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THE SECOND MILE Perry F Webb, Pine Bluff

Perhaps the most encouraging sign manifest in our Baptist ranks for many years is the favorable reception being given to the present effort to enlist one hundred thousand of our people in paying one dollar per month to retire our mission debts.

The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club, simply stated, is a movement to gradually retire the debts on our Southwide agencies without distributing our present contributions and budgets. It aims to enroll one-fortieth of our people in the club, each paying one dollar per month, all of the contributions to apply on actual reduction of these debts.

The plan commends itself to me for the following reasons:

First—It is REASONABLE. God's expectations of His people are reasonable, as well as righteous. The expectations of His servants of their brethren should be of the same nature.

This plan is certainly reasonable, as well as righteous. One has only to consider our four million southern white Baptists, and that we are trying to enlist only one-fortieth of them in paying one dollar per month on our Southwide debts. This consideration makes the plan very reasonable. I am fully persuaded that we have at least that number of Baptists who do care.

Second.—The goal is REACHABLE. Closely akin to the first point is this further consideration that has great merit: we are not asking for thousand dollar or hundred dollar contributions. Other efforts in the past have largely excluded the majority of our people by reason of no appeal to small givers. This plan calls for only one dollar per month. It places the opportunity of sharing within reach of the humblest and poorest Baptist. In fact, the poor Baptist will share equally and on a parity with his richer brother. In reach of rich, in reach of poor—this should appeal to us all.

Third.—It promises to be SUCCESSFUL. We very much need the tonic of a great victory. Our present aim is to gradually retire our indebtedness in such a way as not to be detrimental to our regular budgets and current operations. If this plan is earnestly supported and faithfully followed for five years, we shall wipe out every dollar of our Southwide mission debts. Is this not a prospect pleasing indeed?

The Brotherhood will be glad to know that although the effort has

ATTENTION, BROTHER PASTOR

You are doubtless familiar with the campaign for subscriptions to THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST—and HOME AND FOREIGN FIELDS being sponsored by the State B. Y. P. U. Convention. Our young people are fully capable of securing 5,000 subscriptions to our State paper if we will give them a chance. Our office has communicated with every B. Y. P. U. Department of which we have a record and have sent suggestions and literature on the campaign. This note is my personal word to the pastors urging that you encourage your young people in this worthy effort and give them every possible assistance. We have been given special rates for this particular campaign. I hope you understand that The Arkansas Baptist offers the cheapest rate of any of our state papers. For \$1.50 per year in clubs of 25 or more our people can receive the two papers mentioned above, which is about 50c cheaper than the rest of the state papers alone. We ought to take advantage of these rates and utilize our young people in putting the paper in every home. February is SUBSCRIPTION MONTH. We have suggested that booths be set up in every church during the entire month and presided over by the young people themselves. Brother Cossey is doing more than his part in trying to give us a sixteen page paper. Our part is to send in more subscriptions. Our opportunity is this campaign. Let your young people know that you are for it and will help put it over.—J. P. Edmunds.

A WORTHY MEMORIAL E. J. A. McKinney

Bro. Cossey has shown me a copy of memorandum of the gift of The Wallace Slaughter Pastor's Home made to the Newport Baptist Church. Mrs. E. D. Wallace makes the gift of this home as a memorial to her deceased husband, R. C. Wallace, and to her daughter, Mrs. Alex A. Slaughter, of Dallas, Texas, and to herself. Mrs. Slaughter joins in acquiescence of her mother's gift and the deacons of the church and the church itself join in gratitude and not been completed, already \$41,000 has been paid, which amount has already been applied to the principal of our debts.

We have secured only about 500 members thus far in our state. This certainly does not represent the number who are interested in this matter! Our present effort is to secure at least 500 more members of the Hundred Thousand Club. If you have not signed a pledge, please do so without delay.

appreciation of the noble gift. Back yonder forty years ago, our State Mission Board began to help keep pastors at Newport and also took much interest in the early building propositions at Newport, for years, saw slow growth from a Baptist stand point. There were a faithful few there. To some of us who watched these early years of work with deep interest, there is real joy at this gift which expresses appreciation for the helpfulness the church has been to the life of one Saint and her loved ones. Mrs. Wallace's gift will help Newport Baptists to better days. The Lord spare her to see much good come out of this unselfish deed. If I recall it correctly, Ex. Gov. James P. Eeagle, held one of the first Baptist meetings in the courthouse at Newport, while president of the State Mission Board. We are glad for the present church plant and this good home for a pastor. Rent has always been high in Newport, so this gift means more to the cause than in the average town,

DR. BROUGH CONTENDS THIS IS A CHRISTIAN NATION

To the Editor of the Gazette:

In your excellent column, "From the People," a writer of Newport, Ark., signing himself "1934 Modernist," denies that the United States is a Christian nation. Facts are more eloquent than words, and when we reflect that there are 116,000,000 Christians, and only 30,000,000 non-Christians on the North American continent; that there are 210,924 church edifices, valued at \$3,839,500,610, in the United States alone, representing approximately 55,000,000 Protestant and 22,000,000 Catholic communicants; that the militant Christian church, despite our social and economic unrest, is marching triumphantly forward, every year representing an approximate increase of nearly 5,000,000 in membership, we inevitably reach the conclusion that Christianity is "great in the arduous greatness of things done." It may be true, as "Modernist" alleges, that the founders of our nation were not outstanding believers in the Christian religion, and some of them, like the great infidel, Thomas Paine, denied the existence of God, as well as the Divinity of Christ; but it must be remembered that Thomas Paine exclaimed on his deathbed, "O God, why hast Thou struck me dead? If there be mercy for me, have mercy upon me." Washington did pray at Valley Forge, as a famous painting hanging in the rotunda of our national capitol eloquently reveals. Thomas Jefferson, immortal author of the Declaration of Independence, had a profound respect for all religion, and battled nobly for the right of every man and every woman to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience. Benjamin Franklin, the wisest of all American philosophers, moved that the sessions of Congressional Convention in 1787 be opened with prayer, Andrew Jackson, on his deathbed said, "The Bible, sir, is the Rock on which our Republic rests." Abraham Lincoln, although not a member of any church, frequently appealed to Deity, as is shown in his two inaugural addresses, and in the masterful biographies of Lincoln by Barton, Ludwig, Hertz, and Stephenson. Practically all of our senatorial and congressional leaders and the governors are religious and affiliated with some denomination, four of these splendid governors being Jews.

Then "the 1934 Modernist" alludes to the "Dark Ages," between (Continue on Page 3)

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Tidings That Tell

STOP-LOOK-LISTEN. The Arkansas Baptist will be published after this week, on Wednesday instead of Thursday. This will make sure that the paper will reach every reader the week it is published. It will be put in the Little Rock post office on Wednesday evening. Furthermore, we mean to publish a 16 page paper every week we have enough money to pay the printer. Pay up your subscription and help us publish a 16 page paper.

W. C. Halsell, our advertising man is on the job. He will come to your town and help you increase the circulation of your paper. He will be glad to go anywhere in the state and work up a special edition of the paper, featuring your church and the town. Write him for a date. Give us a 'cue' for special issues. An Anniversary of pastor or church or anything special, will be a good time for an edition featuring your church. Write W. C. Halsell 408 Federal Bank & Trust Bldg., Little Rock.

Black Springs church is planning to take an offering for missions right soon. Pastor James Draper is getting subscriptions for the paper at this church and also at Forester.

Beech Street, Texarkana, received one by letter and 3 for baptism Sunday and 6 were baptized.

Arkadelphia, Second, Pastor Overton reports a fine College girl saved at evening service Sunday. Brother Overton is another real friend to the paper and to every other good cause.

Harrison is the location of some real work. Mrs. J. F. Bow is teaching "The year book" to a group. Pastor Griever is preaching on prayer, and the "Ushers Union" had their monthly banquet recently.

Star City had two conversions and two additions for baptism, two the Sunday before, one being baptized. Two new Sunday school classes have been organized and a new department formed. A B. A. U. is to be organized. Pastor L. H. Davis gets in line with the big movement and calls for the list of Subscribers in Star City. Who will be next?

Walnut Ridge Baptists on the mountain top. Pastor Langley writes: Sunday was an outstanding day

with us. The church has been staggering along under a load of debt and accumulated interest. Yesterday morning \$459 was laid 'On the barrel head' in cash, and about \$150 more pledged to be paid by Feb. 1. We sang the Doxology twice. The spirit of Fellowship and cooperation was manifest, and the people have a feeling that, even in times like these, "It can be done."

Roland Lawrence has just closed a good meeting at the Osage Indian Baptist Church at Pawhuska, Okla. A. Worthington formerly of this State is Missionary-Pastor under the Home Mission Board. This was the 4th meeting for Bro. Lawrence with the Indians. He reports that they are very responsive to the gospel.

Central Church, Hot Springs, received 4 by letter two were baptized last Sunday.

C. A. Wise, pastor Baptist church, Granite, Ill., is in Arkansas visiting in Hot Springs for two weeks and will be glad to supply or visit some pastorless church and preach either of the next two Sundays. Write him at Hot Springs, general delivery.

Paragould, First, had 2 additions by letter and one by statement last Sunday.

Hazen Baptists are in a revival, resulting in 4 additions by letter and 3 for baptism the first week.

Plainview Church had a special service Sunday with the St. Albin's chapter of DeMolay in a body as guests. The DeMolay had this service in honor of Pastor Aubrey Halsell, who is a former member of that organization. There was one conversion. The church has recently purchased 100 new song books.

The Ward Baptist church has secured W. B. O'Neil as pastor. He preaches for them each 4th Sunday. Brother O'Neil would like to be called to another 4th time church on the Missouri Pacific Railway as he has an annual pass.

Death called some of our great preachers last week. Dr. O. E. Bryan of Nashville, Tenn. Dr. T. Clagett Skinner of Lynchburg, Va., Byron Smith, Knoxville, Tenn. We regret to lose these brethren from our ranks.

Warren reports one addition by letter and one for baptism. The pastor, Minor M. Cole, is preaching a series of 16 sermons on the "Prodigal Son."

Booneville, First, reports 7 additions for baptism since Jan. 1, which is a good start on the goal of 200 additions for baptism during 1934. Five were baptized at the close of the evening service. Prayer meeting attendance is averaging 150.

Frank Tripp, leader of 100,000 club says, "I have never been so confident of the success of the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club as I am today." When a majority of the pastors get behind a movement it does not take an organization to put it over. The plan should be presented to each church in a systematic way. Let the people know what it is and they will support it. We, pastors

should put this movement before our churches before March 1. "The 3rd Sunday in February has been designated as Baptist Hundred Thousand and Club Day." Every dollar that comes in through the 100,000 club movement goes to pay the principal on our Southern Baptist Convention debts.

BAPTIST TABERNACLE Church, Little Rock, leads all the churches in the state in the number of subscriptions to The Arkansas Baptist. They have 145 subscriptions. Write us if your church has more than 145. It was good to have a special issue of the paper in honor of that Church last week. Homer B. Reynolds is pastor. He is a soul-winning pastor and the people love him.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BENTON. It was easy for Mr. W. C. Halsell to work up a special issue for Benton, when pastor Cothran was with him. Advertising comes easy in a town when the church and pastor stands well in the community. Brother Cothran is universally loved in Benton. He conducts a mighty program and the people follow him.

LITTLE ROCK PASTOR'S CONFERENCE. Pulaski Heights had 2 additions by letter and one for baptism Sunday. The pastor, Dr. L. M. Sipes spoke on the problems and solution of sin. There was one addition at the First Baptist Church. Pastor Arden Blaylock preached.

Immanuel Baptist, Pastor Otto Whittington preached on Who can be baptized and who can baptize. This was preached with a backbone.

Holly Springs church had Tom Payne of Ouachita College as preacher for Sunday. Brother Payne is a young preacher with a bright future.

Baptist Tabernacle heard pastor Homer Reynolds preach at both hours. There were 2 additions by letter and one for baptism.

First Church, North Little Rock reports one addition by letter. T. L. Harris, pastor preached at both hours.

Central Church, Pastor M. L. Moser spoke at both hours. There was one addition for baptism.

Missionary E. D. Estes is in a meeting at Vimy Ridge, in which 14 additions are reported up to this time.

Baring Cross, N. L. R., Pastor M. A. Treadwell reports one conversion. Interest in all departments of the Church.

ANOTHER PREACHER POUNDED. This time it was Pastor E. L. Douglas of Huttig. The pastor and wife were out about their pastoral work, returning home they found the kitchen table laden with good things to eat. The pastor's wife was presented with a beautiful friendship quilt. Later this couple went to Lapile, a community near by, where they hold regular service, and they received another friendship quilt. Every preacher and his wife ought to be pounded. It helps to drive away the cares. It helps to revive the kind of love that ought to be kept alive.

Rev. H. A. Ball, formerly of Monette, a graduate of Ouachita College, now living in Fort Worth, Texas is visiting in Monette. He would like very much to move back

to Arkansas. He is a good man, well trained, and would make some church a mighty good pastor. Mrs. Bell is well trained and is an excellent church worker and soul-winner.

Miss Mildred Moore writes from Southern Baptist Seminary Training school: "Students of the Southern Baptist Seminary and W. M. U. Training school will broadcast a musical program over Station W. H. A. S., Louisville, at 4:30 Central Standard Time, Thursday, February 15th.

Dr. Perry F. Webb, pastor First Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, has been appointed to lead the Hundred Thousand and Club movement in Arkansas. He is capable and willing and deserves the cooperation of every Baptist in Arkansas. Be sure to read his article elsewhere in this paper.

Chaplain James L. Blakeney, Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, Calif., pays the annual subscription, for Rev. W. M. McCuiston Melbourne. This is good work. We have another old preacher who is not able to pay his subscription. Who will help him? We will keep his name on the list until some comes to our rescue.

Southern Baptist Press Association met in Shreveport last week. It was a profitable meeting. We were guest of Dr. M. E. Dodd, pastor, First Baptist Church, and Finley W. Tinnin, editor, Baptist Message for the two days. We were entertained free at the Inn Hotel in Shreveport. Dr. F. M. McConnl, editor of the Baptist Standard of Dallas, Texas, is president of the Association and Joseph E. Brown, editor, The Word and Way, Kansas City is secretary.

The editors were given free lunches at The First Baptist Church and at Dodd College. In fact, everything was done in Shreveport to make our stay enjoyable. The people of Shreveport know how to make guests feel at home.

The next meeting of the Press Association will be held in Fort Worth, Texas during the session of the Southern Baptist Convention.

We have a good letter from O. C. Wilcoxon, Salem, Mo., in which he renews his subscription to the paper. Glad to have this word from him. He is an Arkansas man and always does good work.

We have a letter concerning some churches in Arkansas having elected a person who was a member of another denomination as teacher in Sunday School. Baptist churches elect Sunday School teachers for the reason that none other than Baptists should teach in a Baptist Sunday school. It is better to have Baptists teach in Baptist Sunday schools than to have other people, even though other people may be better educated. Baptists have a distinct message and other people cannot teach this distinct message. Keep Baptist teachers in your Sunday school and your Baptist message will be taught to your Baptist constituency.

The First Baptist Church of Brinkley held its annual Church School of Missions January 22-26 inclusive. An average of 60 students

attended the classes each evening. The faculty was composed of Rev. F. E. Goodbar, who taught "Missions Our Mission" to a class of adults; Mrs. F. E. Goodbar, who taught "The Word of Their Testimony" to a large class of Intermediates and young people; and Miss Clara Triska who taught the Juniors "Mule Stories from Inland Trails."

Special features of the school were addresses on missions each evening. Drs. Ben L. Bridges and L. M. Sipes brought challenging messages. Dr. Bridges Wednesday and Friday night and Dr. Sipes Thursday night, which were received with gratitude by the church.

May God bless you and The Arkansas Baptist as you minister to the needs of Arkansas Baptist. — John L. Riffey, Pastor.

DAIGNOSTIC CLINIC—BAPTIST STATE HOSPITAL

One of the greatest wrongs existing amongst the sick of our state is the expenditure of money without getting proper relief or cure.

Every week patients come to the Baptist State Hospital seeking admission for the various ills that the human body is heir to, after trying nostrums, home treatments, medical attendance, etc., paying as long as there were funds with which to pay, and then appealing to our hospital probably as a last resort, certainly after the disease has progressed to its worst state with the patient in the greatest danger of death.

All this is wrong. If our hospital could have its opportunity at the onset of disease, corrective measures would be taken and the patient cured at a great saving of money, time and suffering to the patient. The hospital would have a patient able to pay, in better physical condition to work with, and at much less expense to all concerned.

Our Diagnostic Clinic is doing a marvelous work in finding exact condition and making correct diagnosis. The hospital in offering this service is conscious of its greatest opportunity to relieve human suffering at the minimum expense to patient and hospital.

It ordinarily takes three days in hospital with complete physical examination, all laboratory tests and examinations and the services of eminent specialists in all lines to use as needed. After diagnosis is made the patient is advised as to conditions, with written report to family doctor, and is free to select any doctor wanted.

It is hoped that our ministers will read this. Their leadership and advice will help many of our sick to find correct relief as well as glorify our opportunity to heal.

LEE C. GAMMILL, Sup't.

THREE BOOKS

I wish the readers of the Arkansas Baptist might buy three books recently published by our Sunday School Board, and for sale by our Baptist Book Store in Little Rock.

The first is a very suggestive volume entitled Associational Sunday School Work by J. N. Barnett, of our Sunday School Board. Whether one lives in city, town, or country, he should have this book. It "discusses a program which if followed closely will result in transforming the vast

majority of Southern Baptist rural churches."

The second volume is Vitalizing The Church Program, by Doctors Dobbins and Riffey of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. "This book has grown in large measure out of the Seminary Conference held at "The Beeches" during March, 1933." It will help the reader do the very thing the title suggests—vitalize the church.

The third book is Will He Find Faith? This volume is by Dr. Sparks White Melton, pastor of Freemason Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va. I think I have not read a more suggestive and stimulating book. To read it is to be enriched in intellectual, devotional, and spiritual life. And, the thirty-one chapters will suggest more than thirty-one sermons.

O. J. WADE.

THE MINISTER'S MANUAL, By

Joseph M. Ramsey, Published by Fleming H. Revell Company, New York. Price \$2.00. It is a volume of original sermons, suggestions for services, including Psalms, Hymns, offertory sentence offertory prayer, and Anthems for the choir and organ. This annual is designed for pastors, evangelists, missionaries religious educators, and Sunday School Teachers. This is the 6th volume. It is arranged in 52 chapters for 52 weeks in the calendar year. There are sermon outlines, song selections, prayers, Sunday School lessons and prayer meeting talk for each week in the year. J. I. C.

SNOWDEN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS, By James H. Snowden. Published by, The MacMillan Company, New York. This is the 13th annual volume. Price \$1.35. It is one of the best Sunday School lessons that is published. For the busy teacher, Dr. Snowden, is a wonderful help. The notes are clear and practical, brief and scriptural. Dr. Snowden is editor of The Presbyterian Banner. We are certainly happy to add this splendid volume to our supply of Sunday School helps for 1934. J. I. C.

H. H. Burton, formerly of Springdale, now at Immanuel church, Shawnee, Okla., is assisting Dr. J. B. Rounds and Crestwood Church, Oklahoma City, in a meeting.

I WON'T

I want to let go, but I won't let go,
There are battles to fight;
By day and by night for God and the right,
And I'll never let go.

I want to let go, but I won't let go,
I'm sick, 'tis true;
Worried and blue, and worn through
and through,
But I won't let go.

I want to let go, but I won't let go,
I will never yield;
What, lie down on the field and
surrender my shield,
No! I'll never let go.

I want to let go, but I won't let go,
May this be my song, 'mid legions
of wrong;
Oh, God, keep me strong,
That I may never let go.

—Arthur Unknown.

A THOUSAND SOULS WON TO CHRIST

More than a year ago the Harley Smith, Evangelistic party began praying that God would enable the group to win a thousand souls and then return to Brazil. From October, 1932 to October, 1933, a thousand souls were won by this party. At that time plans were started to return the Smiths to Brazil. Several revival meetings were cancelled and the date of sailing has been placed on the first of February. God answers prayer. Our home address will be, Quinlan, Texas, and our foreign address will be, Box 118, Porto Alegre, Brazil, S. A. Please pray for us. There is one baptist to every thousand people in Brazil.—Harley Smith.

MISSION SCHOOL AT VAN BUREN

It was the delight of the Van Buren Church to have Rev. Harley and Alice Bagby Smith with us for a School of Missions and Revival Jan. 2-. People from many miles came to the services and would listen for hours as these fine people told of their experiences in Brazil. Bro. and Sister Smith sail February 1 from Port Arthur Texas. The Northeastern Baptist Association of Okla., has underwritten the salary of Mrs. Smith and another church and association is sending Brother Smith back to his field of labor.—O. J. Chastain, Pastor.

Fork Union Military Academy at Fork Union, Virginia, Dr. J. J. Wicker, President, has more than doubled the attendance within the last three years. The second semester opened with a number of new students on January 2nd, the total enrollment being the largest in the thirty five years history. A new dormitory was added two years ago and plans are being drawn for an additional building before the opening of the next session in September. Dr. Wicker is putting all possible emphasis on Christian education and he believes that this, in a large measure, accounts for the great growth of the school. Students come from as far North as Maine, as far west as Arizona and Texas, as far south as Florida and also from a number of foreign countries.

Dr. Wicker is planning to take a number of parties to the Baptist World Alliance next August and has associated with him Dr. J. McKee Adams of the Louisville Seminary and a number of leading brethren from various states.

DIFFICULT THINGS TO DO

C. C. Roberts

1. To condemn sin as we should and at the same time be as charitable toward the sinner as we ought.
2. To love equally, two men when they are at enmity with each other.
3. To be absolutely honest toward God with your money.
4. To have faith and fight when your back is to the wall.
5. To resist temptation when you could yield and no earthly person know it.
6. To tell the truth when you could prevaricate and profit by it.
7. To keep your troubles and wor-

ries to yourself and not trouble others with them.

8. Take advice from one whom you do not especially like.

9. To always be unhypocritical.

10. To accept defeat gracefully.

11. To confess your wrongs to an enemy.

12. To enjoy the possessions of others without coveting them.

13. To support your church and denomination in spite of the mistakes

14. To give yourself another chance when you have made a miserable failure.

15. "To always pray and not give up."

16. To keep the Golden Rule.

There were 8 additions, 4 being for baptism at the First Baptist Church last Sunday. Pastor Blaylock preached.

Pastor Homer Reynolds reports a great day at Baptist Tabernacle Sunday. Four preaching services, four additions by letter and 2 by baptism. Happy to have The Arkansas Baptist in our homes. They have more papers going to their membership than any other church in the State. Hope this will inspire others to place paper in homes of membership.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT

Manila, Arkansas boasts of having the youngest Sunday-school member in the state. Within five minutes after Max Horner was born his name was entered on the Cradle Roll. Max is the first born of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Horner of Manila. Can you beat this record?

DR. BROUGH CONTENDS THIS

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500 and 1500 A. D., let him also reflect that the greatest masterpieces of art, music, sculpture, literature, and oratory have been inspired by the Christian religion and the incomparable life of the Prince of Peace, the One Altogether Lovely, the Lily of the Valley, and the Rose of Sharon, the Christ who went about doing good. Beethoven, Mozart, Handel, Michael Angelo, David, Bromniny, Tennyson, Sidney Lanier James Whitcomb Riley, Edgar A. Guest, William Jennings Bryan, Albert J. Beveridge, Bourke Cochran, William E. Borah, Harry Emerson Fosdick, George W. Truett, Charles B. Galloway, Thomas F. Gailor, James I. Vance, Cardinal Newman, and countless other masters in their chosen fields of art, sculpture, music poetry forensic eloquence, and the ministry refute the unwarranted aspersions that one of our own scholars in Arkansas has attempted to give the mightiest power for good, the only substantial basis for national recovery, and the one hope we have for immortality beyond the grave—the most priceless of man's possessions—the Christian religion.

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Cystex

A paragraph from a letter from missionary Albert L. Dunstan of Pelotas, Brazil, reminds one that the Word shall not return void:

"A short while ago, I sent my son to a little station about ten miles from Pelotas to distribute tracts and gospels. During the day, he found a Syrian merchant who manifested interest in what he was doing, and invited us to hold service in his home. From then on, regular services are held once a week there; and the congregation from week to week are growing in number and interest. We hope to reap a harvest there in the near future.

"A little later, my son went to another place with tracts and gospels and there also, he found a man who had heard the Gospel once or twice. His home was also opened to the preaching of the Word, and from thence we are holding regular services every Saturday night. Already the house is too small to hold the congregations that come. The 'harvest is ripe' but the laborers are few."

The Baptist Brotherhood of the South, Box 585, Knoxville, Tenn, is prepared to furnish a Manuel of 12 Programs for the monthly meetings of the Brotherhoods for 1934 at 15c per copy. This booklet contains material that will enable the laymen to prepare interesting talks for the meetings.

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is paying monthly annuities of \$10.00 to two widows of deceased members of the Service Annuity Plan and has also paid Death Benefits to these two widows in the sum of \$250.00 each. Thus far no disability benefits have been applied for by any who are eligible to receive them, nor have there been applicants for age annuities. The Board is also paying regular monthly annuities of \$41.66 to sixteen missionaries of the Foreign Mission Board who retired because of age or because of permanent and total disability. This latter is on account of the Pension Plan of the Foreign Mission Board which is a subsidiary of the Service Annuity.

The Board is also paying through its old Annuity Fund monthly annuities of \$41.66 to 89 members who are sixty-eight years of age or more, and to 77 members who have become permanently and totally disabled. It is also paying annuities of \$25.00 per month to 112 widows of former members and there are 10 orphans receiving benefits that formerly went to widows.

The total number of premium-paying and annuity-receiving members of the Service Annuity, including the foreign missionaries, is 490. The total number of premium-paying members and beneficiaries of the old Annuity Fund is 1,495. There are 42 certificate-holders in the Savings Annuity and 16 Special Annuity certificate-holders. Thus a grand total of 2,043 persons are participating in the annuity plans of the Board. In the Board's Relief Department there are at present 1,012 beneficiaries. The Board's total resources, as of December 31, 1933, was \$4,016,652.63. The total annuity benefits paid in 1933 was \$113,561.65.

Thomas J. Watts, Executive Sec'y.
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Dallas, Texas

From Pingtu, North China: "Four years ago our Seminary in Hwangle-sieu was on the point of disbanding because they had only 12 or 13 students. This year there are 100 in attendance. How we praise and magnify His Holy Name. Our Hospital, too, is a different place. A few years ago it was largely a place where the seeds of Gospel truth were sown in the hearts of our patients and we saw comparatively few decisions and real conversions. Now that patients are daily being saved in our wards. A few days ago I went hurriedly into a men's ward on an errand, and one of the patients invited me to come over and teach him the Gospel. I found him with an open heart, ready to believe and be saved. He left the hospital today, a saved man. In another ward as I made rounds, before I had time to speak to a man about his soul he told me that he was anxious to be saved and was, the next day." Signed—Blanche Bradley.

A letter just received from Miss Addie E. Cox of Kaifeng, Honan, China, enclosing \$50.00 for the debt of the Board gave this bit of interesting news: "Did you hear about our Chang Shih Bible school being broken up by the bandit raid? Three of our students are still in captivity, also an evangelist and several church members, but we confidently expect their release in answer to prayer. Meanwhile, we are busy at Lien Ch'eng, Wei Shih, and other out-stations, and the Lord is blessing us."

The following is clipped from the AMERICAN BAPTIST, published at Texarkana for the Baptist Missionary Association. "Dr. M. T. Andrews has been pastor of the First Baptist Church, Texarkana for ten years during which 1,000 members have been received. He has done a great work, and is still pressing onward with bright prospects, having the love, confidence and cooperation of his church. Much can be said in favor of the long pastorate, especially when the right man is in the pastorate."

The Foreign Mission Board wishes to congratulate Secretary J. E. Lambdin and all of his co-workers on the annual Southwide B. Y. P. U. Conference held in Nashville, December 27-29. Without a doubt it was one of the most dynamic and versatile conventions ever offered the Baptist young people. A note of missions predominated and made every service a spiritual peak.

Baptists are making progress in Italy. 1361 Baptisms are reported by Baptist Churches in Italy since 1929. This is great when you consider that 30,000,000 out of 40,000,000 persons are nominally Roman Catholic.

Sixteen missionaries, some of them sick and unable to carry on, and others, who have reached the age limit for retirement, were placed on the pension list on January 1st. There will be others who will be retired during the year as the necessity may arise.

"A Christian should be like a good watch—open face, busy hands, pure gold, well regulated, full of good works."

The Ministry of Good Books

By Rev. M. F. Langley, Walnut Ridge

In thinking of the Ministry of Good Books, it seems that the Bible should head the list. For the preacher it is indispensable, and just as needful for the layman. Certain preachers used to be known as preachers of one Book. Preachers of today should stay just as close to that Book as they did.

But other good books are more plentiful and more accessible now than they were then. The preacher without books is like a workman without tools, or a surgeon without instruments. There are those who tell us that much reading prevents meditation and original thinking. Instead, it tends to produce original ideas. Perhaps some of us do too extensive reading, and are not intensive enough in our thinking; while some rarely read any. How can a preacher preach to his people while he boasts that he does not read a half dozen books a year?

Within the last four years the writer has, in addition to reading and re-reading the Bible, read over three hundred volumes, by about one hundred fifty authors. One year much time was spent reading sermons. Last year a great deal of time was devoted to reading history and biography. The reading during these years has been more along religious lines, although much of it has been of a secular nature. In addition to books on religion, history, and biography, books on philosophy, ethics, government, geology, poetry, and fiction have been included.

There are those who say they could never find time to read so much. Systematic reading is the only answer. If you read three chapters each day, and five chapters each Sunday, you will read the Bible through in a few days less than a year. Spend from three and a half to five hours each day in diligent reading and study and see how far you go and how much ground you cover within a year.

The question of how and where to get good books is another matter. There are many who ask where I get so many books to read. Go into many a preacher's library and see the volumes he has never read. He has bought them along over a period of years, but has neglected to read them. There they are pleading for him to get their message. For years I attended conventions and other meetings, either in Little Rock, or where the Baptist Book Store had a book display; and like others, I would select and buy several good books, but read them very little. Then I waked up to my mistake and began to read systematically, and also continued to buy books as ability and opportunity afforded. A few people have very graciously given me books, while others have lent me theirs. So by reading those I already had, or have bought, or borrowed, and those that were given me, I have been able, in these days of depression, to get more books than I can read.

This article is written from a preacher's viewpoint, but if we are to successfully combat the evils of much present-day literature, we are to do it by the use of good literature. In good books we meet with great men and women of other years; we think, and laugh, and cry with writers of our day. It strengthens mind and character, and enriches life of associate with great men and women. Few of us may have that good fortune in the flesh, but all of us may associate with them by reading good books. All our preachers and all lovers of good books should appreciate the service rendered by our own Baptist Book Store at Little Rock and patronize it. Mr. Patishall, the manager, can secure any book in print. The Book Store should be a service institution for the Baptists of Arkansas.

Best College In State For Girls For First Two Years In College PRESENTS REPORT TO CONVENTION

Annual Report of Central College Board to Arkansas Baptist State Convention

We extend greetings to the brotherhood and pray for the success of all the interests and institution of this Convention. We are profoundly grateful to God for His blessings upon Central College and we thank all our friends for their loyal support during the present year and administration. This is the fifth year of the present administration and without a doubt the best year. We can truly say that we are having a successful session. We invite investigation, and we greatly desire the prayers and support of the entire denomination. The College is making a sincere effort to live up to the aims and program of the Convention for its educational institutions. If we are failing in any particular, we shall be glad to have such pointed out, and we will undertake to remedy such failure. The desire of your Board and of the administration is to make Central College as orthodox and as spiritual and as missionary as any Baptist Church. We want the College to be as standard religiously as it is educationally. It is our strong purpose to run the School for the glory of the Savior

The Faculty

The faculty of the College is made up of seventeen capable people who measure up well to the educational requirements of the North Central Association and of other standardizing agencies with which the college is connected. The teachers are all faithful Baptists except one. Our Art teacher is Methodist. These teachers were all trained in the best colleges and universities, and have had extended experience in teaching. We are highly pleased with our faculty. The Dean of Central College is Miss Bernice Galloway who has been a member of the Central faculty for years, and is a very efficient dean. Miss Janice Singleton is Dean of Women. She is capable and efficient and an unspeakable blessing to every girl in the college. Mrs. Helen Dollns who is Director of the Conservatory is a musician of national reputation. Rev. Fred W. Ward, who is our Field Secretary and assistant to the president is a strong preacher and a good school man.

The Student Body

The number of students enrolled to date is 142, or four more than at this time last year. They are a group of select and very high-class young women. They come from the best homes in this and other states. A very large number of our students take music in some form, and other conservatory subjects. We believe we have the largest pipe-organ class in the state. Our students are for the most part serious minded young women, and are making excellent progress. They are a graceful, promising group and after their graduation will mean great things to this and other states. The outlook now is that several new students will enter the college at the beginning of the Second semester, January 30.

Religious Life on the Campus

The greatest possible attention is given to the spiritual life and welfare of the students. Central has both

J. S. ROGERS,
President of College

a Y. W. A. and B. S. U. These organizations are under the direction of Miss Janice Singleton, who is a highly trained woman for this sort of work. Dr. E. P. J. Garrot is an invaluable blessing to the girls spiritually. We propose to do our utmost to send every student back home a better Christian and church member.

Financial Statement

The difficulties, embarrassments, heart-aches and sleepless hours of denominational school administrators over finances can not be put in a report. Scores of Christian schools, some of them endowed, have had to close their doors during this depression. Even at a school like Central, it is no small task to feed and provide comfortable quarters for nine months for 145 people, pay the salaries of twenty teachers and other workers, make the necessary repairs and improvements on a large property, take care of a hundred and one incidental expenses, raise \$10,000 a year over and above student fees to keep the college in the North Central Association, and pay the expenses of a strenuous summer campaign for students. Four years ago at Hot Springs we reported a debt that turned out to be \$47,000.00 and during these four years of the present administration, repairs and improvements have been made to the amount of \$12,367.00, or a total obligation of \$59,367.00. Conway paid \$46,000 of this and the college has paid all the balance except \$134.34. All bills for food and other supplies, and bills for heat, water and lights for the present school year are paid in full as of January 1. These bills include all expenses of every kind except salaries. On salaries of the current year, the college owes as of January 1, **nothing**. On salaries of last year we owe \$398.20. On bills of last year and previous years we owe \$728.35. At the beginning of this school year, we owed \$6,293.70. The total amount that Central College owes at this time is \$1,126.55. We have on hand at this time above \$2,000.00 worth of supplies—food, feed, and so on. The college could really claim that its accounts balance. It is our purpose and hope not to owe one dollar by June 1. Then we expect to run on a strictly cash basis. We believe the churches and other friends will want to support such a program.

The Future of Central

Your Board believes the future is bright for Central College. It is the only college in the state for girls. Many people believe in separate education, especially for girls for the first two years in college. Central has a great property. The friends of the college are on the increase, we believe. The number of graduates is growing rapidly. By the end of this year the college will have sent out during the present administration some 200 fine, cultured Christian young women as graduates. Large numbers of our graduates are now teaching in this and other states. Without a doubt, Central College has a great conservatory that has been famous in and beyond the state for many years. Then without compromise the College proposes to live, run, and work to make Christ, King, in all the earth, and to train young women to be His loyal servants. Our motto is "Central a standard college on a cash basis for Christ."

A. J. REAP,
President of Board

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SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE Sunday, January 28, 1934

First, Fort Smith	884
Immanuel, Little Rock	837
Immanuel, Fort Smith	753
Second, Little Rock	634
First, Little Rock	605
First, N. Little Rock	580
Baring Cross, N. Little Rock	477
Tabernacle, Little Rock	466
First, Warren	450
First, Booneville	435
Fayetteville	427
Central, Little Rock	417
Beech Street, Texarkana	409
First, Springdale	397
Pulaski Heights, Little Rock	383
First, Paragould	372
First, Paris	354
Central, Hot Springs	331
Van Buren	280
First, Harrison	258
South Highland, Little Rock	250
Second, Arkadelphia	191
Hazen	131
Plainview, R. F. D. Little Rock	123
Hebron, R. F. D. Little Rock	94
Ebenezer	81
Bradley	74
Harmony, R. F. D. Little Rock	52
Vimpy Ridge	35

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First, Fort Smith	228
First, Little Rock	215
Tabernacle, Little Rock	187
Beech Street, Texarkana	175
Immanuel, Little Rock	169
Immanuel, Fort Smith	162
First, Warren	140
First, North Little Rock	125
First, Paris	124
First, Springdale	116
Central, Hot Springs	116
First, Paragould	106
Van Buren	106
Second, Little Rock	91
Fayetteville	88
First, Booneville	85
Second, Arkadelphia	72
South Highland, Little Rock	64
Plainview, R. F. D. Little Rock	60
Pulaski Heights, Little Rock	45

PROPOSED CHANGES IN BLUE AND GOLD SEAL COURSE

At a recent meeting of State Sunday school secretary at Nashville, Tennessee, the matter of revision and extension of our Blue and Gold Seal Training Course was thoroughly discussed. Dr. P. E. Burroughs, secretary of the Educational Department, led the discussion and the following changes were recommended, along with certain proposed requirements which we felt were necessary. We are printing them herewith for our people to see and we invite your reactions and suggestions before they are finally approved.

It will be some months before definite announcements can be made, so that those working now on the Blue or Gold Seal Course may complete it before additional books are

added and the course extended.

PROPOSED REVISED REQUIREMENTS

CLASS WORK

Class Teachers

Offer at least ten class periods, the periods being 45 minutes each in the clear.

Submit examination with 70 per cent passing grade.

Report class members,
1) Making passing grades.
(2) Attending a minimum of seven class periods.

(3) Certifying that those reported have read and carefully studied the book.

Class Membership

Attend class sessions. If less than seven periods are attended the requirements for individual students must be observed.

Pass required examination.
Certify that the book has been read and carefully studied.

Awards bestowed only on workers 15 years of age and above.

Individual Students

Choice of the following:
Written answers to questions in book.

Written discussion of "Topics for Thought" printed in the book.

Write development or elaboration of the "Blackboard Outline" given in the book.

Proposed Courses

1. The Sunday School Manual will be offered in two books instead of one as hitherto.

2. The books will be briefer in range, being limited to 40,000 words (about 140 pages) and nine chapters each.

It is hoped that the cost of the books can also be reduced.

3. The number of books in the Blue Seal course will be extended from eight, as at present, to sixteen.

4. The diploma to be granted for completion of the first four books listed below; the Red Seal for any six books next completed; the Blue Seal for the next six and the Gold Seal for the next six completed; the Gold Seal books are to be selected from among the optionals offered in the Blue Seal Course.

The Tentative Blue Seal Course

1. Initial book treating the Sunday school as an educational institution.
2. Pupil Study.
3. Teaching.
4. Introducing the Bible.
5. Early Old Testament Characters
6. Early leaders in Israel.
7. Later Leaders in Israel.
8. The Life of Christ.
9. The Life of Paul.
(Five books, 5-9,) treating the Bible biographically.)
10. Christian Doctrines.
11. Evangelism.
12. Elective; offerings to be de-

termined.

13. Elective: offering to be determined.

14-16. Department Specialization.
(Three books are offered for each department).

SUBSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN IN FULL SWING

We are encouraged at the generous response of our young people to our campaign in the interest of THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST and HOME & FOREIGN FIELDS. February is subscription month and the reports already received indicate that it is being vigorously promoted by our young people. Mary Panneck, president of Mt. Zion Associational B. Y. P. U. writes: We are doing our best to reach our quota of 500 subscriptions. Our committees are chosen and are at work. We have as our goal "Every Baptist home with these papers." We can do it and we are." Thank you, Mary. With that spirit throughout our B. Y. P. U. we will exceed our state goal. We will have more space for these excerpts next week. Write us about your progress.

OUR ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL TOUR

During March and April this Department will make a tour of Associations in the interest of our Sunday school work. Twenty five day meetings have been planned which will take us into every section of the state. In most cases, each meeting will be for two Associations. We wanted to go to each Association but it would take four months to make the round. According to our present arrangement no church will have to travel more than thirty or forty miles to attend their meeting. We will take with us a faculty of four capable workers, including Rev. Dawson King, missionary of China. Watch this page for the announcement of our itinerary and make your plans to attend with a group of your Sunday school workers.

The Baptist Young People of Harmony Association met last Sunday at Gould. The house was filled when Chorister Robert Cox opened the song service. The following unions received banners or the best work of past quarter; Adult banner to First Church, Pine Bluff; Senior Banner to "The Co-Worker's of Pine Bluff First; Intermediate banner to "The Hustlers of Dumas," the Junior banner to "Builders" of Pine Bluff. Star City received the attendance banner. The following churches had delegates present: Dumas 71, Star City 60, Hickory Grove 31, Southside 16, Hazel Street 3, Wabbaseka 6, First Baptist 31, Gould, 29 Yorktown 3. "Prayer" was the subject. Keith Sherman is president. The association will meet at Rison in April.

MRS. MAGGIE SAMPSON PASSES AWAY. Mrs. Sampson died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Daniel, near Wickes, Arkansas, December 18, 1933. She was converted at the age of 19 and joined the Baptist church at Wickes where she retained her membership until her death. We sympathize with the family in bereavement.

LATEST BOOKS

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Dobbins and Riffey. \$1.50

A new book, welcomed by every pastor and his associated leaders. It is a vigorous and challenging interpretation of current thought in some of the major fields of Christian life and activity.

Will He Find Faith?

Sparks W. Melton, \$1.25

To a remarkable degree retaining the freshness of the spoken word, these short addresses are preeminently devotional and inspirational. They deserve to take rank with those of Jowett, Morrison and the like masters in religious literature.

Associational Sunday School Work

J. N. Barnette, Cloth, 60 cents;
Paper, 40 cents

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LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering continue to climb slowly. As this copy is being prepared it has reached a total of \$5,703.98 which had been received since December 1, 1933. How we wish we might round out an even \$6,000! It is not too late to hope for this yet. Let us pray to that end.

SEASON OF PRAYER FOR HOME MISSIONS

The Season of Prayer for Home Missions will be observed March 5-9. The goal for the offering is \$2,500 which should be sent to Mrs. W. D. Pye, W. M. U. Treasurer, 407 Federal Bank & Trust Building, Little Rock. Program material has gone out to the missionary societies and the packages for young people's organizations will doubtless be in the mail before this paper is read. There will be no book given away free for study this year, but Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence has prepared a delightful book, entitled "The Keys of the Kingdom," which may be purchased for study preceding the Season of Prayer. The price is 25 cents per copy and the books should be ordered direct from the Baptist Book Store, 716 Main Street, Little Rock.

A SOLILOQUY.

I am just a baby. My name is Baby Organ and I have had lots of interesting experiences in my short life. I was sent by a Sunbeam Band in El Dorado, Arkansas, to Miss Mildred Matthews in Havana, Cuba. I was first used in the Primary Department in the Havana Baptist Sunday School but I did not always stay there. Many times I was carried by the young people to be played in the parks where services were held and where many heard the Gospel for the first time. I was also carried lots of times to the jail and I heard the good news of salvation told to the poor prisoners in the jail who had never heard it before and who perhaps would not have been there if they had known the Gospel story before. Several times I have had the pleasure of being present at the inauguration of services in new mission

stations in and near Havana. Many time I have been surrounded by boys and girls standing so close to me that the one who played me could hardly breathe but she did not complain, for the boys and girls and men and women were learning to sing hymns for the first times in their lives.

Once I was taken to a church which was newly organized. I saw the church grow and prosper in the Lord and I saw many people baptized and I heard inspired sermons preached by the young, enthusiastic preacher. And it was while I was at that church that I had the saddest experience of my life. For I was closed and sent back to Havana because folks had not been liberal with their gifts and the work in the church where I was living had to be discontinued. Somebody said that while I was closed up I reminded them of a casket and I guess I was the symbol of a church that had to die, but I am glad to say that that church was afterwards revived and lives today. But I was not sent back there and I did not stay close long. I was soon sent to another place and at each place I lived I have had happy and sad experiences. Happy because people have heard and accepted the Gospel and sad because I have not always been able to stay in one place long enough to see the results that I wanted to see. I have not always gone with my owner either but wherever I have been I tried to help with my music and I hope that the singing of the hymns accompanied by my sweet tones has led many souls to accept Christ.

About a year ago my owner and I again met at a new mission opened in Santos Suarez, in the suburbs of Havana. How happy I was to have my owner play me again every Thursday night and every Sunday afternoon. And how happy I am to see the mission prosper. A few weeks ago I had one of the happiest experiences of my life. My sides almost burst with joy. Why was I so happy? It was because one of the women who had heard me played was baptized. I couldn't see the baptismal service for the lady went to the Havana church to be baptized but I saw the look on her face when she attended the first service after she was baptized and I heard Brother Rene Alfonso announce that she was the first convert to be baptized from Santos Suarez mission. And I heard others there say that they had accepted Christ and they wanted to be baptized too. Now don't you think I have had some rich experiences even though I am just a baby?—Miss Mildred Matthews, Missionary from Arkansas to Havana, Cuba.

(Editor's Note: For several years Woman's Missionary Union of Arkansas has contributed enough money each year for the support of the Cuban W. M. U. of which organization Miss Matthews is the President and Corresponding Secretary. This offering is a part of the offering for the Season of Prayer for Home Missions and amounts to \$350 annually. This article by Miss Matthews might be used somewhere in the program during the Season of Prayer. Clip it and save it for that purpose.)

"It isn't your position, but your disposition that makes you unhappy."

Sunday School Lesson
By HIGHT C. MOORE

PUTTING GOD'S KINGDOM FIRST

Matthew 6:1-34

Continuing the Sermon on the Mount our Lord calls for service without show and presents the life worth living.

Service without show (vs. 1-18) implies absolute sincerity. (1) The sincere life is without ostentation. Its good deeds are not for mere display. (2) The sincere gift may be public but it is not for public approval. It is even void of self-praise, one hand not applauding the other. It blows no sounding trumpet on thronging street nor parades the crowded synagogue. (3) The sincere prayer craves privacy rather than publicity. Not that public prayer is wrong but ostentation is. So is vain repetition, as the senseless babblings of the heathen illustrate. Much speaking does not mean much praying. (4) The sincere fast does not require the slavish regularity of the Pharisee nor his sad countenance and disfigured face. Hypocritical externals are despicable. Strive not for man's reward but for the Father's recompense.

The Life Worth Living (vs. 19-34) invests in heavenly treasure and is trustful amid earthly changes. (1) The invested life deposits treasure beyond the reach of thief and rust. (2) The serene life rises above the chilling and depressant worries of life. It relies on God in the midst of hard duties and shows that the trusting life is the triumphant life.

Notes Analytical and Expository

1. Laying up Treasures in Heaven implies that we put God's Kingdom first in our investments. We can do such a thing as lay up treasure in heaven. It is not buying a ticket to heaven but depositing treasure there; not winning salvation but making investment; it is not regeneration but reward. To make eternal investment several things are necessary: (1) The consecrated hand—the hand that toils and earns and accumulates and lays by. It is not wrong to be thrifty; the sin lies in selfishness. Hence the ban on accumulating material things only; and hence the possibility of transmuting earthly into heavenly treasure. The wisdom of such a course is evident: earth is insecure; heaven is the safety-valve of the universe. (2) The consecrated heart—the heart that loves the treasure and yearns toward it. (3) The consecrated eye—for the eyes must focus perfectly if they fill the body with light; while with one looking heavenward and the other earthward there must be confusion and darkness. (4) The consecrated life—the life that does not attempt to serve two masters but rejects mammon in order to serve God loyally and wholly.

To those who would live such a life of consecration there is here (verse 24) a seven-fold call:

- (1) There is a call for service
- (2) There is a call for voluntary service.
- (3) There is a call for exclusive service.
- (4) There is a call for devoted service.
- (5) There is a call for assertive service.
- (6) There is a call for unworldly service.

(7) There is a call for godly service.

2. Living a Serene Life on Earth implies that we put God's Kingdom first in interest and effort. Faith in God is the one sure antidote to anxiety. We should therefore live the life of trust in our heavenly Father who has never failed us for one moment.

- (1) Trust him for serenity of spirit.
- (2) Trust him for today's supplies.
- (3) Trust him for tomorrow's necessities.
- (4) Trust him for the proper luxuries of life.
- (5) Trust him to supply every need.

Those who trust the heavenly Father and put his Kingdom first are further told the kind of life to live:

- (1) Live the seeking life.
- (2) Live the symmetrical life.
- (3) Live the serene life.
- (4) Live the sufficient life.

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FIRST BAPTIST

Celebrated 7th Anniversary of Pastors SUNDAY, JAN. 28,



J. G. Cothran, Pastor

The First Baptist church of Benton will observe its centennial in 1936. Thru the days that have passed and gone the church has been a lighthouse in the city and county where it is located. The church has made a steady and normal growth thru the years... It has had and now has some of the very best people that can be found anywhere who have helped and are now helping make for its growth and prosperity.

The present pastor came to the field in January, 1927. He is now beginning his eighth year as pastor in this splendid little city of this good church. During this period of time the pastor and people have had experiences that have tried the souls of men. We have had flood, bank and business failures, and other reverses in our community that have shown the stuff from which our people are made. Thru all these varied experiences we have had many joys and happy days together in the service of the Master. We are going thru the period of reconstruction and spiritual recovery. The future is as bright as the promise of God. Our people are not defeated.

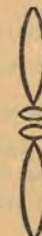
Our Sunday School under the efficient leadership of G. C. Raper is graded and departmentized and now has an enrollment of five-hundred and fifty. We believe that we shall go on this year to larger

gains in this department. This is a splendid organization.

Our W. M. M. M. Missions and Student Societies are paying the debt of the methods that are in use. We are in full accord with this line and in our opinion.

The Baptist church has had a remarkable growth. We had only two average attendants in the direction of the Cash.

During the year we have disbursed more than \$1000.00. This is our careful financial Secretary. Our Board of Deacons



ality." We have at the present time one-hundred and fifty members. Our church people who support our work believe in being loyal to our whole Denomination and to the "ends of the earth."

Our greatest joy is in those who have been added to the church. During the last Convention year we received for baptism ninety-five. The cause has been strengthened by the coming into the church of many years new life and blood. There have been many to the church during the past 7 years. Most of them by experience and baptism. We have made a net gain of three-hundred and fifty.

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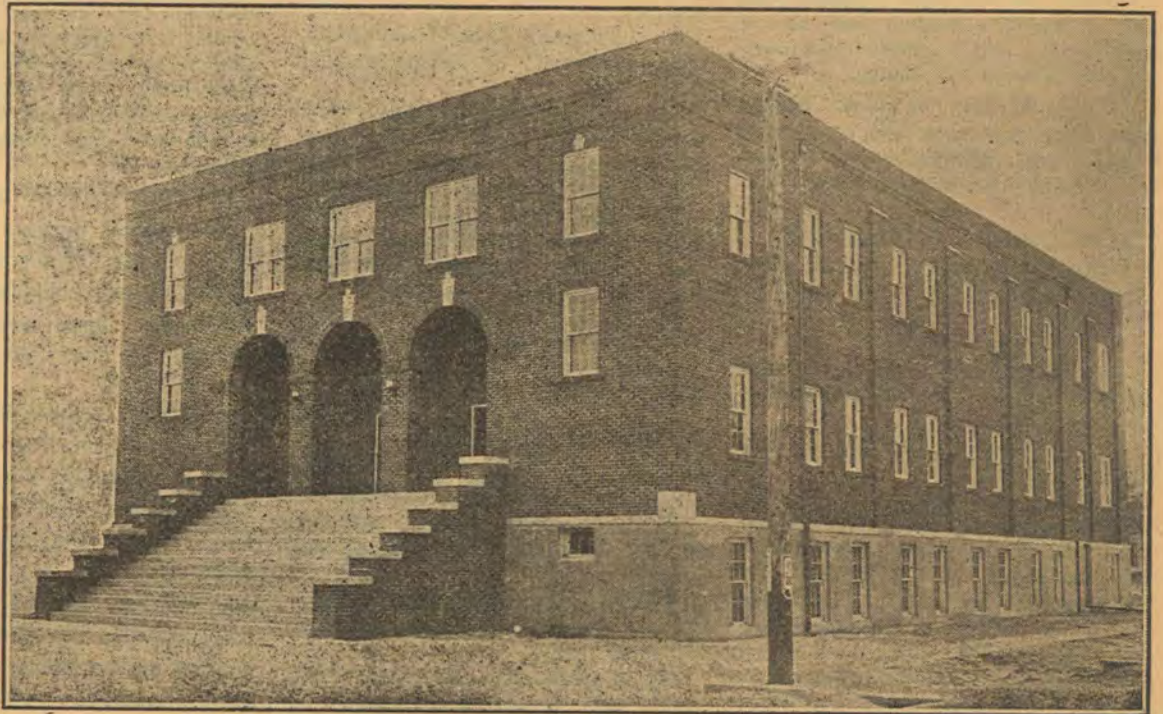
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UNDER A BUSHEL

By Dr. George Ragland,
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"Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid.

Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matthew 5:14-16.

1. A Definition of Discipleship.

Our text is first a definition of discipleship: "Ye are the light of the world."

1. Preserving Power.

Our text's figure pictures the preserving power of the subjects of the kingdom of heaven.

Light preserves life: "Ye are the light of the world."

"Light," says Dr. B. H. Carroll, "dispels darkness. Heat expels cold. Without the light and its accompanying heat there could be no life. No plant would germinate. Darkness that could be felt would shroud the earth. More than Arctic cold would ensue. All liquids would solidify and petrify. The rivers—earth's arteries—would stiffen into blocks of ice. The veins of blood would become like steel wire, harder than man's bones. What, therefore, salt and light are to the natural world, even that are Christians to the spiritual world."

"Ye are the light of the world"—the preserving power to dispel darkness, scatter cold and preserve life.

2. Conspicuous Place.

Our text's picture presents the conspicuous place of the subjects of the kingdom of heaven. "A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid."

"Christians," says Andrew Fuller, "being diverse from all people in their principles and pursuits, all eyes will be upon them. They are as 'a city set upon a hill, which cannot be hid.' Their faults, as well as their excellences, will be marked both by friends and enemies."

Dr. John A. Broadus puts it thus: "The thought plainly is, that Christians occupy of necessity a conspicuous position, and must be seen."

3. Derived Light.

Our text's figure pictures the preserving power and conspicuous place of Christians in the world. It does more. It pictures a derived light, a lighted light: "Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick."

"There is," says Alexander MacLaren, "but One who is light in Himself . . . He is the light, and we gather our radiance from him. We shall be 'light' if we are 'in the Lord.'"

We shine because He shines in us. We work because He "worketh in us both to will and to do of his good pleasure."

Christians, though darkness in themselves, are light in Christ, even "the light of the world."

II. A Description of Danger.

Our text is next a description of danger: "Under a bushel."

Light can be had and its purpose defeated. As salt is either good or good for nothing, so light is either good—in shining—or good for nothing—in being hid.

The purpose of light is that it may shine and give light. But there is

danger, our text says, of Christians hiding their light under a bushel.

The original says "Under the bushel" and Dr. John A. Broadus interprets it as meaning "the one kept in the house." In other words, it is the bushel measure we are accustomed to use, the favorite measure, the ready measure, the handy measure.

Ah—how many of the bushel measures under which Christians can hide their light!

The bushel measure speaks of this world, its goods, its measurements, its standards, its comforts, its possessions, its profits, its satisfactions.

Christians can hide their light under the bushel of business, under the bushel of pleasure, under the bushel of the world's way.

It is the business of light to shine. If it does not shine it is good for nothing. This is the case with Christians. If they do not give the light of God in Christ to others they are good for nothing. If they do not give the light of God in His Word to others they are good for nothing.

Saltless salt is good for nothing. So are spiritless disciples good for nothing.

Hidden light is good for nothing. So are under the bushel disciples good for nothing.

III. A Designation of Duty.

Our text is next a designation of duty: "But on a candlestick. . . Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

1. Position.

Its first significant detail relates to the Christian's position: "On a candlestick . . . so shine."

The "so" of our text comes first in the Greek and points to what has gone before "on a candlestick" and not to what follows "that men may see your good works."

Its meaning is this: "Just so—on a candlestick—let your light shine."

We are to put the emphasis upon the position of our shining. We are to be more concerned about proper place of shining than upon men seeing us. To turn it about and be more concerned with men seeing us than with the place of our shining is to court compromise and curse. We are not to seek to be seen of men but we are to seek to shine where God wants us. If we find God's place for our shining the world will see our shining.

"Our responsibility," says Dr. B. H. Carroll, "is all involved in putting the candle in the right place. God Himself does the lighting. Our part is not to misplace the light as to hide it. . . To put it on the candlestick is unquestionably to join the church. . . Why put the light there? Because the Lord Jesus Christ has made the church the pillar and ground of the truth. That is His institution. Man can organize something, but Jesus organized the church.

It is through the church that the manifold wisdom of God is made known. It is through the church that Christ wants His disciples to shine as "the light of the world."

Yes, "let your light so shine"—put it on the candlestick—put your membership in a church—not any church but the local New Testament church—the scriptural church where you live.

2. Purpose.

The second significant detail of designation relates to God's purpose for Christians as light. It is a two-

fold purpose.

(1) "See Your Works."

The first purpose is expressed in the words "see your works."

"Let your light so shine—on a candlestick—that men may see your good works."

Men do not pay much attention to Christian profession but they do pay attention to Christian conduct and especially to Christian conduct as related to church membership. If we have really been saved the world wants to see it in our daily lives and especially in our practices as church members.

(2) "Glorify Your Father."

The second purpose is expressed in the words "glorify your Father."

Men do not read the Bible much but they do read the lives we live and they do see what church members practice.

It is not in the individual lives of Christians so much as in the church lives of Christians that the world is led to glorify God. It is in our relation to the church that our good deeds bring most honor to God. Our good works come from God and bring glory to Him. But this glory is greater in His place for our shining than in our own choice of a place for shining.

"It is an awful thing," says Alexander MacLaren, "to think that the world always—always—takes its conception of Christianity from the Church and neither from the Bible nor from Christ; and that it is . . . inconsistent Christians . . . that are hindering the coming of Christ's kingdom. . . More converts would be made by a Christ-like church than by many sermons."

IV. A Declaration of Direction.

Our text is therefore a declaration of direction. It points disciples to their influence and responsibility as subjects of the kingdom of heaven "Ye are the light of the world."

The pronoun "ye" is expressed in the original to give it emphasis: "Ye are the light of the world."

This emphasis expresses both the importance and contrast of the work of disciples.

"Ye"—alone—are the light of the world—this is the importance of their mission.

"Ye—and none other—are the light of the world—this is the contrast with all other men of the world.

Our text brings both cheer and challenge to Christians.

1. Cheer.

It brings cheer in the assurance that spiritual members of a church though despised are indispensable to a community. They are the light of a community—not its big worldly men, not its prominent sinful men but its spiritual Christian men.

2. Challenge.

Our text brings challenge to Christian men and women. Are we who profess to be Christians the light of the world? Do we know more of God than the world knows? Do we know and obey more of God's Word than the world knows and obeys?

"Ye are the light of the world"—Are we putting our light under a bushel or we letting it shine as Christ commands?

God help us to hear His word of cheer and heed His word of challenge and command.

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HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS

Lee C. Gammill, Supt.

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We realized our predicament in 1928, when on a cash basis as to paying the expenses necessary to conduct a hospital. We began trying to pay accumulated debts. Every economy, every short cut was necessary to liquidate these debts. Not many of our creditors co-operated, almost everyone demanded every penny due, and with our effort to pay we were trying to collect. Different events, such as flood, drought and bank failures, hindered. Many times the job not only seemed, but was impossible. Our only way out was more drastic economy and greater effort.

In 1930 the hospital charged off as loss over \$130,000.00 in accounts receivable, this in addition to charity done. During this time no gifts have been made other than linen and fruits and a very small charity fund from the Womans Auxiliary. From five to fifteen appeals for charity or credit were and are being made every day.

By a supreme effort we have paid practically all of the -50,000.00 debt we found against the hospital in 1928. No further debt has been incurred. Replacements of equipment and improvements in service have been necessary and have been made.

We have a great problem existing today. Time after time our Baptist people not only ask for charity and credit for self or someone else, but tend to criticize the hospital for collecting our bills; this one and that one should not have to pay, etc., etc. Just recently a man whom I greatly respect interceded for his friend who owed the hospital, telling a pitiful story and securing relief for his friend. Shortly thereafter I saw the man in question with a new automobile, and investigation verified the fact that the hospital had given some \$130.00 of our expense incurred and service rendered, and this had helped him in buying the automobile.

This is manifestly unfair. Merchant, supply houses, utilities and personnell must have their pay from the hospital. Every doctor expects every facility, supply and service for his patient; every nurse expects everything necessary for her work, and her salary, while every patient expects service as efficient as that given by any hospital. How can we pay our way and keep everyone happy with the best facilities and service without being paid ourselves?

We must have our Baptist people backing our efforts in collecting if we have a successful and competent hospital.

DR. CODY'S DREAM

They were considering the report on the Ministerial Relief and Annuity Board. (It was all in my dream. But it was marvelously vivid.) Almost all the speeches, of course, favored the report. But after while a brother (not exactly opposing,) got up and quoted—"Trust in the Lord and do good; so shall thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed. The words were not exactly applicable, but they seem to carry the implication that the denomination need not be providing for its ministers, and if these ministers trusted the Lord as they should they would certainly be provided for by a good providence. Other passages were quoted—these that told the ministers to go forth without script, or purse. Some brethren were pleased with this turn of the discussion. Others were quite perplexed. They hardly knew what to say.

At that very moment a Stranger came down the isle. A great hush fell on the audience. By some instinct the brethren knew who He was. He seemed tired beyond measure. He took for granted that they did know who He was, and without any word of introduction or any reference to what had been said, spoke only a few words. He said—"I express my appreciation of what you are doing for my ministers. Only yesterday I called them into my service and sent them forth on their work. I saw they were somewhat perplexed as to their support on such a mission. It was very natural. And I assured them—'And verily thou shalt be fed.' They took my word for it and went forth. When I gave them that promise I was thinking of you and my churches. I knew you would love them and provide for them. Again let me tell you that I appreciate what you do for my ministers. Continue this work of love, in faithfulness and wisdom. Farewell." As the Stranger walked down the aisle the men all stood with bowed heads, but the women kneeled.

The vote on the report was taken at once, and it was all one way. Those who had somewhat opposed were as hearty as the others. The only thing said came after the vote. It was a very modest and sincere word, spoken with unusual quietness. It was by one opposed. He said—"My brethren, I see now that it is not enough to quote the very words of our Lord. We ought to use them also for that purpose for which He spoke them."

—From The Baptist Courier.

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The Northwest Baptist Church, Oklahoma City has just closed a revival, in which there were 150 additions. Brother Lemuel Hall, the pastor was recently called as pastor at Granite City, Ill., but he declined the call.

Harold Lavender of Wilmot writes encouraging words to us about the paper. It spurs us on when people send words of encouragement from over the State. He sends his dollar and that is a further boost.

Elsewhere in this issue the statement is made that the Relief and Annuity Board has resources on December 31, 1933, of \$4,016,652.63. Some Southern Baptists seem not to understand that the Relief and Annuity Board is terribly limited in the amounts that it can pay to beneficiaries of its Relief Department. The simple truth is that only \$417,766.13 of all the funds held by the Board belong to the Relief Department and only the net interest on this amount can be used for paying relief benefits. The remained of the relief funds distributed by the Board are such as are contributed by churches and individuals year by year for relief. The bulk of the funds, herefore, in the hands of the Board represent accumulations in endowment and reserves belonging to the annuity departments and those funds are legally trust funds which the Board must administer for members of the annuity plans.

If any one inquires why this big difference in the amount of funds in the two departments, the answer is simple, namely that the Board has paid out the relief money in immediate benefits. In the fifteen years of its operation it has paid in relief benefits approximately \$1,700,000. The Board has been accumulating money with which to pay future annuities; it has paid relief benefits currently to the limit of its ability. The total amount contributed by the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1933, including all designations and specials, was \$48,711.40 while the Board paid in relief benefits to 1,153 persons \$67,082.30. Increased contributions through the Cooperative Program and through specials will be necessary this year if the Board is to be enabled to pay the reduced sum of \$64,171.38 to 1,012 persons, which has been appropriated conditionally, and a great deal more is needed for waiting applicants and under paid beneficiaries. Southern Baptists should not be satisfied with \$5.28 per month as the average benefit promised these 1,012 ministers and widow. Are they?

Thomas J. Watts, Executive Sec'y
The Relief and Annuity Board of
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The Board is greatly distressed to hear of the serious illness of Field Secretary W. D. Powell, who is in the hospital in Atlanta, Georgia, stricken with pneumonia. This news will lead multitudes of people to breathe a sincere prayer to God in behalf of this great friend of Foreign Missions.

The Baptist Record of Mississippi says, "Preachers may not have as much practical business sense as some men, but they did not bring on the world war that destroyed more than \$20,000 for every hour since Jesus came into the world.

Dr. W. C. McClung has been pastor at Wichita, Kansas for the past 3 years. The following results are interesting, additions 867, with 400 baptisms, net gain 508, average Sunday school attendance 1206, sermons and addresses 600, weddings 101 and funerals 94.

ORDINATION OF HERVEY O. BURNSIDE

On the last Sunday in December, 1933, Hervey O. Burnside, the son of Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Burnside, was ordained to the full gospel ministry at College Hill Baptist Church, Texarkana, Ark. The ordination service was unusually impressive. The council was composed of nine Baptist ministers and several deacons. All the pastors of Texarkana, Ark., Tex., were present and several from neighboring churches.

The candidate passed a very creditable examination. His answers were clear, concise and revealed a clear knowledge of the teachings of the scriptures. I prophecy that he will become a very useful minister and his ability as a singer will often add to his usefulness.

—O. J. Wade.

HOW MAY I KNOW THAT I HAVE BEEN BORN AGAIN?

W. W. Hamilton, President Bible Institute, New Orleans, La.

"That ye may know" (John 5: 13) This, says the apostle, is the purpose in writing 1 John, "That ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God."

The greatest question in the world is not that of lineage or culture or position or wealth, but whether we have been born from above. Are we among those who through belief in the Lord Jesus Christ have become children of God? No other consideration in life is parallel to this, and there is no second name through which we may enter into the family of God.

It is not even repentance or faith that saves, but it is Jesus who saves. We must testify to all people that they must repent toward God and have faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. It is not the coupling but the engine that pulls the train. It is Jesus who saves, and faith links us to him. Christ is our only hope, and faith placed in anything else will be fatal.

How may we know that we are saved? The evidences are given us in this brief letter by the great apostle. There are certain "things that accompany salvation." (Hebrews 6:9). They do not bring us the new birth, but they are the certain evidences

if being born again. Life must show itself. The fruit reveals the tree, and in this inspired letter we find the sign-posts which mark the highway of salvation.

1. A new walk is the first evidence which the apostle records. He says that if we claim fellowship with Jesus and walk in darkness, then we lie and do not the truth, but that if we have fellowship with Jesus, then we will walk in the light, as he is in the light (1 John 1:6). A blind man can be known by the way he walks. He may be a man of culture and of refinement and of wealth, and yet he reveals his lack of vision by his stumbling steps.

2. A new desire comes with the new birth, and we know that we know him if our supreme desire is to please him and keep his commandments (1 John 2:3). If we insist that we are saved and yet do not keep his commandments, then we are told that the saving truth of the gospel is not in us. We know that we are in him if our desire is to walk as he walked.

3. A new choice is another indication of the new birth. If we love the world and give it our choices, then the love of the Father is not in us (1 John 2:15). Worldliness, which consists of lust of the flesh and lust of the eyes and the vain-glory of life, is not of God and will soon pass away. The highest expression of love is the constant choice of that which pleases the one loved.

SO WHAT?

Getting out this paper is no picnic. If we print jokes, people say we are silly;

If we don't they say we are too serious.

If we clip from other papers, We are too lazy to write it down ourselves;

If we don't we are stuck on our own stuff.

If we stick close to the job all day, We ought to be out hunting up news.

If we do get out and try to hustle, We ought to be on the job in the office.

If we don't print contributions, We don't appreciate true genius; If we do, the paper is filled with junk.

If we make a change in a fellow's write-up,

We are too critical; If we don't, we are asleep.

Now, like as not someone will say We swiped this from some other paper.

TO THE BAPTIST OF THE SOUTH LAND

Dear Brethren:

You have seen the official notice that the Baptist World Congress is to meet in Berlin, Germany, August 4th to 10th next.

These World Congresses are great and blessed occasions. They bring Baptists from all parts of the World into contact with one another. They help to make our World Brotherhood a reality. All who attend a World Congress are eager to be at the next.

The world situation today is such that our fifth Baptist World Congress is likely to prove the most useful we have ever held. Our European brethren need us. They are hoping to welcome us in large numbers, and they tell us that our going over will mean

a great deal for them and for our cause.

We know that many of our people have found the times hard; but conditions are now turning for the better and we plead that as many as can will make a point of being at Berlin. The Executive Committee would not have fixed a Congress for 1934 unless they had felt that there is real need for holding it, and that its results will be worth the sacrifice many will make to attend.

Southern Baptists have always been interested in the Baptist World Alliance. It was they who, thirty years ago, suggested the holding of the first World Congress, and they took a leading part in founding the Alliance. They gave it one of its most distinguished presidents, and they have never wavered in supporting its testimony for religious freedom and for the Gospel. We confidently look for Southern Baptists to attend in force next August.

Information as to conditions of travel can be obtained from Rev. H. L. Winburn, Arkadelphia, Arkansas; Rev. Arch C. Cree, Salisbury, North Carolina; or Mr. Robert H. Coleman, Dallas, Texas.

We are Brethren,

Yours in fellowship and service,

JOHN R. SAMPEY

L. R. SCARBOROUGH

GEORGE W. TRUETT

Members of Executive Committee, Baptist World Alliance.

M. E. DODD,

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NEW BOOKS

Reviewed by M. F. Langley

Will He Find Faith? by Sparks White Melton, Broadmad Press, Price \$1.25.

Dr. Melton has given us one of the best devotional books the writer has read recently. The busy pastor would find these talks helpful for prayer meeting; and they may be used with good effect in the family devotions, in the quiet hour, or in private, secret worship.

Associational Sunday School Work, by J. N. Barnette, Baptist Sunday School Board, Price 60c, paper 40c.

The Country Church and Sunday School work in the district association, have been problems confronting us for several years. The tendency has been toward the town and city church, while two thirds of our people live in the rural sections. The author gives valuable information and suggestions. Those desiring a new book of methods should secure a copy.

Vitalizing The Church Program, Gaines S. Dobbins and John L. Riffey, Broadmad Press, Price \$1.50.

This book is a collection of thoughts from a series of lectures and conferences, and is a restatement of vital truths relative to the church program, expressed in an interesting and helpful manner.

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Freshmen	120	77	197
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WORKING TOGETHER FOR A BETTER OUACHITA

In union there is strength. The Ouachita spirit at the Convention in El Dorado proved beyond a doubt that Arkansas Baptists are for Christian Education and a greater Ouachita. More than 200 were at the Ouachita Banquet. For lack of more room about 100 were turned back at the door. Fifty churches asked that Ouachita College send representatives to their pulpits to present Ouachita's program and needs. The President has accepted an invitation from Rev. L. D. Summers of Park Place Baptist Church, Hot Springs, Ark., to speak.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, at 11 a. m. OVER K T H S

His second radio address will be Sunday morning, February 11 at Immanuel Baptist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas with Reverend V. H. Coffman.

Ouachita is greatly encouraged by letters from pastors and laymen volunteering to do their part toward building a greater Ouachita.

THE McCAULLEY MEETING, FEBRUARY 18-23

Ouachita invites you to attend the meetings held in the Chapel, February 18 to 23. Reverend Fred McCaulley of Oklahoma is a great worker with young people. Our Baptist Student Union was instrumental in securing his services. You are asked to join the Ouachita faculty and student-body in praying for the success of this meeting.

SUMMER SCHOOL BEGINS JUNE 6

Regular courses will be offered but a special feature of the summer session will be the Ministers' Week. This will be a week of lectures for Ministers, Sunday School teachers and B. Y. P. U. workers. Watch for further announcements.

For Further Information Write

J. R. GRANT, President

Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas



FORGIVING OUR FRIENDS

B. C. H. Young

Some years ago, an Italian author startled the religious world by saying: "We are commanded to forgive our enemies but nowhere in the Bible are we commanded to forgive our friends, which is even a more difficult task." Was this shrewd man trying to show the Saviour had made a mistake? Or was he right in his practical observation of life? I rather think he was not trying to slur the Savior's teachings, as is shown by his other writings. I know he was right by the harm and hurt done us by our so-called friends.

As a matter of fact, enemies do not harm us over much. No man has many enemies; that is, not nearly so many as he sometimes imagines. And the few we have can not harm us much, even when they try. Usually, we are warned and armed against their attacks and stand on guard against their harm.

Then, if we are harmed unjustly, our enemies will see the light of justice and cease their efforts to harm us. Or if they are ignorant, which is often the case, perhaps they will learn better than to try to carry out their plans of hatred. Also if we are in the wrong and others hate to oppose unjustly (if such can be so,) then we need to make amends and forgive our enemies who (in most cases) will cease to harm us.

Friends

Who makes the drunkard? Surely not his enemies, as men who hate each other do not meet on the common level of social drinking. No enemy slaps him on the back (in fun) and begs him to take "just one more little drink." No enemy tells him that he must be "a jolly good fellow and take one more little drink." Yes, the drunkard is made by his social and business friends.

Well enough that we ask who makes the gambler? Again the answer is the same, his friends. Men who are enemies do not gamble for social pleasure or big or little money. Usually, it is a company of friendly cronies who get together "just for a little friendly game." One by one they invite others into the game and just for fun (they say) but the main purpose is to get their little or big money.

Of course, friendly men in gambling often become enemies over games. I know a white haired man, going in sorrow to his grave, who killed his own boy in a general fight over a game one night. Oh yes, it was just a little friendly game with a half dozen men and his son. But somebody cheated and the lie was passed and the light was knocked out. In the shooting and fighting in the darkness, this man stabbed his own boy through the heart.

Ambition

Once upon a time, a young man started out to succeed in life. His enemies and competitors lied about him and put him down in their mental note books as WORTHLESS. This stung the young fellow pretty hard but he refused to deal in lying himself. He determined to live above their lies and not fight them with other lies. In fact, his competitors spurred him on and did him good.

Again once upon a time, another young man started out to be a painter or a poet or a preacher or clerk or writer or a craftsman in some worth while work. He made good at the

bat and got to first base but never any further. Why? Because his friends poured praise in his ears, saying: "Son, you are a star batter and all you need to do is wait for the league men to come and pour cash in your pockets."

But the league men never came. His friends did him untold harm. This young chap needed (as all of us) every thing else but waiting. He needed to WORK more and more to improve the first flush of success. Perhaps, the Italian author was right in saying that we ought to forgive our friends.

VERDICT OF THE AGES

Early Egyptian Tomb—

His earthly tenement was shattered by beer and wine. And his spirit departed before it was called for.

Solomon, 1000 B. C.—

Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright.

At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder.

Buddha, 550 B. C. —

Drink not liquors that intoxicate and disturb the reason.

Xenophon, 300 B. C. —

Temperance means, first, moderation in healthful indulgence and, secondly, abstinence from things dangerous, as the use of intoxicating wines.

Pliny, the Elder, 79 A. D.—

There is nothing about which we put ourselves to more trouble than wine, as if nature hath not given to us the most salubrious drink with which all other animals are satisfied.

Chaucer, 1340—

Character and shame depart when wine comes in.

Shakespeare, 1600—

O thou invisible spirit of wine, if thou hast no name to be known by, let us call thee devil!

Abraham Lincoln, 1842—

Liquor might have defenders, but no defense. Whether or not the world would be vastly benefited by a total and final banishment from it of all intoxicating drinks, seems to me not an open question.

Gladstone, 1898—

The ravages of drink are greater than those of war, pestilence, and famine combined.

Cardinal Gibbons, 1915—

The great course of the laboring man is intemperance. It has brought more desolation to the wage-earner than strikes or war, or sickness or death. It has caused little children to be hungry and cold and to grow up among evil associations. It has broken up more homes and wrecked more lives than any other cause.

M. Gorges Clemenceau, 1920—

It is definitely settled that alcohol is a poison; a poison destructive of human energy and, for that reason, of society as a whole.

Sir Wilfred Grenfell, 1928—

Alcohol has wrecked more lives, starved more children, and murdered more women than any other single factor.

Thomas A. Edison, 1930—

I still feel that prohibition is the greatest experiment yet made to benefit man.

Chester Rowell, 1930—

One drink is too many for the man at the automobile wheel, and the danger point is far short of the drunken point in nearly all of the occupations of life.

Josephus Daniels, 1930—

The man who opposes prohibition and says in the next breath that he never could tolerate the return of the saloon, either is practising deception or he does not know that as surely as night follows day, the fall of prohibition means the reenthronement of the saloon.

—Signal Press, in "The Journal of the National Educational Association."

THE MINISTER

I pity the minister.

And his family.

If they are well dressed they are extravagant; if not they are slouchy and careless in their habits.

If the minister is humorous, he belongs on the stage, and if he is serious, he is dry as dust.

If the members who call get a square meal at the minister's, they are living too high; if the table is not groaning with food, the minister's wife is a poor cook and manager.

If the minister's son smokes his father ought to stop it; if not, the boy is a sissy and should have been a girl.

If the family are musical, they are too hilarious; or if the children do not play, it is too bad they couldn't get a pastor who had a little musical talent.

If the minister is home a good deal, he puts too much time on his sermons;

If he is out calling he is a gad-about.

If the family visits the members, they are spongers; and if not, they are too aristocratic.

If the minister tries to bolster his salary in any way, he should leave the pulpit and enter the business world; if not, he should be glad he is getting almost half as much as a truck driver because he wasn't fitted for anything except the ministry.

If his sermons are short, he is too lazy; and if they are long, he is too old-fashioned.

If his wife is neat she is stuck up; if not, she is slovenly.

If the children are well behaved, the pastor is too strict with them; if not, the parents are to blame for not taking care of their own affairs properly.

If they save any money, they are stingy; and if not, they are spend-thrifts.

I pity the minister

And his family.

—James A. Sanaker.

WHAT I OWE MY PASTOR

I owe it to my pastor to pray for him and make his service a blessing him and make his service a blessing to everyone with whom he comes in contact.

I owe my pastor the encouragement of my presence when he stands in the pulpit of my church to preach the word of God to a hungry hearted people.

I owe my pastor the encouragement of my presence and my prayerful support when he preaches the gospel to the lost who come to our church.

I owe my pastor my earnest effort to bring the lost of my community to the service to hear the gospel preached, and then to help him to win these lost ones to Christ.

I owe my pastor to live in such a way every day that my life may not render ineffective the message that he brings.—Selected, Baptist Progress.

"God can strike straight licks with crooked sticks."

Dr. J. B. Phillips, of Signal Mountain, Chattanooga, recently held a revival with the First Baptist Church, Batesville. This was his second meeting for all the churches in town.

Pastor E. L. Mayfield of Silver City, New Mexico, recently held a revival at Santa Rita in which there were 4 conversions.

Last Sunday, Dr. J. M. Dawson entertained upon his 20th year as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Waco, Texas. He was greeted by a large audience, when he preached on "A Planned Life."

There were more than 150 registered at the Fort Worth Seminary for the first Southwest Baptist Church Music Conference held December 18-19. This Conference is to be an annual affair.

CHAPLAINS OF OUR MORALE

Thomas J. Watts, Executive Secretary The Relief and Annuity Board of S. B. C.

The above caption and that which follows in quotation marks constituted a part of an editorial in the Dallas News, Dallas, Texas. Coming as it did from a secular source and from an able editor of a daily paper, I feel that readers of denominational papers will be interested in it. Surely the time is upon us as Baptists when we should give heed to the things suggested by this editorial.

We must treat our preachers right. Financial conditions in the country are improving; commodity prices are rising, and with that will come better compensation for the employees of industrial and other business organizations. The fear has been expressed that the ministry will be the last to be benefited by improved conditions. This should not be.

"NOT SINCE THE WAR has there been a time when America stood more in need of the ministry of Godly men in pulpit and pastorate than right now. Indeed, seeing that suffering is more widespread in this country now than it was in war times (though not so acute, to be sure,) it might be said even that we need these chaplains of our national morale more now than we had the fever of opposing a visible army to buoy up our spirits and harden our determination.

"It is not good to reflect that, at a time of great need or the comforting counsel and friendly sympathy of preachers, these servants of the general good are themselves passing through a period of severe trial and, in many cases, of actual distress to the point of destitution. The cold facts are that 20,000 ordained ministers in this country are looking for work—any kind of work—to sustain bare existence for themselves and their families.

"Figures show that one per cent of the preachers of the country receive per year \$4,000 or more, 1.4% receive \$3,000 to \$4,000, 4.6% receive \$2,000 to \$3,000, 9.3% receive \$1,500 to \$2,000, 32.6% receive \$1,000 to \$1,500, 38.6% receive \$500 to \$1,000, and 12.5% receive less than \$500."

Southern Baptist preachers do not fare as well as the figures for the ministry of the United States indicate. Fully 37.5% of our preachers receive less than \$500.00 per year. If our people do so poorly by their active ministers what do they do for the aged and disabled ones? The words of Jesus in Luke 23:31 may not be inappropriate to cite here: "For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry?"

Dr. W. W. Hamilton of Baptist Bible Institute writes: Up to this hour, January 18, B. B. I. has received \$4,100.44 of the \$10,803.50 due at the bank on Feb. 1, 1934. Prayer meeting at noon each day for victory.

The Foreign Mission Board has paid \$52,000.00 on the principal of its indebtedness for the year 1933 and \$65,000.00 in interest, making a total of \$177,000,000 paid on the debt account during the past year. This is a gratifying record!

MORE VALUABLE THAN DIAMOND

Murfreesboro, Arkansas has many natural resources of which we are justly proud, among which are diamonds, and cinibar.

We have just recently discovered a product of our little town that is much more valuable than any of these things, counting values in the true sense of the word.

Last Wednesday night, December 17, Harold W. Lavender, now of Wilmot, Ark., preached for us at the Baptist Church here.

Harold has lived in Murfreesboro practically all his life, and received here the spiritual training that enabled him to hear and answer the call of God to the ministry at such an early age. He is 15 years old. He is the first boy to hear and answer the call of God to any kind of definite service in the history of this town so far as we are able to learn, and we are praising God for this blessing.

His message on "The Spirit of Christmas" was one that would be hard to surpass, for it's spiritual and practical value, even by one much more mature in the work of the ministry.

He delivered his message in a fine way to a large crowd of friends and former schoolmates, who gave him their very best in attention and God is using the message in a great way to his own glory.

He also preached at Bingen near here the following evening, that was also a very splendid service.

Harold is a boy of extraordinary intelligence and devotion to the Lord's work. And bids fair to be one of the greatest preachers in a short time. Let us pray that he will be one who will stand fore-square for the whole program of Christ, eschewing the modern tendencies that are robbing many of God's ministers of their spiritual power.

The man who found the first diamond here received a small fortune which was soon squandered, and he is now in destitute condition financially.

But the humble servant of God, who discovered this precious Gem, and through humble labor, prayers, and many tears has sought to present him to the world pure in life and thought, has a joy, a treasure, a fortune: That moth and rust cannot corrupt and that thieves cannot steal. Why do we not spend more time and labor to find such gems? Why do we spend our money for that which is not meat, and our labor for that which satisfieth not?—Mrs. G. H. Ward, Y. P. Councilor Little River Association.

Pastor E. S. Mizell, Clayton, Okla. reports 125 additions, 99 for baptism during the first year of his pastorate there. He misses the Arkansas fellowship of his friends. God bless you Brother Mizell. We believe you will do greater work as the time goes on.

At the October meeting of the Foreign Mission Board a committee of seven was appointed to search for a man to fill the position of Secretary of the new Department of Missionary Education and Promotion. The committee is at work and hopes soon to be ready to make an interesting announcement to Southern Baptists.

GILES SOUNDS WARNING

To the Editor of The Telegraph: Macon, Ga.

I will appreciate space in your valuable paper to sound a warning note to the fathers and mothers.

I overheard a conversation in a restaurant last night, that kept me awake.

After prayerful consideration, I believe the Holy Spirit is dictating this article. The following is the conversation; a gentleman and a lady customer, and the restaurant proprietor discussing prohibition.

The young man said: "I have never drunk any intoxicants."

The proprietor: "I have never been drunk; I have never drunk more than two quarts of whiskey in my life. You must start the new year right, by taking a drink with me."

The young man: "Much obliged, I do not care for it."

The proprietor; persistently insisted on their taking a social drink. They yield. Ninety-nine out of every 100 would have done so.

There is where the Devil and his cohorts are going to entrap our young people.

The social glass in the hotels, restaurants, drug stores, and homes, is where the poor drunkard begins his drinking career.

I would not be in President Roosevelt's shoes for all the gold and silver in the world. The president and his rubber stamp Congress are responsible for multiplied millions of men and women who are going to fill drunkard's graves and the drunkards' hell, in the next few years.

If the president had supported prohibition as ardently as he has opposed it, our law would not have been repealed, and it would have been enforced far better than any liquor law he will pass.

The next step of the liquor people will be to re-open the red light districts; the drunken brutes must have little girls to entertain them. Where are they going to get them? Out of your home?

No home is immune.

God says: One righteous man can chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight.

If the 300,000 preachers and 1,000,000 W. C. T. U. women in America will pray, work and vote, we will rout the devil and his cohorts.

All congressmen, one-third of our senators, our state and local officers will be elected this year; what are we going to do about it?

— A. GILES, The Macon Telegraph.

"FORGET IT."

If a man slights you, forget it. If he lies about you—unless it is something fundamental—forget it. If he talks about you behind your back, forget it.

Always remember that the maligner suffers more from maligning other people than the people malignd.

It doesn't pay to waste energy in resentment when you feel yourself wronged—just forget it.

A man achieves more triumphs by going serenely on his way in the face of calumny, misrepresentation and perfidy than by hitting back and retaliating in kind.

The biter is always the one who is bitten.

Injustice is sometimes hard to bear, but the surest and quickest way to overcome it is to forget it.

The man who can smile in the face of opposition is the one whom opposition never hurts.

If you find yourself misunderstood, and your motives questioned do your utmost to make people see the light, but if you fail in this and they become wilfully perverse, do not expend useless effort—forget it.

This is often a good philosophy of life when more complicated measures fail.

Dr. Lemuel Hall, pastor of the Northwest Church, Oklahoma City, has been called to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Granite, Ill. He has not announced his decision.

According to the Perry County News, Wallace E. Ely has become pastor at Houston and preached there last Sunday.

Roger Babson says: "My 3 years study of church attendance in 1,000 churches has convinced me that we have reached the low level in church attendance and that the trend is now upward."

Dr. Powhatan W. James, son-in-law of Dr. Geo. W. Truett, becomes pastor of the First Baptist Church, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Dr. George Ragland of Lexington, Ky., says: "Mixed bathing is the advance agent for nudism."

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IN MIDDLE LIFE



Mrs. F. L. White of 711 Cherokee St., Muskogee, Okla. She says: "When passing through middle life I was so nervous I became a wreck. I had terrible headaches and back-aches, my hands and limbs would swell, at night I was very restless, and had no appetite. I would not enjoy the good health I have today if I had not taken Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription."

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Gray Hair

Best Remedy is Made At Home

You can now make at home a better gray hair remedy by following this simple recipe: To half pint of water add one ounce bay rum, a small box of Barbo Compound and one-fourth ounce of glycerine. Any druggist can put this up on you can mix it yourself at very little cost. Apply to the hair twice a week until the desired shade is obtained. Barbo imparts color to streaked, faded or gray hair, making it soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy and does not rub off.

Executive Board, Arkansas Baptist State Conventio

By B. L. Bridges, General Secretary

CHURCHES CONTRIBUTING ALL OR MORE THAN THEY

WERE ASKED FOR

We give here a list of the churches that contributed to the Co-operative Program last year all or more than we asked them for. It has been our custom for many years to ask the churches for enough to make up the budget each year. We have no way of knowing just what a church can do for missions. All we can do is to work in the light of all facts that we have in hand, and we do know something about practically all the churches. We know about what they contributed the preceding year; we know something about their local church obligations, and we know something about the size of the church. We do not always know, however, what a church's financial resources are, and for this reason we may ask a church for less or for more than it feels like it can do, but there is no harm in the asking. This gives the church an idea concerning the amount which we would have to receive if we reached the goal of our budget. We would not criticize a church in the least when it does the best it can but fails to reach the mark which we set for it. If it can not do quite as much as we ask, then we will try to make it up some place else. If it can do more than we ask, then that will make up for some church that could not do quite as much. Some churches gave last year much more than we asked them for. It would take a long time to go through the records and find out how much more some churches gave than we asked them for, but an outstanding church in this class is the church at Norphlet, with H. A. Turner as pastor. They gave so much more last year than we asked them for that we can not help but mention it as an outstanding church. The following is a list of all the churches that gave as much or more than we asked them for:

Barton, Arkansas Valley Association, T. H. Jordan, Pastor.
 Monticello Second, Bartholomew Association, H. Stockman, Pastor.
 Warren, First, Bartholomew Association, M. E. Cole, Pastor.
 Temperance Hill, Benton County Association, Clarence Coffelt, Pas.
 New Hope, Black River Association,
 Poteau, Buckner Association, W. G. Lucas, Pastor.
 Biscoe, Caroline Association, L. L. Jordan, Pastor.
 Hazen, Caroline Association, Boyd Baker, Pastor.
 Pleasant Hill, Caroline Association, H. A. Bickers, Pastor.
 Calvary Ft. Smith, Concord Association, P. J. Crowder, Pastor.
 Magazine, Concord Association, Chas. Finch, Pastor.
 Harrison, Crooked Creek Association, E. E. Griever, Pastor.
 Mt. Judea, Crooked Creek Association, Troy Eoff, Pastor.
 Moark, Current River Association, H. W. Johnston, Pastor.
 Shiloh, Clay County, Current River Assn., H. W. Johnston, Pastor.
 Danville, Dardanelle-Russellville Assn., Opie Eskridge, Pastor.
 Arkansas City, (Mrs. H. Reitzammer) Delta Assn., T. B. Sandifer, Pastor.
 Parkdale, Delta Association.
 Brown's Chapel, Greene County Association, Richard Johnson, pastor
 Marmaduke, First, Greene County Association, Cecil H. Franks, pastor
 Calvary, Pine Bluff, Harmony Assn., H. A. Welch, Pastor.
 S'ar City, Harmony Association, L. H. Davis, Pastor.
 Harmony Grove, Hope Association, O. O. Davis, Pastor.
 Norphlet, Liberty Association, H. A. Turner, Pastor.
 Post Oak, Little Red River Assn., R. A. James Pastor.
 Nashville, First, Little Rover Assn., Robert S. Naylor, Pastor.
 Armorel, Mississippi County Assn., Braxton Gill, Pastor.
 Luxora, Mississippi County Assn., R. A. Kimbrough, Pastor.
 Wheatley, Monroe County Assn., L. L. Jordan, Pastor.
 Baptist Tabernacle, L. Rock, Pul. County Assn., Homer B. Reynolds, Pastor.
 Baring Cross, N L R, Pulaski County Assn., M. A. Treadwell, pastor.
 Central, N L R, Pulaski County Assn., J. K. Jobe, Pastor.
 First, N L R, Pulaski County Assn., T. L. Harris, Pastor.
 Hebron, Pulaski County Association,
 Unity, Red River Association, Ross Edwards, Pastor.
 McCrory, Woodruff County Association,
 Tupelo, Woodruff County Association,

THE HONOR ROLL

When we began last year's work we started an "Honor Roll." This roll was to be made up of churches that contributed monthly or weekly to the Co-operative Program. We did not set any amount for a church to contribute monthly; we left that for the church to decide. We did feel, however, that most any church could contribute some amount each month; however, when the bank holiday occurred financial conditions were so demoralized that we did not press the Honor Roll question any further. A number of churches, however, did make a contribution each month during the year. In a few instances the check did not reach us in time to be counted in the receipts of the month for which it was intended. We hope that the churches will strive to get a check in to us each month, or week.

THE HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB

Pastor Perry Webb, of Pine Bluff, state leader in the Hundred Thousand Club movement, has arranged for a meeting of associational leaders, to be held in Little Rock at the Second Baptist Church at ten o'clock, Tuesday, February 6. Dr. Frank Tripp, of St. Joseph, Missouri, has promised to come and speak to the gathering. The meeting is not limited to associational leaders, but there is a general invitation given to all Baptists to hear Doctor Tripp. I do not know just exactly the hour in which he is to speak, but I presume it will be about eleven o'clock. I urge our Baptist people to hear him. He is a magnetic personality and a great speaker, and in this instance he has a message that all our people should sympathetically hear. I bespeak for Brother Webb the fellowship of our people as he leads us in endeavoring to finish this task. We do not have the latest report on the Hundred Thousand Club receipts. The latest report we had indicated that nearly sixty thousand dollars in cash had been received and applied directly to the principal of South-wide debts. The largest contributor in this movement is Mrs. Arnold, of the First Baptist Church, Camden, Arkansas. Pastor Herrington received such a communication from the General Leader, Mrs. Arnold is a loyal, sympathetic, earnest worker and contributor, and is a great asset to the First Baptist Church in Camden. There ought to be hundreds, and even thousands, of her kind in the Southern Baptist territory. May God give them to us. Let's finish this task during February.

DOCTOR GRANT ELECTED PRESIDENT OF OUACHITA COLLEGE

The daily press reports that the Ouachita College Board has elected Dr. J. R. Grant to the presidency of the institution. For nearly a year Doctor Grant has been Acting President and has made such a profound impression and such an enviable record that he has become very popular. His unselfish spirit, his untiring efforts, his manifest sincerity of purpose, his Christian character, and his affable disposition, coupled with his knowledge of educational work, ought to insure us a real Christian administration. Let's all co-operate with Doctor Grant and support the college with our children and with our money.

BRINKLEY HAS A GOOD SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

Pastor John Riffey, of Brinkley, is one of the first to conduct a school of missions in his church this year. His membership gave him a hearty response, and the school must have been of unestimable value to his church. He was assisted by Pastor and Mrs. Goodbar, of Lonoke, and by members of his own church. Doctor Riffey himself delivered the main address during the first three nights of the school, and the General Secretary, although afflicted with the flu, responded for the other three nights. On Thursday night, however, induced Doctor Sipes, of Little Rock, to deliver the message and he brought one of the greatest missionary messages I ever heard on "The Justification and Progress of Missions." The church at Brinkley is moving out under the leadership of Pastor Riffey. Just today we have received a check for \$25.00 for the first month of the year. Brother Riffey is a native of Arkansas. One of his deacons says of him:

"Dr. Riffey comes to us from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, where the degrees of Th.M. and Ph.D. were conferred on him, and is also a graduate of Ouachita College. He has held pastorates in Indiana and Kentucky, before returning to Arkansas. In the short time he has been on the field he has led the people in contributions to benevolences a little over one hundred dollars, despite the fact of the existence of a heavy church debt, challenging him, here when he accepted the pastorate. The pastor's wife is an able and talented helpmeet and is leading both in teaching and women's work, is a graduate of Ouachita and has taken training courses in the Seminary at Louisville."

THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST

Editor Cossey is making an unusual effort to increase the number of subscribers to the paper. I want to urge our people to respond to his appeals. In the first place, you can not be an efficient Baptist in Arkansas, rightly dividing the word of truth, without reading the things that the churches are doing. The Arkansas Baptist is the only publication which sets forth an account of our work. In the second place, scarcely any one is too hard pressed financially to get the paper. It does not cost more than two pennies per week, and Brother Cossey has made it possible for you to pay ten cents per month and receive the paper. Under these circumstances, it seems more than ridiculous for any Baptist family not to get the paper and pay for it, and some Baptists ought to pay for it for others who are in straitened circumstances. Please send in your subscription, or get up a club of members. Read the paper and find out the offers that Brother Cossey is making.

FURTHER REDUCTION OF OUR DEBTS

Two weeks ago the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church in Newport under the leadership of their former pastor, Brother L. O. McCracken, gave us the amount of their note which they held against us. The cancellation of this note means a further reduction of our debts. We had a very fine letter from Mrs. J. D. Henderson, of Newport, telling us how gladly the women of their Society voted to do this. We greatly appreciate this donation. The principal of our bonded debt has been reduced from \$900,000 to \$874,000.

WILL FARMERS PLANT AN ACRE FOR THE LORD?

"God's acre" is simply a piece of ground dedicated to the Lord,—set aside, planted, cultivated, harvested, the proceeds sold and the price thereof used for the Lord's work, both to pay the pastor and for missions. Why should we do this? Because "All the tithe (tenth) of the land, whether of the fruit of the tree, or of the seed of the land, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord. . . . And all the tithe (tenth) of the herd or the flock, whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the Lord." Leviticus 27:30-32. "Bring ye the whole tithe (tenth) into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mal. 3:10. "You pay a tithe (tenth) of mint, anise and cummin, and have left undone the weightier matters of the law, justice, mercy and faith. These you ought to have done and not to have left the other undone." Matthew 23:23. Here Jesus said they ought to have paid a tithe (tenth).

Now, why are we not willing to take the Lord's command and the Lord's promise? Let us set aside a plot of ground. If you do not cultivate as much as ten acres, then take a smaller plot than one acre and plant it for the Lord. If you cultivate five acres, take a half acre; that would be one-tenth. If you cultivate two and one-half acres, take a quarter of an acre and plant it for the Lord. If you cultivate a hundred acres, then ten acres would be a tenth. And be fair with the Lord. Do not give him the poorest old gully-washed acre you have on your farm. Give him at least an average. You ought to give him the best. Let us have a thousand farmers in Arkansas who this year will set aside a plot of ground and plant it and carefully cultivate it and use the proceeds thereof for the work of the Lord. If you will do this you can ask the blessings of the Lord upon your whole crop and not be praying a selfish prayer. Keep God's acre separate and keep the proceeds separate.

Let the churches in the rural districts promote this movement. I have known a whole church to plant a piece of ground for the Lord, and I have seen God's blessing upon that church. Pastors, deacons, let's push this movement and get a thousand farmers this year to plant God's acre.