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Personally speaking



Word of the Lord

"We don't care what the Bible says—what do you say?"

This was the jolting conclusion of an interview between a pulpit committee and a prospective pastor for their church. Does it make any difference what the matter was that was under consideration? When the preacher had been asked what he thought about it, he had made the mistake(?) of saying, "Let's look at some passages in the Bible."

In this rough and tumble age when so many of us insist on "doing our own thing," the last test many of us are willing to apply to a situation is, What does God say about this? And there is very little demand for real prophets of God!

As this was being written there was a new wave of violence sweeping our country. And many of those who resort to violence claim to be disciples of Christ!

On his last trip to Jerusalem, Jesus sent some of his party into a Samaritan village to arrange for accommodations. But the Samaritans, because of their hatred for the Jews, would not admit the group. This angered the disciples and two of them, James and John—"the sons of thunder"—wanted the Lord to call down fire from heaven to destroy the offenders.

But Jesus rebuked James and John. "You know not what kind of spirit you share," he said, "for the Son of Man came not to destroy men's lives, but to save them" (Lk. 9:56, Montgomery). And they did not go in and take the place by force, but, instead, "went to another village."

Not long after this, when Jesus was being arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane, Peter drew his sword and tried to decapitate one of the offenders, Malchus, a slave of the high priest. But the servant dodged and lost only an ear. After the Lord had performed a miracle to restore the man's ear, he said something that needs to be

burned deep into our consciences:

"Put back your sword into its place! for all who take the sword will perish by the sword" (Mt. 26:53, Montgomery).

Violence begets violence. This is true whether the weapon is a fist, an ancient sword, or a modern nuclear bomb.

Ewin L. M Bonels

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GUEST EDITORIAL:

Church training in the '70's

Few organizations in Southern Baptist life have been so affected by changes as the Training Union. Likewise, no organization at the convention level has tried harder to adjust to the changes and maintain a valid ministry.

Training Union was victim of some changes in Baptist life over which it had no control, such as sagging Sunday night attendance. The question is inescapable—"would Training Union have faced some of the hardships of recent years if it had been scheduled at 9:45 a.m. rather than 6:15 p.m." Probably not!

The very nature of Training Union requires a greater number of people assuming more responsibility. With Training Union, the individual must make some preparation, or merely read his "part" to a bored group. The quality of any Training Union program is always synonymous with the efforts put forth by creative individuals.

Squarely facing up to the problems and the needs, Training Union has been completely reworked, even to a new name which will be announced next June at the Southern Baptist Convention in New Orleans.

If any one word describes the new training program, that word is flexibility. A determined effort has been made to meet the needs of individuals and groups. The object is to help church members gain knowledge, understanding and skills needed in fulfilling the church's mission.

Some of the new features are:

-the new group-grading plan

—a correlated curriculum for all ages, carried in materials with fresh, more attractive formats

—increased emphasis on short-term training and interest grouping

—a wider selection of elective training courses designed to meet specific training needs

—more emphasis on self-instruction as a training approach

The three major areas of training are New Church Member Training, Church Membership Training and Church Leader Training.

The new grouping-grading plan includes adult, youth, children's and preschool divisions. The new groupings parallel the new group-grading approach of other Southern Baptist educational organizations.

One of the encouraging aspects of the new training program is the method the convention leadership arrived at the new program structures. Rather than create an organization and give it assignments which may or may not be valid, the tasks of the Training Program were outlined and the structure and curriculum were geared to perform the tasks.

In 1969-73, the Training Program regards as its tasks:

- 1. Teach Christian theology, Christian ethics, Christian history, and church policy and organization
 - 2. Train new church members
- 3. Train church members to perform the functions of the church
- 5. Provide and interpret information regarding the work of the church and denomination
- 6. Provide organization and leadership for special projects of the church

In times of change there is a tendency to throw away the old with nothing new to replace it. This is definitely not the case with Training Union. 1969 marks a new approach and a new name. Every church should give it a try.—Editor R. G. Puckett, in *The Maryland Baptist*

To Retain Our Freedoms



kansas all over-



MISS ELMORE

MISS DEWEY

MISS GOODYEAR

MISS PRICE

oung journeymen want involvement

e Arkansas young women were g 76 missionary journeymen aped by the Southern Baptist For-Mission Board at its April 10 ng. They are: Charlotte Dewey, as; Sandra Elmore, Clarksville; y Goodyear, Pine Bluff; Kathryn Jonesboro; and Charlotte Paris, Springs (not pictured above).

s Dewey will teach at Baptist
High School, Agbor, Nigeria.
Elmore will do social work and
ing in Cam Ranh City, Vietnam.
y Goodyear will teach at Baptist
School, Eku, Nigeria. Miss Paris
lo secretarial work at Baptist Misoffice, Taipei, Taiwan. Kathryn
will teach at Beirut Baptist
l, Beirut, Lebanon.

e appointees are college graduates ndidates for graduation, under 27 of age, who will use their skills orking alongside career missionoverseas for two years.

co-ed who will teach the children issionaries and serve as librarian Baptist theological seminary in ysia, says: "Now that I am about nish college, there is so much I want to share. That's why I to be a journeyman—to share, to—because God continues every day ve to me."

lowing their training and commisng as journeymen the young people will tackle a variety of about 20 jobs in 31 countries. Nearly half of them are assigned to teach, in Baptist schools for nationals or in schools for missionaries' children.

Seven nurses, two medical technologists, and a physical therapist will join the staffs of Baptist medical facilities in several countries.

Youth and student-work leaders, secretaries, journalists, social workers, a radio and television technician a literacy counselor, and a publication assistant will fill most of the other job openings.

In giving reasons for seeking journeyman assignments most of the youths project a mixture of idealism and desire to broaden mental horizons. As a 26-year-old college science teacher puts it, "I applied because I think God can use my wish to help others, but I also am interested in travel and in other people, their languages and cultures."

The young Baptists come from 20 states. Eleven are ministers' children, and all indicate that Christian nurture in their homes and churches has been important in molding their personalities. Forty-five percent have had experience as summer missionaries, some of them overseas but most in the States. About half have attended Southern Baptist-related colleges.

The Missionary Journeyman Program is entering its fifth year of giving Baptist youths opportunities to apply their talents and faith in challenging situations. Annual enlistment in the program has grown steadily from 46 in 1965 to the current -76.

Rev. Robert W. Fields, Southern Baptist missionary to Israel, will direct journeyman training this summer. Appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1962, Mr. and Mrs. Fields returned to the States last year for their first furlough, and he has since worked with the Board's department for missionary personnel as a special representative for the Midwest.

Training will begin June 14 at Virginia Intermont College, Bristol. The curriculum will include languages, histories, and cultural factors of the countries to which the journeymen will go, plus Christian doctrine, Bible, missions, evangelism, training in special skills, health and personal development, and physical education.

When training is completed, the journeymen will be commissioned in a public service in Richmond, Va., on August 7. They will leave soon thereafter for their overseas posts.

Dr. Stanley A. Nelson is the Board's associate secretary for missionary personnel in charge of the Journeyman Program.

A gentle reminder!

Mother's Day is May 11 and Father's Day is June 15!

In its annual tribute to Baptist mothers and fathers of Arkansas, and their respective days, the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine will again accept nominations for the Mother of the Year and Father of the Year. Those selected for the 1969 honors, will be featured on the cover of the May 8 issue, ahead of Mother's Day (May 11), and the June 12 issue, ahead of Father's Day (June 15).

As announced in the April 17 issue, the deadline for entries is April 30 for mothers and May 7 for fathers. Material should be mailed to the office of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, 525 West Capitol Ave., Little Rock, Ark. 72201.

Typewritten entries, accompanied by recent photographs, and membership in a Southern Baptist Church are the requirements. Baptist Building employees or relatives of Baptist Building employees are not eligible.

Six days remain before the deadline! Entries must be received on April 30 for the mothers; May 7 for the fathers.

Lake Village Church in 'Home Life' series

"Home Life" was the theme for a four-day and night series of conferences held at Lake Village Church, April 13-16.

Director of the conferences was Dr. R. Lofton Hudson, founder-director of the Midwest Christian Counseling Center, Kansas City, Mo.

Dr. Hudson spoke at Lakeside and Central High Schools during the day, and held evening conferences in the church sanctuary.

Dr. Hudson holds the doctor of philosophy and bachelor of science degrees from George Peabody College; the master of arts degree from Vanderbilt University and bachelor of theology degree from Southern Seminary.

Perry D. Blount, pastor of Lake Village Church, stated that Dr. Hudson was honored by Life magazine as an outstanding pastor-counselor. Dr. Hudson is the author of 12 books, the latest being Grace Is Not a Blue-eyed Blond.

Baptist beliefs

Christian greatness

BY HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

Pastor, First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, past president, Southern Baptist Convention

"And there was also a strife among them, which of them would be accounted the greatest"—Luke 22:24.

This was not the first time that the twelve had wrangled over positions of prominence in the kingdom of God. Sadly, it was not the last either. For the Lord's people still are ambitious in this regard.

This scene was in the upper room on the night before Jesus died. Standing in the shadow of the cross, symbol of unselfish love, the disciples were concerned as to which of them should have the place of first honor about the table. Comparative study of the Gospels shows that this occurred before the passover meal.

At Jewish meals the host had the central place about the table. On his right was the place of first honor. On his left was the position of second honor. Alternating respectively were the places of third, fourth, and succeeding places of honor.

Each of the twelve wanted to recline on Jesus' right, the place of highest honor. Thus there arose a "strife" among them. This word renders one meaning "love of strife, eagerness to contend." The point of contention was "with respect to which seems to be greatest."

Jesus used their crass attitude to teach a spiritual lesson, "The Kings of the Gentiles lord it over them, and the ones exercising authority (tyrants) are called benefactors" (v. 25). The word rendered "benefactors" is euergetai. The title "Euergates" was a popular one among ancient rulers.

Jesus emphatically denied that such a standard of greatness applied among Christians. "But ye shall not be so" (v. 26) reads literally, "Be ye not so." This is in direct contrast with the world's standard of greatness.

"But the greatest among you let him be as the youngest, and the one being the leader let him become as the one serving menially as a slave" (v. 26).

Usually honor was paid to the oldest not to the youngest. John was probably the youngest member of the group. And he got the place of first honor (cf. Jn. 13:23). The one who aspired to the highest place of leadership should be willing to serve as the lowest slave. So greatness in the kingdom of God is gauged not by earthly pomp, glory and authority. It is gauged by service rendered.

In verse 27 Jesus implied that as host he was really the greatest. "But I am among you as he that serveth." The word rendered "serveth" is diakonos, the term used of a slave who washed the dust from the feet of the guests. Jesus did this on that occasion (Jn. 13:4ff.). Rather than contending over position the disciples should have been washing feet.

In the natural course of human relations some person will emerge as the "greatest." But it should come as the recognition of service rendered, not as the result of power-seeking.

North Pulaski holds music tournament

Five winners were selected from fourteen contestants in the North Pulaski Association's hymn playing, song leading, and vocal solo festival, held April 13 at Baring Cross Church.

Winners included Brooksher Banks (Park Hill, Senior High Song Leading; Susan Clark (Park Hill), Junior High Vocal Solo; Janie Heffington (Gravel Ridge), Junior High Hymn Playing (Piano); and Pat Smith (Baring Cross), Senior High Hymn Playing (Piano).

Judges were: Linda Reems (North Little Rock, First), Frank Arnall (Little Rock, Calvary), and Bob Hatzfeld (Little Rock, Pulaski Heights). Festival coordinator was Ted Stanton, associational music director.

Other contestants were Linda and Marion Smith of Remount; Debbie Dunn, Kathy Pitt, and Marie Twidwell of Baring Cross; and Debby Goss, Alice Green, Janice Jones, and Kenneth Stogsdill of Park Hill.—Reporter.

THE GENERATION GAP

By DAVID BOWDEN, 17 (From a sermon preached recently at Archview Church, Little Rock)

Every day we hear of the antagonizing attitude of today's youth. The newspapers are filled with reports of sitins, walkouts, immorality on college campuses, riots and



MR. BOWDEN

what have you. The now famous general name given this whole sordid conglomeration of anarchy and rebellion is the generation gap. What are the remedies we can use to corthe situation? The answer is deceptively simple. We can re-build the bridges between the younger and older generations. The trouble is sides must be will-

ing to work at it. At present, many on both sides seem neither ready nor willing. This is amazing to me because both sides have everything to gain by reconciliation and everything to lose by staying apart.

Older prople can gain by having someone to carry their ideas on past their graves. The young can benefit by carrying these dreams and ideas and using them to reinforce or revise their own. Where would Euclid, Socrates, Newton or any one of the other great men of history have been without the assistance of a younger generation who believed in their ideas enough to make them a part of their lives? Conversely, where would we be today if these men had not passed their ideas along to us?

The key word is love combined with patience. Youths should have loving patience with their parents, who, being human, sometimes make mistakes, but who usually know what is right for their children. Parents should realize that, no matter what comes or goes, their children are but a mirror image of their upbringing. They really are not any different from the countless other generations of men from the time of Adam. They just live under different conditions.

But, most importantly, both sides must be reconciled with God.

Many of the youth today consider themselves non-conformists. They dress up in old dirty rags, grow a shaggy beard, start taking dope, and, in short, try to do everything possible to be at opposite poles with the mainstream of society.

Now I am not at all against non-conformity. Most great men are non-conformists. Look at Einstein, Edison, and even our own Senator Fulbright. Two of the greatest writers in the history of Western literature, Thoreau and Emerson, were disciples of non-conformity. None could have been more non-conformist in his time than Jesus himself.

But none of these was non-conformist for the sake of non-conformity. They had a goal and a purpose, to help mankind in some way by being able to study his problems in something other than the normal human perspective. But the non-conformity of most of today's youth is simply a case of bucking the system. That is non-conformity for its own sake. It is totally destructive in this vein and serves no useful purpose, unless, maybe, it is a cry for help—a cry that we as Christians are obligated to answer. We need to show these prodigal sons and daughters the way to true life. They claim to be searching for the purpose of life. Who can show them better than a group of dedicated Christians?

Which is the better man, the man who is the type of non-conformist who expects society to come down to his level, or the man who, by his non-conformity, seeks to raise the standards of society? Which is the more useful man, the man who destroys or the man who creates? Which is the happier man, the addict who "turns on" with drugs, or the man who is turned on with the love of God?

If parents of the next generations would crack down a little harder at an earlier age, and stop worrying so much about the psychological effects of a board to the backside and start worrying about the spiritual effects of not applying same when needed, then many of our problems would be eliminated.

But, as I have repeatedly said, we as a nation, in fact, we as a world, can solve all the problems of the generation gap if we return to God's will. Parents should remember that if you "train up a child in the way he should go, when he is old he will not depart from it." So parents should take their children as a family unit and worship in the house of the Lord as much as possible.

And, young people, we as Christians follow a leader who told us to have love and patience even with our enemies. What would he think of the strife between parents and children today, especially since his last request before his death was for a follower to take care of his mother?

And if anyone here, parent or child, is not a Christian, do not wonder at the problems you may have within your family. Until you learn to love Christ, you can never, never love earthly relations as fully as you should. God's gift to us is life. Our gift to him is what we do with that life. Never let it be said that God does not appreciate and bless good gifts.

We can never close the generation gap unless there is a willingness on each side to meet the other side halfway. In short, we have got to develop a want-to or we cannot hope to develop a can-do.

The generation gap can be bridged. It must be bridged and fast, because it is like a cancer. If it goes too far, we cannot stop it and it will strangle our society.



MISSION 70—Dr. Jasper McPhail, former missionary to India (left) discusses Mission 70 with Ed Seabough (center) and Jim Studdard at the Baptist Student Center near the University of Arkansas School of Medicine, Little Rock. Mr. Seabough is Executive Coordinator for the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga. Dr. McPhail is Dean for Clinic Affairs, Medicine, and Jim Studdard is a medical student at the School of Medicine.

Mission 70 kickoff luncheon held at Little Rock BSU

A kickoff luncheon for Arkansas' participation in Mission 70 was held April 14 at the Baptist Student Center of the University of Arkansas Medical Center. Ed Seabough, Executive Coordinator, Home Mission Board, described Mission 70 as the "most unusual mission conference Southern Baptists have ever sponsored."

Seabough promised a program of new music written especially for the conference, stereophonic enoirs, participation of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, and one without announcements and introduction of speakers.

Approximately 50 pastors, faculty members, students, youth directors, and Baptist Student Directors learned details of the four day conference to be held in Atlanta during the Christmas holidays. Seabough stated that no conference had ever had such broad backing as the Mission 70 conference, with the Home and Foreign Mission Board, Brotherhood, Woman's Missionary Union, and the Sunday School Board joint-

ly sponsoring the event and supplying \$70.000 for the meeting.

Opening on Sunday night, Dec. 28, the conference will close soon after midnight on Jan. 1. Attendance will be limited to 4,500, with Arkansas' quota being 200.

Morning sessions will be held at downtown Atlanta churches, with 500 students to a church, 50 to a "cluster" group, and 10 to a discussion group

Afternoon sessions will include tours of Atlanta's poverty areas, and worldneed tours to the exhibit hall of the Civic Auditorium, where tour guides will lead groups through short dramatic presentations.

Night sessions will be held in the Civic Auditorium. They will be climaxed by the closing midnight Wednesday service which has been termed by Seabough a "celebration." It will close shortly after the new decade begins.

A registration fee of \$12 includes in-

Junior voice recitals at OBU Apr. 25, 29

Two Ouachita University music majors will present junior voice recitals Friday, April 25. They are Sharon Gray, Pine Bluff, and Edward R. Reed, Springdale.

Miss Gray is a member of the Madrigal Singers, OBU Choir, Ouachitones, and Association of Women Students. Reed is president of the OBU Choir, vice president of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, and is a member of the Christian Commission Union and the OBU Singers.

On Tuesday, April 29, John Hilliard of Hot Springs will present his senior composition recital. Hilliard, a music composition major, is a member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and the Ouachita stage band.

All recitals are in Mitchell Auditorium. The Gray-Reed recital is scheduled for 11 a.m. while Hilliard will perform at 8 p.m.

Hoyt A. Mulkey joins Memphis church staff

Hoyt A. Mulkey, after more than five years as secretary of the Church Music Department, Arkansas Baptist State Convention, has joined the staff of Berclair Church, Memphis, as director of music

Mr. Mulkey came to the Convention from First Church, Pine Bluff.

surance, box lunches, and a pictorial book of reports.

Mr. Seabough stated that 185 of Arkansas' quota of 200 must be college or seminary students, single or married young adults, and young pastors and their wives. Each of this group, all chronologically eligible for mission service, must be under age 35. Only 15 Arkansans over age 35 can attend the conference.

Seabough emphasized that one does not have to be a mission volunteer to attend the conference; but, those planning the meeting hope that all in attendance would be willing to ask "could God have a place for me to serve Jesus Christ in these exciting days?"

Dr. S. A. Whitlow announced Arkansas' quota committee as Sara Wisdom of Woman's Missionary Union, Don Cooper of Sunday School, Bob Holley of Church Training, C. H. Seaton of Brotherhood, and Tom Logue of the Student Department. Dr. Logue will serve as chairman of the committee.

Requests for registration cards should be made to Mission 70 Quota, Tom Logue, Chairman, 525 West Capitol, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201.



WAKE FOREST—Thomas Glyn Finley (left) of Fordyce, a junior at Southeastern Seminary, takes a "break" with Dr. John Edward Steely, Professor of Historical Theology at Southeastern Seminary and a native of Almyra (Ark.).

This personal interest is an important factor in the preparation of ministers as it is in interpreting their call to the ministry. Pastors, parents, professors and friends have great opportunities and responsibilities in this role which is being recognized in the "Life Commitment and Church Vocations" emphasis of the co-ordinated calendar of Southern Baptist activities for the month of April, with its climax in Life Commitment Sunday on April 27. (Southeastern Seminary Photo)



Feminine intuition

by Harriet Hall

Doing your own thing

Students today often say, "He (or she) is doing his (or her) own thing."

If we define "doing your own thing" as something of special or particular interest there may be some good in this concept.

For example, you may enjoy eating honey and vinegar, basking in the sun, jogging before breakfast, breaking eighty on the golf course, fishing on White River, or Lake Catherine, or Beaver, floating the Buffalo, collecting antiques, or rocks, or Oriental vases. Isn't it amazing what some people enjoy when they're doing "their own thing."

If, however, we say glibly of others, "Let them alone—they're doing their own thing" and mean by our attitude that we don't care whether others have an opportunity to earn a living, or have proper housing, or proper medical treatment, or have their rights trampled upon, . . . if we "couldn't care less", then we need to examine our attitudes in the light of the Savior's example.

As we have recently celebrated the Easter season, we have recalled the supreme act of God's love. Pogo would describe love as "eyeball-to-eyeball." Christian love is intensely personal. The opposite of love is indifference.

In a recent Sunday School lesson we studied Dorcas—she went about "doing her own thing." She went about doing good. She saw the needs about her and met those needs with deeds, not words. Eliza Doolittle in "My Fair Lady" sang "Words! Words! I'm so sick of words!" Yes, talk is the easy way out. Action costs us something. One pastor said the words of a serious-minded student "bug" him, "I think I would be a Christian if I could ever see one!"

Are you doing your own thing? What is it?

James said, "Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves." (James 1:22).

Revival at Arkansas A&M College

An evangelistic crusade was held on the campus of Arkansas A&M College March 23-27. Initiated by students in the Baptist Student Union, the crusade broadened to interdenominational support. Services were held in the National Guard Armory, with the closing service Thursday evening being held in the A&M football stadium.

Fourteen students made professions of faith and many other decisions were recorded.

The speaker for the week was Dennis Wood, student at Southwestern Seminary. Musician was Jim Miller, student at Baylor University. Both of the men were provided by the Eddie Nicholson evangelistic organization. Mr. Nicholson spent a week on the A&M campus last year as a guest of the Baptist Student Union.

The entire crusade was planned and directed by a steering committee of eleven students with David McLemore, Baptist Student Union president, and Ruth White, BSU secretary, serving as co-chairmen. "The attention which our campus gave to the message of Jesus Christ was nothing short of phenomenal," said McLemore. "Faculty and administration joined students in attendance. The closing night saw many conflicts on the campus. The sponsors of a dance on campus complained of tickets unsold. One fourth of the resident student body at A&M was in our closing service," McLemore said.

Adult advisor to the group is BSU director George Sims.

Deacons ordained by Lakeside

Lakeside Church, Hot Springs ordained Ray Stanage, Melvin Pyeatt, Elbert Warren and David Bates as deacons, March 16.

Orval Allbritton served as moderaton; Horace Gentry, Jr. led the questioning; Mickey Cox gave the ordination prayer; and C. E. Bridges presented the certificates.

Kendell W. Black, Lakeside pastor, gave the charge.

Robert R. Scott is forestry executive

Robert R. Scott, a native of Carlisle and a graduate of Ouachita University with a degree in business administration, has been appointed executive vice president of the newly-formed South Carolina Forestry Association at Columbia.

For the past three years he has been administrative assistant with the Mississippi Forestry Association in Jackson



MR. COOPER

Delton Cooper now at Almyra First

Delton J. Cooper, pastor of Natural Steps Church for four and one-half years has resigned to accept the pastorate of First Church, Almyra.

During Mr. Cooper's ministry at Natural Steps, there have been 75 additions to the church, with 32 coming for baptism. The Sunday School advanced from a class to departmental type Sunday School. The church property was cleared of all debt; additional property was secured for use by the church in later years; new carpets installed in the church auditorium; and folding doors installed in the fellowship hall to give added educational space. The pastor's study was completed and furnished; pews were installed in the choir loft; the parking area was enlarged and paved; and a new church sign erected. A lot was purchased for a pastor's home. The church has approved plans for construction of the home and has raised \$10,000 toward its cost. Construction should begin very shortly.

Mr. Cooper attended Draughon School of Business, Little Rock, and East Texas Baptist College, Marshall. Mrs. Cooper is the former Marcelee Elkins of Sheridan.

Mixed drink sale voted in three areas

Pulaski and Garland counties and Eureka Springs voted last week to legalize the serving of mixed drinks in hotels, motels, and restaurants, subject to licensing of the outlets by the Alcoholic Beverage Control board.

The vote was:

Pulaski County: For, 18,678; against 14,812 (Little Rock was the only area in the county that voted for it, but the 12,188 "yes" yotes in the city carried the county.)

Garland County: (including Hot Springs): For, 7,638; against, 2,831.

Eureka Springs: For, 306; against,

Beacon lights of Baptist history

Early American missions

BY BERNES K. SELPH, TH.D. PASTOR, FIRST CHURCH, BENTON

The Massachusetts Missionary Society held its first meeting in Boston, May 26, 1802. Twelve trustees were appointed: Pastors Samuel Stillman, Hezekiah Smith, Thomas Baldwin, Joseph Grafton, Stephan Gano, Joel Briggs, Valentine R. Rathburn, Thomas Waterman; Deacons John Wait, Richard Smith, Col. Stephen Dana, and Oliver Holden.

At the meeting three missionaries were appointed: Isaac Case, John Tripp, and Joseph Cornell. The first two were to visit the new settlements in Maine and New Hampshire. The latter was to serve in North West New York and adjacent settlements in Canada.

Letters were addressed to the new settlements recommending the brethren. The readers were encouraged to search the Scriptures to see whether the preaching was according to the truth.

Missionary Case addressed a letter to the society, Feb. 10, 1808, reporting his work. He said he had avoided the beaten path of other missionaries and traveled in areas where they had not labored. He told about talking to a 10 year old boy who gave a satisfactory account of his Christian experience. Others had been impressed by the lad's conversation and singing and his baptism. Case baptized a young man 18 years of age in another village.

On this trip he completed a work begun 10 years before. He had visited in that area in 1793 and as he approached a house he saluted it with "Peace be to this house." A girl of eight years heard this and was disturbed by his actions and expression. An explanation was made and sometime later she became a believer and rejoiced in her new life. Though she had lost some of her fervency, she took a new hold on life when she heard him preach and presented herself to him for baptism.

His trip through the two states was encouraging. He found what many find who have eyes to see. "There were so many doors opened for preaching, that I hardly knew what course to steer, or what place stood in most need. For if, I had had a dozen bodies, and as many tongues, they might have been all employed among the poor and destitute who desire to hear, and thankfully attend on the preached word."*

*Baptist Missionary Magazine, Sept. 1803, Vol. 1, pp. 10-17, Zerox, Dargan-Carver Library, Nash-

Students honored at Southwestern

Ten students were honored for outstanding achievement during the annual Awards Presentation Program April 10 at Southwestern Seminary.

Jesse Northcutt, Dean, School of Theology, made the awards which are given each year to deserving students in the three schools of the seminary—Music, Theology and Religious Education.

A. Donald Bell, professor of psychology and human relations, delivered the address of commendation to the recipients.

Students receiving awards were Ronald Joe Mabry of Troop, Tex. and Mike Manes, Bellaire, Tex. for outstanding achievement in church music; William A. Smith, Danville, Ken., Harold Robert Tucker, Athens, Tex., Mrs. Owen Overton, Hot Springs, Ark., for exceptional abilities in religious education; Lloyd W. Mann, Burlington, Wash.,

Gary A. Galeotti, Lone Wolf, Okla., Steve O'Kelly, Macon, Ga., William Dayid Kirkpatrick, San Antonio, Tex., and Leslie Eugene Seibert, Jr., Lakeland, Fla. for excellence in theology.

BULLETIN

MINOT, N. D.—Rising rivers and tributaries fed by Canadian floodwaters have thousands of people on the run here and in other North Dakota communities. The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta activated its disaster relief fund and sent \$5,000 immediately for Baptists in the area to use in assisting evacuees. The money is being administered by the Northern Plains Baptist Convention, which includes North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming and Montana. (BP)

Nine OBU students attend model U. N.

Nine students from Ouachita University attended the model United Nations in New York City held April 9-13.

Ouachita was the only school in Arkansas and one of the few in the South invited to attend the program.

The nine, who are all political science majors at OBU, are Sinclair Winburn Jr., Becky Cowling and Steve Railey, all of Little Rock; Tom Chambers, Benton, Cloene Biggs, Booneville, Dennis Snider, Norphlet, Tommy South, Wynne, Patti Stipek, Hot Springs, and Jerry Bork. Bork, co-ordinating chairman for

the trip, is a native of New York. Miss Stipek, a graduate student, served as faculty advisor.

Operating like the actual United Nations, the student delegates represented countries and faced problems typical of those confronting the real U. N. During the five days, the students attended spot seminars and heard lectures by U. N. delegates and political science experts.

Funds for the trip were raised entirely by the students, from Arkansas businessmen and individuals.

Revivals-

Rowe's Chapel, March 18-23; Gerald Snyder, evangelist; pastor, James Moore; 2 for baptism, 1 by letter, several rededications.

Tyler Street Church, Little Rock, March 30-April 6; Jack Hazlewood, evangelist; 20 professions of faith, 2 by letter.

First Church, West Memphis; Bobby Moore, evangelist; 41 for baptism, 11 by letter, 3 other public professions of faith, 1 surrendered to preach, and 44 rededications. Thomas A. Hinson is pastor.

Lake Hamilton Church, April 6-13; Carl Fawcett, evangelist; Clarence Hill, music director; 4 professions of faith and 4 by letter. Darrell Stone is pastor.

First Church, Greenwood, April 6-13; Ben Bracken, Camden, evangelist; Lonnie Lasater, pastor, led the music; 15 additions by baptism, 8 by letter.

First Church, Shannon Hills, North Little Rock, April 7-13; Ed Walker, pastor of Old Austin Church, evangelist; Louis Jeffers, Bayou Meto, singer; 12 rededications, 3 by letter, 4 professions of faith for baptism, 1 for special service. Gene Davis is pastor.

First Church, Dover, April 7-13; David Miller, Bellville Church, evangelist; George Jones, song leader; 1 profession of faith, 3 by letter, 6 rededications. The pastor is Don R. Hankins.

First Church, Prairie Grove, April 6-13; Rick Ingle, evangelist; Bob Reno, singer; 22 for baptism, 11 professions of faith, 4 by letter, 5 by statement. H. Jearl Hayes is pastor.

First Church, Lewisville, April 11-13; Skip Dean and Mark Sutton were evangelists; Doug Verbois, songleader; Mrs. Charles Colquitt, Mrs. Mack Lester and Mrs. L. C. Nutt accompanied at the organ and piano; 16 on profession of faith, 19 rededications, 8 by transfer of membership and 1 dedication for special service.

Arbanna Church, near Heber Springs; Earl Powers, evangelist. He is the father of the pastor, Emmett E. Powers. Average attendance during the revival was 47. Arbanna Church has an enrollment of 34. There were 5 professions of faith.

About people-

Billy J. Walsh, former Southern Baptist missionary to Mexico, has been named dean of instruction at North Greenville (Baptist) Junior College.

Walsh, who has been a professor of Spanish at the college since last January, will assume his new duties June 1, succeeding Paul Talmadge, who will accept a similar position at Anderson (S. C.) College.

A native of Little Rock, Ark., Walsh served as a missionary to Mexico from 1961-67. Between 1949 and 1961 he was pastor of churches in Harrison and Lewisville, Ark., and Presidio, Dodson and Murphy, Tex.

Wallace E. Johnson, Memphis, Tenn., president of Holiday Inns of America, Inc., was recently elected to the new post of chairman of the board of the Laymen's National Bible Committee. Johnson served as chairman of National Bible Week last year. He is chairman of the executive committee of Religious Heritage of America and is a leading Baptist layman.

Warren First calls James A. Walker

James A. Walker has accepted the call of First Church, Warren, effective May 16.



Mr. Walker has been pastor of Memorial Church, Houston, Tex., since 1964. The son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Walker, Harrison, he is a graduate of Ouachita University and Southwestern Seminary. He has been pastor of churches in Arkansas, Oklahoma,

MR. WALKER Washington State and Texas. He was president of Houston Baptist Pastor's Conference, vice moderator of two associations, and a member of the Christian Life Commission of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. He served on the Houston YMCA board and the Greater Houston Commission of Community Colleges.

He has written articles for the Baptist Standard, Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, The Baptist Program, and lessons for Young Adults for the Sunday School Board.

He and his wife, Mattie Lou, have two sons, Karl, age 13, and Jim, age 10.

Don Taylor heads student association

Don Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Taylor of 2813 Colonial Ave., Pine Bluff, was recently elected president

the

Student



the fall semester.

ation of Golden Gate
Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif. Taylor, a
second year master
of divinity student,
received his bachelor
of arts degree from
Ouachita Baptist
University in Arkadelphia, Ark., in
1967. He served as

Seminary

Associ-

vice president of the student council in the 1967-68 academic year. Taylor will assume his duties in

Other officers elected to the student council include Larry Jackson, a second year master of divinity student from Oklahoma City, Okla., first vice president; Miss Linda Phillips, a second year master of divinity student from Fontana, Calif., second vice president; and Lawrence Wilkes, a first year master of divinity student from Vancouver,

B. C., Canada, secretary.

ARKANSAS BAPTIST

Your state convention at work

RA Congress, Baptist Men in Little Rock, May 2-3

Opportunity is calling to Baptist men and boys on May 2-3, at Calvary Church, Little Rock. The occasion is the Royal Ambassador Congress and the Baptist Men's meeting.

Baptist men will hear Dr. W. J. Isbell, consultant with the Brotherhood Commission, discuss missions, mission actions, and what Baptist men can and should do in the promotion of a mission program in and through their church.

Ralph Davis will lead a Bible study on the mission of the church. His practical theological approach to the mission of the church will be a blessing to men.

Missionary responsibilities and opportunities will be discussed by laymen from over the state. There will be a time of sharing ideas of things men can do as mission action projects in their church community.

Good singing will be directed by Fred Helms, minister of music, First Church, McGehee, who will also be responsible for arranging special messages in song. A challenge to missions will be given by James Hampton, missionary to Tanzania.

Fellowship is always wonderful between Christian men from across the state. Opportunity for inspiration, information, worship and fellowship is certainly calling to all Baptist men on May 2-3, beginning at 6:45 p.m.

Royal Ambassadors and other Baptist boys will have a similar opportunity at their Congress. Their activities begin at 5 p.m. on May 2, with a hot dog supper for all who register by April 30. The supper will be followed with entertainment by a singing group at 6:30. The Congress will be called to order at 6:45 and will feature many items of interest to Royal Ambassadors.

John Scales, consultant from the Brotherhood Commission, will discuss missions and mission actions for Royal Ambassadors and how to improve Chapter meetings and activities. Boys from several chapters will discuss chapter activities.

Mike Sheets will present camp activities in picture form. Some boys will get to see themselves as others see them. Gerald Counds will describe activities of summer mission workers in the far West. Jamey Smith, minister of music and youth at Augusta, will direct good singing as only boys can sing.

James Hampton, missionary to Tanzania, and Glendon Grober, missionary to Brazil, will provide missionary inspiration and information.

Opportunity is certainly calling to Royal Ambassadors and Baptist boys on May 2-3. Join in the fun, fellowship, inspiration, information and worship. Accept the opportunity and attend the Congress.—C. H. Seaton

Primary Choir Festivals

May 10, 1969

NORTH LITTLE ROCK

Levy Church, Director: Mrs. Don Drake, Oklahoma City, Okla.

HOT SPRINGS

Central Church, Director: Mrs. Evelyn Phillips, Ft. Worth, Tex.

MAGNOLIA

Central Church, Director: Mrs. George Baker, Houston, Tex.

OSCEOLA

First Church, Director: Mrs. Jimmy Key, Nashville, Tenn.

SPRINGDALE

First Church, Director: Mrs. Pete Butler, Ada, Okla.

Please note: The festival originally scheduled for El Dorado, Immanuel Church, has been changed to Magnolia, Central Church.

Schedule:

9:00 a.m. Warm-up, line up

9:30 a.m. Adjudication (no ratings or grades will be giver only comments to directors)

10:30 a.m. Recess

11:00 a.m. Combined Choirs

12:00 a.m. Dismiss

WMU board members chosen

The following were elected at the recent 80th Annual Meeting of Arkansas Woman's Missionary Union to serve on the executive board for 1969-70:

Officers: Mrs. J. A. Hogan, Sweet Home, president; Mrs. Robert Gladden, Little Rock, vice-president; Mrs. Jack Royce, Little Rock, recording secretary; Miss Nancy Cooper, Little Rock, treasurer.

District representatives: Mrs. Steve Baker, Little Rock; Mrs. Coy Tommey, McCrory; Mrs. Faber Tyler, Ozark; Mrs. Harold Elmore, Mountain Home; Mrs. John McAlister, El Dorado; Mrs. Carl Kluck, Arkadelphia; Mrs. Wayne Friday, Blytheville; Mrs. Landreth Loyd, Springdale.

Members-at-large: Mrs. Tom Bray, El Dorado; Mrs. Buford Bracy, Little Rock; Mrs. Ed Hardin, Dell; Mrs. J. H. Brandt, Carlisle; Mrs. Paul Brown, Lonoke; Mrs. Robert Buice, Little Rock; Mrs. R. A. Coppenger, Arkadelphia; Mrs. F. S. Dozier, Marianna; Mrs. Jack Ferguson, North Little Rock; Mrs. George Tharel, Fayetteville; Mrs. R. E. Snow, Fort Smith; Mrs. J. E. Stogsdill, Jonesboro.

Life members (Previously elected):
Mrs. F. E. Goodbar, Mrs. C. R. Pugh,
Mrs. W. D. Pye, Mrs. J. L. Fiske; Mrs.
L. M. Sipes, Mrs. J. R. Grant, Miss
Elma Cobb, Mrs. H. M. Keck.

Ex-officio members: Miss Nancy Cooper, executive secretary; Mrs. R. E. Hagood, WMS Director; Miss Sara Wisdom, YWA Director.

The 81st Annual Meeting will be held at Grand Avenue Church, Ft. Smith, April 7-8, 1970.—Nancy Cooper, Executive Secretary and Treasurer



NASHVILLE—Ras B. Robinson Jr. has been named manager of the Broadman Books department, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, effective April 1. Robinson was formerly marketing planning coordinator of the board's publishing division. Broadman Press is the general books publishing arm, of the Southern Baptist Convention. (BSSB Photo)

APRIL 24, 1969

Elementary Workshops

Mrs. Jimmy R. Key will represent the Church Music Department as a conference leader for the Elementary



MRS. KEY

Workshops to be held at Pine Bluff, South Side Church, May 20 and at Ft. Smith, First Church, May 22. Mrs. Key is coordinator of Children's Choirs, Tusculum Hills Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn. "The Child in Our Midst" is the theme for these workshops, which

are sponsored jointly by the Church Training, Sunday School and Church Music Departments and Woman's Missionary Union of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

The workshops are designed for pastors, ministers of education and music, coordinators and all who plan and administer programs involving nursery, beginner and primary workers.

Special notice

The Deacons' Retreat, sponsored by the Church Training Department, to be held May 9-10, 1969, has been changed from Petit Jean to Camp Paron.

Training session set for literacy mission

LOUISVILLE, KY.—A literacy missions workshop aimed at training resource persons for churches and associations is scheduled here July 14-19.

Sponsored by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, the workshop will include sessions on teaching adult nonreaders and for teaching those who are learning English as a second language.

"We are hoping that associations and churches will make it possible for some laymen to attend," said Miss Mildred Blankenship of the Home Mission Board.

"There is a need for a literacy missions person in every association in the Convention—a person capable of holding workshops in the churches. This is the one in-depth training opportunity."

The opportunity for teaching people English as a second language is growing, Miss Blankenship said, because of the increasing number of international students and foreign-born wives of servicemen.

Workshop sessions and housing are set at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary campus in Louisville. The fee for registration, tuition and housing is \$20.

Southern Baptist datelines-

SBC housing not critical, committee chairman says

NEW ORLEANS—The housing situation during the Southern Baptist Convention here June 10-13 is "not yet critical," the chairman of the convention's housing committee, G. Avery Lee, said here in late March.

Lee, pastor of Saint Charles Avenue Baptist Church, reported that the convention housing bureau had placed 7,-000 people in 3,000 rooms as of March 25, and that by the first of April, the total would increase to 8,000 persons.

Lee, who added that hotel rooms during the week of the convention are filling rapidly, offered several suggestions to those making hotel reservations:

"Be patient if your confirmation is slow in coming," he said. "The housing bureau makes the assignment, then the hotel sends the confirmation, with a copy to the bureau office. "If the hotel asks for a deposit, send it. This is standard hotel procedure. Failure to send the deposit could result in 'no room in the inn' on June 10.

"No block reservation requests will be held after April 1. All those rooms will then be returned to the pool for reassignment.

"Please do not try to switch from one hotel to another. One such request is not much of a bother, but a hundred is. If you have a confirmed room, better hold on to it.

"Try to avoid duplicate reservation requests. One man is listed in four different hotels. Man, is he anxious! Many have made more than one request.

"Be patient if your first choices are already filled. An effort will be made to assign accommodations as close as possible to your desires," Lee concluded. (BP)

Free shuttle bus slated from SBC to seminary

NEW ORLEANS—A free shuttle bus will run from the Rivergate Convention Center where the Southern Baptist Convention meets June 10-13, to the campus of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary during the week of the convention.

The bus will run each hour throughout the convention week, enabling those who attend the convention to visit the seminary campus while in New Orleans.

The seminary will hold open house on Thursday afternoon from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., during a period of time when no convention sessions will be held.

Open house at the seminary is scheduled immediately following the annual alumni luncheon for seminary graduates and alumni. The luncheon will be held at the Jung Hotel in downtown New Orleans at noon Thursday.

Immediately following the luncheon, a fleet of busses will be waiting to take the group to the seminary campus for the special open house.

A visitor's reception center on the seminary campus will provide information and guides for tours of the campus throughout the week.

The seminary's cafeteria will also be open for those who are visiting the campus at meal time. All dormitory rooms and apartments during the week will be used by Southern Baptist missionaries, and will not be available for other guests, seminary officials said.

(BP)

Two WMU editors swap jobs-

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—Editors of two Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) periodicals have swapped jobs, and a new editor has been named to edit youth materials.

The new editor is Miss Oneta Gentry of Nashville, who becomes editor of Tell and other Girls' Auxiliary materials published by the WMU, beginning March 31. Miss Gentry is currently copy

editor for Broadman Books of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

The two editors swapping jobs are Miss Ethalee Hamric, editor of Royal Service for the past 12 years; and Miss Rosanne Osborne, who joined the WMU staff last year and was responsible for designing and editing a new publication called Dimension.



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Mason Craig, First Church, McGehee

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Johnny Jackson, Forest Highlands Church, Little Rock

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Kendall Berry, Blytheville

Roy Hilton, Immanuel Church, El Dorado

Lloyd Lindsey, Camden

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NOT INCLUDED IN PICTURE: Dr. William Bennett, First Church, Fort Smith, Mrs. Robert Gladden, Little Rock, Thomas Keys, Little Rock and Wade Willis, Magnolia.

OUACHITA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY. "QUEEN OF THE COLLEGE WORLD"
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Construction at Memorial Hospital, to add 30 more beds, is progressing according to schedule. All of the concrete is poured on both the east and west wings, including the roof. Outside brick is completed to the second floor of the west wing and up to the first floor on the east wing. Windows on the first floor of the west wing are set and completed. Expected completion date is still September.

School of Radiologic Technology To Affiliate With Little Rock University



Peggy Echols

Peggy Echols, Chief Technologist in the Center's Radiology Department, announced that the Center's School of Radiologic Technology would affiliate with Little Rock University for the purpose of offering a program which would lead to a Bachelor of Science degree in Radiologic Technology.

Graduates from the Center's School of Radiologic Technology who have been certified as eligible for registration by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, will be eligible to receive 48 semester hours of credit toward graduation; 30 hours of which, will be considered as upper level hours.

To receive the degree, at least 30

hours of credit must be earned in residence at Little Rock University and the student must be registered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

Mrs. Echols said that Little Rock University would accept the first students into the program in September, 1969.

Thought For Today

"Nothing helps a doctor more than leaving a patient in the hands of a competent nurse. Not even the most modern medical machinery can replace a good nurse."

Dr. Christian Barnard Durban, South Africa

20 Graduates Join Staff of ABMC System



Pictured above are twenty nurses who graduated from ABMC's School of Practical Nursing, in exercises held March 21. Three of the graduates have joined the staff of Memorial Hospital and the others have joined the staff of ABMC. Seated, from left to right, they are: Anese Barber, Vicky Ball, Ramona Haralson, Bea Penny (Memorial), Kathleen Forrest (Memorial), Joyce Allen and Phylis Webb. Standing, from left to right: Mike Humphries, Harold Baker, Dorothy Woods, Janie Mills (Memorial), Jane Kirk, Dorothy Winningham, Helen Coley, Thersa Guenther, Lois Wright, Janise Tomczak, Annie Hannah, Louise Webb, and Judy Rascoe.

There were a total of twenty-three graduates of this tenth graduating class, bringing to 190, the total number of students to graduate since the school was started in 1965.

Greater Little Rock Savings And Loan League Pledges \$65,000



On the occasion of the announcement of the \$65,000 pledge made by the Greater Little Rock Savings and Loan League, pictured above from left to right are: J. A. Gilbreath, Executive Director, Arkansas Baptist Medical Center System; R. A. Lile, President of the Board of Trustees; Glen L. Williams, President, Peoples Savings and Loan Association; Ernest B. Matkin, Jr., Vice President, Commonwealth Federal Savings and Loan Association; Edward M. Penick, Chairman, ABMC Development Fund; W. R. (Witt) Stephens, Chairman, ABMC Development Council; Gus Blass, President, Capitol Savings and Loan Association; George B. Tyler, Vice President, First Federal Savings and Loan Association; Jack D. Basham, President, Arkansas Savings and Loan Association; J. E. Goodwin, President, American Security Savings and Loan Association; W. P. Gulley, Jr., President, Pulaski Federal Savings and Loan Association; and Frank Lyon, Chairman, Pattern Gifts Division.

W. R. (Witt) Stephens, Chairman of the Development Council, announced that the seven members of the Greater Little Rock Savings and Loan League has pledged a total of \$65,000 to the Arkansas Baptist Medical Center's Development Fund Program to raise a minimum of \$2 million to partially finance a new 500-bed \$18 million hospital to be built on University Ave.

Mr. H. Charles Johnston, President

of the Greater Little Rock Savings and Loan League, said, "We are well aware of the critical need for additional hospital beds here and of its ultimate impact upon the continued growth of the Little Rock area. We believe that this gift represents a solid investment in the growth and well-being of our community."

Frank Lyon, Chairman of the Pattern Gifts Division, said, "This pledge of \$65,000 was almost three times as much as this group has given to any other campaign. We are indeed delighted with their generous gift."

Edward M. Penick, Chairman of the Development Fund, said, "We are beginning to receive pledge cards back from the Pattern Gifts Division and the Advance Gifts Division, and the grand total raised in the campaign to date is \$1,137,000 or, about 56% of our goal."

Practical School Enrolls 40 In March Class

Mrs. Mary Jackson, Director of the Center's School of Practical Nursing, announced that 40 students had been accepted and enrolled in the class which began March 31. The School admits three classes each year — in March, June, and September. Approximately 110 students are enrolled in the school at the present time.

Since the school was started in 1965, more than 190 students have been graduated.

During the one-year comprehensive curriculum of the school, the student will study all of the major phases of nursing including: Medical and Surgical; Operating Room; Recovery Room; Emergency Room; Labor and Delivery; Pediatric and Newborn; and Sick Child nursing.

Upon graduation from the School, the graduate will be eligible to take the State Board for Licensed Practical Nursing.

Center's Career Day Display



Miss Sandra Sipe. ABMC's Recruiter, mans the Center's display at the State-Wide Health Careers Day, held at Fort Roots on March 25. Approximately 500 students from all over the state were in attendance. Assisting Miss Sipe with the display are, from right to left, Mrs. Frances Jones, a Student Practical Nurse, and Johnny Howaneitz, an X-Ray student. On the left, three students from Watson Chapel are pictured looking over the booths and studying the careers offered at ABMC. Fourth from the left is Mr. Gary Biene of the Arkansas Hospital Association, Health Careers Department.

Student Council Officers And Sponsors



Pictured above are the new officers of the ABMC Student Council, with their sponsors. From left to right, they are: Mary Powers, reporter; Lauretta Bruning, parliamentarian; and Judy Gentry, president. Miss Oleta Copeland is a sponsor from the x-ray department and Miss Edith Kincheloe is Education Coordinator. Sue Files, secretary-treasurer, was not present for the picture.

"Up With People" Perform For ABMC Students



About three and a half years ago, a group of young people from several foreign countries got together and decided that if people cared about each other and if they communicated that idea, there would be less trouble in the world. They decided to organize themselves into a group and communicate this basic idea through music and day-to-day conduct and demonstrate the fact that, as the future leaders of the world, they were willing to accept the challenge these responsibilities held. Thus, was the beginning of "Up With People."

Today, the organization consists of three international touring groups with approximately 160 members in each group. All are volunteers and all of the buses, musical instruments, sound equipment and lighting equipment have been donated.

The group was invited to Arkansas by Governor Rockefeller on February 17. Their last four performances were in Little Rock at the Robinson Auditorium. On Thursday, March 27, a representative group came to the Student Union Building and presented anabbreviated program for ABMC students.

Following the performances in Little Rock, the group will learn their program in Spanish and will begin a tour of Spain on April 17, at the invitation of the Spanish Government.

The organization consists of members from 24 foreign countries, ranging in age, from the middle teens up to 72 years, and boast a world-wide membership of approximately 100,000 members.

The objective of the organization is to communicate through their music and their day-to-day conduct and activities, the idea: "If More People Were For People — All People Everywhere — There'd Be a Lot Less People To Worry About and A Lot More People To Care." In order to reach more people with this message than they can meet in performances, they publish a magazine, "Pace" and a newspaper, "Tomorrow."

Dr. Corley Becomes Editor



Dr. J. Don Corley

The first edition of "Reflections of Pastoral Care", published by ABMC's School of Pastoral Care, was completed in February. The publication is edited by Dr. J. Don Corley, Director of Pastoral Care, and will be published quarterly.

The primary objective of the publication is to reflect from the fields of pastoral care, medicine, and allied professions, those matters of value which speak to inter-professional dialogue processes between the physician and the pastor. The full resources of the Arkansas Baptist Medical Center System will serve as the broad area from which material and interpretation will be included.

Each issue will contain dialogue material related to current medical and pastoral problems. Announcements of the School of Pastoral Care will be included; also, to be included will be reports related to dialogue projects that may be of interest.

The publication is made available, without charge, to physicians and clergymen; also, through their ministry — indirectly — to persons they serve.

Contributing editors are Jerre Hassell and Ed McDonald, staff chaplains at ABMC. The medical staff editorial advisory committee includes: Dr. Harold Hutson, Dr. Douglas Young, Dr. Vale Harrison, Dr. W. E. Morris, and Dr. Carl Wenger.

Southeastern Seminary sets seminar on urban studies

WAKE FOREST, N. C.—A Seminar on Urban Studies will be held at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary from June 16-July 11, 1969, involving a study of the structures and problems of the secular city, including an evaluation of efforts toward the renewal of the church.

As a laboratory course on the urban situation, the seminary will feature student projects on such topics as: "The Church and the Racially Changing Community," "The Church's Ministry to Internationals and to Others of Other Faiths," "Ministry to Blighted Areas and Communites," "Ministry to Scientific technological Oriented People," and "Ministry to the Academic Community."

The seminary will meet five days a week, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and will offer five semester hours credit. Housing for the seminar will be

provided on the seminary campus, though the seminar itself will be rather mobile in the Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill Triangle Area.

Most of the classroom instruction will be on the campus while field studies, special lectures and the visiting of special points will involve short trips in the area.

Faculty of the seminar will include: Thomas Bland, professor of Christian Ethics, and E. Luther Copeland, professor of Christian Missions at Southeastern; visiting lecturers from the Triangle Area, from the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, and from the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

In addition to these leaders, participants in the seminary will include seminarians and pastors. (BP)

Nursery facilities set for SBC in New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS—A child care center will be set up at the First Baptist Church nursery here to care for preschool children of out-of-town visitors attending the Southern Baptist Convention here, June 9-13.

The convention's nursery committee in charge of making the arrangements has established several policies regarding the child care center at the convention.

The policies state that only preschool children of out-of-town guests can use the facilities.

Charges of \$1.50 per child, regardless of the number of children in a family, will be made for the service.

The nursery will be open 45-minutes prior to each convention session and 45 minutes following each session, Monday through Friday, June 9-13.

First Baptist Church is located at 4301 St. Charles Ave., in New Orleans, about 40 blocks from The River gate Convention Center where sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention are to be held.

Convention officials said there is good street car service from the church direct to the Rivergate, and adequate parking facilities at the church for those who want to park at the church and ride the street car to the convention meeting site. (BP)

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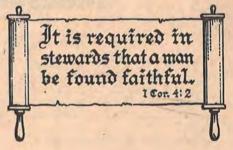


Summer: Camp time!

BOYS!—and GIRLS!—look forward to summer and camp time. Outdoor fun, new friendships, swimming, fishing. . . It's fun!

Siloam Springs Assembly, 1969, provides three great weeks for all Arkansas Baptists, including the boys and girls. Dates are from June 30 through July 19. Leadership, teaching, and inspiration provide spiritual stimulation and challenge. Each church now has detailed information for registration.

Royal Ambassador camp dates, at Camp Paron, are from June 2 through June 27, for varying age groups. Boys receive instruction and praitice in camperaft, sports, mission study, first aid and Bible study. It's wholesome; it's spiritual; it's fun!



Convention to feature education plans of '70's-

NEW ORLEANS—The Southern Baptist Religious Education Association, meeting here June 9-10 just prior to the Southern Baptist Convention, will project Southern Baptist religious education plans for the 1970's.

Carrying out the theme, "Design for a Decade," the convention will feature staff presentations on Southern Baptist plans for the 1970's in the areas of Sunday School, Church Training, Brotherhood, Woman's Missionary Union, and pastoral ministries.

Keynote address on the theme of the convention will be brought by W. L. Howse, director of the education division for the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

Major closing addresses will deal with implementing 1970 plans in the local church, and motivation for religious education. Speakers will be Russel Noel, minister of education for First Church, Tulsa, Okla., and Jimmy R. Allen, pastor of First Church, San Antonio, Tex.

The convention will open Monday morning, June 9, at 9:30 with an opening address by James Frost, secretary of the Sunday School department of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas.

An opening session panel discussion will feature Don Herman, minister of education at Parkway Church, St. Louis, Mo.; Lucian Coleman Jr., professor at Southern Seminary, Louisville; and Mrs. Maruice Williams, of Birmingham, Ala. (BP)

Children's nook-

A chimney! What an awful place to live! What a dark, dreary, unsuitable place to raise a family. No backyard, no front yard, not a level spot anywhere. Yet, one bird-the chimney swift-finds this place to his liking.

Here, in a nest thrust out into space, the mother bird lays her eggs and taises her young. She returns year after year. The babies she hatches seek either this same place or one like it when it comes time for them to lay their eggs and raise their young.

This bird, which someone has called the small boy of the bird world, is a cousin to the swallow. Its feet and body are so constructed that walking is almost impossible. Therefore, it spends all its daylight hours flying, zipping, darting, and plunging through the sky.

In stark contrast to this light and freedom, its nighttime hours are spent inside a chimney or a hollow tree. There it holds itself, tail braced, against a vertical surface. Brooding its eggs, it sits on a nest which it has built out, stickon-stick from the chimney wall. These sticks are held to the chimney and to each other by a gluelike saliva of the parent birds.

Before this strange nest could be built, the birds got the material in a strange manner. They flew against dead twigs, breaking them. Then grasping them with feet or beak they carried them tothe nest spot and stuck them to whatever part of the nest was outermost. It took three weeks to build the nest.

chimney

By ENOLA CHAMBERLIN

Chimney swifts can be seen almost everywhere in the eastern part of America from April to October. You can recognize them by the way they fly. They are so stiff-feathered it seems as if their wings are motionless. Someone has likened their curved wings and smooth bodies to bent bows with arrows on the strings. And they never light. You never see them bring the'r soot-colored bodies to rest on trees or wires. They catch their food in the air and eat it there.

The swifts that stay the farthest south wait in the fall for the ones that went farther north in the spring. In this way they all end their southern migration about the same time.

In early autumn, they begin gathering along the northern coast of the Gulf of Mexico. As darkness approaches, they swirl in circles over a large unused chimney. Raising their wings above their heads, they drop straight down into the chimney's opening. They grasp the chimney with their toes and hang in an upright position until morning.

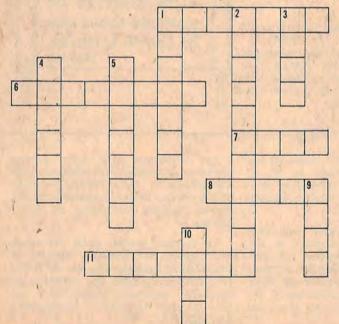
John James Audubon estimated that nine to ten thousand swifts would roost in a chimney. John Burroughs told of one flock-ten thousand, he said-that roosted for six weeks in a chimney before it took off across the Gulf. He likened the birds to a swarm of bees, except that they chippered instead of hummed.

Then one night the chimneys stay empty. The birds are gone, arrowing out across the water to their wintering place in the Amazon Basin of Brazil. There, since there are no chimneys, they roost in dead, hollow trees. These trees are, after all, the original roosting places of these strange, happy birds. Chimneys comprise only a later mode of living for them.

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Measures of length in the Bible

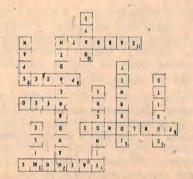
By FRANCIS SPENCER



Down

- 1. Jeremiah 52:21
- Exodus 25:25
- Matthew 5:41
- Genesis 6:15
- Acts 1:12 (Third word of phrase)
- Exodus 28:16
- 10. Acts 1:12 (second word of phrase)

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Across

- 1. Acts 27:28
- 5. Luke 24:13
- 7.
- Ezekiel 40:5 2 Samuel 6:13
- Acts 1:12 (first word of phrase)

Archeology dig planned for summer

New Orleans Seminary has announced an Institute of Biblical Archaeology which will take a group of 47 students and pastors to the Holy Land from July 17 to August 14.

A sightseeing trip to Athens and Rome will follow a three-week archaeological dig at Tel Malhata, northeast of Haifa. Those participating in the dig will earn six hours of credit.

In addition to the Seminary students and teachers, a limited number of pastors may participate in the dig, according to Doug Chatham, assistant director of Public Relations at the seminary. Applications for pastors must be completed at the Seminary before May 10.

Through an arrangement with the Tel-Aviv University, the cost has been reduced to approximately \$850 for the thirty day trip, it is reported.

The excavation in Palestine will be carried out under the auspices of the Tel-Aviv University in cooperation with several American groups. The Tel Malhata dig is in its second season of excavation with basic stratification going back to Middle Bronze Age II. Ruins of a fort have been discovered in this period, as well as strata belonging to the Iron Age in the seventh and sixth centuries B.C.

The Institute is under the directorship of Dr. Eugene Keebler and Dr. George Harrison.

TV documentary on Baptist work

FORT WORTH — A half-hour color television documentary on Southern Baptist missions work in Colombia and other South American countries will be telecast nationwide by the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS-TV), Sunday, April 27.

The Southern Baptist Convention's Radio and Television Commission here produced the program in association with CBS-TV.

Filmed largely in the city of Cali, Colombia, and the surrounding area, title of the documentary will be "The Baptists of Cali." The film centers on activities of the International Baptist Theological Seminary in Cali, Colombia. (BP)

Sentry

God sees our every gesture, He knows when we're sincere; He's the same today as always, He's very real and near.

-Opal L. Whitfield



The grindel—a useful predator



Grinnel or grindle fishermen are a breed all to themselves. This well known Little Rock sportsman, Sarge Lane, is known as the "Grinnel King."

A grindel is easily distinguished from all other Arkansas fish by its very long arching dorsal fin. They are usually dark olive green above shading down to a dirty cream color below. The body is robust, the head is blunt, and the mouth is large with many sharp teeth. A black spot surrounded by orange or yellow on the tail denotes a male. In females the border is lacking and sometimes there is no spot. The fins are often grassy green.

Grindel are mostly found in the warmer waters of the south and eastern parts of the state. Although it is classed as a non-game fish the bowfin or grindel is nevertheless a sporting fish on a fishing line. They may grow to more than 20 pounds.

From a fisheries management view point, grindels and other predator fish are desirable to help keep forage fish from becoming too numerous.

The bookshelf-

Christian Calling and Vocation, by Henlee H. Barnette, Baker paperback \$1.50

The God Who Shows Himself, by Carl F. H. Henry, Word, \$3.50

This book features incisive, startlingly significant chapters on evangelical involvement with contemporary sociopolitical problems.

Taking Stock, Help for Daily Living, by Theodore S. Smylie, John Knox paperback \$1.75

A Door Ajar, by Josephine Moffett Benton, United Church Press, \$2.50

The book deals with many facets of death-one's own; death of a husband or wife; death of a child; death after prolonged illness; death as related to the medical profession; remembering the dead, etc.

Religion and Leisure in America, by Robert Les, Abingdon paperback, \$1.75

Sermon Outlines from Sermon Masters-Old Testament, by Ian Macpher- nett, Home Mission Board son, Abingdon, \$3

Here are 550 sermon plans. Each out- Dyal Jr., Association Press, \$1.95 line is based on a verse of scripture; many include illustrations.

Church Growth in Central and Southern Nigeria, by John B. Grimley and Gordon E. Robinson, Eerdmans paperback, \$3.25

Extraordinary Living for Ordinary Men, by Sam Shoemaker, Zondervan, \$2.95

This is a collection of selections from hundreds of writings and broadcasts of this man who was rated by Newsweek as one of the ten outstanding preachers in America.

In Famine's Shadow, by Mervyn Jones, Beacon Press, \$4.95

This is an account of a private war on hunger by England's Oxford Committee for Famine Relief (Oxfam). Oxfam now raises three million pounds a year to combat famine and deprivation in the underprivileged areas of the world.

Never a Dull Moment, by Eugenia Price, Honest Questions by Teen-agers, with Honest Answers, by Eugenia Price, Zondervan, \$1

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A warmly devotional look at the life and ministry of Christ.

How Salesmanship Sells, by Elmer G. Leterman, Harper & Row, \$3.95

A master salesman reveals how he and other successful men use salesmanship to attain their business goals.

When the Rain Falls, by Herschel H. Hobbs, Baker, \$2.95

Comfort for troubled hearts.

Services and Songs for the Celebration of Life, by Kenneth L, Patton, Beacon Press, \$6

New elements of vitality and interest for the worship service.

Evangelicals at the Brink of Crisis, by Carl F. H. Henry, Word, \$1.75

Integrity Therapy, by John W. Drakeford, Broadman, 1967, \$3.95

It's Always Too Soon to Quit, The Steve Spurrier Story as told to Mel Larson, Zondervan, 1968, \$3.95

The remarkable success story of one of the sports world's most appealing heroes, It's Always Too Soon to Quit! is a book-length testimony of what God has done through one young man dedicated to him.

Confronting a Crisis, by G. Willis Ben-

It's Worth Your Life, by William M.

Prayer's Deeper Secrets, by F. J. Huegel, Bethany Fellowship, \$1

Letters from Mother, Mildred McMurry's Inspiring Letters, by Billie McMurry Emmons, Broadman Press, 1967, \$2.95

The Treasury of C. H. Spurgeon, Baker, \$1.95

Sketches of Revival Sermons, by J C .. Hornberger, Baker, \$1

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An eye-opening, prophetic approach to events transpiring today.

Dear Connie, by Hunter Beckelhymer, Bethany Press, paperback, \$2.45

People Who Care, by C. W. Brister, Broadman Inner Circle Book, \$1.50

Free to Live, Free to Die, by Malcolm Boyd, Holt, Rinehard, Winston, 1967,

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A ministry of compassion

By Dr. L. H. Coleman, Pastor, Immanuel Church, Pine Bluff Life and Work April 27, 1969 Mark 14:3-9; John 8:1-11; Luke 23:55-24:1

This quarter's emphasis, "Our Ministry of Love," would have to include to-day's study. At the heart of ministry is compassion. There was no word used more often to characterize our Lord than the word compassion. Today's study should be applied to action in daily life. Needs are all about us. Christ wants to love the unlovely through us. We cannot help anyone until we first love.

I. The Case of the Adulteress (John 8:1-11)

The account of the woman brought to Jesus after being taken in the act of adultery is found exclusively in John 8:1-11. This story came as an interruption while Jesus was teaching in the temple. The woman was thrown down to the ground. This woman had been taken "in the very act" (this is a brutal term). Surely this was an embarrassing moment for all concerned. The modesty of all had been offended!

The self-righteous Pharisees were the accusers. They looked with scorn upon the woman. These Pharisees were trying to find fault with Jesus. They reasoned to themselves that now they would have something of which they could accuse Jesus. The law of Moses prescribed stoning to death for adultery but under Roman law this deed was not punishable by death. Thereby Jesus was caught on the horns of a dilemma. They felt that if Jesus let the woman go free, he would have violated the Jewish law and if he prescribed death he thereby would have violated the Roman law. Keep in mind the motive of the Pharisees; they sought to trap Jesus. Their motive was not righteousness.

What did Jesus do? He wrote on the

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ground. Shocked modesty possessed Jesus as he wrote. Righteous indignation also filled his heart. He answered them first with silence. We do not know what he wrote on the ground. Whatever he wrote was very, very effective. Then Jesus spoke. His words are classic: "Let him that is without sin cast the first stone." He questioned the right of those who were the potential executioners. Condemnation is reserved only to the sinless. Since they were unworthy to cast stones, they departed.

Jesus told the woman, "Neither do I condemn thee." Then he told her to go her way and sin no more. Jesus dealt with her tenderly. He actually took her defense. He loved the sinner. However, Jesus gave no compromise to her sin. He defended the sinner and prosecuted the sin. This always is what he does for sinners. She called him "Lord" (v. 11), which indicated great respect. Undoubtedly she became a Christian and a devout follower of Christ.

II. Lessons of Value

- 1. Somehow Jesus sensed a double standard. Why was not the adulterous man brought to him? God does not have a double standard of morality.
- 2. When Jesus calls an individual from sin, there is no compromise with the sin; but there is a change with the sinner.
- 3. She had the power to overcome sin through Jesus.
- 4. We must be more interested in helping those with a sin problem than

with condemning them.

5. She was touched by a loving heart and wakened by kindness when she was brought face to face with Jesus.

III. Thoughtfulness of Two Women (Luke 23:55-24:1)

Jesus had been crucified. The very purpose for which he came to earth had been accomplished. Two women, Mary of Magdala and Mary the Mother of Jesus (Mark 16:1 also lists Salome), had remained tirelessly at their posts during the ordeal of the crucifixion and then continued later in the afternoon to see what was to be done with his body.

Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus took the body to Joseph's tomb. The two women came over and sat against the sepulcher. Later these women returned to their homes to prepare spices and ointments that they might supplement the work of embalmment. These gracious, thoughtful women wanted to add anything that might have been overlooked by the two men. They demonstrated true love for the Saviour. They had been moved by compassion to care for the Saviour's body. Their concern was greatly impressive.

Conclusion:

The one word lost to our Christian vocabulary is the word compassion. We simply are selfish. We do not want to be bothered with the needs of others. We do not want to become involved. How much do we care about the needs of others? How much real, earnest compassion do we have for just one lost soul today?

-Deaths

WILLIAM LEE FUNDERBURG, 19, was drowned April 10 at Arkadelphia.

He was a member of Liberty Church, near Mineral Springs, in Little River Association.

He was a freshman at Henderson State College.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Funderburg, rear Mineral Springs; three sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Stuart and Mrs. Sue James of Ft. Worth, Tex., area, and Mrs. Nancy Newell of Benton.

MRS. MARY MOORE SHOWALTER, 86, Little Rock, died April 16.

She was a member of First Church, Little Rock.

She is survived by a son, Eugene A Showalter, Little Rock, and a brother, Phillip D. Moore, Van Buren.

ALLEN W. BRYANT, of Clovis, N. M., father of Dr. Thurman E. Bryant, Southern Baptist missionary to South Brazil, died April 13. Dr. Bryant may be addressed at Caixa Postal 30259, Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo, Brazil. W. HERMAN MIKELL, 59, associate secretary of the church music department of the Florida Baptist Convention for 9½ years, died in a Jacksonville, Fla., hospital.

A native of Georgia, Mikell was a graduate of New Orleans Seminary, and was minister of music for Baptist churches in Delhi, La.; New Orleans; Jackson, La.; and Baltimore, Md. He was minister of music and education at Riverview Church here before joining the State convention staff.

The authority of the Bible

By VESTER E. WOLBER, Th. D. Chairman, Division of Religion and Philosophy Ouachita Baptist University International April 27, 1969 Deut. 6:4-7; Rom. 16:25-27; 2 Peter 1:16-19

The Bible speaks with authority because it is God who speaks through the Bible: thus it carries its own authority as it speaks directly to the intelligence, the conscience, the will, and heart of man. It is self-authenticating.

The law of Israel (Deut. 6:4-7)

Moses said that God had told him to teach the commands of God to Israel (Deut. 6:1-3). Verses 4-9 seem to be a condensed summary of the law. The summary declares that (1) there is one God; (2) men are to love God with all their being; (3) the law is to be taught to their children; and (4) they are to be the topic of conversation among the people of God.

It was Moses' intention that religion and religious instruction should occupy an important place in the life of the family and the community. The import of the passage for this lesson on the authority of the Bible is that God's word speaks with authority and men are responsible for receiving and obeying its commands. God's initial instruction to Joshua, who succeeded Moses, was to keep the law in his mouth (repeat it), meditate upon it, and observe it that he might be successful in leading his people (Josh. 1:7, 8).

Paul's doxology (Rom. 16:25-27)

The closing verses of the Roman letter ascribe praise to God who is able to strengthen the reader (1) in keeping with Paul's gospel, the preaching which has Jesus Christ for its theme; (2) in keeping with the "mystery" which was long hidden but finally disclosed (a) in the redemptive work of Christ, and (b) through the prophetic scriptures; and (3) in keeping with God's command "to bring about the obedience of faith."

This analysis of Paul's doxology of praise shows that the things preached about Jesus Christ and the things written in the Old Testament unite their energies to bring men to obedient faith in God. The apostle discovered a beautiful harmony composed of (1) the gospel which God promised through the prophets, (2) the gospel which Christ provided, and (3) the gospel which Paul preached (Lu. 24:44-46; Rom. 1:2).

The prophetic word and apostolic witness (2 Pet. 1:16-19)

The thrust of Peter's testimony is that as an eyewitness of Christ's majestic glory (at the Transfiguration) he can corroborate and thus make "more sure" the prophetic work which foretold Christ's glory.

In bearing witness to Christ, Peter had not followed "cunningly devised myths" but was an eyewitness. When Jesus was transfigured (Mark 9:1-8), Peter saw him and heard God say "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Peter insisted that he had found out through experience that the prophetic word was reliable. The testimony of Peter and other moral and sane people has come down to us; and we find in following their examples of faith we, too, have meaningful and satisfying religious experiences.

In the days of Abraham, God spoke to-his chosen vessel, made promises to him, and established a covenant with him. This covenant was renewed repeatedly with his descendants, Issac, Jacob and Joseph. Religious authority was channeled to the people of God through the patriarchs.

Through Moses God proposed a covenant with the nation of Israel, which covenant Israel ratified (Exodus 19). The basic agreement was that the Lord was to be their God and they were to obey his commands and to be his people. Moses was the channel through which the authority of God was passed down to the people. After the death of Moses Joshua continued to administer authority in a similar manner, but when he died the central government broke down and "every man did that which was right in his own eyes" (Jud. 21:25). The Lord raised up judges through whom he exercised control over his people.

With the establishment of a monarchy God began to separate religious authority from civil authority. He raised up prophets through whom he conveyed his will to his people, and the prophetic office continued to exercise moral and spiritual authority until the close of the Old Testament era.

John the Baptist announced the imminence of Christ and when Christ came he claimed special knowledge of God and declared that he alone could mediate that knowledge to men (Matt. 11:27). After his resurrection Jesus claimed that all authority in heaven and on earth had been given to him (Matt. 28:16). This "Great Commission" to the Apostles authorizing them to make disciples for Christ in all the nations constituted a delegated authority to supervise the Christian movement. By their preaching and in their collective judgment they determined the contents of the Christian gospel (Acts 15). They wrote or furnished the contents of the New Testament books.

While the Apostles were alive final religious authority was vested in them; but when they were gone, that authority was shifted to the literature which they had written or caused to be written. As the churches came to recognize the fact that these writings did contain such authority they collected and preserved them and formed them into the New Testament.

Full and final religious authority rests in and upon the Lord Jesus who speaks to men through the New Testament which was produced by his delegated Apostles as inspired by the Holy Spirit. How will men escape God's judgment if they neglect or reject that message (Heb. 2:1-4)? They will not escape.

Gifts

"In my past ministry as a pastor, nothing thrilled me more than seeing our people grow in this grace also. We soon grew away from the idea that ten percent was an acceptable amount to give to the Cooperative Program. It has been proven to me again and again that as our gifts to missions, the Cooperative Program, were increased, the windows of heaven were widely opened upon us. The Lord increased his blessings upon us. Our fellowship as a church member was enhanced; soulwinning was increased, and our financial budget established and enlarged."—Garrett Graham, pastor, Middlebelt Church, Inkster, Michigan.

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He got the raise.

No insight

"Every time I ask you something," the angered husband said to his wife, "you answer with another question. Why?"

"Do I really do that?" the wife -replied.

Gallantry

After a speech a famous lecturer and wit was approached by a little white-haired woman who told him how much she had enjoyed his talk. "I take the liberty to speak to you," she said, "because you told us you love old ladies."

"I do, I do," was the gallant reply, "and I also like them your age."

Theory-weary

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In the world of religion-

NEWS AND VIEWS-Compiled by the Editor

Public control

An American (Northern) Baptist leader has outlined conditions under which he would favor the use of state aid to parochial schools.

Dr. Paul L. Sturges, administrative executive of the 280-church Massachusetts Baptist Convention, said that he would favor state aid to the Catholic schools of Massachusetts providing the church schools would submit to public supervision.

Specifically, Dr. Sturges would require:

That "aid" to pay teacher salaries be accompanied by the submission of schools and teachers to public control and regulation;

That all teachers in church-related schools obtaining public aid be required to meet the state's teaching standards;

That all schools be subject to higher qualifications for teachers; and

That supervision of teachers and management of church-related schools receiving state funds be placed under the proper government regulating agency.

Talk for Christ

Because they say that "race, sex, and drugs are tearing the campuses apart," groups of students at the University of Pittsburgh and at Carnegie-Mellon University have started a pilot project to "talk point-blank about Christ" at a series of forum meetings and discussion groups.

Saying they are "sick and tired of trying to find solutions through student disorders, sit-ins, confrontations with the chancellor, ad infinitum," the students plan a series of evangelistic, person-to-person thrusts to "uplift Christ."

Jackie's church

Mrs. Jacqueline Onassis, the former Mrs. John F. Kennedy, may decide to leave the Roman Catholic Church for the Greek Orthodox Church, the Greek Orthodox primate of North and South America said recently in Boston.

Archbishop Iakovos told a press conference that the Vatican could decide "momentarily on her status with the Catholic Church. If she is deprived of the sacraments of her own church, she may become a member of our church," he said.

Rap U.S. Policy

A Quaker action group based in Philadelphia has shifted its focus from U. S. involvement in Vietnam to government policies in Latin America.

Jerry Coffin, program secretary for the group, claims there can be no justice in U. S. relations with Latin America until the government removes "its overwhelming military presence and threat to basic change and ceases its support of corrupt ruling cliques."

Appealing 'opiate'

Too many people—including some Communist party members—are still going to church, a Red newspaper in Moscow complained recently.

Sovetskaya Rosiya, newspaper of the Communist Central Committee, charged in a front-page editorial that officials are ignoring the fact that many party members are also having their children baptized.

"All this is going on despite the fact the K. Marx says religion is the opiate of the people, a reactionary force, and holds back the development of society," said the editorial.

Gospel to Korea

A new two-tower directional antenna erected at Inchon, Korea, by The Evangelical Alliance Mission has greatly improved the mission's gospel programming on 50,000-watt HLKX, according to an announcement from the mission's home office, in Wheaton, Ill.

"The message of God's love is broadcast 28 hours a week into China and 28 hours into Russia and Siberia," the mission reports.

Pay wedding fee

Thirty-two years ago a Methodist pastor told newly-weds Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Leake, of Kansas City, that in lieu of giving him a cash fee they should send their first child to Baker University, a Methodist university in Baldwin, Kan.

Recently the couple made good on the promise, enrolling their daughter Susie, 18, as a freshman at Baker.

Amish custom clashes

Three Old Order Amish fathers face charges in Monroe, Wisc., for failure to permit their high-school-age children to attend public school.

The Amish claim their children attend their own training school, which meets one afternoon a week for written work and requires the students to spend the remainder of their time training to be Amish farmers and housewives.

Graham, Hoffman evangelism speakers

Two of North America's best known radio preachers and evangelists have been named to give the opening and closing messages of the U. S. Congress on Evangelism in Minneapolis, Minn., next Sept. 8-13.

They are Dr. Oswald C. J. Hoffmann, St. Louis, speaker on "The Lutheran Hour", and Evangelist Billy Graham, Montreat, N. C., the voice of "The Hour of Decision."



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