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Arkansas Baptist State Convention
Finding Ourselves

A NATIONAL figure in stressing the fact that we are dedically motivated by our economic interests once said that even preachers would not be in favor of doing away with all sin. His very physical existence is dependent upon the preacher having a congregation which needs the gospel, to say nothing of some of the luxuries we desire. This may be carrying the matter a little farther than some of us would like to admit.

However, all of us recognize that our actions are greatly influenced by our self-interest. Jesus made much of the fact that self-denial is the keen edge of discipleship. Perhaps we become a learner of Christ just about to the extent that we relegate self-interest to its proper place. Certainly there must be a place in the make-up of every disciple for worthy ambition, but where the thin edge of rationalization comes in is rather difficult to determine.

To reduce self-interest to a bare minimum in all of our actions is essential to the greatest degree of Christian service. This requires all the discipline of which one is capable plus the grace of God. There is not much telling how much good could be accomplished, how much genuine progress could be made in the Kingdom of God in our midst, if self-interest could be put in its proper place.

John the Baptist rose to the plane of the noble when he said of Jesus — "He must increase but I must decrease." Jesus was challenged to come down from the cross. It was said of Him that He saved others, let Him save himself. He didn't. He rather died farther than some of us would cross. It was our privilege to participate in a campaign during the first week and the writer directed the campaign during the second week. There were over 1,200 additions to the churches.

Two other Arkansas pastors took part in the revival: Rev. J. A. Hogan preached at 1st Church, Jenks, and Rev. A. G. Escott, 4th 1st Church, Mingo.

There was a fellowship breakfast every week-day morning at Immanuel Church, with excellent attendance. Rev. Leo M. Perry is the superintendent of missions and is leading in a well-planned program.—Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary.

Youth Week

Sixty-five Intermediates and Young People filled places of leadership in 1st Church, Stuttgart, for Youth Week, April 17-24.

Arthur Allen, Jr., a senior in Stuttgart High School, served as pastor. Jerry Alexander acted as Sunday School superintendent and Lindsay Baker, Jr., as Training Union director. Highlight of the week was a youth banquet attended by 57.

Rev. Dr. Douglas is pastor of the church; Charlie Belknap is minister of education; and Dale Keelton is director of music and youth activities.
Ouachita Honors Mondy, McDonald

THE FACULTY of Ouachita College has voted to confer the "Distinguished Alumnus Award" upon a scientist and a religious journalist, at commencement exercises May 22.

Recipients of the award will be Dr. Neil I. Mondy, professor of Chemistry at Cornell University, and Dr. Ervin L. McDonald, editor of Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine. Both are members of the Ouachita graduating class of 1943.

Dr. Mondy, a native of Pocahontas, graduated summa cum laude, first in the class of 100. She received the B.S. degree from Ouachita in January, 1943, and the A.B. degree the following August. College honors included election to the campus Who's Who, Most Intellectual Girl, and Most Versatile Girl.

A research project in food biochemistry by Dr. Mondy was featured in "Research at Cornell," a 1960 publication of Cornell University, where she teaches General, Organic, and Food Chemistry.

Dr. McDonald, a native of London, Pope County, received the A.B. degree, magna cum laude, and ranked 11th in his class of 100.

The Cover

SWEET mystery of life is symbolized by the cover picture this week, as a little girl in her tender years looks out upon the miracle of the world at the break of spring.

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Convention-wide Assembly Ground For Brotherhood Located in Arkansas

A SOUTHERN Baptist Convention training center for the Brotherhood and Royal Ambassadors is being located in Arkansas, it was revealed here last week at a meeting of state and Southern Convention Brotherhood leaders.

A 1,782-acre tract is being purchased in the Ozarks of northwest Arkansas, 10 miles northwest of Huntsville, in Madison County.

G. C. Hilton, Springdale business and church leader and president of the Arkansas Brotherhood Convention, has taken the lead in securing the camp grounds, total price of which will be $36,000. The deed will be made to the Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, Tenn., which will construct a permanent training center on the site.

A resolution passed at the state Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador Convention last week commended Mr. Hilton for his leadership and liberality in helping to secure the property. According to Mr. Hilton, $15,000 has already been contributed on the purchase price. He heads a committee to raise the remainder.

Dr. George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission, in Little Rock for the meeting, announced that he is ready to begin construction as soon as the deed to the site is secured.

"It is our intention to call in one of the best camping consultants in the country to study the terrain and draw up a master plan for the training center," Dr. Schroeder said.

The tract is almost double the size of Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, N. C., which has 900 acres, and larger than Glorieta Baptist Assembly, N. M., which totals 1,500 acres.

While at Ouachita, he served as director of the Ouachita news bureau, as reporter, secretary and president of the Ministerial Association, and as reporter of the English Honor Society. He has been editor of the Arkansas Baptist since March, 1957.—Ouachita News Bureau

Bruce Price Is University Speaker

DR. BRUCE H. Price, native of Pope County, and a former pastor of Beech Street Church, Texarkana, will return to Arkansas as baccalaureate speaker for commencement exercises at the University of Arkansas, June 3.

Dr. Price, who is currently serving as 2nd vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has been pastor for many years of 1st Church, Newport, Va.

Arkansas Group

THE following serve as officers of the Arkansas state group at Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City: Roger Shields, Knoxville, president; Zane Chesser, Monticello, secretary-reporter; Perry Blount, North Little Rock, social activities chairman; Dr. Morris Ashcraft, originally from Malvern, faculty sponsor.
Editorials

ONE of the most interesting experiences a Baptist editor has is reading his mail. This is one way he keeps in touch with his readers. The mail helps the editor to evaluate his services and to test, at least in a measure, the effectiveness of his ministry. While he is naturally interested in hearing from those who like his paper, it may be that letters from those who are unhappy about something shall prove of greater value. This is not to imply that the editor’s big concern should ever be trying to please everybody.

We wish to share with you a letter which has just come from one who has been receiving our paper but not reading it. We are using the writer’s own words, her own spelling, and her punctuation. For obvious reasons we are not supplying her name, though her letter is signed:

I’m writing this in regard to your letter on opposite side [We had written in the interest of her continuing to receive our paper.—Editor] in all religious material I’ve always found some good and some things I did not agree. I’ve bought some religious books and children’s Bible stories thinking I would get some good from them as well as my family but honestly I never have the time to open them as well as two well know magazines & my Sears catalog that I use to look forward to each Spring and Fall and wish if nothing else, so therefore I feel it is a waste of time of money & time to continue sending me the Arkansas Baptist, and I don’t mean to sound rude, but I’m sure there is lots of faithful Church goers that never pick the Ark. Baptist up. I don’t think they take the time I don’t see how they could.

This lady is dealing in her own way with one of our biggest problems. With more and more time of our own, due to shorter working days, five-day weeks, etc., the responsibility for deciding how we will budget our time grows space. It is not surprising to learn that some who receive our Baptist state paper do not devour its contents each Wednesday, or Thursday—or on whatever day it arrives—some Baptists never crack their Bibles. But it is cause for real concern. After all, the Lord’s business is the greatest business on earth. How can we expect to be faithful in our Christian stewardship if we do not keep up with what we are doing and trying to do to win the world to Christ?

As far as Southern Baptists are concerned, the big event of the year will be coming up soon as the Southern Baptist Convention meets for its annual session, at Miami Beach, Fla. Baptists will be travelling by the thousands from all over the country and by every modern means of transportation, to Miami Beach. Let us pray for safety in our journeys and for God to have his will in all of the actions of the convention.

In perspective, the meeting of the convention this year does not foreshadow any knock-down-and-drag-out sessions. But one never knows what will be proposed—or opposed—in a Baptist gathering. The tendencies in recent years to show forth the Christian spirit in the convention’s deliberations is a healthy sign and, we believe, as has been said before, reflects a denominational maturity for which we can be thankful. We will never become a “yes” people, but we must give the conduct of the Lord’s business the best spirit as well as the best thinking which with God’s help we can muster.

Up for final approval this time will be the proposed new Stewardship Commission. Since its program would be centered on Bible stewardship, final approval of this new organization and the effecting of its work should help us to come to a bright new day for all of our mission causes.

A look at our progress since we last met, in Louisville, will be time well spent. Of particular significance will be the report of Dr. C. C. Warren and his associates who have primary leadership responsibilities in the great 30,000 Movement of our denomination, a movement to culminate in 1964.

The 14th Man

MY friend Dr. Ewing T. Wayland, editor of The Arkansas Methodist, was deplaning in Dallas on a business trip early one night, recently. To his surprise he heard a uniformed employee of the airline calling: “Paging Mr. Wayland! Paging Mr. Wayland!”

“We are sorry, sir, but the briefcase you checked at the beginning of your trip was not transferred when you changed planes in Ft. Smith,” said the messenger. And he hurried to add: “We’ll have it here sometime tomorrow afternoon.”

“That will be too late,” replied Dr. Wayland. “My business appointments begin in the morning at 9 and I must have the briefcase by 8:30.”

“Then you better talk to the station manager,” was the reply.

The station manager said he did not know how he could accomplish what seemed to be impossible, but somehow he would. An hour or two later he called the editor at his hotel. “You’ll have your briefcase by the time you have set, if our plan works,” the airline manager told him. “Ft. Smith is sending the briefcase by bus to Oklahoma City, where it will be put on a plane for Dallas. Upon its arrival it will be brought to you at your hotel by taxi.”

“The best we can estimate, there will be a total of 14 different persons handling the briefcase or having a part in getting it to you. You realize, of course, that if just one of them fails, the mission cannot be accomplished on time.”

At 8:30 the next morning the briefcase still had not arrived. Editor Wayland called the airline. They were disturbed. It should have been delivered some time ago. They would see what they could find out about it and call him.

A few minutes later Wayland’s telephone rang. “We’ve got it located and it’s on its way to you,” he was assured. “The taxi driver who was to have brought it to you from the airport left it at the wrong hotel!”

The 14th and last man had failed and a well planned mission had fallen short.

The greater the mission the greater the tragedy if one person fails in the performance of his duties.

Edwin L. D. Bowell

ARKANSAS BAPTIST
On Baptist Union

IN THE Arkansas Baptist, issue of April 16, I read an article entitled, "American Baptist Leader Says Baptists Should Unite." I should like to comment upon this article by J. C. Herrin, of Chapel Hill, N. C.

I spent several years in the American Baptist ministry and am a graduate of one of their theological seminaries; so I am not entirely "misinformed" about the current status and activities of the American Baptist bodies. I have many friends in the American Baptist fellowship, and certainly would not say that many of these Baptist brethren are not preaching the Gospel and doing the work of their Lord.

However, I sincerely hope the day will never come when Southern Baptists follow the advice of Mr. Herrin and enter into a union with American Baptists. If they ever do, it will be a major disaster for the Baptist witness in America and throughout the world. The very policies which Mr. Herrin defends were largely responsible for the withdrawal of thousands of Baptist churches from the American Convention within the last thirty years to form the Conservative Baptist Movement and the General Association of Regular Baptists.

Other hundreds of churches withdrew from the American Convention to become independent of all affiliations. The American Baptist Convention has few more members or churches today than they had thirty years ago, and the very policies which Mr. Herrin defends and which would have Southern Baptists adopt were responsible for this condition, and they would have a like effect on Southern Baptists.

Out in the Northwest where I have served as a Southern Baptist pastor for nearly seven years there are hundreds and hundreds of towns and cities with no Baptist church of any kind in them. The so-called "comity agreements" of the National Council of Churches, with which American Baptists are affiliated, would forbid Baptist churches ever being formed in these cities and towns, if there are Methodist churches or Presbyterian churches, or other churches there who are affiliated with the National Council. Therefore, many Southern Baptist people in the South have that the American Baptists are taking care of the needs of these Northern and Northwestern areas, which has been their responsibility for many years, simply is not true and never has been true. American Baptists have assumed the attitude that if there is a Methodist, Presbyterian, Congregational, or other Protestant church in many of these towns and cities, then there is no need for a Baptist church to be there. This is the way of death for any Baptist group to follow.

In many towns and cities in the North and West, if there is a Baptist church there at all it is a "union" church, whose pastor may be an American Baptist but he will take members into his church by sprinkling as well as by immersion. Would Mr. Herrin suggest that Southern Baptists enter into a union with such policies?

In the city where I serve as a Southern Baptist pastor, there are two American Baptist churches and two Southern Baptist churches, along with three other brands of Baptists. We are not in the "sheep stealing" business. Our relationship has been pleasant from the beginning. Not once have I ever asked a member of another fellowship of Baptists to leave his group and join Southern Baptists, nor have I ever emphasized such policies. There are enough lost people in this city for us to work on without trying to draw people from other established churches.

Mr. Herrin charges that Southern Baptists are "misinformed" because of their opposition to the ecumenical movement. Possibly if he would take a tour of these Western and Northwestern states and see the hundreds of towns and cities with no Baptist witness after all these years of "comity agreement" assignment of this area to American Baptists, he might come to the conclusion that he himself was "misinformed."

In closing, let me say that Southern Baptists are not out here in the Northwest and West to fight American Baptists and other Baptist groups, and we do not do so. We are not in competition with them, but rather, we are here to strengthen the Baptist witness in these areas and, wherever possible, to help other Baptist groups to do their work in a more effective way. It is my conviction that we can do this far better by remaining apart from the National Council of Churches and the entire ecumenical movement.—L. H. Roseman, Pastor, 1st Southern Baptist Church, Rapid City, S. D.

'Sickness in Society'

As a resident of Arkansas who was raised in and ordained by 1st Baptist Church, Eudora, I enjoy following the work of Arkansas Baptists in your paper. The series of articles which you carried entitled, "A Sickness in Society," hits at the very heart of a major problem which is affecting the youth of today more than we realize.

As I work with young men it is obvious to see how the buying and reading of this cheap literature changes their thoughts, speech, code of decency, and many times their outlook on life.

The Baptist homes of today have a tremendous challenge in the proper training of their children as to make Prov. 22: 6 a living reality. Regardless of the opinion as to the influence that the military service has on our youth, many of the problems and difficulties in which they find themselves would not have happened if their parents would have given a little more time in the proper instruction of the things described in the articles.

I am convinced that it is time that Christian parents take the initiative in instructing their children on matters of sex and the other great issues of our day instead of leaving it up to the school or another pastor.—Jeff P. Cheatham, Jr., Chaplain's Office, 2d Service Battalion, 2d Marine Division, FMF, Camp Lejeune, N. C.

Ministers on Move

FROM the earliest days of New Testament history men of God have, from time to time, followed their best judgment in staying on or leaving their churches. Many circumstances enter into the important decisions of staying on or moving on.

Our Executive Secretary recently stated in an article that Arkansas has two dozen good churches seeking pastors and a dozen of these are among our larger pastores. I was alarmed a bit recently to hear a man say that when one church of about 300 in Sunday School lost its pastor that over two dozen letters were received recommending men within the state to this work. This appears to me to be rather puzzling.

Are our pastors dissatisfied where they are? Is it a rarity for one to decline the call of another church? Do we have evidence of restlessness within the churches? Why are so many so anxious to move? Are we consumed with ambition to get to the "top"? Are there a couple of troublemakers whose personal problems are transformed to the pastor and he must take the backlash? Will he find tranquility by moving a hundred miles away to another church?

This article is not to say that one's ministry cannot reach a conclusion. Many do and many have. One pastor said to an interested committee: "But I am happy here." The chairman replied: "Yes, and that's the kind of man we want."

An elderly minister friend of mine was discussing a mutual friend who had indicated to both of us his desire to move again. Said the friend: "Blank is a highly capable, hard working good preacher but he forgets one—there are not enough big churches to go around for every good preacher."

Titus was assigned to Crete which was notorious for people with weakness of character and carelessness with truth. Apparently he had complained to Paul of the problem. "For this cause left I thee in Crete."

There was a big, if unpleasant, job to be done and Titus could do it best with the help of God.

And while so many of our pastors find little faults in their churches we need to remember the Josephine Seccases, the Ernest Holloways, the Judases and others who accomplish so much with so little resources at hand. God help us to "be content in whatsoever state we are in."—An Arkansas Pastor.

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Twenty-one Arkansans Graduate at Southwestern

FORT WORTH—Dr. Theodore F. Adams, president of the Baptist World Alliance, will be the featured speaker for spring commencement exercises at Southwestern Seminary, May 13, in Truett Auditorium.

Southwestern will confer and award 236 degrees and diplomas—11 by the School of Church Music, 97 by the School of Religious Education, and 128 by the School of Theology.

Twenty-one of the candidates for graduation are natives of Arkansas. They are Mrs. C. W. Brockwell, Jr., (ARE), Forest; Roger Gayle Bone, Batesville, Carole L. Pearson, North Little Rock, Mrs. Raymond H. Reed, Little Rock, and Robert Gene Tucker, Hot Springs, MRE; and Wilburn C. Meriweather, Little Rock, Dip. Th.

Others are Bob Eugene Allen, Newport, Horace B. Fuller, Jr., Hope, Bobby J. Hoggard, Little Rock, Fred


William Millard Pratt, Jr., (not pictured), El Dorado, will receive the ThM Degree and Ralph M. Smith, Hot Springs, the ThD.
Ouachita Notes

A FEATURED speaker for the annual Ouachita College Bible Conference, July 18-20, will be Dr. Robert A. Baker, professor of Church History at Southwestern Seminary. Other speakers will include Dr. S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary, and Dr. Bernes K. Selph, president, of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention; Dr. Bob Riley, chairman of the Department of Political Science; Dr. Vester E. Wolber, chairman of the Division of Religion and Philosophy, and President Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., all of Ouachita College. The conference will open at 7 p.m. on July 18 and close shortly before noon, July 20.

NEWLY elected president of the Ouachita student body for 1960-61 is Lamar Joplin, Business major from Magnolia. Other officers are: Mike Huckabay, Political Science major, Clarksville, 1st vice president; Bailey Smith, ministerial student from Dallas, Tex., 2nd vice president; Lois Clayton, Education major, Clarendon, secretary; and Yogi Zimmerman, Accounting major, Arkadelphia, treasurer.

A brother-sister team, James and Linda Tyson, of Russellville, were chosen as editor and business manager, respectively of The Signal, the student newspaper; and Nancy Perry, Ft. Smith, was elected editor, and Ray Riley, Little Rock, business manager, of The Ouachitonian, student yearbook.

Upcoming seniors named Bobby Scott, president; Sissy Horton, vice president; Polly Nation, secretary; Linda Surman, treasurer; and Kathy Hutto, senator.

Junior class officers are: Jim Campbell, president; Bob Sanders, vice president; Marneal Freeman, secretary; Arley Knight, treasurer; and Walter Rose, senator.

Sophomores chose: Larry Taylor, president; Norman Coad, vice president; Lynda Strother, secretary; Jo Ann Fielding, treasurer; and Wendell Ross, senator.

BILL Moore, Ouachita junior from Crossett, was elected com-mittee at-large of the State Executive Council of Young Democratic Clubs of Arkansas, at Camden, recently.

The new sanctuary of 1st Church, Fayetteville, was dedicated at the eleven o'clock service on Sunday, May 1. Dr. W. O. Vaugh, pastor of the Immanuel Church, Little Rock, was the guest speaker and his subject was entitled "As the Glory of the Church."

Mrs. Marilyn Sharp Simmons, 1st Church, Little Rock, served as guest soloist singing "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains." She is a former member of the local congregation.

Dr. Andrew M. Hall, pastor, led the dedication service and others participating on the program were Glenn Nelson, chairman of the deacons; Dr. J. C. Atherton, superintendent of the Sunday School; W. C. Whitfield, chairman of the Finance Committee; Marvin Murphy, vice chairman of the deacons, and T. O. Spicer, Sr., president of the Brotherhood.

Russell Oldham led the Chancel Choir in the anthem "Almighty God of Our Fathers" and Mrs. Emil Sonneman accompanied the numbers on the new Cassavant organ.

The new sanctuary seats 1,400 people and is of contemporary design. It was built and furnished at a cost of one half million dollars. The first services were held there Feb. 14 of this year.

Ordinations

PASTOR Leon Vandivore of Murphys Corner Church, Newport, Rt. 3, was ordained to the ministry in a service at the church on the afternoon of April 24. Serving as officers of the ordaining council were: Rev. J. C. Montgomery, Grubbs Church, moderator; Donald Mink, deacon, 1st Church, Newport, secretary. Rev. Cecil Guthrie, missionary of Black River Association, questioned the candidate; Rev. James C. Miller, pastor of No. 9 Church, Blytheville, preached the sermon and gave the charge; Deacon Kenneth Nicholson of Murphys Corner Church, presented the Bible; and Rev. John C. Baker, Jr., pastor of Campbell Station Church, led the prayer.

CLARK'S Chapel Church, of Greene County Association, ordained Leroy Walden and Alton Pegg as deacons, Sunday afternoon, April 24. Rev. T. F. Stroud served as moderator and J. Ed
Deaths
Mrs. Ada W. Borland, 65, mother of Mrs. Harry Giberson, longtime employee of Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, died May 3, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Joe Johnson, in North Little Rock. Survivors include her husband, the Rev. O. F. Borland, for many years a Missionary Baptist pastor in the state.

CHARLES R. Black, for many years a deacon in 1st Church, Corning, and for eight years mayor of Corning, died March 28, according to a report just received from Pastor W. Richard Vestal of the Corning church. Mr. Black was educated at William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. He served on the Jonesboro College Board and was chairman of the deacons in his church for some time.

Resolutions
A RESOLUTION expressing the appreciation of 1st Church, Brinkley, for the services of the Rev. Fritz E. Goodbar, of Little Rock, as interim pastor of the church prior to the beginning of the pastorate of the Rev. Jack Guild, was passed by the church at a recent business session.

Anniversaries
MAY 1 marked the first anniversary of Rev. Theo T. James as pastor of Arkansas City Church. During the past year the church received 34 new members, 25 for baptism. The parsonage was moved to a new location and renovated. Asphalt tiling has been placed on the floor of the church auditorium and carpeting for the aisles.

A reception honoring Pastor and Mrs. James was held the afternoon of the anniversary Sunday. The church will observe its Golden Anniversary with a homecoming day celebration July 81.

Revivals
1ST CHURCH, Little Rock, led by Pastor Paul Roberts, observed April as "Show Your Faith" Month in preparation for the spring revival, May 1-8. Sunday School attendance averaged 1,150 in the main school. Peak total attendance, including the church's two missions, was 1,342, on April 10. Total additions during the month of preparation was 50, of whom 40 were for baptism. Dr. Porter Barrington of California was evangelist for the revival and Dr. Jack Jones, of the church staff, directed the revival music.

Dr. John Caylor, associate pastor of 1st Church, Little Rock, did the preaching for a revival in his old home church, 1st, Opp, Ala., April 17-24, Earl M. Hall, pastor. There were 36 additions, 32 of whom were for baptism.

ARKANSAS CITY CHURCH, Theo T. James, pastor, closed a revival April 24, with the Rev. Ed Vallowe as evangelist. There were 23 additions, 20 for baptism and three by letter.

1ST CHURCH, Gravel Ridge, Charles A. Thompson, pastor, received one for baptism in a five-day youth revival concluded May 1. Evangelist was Rev. Don McIntosh, pastor of Bude, Miss. Directing the music were Chuck and Lynda Thompson, son and daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Thompson. Soloists were Sharon Ray and Karen Phillips.

In the six months Pastor Thompson has been with the church, there have been 17 new members received by baptism and 56 by letter.

IMMANUEL CHURCH, Pine Bluff, John Harrison, pastor, received 170 new members during its spring revival, nine by baptism, nine by letter and two by statement. Alvis J. Moore, pastor of 1st Church, Norphlet, was evangelist and Bill Nimmons, minister of music at Immanuel, led the singing. Sunday School attendance for the two Sundays of the revival was 760 and 710, respectively.

1ST CHURCH, Crawfordsville, Rev. Ben Rowell, pastor, recently received 17 new members, 19 for baptism and three by letter, in a revival conducted by a youth team from Ouachita College. There were 50 re-dedictions. Bill Shaw did the preaching, Johnnie Ellis was song leader, and Rebecca Robertson, pianist.

DR. C. GORDON Bayless was the evangelist for a recent revival at Central Church, Magnolia. There were 25 by baptism, eight by letter, and four other professions of faith. Don Edmondson, church music director, led the singing. Attendance in the morning service averaged above 200. Dr. Loyd Hunnicutt is pastor.

CALVARY Church, Ft. Smith, had Dr. Dale Cowling, pastor of 2nd Church, Little Rock, as evangelist for a recent revival. Norman Ferguson, music director, 1st Church, Ft. Smith, led the singing. There were 23 for baptism, 11 by letter, and many rededications. Rev. Robert A. Parker is pastor.

RICHARD Vestal, Corning, was the evangelist for a recent revival at 1st Church, Ozark. Herbert "Red" Johnson, Mountain Home, was the song leader. There were 34 for baptism, three by letter, seven other professions of faith, two surrendered for special service, and 83 rededications. Rev. Ben Haney is pastor.

JESSE REED was the evangelist for a revival at 1st Church, Danville, April 17-27. Mark Short, Sr., Arkadelphia, led the singing. There were 22 for baptism and one by letter. Rev. Dan Berry is pastor.

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Central Notes

JEFF Peckham has resigned as youth director, 2nd Church, Hot Springs, to become educational director of the 1st Church, Elk City, Okla. Mr. Peckham served about two years at the 2nd Church. He has been active in associational work and in the work of Spring Lake Assembly.

1ST CHURCH, Hot Springs, has voted to sell their property on Central Ave. and buy a large tract of land on Highway No. 7 south of Hot Springs upon which to build a church.

HARVEY'S Chapel Church dedicated its building May 8. The old nursery building has been completely redecorated. There was dinner on the ground and the dedication service at 2 p.m., with Rev. Jesse Reed preaching the dedication sermon.

1ST CHURCH, Malvern, is tearing down the frame buildings between the old auditorium and the educational building, preparing to build another educational unit. The three frame buildings were moved in after World War II to be used temporarily. Estimated cost of the new building is $80,000.

REV. JIM Landers has resigned as pastor of Old Union Church.

3RD CHURCH, Malvern, has called Rev. Graham Fowler as pastor. Bro. Fowler will move on the field June 12. He has been pastor of Almyra Church for the past three years.

1ST CHURCH, Benton, has built a pavilion at Spring Lake Assembly to be used for classes. It is 16 feet by 16 feet, with one side closed. This is a nice addition and will be very beneficial to the teaching during the Assembly.

DR. T. H. JORDAN, Arkadelphia, is acting as interim pastor of the 3rd Church, Malvern.

A MINIATURE golf course is being constructed at Spring Lake Assembly. It will have 12 holes when completed. It is to be ready for use by the first Assembly, June 20-24. This will add to the many other recreational facilities at the Assembly grounds.—Hugh Owen, Superintendent of Missions.

May 12, 1960

Five Arkansans Finish At Southern Seminary

There were 193 candidates for graduation from the three schools of the Southern Seminary, Louisville. Graduation exercises were held May 10.

Dr. Billy Graham delivered the baccalaureate sermon on Monday night, May 9 at which time the Billy Graham Room in the James P. Boyce Centennial Library was dedicated.

Leading the list of schools with graduates was the School of Theology with 7 Doctor of Theology degrees, 10 Master of Theology, 105 Bachelor of Divinity, 2 Diploma in Religious Education, and 1 Bachelor of Religious Education.

In the School of Church Music there were 20 candidates for Master of Sacred Music and four Bachelor of Sacred Music.

Five from Arkansas were in the graduating class. They were: James C. Hoggard, Marmaduke, William C. Huddleston, Newport, E. Glendene Dawson, Arkadelphia, Glendon D. Grober, Little Rock, and Darrell Wood, Paragould.

Training Union

Children at Assemblies

ADEQUATE PROVISION will be made for children at both Training Union assemblies at Siloam Springs, July 4-9 and July 11-16. The new children's building is in the process of being built. Workers with children each morning are as follows:

First assembly:
Nursery children — (worker needed); Beginning children — Mrs. Elna Morris, Fort Smith; Primary children — Mrs. Gerald Fish, Pine Bluff; Second assembly: Mrs. Jack Cowling, Crosscut, nursery; Miss Muriel Evans, N. Little Rock, Beginners; Mrs. Delton Cooper, Diaz, Primary.

First Honor Church

1ST CHURCH, Portland, has earned all five seals and has become the first 1960 Honor Church in Arkansas.

Let's Fill the Gap

According to the report from the Research and Statistics Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, in 1949 the Sunday School enrollment of Arkansas was 161,809, and the Training Union enrollment was 61,323, or 37.8 per cent of the Sunday School enrollment. In 1959 the Sunday School enrollment of Arkansas has increased to 210,036, while the Training Union enrollment was 95,872, or 45.6 per cent of the Sunday School enrollment.

During these ten years the Training Union enrollment has increased from 37.9 per cent of the Sunday School enrollment to 45.6 per cent. Let's continue to fill the gap.—Ralph Davis, Secretary.

A RESIDENT of Cape Canaveral, Fla., was on his first visit to the nation's capital. Viewing the Washington Monument, he remarked, "They'll never get it off the ground!"
New Budgets

CHURCHES including the Arkansas Baptist in their budget after the free trial offer are Gravel Hill Church, Central Association, Rev. William L. Brock, pastor; Big Creek Church, Greene County Association, Mrs. Ruth North, treasurer, Rev. M. E. Prince, pastor; Mt. Zion Church, Concord Association, Mrs. Esther Mae Hamilton, treasurer, Rev. Alfred Duncan, interim pastor; East Side Church, DeWitt, Centennial Association, F. C. Purviance, interim pastor.

Receiving the one month free trial offer are Pleasant View Church, Dardanelle-Russellville Association, Rev. Loyd M. Wade, pastor; Ridgecrest Church, Central Association, Rev. Loy W. Garner, pastor; 1st Church, Alpena, Boone County Association, Rev. S. D. Hacker, pastor; Neiswander Church, Trinity Association, Rev. Bobby Joe Barnett, pastor.

Letters to Editor

(Continued from page 5)

'Catholic President Not Our Concern'

I APPRECIATE so much the Arkansas Baptist. I read it with interest and appreciate your editorials. However, I just finished reading your article entitled "Catholic President Not Our Concern" [Issue of May 5]. I am conscious of the fact that we elect our electors or representatives to speak for us, but I don't think there's anything in the world as powerful as public opinion, and the chief mold of public opinion is still the printed page...

As a Baptist pastor I would appreciate it if you would come out in no uncertain terms and state what you mean. Many, many of the fainly look to you and the printed page trying to determine their Christian duty as to how to vote...

I haven't run into one Baptist preacher (this can't be taken as a categorical indication of the Baptist preachers in general, as Baptists must speak for themselves), but may I say again, I haven't run into one Baptist preacher that has not been vehemently opposed and teaching his people against the idea of a Catholic president.—(Signed, name withheld)

Reply:

This editor is unequivocally opposed to electing anyone to the high and powerful post of President who personally denies or belongs to any organization which denies religious liberty for all people and freedom of every one to arrive at his own religious beliefs. That Roman Catholicism does not hold to our American concept of religious liberty and separation of church and state is clear for any one who will accept uncontroverted evidence.

Francis J. Connell, of Catholic University, speaks for Roman Catholicism as he declares:

"No one has a real right to accept any religion save the Catholic religion, or to be a member of any church save the Catholic Church, or to practice any form of divine worship save that commanded or sanctioned by the Catholic Church."

But the point the editor was trying to make in his editorial to which you allude is that, in Arkansas, as in several other Southern States, the predominant political party, Democrat, has deprived the voters of any vote in the Presidential election. Democrat electors, chosen by the voters, will use their own discretion as to whether they vote for their party's nominee, in the electoral college, or whether they bolt. This, in our judgment, is a more serious and more pertinent matter for Arkansas voters at this time than whether a Catholic is to be President. Unless we shake off this stranglehold we really have no votes for or against a Presidential nominee.

In other words, we consider the action of Democrat party leaders in Arkansas, in denying us basic citizenship rights, to be in the same category as Roman Catholicism. As citizens of Arkansas, let us get back our voting rights so that we can cope with the Catholic threat in the Presidential race.—ELM

Liquor Loses in White County

RESULTS of a local option election in White County two years, originally certified as a victory for liquor interests, has been reversed. County Judge W. Forrest Waller has ruled the election was won by dry forces.

Waller certified the results as 3,428 dry votes and 3,214 wet. The County Election Commission had certified the tally as 3,811 wet and 3,770 dry.
Contract Let for New Dormitory

BALDWIN Co., of Little Rock, with a bid of $571,295, won the contract for construction of two new dormitories at Ouachita College, Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., president, has announced. The dormitories, one to house 100 men and the other 75 women, are expected to be completed by January, 1961.

Crown Royal Couples

MARINEAL Freeman and Lynn McClung, representing the sophomores, and Nannette Webb and Bill Scrinshire, representing the seniors, tied for King and Queen of Play Day at Ouachita College, and all four were crowned. Highlight of the day was the appearance of the Chapel Choir of Golden Gate Seminary.

Revivals

(Continued from page 8)

FREEMAN Heights Church, Berryville, recently had Dr. E. A. "Happy" Ingram as evangelist for a revival. Ural Clayton, music director, Baring Cross Church, North Little Rock, was the singer. The theme of the meeting was "Alive Unto God." There were 24 for baptism. Rev. G. C. Rowe is pastor.

DR. OTTO Sutton, first pastor of Calvary Church, Little Rock, was the evangelist for a revival at Calvary, where Rev. Fox is now pastor, April 24-May 1. Among the 14 coming during the revival on profession of faith were the brother and sister-in-law of the evangelist, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Sutton. There were 12 joining the church by letter and eight young people dedicating themselves for full-time Christian service. Marvin Taylor, minister of Music-Education at Calvary, led the singing. Dr. Sutton has been pastor of Trinity Church, Memphis, for many years.

REV. JIM Brewer, pastor of 1st Church, Helena, was the evangelist for a recent revival at 1st Church, Augusta. Ted Houston, Southern College student, was the song leader. There were eight by baptism and four by letter. Rev. Thomas E. Lindley is pastor.

EDDIE MARTIN was the evangelist for a recent revival at South Side Church, Pine Bluff. James Burleson, minister of music, led the singing. There were 56 professions of faith with 32 of these for baptism; 11 by letter; 91 rededications; and 46 for full-time service. Thomas L. Gambrell is minister of education. The church is pastorless.

Guam Mission

A FORMER Arkansas pastor, Rev. James P. Hildabrand, is serving as pastor of a Southern Baptist mission on Guam, according to a report from Ardmore Church, Memphis, sponsor of the new work.

Mr. Hildabrand formerly served as pastor of Ellis Chapel, Wynne, Rt. 1.

The mission reports 21 additions since its organization, April 3.

Southern Baptists who may be moving to Guam are invited by Pastor J. Russell Duffer of the Ardmore Church, to get, in touch with Pastor Hildabrand.

What Youth Should Know

By Andrew C. Ivy, Ph.D., M.D., D.Sc., LL.D

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EVERY young person should know that at the present time no one can tell which person, when he begins to drink, is susceptible to becoming an alcoholic; that alcohol addicts come from all sections of society—the educated, the ignorant, the rich, the poor, the clergy, the church members, as well as from the criminal classes.

Young people should know the chance they are taking of becoming an alcoholic when they take a social drink. The chance today, according to estimates, is "one in nine."

Young people should know that the really dangerous driver is the moderate drinker, the driver who has had one or two drinks, one or two beers. If a driver has only a trace of alcohol in his blood, up to .05 per cent, he increases his accident proneness up to three and a half times. Only 50 per cent of high school students know this fact.

Young people should know that a drink or two increases sexual promiscuity, illegitimate births, venereal disease, divorce, family difficulties, vice and crime.

Young people should know that the only cure for alcoholism is total abstinence, and the only sure prevention of alcoholism is abstinence.—submitted by Dr. Wm. E. Brown, Executive Director, Christian Civic Foundation of Arkansas

'Inspiration'

ARKANSAS Valley Association held its first Associational Evangelistic Inspiration service April 28, at 1st Church, Marianna, under the leadership of Rev. Billy G. Pierce, pastor of 1st Church, Hughes, and chairman of Evangelism for the association.

Purpose of the meeting, conducted on the lines of the annual state Evangelistic meeting, was "to awaken the members in the association to an awareness of the need for evangelism," said Mr. Pierce.

Kansas Now Has 150 Churches

WICHITA, KANS. — The Kansas Convention of Southern Baptists observed its fourteenth anniversary, Saturday, March 19, by organizing two new churches, bringing its constituent total to 150.

Number 149 was Greenwood Heights Church, Shawnee, in metropolitan Kansas City. Robert Warren is pastor. There were 59 charter members.

Church number 150 was the Platts­mouth Church, Platts­mouth, Neb., the sixth in Nebraska to affiliate with the Kansas Convention. The organization was effected in the Lion’s Club building in Platts­mouth. Rev. J. T. Utey is pastor. The new church began with 41 members.

The Kansas Convention now has more than 30,000 constituent members; reports 17,742 baptisms during the 14 year period; has recorded $1,642,945 in total receipts and $806,118 to Cooperative Program missions. Total gifts to all causes by the churches have passed the $10,000,000 mark.

Post-1964 Denominational Program Under Discussion

NASHVILLE (BP) — After 1964—the final year of the present Baptist Jubilee Advance—what programs should the Southern Baptist Convention pursue?

The staff of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention will consider this during the next six months. It is to outline a procedure for denominational programs to be developed after 1964.

The staff will report in September at the fall meeting of the Executive Committee in Nashville.

During the Baptist Jubilee Advance, the Convention has set a goal of 30,000 new churches or missions, a goal of persons won to Christ and baptized into fellowship of Southern Baptist churches, stewardship goals, and others.

The year 1964 marks the 150th anniversary of the first nationwide convention of Baptists in North America.

Not Yet Beyond

The Call of Duty

NASHVILLE — (BP) — Preachers’ wives have had many things said about them by their husbands—especially from the pulpit. But one wife recently received a high compliment from her pastor-husband in a most unlikely place.

It all happened because of a survey being conducted by Leonard E. Hill, Nashville, production editor of The Baptist Program magazine, to find out how Southern Baptist churches secure their pastors.

One question to be answered by pastors read, “What two things does your wife do best in church work?”

A Virginia pastor’s unusual, but most fitting reply was, “She radiates friendliness; she loves her pastor.”

‘Book of Semester’ Plan Announced

GEORGETOWN, Ky. — The faculty of Georgetown College has voted to adopt “The Book of the Semester” program to begin in the fall of 1960.

Irene Corey, head of the Art department, was named chairman of the faculty committee which will implement the program.

The plan will be to submit to the student body a list of books chosen by the faculty committee from which the students will select the book.

Three goals are being sought in the “Book of the Semester” plan: the encouragement of extra-curricular reading of contemporary books; to analyze the book and determine its significance; to share the benefits of the program with surrounding communities.

Child Care Progress Noted For Past Ten Years

TROY, Ala. (BP) — During the decade of the 1950’s, Southern Baptist children’s homes initiated more social case work and experienced a more rapid turnover in the children cared for.

The number of orphans continued to be only a small percentage of the children in the homes.

This was reported here to the Child Care Executives of Southern Baptists, an organization of leaders from various state Baptist homes.

In 1952, the total number of children cared for at Baptist homes was 5,053, and the most at any one time was 4,743. Seven years later, the total cared for during the year was 6,626 but the most cared for at any one time during the period was only 4,824.

Child care leaders explained that this was due to changing patterns in child care, evident in religious homes as well as private and secular homes.

They said a greater effort is being made to get families back together. Also, some Baptist homes have begun mother’s aid, which enables the child to remain in the home with financial and case worker assistance from the Baptist institution.

Then several Baptist homes have been approved to place children for adoption, the report continued.

Total cost of operating 32 Baptist homes in 1959 was $4,516,398, while income was $6,603,304. About one-sixth of the income came through the Cooperative Program. No figure was available on income through special Mother’s Day and Thanksgiving offerings promoted in churches in a number of states.

In 1952, it cost $3,717,648 to operate the homes and income was $4,093,064 of which the Cooperative Program provided $485,984.

Total value of Baptist children’s homes’ property and facilities stands now at $29,871,836, up $8,9 million from 1952, it was cited.

Hugh A. Brimm, professor at Carver School of Missions and Social Work, Louisville, Ky., told child care executives that in the past decade the number of Baptist homes using trained social workers increased 190 per cent and the number of workers increased over 200 per cent.

Howard Halsell Moves to Kansas

WICHITA, KANSAS — Howard Halsell, of Phoenix, Ariz., will begin his work as secretary of the Sunday School Department of the Kansas Convention of Southern Baptists, May 3.

Trained at Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, and Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., Halsell has served in the field of religious education in Arizona for eleven years.

Seven of these years, he has been educational director of 1st Southern Baptist Church, Phoenix. From 1953 to 1957, he was secretary of the Department of Religious Education of the Baptist General Convention of Arizona.

Other experience in fulltime Christian work includes: BSU secretary, Ouachita College, for one year and state Baptist superintendent in Alabama for one year. He served four years in the U.S. Navy in World War II, achieving the rank of lieutenant-commander.

Mr. and Mrs. Halsell have two daughters, Kathryn, 16, and Patricia, 12.

Blind Girl and Family Join Church

FAIRBANKS, ALASKA (BP) — A blind girl in Fairbanks wished to contact other blind children, hoping to develop interest in a special class in the public school.

Mrs. Bill Parson, wife of the pastor of Fairbanks’ Calvary Baptist Church, read the girl’s appeal. She called the girl’s mother, “Bring your girl to our Sunday School,” Mrs. Parson urged.

“But I can’t,” replied the blind girl’s mother. “I have two other children younger than she is.”

“Then bring the whole family,” Mrs. Parson replied at once.

The following Sunday, the blind girl, her mother, father and two sisters attended Calvary Church. A few Sundays later the mother and father accepted Christ as their Saviour.
Search Started For
First 30,000 Group

ATLANTA, GA.—(BP)—Where is the first church or mission of the 30,000 Movement?

Several groups claim the distinction of being the first mission or church of Southern Baptists’ effort to start 30,000 missions and churches by 1964.

C. C. Warren, of Charlotte, N. C., director of the movement as well as its creator, reports receiving a number of letters from interested groups, all claiming to be the first mission or church started during the movement.

The official beginning of the 30,000 Movement was June 1, 1956. Warren reports that more than 10,000 of these churches and missions have been started since that date.

A mission, according to Warren, “is anywhere one or more members are sent from the local church or churches at regular intervals to preach or teach the word of God.”

Was your church or mission started June 1, 1956 or near that date? You may be due recognition as the first of the 30,000. Write L. O. Griffith, 161 Spring St., N. W., Atlanta 3, Ga., chairman of publicity committee of the 30,000 Movement. Give the date your mission or church was started.

Gospel Taken
To Lost Tribe

The first convert from the Magusawa tribe in Northern Nigeria was baptized in December, about four years after Baptists began to work with this people.

The Magusawas are said to be the original Hausa tribe to inhabit the north. When another tribe invaded the east, the Magusawas were pushed back into the bush where they remained and became almost unknown.

Missionary Thomas J. Kennedy, arriving in the north in 1955 was encouraged to search for this pagan tribe supposed to be somewhere between Zaria and Funtura. Pastors and evangelists were sent out in several directions from Zaria.

Immediately after some of the tribe was found, work began; and now eight evangelists are taking the gospel to the Magusawas.

KANSAS CITY — Dr. William H. Morton, professor of Archaeology at Midwestern Seminary, presented the “Garnett-Nabrit” lectures on Biblical Archaeology at the American Baptist Seminary, Nashville, Tenn., April 26-29.

KANSAS CITY — Dr. Joseph T. McClain, professor of New Testament and Greek at Midwestern Seminary, participated in the first Southern Baptist simultaneous revival meeting in New York City. Dr. McClain served as the evangelist for the Farmingdale Baptist Chapel on Long Island, April 3-10.

Making People Good By Law

A MEMBER of the Legislature said to us, “You can’t make people good by law.” Evidently he felt he was dispensing some profound saying worthy of Solomon or Confucius, which would knock us cold, on the supposition that we had never heard it nor thought of it. As a matter of fact, we have heard it about seven times a week steadily for the last thirty years.

Of course, we can’t make anybody good by law. Who is trying to? But, come to think of it, neither can you make a wrong right by legalizing it.

A law can, however, promote the interests of morality in several ways. Practically all legislation is on its face “moral legislation” in that it seeks to promote public welfare, protect human rights, and give the weak a chance to survive. The things that law can do to promote moral interests are:

1. It can remove or minimize temptation to immoral acts.
2. It can punish and thus tend to discourage those who seek to debauch youth for profit.
3. By putting the stamp of governmental disapproval on a practice, it educates youth in the notion that some things are branded as wrong. This is of great value in elevating moral standards.
4. It can stop the open advertising of incentives to wrong-doing.
5. It can put certain types of wrong on the defensive, drive them to cover, or make their operation precarious and unprofitable.
6. It can protect the honest from the dishonest and the weak from the strong.
7. It gives the law-abiding a useful weapon to curb the destroyers of moral values.
8. It puts spikes in the shoes of those who are helping civilization to inch its way up the mountain of idealism, thus preventing slipping back into chaos.

For these reasons all serious-minded people will continue to support efforts to outlaw things that destroy our society.—From Alabama Temperance Alliance Bulletin, submitted by Dr. Wm. E. Brown, Executive Director, Christian Civic Foundation of Arkansas

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB)—Speakers for the three Southern Baptist Training Union Leadership assemblies this summer at Glorieta, N. M., are (L. to R.): John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor, Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, Miss., June 16-22; T. L. Holcomb, former executive secretary-treasurer of the Baptist Sunday School Board, now retired in Dallas, Tex., June 23-29; and Jess C. Moody, pastor, 1st Church, Owensboro, Ky., June 29-15.

The three weeks’ assemblies will be directed by the Training Union Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Philip B. Harris, secretary.

(Photo by Gerald S. Harvey)
Microfilm Minutes During Convention

MIAMI BEACH, FLA.-(BP)—"Microfilm your church minutes during the Southern Baptist Convention," the Southern Baptist Historical Commission urges messengers coming here for the 1960 session.

The Historical Commission has secured a special microfilm camera to use at the convention. It and the Church Administration department of the Baptist Sunday School Board will work together in the microfilm project.

Mrs. Reba McMahon, Nashville, Tenn., photographer, said that a messenger may bring minutes into the booth on Monday or Tuesday and expect to have the finished microfilm ready Friday. Microfilm laboratories in Miami will give two-day service.

"I hope many churches will give attention to this project and vote to have their minutes microfilmed during the time of the convention," said Davis C. Woolley, Nashville, executive secretary of the Historical Commission.

The microfilm operation will be at the Historical Commission's booth in the exhibit area. Recordak Corporation will provide the camera on which filming will take place.

Woolley added that the Florida Baptist Historical Society, under direction of H.C. Garwood of Deland, will secure as many minutes from Florida churches as possible for microfilming.

"Many churches have voted to microfilm their church minutes, but have postponed shipping church records to Nashville because they would be without their minutes for two or three weeks," Woolley said. "This special project will enable the church to have its minute books for only one week—during the convention. Messengers will be able to watch microfilm photography being done at the Historical Commission's booth," according to Woolley.

Religious Liberty Faces Danger Throughout World

WASHINGTON — (BP) — Global threats to religious freedom are stalking abroad in the world, according to Theodore F. Adams, pastor of 1st Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., and president of the Baptist World Alliance.

In a speech to the annual meeting of the Associated Church Press here, Adams said, "We can't take freedom for granted in our day. It is so easy to lose and so hard to regain."

Pointing to the new nationalism arising in the world, Adams said that frequently the charge is heard from the colored areas that Christianity is the white man's religion. The emerging new nations in Africa, are insisting on their rights of self government. Just what this will mean in relation to the work of the missionaries remains to be seen, Adams said.

Communism restricts religious freedom wherever it gains control, Adams said. In Russia the churches are allowed to open, but the state regulates the number of churches and controls the conditions under which they operate. In China religion is being strangled as rapidly as possible, he said. Other communist nations discourage religion and impose regulations making it difficult for churches to function normally.

There is an upsurge of Buddhism and Islam in the world, Adams indicated, and just what this bodes for religious liberty no one can tell at this time.

Religious liberty problems continue in Catholic countries such as Colombia and Spain, Adams said. However, in Colombia the state is making an effort to follow its constitution that guarantees religious freedom.

In Protestant countries where a state church exists there are serious restrictions on the free churches. Even in the United States there are pressure groups, Adams concluded, such as racial groups, labor factions, and other economic factors that seek control over the clergy.

Mrs. C. A. Hayes Dies

DR. ALICE Johnson (Mrs. C. A.) Hayes, 88, Southern Baptist Emeritus Missionary to China, died Monday morning, March 14, in a hospital in Los Angeles, Calif. The funeral was held Wednesday, March 16, with burial in Glendale, Calif.

A native of Iceland, Dr. Hayes attended the Baptist Missionary Training School, Chicago, Ill., and received the Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of California, Los Angeles. She was a pastor's assistant in Marion, Ind., Portland, Ore., and Los Angeles and an intern at Women's and Children's Hospital, San Francisco, Calif., before going to the Foreign Mission field.

In China Dr. Hayes did medical work in Ying Tak, Wuchow, and Canton. She was imprisoned by the Japanese for a short time during World War II. She retired in 1945, soon after her repatriation, having served as a medical missionary for nearly 40 years.

She is survived by a son, Arthur Courtney. Her husband, also a medical doctor, died in 1946.
First Quarter Boosts New Decade in Giving

NASHVILLE — (BP) — Southern Baptists are opening the new decade with increased gifts to their convention agencies, the convention treasurer reported here.

Porter Routh, of Nashville, said receipts during March totaled $2,893,407. Designations ran slightly ahead of Cooperative Program receipts, indicating that gifts to foreign missions are still coming in from the states.

Cooperative Program receipts were $1,484,837. Designations amounted to $1,484,837.

The first quarter of 1960 was 4.11 per cent ahead of the same quarter in 1959 in Cooperative Program receipts and 14.35 per cent ahead of the same period in designations.

Totals for the first quarter, 1960, were $4,351,571 through the Cooperative Program and $7,697,083 through designations. The total was $13,048,605, contrasted with $10,910,872 for 1959 — a 10.43 per cent increase.

The convention's Foreign Mission Board received the heaviest support when March funds were disbursed here. This board's Cooperative Program allocation was $609,488 and its designated receipts $1,467,050. For the first quarter the Foreign Mission Board's total income through both sources was $9,516,744.

The Home Mission Board got $256,218 through the Cooperative Program and $12,485 through designations in March. Its year-to-date income totaled $835,149.

The convention's six seminaries received over $385,000 combined. Nearly all of it was through the Cooperative Program.

Funds reported by Treasurer Routh do not include gifts to support local church programs nor Cooperative Program funds withheld by state Baptist organizations to support their state agencies.

LOGUE for Governor. Although the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine has a policy against carrying political announcements, we are making an exception in the case of one of our department heads, Dr. Tom Logue, executive secretary of the Baptist Student Union department. Dr. Logue was "drafted" by Baptist students at the University of Arkansas with the spreading of this Logue banner, during a recent official visit of the Doctor to the University campus. So far, the banner is the only contribution to the campaign.

May 12, 1960
Counselor's Corner

'Engaged, Stood Up'

QUESTION: I am engaged to marry a man who was supposed to marry me last June. He has told everybody he was going to marry me. Now I have lost my two girls in juvenile court. He still has his two children. He lies so much that I cannot tell when to believe him. He still comes to see me but I am hurt that I can hardly stand it. What should I do?

ANSWER: You are being played for a sucker. Do not marry a liar. If he lies before marriage, he will tell bigger lies afterward.

If you have lost your two children in juvenile court, it is about time you straighten up and look firmly at reality. The facts of life do not change. You must change. Talk this over with your pastor.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 West 47th Street, Kansas City 12, Missouri.)

Dates Announced For Springlake

THERE will be two Springlake Assemblies this year. The site is Lonsdale, and the dates are June 20-24 and July 18-22.

Rev. Hugh Owen, missionary of Central Association, is the assembly director; Rev. Don Hook, pastor of Baptist Tabernacle, Little Rock, business manager; and Rev. Dexter Blevins, Park Place, Hot Springs, program director. Assistant directors are Carl Overton, 1st Church, Berryville, and Rev. Don Chesser, Grand Avenue Church, Hot Springs. Program personalities will include inspirational speakers, Rev. Bill Hickem, 1st Church, Crossett; and Rev. Andy Heskett, 1st Church, DeWitt. Evangelistic speakers will be Rev. Doyle Bledsoe, 1st Church, Stuttgart, and Rev. Richard Perkins, Gaines St. Church, Little Rock.


Rev. Eddie McCord, 1st Church, Bauxite, will be recreational director and assisting him will be Rev. Clarence Shell, Owensville Church, and Rev. Oscar Golden, Piney Church, Hot Springs. Rev. Carl Chote, Fairdale, Hot Springs, will have charge of the canteen. Rev. L. D. Eppinette, association missionary, Trinity Association, will have the fellowship hour. The music director will be Jeff Peckham, 2nd Church, Hot Springs.

The assembly rates are, registration, $2, accident insurance, $.50, cots and mattress, and all meals, $1.50, making a total of $13.50. Sponsors bringing eight or more will receive free room and board. When there is no sponsor with the group, there is an extra charge of $1.

HUGE, 920-bed Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, Tenn., was seriously threatened by flames that engulfed a nearby baseball park the night of April 17. The hospital escaped with only window damage. The flames from Russwood Park across the street licked at the top of the 12-story building at times and knocked out 300 windows on the north side of the hospital. No patients were injured.

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State RA Camps

JUST ONE month away is the date for the first State Royal Ambassador Camp. This will be the first of five weeks of camps for this year. An interesting program of activities is being planned for camps this year. In addition to a fine group of counselors from all over the state, there will be missionaries and others representing each phase of mission work.

The missionaries will include Rev. James Hampton, Missionary to East Africa. Brother Hampton is a native of Arkansas. He is a graduate of Ouachita College. He is home on his first furlough from the mission field. Every boy will enjoy meeting him and hearing about his work.

Rev. John A. Abernathy, missionary to Korea, will also be attending one of the camps. Brother Abernathy is a native of South Carolina, but is married to an Arkansas girl and makes his home in Hot Springs. His information about work in Korea will be of interest to every camper.

Rev. Harold Heiney, an Indian from Oklahoma, will also be present for a week of camp. Brother Heiney has been a missionary to the Indians and is now pastor of an Indian church. He is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University and worked with the Kickapoo Indian church while in school. He plans to bring several boys to camp with him.

The camp dates are: First Intermediate, June 13-17; First Junior, June 20-24; Second Junior, June 27-July 1; Third Junior, July 11-15; and Second Intermediate, July 18-22. The cost per week for each camper is $14.50. This includes bed, meals, insurance, and handcraft project. More information and registration and reservation forms are being mailed to all counselors and pastors. Plan to have your boy attend one of the camps.—C. H. Seaton, Associate Secretary.

Summer Missionary

BAILEY SMITH, a Ouachita College sophomore speech major from Dallas, Tex., will be sponsored by the State Baptist Student Union as a summer missionary to Hawaii this summer.

Smith and 15 other student missionaries will leave from Los Angeles June 17 on United Airlines jet service to Honolulu for a nine-week stay.

The group will be met in Honolulu by Baptist missionaries in that area and will tour the city with local young people.

The young missionaries will begin work June 19 in Vacation Bible Schools in church and missions on the Islands.

From July 4 to July 8, the group, along with 200 to 250 other leaders from the Islands, will attend "Little Ridgecrest," Puu Ka Hea, near Honolulu.

The summer missionaries will return to Los Angeles, Aug. 22.
Evangelism Method

BAPTIST CHURCHES are continuously searching for better means to help more people become soul-winners.

Most thoughtful workers agree that the Sunday School is our best agency for reaching people for Bible study and evangelism. It is not the only means, but as our best means we should give our best attention to the use of the Sunday School in Evangelism.

One approach being used by some churches seems to be a great step forward in the search for a better tool and method. It is so very simple that one wonders why it was not thought of and used sooner. It is effective, sound and Biblical. Here is a brief description of the plan.

A Bible study class is taught by the pastor 30 minutes before services each week day night of a revival meeting. This class is attended only by officers and teachers of the Sunday School and the prospects they bring.

Free New Testaments are furnished to every member of the class. Prior to the revival the teachers and officers mark the New Testament scriptures on the plan of salvation. The pastor teaches from these scriptures, making reference to page number rather than Scripture citations. This eliminates the confusion caused by many who cannot find scripture citations rapidly.

The pastor teaches the plan of salvation every night. Toward the end of the week he also teaches the meaning of baptism, church membership, and growth in Christ.

Teachers attend with and sit next to prospects from their class rolls and those found in the census. An invitation is not offered in the class. The class members attend the revival.

Many make professions of faith early in the week as a result of this teaching-preaching method. Those not won are more easily dealt with during the week and after the revival through visitation. Workers who go through this experience for a revival meeting or two are closer to the personal soul-winning experience than they will ever get until they go out alone and use the New Testament and share their personal experience to win others to Christ.

After the initial experience gained in the revival meeting, classes like this could be taught at various times during the year.

Don't you agree this approach has great possibilities? Use it.—Lawson Hatfield, Secretary
Cushman Progress
THE BAPTIST work at Cushman has been a concern of many for a number of years. A few years ago the churches of Independence Association had a Sunday School enlargement campaign. Frank Shamburger of Little Rock worked with the Cushman Church. Following his week of service with the church he came to this office and stated that he had never been in a greater mission field and faced a greater challenge than he saw at Cushman. A little weak church, which had almost given up its regular services was struggling to keep its doors open. Mr. Shamburger was wondering if anything could be done through the Department of Missions to help the church.

The letter below gives some idea of what is now being done through the aid of Mission Funds:

"It has been some time since we have given you a report on the building program of our church, so I thought I would take this opportunity to write and tell of the progress that we have made since your visit.

"We have the walls erected, the roof on, and all the outside doors on, and are in the process of putting acoustical tile on the ceiling. We sure have had some nice spring weather to work in and have made good. Most of the people are contributing and are backing their pastor in the building program.

"I would like also to take this opportunity to thank you personally for the help that you have given the churches in which I have pastored here, and I am sure I can speak for the churches when I say, it has tremendously aided in pastoral support. I do know that the money given the Cushman Baptist Church has caused the building program to become a reality."—Earl Ray Duncan, Pastor—C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent

Arkansans Register For World Congress
WASHINGTON, D.C. (BWA) — Twenty-one Baptists from Arkansas have completed their registration for the tenth Baptist World Congress, Dr. Arnold T. Ohrn, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, announced April 27.

They will join Baptists from all states of the United States and more than 60 other countries in the week of fellowship, worship and planning at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 26-July 3.

Dr. Ohrn said that this April 27 tabulation represents only those whose enrollment has been completely processed at the Alliance office in Washington. There are other registration applications still in process, he said.

All Baptists who plan to attend the meeting are urged to register with the Washington office immediately. Admission to the Congress hall in Rio will be by badge, making registration imperative for congress participation.

Those going from Arkansas include:

Mr. and Mrs. Basil York, Hot Springs; Dr. S. A. Whitlow, Little Rock; Rev. and Mrs. William W. Warmath, El Dorado; Dr. W. O. Vaught, Little Rock; Holley E. Trussell, Fordyce; Mrs. Allen Harris Toney, Helena; Dr. J. Talmadge Tippitt, Walnut Ridge; Dr. Pearl C. Tippitt (Mrs.), Walnut Ridge; William J. Sewell, Searcy; Mrs. James W. Royal, Benton.

F. M. Robinson, Leachville; Rev. Harold D. Presley, Leachville; Mrs. John (Mary Jane) Miller, Camden; Miss Mary Luck, Magnolia; Rev. and Mrs. Loyd Hunnicutt, Magnolia; Rev. and Mrs. O. L. Bayless, Hot Springs; Rev. Harold H. Coble, Camden; Rev. and Mrs. Vernon R. Dutton, Pine Bluff; Rev. Clite D. Ellis, Fordyce; Mr. and Mrs. Harlow Sanders, Pine Bluff.
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New Books Released

TWO new books have just been released which should be studied by every Woman's Missionary Society. Educating Youth in Missions is a primary concern of Woman's Missionary Union and is the title of the second in the series of books on WMU aims to be published during the Baptist Third Jubilee Advance years — 1959-64.

This splendid book was written by Mildred McMurry (Mrs. William) and will be a challenge to any group studying it. It is suggested for May and June classes. Teaching helps were prepared by Misses Elaine Dickson and Billie Pate, also of the staff of Woman's Missionary Union, SBC. The book and teaching helps are available at the Baptist Book Store for 85 cents and 25 cents respectively.

Concerning this important subject, Miss Alma Hunt has said, "The fostering of WMU youth organizations for the missionary nourishment of children and young people is a major responsibility of Woman's Missionary Society. Fostering includes furnishing and training leadership, providing a budget for ... materials necessary for effective work, refreshments ... and an occasional social event. Fostering includes ... giving assistance to counselors and leaders as needs arise.

"Planning for fostering rests primarily with the executive committee, the Sunbeam Band committee, Girls' Auxiliary committee and the Young Woman's Auxiliary committee. But the responsibility for fostering rests upon every member of Woman's Missionary Society. Every woman should be actively interested in the missionary education of youth — so much so that she will not turn a deaf ear to calls for leadership and to meeting any of the less demanding needs of youth organizations. Every WMS member should recognize with enthusiasm that an investment of her time and talent in youth is missionary insurance for the future."

Is there a missionary organization for every age group in your church?

The other new book suggested for study during July, August, and September, but which could be used any time and over and over again, is Woman's Missionary Union by Miss Alma Hunt, executive secretary of Woman's Missionary Union, SBC. In it emphasis and explanation is made of organizational relationships and policies as well as historical background. Teaching helps were prepared by Miss Mary Essie Stephens of Alabama. These, too, should be ordered from the Baptist Book Store at prices listed above.—Nancy Cooper, Executive Secretary and Treasurer.

Northside Baptist Church became the third Southern Baptist church in Omaha, Neb., when it organized Feb. 14. The church was a mission of 1st Southern Baptist Church of Omaha, which had also sponsored the other church in the city, as well as the nearby Bellevue church. Jack Adkisson is pastor of 1st Church, and Richard Lindsay is pastor of Northside Church.

Dr. Theodore Adams says ...

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The Skin Around You

By Enola Chamberlin

Chester had been playing ball. Sliding into home plate, he had skinned his arm from wrist to elbow. Marie was dressing it for him.

"I'm always scraping myself," he said impatiently. "I wish I had skin like the bark on a tree."

Marie pressed a piece of surgical tape, sticking it firmly to his skin at first. They always hope that by the time this skin drops off they will be able to take more from the burned person himself.

"If two people are identical twins, will the skin from one stay in place on the other?" Chester wanted to know.

"Yes, it will," Marie told him, "but that's the only time."

"If I keep on getting myself skinned, I'll wish I had an identical twin," said Chester.

Marie smiled at him. "Of course, I know you think you would rather not have the feeling that is in your skin. Then you wouldn't hurt when you injured yourself," she said. "But remember, without that feeling you wouldn't know when you were holding the bat or when you had caught a ball unless you looked to see."

Chester rubbed the palms of his hands together. "It would seem funny not to feel that, wouldn't it?"

"One final thing to remember," Marie went on, "is the wonderful way skin heals itself when it's hurt. In bad burns it is gone, nothing there to heal with. But suppose you cut or scrape yourself; the skin goes to work at once. It washes the injury with blood. Then it contracts the blood vessels so that a clot can form. This clot attaches itself to the cut edges and shrinks, pulling them together.

"And then a scab forms," said Chester.

"I know," said Marie, "but that scab is part of the skin's healing process. It protects the injury while beneath it new skin cells begin to fill in. You should never scrape it off. You slow the healing and are likely to cause a scar."

Chester was looking at his left hand where a small white spot showed. "I scraped that scab off," he said. "I'll know better another time."

"Yes," said Marie, "we must always remember that God didn't cause us to have scabs for nothing."

"I'll remember," said Chester, "but right now I'm going back to finish that ball game."

With a thank you for Marie he was out the door and gone.

A Smile or Two

STEPPING through the prison gate for the first time in 25 years, the parolee shouted: "I'm free! I'm free!" A youngster standing nearby remarked: "So what. I'm four!"

ONE father had heard this spot announcement on TV — "When your child is ready for college, will college be ready for him?" — so many times that he became concerned about the academic seriousness of his seven year old son who he hopes will go to college some day. He told his son how important it is to study in the second grade and get ready for college.

Several days later the mother overheard this conversation between her son and his neighbor playmate: "My daddy says I MUST study hard in school and get a good education so I can go to college. He didn't go to college and he has an awful time paying his bills."

"Oh, heck," said his playmate disdainfully, "don't pay any attention to that. My daddy went to college and he has a hard time paying his bills, too!"
Sunday School Lesson

Christian Influence in Society

By RHEURIN L. SOUTH, Pastor
Park Hill Church, NLR
Matthew 5:10-16; 13:31-35
Devotional — Philippians 1:21-30

TEXT: Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Matthew 5:16

"THE FEAR of responsibility is the weakness of our time," So said a prominent religious leader. Our Lord carefully places responsibility squarely upon the shoulders of his followers. This accountability is to be demanded in every realm of life.

Matthew 5:10-16 — The persecution and privilege of the loyal Christian.

WE ARE now at the close of that segment of the Sermon on the Mount usually called "the Beatitudes." These congratulations upon the individuals concerned are terminated by a blessing rife with dangerous potentiality. The word "persecution" carries an unpleasant connotation with it. But that persecution will come is clearly the statement of this text. It is further elaborated that none might be deceived. The word here for "persecuted" means not merely men who have passed through a certain experience. These will bear the abiding traces of this persecution in their character. The three descriptive words, "revile," "persecute," and "say . . . evil," are developmental in meaning. These involve persistent relentless persecution by word and deed, every conceivable calumny and invention of malicious, improbable lies. Terrible thought, isn't it? But our Lord always played fair with his followers. He hid nothing from them. This is to be the price of complete discipleship. But what of the reward for remaining true? It is the great reward punctuated by the historical knowledge that all of God's prophets have been so treated.

We now have in parabolic four applicatory lessons for this call to maximum Christian living and witnessing. Are these not needed today? We have all types of substitution. As in the day of our Lord, the Pharisees talked much and acted little. So it is today. Some replace commitment with criticism. Nine-tenths of today's criticism is just a bad conscience having the fidgets.

Too many of us replace officialism for dedication. If we can get a title we feel we must be dedicated. Compare these with the statements of Christ, "Ye are the salt of the earth." Salt has a definitive place in our lives. It stands against corruption and preserves for the future. More than this, it serves as a purifying agent.

Remember how Elisha used the salt to clean the impurity of the water. Do you so count for the Lord? For there is an ominous ring to the judgment upon useless salt. It is worth nothing; it is cast out and men use it as a base for a path upon which to walk. Is your life a lighthouse for God? Have you accepted the responsibility for your influence? The Christian life is a position of high trust. It is a "city set on a hill." But our text indicates that a radiant Christian life, hid as it should be in Christ, will show its light all over the world. The Christian life that radiates such beauty and such power is well pleasing to our Lord.

Some try to hide this light and reap a "harvest of the troubled soul." How do we hide it? We, like Joseph of Arimathea, may hide our witness out of fear. Unconcern may be the blight of your soul. Do you see the need of light in today's dark world? Perhaps your life is compromised in some way with that of the world.

The most unhappy, quarrelsome people in the world are those Christians whose witness is compromised. There is at least one other severe detriment to a light that shines for Christ. This modern plague is inconsistency. In the language of today, it is the blowing hot and then blowing cold in our service to our Christ and our church. There is but one antidote. A life "hid with Christ in God" will shine before men and prove our love of our Lord.


Having considered the glories and trials of the Christian witness, we now consider the way this witness can work. It has a great capacity for growth and for influence. Two brief but highly revelatory parables are used. Certain principles are held in common by both teachings. The grain of mustard seed must be willing to die before it can flower into the full grown herb. The leaven must be willing to lose its identity that the whole lump might be leavened.

What is the application for today? God demands fully surrendered lives. With a life that is dedicated completely to His will, God has a starting point from which to move toward the claiming of the hearts of others. The Kingdom of God is not present in all its power in society save as it starts from the seed or the leaven of one life. This one affects others; these others affect society. But notice what results come when the Christian is willing to pay the price.

The small seed becomes a great herb. From a very small leaven, the whole of the baker's bread is permeated. Do we believe our lives can count for so much? Do we so practice it? This working may be quiet and hidden from the eyes of some, but in time the results will be manifest.

May 12, 1960
Dan Taylor

BAPTISTS have always emphasized the importance of the individual in religion; and individuals have stood out prominently in the Baptist cause.

Dan Taylor, of Yorkshire, England, is an example. Born of a miner, Dan began working in the mines when he was 5 years old. He was sturdy of frame, intelligent, and promised great native abilities.

Converted under the Wesleyan revival, he began visiting the sick and leading prayer meetings. His zeal and ability encouraged his brethren to ask him to preach. He preached his first sermon in a dwelling near Halifax, September, 1761.

Thinking he might be enrolled among the regular preachers, leading Methodists urged him to visit Mr. Wesley. But Mr. Taylor did not approve of some things in the Methodist discipline and doctrine. About midsummer, 1762, he severed all connections with this religious body.

Because of his view on the atonement, the Particular Baptists would not accept him, and he could not agree with the General Baptists. He started the "New Connection Baptists."

He was the life and soul of the movement. His popularity led to success. The work faltered when he withdrew his support.

His vigorous mind did not rest until he had educated himself. His body seemed incapable of fatigue, his labors unbelievable. If something needed doing, he did it.

Associations received his letters; churches heard his charges; ministers were assisted by the educational fund he established in 1796. The Theological Seminary organized in 1798 had his guiding hand, and the General Baptist Magazine was begun by him.

Up and down England he traveled 25,000 miles. He preached constantly, a sermon every night and three on Sunday. On special occasions he would preach several times a day. His labors equalled or surpassed those of John Wesley.

A story illustrates his indomitable will and energy. "At one time he thought he would go blind. Appalled at this idea, he decided to learn the whole Bible 'by heart' so that he might preach the gospel when his sight was gone. Much of this task was accomplished before he learned his eye trouble could be corrected and he would see."

Mr. Taylor died in his 78th year while sitting in his chair. Suddenly, as a meteor, he burned out.

Clear Creek Ripples

A SEMINARY Extension Center has been established at Clarksville in Clear Creek Association. The first class met March 28.

Fourteen preachers, laymen and ladies enrolled for the first eighteen hour course in, "The Heart of Hebrew History."

An Advisory Board of four is responsible for various phases of work in the operation of the Center. They are: Rev. George Do merese, pastor of 2nd Church, Clarksville; Rev. Elmer Linton, pastor of Central Church, Altus; Rev. Ben Haney, pastor of 1st Church, Ozark; and Rev. Vernon Cavender, pastor of Webb City Church near Ozark.

There are four approved instructors or teachers for the Extension Center. They are: Rev. S. A. Wiles, former missionary of the association; Rev. Charles Chesser, pastor of the Kibler Church near Alma. Rev. Paschal C. Church, pastor of 1st Church, Clarksville. Rev. Ben Haney, pastor of 1st Church, Ozark.

Eugene Walker of Clarksville is Registrar-Treasurer. Paul E. Wilhelm, associational missionary, is director.

A VACATION Bible School Clinic held at 1st Church, Ozark, Clear Creek Association, recently enrolled a total of 184, representing 19 churches of the association. Ten standard schools will be attempted this year. Rev. Ben Haney, pastor of 1st Church, Ozark, is associational Sunday School superintendent. Other associational workers assisting with the Clinic were: Mrs. Charles Holloway, Nursery Department; Mrs. Paul E. Wilhelm, Beginner Department; Mrs. Faber L. Tyler, Primary Department; Mrs. A. A. Jones, Junior Department; Mrs. Ben Haney, Intermediate Department. — Paul E. Wilhelm, Missionary.