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## School Days Are Here Again

By the Editor

Once more in the early mornings and late afternoons, we see the children, the boys and girls, and the young people of our communities going to and from school. It is inspiring to observe their jollity, their playfulness, their banter. Of course they get down to real business once they enter the school room, and come under the influence and direction of the teachers—at least they are supposed to.

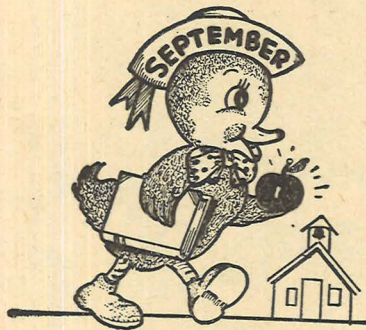
These boys and girls and young people in the public schools will soon be taking our places in the business and professional world, in social and political life. Therefore, it should be the concern of us all — parents, teachers, and the general public—to provide for them the very best in educational opportunities and character development in preparation for the responsibilities which shall devolve upon them within a few years.

It is unfortunate for these school children that our public school system is involved, in any wise, in politics. Our schools, which are responsible for training the future citizens of our land, should be free from political influences and political connivances. When our schools are used to advance the political fortunes of politicians the boys and girls are victims.

Considering the importance of our public schools, and our American system of democracy, they should not only be freed from political influences, but should be freed from economical stringency. It is no compliment to us as patrons, as citizens, to force upon our public schools economical strangulation, by which we are sacrificing the educational opportunities of the future citizens of our land.

It is admittedly important that moral and spiritual values should be accorded a prominent place in our public school system. The school children of today will not be adequate

to the problems of tomorrow, unless they have a proper appreciation for moral and spiritual values. Our present generation has not provided an inspiring example of moral and spiritual standards for the youth of today. Our schools may do a great deal toward training a generation which will be better equipped morally and spiritually for the responsibilities which they must assume. However, it will be a mistake of the most serious nature to allow our public schools to become the proponents of sectarian religion. It is entirely possible for our public schools to properly emphasize the teaching of moral and spiritual values without making the schools propaganda agents for sectarianism.



Our public schools are the greatest democratizing agents in our society. Ideally, the public schools recognize no political, economic, social, or religious distinctions among the students. The Gentile and the Jew, the Protestant and the Catholic, the rich and the poor, are all received into the public school on the same basis. In the public school all the children attend

the same classes, study the same subjects, recite the same lessons, take the same examinations, and, finally, receive the same certificate of graduation. Here in the public schools, therefore, our young citizens learn the principles of democracy—equality of opportunity, and equal rights and privileges for each individual.

A word should be said in behalf of our public school teachers. They constitute one of the most influential groups in our society, and in the majority of cases they are woefully underpaid. In Arkansas our public school system is substandard economically. There is no reason for this condition if the local districts, with all of the political subdivisions of the state, would assume their proper and proportionate responsibilities.

## What Price Peace?

By the Editor

Day by day the chances for peace in Korea seem to be fading away. The negotiations at Kaesong, which began with considerable hope, are not only deadlocked at this writing but seem doomed to certain failure.

The UN command has been patient and has obviously sought to find some basis for a real and effective armistice. However, it is universally true that Communists interpret any patient consideration or agreeableness as weakness of their opposition, and forthwith seek to exploit such attitudes to their own advantage. While preaching peace the Communists are at the same time striving by whatever methods that seem appropriate to the circumstances to subdue the opposition and force their communism upon the peoples of the world.

It seems obvious that the Communists selected Kaesong as the place where the truce negotiations were to be carried on for one simple reason. Kaesong being in the area held by the Communists they could create "deliberate frauds" for the purpose of accusing the allies of violating the neutral zone.

It should be obvious to the democracies of the world by now that the Communists, whether in Russia, or China, or elsewhere, will keep their word, whether spoken or written, for only two reasons: Either they keep their word because it is to their advantage to do so, or they keep their word because they are forced to do so. The non-communist nations of the world can never deal successfully with the communist nations until they recognize that communist nations will honor their word, either spoken or written, for these two reasons alone. Communists do not claim that they are honor bound to stand by their treaties, contracts, and their solemn words. The leaders of communism have avowed their deliberate purpose to break their word, to violate their agreement when it is to their advantage to do so, or when they can get by with it without being called to account by a more powerful nation.

We hope for peace in Korea, but it appears now that that peace must be won by more bloodshed and loss of life. There is no evidence that the Communists have been negotiating in good faith.

## Remember His Death

A Devotion by the Editor

"This do in remembrance of me."

What moment in your life, or what experience or event, would you like your loved ones and friends to remember? Or what event in the lives of your loved ones and friends do you delight to remember? Is it the moment of some triumph, some victory, some promotion?

Men like to tell of their achievements, they boast of their power, they want to be remembered by the occasions when they rose to dizzy heights of popularity, when they were the idol of the multitudes, when their name was a household word.

When our thoughts turn to Jesus, what do we love most to remember about Him? There are so many things in the life of Jesus that impress themselves upon our memories. We could not forget Him, if we would.

There have been studied and painstaking efforts to discount His life. Men have tried to strip Him of His deity, they have undertaken to rob Him of His miracles, they have sought to dilute His teachings and render them insipid and tasteless.

But in spite of all such efforts, Jesus is more widely known today than ever before; and the reality of His deity is recognized by more people than ever before.

Jesus gives us the secret of this undying and ever widening recognition in the memorial supper, and also points out the event in His life by which He wishes to be remembered in the world.

Jesus did not memorialize His miracles. He did not memorialize His incomparable teachings, nor His unselfish life. He did not say at any time, "Do this in memory of my spotless character."

But lest He should be remembered by these alone and then forgotten, He set up a memorial to His death. He would say to us, "Forget my death and you will forget all these other things, remember my death and you will remember all else."

"For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which He was betrayed took bread: And when He had given thanks, He brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.

"After the same manner also he took the cup, when He had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till He come." I Corinthians 11:23-26.

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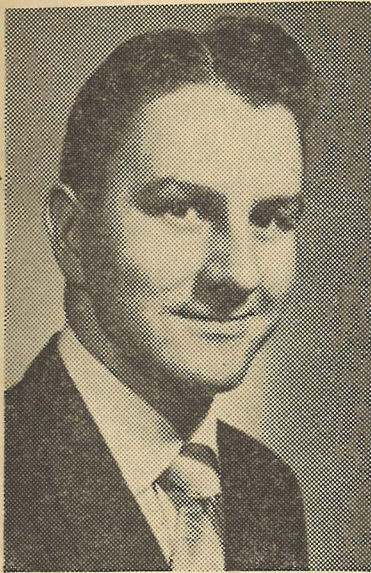
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## Ordained To Ministry



Charles F. Ragland

On Sunday evening, August 26, Charles Fletcher Ragland was ordained to the full gospel ministry by First Church, El Dorado. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Ragland of El Dorado, and until he left to go to Ouachita he was active in all phases of the church life of his home church. In 1947 he earned the title of "Ambassador Plenipotentiary," the highest rank awarded in Royal Ambassador work. He is at present a junior at Ouachita College and is the pastor of the First Church Mission in Arkadelphia.

At the ordination service his pastor, Sam Reeves, delivered the ordination sermon and his associate pastor, Clyde Freed, delivered the ordination charge.

### Please Notice!

Southern Baptists in Illinois are soon to begin a new work in the city of Rockford, Illinois. They are anxious to have the names of Southern Baptists living in Rockford.

Persons who have relatives or friends living in Rockford are requested to send their names to A. G. Rednour, 229 Mason Street, Calumet City, Illinois.

### Professor McDowell Writes Best Seller

Best Seller at the Seminary Book Store during the recent summer conference was Dr. Edward A. McDowell's new book on Revelation, "The Meaning and Message of the Book of Revelation." According to Miss Evelyn Kyle, conference visitors bought a total of 72 copies.

The works of two other Seminary authors were also much in demand: Dr. W. O. Carver's "The Glory of God in the Christian Calling," and Dr. Wayne E. Oates' "The Christian Pastor."

Off the Broadman Press only recently, "The Meaning and Message of the Book of Revelation" is receiving wide acclaim among New Testament scholars. Said Dr. Carver, in a recent review of the book, in *The Review and Expositor*: "For no book of the Bible is there greater need for a reverent, sensible, and practical guide for its reading and interpretation on the part of the Bible reader and ordinary preacher than for the book of Revelation. Here is just such a book."

-The Tie

## Telegram!

Promotion Day is the climax of the year's work in the Sunday School. Please urge, through your paper, all Sunday School teachers to seek to win to Christ and the church every lost person in their classes before Promotion Day September 30.

T. L. Holcomb  
Jerome O. Williams  
Baptist Sunday School Board

## New Orleans Seminary Begins Another Building

By HAL BENNETT

Giant piledrivers have moved into place to begin another new building for the New Orleans Seminary. This, a woman's dormitory, will be the seventh of a minimum of twelve that must be completed before moving the entire school from the old campus to the new one facing Highways 90 and 11 in the eastern part of the city. Moving date hoped-for is 1953.

The piledrivers disprove an old saying. People do build on shifting sand in New Orleans. There is hardly anything else to build on. For instance, some years back a well was being sunk on the old property. The diggers found a cypress log in good condition, buried 800 feet down. Any solid rock has to be deeper than that.

Any heavy buildings, which includes the well-constructed brick structures of the new seminary project, have to have a foundation supplied. More trees are driven into the ground than ever stood on the same area normally. When the pilings are securely in place, the ground is dug away and a cement foundation poured around them before even one brick can be laid.

Not having any solid rock on which to build, a substitute must be found. Engineers have learned how to do it, but the process is expensive.

## Youth Revival at Biscoe

A team of young people conducted a youth revival at First Church, Biscoe, recently, which resulted in four additions to the church by baptism and a quickening of the spiritual responses of the members of the church.

The evangelistic team consisted of: Lucien Coleman Jr., evangelist; Truman Keahey, song leader; Bill Pratt, organist; Mable Taylor, personal worker; and Rachel Quattlebaum, personal worker.

Pastor Roy G. Adams of the Biscoe church highly commends this youth team and further remarks, "Nothing better could happen to any church than to have a well qualified team such as the one we had in our recent youth revival."

## Fred Cherry in Revival At McGehee

Fred Cherry, lay-evangelist of Oklahoma City, was with Pastor Theo T. James and First Church, McGehee, in revival services July 29 to August 12.

There were 72 additions to the church, 40 of these were received for baptism and 34 by letter. There were several others who made a profession of faith who are expected to unite with the church later, or with other churches in the community.

Pastor James commends Mr. Cherry as an evangelist and soul winner, saying "He is one of the most effective soul winners with whom I have ever worked."

Mark Short, Arkadelphia, directed the singing during the revival.

## Baring Cross Celebrates Eighth Anniversary of Pastor Elledge

The Baring Cross Church, North Little Rock, honored their pastor and his family on Wednesday evening, August 22, with an appropriate program and a reception on the occasion of his eighth anniversary as pastor of the church.

Eight years ago Pastor Elledge came to Baring Cross Church from Second Church, Pine Bluff. During his ministry at Baring Cross, the church has expanded its program along all lines. The Sunday School enrollment has increased from 686 to 1,399 and the Training Union has grown from an enrollment of 162 to 497. In 1948 the church enlarged both its educational building and its auditorium in order to more adequately meet the needs of its growing membership, and at the present time the church is enlarging and rearranging the auditorium to accommodate the ever-increasing congregations.

Pastor Elledge has baptized 633 persons on their profession of faith during his eight years ministry at Baring Cross. During the same period, gifts to the Cooperative Program have increased from \$150 per month to \$1,400 per month.

## J. F. Queen and Bill Keltner Evangelistic Team

Dr. J. F. Queen, chaplain at the Arkansas Baptist Hospital, was evangelist in revival services with Pastor R. D. Harris and First Church, McCrory, Arkansas, August 6-12. Bill Keltner, educational director, First Baptist Church, Lampasas, Texas, directed the music.

As a result of the meeting, the church received 13 additions for baptism and six by letter.

Pastor Harris comments, "Dr. Queen is an excellent preacher of the gospel, and Bill Keltner is one of the best singers I have ever had the privilege of working with."

## First Church, Salem Has Good Meeting

Pastor James B. Busby did his own preaching in a revival meeting at First Church, Salem, in connection with the associational simultaneous revivals, August 5-19. There were six additions to the church for baptism and one by letter.

The revival actually started before the meeting began with the baptism of the Superintendent of Schools and his wife and the Principal of the high school.

## Minister Ordained

Sardis Bever was ordained to the full gospel ministry on Wednesday evening, August 22, by the Bethel Church, Pine Bluff.

The ordaining sermon was delivered by Pastor A. B. Pierce of Kosciusko, Mississippi. Others participating in the ordaining council were: Dr. S. E. Tull, Charles Jordan, Claude McGarrity, W. J. Morris, A. F. Robinson, and Pastor Earl R. Humble of the Bethel Church.

Mr. Bever is a student in Ouachita College and has been called to the pastorate of the Lapile Church, near Strong.

## Dr. S. W. Eubanks Available For Supply or Evangelistic Work

Dr. S. W. Eubanks, former president of Ouachita College, will maintain residence temporarily in Arkadelphia. He is available for supply work, revival meetings, or Bible Conference engagements.

# Christian Citizenship: Political Phase

By PHILIPS B. BOYER

(Continued from last week)

## Marxian Communism

Christianity presumes each newborn child to require spiritual rebirth as it advances in years, regardless of the nation or social status in which it lives. Marxian communism presumes the world to need a culminating revolutionary change eliminating private property and exploitation of one class by another. Partly by the broader leavening influence of Christianity, the democratic hope has come to include the ideal of the brotherhood of man, and the expedients of universal suffrage and parliamentary procedure for handling economic and social injustices of the moment. Communism rejects the ideal of the brotherhood of man and calls for unity of the propertyless workers in ruthless and continuous destructive attack upon all other economic classes and on the national state itself: All for the purpose of a future dreamland on earth where, after this battle is won, each will serve as he can and receive what he needs. Neither Christianity nor democracy have any quarrel with the objective, "From each according to his ability; to each according to his needs." Moreover, neither Christianity nor democracy defend recognizable exploitation of person by person or class by class.

## Christianity vs. Communism

The strength of communism might seem to lie primarily in 1) its immediate appeals to the greed and envy of those in meager circumstances, 2) its ruthless use of force and misrepresentation, and 3) its exploitation of the sentimental ties of opponents it catches within its toils. In its crass assumption that man lives by bread and other material things alone, communism has in nation after nation expropriated large landholdings and won effective support of the peasants by giving them the lands they had been tilling. Then, when within a few years the police state has been established, these lands are taken from individual peasant ownership and higher rents exacted by the state than formerly went to the landlords.

The Christian heaven can aid toward more prompt and effective amelioration of the lot of the economically unfortunate; also toward development in some of these of the competence of self control and ability to plan and budget. It can also strengthen those op-

ponents of communism entrapped by its agents to the end that they shall no longer fear death at communist hands so much as they fear the consequences to their own spirits and the spirits of others, including loved ones, should they accede to communist exactions. Why should we not both steel ourselves and encourage our loved ones to this fearless sacrificial spirit? After all, how can one be certain that such unscrupulous liars as doctrinaire communists will keep any bargain they make?

Any large measure of such opposition determination will strip the militant communist minority of the advantage of aggressiveness. While we at all times strive for a harmlessness of doves that actively seeks out every possibility of peace, let us also make certain to achieve the maximum possible wisdom of the serpent. Until Soviet Russia permits free circulation of foreign periodicals, of foreign correspondents, and of foreign radio programs within her borders little if any trust can be placed in any agreement she makes.

## Thorny Altar

Men are, and seem destined to remain, creatures of habit. As long as men remain creatures of habit, customs and institutions are inevitable. Moreover some habits, some customs, and some institutions will from time to time become so outmoded as to require change. Any one or several personal habits, social customs, or institutions may be changed, but only an extremely small portion of the total at any one time. Besides such changes are made by replacement rather than by utter destruction. If there were nothing more to sin than this inadequacy of habits, we would yet have to re-echo Paul, "The things I would I do not, and the things I would not I do." So the ultimate goal of communism seems utterly visionary and the leavening influence of Christianity through western democracy much more constructive and productive even of material welfare.

That our democracy may be strong both within and without, may we have ever increasing numbers of capable, dedicated Christians offering themselves on the thorny altar of candidacy for political service.

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## Intermediates Organize Associational Training Unions

Intermediate Training Union members from five churches in White County Association met on Thursday night, August 23, with First Church, Searcy, for the purpose of organizing an associational Training Union. There were 70 Intermediates and Intermediate leaders present. The organization plans to hold monthly meetings, and an effort is being made to enlist all churches in the association in this work.

## Liberty Association Sets Goal \$95,000 for Cooperative Program

The Liberty Association set up a goal of \$95,000 for the Cooperative Program during the current year. During the first six months of the year the association was short only \$1,323.32 of the half year goal. It is expected that this shortage will be more than made up during the last half of the year.

## \$10,000 Scholarship Fund

A five-year scholarship program to help deserving young women complete their college education was announced recently by Dr. Gordon Singleton, President of Mary Hardin-Baylor College. "Houston Endowment Inc., a philanthropic foundation endowed by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse H. Jones of Houston, has granted a \$10,000 scholarship fund to Mary Hardin-Baylor College," Dr. Singleton explained. "This amount will be made available to the college at the rate of \$2,000 per year, beginning September 1, 1951," he said.

"The scholarships, which will be awarded exclusively by the college, will be known as the Mary Gibbs Jones Scholarships and will be awarded to young women of outstanding ability who need financial assistance in attending college. The scholarships will not be restricted to any one field but are available for study in business, government, teaching, home economics, music, and allied fields," Dr. Singleton explained.

## Chaplains Urged to Organize State Units

Several Southern States have units of the Baptist Chaplains Association. These groups will hold luncheon and business meetings at forthcoming State Conventions. States not having a unit are urged to form one during the State convention this fall. Any chaplain or former chaplain can take the lead in organizing an association. If assistance is needed in the formation of a new unit or in the matter of a program for presently existing units, these persons are invited to correspond with the president of the Southern Baptist Chaplains Association, Chaplain Dow Heard, Veterans Administration, Washington 25, D. C. Reports of any activities to Chaplain Heard for information will be appreciated.

## A Year of Progress At Greenlee Memorial

The Greenlee Memorial Church, in Harmony Association near Pine Bluff, reviews the progress of the church program for the past year with a sense of gratification. This review is prompted by the first anniversary of the pastorate of Paul E. Grimes. Pastor Grimes came to the Greenlee Memorial Church on August 27, 1950, from Columbia, South Carolina.

The Greenlee Memorial Church is in a rural community, and has 80 resident members. During Pastor Grimes' first year with the church, there were 23 additions to its membership, 14 of whom were received for baptism with two more approved for baptism. The Sunday School enrolment has increased, also. The financial receipts of the church have increased providing an increase in the salary of the pastor and the allocation of ten per cent of the church offering to the Cooperative Program.

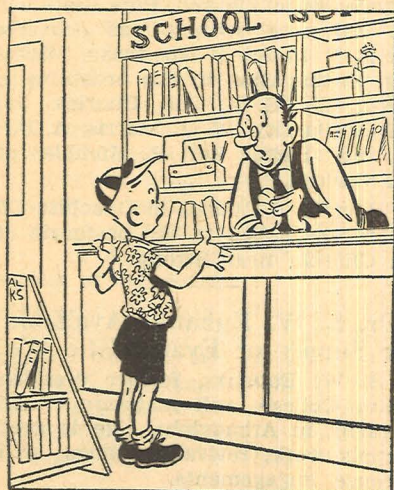
The church and Sunday School buildings have been redecorated and improved generally. A building committee has been appointed to investigate the possibility of constructing another Sunday School annex to the present building.

The interior of the pastor's home has been redecorated by the pastor and his wife.

## Cross Roads Church Receives 41 Additions

Pastor Robert Leigh of the Joiner Church recently assisted Pastor J. S. Clark, and the Cross Roads Church, in a 12 day revival meeting. There were 41 additions to the church membership, 36 of whom were received for baptism.

Thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth. (Deuteronomy 8:18).



"Better give me 5 or 6 erasers"

## It Must Be Found

By CHAS. A. WELLS

When all reasons for our defensive war in Korea are surveyed and accepted, we still face the stark, unavoidable fact that the people we set out to defend have suffered the most and lost the most.—Korea has been totally destroyed with between two and three million Korean civilians killed in the last year from war's ravages. We only deceive ourselves into thinking that freedom means anything when such an effort leaves nothing but hunger, suffering, death, poverty and despair. Will the world awake to the fact, now made so clear, that there is no defense — no security in modern war? As Gen. MacArthur said, "War is inherently a failure now," — because of the vast expansion of war's destructibility. We must find other means to meet the issues that create wars, and the very nature of the problem demands that the means must be found in the realm of the moral and spiritual.

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## Power in the Printed Page

By L. L. CARPENTER

"What gets your attention gets you," says the psychologist. Our state Baptist papers bring to the people every week information and inspiration as to every cause and institution which we as Baptists hold dear and support. Thus, through attractive features, pictures, cartoons, and editorials, every phase of Baptist work gets the attention of the people. Inevitably multitudes of people are challenged to devotion and consecration in the Lord's work.

We cannot through teaching and preaching tell the people all they need to know. We must teach and encourage them to read. Every time an interested person gets a subscription to his state Baptist paper placed in a home, he supplements everything that the church is trying to do through its entire program — teaching, preaching, worship, and its service activities.

Baptist papers help to build Christian personalities, homes, churches, communities, and the world-wide program of Christianity. These papers not only are denominational journals but are attractive and wholesome religious papers for the whole family circle.

—Baptist Bulletin

## Writer's Awards Announced From Ridgecrest Conference

Twelve Baptist authors received fourteen awards in a national writers workshop competition conducted recently by the Baptist Sunday School Board. Prizes were offered in six divisions. The manuscripts were judged by nationally known teachers in the writing field present for the annual Writers' Conference at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

Winners in the short story division, judged by J. Wesley Ingles, fiction workshop leader, are: Miss Mabel King Beeker, Nashville, Tennessee, first; Miss Harriett Hill, Kansas City, Missouri, second; Mrs. Mary Pearson Goodhue, Sheffield, Alabama, third.

Only a first place winner, Miss Florence Pedigo Jansson, Arlington, Virginia, was named in the juvenile short story division, also judged by Dr. Ingles. Dr. Ingles is professor of English at the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

Leader of the nonfiction workshop, Walter S. Campbell, professor of English at the University of Oklahoma, Norman, selected the following to receive awards in that field:

Feature article: Edwin R. Andrews, Townsend, Virginia, first; Mrs. Carl J. Chaney, Lebanon, Tennessee, second; Miss Lucy Gray Kendall, Nashville, Tennessee, third.

Editorial: Miss Jansson, winner in the juvenile short story division, first; J. Dan Williams, Shepherdsville, Kentucky, second; Mrs. O. R. LeBeau, Arlington, Virginia, third.

Interpretative article: Mrs. Ben R. Bradley, Kennedy, Texas, first.

Inspirational article: Mrs. J. E. Lambdin, Nashville, Tennessee, first; Mrs. Warner Earl Fusselle, Lynchburg, Virginia, second; Miss Jansson, Arlington, Virginia, third.

All winning manuscripts became the property of the Sunday School Board for first publishing rights.

—Baptist Press

## An Important Date For W. M. U.

September 17 is the day suggested for observance of the annual Day of Prayer for State Missions. Program material and offering envelopes have been mailed every W. M. U. organization in the state with an appeal for a worthy observance and a sacrificial offering.

Arkansas is "A Land of Opportunity" and should be invaded by Baptist forces with a spirit of true pioneering.

Consider! Pray! Give! to alleviate the spiritual suffering in Arkansas and to establish churches, provide preachers, strengthen outposts, support institutions. Offerings should be sent to Miss Nancy Cooper, W. M. U. Treasurer, 209 Baptist Building, Little Rock.

A debt of gratitude is due the following who provided the program material: Dr. C. W. Caldwell, writer of R. A. program and contributor and consultant for all; Mrs. James Harris, writer of Y. W. A. program; Mrs. S. W. Eubanks, writer of G. A. material; Miss Hattie Ann Kelso, writer of the program for Sunbeams.

### Important Fall Dates

September 17—Day of Prayer for State Missions and Dixie Jackson Offerings

September 25-26 — Leadership Conference for District and Associational Officers, Petit Jean

October 23-November 2 — District W. M. U. Meetings

November 4-10—R. A. Focus Week

November 19—R. A. Fellowship Supper

November 20-22—Arkansas Baptist State Convention

December 3-7—Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and Lottie Moon Offering

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## Baylor Doctorate Program Answers Educational Need

"Baylor University's announcement of a program of study leading to the Doctor of Philosophy degree comes in answer to a need of long standing," Dr. R. Orin Cornett, executive secretary of the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, says.

Dr. Cornett believes that the Baylor program, which begins this fall by offering work in the department of English and American literature, in basic sciences and in medical research, will be "a valuable source of trained personnel for teaching positions in Southern Baptist colleges and universities."

Having recently inaugurated a Placement Service as a division of the Commission, Dr. Cornett points out that the necessity of having to go outside our own Southern Baptist institutions in the past to obtain graduate work at the doctorate level has caused the loss of many promising college teachers by our institutions.

Dr. Wilby T. Gooch, vice-president of the university and dean of the Baylor Graduate School, will direct the new program.

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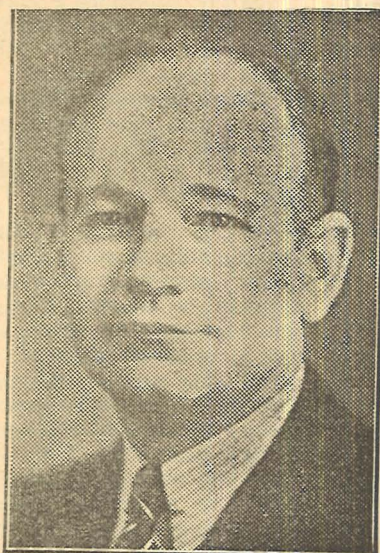
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## The Master Says:

**LOOK**—"But when He saw the multitudes . . . Then saith He unto His disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few" (Matt. 9:36a-37)

**LOVE**—" . . . He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd." (Matt. 9:36b)

**LIFT**—" . . . my Father hath sent me, even so send I you." (John 20:21b)

## We Believe In:

**THE MESSAGE**—Go—seek the lost, teach and preach the Word, baptize believers.

**THE METHODS**—Grow—Methods tried by Sunday Schools of Southern Baptist churches and found sound—1,000,000 growth in four years in Sunday school enrolment speaks for itself.

**THE PROMISE**: " . . . and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." (Matt. 28:20b)

# "B" Night in the Association

## Tuesday, September 18

"B" stands for briefing. The Army always has a briefing period before an important battle so that all officers can cooperate in important plans. The purpose of "B" Night is to launch the Associational Sunday School program for 1952.

The suggested date for "B" Night is the third Tuesday of September of each year so that the date may be permanently fixed in our Denominational Calendar of Activities.

"B" Night will be observed simultaneously by all associations in every state in the Southern Baptist Con-

vention. There is power in a unified effort such as this.

The aim of "B" Night is to encourage the church planning meetings to be held in each church in September or October to plan for the work for 1952.

Each church can help make "B" Night a success by participating in and encouraging a "B" Night program in the association.

If these two types of planning meetings are promoted in the association you may look forward to your greatest year of achievements.

## Our Aim:

**Personal Dedication**—"Here am I, send me."

**Promoting**—To encourage every church in Arkansas to do more in 1952 than ever before, and to use their Sunday schools to the fullest extent

**Planning**—To provide in every church for every member of the family.

## Planning Precedes Progress!



GEORGE H. HINK

Associate State Sunday School Superintendent for Arkansas

# Fellowship In The Church

By MRS. HOMER D. MYERS

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The greatest victory Satan can possibly attain in his wicked efforts to frustrate the cause of Christ is broken church fellowship. Nothing else hurts the cause so much; nor serves so effectively to hinder the work; it paralyzes the Christian's efforts and casts a stumbling block in the pathway of sinners. The Devil is the author of all confusion. In his Philipian letter, Paul pleads with Christians to do the things that would promote good fellowship in the church.

## Live Above Reproach

"Let your conversation (literally citizenship) be as it becometh the gospel of Christ." Another translation says, "Do lead a life that is worthy of the gospel of Christ." Paul's plea to the Philipians was to act as well in his absence as they would if he were present, for he would hear about their affairs.

Three times in this short passage he urges Christians to be "of one mind," to be "like-minded," to be "Christ-minded." Peace, harmony, and co-operation are the first requirements for a successful church. No church ever did much good that is constantly in a quarrel. Many churches gain the bad reputation of being a wrangling church. Be not deceived: people will know for miles around whether your church works together in peace and harmony, or whether it is continually in a turmoil. And, who wants to join such an organization? Saved people will avoid transferring their church membership to such a place, and certainly the unsaved will have good excuse to stay as far as possible from a fussing group of church members.

"Striving together for the faith of the gospel." Or, "fighting side by side like one man for the gospel," says Mr. Moffat. The first thing a soldier in the army must learn is co-operation. He cannot always do just what he might think best; a good soldier will go along with the group for the good of the cause for which they all are fighting.

Some, who are otherwise very good church members, seem to think they were sent to the kingdom to kick; that it is their sacred duty to oppose everything and everybody in the church. It is very well to be orthodox, but it is a well known fact that perpetual kickers never do much else. When one spends his time criti-

## Sunday School Lesson for

September 9, 1951

Phil. 1:27-2:11

cizing and opposing others, he has no time left for constructive service.

To those in faithful service, Paul gives an encouraging word: "In nothing be terrified by your adversaries." If the preacher, or the people, ran away in fear at every appearance of opposition and unpleasantness the church would have died 1900 years ago. The inspired writers urge us to be good soldiers of the cross; steadfast and immovable, looking always to our Captain to lead us forward and give us the victory, for it is not only a privilege to believe on Christ—but to suffer with Him.

## Be Humble

Serve God with a proper motive, not in strife as a competitor; or in vain glory; but with humility give place to others. What matter who has the exalted position just so the work is done and Christ is honored? Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus: though Christ was equal with God, He did not hold Himself up as one of great reputation, but He took upon Himself the form of a servant. He came to minister to others—not to be waited upon. Jesus even allowed Himself to be taken by death. Who of us would die if it were not necessary? We loathe death. We shun the very appearance of death. Death cannot be dressed up so as to make us like it; yet Jesus became obedient unto death, and worse than that, "even the death of the cross." He submitted Himself to execution; to the punishment of a criminal. Yet, His followers find it difficult to be humble enough to live together. What if we were subjected to the persecution that our Master knew?

## Love the Brethren

"Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren." (I John 3:16) What proof have we that God loves us? Because He died for us. He paid the supreme penalty for the sinning race; so He says that we should also be willing to lay down our lives for the brethren. We can at least lay our lives on the altar of service for others.

If we love the brethren, "We will not look every man to his own things, but also on the things of others." Love demands that one live unselfishly. One cannot possibly be selfish with one whom he

really loves. The selfish person loves himself just a shade more than he loves anybody else. Love puts the interests of loved ones first, himself afterwards. That is the kind of love Christ had for us; it is the kind of love that is commended for us toward others.

If we love the brethren, we will esteem others better than self, "in lowliness of mind." Another translation says: "I pray you to give me the utter joy of knowing you are living in harmony, with the same feelings of love, with one heart and soul, never acting for private ends or from vanity, but humbly considering each other the better man, and each with an eye to the interests of others as well as to his own. Treat one another with the same spirit as you experience in Christ Jesus." (Moffat)

Christian fellowship in the church is the sweetest earthly relationship; one is closer to his spiritual relatives than he can ever get to his earthly kinsman. They have more in common; they have more to look forward to; they will be kinsmen throughout eternity, while family ties shall be broken

unless they are undergirded by spiritual regeneration.

## Christ, Central Figure In Church Fellowship

Church members should strive to maintain good fellowship in the church because of its importance. We should conduct ourselves in church as though Christ were presiding in the pulpit. If people were conscious of Christ's presence as they **SHOULD BE** every time they go to the church house, it would be no trouble to carry on His work in peace and harmony; if people were conscious of Christ's presence at church, tempers would not flare so easily, nor would anything else take place that would hurt and hinder His cause. If we could realize that we are **IN HIS HOUSE**, that He is there though He is invisible to the human eye, would we not strive to behave ourselves as "it becometh the gospel of Christ?" Would we not strive harder to "lead a life that is worthy of Christ?" Surely, we would.

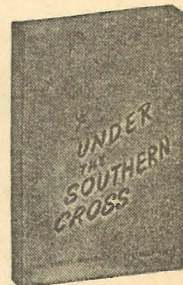
So, as we go to church, let us go there to meet and greet the Savior first, and friends secondly.

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## A Good Start Toward "Balancing the Scales" on the Old Debts

Last week we sent out an appeal to all our churches asking them to help us "Balance the Scales" in 1952 on our old debts by helping us raise \$12,000 extra before November first this year to apply on this year's payment.

We were in Boone County last week attending the Monthly Workers Conference at Burlington. On our way to Burlington we stopped over at Harrison and called on just four men explaining our appeal. These four men gave us \$250 to be applied on this "extra" \$12,000. Following are excerpts taken from letters these good men wrote us: "I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity of helping clear up Arkansas Baptist Honor debts. If they can be completely liquidated by next year it will indeed be a blessing to our Baptist cause. Mrs. Beene and I and the girls will give \$100 to apply on these debts. I believe the paying of these debts 100 cents on the dollar is the greatest manifestation of honesty I have ever witnessed. Although these debts were legally paid at about 35 cents on the dollar we had a moral obligation to pay them in full."

(Signed) B. H. Beene

"It is with pleasure that I hand you my check for \$25 to apply on the Old Debt campaign. I feel sure that practically all the

Baptist laymen of Arkansas join with you and the Baptist Ministers that this is a moral obligation, which we cannot afford to evade. I feel like Arkansas Baptists will receive a blessing in doing this."

(Signed) Woody Murray,  
Circuit Judge

"I had a nice visit with Lucien Coleman yesterday, and he was telling me about your plans to make a substantial payment on the old Convention debts in the near future. We want to have a part in it, and I'm sending my check in the amount of \$25."

(Signed) L. J. Cooper

"Find inclosed check for \$100 to apply on our old obligation and I am glad to have a part in paying Baptist obligations . . . I join you in making our slogan 'Debt free in '52.'"

(Signed) T. C. Heuer

We are deeply grateful for these letters and checks. There are other fine laymen in Harrison who will also help. The spirit expressed in these letters seems to be the prevailing attitude of our people all over the state. What a glorious day it will be when Arkansas Baptists become debt free.

## When Does Your Church Budget Year Begin?

We are wishing and praying that our churches would all begin their year with January 1. Many of the smaller churches have their fiscal year beginning September 1, or October 1, but most of the larger churches begin their budget year on January 1. It would be a lot better if we could have uniformity among our churches with reference to the budget year. We give you the following reasons:

1. The Southern Baptist Convention makes its fiscal year even with the calendar year. Its programs and schedules and reports run on the calendar year basis, and nearly all our churches do business with the Southern Baptist Convention.

2. Much literature is published and distributed for helping the churches in putting on their stewardship campaigns. This literature is distributed, for the most part, in the fall of the year too late to be of much assistance to a church that launches its campaign in September. It is difficult, for denominational offices to distribute this literature before September.

3. Many leading church members have their vacations late in the summer and have not settled down to their busy activities, and many of them are not available for any intensive and organized effort that the church might inaugurate until about the time schools open in September. Not much time

is left to set a busy program to going if the budget year is to begin by October 1. The best time to promote the budget is when you have your largest number of people attending the services. This is usually in October and November. It requires at least a month for a church to conduct an effective stewardship and budget movement and get the people to subscribe to the budget.

4. The emphasis on stewardship in our Sunday School literature is made in the last quarter of the calendar year, and all our church workers need the help that they get from Sunday School and Training Union literature.

5. A clear understanding of what the new year may be economically is more easily arrived at in the fall of the year, and churches can more intelligently set their budget objectives.

6. During October and November farmers know how they stand for the year and it is easier to get them to pledge when they have money than when they do not have any.

7. There is inspiration and power in a simultaneous effort which would be experienced if all our churches make November the month for a stewardship and tithing and budget effort. Our simultaneous evangelistic effort proved that a free people do better in a simultaneous movement. It is inspiring when you know that 25,000 other Baptist

## Attention Pastors!

We have mailed a package of 1952 promotional materials to every pastor in the state. One of these packages has also been sent to every pastorless church in the state by mailing it to the Sunday School Superintendent or Church Clerk where we did not have the name of the Sunday School Superintendent.

These packages contain samples of our 1952 Cooperative Program posters and tracts. They also contain samples of tithing tracts and posters. A twelve page brochure published by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is inclosed.

We think this is an important matter as the churches come to consider ways and means of promoting their 1952 budgets. We trust these packets of literature will be helpful. Look for the "order" blanks in your package and let us have your orders as soon as you can. We hope you will order all the tracts and materials you can use effectively.

## Annual Meetings Have Begun

How time does fly! Another year has passed and we have already attended two annual Associational meetings—Stone-Van Buren, Searcy and White River. These were great meetings with a fine spirit prevailing. We look forward to each of those that follow.

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## Dr. Andrew Potter Is Dead

Dr. Potter, Oklahoma Baptist State Secretary, died August 29, just two days before the completion of his eighteenth year as head of the General Convention of Oklahoma. Full details will be given in next issue of **Arkansas Baptist**.

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## Notice!

Correct date for Arkansas Baptist State Convention is November 20-22; First Church, Little Rock.

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Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, it is more blessed to give than to receive. (Acts 20:35).

churches are trying to do, at the same time, what you are trying to do.

8. There would be less confusion among us regarding annual contributions and the annual support of the budget if all churches would adopt the same plan for the budget year. It is important that the state conventions keep their budget year even with the Southern Baptist Convention year, and it would be fine if all our churches would have the same period covered by their budget year. It could be done and we hope that soon it may be done.

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