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Conserve Results Of VBS

By Sibley C. Burnett

THE RICHEST dividends can be collected from a thorough followup of the Vacation Bible schools which are being held in June, July, and August.

Each year there are over 200,000 boys and girls enlisted in our Vacation Bible schools who have no contact whatsoever with any church.

Each one of these boys and girls has parents, uncles and aunts, grandparents, and other relatives. The chances for enlisting these adults in Sunday school are unlimited. The boys and girls themselves are possibilities for enlistment and enrollment in Sunday school.

The Vacation Bible School Standard recognizes this enormous potential by urging that lists of boys and girls, men and women, be given to the proper Sunday School classes for visitation. The parents' names should be on the back of the registration-record card. The registration-record cards of the Vacation Bible school constitute a diamond mine in possibilities. These cards should be guarded jealously. They should be kept as a master file of the unenlisted who have been reached through Vacation Bible School. No Vacation Bible school record card should ever be utilized itself as a card for information for visiting. Copies of these cards should be made for visiting these live

A Good Steward

AT RECENT sessions of the Siloam Springs Assembly, Executive Secretary S. A. Whitlow, of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, spoke several times on stewardship, the Cooperative Program, and the "2 plus" plan for increasing the giving of local churches to the Cooperative Program.

At the close of one of the services at which Dr. Whitlow had spoken, he was greatly encouraged by the enthusiastic response of a junior boy. Just as soon as the service ended, the lad hurried forward to Dr. Whitlow and pressed 15 cents into his hand with the instructions: "This is for that thing you was talking about."

prospects. The pastor and minister of education and all others concerned should see that these registration-record cards are set up in the church office and kept indefinitely as a live prospect file.

The best time to reap the rich dividends is while the Vacation Bible school is in progress. The proverbial "striking while the iron is hot" was never truer than in this situation. If the pastor and the minister of education and others will visit in the homes in the afternoon during the Vacation Bible school, boys and girls, mothers and fathers, and others can be won to Christ and ultimately to church membership. The warm welcome which visitors will receive while the Vacation Bible school is in progress is because the church is doing something vital for the children in the home.

● DR. BRUCE H. PRICE, pastor of 1st Church, Newport News, Va., will be in Arkansas for a week's meeting at 1st Church, Wynne, Boyd Baker, pastor, beginning Monday, August 25.

LeRoy Ford Joins Sunday School Board

NASHVILLE (BSSB) — LeRoy Ford, Ft. Worth, has accepted a position with the Baptist Sunday School Board as production supervisor in the Audio-Visual Aids Department, Earl Waldrup, department secretary, has announced. He began July 1. Ford has been an instructor in business administration at Texas Wesleyan College, Ft. Worth, since 1956.



MR. FORD

Convention Giving Shows 8.3% Gain

NASHVILLE —(BP)— At the half-way mark of 1958, contributions to missionary, educational, and benevolent work of the Southern Convention are running 8.3 per cent ahead of 1957.

Convention Treasurer Porter Routh announced that total gifts for the first six months of the year were \$15,994,930 compared with \$14,769,457 for the first half of 1957.

Cooperative Program gifts are 7.95 per cent ahead of their six-month figure in 1957. The Cooperative Program receipts thus far in '58 are \$7,676,298 compared with \$7,111,273 — an increase of \$565,024.

Special designations are also ahead of their January-June, 1957, amount. They are up \$660,449 — 8.62 per cent — to \$8,318,632.

What's more, financial statements show that the percentage increase in Cooperative Program gifts from 1957 to 1958 is greater than it was from 1956 to 1957. They had increased 7.33 per cent from 1956 to 1957 (at the mid-year mark) compared with the 7.95 per cent from 1957 to 1958.

In June, Arkansas contributed \$43,750 through the Cooperative Program and \$14,251 in designated gifts for a total of \$58,001.

● FIRST CHURCH, Jacksonville, has called James Taylor as minister of music and director of youth activities. Mr. Taylor, who completed his work in this field at Bob Jones University and the Detroit Bible Institute, previously served Van Dyke Church, Detroit, Mich. He is married and has a four-month-old son.

● BAPTIST VISTA Assembly opens for registration at 1 p. m., Aug. 7. The encampment will run through Aug. 13.



A WORKING men's service in 1st Church, Stephens, was a high point of the church's recent revival. This picture shows part of the 84 that came for one of the early morning services. Each Wednesday the men meet from 6 to 6:30 a.m. Pastor Hugh Cantrell goes to the church about 5 a.m. to make an urn of coffee. Early comers drink coffee and visit. Attendance at these early morning services averages about 20. During revivals, the service is held each morning.

McCall Signs Contract For \$1,750,000 Library



DR. DUKE McCall, Southern Seminary president, was kept busy for some time signing the contracts for the Seminary's new \$1,750,000 library. The structure will be known as the James Petigru Boyce Centennial Library.

Construction of the new library has already begun, with completion scheduled within 360 days. The library will seat 800 students and have shelf space for 300,000 volumes. It will contain 75,000 square feet.

Located in the new building will be the James P. Boyce Room, containing the personal library of the Seminary's first president. Plans also call for the Billy Graham Room, which will provide space for all of Dr. Graham's sermons, letters, newspaper clippings, papers, motion picture films and photographs.

Denominational Emphasis Week Set in Alaska

A PARTY of 16 denominational workers and pastors will leave Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 1, to conduct a Denominational Emphasis Week in Alaska.

This week, sponsored by the Alaska Baptist Convention and the Home Mission Board, is for the purpose of carrying to the Baptist people in Alaska the story of Southern Baptists as a denomination, the working of the program at home and around the world, together with the work in the local church.

A secondary purpose is to give Baptist leadership an opportunity to become acquainted with the needs in this northern area of North America, newly voted as the 49th state.

The personnel includes outstanding

Baptist pastors and denominational workers. Dr. Fred Kendall, executive secretary, Tennessee, and Dr. W. C. Boone, executive secretary, Kentucky, will represent the state conventions, and Leland Waters, administrative assistant, will represent the Home Mission Board. The following pastors will complete the group: Dr. John L. Slaughter, Spartanburg, S. C.; Dr. Homer G. Lindsay, Jacksonville, Fla.; Dr. Dick Hall, Jr., Decatur, Ga.; Dr. Carroll Hubbard, Louisville, Ky.; Dr. R. C. Pitts, Portsmouth, Va.; Dr. J. T. Ford, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. T. S. Boehm, Augusta, Ga.; Dr. T. H. Shelton, Covington, Ky.; Dr. Harold D. Tallant, Madisonville, Ky.; and Dr. O. K. Webb, Greenville, S. C.

Sunday School Board Meet Set for July 29

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB)— The semi-annual meeting of the Baptist Sunday School Board is set for July 29-30 in Nashville. Dr. James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer, announced.

Following the board's meeting a Founder's Day program will be held in the Sunday School Board's chapel. Dr. Louie D. Newton, pastor of Druid Hills Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga., will speak and Leonard E. Wedel, personnel manager, will present service recognition awards to employees.

David Garland, pastor of Baring Cross Church, North Little Rock, is the Sunday School Board member for Ark.

Vitalizing of Church Life Is Planned

DALLAS —(BP)— A program to put new life into the teaching and evangelism activities of a church has been suggested here by the public relations advisory committee of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

According to the suggestion, a certain church would be selected. The pilot project would be conducted in this church. The church program would be patterned after modern urban renewal projects.

Leading Baptist pastors, teachers, administration experts, and architects would conduct the project for about a six-week period. Results of the campaign could benefit all churches, it was pointed out.



NINE ARKANSANS were among the 104 receiving degrees at Southwestern Seminary's summer commencement July 18. They included, left to right, top row: Lee Elton Garner, Fordyce, M.R.E., youth director at Broadway Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, beginning Aug. 1; Fox Greer Ruble, Jr., Hot Springs, M.R.E.; Charles Paul Wood, Newport, M.R.E., music and education director, Morrell Avenue Church, Dallas, Tex.; James W. Wilson, Pine Bluff, B.D. Bottom row: Clifford Evan Allbritton, Hot Springs, B.D., further study at Southwestern; Allen Azora Denton, Jr., Little Rock, B.D.; Fred Bruce Murphy, El Dorado, B.D.; James David Reed, Hindsville, B.D.; and Kenneth Asbury Threet, Lead Hill, B.D.

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Letting the People Know

Something we have never seen in Arkansas is about to be done in the interest of letting Arkansas Baptists at the grassroots — from the large, city churches to the small country churches — “in” on the 1959 program.

Soon a team of Arkansas’ top Baptist leaders, headed by Executive Secretary S. A. Whitlow, of the State Convention, will be getting out into the state for special associational meetings of key church leaders to present first hand the proposed 1959 state convention budget in terms of what it can mean toward carrying out Christ’s Great Commission.

Members of the team will include Dr. Ralph Douglas, associate to Dr. Whitlow; Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., president of Ouachita College; John Gilbreath, superintendent of the Arkansas Baptist Hospital; H. C. Seefeldt, superintendent of Bottoms Baptist Orphanage; Frank S. Groner, superintendent of Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis; Dr. Bernes Selph, of Benton, president of the Executive Committee of the State Convention; and T. K. Rucker, of Forrest City, president of the State Convention.

Since there are 44 associations to be covered ahead of the annual state convention in November, only one of these speakers will be available for any given meeting. But each one will present the whole Arkansas Baptist program, including the 1959 proposed budget, the time-tested Cooperative Program, and Southern Baptists’ new Forward Program of Church Finance and the “Plus 2” plan for increasing giving to missions.

Invited to attend each of the associational meetings, which will open with dinners, will be the pastors, deacons, and treasurers of each church in the association, along with the associational missionary.

Dr. Whitlow and the Executive Board are to be congratulated on their wisdom and foresight in arriving at such an effective approach. Through this plan, the rank and file of our people who come to the state convention as messengers next fall should come with an enlightened vision of our prospects as fellow Christian workers.

New Ministerial Tuition Policy

Tuition rebates to ministerial students and to sons and daughters of ministers, long provided by most Baptist schools and colleges, appear to be on the way out. The Southern Baptist Education Association recently voted as favoring a change of policy to treat all students alike, making financial help available according to individual needs rather than to the vocation for which the students are preparing.

This strikes us as being a wise move for at least two reasons. In the first place, not all ministerial students or children of ministers need help in meeting college expenses. So why donate tuition to some who are able to pay? Even the college student who pays full tuition and fees still falls far short of actually paying the college what it costs to educate him.

In the second place, but not second in importance, Baptists have held across the years that all honorable callings, as all of life, are sacred. Special privileges or helps for ministerial students as a favored class smacks of veneration of the clergy, something that the democracy of Baptists would discredit. Why should one who is preparing to preach or go as a missionary have help automatically, whether it is actually needed or not, while those of other callings, such as teaching, medicine, business or law, do not receive such consideration?

If the point is made that many preachers receive such low salaries that they could not educate their children without help, let us reiterate that in such cases help would still be provided, but on the same basis as for all students, not because the students happen to be PK’s. It might be thrown in here that the trend of churches toward providing adequate salaries for their ministers is a most heartening part of the picture.

Personally Speaking . . .

The Right (?) Spirit

A KENTUCKY story we heard several years ago might be appropriate in Arkansas at this time. Somebody asked a Kentucky mountaineer who he was for in the governor’s race.



“Wa-a-al,” he replied, “I jist rightly don’t know. But I can tell you one thing — when I finally make up my mind who I’m for, I’m going to be awfully bitter about it!”

All joking aside, next Tuesday, July 29, will be a mighty important day for the

people of Arkansas, as another primary election day dawns.

People who are concerned about good government and true democracy — and that should include all Arkansas Christians — should certainly take their responsibilities as voters seriously.

The democratic form of government can easily degenerate into a practical dictatorship if the voting is left to the ward-healing politicians and their ilk.

We can be sure that those who are trying to advance selfish and unwholesome plots and alliances by way of the ballot box will be out to vote, rain or shine. The sad thing is that many, a straight-thinking, upright citizen with no personal axe to grind will stay away from the voting places and fail to make his vote count for what is right. Such default amounts to a vote for corrupt government.

As long as Christians in large numbers do not take their voting privileges seriously, we should not be surprised at how rotten politics can get. For whatever it is worth, dear reader, let us urge you to consider carefully and in prayer how to vote, and then go and vote your convictions.

WE HAVE heard of a Sunday School teacher who used some of our Arkansas Baptist jokes to good advantage. When the crowd she was with began telling dirty stories, she did not laugh and neither did she lecture. She just told two or three of our “Smile-or-Two” stories that were both clean and funny.

“You must be a good Christian,” one of the members of the group said to her a day or two later. “I notice you don’t tell off-color stories.”

“It is not that I am so good,” she replied. “But I teach a Bible class on Sunday and I just can’t afford to tell dirty stories.”

Visibly impressed, the friend replied: “We need more Christians like you!”

—ELM

THE PEOPLE SPEAK

Making the Best

Tragedy has struck in Louisville. Southern Baptists are shocked and deeply grieved by the disruption and drastic loss of thirteen professors from the Southern Baptist Seminary faculty. . .

What is the future of the seminary? Let us be understanding and eager to repair any damage that has been done. Let us pray for the President, the remaining faculty, and the Board of Trustees. Let no scholar feel that it would be a slap at the thirteen to assume a position on the faculty.

What is the future of the thirteen? They are among the best scholars of Southern Baptists. To lose them from places of service in our convention would be to compound tragedy. These men are not chronic trouble makers. They are not misfits. They are among our greatest leaders.

Midwestern Seminary in Kansas City has opportunity to select outstanding scholars from among them. Our other seminaries can absorb more of them. There are mission seminaries which would benefit tremendously from temporary or permanent employment of the remainder.

We shall demonstrate our maturity in Christ as we give these men employment. It will not be a slap at the President of Southern Seminary or the Board of Trustees of that institution. It can be an important part of reconciliation. — Robert L. McCan, Clarksville, Tenn.

Students Please Note

Dear Brother McDonald:

Would you please run in your August issue a small notice concerning the students who are entering school in Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. If there are any students from your state coming to a college or university in these states, we would like to have their name, address, the name of the school to which they are coming and the church of which they are a member in their respective states.

We are trying to get B. S. U. work established here. We have a disadvantage in that in the classification of religious preference at matriculation time, the colleges and universities do not make a distinction of the type of Baptist, and thus the American Baptist youth organizations receive the cards, and we are at a loss to know what Baptists are in our schools.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. We leave it to your decision as to how to word it and the general make-up of the article—R. G. Puckett, State BSU Secretary and Editor Ohio Baptist Messenger, 1680 E. Broad Street, Columbus 3, Ohio.



Baptists do not call the Lord's Supper a "sacrament." To them, "sacrament" suggests a meaning

foreign to New Testament teaching by suggesting that the act itself brings the individual salvation from his sin. Baptists prefer to call the supper an "ordinance"—something established by the Lord. Rightly observed, however, the Lord's Supper is worship on the highest level and has a very sacred meaning.

The Lord's Supper is a memorial of love. Jesus said "This do in remembrance of me" (1 Corinthians 11:24). He wanted it to remind Christians of his sacrifice for their sins. It is indeed a memorial of his self-giving on the cross. The supper declares the amazing love of Christ in giving his body and shedding his blood to reclaim men for God. Its observance, therefore, declares the grateful love of those who have been restored to God through his death. They



keep this ordinance in joyful obedience to honor the Saviour.

The Lord's Supper is a symbol. It is really a dramatic sermon; it is truth in a picture. When Jesus said of the bread, "This is my body," he meant that it represented his body. Likewise he spoke of the cup: it represented his blood poured out for the forgiveness of sins.

The Lord's Supper is not spiritual magic. To eat and to drink at this service can never impart any divine favor to cover one's sins. Salvation is not provided by a ceremony but by Christ. A person does not receive salvation by obedience but by faith. According to the New Testament, "by grace are ye saved through faith" (Ephesians 2:8). Observing the supper can add nothing to the free gift of divine



pardon.

The Lord's Supper is a declaration of faith. By observing it, "Ye do shew the Lord's death till he come" (1 Corinthians 11:26). Christians thus declare their faith in Christ, who sacrificed his own life for the sins of others. They testify to the reality of Christ's continuing presence and pardoning power. And they affirm their faith in the certainty of his coming again.

The sacred importance of the Lord's Supper, therefore, arises from its meaning and purpose. It is a symbol of holiest truth: first, that Christ gave his life to restore men to God; second, that this restoration comes through partaking of Christ and Christ alone. The observance of the Lord's Supper vividly recalls Jesus' suffering for sin. Its observance furnishes new insights into the glory of the cross and moves people to follow Christ in a way of self-denial, sacrifice, and fidelity.

Seeks Revivals

Dear Brother McDonald:

Please publish in the paper that I am available for revivals from now until September 8.

I am a graduate of Ouachita Baptist College and have been pastor of rural Baptist churches since 1946. I have also taught school since 1949.—R. L. Whitten, 521 W. 5th Street, Booneville.

Church Librarians Schools

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Schools for church librarians, sponsored by the Baptist Sunday School Board's Church Library Service, will be held Aug. 7-13 at Glorieta Baptist Assembly, N. M., and Aug. 21-27 at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, N. C., announced H. E. Ingraham, director of the Board's service division.



RECOGNIZED in a recent coronation service at the 1st Church, Searcy, were left to right: Martha Goree, Sherry Quick, Karan Norman, Ann Aclin, Anna Elliott, Sara Moore, Cynthia Starkey, Elizabeth Ann Norman, Patti Aclin, Kay Yarbrough, Sherry Smith, Mary Jean Gentry, Jo Carrol Gentry, Kathy Sewell, Elizabeth Ann Stewart, Susan Moore, Sandra Moore, Franchelle Dennis, Glenda Jane Lindsey, Carolyn Wilkins, Roger L. Gay and Cynthia Erwin.

● **EVANGELIST JESSE S.** Reed was in a mission-tent revival at Denmark recently where there is no Baptist church within miles. The meeting was sponsored by Central Church, Bald Knob, and White County Association. Missionary E. E. Boone led in the personal work and Truett Langley, 2nd Church, Searcy, led the singing. There were 10 professions of faith. It is planned to start a Sunday School at this point soon.

● **DR. JAMES G.** Harris, pastor, University Church, Ft. Worth, observed the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the ministry on Sunday, June 22. A native of Little Rock, he attended high school in El Dorado and was licensed to preach by 1st Church, El Dorado, in 1931. Two years later he was ordained in 1st Church, Marion, La. A graduate of Southwestern Seminary he has been at University Church since October, 1954. From 1948 to 1954 he served as pastor of Beech Street, Texarkana. (CB)

Former Arkansas Pastor Honored in Shreveport

SOME 1,500 persons assembled in Queensboro Church, Shreveport, recently to honor J. P. Durham, who served as pastor from 1917 to 1927, with a "This Is Your Life" tribute.

Climaxing the program was the presentation of an automobile to Mr. Durham as a gift from the church. Mr. Durham served a number of Arkansas pastorates including Junction City and Smackover. Now, 87, he served a total of 42 churches before his retirement.

Stanley Jordan, formerly of Springdale, currently is pastor of Queensboro Church.

● **TWO MORE** churches have accepted the Arkansas Baptist under the one-month free trial offer. They are Red Hill Church, Searcy-Stone-Van Buren Association, from Mrs. Clarence Gregg; and Shiloh Church, Arkadelphia, Bernard Ford, pastor.

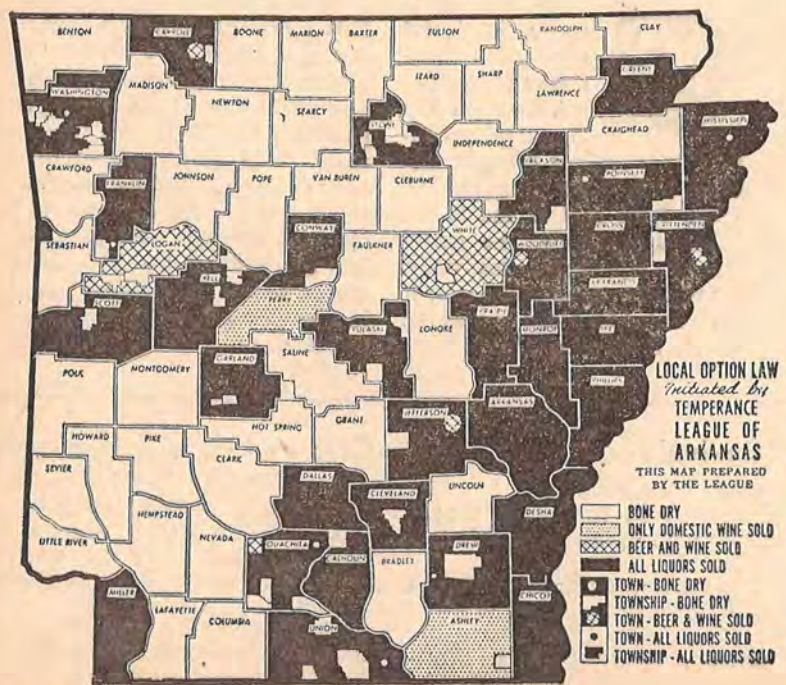
● **HAROLD D. WHITE** recently became pastor of Burgin Church, Burgin, Ky. A native of Gurdon, he is a graduate of Ouachita and Southern Seminary. While a student in the Seminary, Mr. White pastored Canton Church, Canton, Ky.

● **A. B. BYRUM**, evangelist singer for the last four years and music director of Calvary Church, Blytheville, for the last four months, has resigned and moved to Malden, Mo. Mr. Byrum, whose address is 407 E. Laclede, is returning to full-time work in revivals.

● **SEVEN PERSONS** were baptized by Pastor Keppeler in 1st Church, Gravel Ridge, July 6. M. O. Kelley has been elected song director, succeeding Howard Latimer who moved to a new field of service.

● **TUPELO CHURCH** held its first two-week Vacation Bible School this summer with an average attendance of over 40. Two made professions of faith.

Liquor in Arkansas



Revival Reports

HALEY LAKE, Hope Association: Jesse Reed, evangelist; Missionary, M. T. McGregor, song leader; 14 by baptism.

EASTVIEW, Hope Association: L. L. Collins, Springhill, evangelist; two by baptism, three by letter.

FIRST CHURCH, Des Arc: Homer Martinez, Ft. Worth, evangelist; Kenneth Dodson, Duncan, Okla., singer; 26 professions, 18 additions by baptism and two by letter.

ENTERPRISE CHURCH, Big Creek Association: Alphas Capps, evangelist; seven by baptism, four by letter. P. O. Freeman is pastor.

MAX L. TAYLOR, 1st Church, Bay, recently returned from a revival in Black Creek Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala. There were 17 additions, 15 by baptism.

Concord News Notes

PASTOR BOB PARKER and the Calvary Church, Ft. Smith, observed their first anniversary recently with a week's revival. The pastor did the preaching and C. A. Railey, Jr., minister of music, directed the singing. There were 10 for baptism and 7 by letter. During Parker's first year there were 95 additions, 38 coming for baptism. The church has moved into a new educational building. A new auditorium now under construction will be occupied by the first of the year. The new church plant is valued at \$250,000.

ASSOCIATIONAL LEADERS elected recently by the Executive Board for 1958-1959 were: Sunday School Superintendent, Jim Chatham, minister of education, Grand Avenue Church; Training Union director, Tommie Hinson, pastor, 1st Church, Paris; music director, David Williams, minister of music, 1st Church, Ft. Smith; Brotherhood president, Lynwood Henderson, pastor of East Side Church; WMU president, Mrs. John Febro, Immanuel Church; Vacation Bible School leader, Orville Haley, pastor, Northside Church, Ft. Smith; camp director, Jay W. C. Moore; chairman of evangelism, Dan P. Lee, Jenny Lind Church.

A. D. KENT, pastor of the Glendale, Burnsville, and Mixon churches during the past eight years, has resigned to accept the Highway Church, east of Lavaca. While pastor of the Glendale Church, Kent led in the construction of a modern parsonage and finished the basement and auditorium to the church plant. There were 45 additions to the Glendale Church, 15 by letter and one by statement. There were many additions to the Mixon and Burnsville Churches. Mr. Kent is the moderator of Concord Association. He succeeds Ernest Hogan who served the Highway Church for two and one-half years.

J. HAROLD SMITH, pastor, 1st Church, Ft. Smith, recently held a two-weeks revival in Calvary Church, New York City. This is one of the historic Baptist churches of the nation. Gene Roach Stratton, William Ward Ayers, and John Wimbish have served this church as pastors.

THE CLIFF BRANNON family recently held a revival for Pastor Harlan Abel and the Towson Avenue Church. Brannon, a full-time evangelist who resides in Longview, Tex., was assisted by his son, Cliff, as music director, and his daughter, Madeline, as soloist. Mrs. Brannon gave her life's story on Saturday night and to different church groups on Sunday. There were 13 additions by baptism, a young preacher surrendered to Foreign Mission work, and two other young people surrendered to mission work.

R. P. DAVIS, who has served the Bloomer Church for the past eight years, has resigned and retired from the active pastorate. He will continue to make his home in Bloomer.

Honor Society Chapter At Ouachita Approved

THE EXECUTIVE Council of Kappa Delta Pi, national honor society in Education, has approved the organization of a chapter at Ouachita College.

Members are selected because of their high scholarship report and their professional attitude. Ouachita students who have been invited to membership include:

Darla Sue Bayless, Hot Springs; Carolyn Byrum, Arkadelphia; Rosemary Casey, Little Rock; Betty Crowe, Hot Springs; Winona Frady, Horatio; Patsy Green, Lavaca; Reeda Hardy, Arkadelphia; Jacqueline Howell, Monette; Dennis Keath, North Little Rock; Janet Larson, Kansas City, Kan.; James Lee Patterson, Dexter, Mo.; Gail Taylor, Little Rock; Mary Beth Taylor, Fort Smith; Aggie Davis, Camden; and Betty Rae Allen, Hughes.

Dr. C. A. Yeoman, chairman of the division of Education at Ouachita, will be initiated as a faculty member. Dr. Horace Nelson, associate professor of Education and Psychology, is sponsor of Ouachita's petition for the new chapter.

● TRINITY CHURCH, Hope Association, Leo Hughes, pastor, held groundbreaking services July 6 in preparation for the erection of a new building. Harold Bennett, Beech Street, Texarkana, brought the message. (CB)

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● MERLE BASDEN has resigned as educational director of Beech Street, Texarkana, to accept a similar position with 1st Church, Paris, Tex. (CB)

L. M. Mitchell Dies; Served 40 Years at OBC

LIVINGSTON HENRY MITCHELL, 85, who served as professor of music at Ouachita College for 40 years, died



DR. MITCHELL

July 10 in Clayton, Ind. The College's auditorium is named in honor of Mr. Mitchell, who retired in 1949.

At a program in recognition of his service, Mr. Mitchell remarked: "I came to Ouachita for one year in the South, but in some ways the place seemed to fit me and I to fit the place. Now I should dread to call any other section my home." (DP)

● WALDRON CHURCH has sponsored a mission Vacation Bible School in the east part of Waldron. The Brotherhood conducted a revival in connection with the VBS.

Pastoral Changes

GUERNSEY, Hope, Association, has called Eugene Hughes as pastor. He has arrived on the field with his family.

CURTIS L. MATHIS, pastor of 1st Church, Old Ocean, Tex., has accepted the call of Central, Jonesboro. Mr. Mathis will assume his new pastorate on July 27. (CB)

L. Y. LEWIS, formerly pastor at Berea Chapel, North Little Rock, has accepted a call to Bethel Church, Flomaton, Ala.



FIRST CHURCH, Hampton, has improved the appearance and usefulness of their building with a remodeling program. Pastor C. Phelan Boone came to the church May 25 from Tinsman Church.

"... suffering and sorrow and trouble and tragedy are the raw materials out of which Christians can weave a garment of praise for the glory of God," declares Evangelist Angel Martinez, in the title chapter of **The Logic of Tragedy**, a book of sermons just off the press of Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich. The volume is dedicated to Dr. Robert G. Lee, "scholar, orator, saint, friend."

Other Zondervan books recently received include:

Proud Waters, a novel by Lon Woodrum, \$2.

Wonderful! and Other Sermons, by Billy Sunday, \$1.

Sermon Outlines for Prayer Meeting Talks, compiled by Al Bryant, \$1.

Sermon Outlines for Funeral Services, compiled by Al Bryant, \$1.

Sermon Outlines on the Second Coming, compiled by Al Bryant, \$1.

Sermons for Special Days and Occasions, from Spurgeon, \$2.95.

The Silver Cord, a novel by Sallie Lee Bell, \$2.50.

Bold White Stranger, a first-prize novel contest winner, by Florence E. Beausay, \$2.50.

Winky's Big Surprise, a juvenile by Ken Anderson.

Together We'll Do It, a novel by Dorothy Haskin, \$2.50.

Tears of the Bible, by Louis Paul Lehman, \$1.50.

Expository Studies on the Life of Christ, by C. E. Colton, \$2.

The Romance of Redemption (The Love Story of Ruth and Boaz), by M. R. DeHaan, \$2.50.

Simple Sermons on Simple Themes, by W. Herschel Ford, \$2.

Bought by the Blood, by Robert G. Lee, \$2.95.

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Dr. Price Gets Post

ABILENE — Dr. J. M. Price, Ft. Worth, founder of the School of Religious Education of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and considered by many to be the father of formal religious education in the United States, has been named consultant in religious curricula and visiting professor at Hardin-Simmons University, President Evan Allard Reiff announced Saturday. Dr. Price's appointment is for a two-year period.

Missionaries' Child Dies

SHIRLEY ANN Teel, 18-month-old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. James O. Teel, Jr., Southern Baptist missionaries, died June 25 in Guayaquil, Ecuador. Cause of death was unknown when the Foreign Mission Board was cabled. The Teels' address is: Casilla 3236, Guayaquil, Ecuador.

Baptist Crosscurrents

Why the Sects Grow

THE RELIGIOUS sects of America are experiencing a phenomenal growth according to an impressive photographic essay by Carl Mydans in the June 9 issue of *Life* magazine.

Life's editors headlined the story "The Third Force in Christendom: Gospel-singing, doomsday-preaching sects emerge as a mighty movement in world religion." The photographs which follow picture various pentecostal groups, adventists, Jehovah's Witnesses, Church of Christ members, Nazarenes and others.

The editors introduce the 11-page presentation by saying, "The rapture in the faces of the congregation above (a service in Rock Church, New York in which members point heavenward as they sing 'City Built Foursquare') is one manifestation of the fastest-growing Christian movement in the world today, one so dynamic that it stands with Catholicism and historic Protestantism as a third force in Christendom. This third force is made up of groups sometimes called 'fringe sects' — those marked, in the extreme, by shouting revivalists, puritanical preachers of doomsday, faith healers, jazzy gospel singers. Six million Americans, plus 14 million in other lands, are in its ranks as members of about 100 church groups. They range from the emotional pentecostals to the sober adventists. Their churches may be converted stores or 2,000-seat edifices."

The article reports, "In the past 50 years, membership in the third force has jumped over 600 per cent in the United States, about 400 per cent in the rest of the world."

The editors point out that the sects disagree widely among themselves in belief and worship. But all are characterized by earnestness, zeal, simplicity — and almost unbelievable growth.

We Southern Baptists hardly need *Life* and Mr. Van Dusen to remind us that the sects are growing. We have only to look about us to see their attractive new church buildings. When we happen to pass by on Sunday mornings on our way to our own churches we are impressed by the number of cars parked around theirs.

All of the sects are based on a misunderstanding or a misinterpretation of the Bible in whole or in part. They preach and teach untruth. Their errors cause lives to be twisted and souls to be lost.

We need to be aware of the serious threat all of them offer to full, sound, happy Christian living as presented in the New Testament for all believers. The more we learn about the sects the more we realize how dangerous they really are. Some of them teach the rankest heresy.

Why do the sects grow? There are many reasons. But there is one reason for which we Southern Baptists are directly responsible!

Most of these groups are based on a perversion of the Bible truth about the work of the Holy Spirit or the second coming of Christ.

We have failed — and failed miserably — in the main as Baptists to teach and preach the New Testament truths about these two important subjects. Because they require diligent study and are highly controversial we have usually neglected and ignored them. Not only do we need to proclaim these truths in our own churches, we need to take them on out to where the people are.

We need a revival of doctrinal preaching, with emphasis on these subjects. — *Baptist Messenger*



COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES for Sunday School workers in 1st Church, Stuttgart, were held recently. Receiving recognition at the service were, left to right, front row: Mrs. Harry Baker, Mrs. Hal Van Duyn, Mrs. Prentiss Greer, Miss Ola Rodgers; second row, Mrs. Alonzo Measel, Mrs. George Duncan, Mrs. R. G. Brewer, Jr., Mrs. Oswald Hemme, Miss Lucile Yelverton, Miss Gracie Rich; third row, Mrs. Lindsay Baker, Mr. Prentiss Greer, Mr. Guy Alverson, Mr. Leiland Stratton, Mr. R. G. Brewer, Jr., superintendent; Mrs. Charles Wallace, Mrs. Earl Daugherty. Miss Rodgers received the master's diploma, and the advance diploma was awarded Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Greer and Miss Rodgers.

Dr. Wilburn Taylor Dies in Nashville

NASHVILLE —(BP)— Dr. Oury Wilburn Taylor, 73, editor emeritus of *The Baptist and Reflector*, died in Nashville July 8.

Dr. Taylor, historian as well as editor and preacher, had been ill of cancer for some time.

He was editor of the Tennessee Baptist Convention weekly newspaper from 1933 to 1950.

Retiring as editor of *The Baptist and Reflector*, Dr. Taylor was commissioned by Tennessee convention to write a three-volume history of Tennessee Baptists.

After several years of research, the first volume of the history — covering the years up to 1832 — was released last year and a special recognition of it was made at Tennessee convention's annual session last November.

Baptist Young People Needed as Teachers

NASHVILLE —(BP)— If Baptist colleges are to continue to have a high percentage of Baptists in their faculty, more Baptist young people must be recruited to teach, a denominational educator said.

"Unless a concerted effort is made to attract more qualified Baptist young people, the percentage of Baptist faculty in our Baptist colleges is likely to drop to 50 per cent in the next 15 to 20 years," R. Orin Cornett, executive secretary, Southern Baptist Convention Education Commission, declared here.

With the backing of the Commission and the encouragement of Southern Baptist college officials, Cornett is seeking to expand a teacher placement service now in operation by the Commission.

30,000 Campaign

New Version Of 'Divide and Conquer'

THE SIX-YEAR-OLD East Gary, Ind. Baptist Church constituted her 6th church in 6 months from her 12 missions Sunday, June 29th, the Dombey Road Southern Baptist Church. M. L. Tarbutton will serve this promising congregation as pastor.

This makes a total of 10 churches on adjoining fields in an area of 2,000,000 people.

East Gary Baptist gave one-half of her 700 members to form the nucleus for each of the 10 churches. Among these given were general officers, department officers, deacons and trustees.

From her sacrifice the following fruits have been observed: Whereas two years ago there was one local church with 500 enrolled in Sunday School, one pastor, one V. B. S. with 150 enrolled, today there are 10 churches with 1,500 enrolled in Sunday School; ten pastors. Eight churches have property. Six pastors have college and seminary training, others are in Seminary Extension studies; 600 enrolled in V. B. S.; ten B. T. U.'s; ten W. M. U.'s. All ten churches cooperate in associational, state, and Southern Baptist convention causes; all ten give from 10 to 12½ per cent to world missions through the Cooperative Program. Many contributed to East Gary Church's sponsored local mission program.

Study Increasing

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB)—More than 200,000 awards were given for study courses during Vocational Guidance Week, held recently by Training Unions of Southern Baptist churches.

Hays Addresses Rural Development Conference

MEMPHIS —(PB)— The church's responsibility toward the small farmer was the subject of a talk by Rep. Brooks Hays here.

Hays, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, addressing the Rural Development Program Conference, said:

"The nation has a stake in his (the small farmer's) survival, and the churches have an interest in the small farmer's problem from the standpoint of human values themselves. The church is privileged to join in the efforts to find a solution."

Southern Seminary Names News Director

APPOINTMENT OF Ashley P. Cox, Jr. as news director of Southern Seminary, Louisville, has been announced



MR. COX

by Dr. Duke K. McCall, president. Mr. Cox, pastor of the Sanders, Ky., Church, succeeds Miss Cliffodean Boyd, who served during the last school year. He is a graduate of Georgia Southwestern College and Mercer University. He is nearing completion of requirements for the bachelor of divinity degree at Southern.

During World War II, the news director was an Air Force public relations writer in Europe. He was a staff writer for *The Macon Telegraph*, president of a public relations firm in Macon and director of promotion for the Macon Chamber of Commerce before he entered the ministry in 1951.

MISSIONS & EVANGELISM

C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent

TWENTY-NINE of the 44 associations have selected a chairman of evangelism according to reports received to date.



DR. CALDWELL

Prospects are bright for a new mission at Poyen in Grant County. A few years ago there was no Convention church in Grant County; now there are three.

Do you need a student pastor? I have the names of some top men who could serve churches in southwest Arkansas in connection with their studies in Ouachita and Southwestern Seminary.

We have a supply of certificates to present to the churches which are sponsoring a new church or mission. Let us know if your church qualifies.

According to our records the following associations have not had Schools of Missions since 1948: Ashley, Buckville, Carey, Clear Creek, Faulkner, Hope, Little River, Ouachita, Rocky Bayou, Trinity, Washington-Madison, White County and Woodruff. Churches are deprived of a great blessing by not having Schools of Missions and hearing our missionaries.

The following letter from Don Jones of Leslie is typical of many received about the Rural Church Conference.

"My wife and I would like to take this means to express our appreciation for you and for the time and energy spent to provide for us such a wonderful experience at the Rural Church Conference. Words cannot express what it has meant to us."

The eight student summer missionaries have reported marvelous experiences in their mission work. Many churches and missions have had Vacation Bible Schools which otherwise would have had none.

What about an open-air mission revival?

TRAINING UNION

Ralph Davis, Secretary
Praises Summer Program

THE STUDY course is over and the Training Union summer field workers have moved on to another field of work, but the impact which they made upon our community and church with their unusual devotion and untiring efforts will long remain.

The study course was an overwhelming success and one of the best our church has ever had. We had an enrollment of 56, an average attendance of 40, and 38 people earned awards. We are already in the process of rebuilding our Training Union structure as the results of the study course.

As you know Barbara Robertson and Sally Guthrie were our workers. They



GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONIES were held June 15 at Calvary Church, North Little Rock, for a two-story educational building. The \$40,000 structure will house eight departments. Left to right are Al Cullum, music and education director; W. V. Philliber, pastor, and Morris Jackson, building committee chairman.

made a total of over 200 contacts. That is more than the population of our community. We have people interested in Training Union that never attended before in their lives. We had the pleasure of keeping the young ladies in our home, and we would like to have kept them longer. They were certainly an inspiration to our church and to our Christian life. Our church is indebted to the Training Union Department for sponsoring summer field work.—Vernon Wasson, pastor, Tupelo Church.



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Tokyo Baptists Give To Cooperative Program

NASHVILLE —(BP)— The English-speaking Tokyo Baptist Church in Japan has forwarded a check for \$722 to the treasury of the Southern Baptist Convention, their gifts through the Cooperative Program since Jan. 1.

The money will be distributed to all phases of Convention missionary, educational, and benevolent work in accordance with percentages approved by the Convention.

● OPEN HOUSE was held at the new parsonage of Highway Church, North Little Rock, June 22. The seven-room home contains three bedrooms, a den and two full baths. Almost all of the building was done with volunteer labor. Bunyan A. Wallace is pastor.

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Report From Alaska

One of Arkansas' summer missionaries is Peter Abbott of Blytheville, a student at Arkansas State College. Below are excerpts from Peter's letters.

June 12
Big Delta, Alaska
Fort Greely Army Base

GREETINGS FROM ALASKA!

Everything is just fine here. I am staying on an army post, Fort Greely, in the home of a sergeant who is a member of the church I am working in now.



We had a wonderful fellowship in Seattle with Dr. Watson; Bro. Roy Moore, the educational and music director of Alaska; Ben Hill, general missionary for Alaska; and the five other student missionaries. Only six student missionaries were able to come to Alaska this time. One of the boys got drafted, and the two girls dropped out.

I have been working the last part of this week in getting ready for a Vacation Bible School that begins Monday the 18th. The church in which I will be principal of the school is 1st Baptist Church, Big Delta, Alaska. Most of the missionaries I have met look like a good night's sleep would do them good. They are all overworked.

There is very much of a need for Jesus Christ here. Nearly every store has a bar in it, and most of the signs advertise "Girls, Girls, Girls," and the like.

July 3

My address here is Kotzebue Baptist Church, Kotzebue, Alaska.

We had prayer meeting last night, and Dick Lunsford and I were nearly the only ones there. Just two Eskimo women, one white man, and two Eskimo kids came. Dick played the organ, I led singing, and then we had prayers. It thrilled me very much to hear the Eskimo women pray in their native tongue. Dick said that this was a normal crowd.

The hardest thing for me to get accustomed to around here is the smell. They say this is the dirtiest village around here and I believe them. The Eskimos throw all their trash and refuse on the beach about 50 feet from the town, and it smells terrible. They also bring their catch of small Beluga whales up on the beach to clean. They have wooden racks on the beach where they string the meat to dry.

All food except fish must be brought in by boat or plane, the resulting prices being two to three times normal. All water must be bought also, and it costs two cents a gallon delivered.

Dick says that when Dick Miller comes back, I may have a chance to go with him up the Kobuk river to a very small

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Edgar Williamson, Secretary

Personal Contacting Pays

A CHURCH visitation record was made last year by the Tower Grove Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo., when 33,465 visits were reported. According to Mack R. Douglas, pastor, this average of 664 weekly personal visits resulted in 590 new church members.



Sunday School attendance averaged 200 over the year before, or 1,306, with a net increase in enrollment of 620; Douglas said. One month 4,280 personal visits (1,070 per week) were made, bringing in 303 new Sunday School members.

Visitation such as this is recommended for all churches in the Southern Baptist Convention participating in the "You Can Grow Now" program to increase Sunday School enrollment, Dr. A. V. Washburn, secretary, Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, said.

Twenty-four state Sunday School secretaries and the Board's Sunday School Department have outlined five major steps for the program, which will extend through September, 1958:

- (1) Visitation; (2) an associational baby hunt; (3) emphasis on providing Bible study for those who cannot attend Sunday school; (4) Vacation Bible schools as opportunities to enroll parents and children who may not be in any Sunday School; and (5) starting branch Sunday Schools and missions.

village called Kiana. I will probably help in the building of the mission there. It's about 100 miles by motor boat. —Peter M. Abbott

3,600 Attend, Ridgecrest

RIDGECREST — Approximately 3,600 Southern Baptists attended the second Training Union Leadership Assembly at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly.

A father-son team did the preaching and song directing during the week. Dr. Ramsey Pollard, pastor of Broadway Church, Knoxville, Tenn., spoke nightly and on Sunday. Ramsey Pollard, Jr., minister of education at Victory Memorial Church, Louisville, Ky., led the singing.



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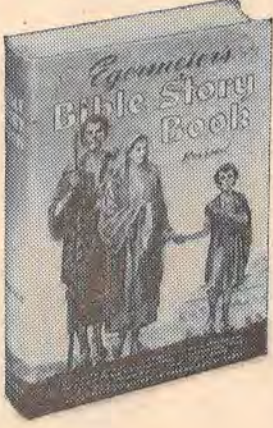
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WMU

Miss Nancy Cooper, Secretary

AMONG THE missionaries who will be serving in WMU camps this summer is Mrs. Curran T. Gunn, the former Miss Nina Belle Holaday, a Home Mission Board missionary among the French-speaking people in Louisiana. With her husband, who is pastor of the Belledeau Baptist Church, she is serving the people in that community, which is near Hessmer, La. Before her marriage, Mrs. Gunn served in French Louisiana, then later for a brief time in Benld, Ill., returning to Louisiana in 1950.

Mrs. Gunn will be here for two junior Girls' Auxiliary camps — July 28-August 1 and August 4-8. She will also be guest speaker at the state BWC Conference August 2-3.

Among missionary guests for the intermediate Girls' Auxiliary Camp July 21-25 and the YWA Houseparty, July 26-27, are Miss Amanda Tinkle of Nigeria, Miss Martha Thomas Ellis, WMU Young People's worker for the Mexican Baptist Convention of Texas, and Miss Yaeko Ishii of Hawaii. Miss Tinkle and Miss Ishii will also serve during the week of July 28-August 1 and during the BWC Conference, August 2-3.

Registration is closed for the first two camps for junior girls—i. e. July 28-August 1 and August 4-8. Others should be sent to State WMU Office, 310 Baptist Building, Little Rock.

MINUTES AVAILABLE

Minutes of the 69th Annual Meeting of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to Arkansas Baptist State Convention, are now available and may be secured by contacting the State WMU Office, 310 Baptist Building, Little Rock. The book contains not only minutes of the annual meeting, but reports of last year's work, and recommendations and goals for the coming year. Associational and local WMU officers will profit by having copy of this important publication.

INDIAN, CAMP GUEST

MRS. MELVINA ROBERTS, a Choctaw Indian, who has served under the Home Mission Board as director of Baptist Navajo Indian Center at Farmington, N. Mex., will be a guest at the last two junior Girls' Auxiliary camps at Ferncliff, Aug. 11-15 and Aug. 18-22.

Among other missionaries scheduled to attend the junior Girls' Auxiliary camp Aug. 4-8 are Mrs. Hugo Culpepper of Argentina, Mrs. Thos. E. Hallsell of Brazil, Mrs. C. T. Gunn of French Louisiana, and Miss Yaeko Ishii of Hawaii. In addition to Mrs. Roberts, Mrs.

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W. C. Harrison of Brazil and Miss Ishii will also speak during camps scheduled for Aug. 11-15 and Aug. 18-22.

Registration for camps should be sent to the state WMU Office, 310 Baptist Building, Little Rock.

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● ALL RECORDS were broken by the VBS of 1st Church, Mountain Home, when attendance averaged 131. Pastor James E. Birkhead reports six professions and the calling of two junior boys to mission work.

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Everything That Moveth

By Thelma C. Carter

LONG AGO, before man learned to cultivate the soil and gather fruit, nuts, and roots for food, he measured time by the rising and setting of the sun, by the seasons, and by the length of night and day.

It wasn't long before he knew there was a time to plant and a time to harvest. He began to observe certain signs and events in the world about him and to measure time with sundials, water clocks, and sand hourglass clocks.

One thing was clear. Nature's blessings of sunshine, rainfall, and warmth, of buds, fruits, and grains, came about with clocklike regularity.

It has been the same for centuries as it is today. Nature measures the hours, days, and seasons as if they were run by the wheels, weights, and balances of our present-day precision clocks. Our Bible assures us: "To every thing there is a season, . . . a time to plant" (Ecclesiastes 3:1-2).

Think for a moment of the clocklike schedule of our world. It almost makes one think there is a mysterious timetable which the human eye cannot see. At a certain time the robins, bluebirds, and larks appear on our lawns each spring. Other wild creatures — muskrats, beavers, raccoons, opossums, rabbits, even the sea animals — begin their home building on schedule.

There is a time for apple blossoms to unfurl, an hour for tiny apples to appear, a time for rose petals to fall. There are the measured hours when nights become longer and cooler and

the leaves fall. There is a time for birds to migrate, a time for springtime in the Arctic. Wonderful to think about, isn't it?

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THE TEEN AGE

by Judy McDonald



"You know, that Tommy's so stubborn he still won't admit that he bought his shoes too small!"

● VACATION BIBLE School, 1st Church, Bay, was held in the afternoons since the public schools use a split-term program. There were 13 professions during the school. Attendance averaged 102.

until you reach the eighth man's name, which ends with the letter Z.

1. The father of the Jewish people.
2. The lawgiver.
3. The first king of Israel.
4. A writer of the life of Christ.
5. A high priest who helped a boy.
6. A boy almost killed by his faithful father.
7. One of the two spies for the children of Israel, who had fearless faith in God after visiting the enemies' land.
8. The husband of Ruth.

ANSWERS

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| 1. A-braham-M | 1. |
| 2. M-ose-S | 2. |
| 3. S-au-T | 3. |
| 4. L-uk-E | 4. |
| 5. E-I-I | 5. |
| 6. I-saa-C | 6. |
| 7. C-ale-B | 7. |
| 8. B-aa-Z | 8. |

A Smile or Two

Accent on Size

A SCOTSMAN on a visit to Canada noticed the mounted head of a bull moose hanging in the hall of the house where he was staying. He asked his host what sort of animal it was.

"Oh, that's a moose," was the reply. "A moose!" exclaimed the Scot. "Good Heavens, what are your rats like over here?" — Tid-Bits.

A PALLID individual entered the hotel dining room and sat down at his usual table.

"Can I help you, sir?" asked the waiter.

"Yes," replied the diner. "What've you got to eat that'll give me heartburn rightaway instead of at three in the morning?" — American Weekly.

A GOOD FATHER, finding his son on the wrong track, will provide switching facilities. — Powerfax.

ONE DRAWBACK to taking vacation movies is that you have to get back home to find out what you saw. — Pat Kraft.

THE MAN in the big Cadillac had tried for 20 minutes to outdistance the small foreign car that had been travelling behind him.

As he hit 90, the small car crew alongside, "I say," yelled the driver, "do you know anything about this make car? I can't get her out of low gear." — Automotive Service Digest.

A STRANGER in town stopped to look over a campus. Meeting a student, he asked, "What's the name of this school?"

"Sorry, sir," said the boy politely. "I'm just a football player here." — Future.

BLESSED ARE they who have nothing to say — and cannot be persuaded to say it! — Journal of American Medical Association.

AN EDITOR of a southern newspaper was having trouble finding material to fill his column one day, so he decided to run the Ten Commandments. The next day he received a note from an irate subscriber which read: Cancel my subscription, you're getting too personal."

"TO WHAT do you attribute your great age?" the visitor asked Grandpaw Howkins.

"I can't say yit," answered Grandpaw guardedly. "They's several o'them testimonial fellers adickerin' with me."

SIGN ON TV set: "For sale. It's had only one owner — a little old lady with weak eyes."

Sunday School Lesson

Justice in Community Life

By RAY BRANSCUM
(Pastor, South Highland, Little Rock)

Leviticus 19:15-18; James 2:1-9
July '27

OUR LESSON today deals with problems of justice in the community life. Justice is one of the great principles of God. His word has much to say on the subject.

In this lesson God sets forth the laws which were to govern the priest in the tabernacle services and their care for the people, both materially and spiritually.

The Treatment of Others (Leviticus 19:15-18)

The Levitical Law was rigid in its demands of the children of Israel. They were God's chosen people but this did not excuse them from being just and kind to others. The foreigner and stranger was to be cared for; all needy ones helped. If an Israelite forgot the poor man in his need, justice would be violated.



MR. BRANSCUM

In dealing with the other fellow's problems care must be taken that there is nothing done that is unfair or unjust. Sometimes in dealing with a poor man, we let our sympathy for him cause us to show him favoritism which should not be permitted in fairness and true judgment. The contrary could be true. We sometimes are led to show favors to the well known or wealthy person and forget the rights of the poor. True and correct decisions must always be based on truth and facts; never on sentiment or partiality.

I do not know how much partiality is shown in our courts, but I do know that Christians, especially, should see that everyone is dealt with justly.

We have a second danger pointed out here, that concerning slander and gossip. In all probability gossip is the most prevalent sin and does more harm to more people than any other sin.

The sin of gossip seems to be a weakness with most people. I am reminded of the story of the three preachers that lived in a small town.

One day they all gathered in the study of the Baptist pastor. They became intimate and decided to confess their weaknesses. The Methodist preacher said his weakness was lust, that he was constantly faced with unholy desires. The Presbyterian preacher confessed that his weakness was money, that his desire for money was a constant temptation to him. The third, the Baptist preacher, said nothing and his two friends supposed that his weakness must, indeed, be terrible.

They pressed him for a confession and finally he spoke out, "My weakness is gossip, and I can hardly wait to get out of here."

This fellow's reaction is typical. Gossip is something we all must watch, if we have justice in our community. Many people have been hurt and much harm has been done because of the sin of gossip.

I once knew a person who hurt the influence and destroyed the character of many young people — even some of her own children — by the wrong use of the tongue. If we know of any one suffering from the gossip and untruth of another, we should stand by to help. When one's influence and character is in danger we should do everything we can to clear the innocent, and save their influence. This sin is one that Christians should certainly guard against.

Hatred, a Great Disturber

Another great disturber to any community is hatred. This does not only hurt the one that malice is held against, but also the one who carries the grudge. Sometimes this sin of hatred results in violence. Hatred is the opposite of love. The spirit of love is what we need and must have if justice is carried out in the community.

Christian integrity demands that we love all as brothers. "In thine heart" is an expression of deep feeling, reminding us that hatred is not a passing or a casual thing, but that it is something that is deep seated and may be lasting.

To reprove or rebuke our neighbor is not an easy task. When it becomes our duty to correct our neighbor and tell him of his faults this must be done in kindness and humility. Then, when we go to correct anyone we need to be aware of the resentment and the wrong attitude that may be smoldering in our own heart, before we try to judge them. The Christian, especially, needs to be on guard when he goes to pass judgment upon someone else lest he disrupt the fellowship of the church and hurt someone. Any time we go to reprove or rebuke our neighbor we should keep in mind the teaching of Paul in Galatians 6:1-5.

The individual is not to seek revenge, when he feels that someone has done him wrong. We are to leave vengeance to God. Jesus brought this out in His sermon on the Mount:

"Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth: But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also. And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloke also. And whosoever shall compel thee to go a

mile, go with him twain. Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away."—Matt. 5:38-42.

We see this same teaching summed up in the Old Testament in Joseph's attitude toward his brothers. The epitome of the whole matter is this "Love thy neighbor as thy self."

No Respector of Persons (James 2:1-9)

Someone has said that Jesus Christ is the most consistent democrat of all the centuries. If the word is understood as opposing all imperialism, all aristocracy, all oligarchy, all despotism, certainly he is worthy of the name. His gospel was a gospel for all the people; not for just a chosen few. His church is the only institution on earth where the members are equal in rank and authority.

James saw this truth, and in all probability he had heard this teaching from the lips of Jesus. In this Epistle he exalts the democracy of the church.

The synagogue of the Jews was often the scene of court. A man having a claim against another would take it there for trial, and the temptation for the judges would be to receive a favorable impression of the man who came into the synagogue with gold rings on, and in fine clothing; while they looked with contempt upon the poor man in cheap clothing. Before the case was heard it seemed to be practically judged by the manner in which the individual appeared in court. Running to the man in fine clothing they would say: "Sit here in a good place" and turning with a frown to the poor fellow: saying, "stand thou there," then, as if fearing they had gone too far with their spirit of partiality, they would add, "or sit here under my footstool."

The evidence of such things as these going on in the Jewish synagogue, is made plain when God, by the mouth of Moses, charged the Judges, (Deut. 1:16-17), to hear the causes between men without partiality. If it was necessary to warn the Jewish Judges lest they make a difference between the rich Jew and the poor Jew, how much more must he warn the Hebrew Christian lest in the church they make a difference between the wealthy Jewish convert, and the poor, but saved, Gentiles.

We have been thinking about things to avoid if we are to have justice in community life. Observe what verses eight and nine tell us to do in order to have justice in community life.

In order to have justice in our community we must love our neighbor as ourself; this kind of love in our hearts will save us from hasty judgments and from saying untrue and hurtful things. Such love as this makes no distinction. Love seeks to understand and to clear up misunderstandings. Love seeks to encourage and commend. Love avoids selfishness and jealousy. Of course, to love makes selfishness and jealousy impossible.

Love worketh no ill to his neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.—Rom. 13:10.

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Budget for 1959 Presented

A PROPOSED budget totaling \$1,700,000 for 1959 will be recommended to the Convention this fall by the Executive Board. The budget as it appears on this page, falls into four broad divisions: State



DR. WHITLOW

Causes, Southern Baptist Convention (or world missions causes), Capital Needs, and Bottoms Baptist Orphanage.

We feel the Board is proposing a worthy challenge to Arkansas Baptists in this budget

for 1959. In succeeding issues of the *Arkansas Baptist* we shall discuss the budget more fully. In this issue Dr. McDonald has written an editorial on the method in which this budget will be presented to the churches throughout the state. Under this plan the representative from each association on the Executive Board is asked to arrange for such a meeting in their association between now and the meeting of the Convention in November. We covet the full cooperation of the pastors in this promotional matter. We feel our people will be more adequately informed about our total program by using this method. —SAW

CORRECTION

In our article of July 10 in which we listed the nine associations with a 100 per cent record of giving to world missions through the Cooperative Program, we listed White County Association when we should have listed White River Association. Rev. C. E. McDonald is Missionary and Rev. James E. Birkhead is Moderator of this association. We regret this error.—SAW

Proposed Budget — 1959

I. STATE CAUSES			
Administration	\$ 36,000.00		
"Arkansas Baptist"	15,000.00		
Baptist Student Union	50,000.00		
Brotherhood	23,700.00		
Camps — Assembly	25,000.00		
Emergency Reserve	11,300.00		
Evangelism	6,000.00		
Foundation	8,500.00		
Missions	93,000.00		
Music	17,000.00		
Office Building Maintenance	4,000.00		
Promotion & Convention	28,500.00		
Retirement Plans	64,000.00		
Sunday School	30,000.00		
Training Union	28,000.00		
Woman's Missionary Union	39,000.00		
Arkansas Baptist Hospital—			
Nursing	40,000.00		
Charity	25,000.00		
Baptist Memorial Hospital—			
Regular	10,000.00		
Charity	10,000.00		
Ouachita College	249,120.00		
Southern Baptist College	31,680.00		
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage	40,000.00		
Total		\$ 884,800.00	
II. SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION		\$576,000.00	\$ 576,000.00
III. CAPITAL NEEDS			
Pulaski County College Property	7,200.00		
Camps and Assembly	20,000.00		
Orphanage	15,000.00		
B. S. U.	20,000.00		
Hospitals—			
Little Rock	50,000.00		
Memphis	10,000.00		
New Mission Sites	12,000.00		
Future Office Building	5,000.00		
Total		\$ 139,200.00	
TOTAL			\$1,600,000.00
IV. BOTTOMS BAPTIST ORPHANAGE			
(To be raised in the Thanksgiving Offering)			100,000.00
TOTAL BUDGET			\$1,700,000.00

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