contributions in class discussion.

"He has respect for the superior knowledge of his instructors, and is willing to learn. He is polite and courteous to his teachers and fellow-students. He volunteers to make up back work instead of having to be checked up and required to do so.

"His work is neat and attractive in appearance. He is clean and neat of person.

"He is cheerful and pleasant. He is thoughtful and does not rely purely on memory.

"He has opinions of his own, but is ready to consider new ones. He does some things without being told. He brings to class new material which was not assigned.

"He can apply what he knows. He has an aim in what he does but is willing to consider a better one.

"He sticks to the point, and can follow a line of thought through. He sees in perspective and does not think in fragments.

"He considers everything in the light of its relative value. He knows what is expected of him or else he finds out.

"He does not resort to 'hand-shaking' or make an insincere effort to win personal favor. He makes constructive suggestions to his teacher when he thinks they will add to the success of the course.

"He seeks and receives no special favors. He is interested in many phases of life and its problems."

And we might add in closing: He knows and follows Christ, the revealer of the truth that makes men free.

*Erwin L. McDonald*

# BAPTISTS BELIEVE... MAN HAS A BASIC NEED



A young lady who complained that she was worried, sleepless and miserable asked a Baptist pastor for help. She was not physically ill, nor did she have low moral standards.

The pastor could have prescribed a large dose of "positive thinking" and regular spiritual exercises, such as "thinking only good thoughts," with the assurance that soon all would be well. But he knew her problem was deeper. She was out of fellowship with God.

He explained that the Bible reveals this common ailment. It says, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). He pointed out various terms in the Bible which describe the man who is not in fellowship with God. He is said to be a "sinner," "condemned," "without strength," "ungodly," an "enemy" of God.

"All persons are not equally 'wicked,' but all are equally lost in their sin and need a Saviour to return them to God.



"Both the hardened criminal who kidnaps a baby and a boy who steals marbles should feel like King David when he prayed, 'Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me' (Psalm 51:2-3)."

When God looks at people he sees more than man can see. He sees each person created in the image of God, but helpless and hopeless because of his sin. God's view is expressed in the words of Jesus. "I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins" (John 8:24).

"Jesus Christ, who is God's Son and at the same time our Saviour and friend, fully understood that we have this faulty nature," the pastor told the worried young lady. "He knew



all men, And needed not that any should testify of man: for he knew what was in man" (John 2:24-25). "When we see ourselves as God sees us," the minister continued, "we see that we are condemned already. But we see also that Christ died for us and can restore us into full fellowship with God. The way out for you and for the whole world is to accept Christ's offer to restore your lost fellowship with God. To do this, you must trust Christ completely. 'Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved' (Acts 4:12)."

The young lady surrendered herself to Christ and enjoys fellowship with God everyday. Do you enjoy this same fellowship?

● MR. AND MRS. Albert I. Bagby, Southern Baptist missionaries to South Brazil, have recently returned to the States for furlough. Their address is: c-o Mrs. Lea Tavares, 600 Bonita, Panama City, Fla. Mrs. Bagby is the former Thelma Frith, a native of North Little Rock.

● JIM SPARKS, minister of education, completed his second year of service with 1st Church, North Little Rock, July 27. Mr. Sparks and his family came to North Little Rock from Ft. Worth, Tex., where he was in Southwestern Seminary, School of Religious Education.

# Beyond the Call of Duty

By MABEL HARRISON

"FOR BRAVERY beyond the call of duty," says Uncle Sam to soldiers meriting citations.

"For service beyond the call of duty as a Christian," say Southern Baptists, following Uncle Sam's example in issuing citations to "soldiers of the Cross."

The "call of duty" is often a unique opportunity for positive example in Christian living or showing that one has been saved to serve. With Mrs. Lee Gregg, Springdale, it is this plus the desire to disprove the saying of a man that a two-week revival, when only one soul was saved, was a failure.

Said Mrs. Gregg, "The meeting had continued two weeks with my interest growing in each service. Finally, I yielded to the call to give my heart to Christ and received such a blessing that I felt all efforts made to win me would be repaid in my attempts at Christ-like living the rest of my days. And doubly so when an old man said the revival had been a complete failure. As far as I was concerned, I determined that it should never be that."

Mrs. Gregg — "Miss Frankie" as she was known then — began using her musical talent to play for church services and was pianist for nine years. Then began a teaching service in Sunday school that continued 50 years: She taught juniors 35 years and adults 15. Forty-five years found her active in training union work.

After 50 years' teaching, one begins to see fruition. And so Mrs. Gregg can point with pride to some of her former pupils who are now teachers, superintendents, deacons and leaders in the church.

Says she, "This is one of the joys of my life." But if this is one of the joys of her life, hundreds in 1st Church, Springdale, can point with pride to Frankie Gregg and say, "She is responsible for my holding a Teacher's Diploma. It was her inspiration, her interest in me that led to this accomplishment."

It was Mrs. Gregg's interest in books that led to her appointment as church librarian, which job she holds today. At that time she was teaching a Sunday School class at Berry Street Mission (now Berry Street Baptist church) which necessitated opening the library before Sunday School time, then a quick return from the mission to check out books. The task became too arduous; so she gave up the mission work. (Many who were in Mrs. Gregg's class then speak with regret over having to give her up.)

Not wanting the library to be mediocre, Mrs. Gregg worked until it was



**PASTOR BURTON Miley, of 1st Church, Springdale, presents Sunday School Worker's Citation to Mrs. Lee Gregg.**

once the largest church library in the state. It now contains 3,800 books.

For 15 years Frankie Gregg guided teachers in teacher training courses. She kept hundreds of records for teachers and could tell without a moment's hesitation the course of study needed for seals and diplomas.

The knowledge was not second-hand. She had also studied the books. In 1915 she studied the Sunday School manual; in 1917 she received the King's diploma; in 1920, the Post Graduate Diploma. And now the Citation. Each quarter of the year finds Mrs. Gregg busy completing a preview of Sunday School lessons. She has to her credit 40 of these.

That the Bible is really her choice of all books is seen by the fact that for years Frankie Gregg was Bible leader of the WMS. She and her husband for 10 years read the Bible through, beginning with Genesis. Now they read by topics and follow suggested Bible readings.

Says Mrs. Gregg, "I'm not sure how many times I have read the Bible through; I never attempt to keep count."

One can scarcely mention a verse in the Bible that Frankie Gregg does not know its context and where it is found. She holds in memory, many, many choice Bible verses.

Mrs. Gregg is greatly in demand as leader of devotionals on Sunday mornings. As soon as the bell rings and it is time to close the library, she can be seen with her Bible hurrying to some department to lead the devotional.

## Revival Reports

**EARLE CHURCH**, Dr. E. Butler Abington, pastor, recently closed a two-week tent revival with Evangelist Billy Walker, Walnut Ridge, preaching, and Allen Meeks, Pascagoula, Miss., directing the music, and with Mrs. J. E. Fullwood and Mrs. E. Butler Abington serving as pianists. Additions to the church totaled 34.

**W. B. O'NEAL**, of Gravel Ridge, Jacksonville, RFD, did the preaching for a revival at Stanfill Church, July 27-Aug. 3. Pastor Wayne K. Carter reports: "There were no additions to the church, but the church was greatly revived by the inspiring messages of Brother O'Neal on "Heart-felt Religion."

**LARRY TAYLOR**, who will be a senior this year at Central High School, Little Rock, served as youth evangelist of his home church, Welch Street Church, Little Rock, July 13-18, in which there were 20 additions, 8 by baptism and 12 by letter, reports Pastor M. E. Young. Six additions the following Sunday brought to a total 115 the number of new members added to the church in the last 15 months, Pastor Young reports.

**CORINTH CHURCH**, Ashley Association: Lowell Mathoney, formerly of Hamburg 1st Church now head of the department of religion, Indiana State Mental Hospital, evangelist; Raymond Carpenter, pastor; three professions, many rededications.

**UNION GROVE**, Clear Creek Association: Paul Wilhelm, evangelist; John Woodard, pastor; nine additions, three by baptism. (CB)

**BIG CREEK CHURCH**, Greene County Association; H. O. Shultz, evangelist; 12 additions. (CB)

**FIRST CHURCH**, Grubbs, Black River Association: O. I. Ford, Mountain Home, evangelist, J. C. Montgomery, pastor; 22 professions, seven by letter.

**SPRINGHILL CHURCH**, Hope Association: Raymond Phillips, Eastview, Texarkana, evangelist, L. L. Collins, Jr., pastor; 13 by baptism.

**IMMANUEL**, Magnolia: Hershel Williams, pastor; 18 by baptism, three by letter, one by statement. (CB)

**ANTIOCH**, Hope Association: Jimmy Wilson, pastor at Shiloh, evangelist; Missionary M. T. McGregor, music director; 5 by baptism, two by letter. New attendance records were set.

**PASTOR F. M. ROBINSON**, New Providence Church, Leachville, was the evangelist for a revival recently in Salem Church, Toomsaba, Miss., which resulted in 21 additions to the church and 25 rededications. Rondal Merrell is pastor of the church.

## Ouachita Grants First Degree in Education

THE FIRST degree in education to be conferred by Ouachita College was awarded at summer graduation exercises Aug. 11.

Mrs. Peggy Morgan Nix, Benton, received the bachelor-of-education degree, recently added to Ouachita's curriculum by faculty and trustee vote.

In addition to Mrs. Nix, 27 others received degrees:

Bachelors-of-arts: Kenneth Anthony, Texarkana; Thomas E. Bourland, Wilson; Martha Alice Bourns, DeQueen; Frederick L. Buck, Jr., Arkadelphia; James Doyle Byrum, Fort Towson, Okla.; Curtis H. Caughlin, Gurdon; Theo Clyde Cook, Little Rock; Edsel Gene Davis, North Little Rock; John Marvin Freeman, Arkadelphia; Andrew Kerr, Little Rock; Ray H. Kenser, Fort Smith; Thelma Marlette, St. Ann, Mo.; Florence Isabelle Medford, Salem, Ore.; Bobby W. Meggs, Warren; Davy Lee Moody, Ward; James W. Moseley, Clermont, Fla.; Jeff Peckham, Little Rock; David T. Peterson, Irving, Texas; Joseph C. Riggs, Little Rock; Charlett Mae Stamps, Glendale, Ky.; Barbara Ann Steelman, Camden; David M. Stevens, Judsonia; Mrs. Bessie Strasner, Umpire; Glen Dale Toler, Jacksonville; James R. White, Pine Bluff.

Bachelor-of-music: Charles Thurman Broughton, Hot Springs.

Bachelor-of-science: Warren Layfield, Glendale, Calif.

● **MAX ALEXANDER**, Highland Park Church, Texarkana, has accepted the call of Park Hill Church, North Little Rock, to become minister of music and worker with the young people. He and Mrs. Alexander moved to their new home Aug. 18. (CB)

● **DELL CHURCH**, Mississippi Association, has moved into their new educational building. (CB)



**NEW ORLEANS GRADUATES**—Two students from Arkansas were among the 40 who received degrees presented at summer commencement exercises on July 25 at New Orleans Seminary. Van H. Evans, left, Booneville, received the master of religious education; and Clyde Luther Howard, Crossett, bachelor of divinity. Dr. Dick H. Hall Jr., 1st Church, Decatur, Ga., delivered the principal address.

## Dr. Johnson Honored With Appreciation Day

**PASTOR WALTER L. JOHNSON**, University Church, Fayetteville, really had the wool pulled over his eyes as his church planned and promoted Pastor Appreciation Day, July 27.

Working "behind his back," the church succeeded in enlisting Dr. Johnson to get out a special letter urging a good attendance for what he thought was going to be just a 5th anniversary celebration of the ground breaking for the present church building.

Among other things, Dr. Johnson said in his letter promoting the attendance for the special day: "All these arrangements were made while the pastor was away on vacation, and he approves of everything that would help us get more people to study the Word of God in Sunday School and to worship."

Richard Greer, director of music, presided over special ceremonies in the morning worship service. He gave a review of the achievements of Dr. Johnson for the time he has been in Fayetteville, and Miss Dorothy Walker, educational secretary, read telegrams from members both former and present, expressing their appreciation.

Further words of appreciation were spoken by Dr. Otis Horton, associate superintendent of the Sunday School; Dr. Wilson W. Kimbrough, Jr., director of the Training Union; Mrs. Doyle Nutt, vice-president of the Woman's Missionary Union; and W. J. Hunt, chairman of the deacons.

The front of the auditorium was decorated with a banner which bore the inscription, "In Appreciation of Our Pastor." All of the music numbers for the day were favorite selections of Dr. Johnson.

## THE BOOKSHELF

**Autobiographical Notes**, by John Lipscomb Johnson, published privately 1958 at \$10 and available through the Southern Baptist Convention Historical Commission, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tenn.

This is the interesting autobiography of a confederate chaplain and Captain of Calvary who served as a professor in several Southern colleges and as a preacher and editor who had a part in the decisions of the Southern Baptist Convention over a long period of time.

Here will be found many fragments of previously unpublished history of the South.

**Series Serranon Outlines**, by Ward B. Chandler, Baker Book House, 1958, \$2.95.

This book is designed to help the minister by suggesting subjects and texts, as well as providing homiletical outlines.

**They Teach Us to Pray**, by Reginald E. O. White, Harper and Brothers, 1958, \$3.

In his foreword to the book, Dr. F. Townley Lord, a former president of the Baptist World Alliance, writes: "Mr. White's analysis of the characters he brings before us is scholarly and full of insight. On this ground alone — appreciation of Biblical figures — this book makes excellent reading; but there is more. He has a way of lifting a problem of the devotional life out of its ancient setting and giving it a present-day meaning . . ."

**Neither Black Nor White**, by Wilma Dykeman and James Stokely, Rhinehart and Company, 1957, \$5.

Southerners themselves, the authors traveled through 13 states following the 1954 Supreme Court decision ruling against separate but equal schools, to collect the material for this kaleidoscopic report on Southern views. They have produced this book, now in its second printing, on the belief that the greatest service to the South and the nation currently lies in honest praise and constructive criticism, springing from affectionate concern for the region.

**Books received include:**

**The Book of Leviticus**, by Charles F. Pfeifer, Baker Book House, 1947, \$1.25.

**Peter and the Rain**, for children, by Polly Hargis Dillard, Broadman Press, 1958.

**The Little Old Lady**, for children, by Robbie Trent, Broadman Press, 1958.

**Let's Play and Sing**, for children, by May Justus, Broadman Press, 1958, \$1.50.

**My Filipino Friends**, for children, by Broadman Press.

● **TWENTY NINE** professions of faith were recorded in the Vacation Bible School of Buffalo Chapel, Mt. Zion Association, described by pastor T. P. Smith as "the greatest in the history of the church." Summer field-worker Bob Wilson served as principal. Enrollment totaled 162, 12 more than the entire Sunday School enrollment.



DR. JOHNSON





Round-Up of

# World-Wide

RELIGIOUS NEWS REPORTS

## ISLAM ON MARCH

LONDON — "Islam is once more on the march," according to the Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town, the Most Rev. Joost de Blahk, who told a congregation at the annual festival of the South African Church Institute in London that his own diocese lost more people to Islam each year than were converted from Islam to Christianity.

## BAPTISTS OBSERVE CENTENNIAL

WARSAW — Representatives from many countries attended a three-day jubilee in Warsaw last month, marking the centennial of the Baptist Union of Poland.

Baptist world leaders reported that Baptist membership in Poland is about 2,536. The members are building a central church house in Warsaw on land provided by the government, and many members are pledging as much as a month's income for the building.

## OBSCENE LITERATURE

EVANGELICAL LEADERS who have been crusading for a law with teeth in it, are pleased with a bill which the Senate passed and sent to the House. The bill strengthens the law against mailing of obscene and crime-inciting literature and pictures. The bill would make persons who sell obscene matter subject to Federal prosecution either at the point of mailing or at the place of delivery. Trial must now be held at the place of mailing. The penalty for sending "non-mailable" matter is \$5,000 fine, five years in prison or both.

## SALVATION ARMY PLANS

TOP LEADERS of the Salvation Army, in a special 16-day session near London, drew up plans to modernize the Army's approach to winning souls while maintaining the same goals and standards as formerly. General Wilfred Kitching said that "antiquated methods must be set aside, unproductive activities abandoned, and new strategies examined." In future, the training period for Army officers will be increased from nine months' schooling plus a year's probation to two years' training and a year's probation. Greater emphasis will be placed on spiritual counseling and instruction. Increased use will be made of literature, radio and television.

## 'WAITING ROOM PULPIT'

TWO "WAITING Room Pulpits" have been installed in LaCrosse, Wisconsin, terminals in what the sponsoring organization hopes will become a nationwide "24-hour witness for Christ." The "pulpits" are attractive stands displaying a gospel poster and containing

# Baptist Crosscurrents

## On A Lost Dimension

By LOUIE D. NEWTON

in "This Changing World," THE CHRISTIAN INDEX

"... That these things which cannot be shaken may remain" — Heb. 12-27

**DEPTH:** Leading article of *The Saturday Evening Post*, June 14, bore a typical title of secularized religious diagnosis: "The Lost Dimension in Religion." The author is the idolized darling of many high-brow American "theologians," who regard those of us who find our all-sufficient rule and guide for our faith and practice in God's Holy Book, as hopelessly out of touch with "progress" and "reality." His name is Paul Tillich, a German scholar who held teaching posts in philosophy and theology "in many of the leading German universities" before fleeing Hitler when he got "hot."

**OBSERVER:** Professor Tillich is an observer. He was an observer in his native Germany. He has been an observer in his adopted U.S. And let it be said with due appreciation that observers are an essential and logical portion of progress. We need them. Only let it be further acknowledged and declared that, observers, if they are to be useful, must have something to say, when they talk. The clever marshalling of words is not enough. The ancient strategy of "talking down your nose," is not specially stimulating or inspiring. It lacks the lift of Pauline sincerity and conviction.

**WRITER:** Arriving in the United States in 1933, Professor Tillich accepted a chair in the faculty of Union Theological Seminary, New York City, serving there until 1955, and since 1955 at Harvard School. I knew him only as a writer, though I have twice heard him lecture. His *Systematic Theology* is, I would say, his most important book, with *Dynamics of Faith* next. When I read Tillich, I find myself wanting to wave to him over the edge of the page, inviting him to come on into the stream of revealed truth, and leave the eddies, with their shadows and shallows and fears and doubts.

**THESIS:** Professor Tillich's thesis in *The Post* article, briefly stated, is this: "The decisive element in the predicament of Western man in our period is his loss of the dimension of depth. It is a metaphor taken from the spatial realm and applied to man's spiritual life. What does it mean? It means that man has lost an answer to the question: What is the meaning of life? Where do we come from, where do we go? What shall we do?" Very well, you say, what is wrong with that thesis for today's troubled world? Nothing, provided you want the answer—everything, if you have no answer.

**AMAZING:** When I tell you that Professor Tillich does not once quote the Bible in his discussion of "The Lost Dimension in Religion," you will not only be amazed, but you will wonder if I am fair to the man. Isn't it amazing? And yet this man is lionized in books, magazines, over radio and TV, in discussion clubs in colleges and seminaries. It is scarcely believable, but it is the amazing, solemnizing truth. He was a delightful person in the two brief visits I have had with him, but he either lacks understanding of the Bible, or regards it as out-of-date—which I do not know.

a supply of evangelistic literature. They will be placed in rail, bus and airport waiting rooms across the country as the movement grows and as local sponsors are located.

## INTO RUSSIAN SATELLITE

THE SIXTH annual launching of gospel-laden balloons from the border of West Germany into Russia and satellite countries was accomplished in mid-July, according to a report from Evangelist Billy James Hargis. Some 250,000 portions of the Bible, translated into six languages, were released from an unidentified launching site.

## SAM HOUSTON FILM

SAN ANTONIO — Evangelist Billy Graham has announced plans to film the life of Sam Houston at a cost of \$2,000,000. Graham said the story of the Texas hero and his conversion to Christ never had been documented, but that it needed to be told.

## 90% CHRISTIAN

SYDNEY, Australia — A survey by Sydney University showed that at least 90 per cent of Australians claim they are Christians, and yet the same survey disclosed that only 63 per cent have a definite belief in life after death.

# Arkansans In Japan Push New Missions

TWO NEW Baptist missions in Hiroshima, Japan, within the last year have been the fruits of the labor of Southern Baptist missionaries Loyce and Gladys Nelson.

In a recent letter, the Arkansans wrote that opposition to extending the Baptist work had given way to a new zeal for even additional mission points.

Here's a part of their letter:

"It is foolish to start another church inside the city. Our church is available to anyone here who wants to come," said one of the deacons of the Hiroshima Church when we talked of opening work in another part of the city. Although there are nearly 400,000 people in Hiroshima, almost all the church members opposed our beginning a mission. After much prayer, thinking, talking and waiting it was decided about a year ago to begin looking for a meeting place in Eba, a completely unchurched section of the city with a population of from thirty to forty thousand. Although the deacon continued to disagree with the idea he was the first to offer to help when the decision was made by the church.

"As an outgrowth of the success of the venture at Eba the church recently decided to open work in another section of the city. Last night was the opening night for weekly meetings at Niho, another needy section of the city. About 40 were present for the first meeting which was held in the home of a Christian woman in that community. We were thrilled when the pastor afterward said, 'Now we have missions at Eba and Niho, next will be Ujina.' How far they have come in their thinking in the past three years!

"The battle, of course, has just begun. It is extremely difficult to keep people coming after the novelty wears off. Winning them to Christ is so slow we often get discouraged. We came to 'possess the land' for Christ, and we have hardly made a start so far. Pray that we shall be faithful in spite of difficulties. We have only four members at Eba after working there for eight months.

"One bit of good news is that we now



THE STORAGE room, above, is the temporary meeting place of the Eba mission in Hiroshima, Japan. The bottom photo was made just after the close of the first Sunday night service.

have a small grant of money to buy land and erect a small temporary building at Eba. So perhaps by fall we can move out of the 'monooki' (store room) where we now meet. Pray for us as we try to find land of reasonable price in a good location. Thank you for making this possible by giving to the Lottie Moon offering last year."

## Harrell Reports On Cuba Visit

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB)—"The bright hope of the Baptist cause in Cuba is in the continued development of the third and fourth generation Christians," said W. A. Harrell upon his return from a recent visit to Cuba.

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### Take a Census

A PART OF an effective Preparation Week every year is a thorough religious census of your community. Every



church that plans to participate in the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade next spring will find that a religious census in the fall, made available to the Sunday School workers for an enlargement and visitation program, will be most effective in evangelistic results during the time of the revival meeting.

Let us make most careful preparation now for a good census in September. The Department of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board joins in this emphasis. In churches where a census is not taken in September, the Sunday School forces will join with the Home Mission Board and the evangelistic committees in the associations next February to get a census for specific use in the evangelistic meetings.

Take a good census this fall, make an adequate and graded prospect file for use by the Sunday school and

all church organizations, and use it effectively throughout the year. —The Sunday School Builder

### A Dedicated Teacher

A bank clerk had been elected as teacher of an Intermediate Sunday School class. He was a poor teacher as most teachers go. But he knew how to love a group of Intermediate boys. Each Saturday he gathered his boys around him for a short fishing trip, a hike, or a wiener roast in his back yard. Before long one boy had accepted Christ; then another, and another, until finally in one year seven of the eight boys that he had in his class had accepted Christ as Saviour.

Several years have gone by since this bank clerk took the Sunday school class. Where are these eight boys now? Two of them are ministers, one is a seminary professor, two others are deacons, and the whereabouts of the others are unknown. The inspiration of a man who dared to give himself to the cause of Christ and to the lives of boys has proved to be a blessing through the years to thousands of people through the ministry of the young men that he won to Christ.

● SOUTH SIDE CHURCH, Ft. Smith, plans a complete reorganization of the Sunday School when the two new buildings are ready for occupancy. The new facilities also provide a parking lot for the members. (CB)

## WMU

Miss Nancy Cooper, Secretary

### Leadership Training

SEPTEMBER 18-19: a workshop for leaders of WMU youth organizations will be held at 1st Church, Conway.



Conference leaders will include convention-wide directors as follows: Sunbeam Band, Miss Elsie Rives; Girls' Auxiliary, Miss Betty Brewer; Young Woman's Auxiliary, Miss Billie Pate, associate.

Attendance will be confined to two from each association for each conference. Workshops for local leaders will be scheduled in each association in which the associational teams will lead.

A conference for other 1958-59 associational leadership — i.e. presidents (formerly superintendents), vice-presidents (formerly associate superintendents), chairmen of mission study, prayer, community missions and stewardship will be held at Ferncliff, September 8-9. State WMU officers will lead in that conference.

### Prayer for State Missions

September 15 is the date for the Season of Prayer for State Missions! Suggestions for the observance have been mailed all organizations and were prepared by the following: WMS, Mrs. L. D. Mack; YWA, Mrs. Payton Kolb; GA, Mrs. S. W. Eubanks; Sunbeam Band, Mrs. Fred Love.

A goal of \$30,000 for the Dixie Jackson Offering for State Missions was adopted, and is more than one fourth of the total state missions budget. Is it needed? Look at Arkansas and decide.

A set of slides directly related to the WMS program is available from the state WMU office, 310 Baptist Building for \$4.50.

### Conferences Well Attended

Attendance records were exceeded at the WMU Conferences at Glorieta and Ridgecrest where the 1958-59 watchword was used as the challenging theme, "Sing unto the Lord, bless His name; show forth His salvation from day to day."

Arkansas' delegation at Glorieta numbered 36 and at Ridgecrest 32. Twenty-eight went to Ridgecrest via chartered bus which was under the direction of Miss Elma Cobb, president. Serving on the staff were Mrs. John Miller, Camden; Mrs. Floyd Richardson, Warren; Miss Elma Cobb, Little Rock.

● EXECUTIVE SECRETARY S. A. Whitlow will speak on "The 1959 Program," at a meeting of pastors and deacons of Central Association at Springlake Assembly, Lonsdale, Sept. 1, at 6:30 p. m. A chicken dinner will be served. (CB)

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DR. SAMUEL G. RANKIN examines the 8,000th patient to be registered at the Baptist clinic in Hong Kong since its opening on Jan. 2, 1956. The doctor and nurses see more than 2,000 patients a month, many of them coming for repeated visits because of tuberculosis or other prolonged diseases. Land has been secured for a Baptist hospital in the colony, and during this year — the 20th anniversary of the Hong Kong Baptist Association — Hong Kong Baptists are hoping to raise a large amount of money to help erect the building.

## MISSIONS & EVANGELISM

C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent

A LETTER received from Dr. C. C. Warren says, "I want from you, two figures: the number of churches established between June 1, 1956, and June 31, 1958; and the number of missions established between June 1, 1956, and June 31, 1958." I am grateful for the help of our missionaries in getting the information.



SPANISH-SPEAKING preachers are now being secured to work in our state this fall among the 20,000 Mexicans who will be picking cotton in the Delta areas. What are your needs?

DR. RALPH PHELPS will be the evangelist for the 1st Church, Forrest City, during the 1959 Crusade.

ARKANSAS BAPTIST State Conven-

tion holds the title to the property in Tulip Community where a new church is being completed. This is the site where the Convention was organized in 1848.

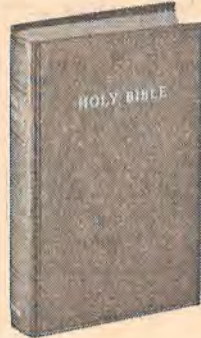
REVEREND RAWLLS Pierce, pastor of Green Acres Church, Bastrop, La., will serve as evangelist at Corinth Church, Hamburg, March 8-22.

MRS. JOYCE DUGGAR, who has served as office secretary in our department, has resigned to return to Arkadelphia, where her husband will attend Ouachita College.

1ST CHURCH, Fayetteville, will have Dr. Millard Berquist, president of Mid-Western Seminary, Kansas City, as evangelist during the Western Crusade in 1959.

MOST OF THE Associational missionaries are attending either Glorieta or Ridgecrest Home Mission Conferences. C. W. Caldwell, Clyde Hart and Jesse Reed are in Ridgecrest.

1ST CHURCH of Eureka Springs has Clyde Riddle, Mountain View, Mo., engaged as evangelist for next April 12-26.



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**Black Oak Church  
Dedicates Building**

BLACK OAK Church, Mt. Zion Association, recently dedicated its new education building, a tile brick structure containing 11 classrooms, pastor's study,



and rest rooms. In connection with the dedication the church honored its pastor, Hal Gallop, Sr., on the occasion of his seventh anniversary with the church.

The importance of providing adequate classroom space in a Sunday School enlargement is seen in the fact that the Black Oak Sunday School enrollment climbed from 60 to 160, with the opening of the new building. One year since the building has been in use, the Sunday School had an average attendance of 160.

Under Pastor Gallop's leadership the church giving to missions has tripled. At present the church gives 20% of its budget to the Cooperative Program.

The Black Oak Church is one of more

than 500 churches of the state which send the Arkansas Baptist, through the Church Budget Plan, to all their families. A large part of the membership also take The Commission and the Home Missions Magazine.

**BSU  
Tom Logue, Secretary**

DEAR ARKANSAS BSUers:

I'm still enjoying my work in California very much. I just wish that every BSU'er in Arkansas could have the opportunity to work for God in another state, especially California. This is such a great mission field out here. It is almost like all the foreign countries put in one, for there are people of almost all races out here.



PATSY MIDDLETON My work has principally been in the smaller churches taking religious census and working in Vacation Bible Schools. I have been moving from place to place every week or two but will be in San Fernando Valley all summer.

This week we're helping in a Vacation Bible School in a Baptist mission at Sylmar. We were hoping to have about 30 present at the school, but I guess we lacked faith in the number that would attend. Fifty-one were present on the first day, and 71 came on the second day! Several of our juniors have already accepted Christ in Vacation Bible School this week.

I thank God so much for letting me come to California to work this summer, and I thank the Arkansas State BSU for making this opportunity possible. —Patsy Middleton, 6620 Rita Ave., Huntington Park, Calif.

*We Are For It!*

YES, EVERY Arkansas Baptist should be for the 1959 proposed budget. What a challenge it is to a great people to raise \$1,700,000 for the work of the Lord all over the entire world! Yet what a small percentage that is of the

total amount Arkansas churches will give in 1959, only about 10 to 11 per cent. Can we afford to do that little? —From Southern Baptist Colleges News Letter

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# Lazy August

By **THELMA C. CARTER**

YOU CAN guess it is August by the slow, lazy movements of animals and people. Lightning, prickly heat, shriveled flowers, dusty weeds, and wheat and corn steeping in the burning sun are signs that the summer season is tired and longing for rest.

Heat and cold have been a part of our wondrous world since the creation. They will remain with us always. "While the earth remaineth . . . cold and heat, and summer and winter . . . shall not cease" (Genesis 8:22).

There is little bird song in August. The main song of our natural world is that of insect musicians such as katydids and crickets.

August is the eighth month of the year and, in our part of the world, the last month of summer. It is a testing time for plants, animals, even people. In the dry, burning heat of this month, many young trees — and tired, old trees — die. There is little growth in the plant world when there is such intense heat and scarce rainfall.

August may find you on vacation in the mountains and beautiful park areas or on the prairie, flat lands. You may find your clothing stuck full of a variety of burs and pointed, hooked seed pods. All growing things hurry to produce their seed before cool weather arrives.

Desert areas in August are sometimes called the "fever areas" of our earth. They are seemingly deserted of green growth, animals, and birds.

August is not without its beauty. In the fine, dry air of this month, many

out-of-doors spider webs become golden or silvery, shining tinsel-like wheels. Take a moment to look at them. You are sure to find these beautiful, fragile webs in shade trees around your home.



## Table Mats

By **THEO HOBBS**

TABLE MATS are being used more all the time. They are easy to care for and can be very pretty, too. The colors and patterns of the materials are varied so that something can be found to suit any room decoration and any type of china. These make a most welcome gift to a homemaker.

The table mats described here would be ideal for everyday or kitchen use or for use at a summer cottage. The material is a type of plastic known as Saran. It has a hard, shiny surface which resists moisture and can be wiped off easily after use. The colors keep fresh indefinitely.

The size of the mats is a matter of preference. A mat twelve inches by eighteen inches is highly recommended, for this gives room for two plates and a cup and saucer.

When cutting the material, allow for a fringe. If a half-inch fringe is desired, cut the material thirteen inches by nineteen inches. The width of the material bought, however, will have some bearing on this. For instance, thirty-six inch material will cut two mats with a slightly smaller fringe. This would be quite satisfactory.

After the mats are cut, stitch with a matching thread inside the width of the fringe desired. (See the first drawing.) Then pull out threads to make a fringe.

A bright, colorful pattern makes a cherry addition to the breakfast table or to summer cottage meals.

Another material which makes good mats is monk's cloth.

## A Smile or Two

MONEY STILL talks but you have to increase the volume if you want to get the message through. —Wall St. Journal

"PA," chirped little Ted, "what does 'a man's better half' mean?"

"Usually," his father said, "she means exactly what she says." —L&N Magazine

BY THE time the average motorist figures out how to read the road map, his wife has asked the filling station man how to get there. —Ken Kraft

THEN THERE was the Texan who struck oil and with his new riches he built a mansion and three swimming pools. One he kept filled with cool water and another with warm water; the third he kept empty. He explained: "A lot of my friends can't swim." —Supervision

THE WEEKEND duffer carefully addressed the ball and swung—producing a hole in which you could have buried a truck. He picked up the huge divot, hefted it in his hand, then turned to his caddy. "What do I do with this?" he asked.

"Take it home," the boy sighed, "and practice on it." —Scholastic Coach.

THERE'S A Chinese restaurant down our way that serves you all the food you can eat for 50 cents. Trouble is—they only give you one chop stick.

DAIRY FARMER, questioning a prospective hired man: "Have any bad habits — smoke, drink, eat margarine?"

THE FATHER had taken his 7-year-old son to the local pet shop to pick out a puppy for his birthday present. For several minutes the youngster and his father stood and watched an assortment of pups playing in the window.

"Decided which one you want?" the father asked finally.

"Yep," answered the boy, pointing to one puppy which was wagging its tail so furiously that it could hardly stay on its feet. "I want that one — the one with the happy ending." —Sanatorium Outlook

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## THE TEEN AGE

by **Judy McDonald**



Boy! They sure are wearing the waistlines high, aren't they?

# Justice Among Nations

By WALTER YELDELL

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Lesson Material: Isaiah 30:1-5, 15-18; 31:1-3; Micah 4:1-7;  
Malachi 2:10; Acts 10:25-35; Ephesians 2:13-3:21

August 24

**W**ILL THE day ever come when, on this earth, men of all nations may learn to live together without fear of each other? Will there ever be a time when weak nations and strong nations, when small nations and large nations, shall be able to walk side by side in a spirit of good-will and lasting peace? Will the day ever come when mothers can look their newborn sons in the face and know that they have not brought another child into the world to grow up to become a weapon of war for ruthless rulers, and their daughters a play thing for the men of war?

For hundreds of years men have dreamed this dream. They have envisioned a world without strife and without blood-shed, without wars and rumors of war. The prophets of old had such dreams as is evidenced by our lesson material for Sunday. And many who have followed in the after years of these prophets have not lost sight of this fond hope and desire.

Yet, today, atomic and hydrogen bombs are being stock-piled by many of the larger nations. The United States and Russia have at present a sufficient quantity of these to destroy all human life upon this planet. Thus, the hope of a lasting, enduring, peace still remains in doubt. However, the phrase "co-existence or no existence" has become more than a play on words; it is a clear putting of the only two alternatives before us.

## Why Unrest?

Why the unrest among nations? Most of the unrest in yesterday's world, and in today's world, is directly caused by men forgetting that they owe justice to other human beings. Strong countries have taken over weaker ones and used their wealth for their advancement and enrichment. This had bred resentment among the smaller nations and this resentment has bred a rage that eventually breaks out against the conqueror.

Almost all nations have looked at their own interests first. Even our nation, which has given so generously to other nations, explains that it must give in order to persuade those to whom it is given to stay on our side and not go over to communism. Someone has well said, "Self-preservation is a national as well as an individual trait, and it blinds nations as well as

individuals to that justice which must be practiced all over the world before we can hope for a peace that will be permanent."

Is anything being done to make for peace among nations? Many of us think of the United Nations as existing for the sole purpose of dealing with problems related to strife among nations. In thinking this we are wrong. The United Nations also exists for the purpose of helping the underprivileged of the world. In his book, *Half the World's Children*, published by Association Press, New York, S. M. Kenney tells of the work of the United Nations Children's Fund:

"And so we came to the end of 1956 — our seventh year in Asia. Since we began, the total tests against tuberculosis have reached 148 million, with about 52 million vaccinations . . . about 6,000 centers for mothers and children have been equipped and are being supplied with drugs and milk. The anti-malaria campaigns that were begun, largely with U. S. aid, have now reached about half of the 300 million people who need it."

Every foreign missionary is a tool in the hand of God as He seeks to unite all mankind in service and love.

Is there anything which I can do to bring about justice among nations? There are three main relationships in which every man stands — a relationship to God, to his fellowmen, and to himself — and what we do in promoting justice and peace depends upon our being related truly in this three-fold way.

First, take man's relationship to God. Herein lies the secret of world peace. Harmonious activity of any kind can be obtained only when its different elements are regulated by one master principle and adjusted to the requirements of one master law. A musical composition has its theme, a work of fiction has its plot, an army in time of battle has its plan of campaign. Take away the theme from a musical composition and it becomes a mere medley of meaningless sounds; take away the plot from a novel and it loses all cohesion and attractive power; take away an army's plan of campaign and it rapidly degenerates into a disorganized mob.

Just so it is with the complete system of human activity. Its harmony and peacefulness depend upon its being regulated by and leading up to the ultimate idea it is intended to express. And that aim, that idea, is God's glory and the establishment of His Kingdom among men. Here we come to the very heart of the matter; to the true foun-

ation of peace. There is no lasting peace outside of God.

The second main relationship in which man stands is to his fellowmen, and Christianity leaves us in no doubt as to what this relationship ought to be. It is that of unselfish service. It is only when a man is endeavoring by every means in his power to discharge the duties which this relationship involves that he is on the road to peace. This was the experience of our Lord, of the Apostle Paul, of all the early preachers and teachers of the gospel of peace. They came proclaiming the advent of the Kingdom of God, of that perfect social state in which the true relationship between men would be established, in which each would seek not his own but the common good; and the answer of the world was violent opposition, bitter persecution, prison, the torture chamber, and the Cross. History has repeated itself again and again in this respect. Justice among nations can be attained only when the principles embodied in those of God's eternal truth and justice.

Finally, we consider man's relationship to himself. Man can understand the meaning of his existence only as he relates his existence to God. St. Augustine was correct when he stated, "Thou hast made us for Thyself, O Lord; and our heart is restless until it rests in Thee." We obtain peace within and without, not by ridding ourselves of our passions and desires, but by keeping them in their proper place, by restricting them to their proper channels, by directing them to their proper objects. And only that life which has committed itself to God can so direct and restrict and properly relate itself to the tasks of achieving justice toward men of all nations.

The story is told of a little boy who was given a jig saw puzzle to put together. It was a picture of a map of the world. Very shortly the little boy returned with the puzzle all put together. When his father inquired how he had been able to do it so quickly he replied, "There was a picture of a man on the other side and when I got the man put together right, the world was right, too."

## Truths to Teach

There will NEVER be justice among nations until men arrive at a "common denominator" — that common denominator is God! Christ ruling in the hearts and lives of men is the answer to the problem of justice among nations.

The statue "Christ of the Andes" atop the Andes Mountains between Chile and Argentina marks the averting of a war between the countries through the pleas of Bishop Benavente of Argentina, who said: "My country may be wrong in this matter; let us find out where the real answer lies; let us see who is wrong. Let us not think of our nation but of justice."



## King Promoted To New Post

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB)—Herman L. King, superintendent of administration in the Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, has been promoted to the position of executive assistant on the administrative staff of the Board. He assumed his new duties August 1. The position was formerly held by the late Dr. Norris Gilliam under the title of contracts and investments counselor.



MR. KING  
The duties have been altered to cover other closely related functions which will improve communications between the Sunday School Board and the state Baptist conventions. Responsibilities for investments will continue in the business division.

King will have these basic duties: work with state convention executive secretaries on matters of mutual interest to the Board and the conventions; negotiate major printing, continuous raw material, and other contracts; act as a staff advisor on major contract and investment operations; co-ordinate the activities of the Business Division and contractors on financial administration of contracts; maintain liaison with legal counsel on major contracts, investment programs, releases, and purchase contracts of real estate; and provide counsel on and administer supplementary appropriations.

**Pastoral Changes**  
P. C. CHURCH, Louisville, Ky., has accepted the pastorate of 1st Church, Clarksville, and assumed his new duties on Aug. 10. (CB)

WELLS CHAPEL, Mississippi Association, has called T. J. Bullion as pastor. (CB)

## Pastoral Changes

CLAUDE D. HUGHES has assumed the pastorate of the Dallas Avenue Church, Mena. A native of Arkansas and a graduate of Ouachita he comes to Dallas Avenue from Eros, La., where he was pastor of the Clark Spring Church while working on his master's degree from Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss.



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