

6-7-1934

June 7, 1934

Arkansas Baptist State Covention

Follow this and additional works at: https://scholarlycommons.obu.edu/arbn_30-34

 Part of the [Christian Denominations and Sects Commons](#), [Mass Communication Commons](#), and the [Organizational Communication Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Arkansas Baptist State Covention, "June 7, 1934" (1934). *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, 1930-1934*. 11.
https://scholarlycommons.obu.edu/arbn_30-34/11

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine at Scholarly Commons @ Ouachita. It has been accepted for inclusion in Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, 1930-1934 by an authorized administrator of Scholarly Commons @ Ouachita. For more information, please contact mortensona@obu.edu.

The Arkansas Baptist

Vol. XXXIII

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 1934

No. 23

One Thousand Dollars from Churches in June Will Free Central College From Debt As of June 1, 1934

Why All Churches Should Help Central College Financially In June

CANNED FOODS

Lee Gammill, Supt.

The hospital has been most fortunate in having the love and assistance of our denomination by giving canned foods for patients use. Many of our very best Baptists can and do give us of their produce each year canned fruits, especially peaches and tomatoes, as well as beans, berries and other fruits and vegetables.

This means much to the hospital in making it possible to give free service to the indigent sick that we can help. It means more to the pitiful cases that would be cured if the hospital was able to underwrite the costs of treatment.

The hospital has to buy some \$10,000 worth of canned goods each year. No doubt, many times this amount of produce is wasted in the gardens of Arkansas Baptists. No greater service could be rendered all concerned than the making available this produce of the farms to save buying the \$10,000.00 canned foods and have this money to spend on other needed items for the indigent sick.

The government will not help and the hospital cannot help unless helped. A goodly number of empty jars are available at the hospital. We will exchange jars or give jars to any community that wants to help the indigent sick. We appeal to every Baptist to give their hospital and the charity sick the excess edible produce of the farm and garden.

We are so appreciative of the gifts of last year and the great help to the sick. It is our prayer that Arkansas Baptists again heed the appeals of the pitiful sick.

English as she is spoken in the Orient is not much funnier than English as she is written in America. A New York factory recently displayed the sign: "Wanted—Women to sew buttons on the fourth floor." While a nearby tailor advertised: "Fits guaranteed."

1. The College is almost "even with the world" financially and shall be kept so. Just \$1,000.00 (to be exact \$962.06) would pay all the college owes as of June 1, 1934. Do our leaders and people appreciate economical management? We believe so.
2. Central has just closed one of the most successful years in all her glorious history with a record enrollment—164 students enrolled, 37 literary graduates and fifteen fine arts diplomas granted. Harmony, hard work, high spiritual training marked the year.
3. The number of reservations already made for next year is far more than it has ever been at this date. The outlook is exceedingly bright. All faculty members will be back and many improvements are to be made.
4. Central continues as a member of the North Central Association—a Standard Junior College. This is important "world without end" and it takes \$10,000 a year over and above student fees to meet this requirement.
5. Central is run for Christ and the churches. It is not run "just for education." The spiritual objectives are as important as the educational objectives. Strong efforts are made to train every student to be a far better church member.
6. Central has been run this year on a cash basis. Every teacher went home paid up. All bills for the year are paid except \$492.37 for the month of May and this will be paid shortly. Besides all this, nearly \$6,000.00 of old debts have been wiped out, "paid."
7. We must have money for a vigorous summer campaign for students and for some improvements on property and equipment. People believe Central is a great school for girls, but we want to make it better and better.
8. To care for all the above including the small balance of debt, \$361.25 insurance due June 11, the summer campaign and other absolutely necessary expenses, we need \$2,500 and we are asking the pastors and churches to raise this amount during June.

REMEMBER: The State Convention set aside June as Central College month and asked the churches to contribute all they can to the college. Our goal is \$2,500. Please for Christ's sake help us in your own way and do it during June.

FRED H. WARD,
Field Secretary

J. S. ROGERS
President

LICENSED — TO DO WHAT?

Licensed to make strong men weak,
Licensed to lay the wise man low;
Licensed a wife's fond heart to break
And make her children's tears to flow.

Licensed to do thy neighbor harm:
Licensed to kindle hate and strife
Licensed to nerve the robber's arm;
Licensed to whet the murderer's knife.

Licensed thy neighbor's purse to drain,
And rob him of his very last:
Licensed to heat his feverish brain,
Till madness crowns thy work at last.

Licensed like a spider for a fly,
To spread thy net for man, thy prey:
To mock his struggles, suck him dry,
Then cast the worthless hulk away.

Licensed where peace and quiet dwell,
To bring disease, and want, and woe;
Licensed to make this world a hell,
And fit a man for hell below.
—Ex.

THEY GOT 'EM ALL RIGHT and they deserved them too. Arden P. Blaylock, pastor First Baptist Church, Little Rock, and Perry F. Webb, pastor First Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, each received the degree of Doctor of Divinity, during the recent Commencement at Ouachita College. This is well placed and recognized honor. These sons of Ouachita have made good and have ever been loyal to Ouachita. They have honored Ouachita and Ouachita honors them. Henceforth we call them Doctor.

"What a jolly world of grand morals this would be if every man came up to the standard of perfection he fixes of his neighbor."

THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST

Official Paper of Arkansas Baptist Churches.

Published Every Thursday at Little Rock, Arkansas

Entered at the Post Office at Little Rock, Ark., as second class mail matter. Acceptance for mailing at special rate of postage provided for in Section 1108, Act of October 1, 1917, authorized July 16, 1918.

Subscription Rates: \$1.00 to everybody as long as the paper continues as an 8-page paper.

J. I. COSSEY Editor and Manager
408 Federal Bank Bldg.



PULASKI COUNTY ASSOCIATIONAL RALLY is to be held at Plainview Baptist Church, Tuesday, June 12. The meetings begins at 9:30 with a devotional led by J. T. Ohlesby; 9:45 sermon by C. B. Waller; 10:15 song; 10:20 Reports from the churches; 10:50 sermon by O. A. Greenleaf; 11:20 song 11:30 sermon by Dr. L. M. Sipes; Noon, lunch; 1:30 board meeting.

MISSIONARY E. D. ESTES: Have been in meeting with the Immanuel Baptist Church, Vimy Ridge, which resulted in one conversion and addition for baptism. There was one baptized. Am with Pine Grove, Sweet Home this week in a training school. We have the Life-Line Church building half completed—helping to build church in day time and teaching or preaching each night. Am now beginning my third years work at Pulaski County Missionary. The Associational rally will meet with the Plainview church June 12.

"Tomorrow is a poor time to catch today's opportunities. The faint-hearted man lacks the power to draw others to himself. A dead fish can float with the tide, but it takes a live one to swim against it. In this progressive age a man's usefulness, like that of the postage-stamp, consists in his ability to stick to a thing until he gets there."

SINGER H. A. KELLEY of Benton is conducting a school of music at the Central Baptist Church, Little Rock, M. L. Moser, pastor. Had an average attendance of more than 130 every night the first week. The school will continue through this week. Brother Kelley has June open for meetings or such services as he may render.

ALLEN WILSON SAYS: "Fight hardest when you're on your back. Many a down-and-outer would be an up-and-inner if such action had governed them at the crucial times of their careers."

Southern Baptist report 226,000 additions during 1933 and 17,284 to

the churches on the foreign fields.

OBITUARY, Mrs. Virgie Blair, member of the Baptist church at Leslie, died June 1, 1934. She was born February 19, 1907. She leaves a husband, son, five sisters and three brothers and a great host of friends. She was a good mother and wife. Her going was a great loss to the church and community.

S. B. HUGHES, formerly of Arkansas, now pastor of one of the churches in Wichita Falls, Texas had 40 additions during the regular services in one month. They have 300 membership.

"More than 200 churches in Texas are having more in the Baptist Training Services (B.Y.P.U.) every Sunday night than in the Sunday School on Sunday morning."

BROTHER CHAS. E. LAWRENCE, pastor for half time at Beebe has been called at Central church, Bald Knob for the other half time. He will preach at Bald Knob on the 2nd and 4th Sundays in each month. The Central church Bald Knob has some of the best people to be found anywhere in their membership and we expect real leadership from Brother Lawrence.

"The meanest man on earth is the one who will wound a man's character with his tongue. The man who attends to his own business has not time to attend to the business of others."

C. H. DUNAWAY of Little Rock, recently preached at McCrory and reports an interesting time and good services.

"We used to have a mule, and when we used to put him in the log barn and give him a full feed of oats, as soon as he had eaten the oats he'd begin to kick and bray. We never could figure out whether he was braying because he was kicking, or kicking because he was braying. But all we did was keep out of the barn and let him kick and bray all he wanted to." Cannon in Men Who Sell Things.

IMMANUEL BAPTIST, Little Rock, had 7 additions by letter and 4 for baptism. The pastor, Dr. Otto Whittington left Sunday night for Middlesboro, Ky., to assist in a revival meeting.

HARRISON BAPTISTS have started a revival. Roland Lawrence is assisting the pastor E. E. Griever. There was one addition Sunday night. The Sunday school rally held here last Thursday was well attended and greatly enjoyed.

HAZEL STREET BAPTIST, Pine Bluff, reports 4 additions Sunday. Pastor I. B. Hodges says there have been additions most every Sunday this year. Brother Hodges says there are three kinds of church members, namely: "The Has-beeners,

The Issers, and The Going-to Beers. To which crowd do you belong?" Further he says another truth, namely: "It is lots easier to keep up your pledge than it is to catch up. Those who refuse to pledge give less than one-tenth of the offering. Yet they number more than those who pledge."

"If you must try to do folks' thinking for them, you'd better take on all the rest of their burdens, too."

T. C. Mahan recently moved from Geneva, Ala., to Texarkana, and would like to have meetings or a pastorate in Arkansas. He was formerly pastor at Blackrock, Walnut Ridge and Prescott. He taught for some time in Ouachita College. Those who may desire his services may write him at 1315 West 5th, Texarkana, Texas.

"**TIME RUNS INTO MONEY.** Delay in paying up your church pledge when due is expensive to you and to the church. Be thrifty and pay your church first."

MISSIONARY C. C. ROBERTS OF CONCORD ASSOCIATION is holding a meeting at Mansfield. There were 17 professions of faith during the first week and many rededications. Pastor Ford F. Gauntt is leading the singing.

HAZEN BAPTISTS reports 4 additions by letter and one for baptism during past month. They are to have a Daily Vacation School the latter part of June.

PARAGOULD FIRST reports 3 additions by letter Sunday.

THEO T. JAMES of Amity preached the Commencement sermon at Kirby Sunday. Robert A. James, Theo's brother preached at Norman Sunday. He is pastor of Post Oak Church, near Heber Springs. He will enter Ouachita College this week for the summer school.

"Stick to your business and your business will stick to you."

SAM ED BRADLEY of Alma had 3 additions Sunday morning. In the afternoon some 50 or 60 homes were visited by teams from the church.

M. F. GATHRIGHT writes: Seven additions Sunday, two being for baptism. We enjoy the splendid paper.

CENTRAL CHURCH, Hot Springs, had two additions by letter and one for baptism and three baptized Sunday.

HAYTI, MO.—We have just closed one of the best meetings this church ever had. We had Rev. P. A. Stockton of Little Rock to lead the music and work among the young people. He also did some most effective preaching, though the pastor was supposed to do the preaching in

the meeting. The fact is, Stockton can do effective work anywhere, and he rendered most effective service here. He had the boys and girls captivated and they made up a great booster choir. Crowds came, and on several occasions our seating capacity was taxed to the limit. There were twenty-five additions, twenty-one for baptism, more than 7,700 chapters read in the Bible, seven reading the entire New Testament. The children and young people were given a picnic last Saturday, and 135 of them went. Last night (June 3) the building was crowded to capacity, and the pastor baptized twenty. We thank God and take courage.—J. S. Compere, Pastor.

THREE ARKANSAS SINGERS are this week with three Arkansas pastors who are doing their own preaching. They are C. Lester Randall with L. A. Sparkman at Augusta; Purl A. Stockton with Fritz Goodbar at Lonoke; Roland Lawrence with E. E. Griever at Harrison. Each of these meetings began June 3rd.

K. W. GRIFFITH, Pastor Reynolds Memorial, Little Rock, is conducting a revival meeting on a vacant lot near the end of the car line. He uses his loud speaker. He expects to travel over the state conducting meetings on the streets and in parks.

"What you have to do is to take care of the things that are within the sphere of your duty and you will have no time to bother about things that do not concern you."

SPECIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD LITERATURE

The Relief and Annuity Board has issued two excellent pieces of literature which are free for the asking to those who purpose to use them.

First, a playlet entitled "The Lord Will Provide," by Mrs. B. W. Vining, of Waco Texas—this is a one act play in three parts. It was rendered by the Department of Dramatic Art at Baylor University before a worthy audience in Waco Hall and witnessed by the Secretary of this Board. Later it was rendered in the First Baptist Church of Waco much to the delight and profit of the people. This playlet is offered to W. M. U.'s particularly and may be used by any other group in the church. Eight to ten copies are sufficient for the purpose of any group and these will be sent on application from responsible leaders.

Second a dialogue entitled "Light on a Great Service" for the use of Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U.'s. and W. M. U.'s—this dialogue may be rendered in twelve or fifteen minutes and wherever rendered will prove very informing and inspirational on the works of the Relief and Annuity Board. This dialogue is free for the asking and we trust it will be asked for.

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention
2002 Tower Petroleum Building
Dallas, Texas

THE NEW GOSPEL WAGON



Owned and operated by K. W. Griffith and dedicated to the preaching of Christ's gospel in Arkansas and elsewhere as the Lord leads. Brother Griffith wants to use his sound truck and preach in every city in this state. He is pastor of The Reynold's Memorial Baptist Church in Little Rock and is loved and honored by his fellow pastors. If you desire his services for out-door meetings address him at 4304 West 25th St., Little Rock, Arkansas.

GENEROUS TIME GIVEN FOR BROADCASTS AT SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Twenty-five Programs Totaling Fifteen Full Hours Put On the Air

Twenty-five programs totaling fifteen full hours were presented over the three radio stations in Fort Worth, Texas in connection with the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Southern Baptist Radio Committee wishes to express the appreciation of Baptists generally to radio station WBAP, KTAT and KFJZ and their respective owners and program directors for the courtesies extended and the generous contributions of time as these stations carried programs either direct from the colosseum or Baptist messages from the studio.

Every phase of denominational life was presented on the radio throughout the six days of the convention. Portions of the convention program itself were broadcast both over Station KTAT and a chain of stations with which it is associated. Afternoon studio programs at advantageous hours were given over WBAP, the 50,000 watt station of Fort Worth. Afternoon and night programs were given over station KTAT and KFJZ from the studio.

Ray Leicht Eger, Pastor of the Diamond Hill Baptist Church of Fort Worth, rendered excellent service in contacting the radio stations and in assisting with the broadcasts. His contribution was invaluable.

M. E. Dodd, Louie D. Newton, Edwin S. Preston, Radio Committee of Southern Baptist Executive Committee.

HARLEY SMITH: Sunday April 29, was one of the happiest days we have ever spent in our ten years of work in Brazil. At least seven hundred people heard the gos-

pel from our own lips, Saturday night and Sunday. It was our privilege to conduct eleven services Saturday night and Sunday, that is, two of the services were on Saturday night and nine services were conducted on Sunday. Six or more people asked for the privilege of studying more carefully our doctrines, in order to be baptized. Two were baptized last Wednesday night, after the service. Others are waiting baptism. Several candidates are waiting for baptism across the river from the city. Dr. Bagby is pastor of the church over there. The work is getting along marvelously, well.

People are being turned away from our services, every Sunday night here in the city. The little church which was ready to disband and close its door is having to enlarge its quarters. We thank God for His marvelous blessings. Pray for the lost of Brazil.

THE LITTLE THINGS

Oh, it's just the little homely things,
The unobtrusive, friendly things,
The "Won't you let me help you" things
That make our pathway light.

And it's just the jolly, joking things,
That "Never mind the trouble" things
The "Laugh with me it's funny" things
That make the world seem bright.

For all the countless famous things,
The wondrous record-breaking things,
Those "Never can be equaled" things
That all the papers cite.

Aren't like the little human things,
The everyday encountered things,
The "Just because I like you" things
That make us happy quite.

So here's to all the little things,
The "Done and then forgotten" things
Those "Oh!" It's simply nothing" things,
That make life worth the fight.

The lawyer was cross-examining the witness and browbeating him at the same time.

"Now, Mr. Jones," he said in dramatic tones, "I want you to tell us if you have ever been in this court before."

"Well, I'd rather not," pleaded Jones.

The lawyer turned choleric and banged down his fist. "Don't trifle with this court, sir. Please answer my question."

"Very well, then," retorted Jones. "I've been here a half dozen times before in a fruitless endeavor to find you and request that you should keep up your payments for the car you bought."—Selected.



Help Kidneys

● If poorly functioning Kidneys and Bladder make you suffer from Getting Up Nights, Nervousness, Rheumatic Pains, Stiffness, Burning, Smarting, Itching, or Acidity try the guaranteed Doctor's Prescription Cystex (Siss-tex) —Must fix you up or money back. Only 75¢ at druggists.

Do You Have Headaches? Take CAPUDINE

Ease the Pain Promptly

It is a well balanced Prescription of several ingredients so proportioned that it brings quickest relief.

Capudine is liquid—already dissolved—easy on the stomach and is assimilated at once thereby producing quickest relief.

Good for cold aches, back aches and muscle aches and pains also. 10c, 30c, and 60c at drug stores.

A PLEA for Understanding

From Annual Report of Sunday School Board
Southern Baptist Convention

The Sunday School Board must at times ask for a clearer understanding, on the part of its constituency, of its place in the denomination's life, and how and why these relationships have come about.

Originally the Board was organized for the publication of Sunday school periodicals (taking over the *Kind Word Series* then issued by the Home Missions Board).

Very naturally from its name, however, it found itself interested in field work, and early in its life put its first Sunday school secretaries in the field.

Originally the B.Y.P.U. work was led by a separate and independent Southern B.Y.P.U. organization, and the Convention early in its developments decided this should also be a part of the Board's task.

The Statistical work so faithfully done by Dr. Lansing Burrows, found its way by direction of the Convention's action to us.

The Student Movement was originally an Inter-Board Commission, representing the Foreign, Home and Sunday School Boards and the Woman's Missionary Union, but by direct Convention action this was transferred to our charge.

As the Sunday school movement grew in the South, the Convention directed that certain lines of its developments should come under denominational control. As the far-reaching movement for departmentizing the Sunday school grew over the country, these departments had to be cared for by us if our schools were to be under Baptist direction. Notable among these was the growing organized class movement, such as the Baraca Movement, under undenominational direction and control. This led none too soon to our own denominational direction for this needed work. In this way our various departments were organized one by one to care for specific lines of work.

The Daily Vacation Bible School began to be a real development throughout the country and demand was made, that we foster and direct it.

As our vast Teacher-Training Work developed and our study courses for the B.Y.P.U. and with it the widespread study work of the Woman's Missionary Union, the need for supply centers convenient to the people, led first to the establishment of state Book Stores, and then a desire that we oversee and extend this branch of service to the churches.

No one planned all this in advance, or even anticipated it, but our great development year by year, has led us into one of the greatest organized movements in the country for denominational development, and under denominational control.

All this has brought about vast developments, with a vast constituency and with vast responsibilities, but with vast possibilities for usefulness and further development. It was ours to follow the pathways opened by Divine Providence, and to go where these paths led. But the "Interpreter's" guiding hand has been the Divine leading, and in every stage of this development we received the approval and direction of the Convention, and reported back for approval and guidance.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

DEPARTMENT OF
SUNDAY SCHOOL & B. Y. P. U.

TEACHING
TO
OBSERVE

J. P. EDMUNDS
Secretary and Editor
MRS. GRACE HAMILTON
Office Secretary

TRAINING
TO
SERVE

Address all communications to 406 Federal Bank Bldg., Little Rock

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

First — Fort Smith	1233
Immanuel — Little Rock	831
First — Little Rock	705
Second — Little Rock	531
Baptist Tabernacle, Little Rock	474
Baring Cross North Little Rock	460
Central — Hot Springs	398
Beech Street — Texarkana	391
First — Van Buren	389
First — Springdale	352
First — Norphlet	309
First — Paragould	307
South Highland — Little Rock	245
First — England	153
Mansfield —	124
Reynolds Memo. — Little Rock	98
Hazen	92
Woodlawn — Little Rock	69

B. Y. P. U. ATTENDANCE

First — Fort Smith	303
First — Little Rock	273
Baptist Tabernacle—Little Rock	241
First — Norphlet	230
Immanuel — Little Rock	184
First — Van Buren	151
Central — Hot Springs	141
Beech Street — Texarkana	114
First — Springdale	92
Mansfield —	84
First — Paragould	77
Woodlawn — Little Rock	69
First — England	52
South Highland — Little Rock	47
Hazen —	25

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPER-INTENDENTS CONFERENCE POSTPONED

The State Sunday School Superintendents' Conference scheduled to meet in Little Rock next week has been postponed until late in the fall. Various conditions contributed to the postponement and it is believed that a more successful conference can be held at a later date. The new date will be announced as soon as possible. Watch for the announcement.

DISTRICT B. Y. P. U. CONVENTIONS

Three of the six District B. Y. P. U. Conventions are scheduled to meet next week. These are to be held at Fordyce, Helena and Little Rock. The Southeast District meeting at Fordyce, Thursday and Friday, June 14-15. Central District meeting to be held with the Second Baptist church of Little Rock, Friday and Saturday, June 15-16. The Northeast District meeting will be held with the First Church, Helena, June 15-16. Each of these meetings will begin at ten a.m. and close at noon the following day. We hope our young people will take advantage of

this opportunity and attend the convention in our district in large numbers. These meetings are being planned by the District Vice Presidents. Miss Roma Sullivan, President, Southeast District; Mr. Alton DeBlack, President, Central District and Mr. J. P. Friend, President of Northeast District.

DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

We know of quite a number of D.V.B.S.'s that are in progress this week and others to begin shortly. Recently, we asked churches that were making plans for schools this summer to notify us so that our records in the office might be complete. We have been advised that the following churches will hold schools this summer. A large number did not report. If you do not recognize the name of your church in the list below, please send us the information and we will be glad to add it to this list:

DeWitt Baptist Church
Baring Cross, North Little Rock
First, Walnut Ridge
Southside Baptist, Pine Bluff
Smackover Baptist Church
Des Arc Baptist
Cotton Plant Baptist
Judsonia
Beirne
Boughton
Benton, First
Clarksville
Hackett
Warren
Wheatley
Woodlawn, Little Rock
Immanuel, Little Rock

Help us increase this list by sending in the name of your church. We feel confident that there are at least 25 other churches that are planning schools.

Beginning next week, two D.B.B. Schools will be conducted for negroes in North Little Rock. One of these schools will be held with the Shiloh Baptist church, "colored," the other with the First Baptist, "colored." These schools will be under the direction of Miss Helen Shaw, Little Rock, City Missionary.

A M COLLEGE NEWS SERVICE—Vance Smith

Monticello, Ark., May 28 (Special)—Third Southeast Arkansas B. Y. P. U. Conference will meet with the First Baptist Church, Fordyce, June 14-15, according to Roma Sullivan, McGehee, Monticello A. & M. College student, president of the conference. The conference comprises

Bartholomew, Carey, Liberty, Delta, and Harmony Associations.

Sunday School Lesson

By HIGHT C. MOORE

Jesus ON THE CROSS

Matthew 27:33-50

June 10, 1934

GOLDEN TEXT—Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. Hebrews 12:2.

The civil trial and death of Jesus as recorded by Matthew (27:1-66) includes the appearance before Pilate who sentenced him to the cross, an interlude on the fate of Judas who died a suicide, the crucifixion at Golgotha with its agony and death, and the interment in the new tomb of Joseph of Arimathea.

The entire story of Christ on the cross as recorded in the Gospels may be grouped around seven points: the submission wherein he endured the cross; the two malefactors, the one penitent and the other impenitent; the three inscriptions, Latin, Greek and Hebrew the four challenges of his word and work title, and trust; the five fulfillments, including his crucifixion with robbers, the disposition of his raiment, his cry of thirst, the fact that no bone was broken and that his side was pierced; the six testimonies from Pilate, the thief, the sun, the centurion, the disciples, and the multitude; and the seven sayings which included the voice of prayer for his enemies, of protection to his mother, of promise to the penitent thief, of spiritual loneliness before God, of intensest physical agony, and at last the shout of triumph followed by the tranquil surrender of his spirit to the Father.

1. The Submission to the Cross
vv. 33-38

The uplifted Christ made his voluntary submission to the cross. The victims were bearing their crosses to the place of execution. The centurion was accompanied by four soldiers detailed to carry out each death sentence. The crowd that followed included Temple servants, a number of the ecclesiastics, and a miscellaneous throng. Though exhausted by days of agitation, a night of agony, and the six trials, three ecclesiastical and three civil, through which he had passed, Jesus went willingly to Golgotha. The angels would have leaped to his rescue. He had the power himself to avert his fate. But he gave himself, so that the cross was less an instrument of Roman law than an altar of divine love. It was on Skull Hill overlooking the northern wall of Jerusalem that Jesus was nailed

hands and feet to a Roman cross and uplifted to suffer excruciating pain until his release from the body. It may have been that the authorities wished the Passover through then in Jerusalem to conclude that a gang of thieves had been apprehended and sent to speedy justice. At all events, the two malefactors, the one impenitent and the other penitent, showed the two attitudes of the words that fell from the lips of Jesus on the cross. Probably the first words that fell from the lips of Jesus under the initial pang of crucifixion breathed a prayer of forgiveness for the executioners and also probably for all who had sought his death. When the soldiers on duty had transfixed their victims to the crosses and uplifted them to await the end, they naturally claimed their perquisites under the Roman law. So the four soldiers at the foot of the cross of Jesus parted his outer garments among them, and for his inner vesture they cast lots to see which one should have it. Thus Scripture was fulfilled and the Son of God was humiliated.

2. The Spite Against the Cross
vv. 39-44

The taunted Christ endured patiently the spite against the cross. He endured the shame of popular scorn mingled perhaps with the pity of some who assembled to see him die. There were the people who congregated in curiosity at a public execution. There were the Jewish rulers who, not content at wringing the death-sentence from an unwilling judge, pursuing their victim to his cross and scoffed at him as a saviour who claimed to save others but could not save himself, and who claimed to be the Son of God and man. They would not see that the Saviour who saved others must not save himself and that Father and Son were uniting at Calvary in the supremest sacrifice of the universe in all the eternities. There were
(Continued on page 7)

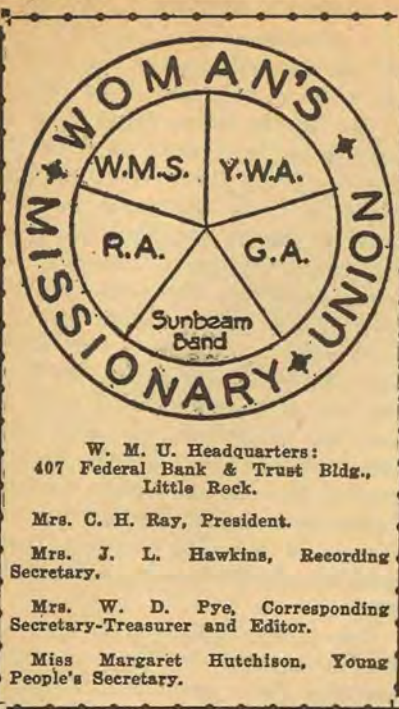
FRUITLAND INSTITUTE
(In the Land of the Sky)

Standard Baptist High School for boys and girls. Able Faculty of Christian men and women. Strong courses. Individual attention. Ideal location. Prepares for College and Stresses Character Building and Christian Leadership. Very reasonable rates, 35th Session opens Sept., 4, 1934. Write: A. B. MURPHREE, Principal
R. F. D. No. 2, Hendersonville, N. C.

TAKES 6 INCHES OFF HIPS AND BUST

The SAFE Way to Reduce

"For 3 months I've used Kruschen Salts—I've lost 45 lbs.—taken 6 inches off bust—3 bottles gave me splendid results." Mrs. Carl Wilson.
A half teaspoonful of Kruschen in a glass of hot water every morning is the secret how overweight folks can reduce SAFELY and at the same time gain physical attractiveness. One bottle lasts 4 weeks. You can get Kruschen Salts at any drug store in the world.



W. M. U. Headquarters:
407 Federal Bank & Trust Bldg.,
Little Rock.

Mrs. C. H. Ray, President.

Mrs. J. L. Hawkins, Recording
Secretary.

Mrs. W. D. Pye, Corresponding
Secretary-Treasurer and Editor.

Miss Margaret Hutchison, Young
People's Secretary.

NEWS ITEMS

A NEW BOOK: The history of the W. M. U. Training School has been prepared by Mrs. Isla May Mullins, who has lived in Louisville, Kentucky, ever since the Training School was established and who knows the history of the school intimately. Friends of the Training School will want a copy of this book. The title of which is "House Beautiful." Price 35 cents in paper binding and 50 cents in cloth. Order from the Baptist Book Store 716 Main St., Little Rock.

SUBSCRIPTIONS: We have been advised by Miss Kathleen Malory, Editor in Chief of Royal Service, that Arkansas has sent in 1,111 of the 1,765 subscriptions assigned to us as our quota for 1934. This is more than half the quota and is a splendid record so far. Let us go far beyond our quota this year. Send your subscription to the magazine at 1111 Comer Building Birmingham, Alabama.

NEW MISSIONARIES: Two of the new missionaries to be dedicated at the recent meeting of W. M. U. of S. B. C. at Fort Worth, Texas, are from Arkansas. They are Dr. Maxfield Garrott, Conway who will go to Japan in the near future and Miss Josephine Riley, El Dorado, who will go to the Mexican Baptist Institute, Bastrop Texas. These young people are the very finest we have in this state and we are sure they would appreciate cards letters, etc., from their many friends. Let us bid them God-speed as they go to their new fields of service. They are being sent out with the surplus of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and the Annie W. Armstrong Home Mission Thank Offering.

SPECIAL OFFERINGS: Up to June 1st, Woman's Missionary Union of Arkansas had given \$5,762.13 to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions since December 1, 1933. We had also contributed \$3,378.50 for the Home Mission Offering since March 1. This is far beyond either of our goals and is a splendid record. It is time now for us to contribute to our District Budget and by June 30th finish up our goal

for 1933-1934 which was \$3,600.00. Then comes September with the State Mission offering. Plan for that now. These are the special offerings of Woman's Missionary Union which are annual offerings.

NEWS NOTE FROM MRS. UNA ROBERTS LAWRENCE: The following items have been received from Mrs. Lawrence. They will be interesting to our readers, particularly those who conduct the mission study in our various organizations:

HOME AND FOREIGN FIELDS has had some features of particular interest in recent months. In January 1934 there was a program for an Associational Mission Study Institute, prepared by Mrs. A. L. Aulick of Oklahoma for which there has been many calls from all the States this year, found on the Making Missions Real page.

Beginning in January and running through April there has been a series of articles on the Mexican work, which might well be used as a supplement by any who are studying the old book, "From Over the Border," or any more recent book on Home Missions, or material for a special program on the subjects of the Mexicans in the United States. There are preliminary sketches which later will appear in book form, but for the present they can be found only in these four issues of HOME AND FOREIGN FIELDS. They are the most complete representation of this field for Home Missions available as yet.

In answer to a very real need for a Sunbeam home mission course, the March issue carried a delightful study INDIAN FRIENDS, worked out by Mrs. William McMurry of Memphis, based on an adult book, The People of the Jesus Way but using supplementary material easily accessible to every leader. Until we can get the Primary book we so sorely need this will help meet our need. Supplementary to every study of foreign missions are the articles by Miss Coleman which the magazine is now carrying, bringing the information concerning the happenings on these fields down to date.

Urge the women everywhere to clip for their Scrapbooks the current missionary news now being provided by both Boards in all the State Papers.

Royal Service has been carrying some unusually helpful articles on both mission study and personal service in recent months. A recent issue contains an unusual article on a D.V.B.S. project carried to great success by the City W.M.U. of Little Rock. Your Scrapbook of methods should catch every one of the recent pages of methods and plans of mission study. They will answer many questions.

In January 1934 there came from the press the first issue of the quarterly missionary program magazine for our Negro Baptist societies THE WORKER .50 per year, to be ordered from Miss Nannie Burrough, Lincoln Heights, Washington, D. C., promoted by the joint Committee of S. W.M.U. and the Negro Woman's Convention. It contained pro-

Its Members Will Build It



DANVILLE CHURCH DESIGN.

DANVILLE BAPTIST BUILDING NEW MEETING HOUSE

After more than a years work the members of the Danville Baptist Church are well along the road to completion of the projected new Church building. The past year has been one of intensive work. After being without a pastor for three years the church called Rev. J. O. Eskridge in February of 1933. He was retained by the church as a full time pastor, the first in its history. Almost immediately plans were laid for the erection of a new church building. A grant of timber was secured from the government. This timber was cut and milled at very little cost. The building is to be constructed of native stone. In order to procure the stone two days of free labor were donated by citizens of the town who furnished teams and wagons. Gravel for the foundation was procured in the same way. The sand and cement were the only items that had to be purchased outright.

The congregation finished the laying of the foundation this past week. Most of it was done through donated labor. It is planned to begin the actual stone work some time this week. It will still be necessary for the congregation to raise a sufficient sum to pay for the roof and buy windows and doors. Carpenter work on the building was procured through a trade of property belonging to the church. It is estimated that the building will have a value of \$3,500.00 when completed. There will be eleven Sunday School rooms, a baptisbry and a pastors study. The site for the building, which is one of the best in the town, was donated by Mr. J. W. Wilson, Sr. partner in the local law firm of Wilson & Wilson.

grams, articles of helpful interest, news from the mission fields, and some very interesting historical articles. Our missionary societies need to subscribe for it in order to give intelligent help to the Negro Baptist societies nearest them. Then subscribe for a copy or two for that Negro society! This provides one of the effective tools for Inter-Racial work we have needed long.

The church has made strides in other directions as well. There have been more than forty additions to the membership. The Sunday School has doubled in its average attendance and perhaps most significant of all, whereas Danville church was asked for only \$15.00 in 1932 for the Co-operative Program, it has been solicited for \$100.00 this year, much of which has already been paid.

A little boy's essay on geese:

"A geese is a low, heavy-set hoid which is mostly meet and feathers. His head sits on one side and he sits on the other. A geese can't sing much on account of dampness of the moisture. He ain't got no between-histoes and he's got a little baloon on his stomach to keep him from sinking. Some geoses when they gits big has curls on their tails and is called ganders. Ganders don't haff to sit and hatch, but just eat ond loaf, and go swimming. If I was a geose, I'd rather be a gander.—E. H.

FORK UNION MILITARY ACADEMY

An Honor Christian School with the highest academic rating. Junior School from six years. Housemother. Separate building. Upper School prepares for university or business. ROTC. Every modern equipment. Catalogue, Dr. J. J. Wicker, Box 206, Fork Union, Virginia.

TIRED EYES
After a hard day's work, refresh your eyes with **DICKEY'S OLD RELIABLE EYE WASH**
At All Druggists
Price 25c Dickey Drug Co., Bristol, Va.

Church Furniture
Work of the Highest Quality
At Reasonable Prices
Write for Catalogue
BUDDE & WEIS MFG. CO.
JACKSON, TENNESSEE

Alay Pimpley Skin
Help nature clear up the blotches and make your skin lovelier the safe easy way—use bland, effective
Resinol

The Southern Baptist Convention, Home Mission And The Future

J. B. LAWRENCE, Executive Secretary
Home Mission Board

The Southern Baptist Convention at Fort Worth was a missionary convention. It was a common expression of the messengers: "This is like it used to be in the days of Willingham and Gray when they were at their best." And why shouldn't the Convention be missionary? That is what our spiritual fathers intended when they, in Augusta, Georgia, on May 5, 1845, organized "a plan for eliciting, combining, and directing the energies of the denomination for the propagation of the Gospel." Through all the years past the Convention has been great as it has been missionary, and in the future if it would be great, it must be missionary.

THE SPIRIT WAS FINE ALL THE WAY THROUGH

I attended my first Convention in 1900 and I shall never forget how my soul was lifted up and made to throb with hope and faith and love as I listened to the great addresses. Since then I have attended many Conventions when there seemed to be a harsh and grating note of discord throughout the sessions that tended to break down and destroy faith and hope and love. But in this Convention the note of the far-back years was in evidence again. There were no discordant notes. The outlook of every session was onward and upward. The speeches fairly bristled with terse sentences rejoicing the faith of the fathers. The key note throughout the entire meeting was "Southern Baptists are on the way out." We came away with a shout of triumph in our souls.

THREE GREAT AND INSPIRING SESSIONS

All the sessions of the Convention were good, many of them were great, but three stand out as peaks above a high plateau in a majestic mountain range. These three sessions were: the Home Mission period Wednesday evening; the session on A revival of Spiritual Giving including the Hundred Thousand Club and closing with Dr. Truett's great address on Spurgeon, Friday morning; and the Foreign Mission period Friday night. These sessions of the Convention were great in attendance, great in spiritual and inspirational power, and great in the subject matter presented to the Convention. Those present shall never forget those hours. One man said, "Those present at this Convention can never be the same again after listening to the Home and Foreign Mission programs. We have been made to realize anew that our main task is that of evangelizing the world both at home and abroad. These programs show that we have not forgotten, and those of us who heard

and saw shall see to it that we do not forget."

THE HELP OF THE EDITORS GREATLY APPRECIATED

Sometimes we forget to speak the words of appreciation that are in our hearts and thereby fail to give recognition to those whom we dearly prize as co-laborers in the Master's work. If we have been at fault in acknowledging the value of our denominational papers we sincerely beg the forgiveness of our editors.

Listen to a paragraph from our report to the Convention: "Our denominational papers have greatly helped in our publicity work this past year by giving, at a nominal rate one page a month for 'News and Truths About our Home Mission Work.' The value of this service cannot be estimated. We sincerely thank the editors for their helpful cooperation. We also call attention to Home and Foreign Fields, the official mission journal of Southern Baptists. In every way this journal is worthy of support. Every Baptist home in our entire Southern Zion should have the state paper and Home and Foreign Fields. We believe that no better missionary service could be rendered by any church than to put the state paper in its budget and we strongly urge our churches to make the circulation of our papers and mission journal in their membership a part of their enlistment task."

One of the great hours of the Convention was the presentation of the Hundred Thousand Club by Dr. Frank Tripp. Dr. Tripp presented the Club movement in a sane, sensible, inspiring way. Those who heard him had every reason to be convinced that this movement is a real and workable way to pay the debts without disturbing the Cooperative Program. His argument was clear and conclusive. His illustrations were illuminating and convincing. His appeal was inspiring and soul-moving. The demonstration following his appeal was one of the most general and prolonged periods of applause that we have ever heard in the Southern Baptist Convention. Hundreds of people arose, indicating their determination to join the Club and end the debts. The Convention was great in its emphasis upon the need for paying our debts.

THE HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB

One of the great hours of the Convention was the presentation of the Hundred Thousand Club by Dr. Frank Tripp. Dr. Tripp presented the Club movement in a sane, sensible, inspiring way. Those who heard him had every reason to be

convinced that this movement is a real and workable way to pay the debts without disturbing the Cooperative Program. His argument was clear and conclusive. His illustrations were illuminating and convincing. His appeal was inspiring and soul-moving. The demonstration following his appeal was one of the most general and prolonged periods of applause that we have ever heard in the Southern Baptist Convention. Hundreds of people arose, indicating their determination to join the Club and end the debts. The Convention was great in its emphasis upon the need for paying our debts.

THE HOME BOARD HAS CAUSE TO REJOICE

The outlook for the Home Mission Board is brighter right now than it has been since 1928. This is not because we have received more money, but it is because of the confidence which the brethren throughout the territory of the Convention evidence in the Board, and because of the belief registered everywhere by our people that the Board is still doing and will continue to do a necessary and valuable mission work.

There is not a year since 1928 that the Board has not lived within its income and paid something on the principal of its debts. During this time over \$700,000 has been paid on the principal of the debts and the mission work; that part of the work that has to do directly and specifically with the making and baptizing of disciples, has been maintained and, in fact, increased.

The Board this year through the magnificent offering of the women in the March Week of Prayer will put thirty-two new missionaries in the field. It is now in the process of adjusting its debts so that it can go on with its mission program and pay its debts as it gets the money. The overhead operating expenses for the last Convention year was only \$10,063.49. The many expressions of appreciation by the messengers at the Convention for the way the affairs of the Board are being handled were indeed heartening. We take courage and press on.

WHAT OF THE FUTURE?

Surely our progress has only momentarily been rolled back upon itself. There is such a thing as a strategic retreat. Thousands of times the Kingdom of Christ has seemed to fall back. When the blood of the Scotch covenanters gave a deeper die to the Heathers of the highlands; when the Vandois of France chose extermination rather than make an unchristian surrender; when on St. Bartholomew's day mounted assassins rode through the streets of Paris crying "Kill! Death to the Hugue-

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(Continued from page 4)

the soldiers who caught the general spirit of mockery and lifted vinegar to the lips of Jesus, feigning to be cup-bearers to a mock king on the cross. There above the head of Jesus in three languages was the superscription giving the reason for the crucifixion, but it embodied the opinion of Pilate that Jesus was the king of the Jews. There was the hard-hearted malefactor who railed upon Jesus in bitter words challenging him if he were the Christ to save his unfortunate comrades from their sufferings and wealth. Had he prayed, like his companion, for salvation from sin rather than from suffering and death, he would not have sunk out of sight into the outer darkness.

The dying Christ poured out his life in sacrifice on the cross. The darkness that enveloped Golgotha and Jerusalem was not an eclipse. For it lasted three hours instead of a few minutes and it covered the whole land instead of a narrow strip of territory. Nature veiled herself in black while her Maker went down the dark and shadowy way to his death. But just before he expired we hear his last words commending his spirit to the Father. And we see the great veil of the Temple rent in twain at that moment from top to bottom in striking symbolism of the fact that hereafter anybody, anywhere, any time may come directly to the Mercy-Seat through him who had just died on Calvary instead of through the high priest who entered the Holy of Holies only once a year. Not such another death was ever so meaningful to men.

notes!" When Lady Jane Gray's head rolled from the executioner's block; when Calvin was imprisoned in the castle; when John Bunyan lay rotting in Bedford jail, saying, "If God be with me, I will stay here until the moss grows out on my eye brows rather than give up my faith;" these days of retreat were the days of victory.

The Plymouth fathers fell back from the other side of the sea to Plymouth Rock but now a strong nation is marshalling a continent for the evangelization of the world. The cause of Christ falling back from Piedmont, falling back from St. Dennis, falling back from Wurtemberg Castle, falling back from the Brussels marketplace yet all the time triumphing. So has it ever been, falling back yet ever advancing. So shall it ever be.

Let Southern Baptists push on until the old Wesleyan hymn shall prove true:

"The Lion of Judah shall break the chain
And give us the victory again and again."

SORES BOILS
CUTS
BURNS

Are Relieved Promptly By

GRAY'S OINTMENT

Used Since 1820 25c at Drug Stores

SHARING Our LITTLE Has Meant MUCH To These!

Paying our debts by the Dollar-A-Month Plan may seem to some a very slow process, but it is getting results. Read the following statements from the Executives of our debt-burdened agencies and you will see just what can be accomplished when a comparatively few of our people share their little.

"The initial success of this plan gives hope to all of us charged with the responsibility of paying debts. The amount received by the Foreign Mission Board (\$32,117.18) has brought hope to our bankers and greatly relieved the strain on our credit."

Charles E. Maddry

"The Home Mission Board is depending on the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club to retire the principal of its debt. The \$21,148.34 already received and the possibility of receiving sufficient funds with which to retire the principal of our debts within the next five or six years has been the determining factor in securing the consent of our creditors to an extension of time."

J. B. Lawrence

"The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club plan seems to be the very best available method of liquidating our indebtedness. We believe it will not hurt the Cooperative Program but rather promote it. The Seminary has received \$18,864.35 already and we would regard as a great calamity any interference with this movement. If it is promoted in good faith throughout the Convention, it will pay all the debts of all the agencies."

John R. Sampey

"The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club has helped us in the first place to the amount of \$14,972.98 and that has been greater in the hope and prospect of more than it has been in simply the amount given. It has encouraged us and our creditors in the hope that the denomination is going on to complete this task. It has helped to bring a hopeful expectancy in the Seminary life. I am deeply convinced that we ought to carry this movement forward until we complete the job. I am for it every step of the way."

L. R. Scarborough

"We have received \$10,405.01 from the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club. This help toward meeting our obligations has given us new standing with our bankers and bondholders. It has given us new courage and hope in the great task committed to us here in this training school and mission field. We are confident that our Baptist people will not only be determined but eager to go on with the Hundred Thousand Club movement which is so increasingly successful."

W. W. Hamilton, Sr.

"I believe that the Hundred Thousand Club is worthy and heartily endorse it. I know of no better way that could be suggested. If we will continue to lay emphasis upon it, it will ultimately pay our debts. The Hospital did not begin to participate in the receipts of the Club until after the first of January, and since that time we have received \$1,545.92.

Louis J. Bristow

If you are not having a part in this (over and above) second mile plan by which Southern Baptists ARE saving their Honor as well as their agencies, join the Hundred Thousand Club and know something of the joy of saving by sharing.

If supplies are not available at your church or from your pastor write

THE BAPTIST HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB

Frank Tripp, General Leader,
St. Joseph, Missouri

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Little Rock, reports 3 additions, 1 being for baptism.

BARING CROSS North Little Rock, reports 2 additions by letter. The pastor, M. A. Treadwell begins his eighth year as pastor. Dr. B. L. Bridges preached at the 11 o'clock hour J. G. Cothran of Benton preached at night. The church laid \$750 as a sacrifice offering on the altar of the Lord during the day.

The person who does not to more than he gets pay for will not get pay for what he does.

BAPTIST TABERNACLE, Little Rock, had 5 additions Sunday. 3 being for baptism, 9 were baptized at close of evening service for Tabernacle and 3 for Hebron Church. Pastor Homer B. Reynolds reports a full house inspite of the heat.

WOODLAWN BAPTIST CHURCH Loyal Prior, Pastor: 40 in Prayer Meeting last Wednesday evening. There were 3 additions for baptism. Miss Francis Bostic is principal of the Daily Vacation Bible School which is in progress.

SAM JONES SAID: "If I am a salesman, I'm going to be one all over, and through and through; but I won't be a little old, dried up knock-kneed one-horse shriveled nothing, anywhere."

Berlin Germany has 400,000,000 inhabitants making it the third largest city in the world.

DR. KARL H. MOORE of Denton, Texas, has been called to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Brownwood, Texas. He has not announced his decision.

The Southern Baptist Editors were given a breakfast at the Worth Hotel, by Dr. F. M. McConnell, Editor of the Baptist Standard. Dr. Joseph E. Brown, Editor of The Word and Way, was elected president of The Southern Baptist Editors for the coming year. The editors will have their winter conference in New Orleans.

MEMPHIS will be the meeting place of the Southern Baptist Convention next May. Dr. J. B. Weather- spoon will preach the Convention sermon. Dr. John H. Buchanan, of El Dorado, Arkansas, is alternate.

H. S. BULLOCK, pastor at Havana, is reported by one of his members to be mighty in the Scriptures. There were 3 additions to the church last Sunday.

RUPERT F. NANEY, last Monday, received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Oklahoma Baptist University. He is the third pastor to ever receive such an honor from that University. Brother Rupert delivered the Commencement address. We rejoice that our good friend and former room-mate at Ouachita College received this honor. He deser-

ves this honor since he has been pastor of one of the outstanding churches of the South, the Olivet Baptist Church in Oklahoma City. We congratulate O.B.U. in the selection of this Ouachita graduate to be one of her favorite sons.

REV. A. M. HERRINGTON, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Camden, Arkansas has recently been in a revival meeting in the Calvary Baptist Church of San Antonio, Texas.

Brother Herrington's sermons showed perfect preparation. They were filled with great power and passion for the lost.

There were 32 additions to the church which makes 705 additions in the past three and one-half years.

Unusually large crowds attended both morning and evening services. All of our people were delighted with the results of the revival and we have invited him to be with us again. —Neal Ellis, Pastor.

Bobby. "Sis, what is conscience?" Grown-up Sister "It's something that tells you when you do right or wrong."

Bobby: "Oh, no, that's mother." —New York Christian Advocate.



A Few Drops Every Night and Morning Will Promote a Clean, Healthy Condition!

At All Drug Stores

Write Murine Co., Dpt. J, Chicago, for Free Book

Do you lack PEP?
Are you all in, tired and run down?

WINTERSMITH'S TONIC
Will rid you of **MALARIA**

and build you up. Used for 65 years for Chills, Fever, Malaria and **A General Tonic**
50c and \$1.00 At All Druggists

for **Biliousness**
Sour Stomach Gas and Headache
due to **Constipation**



Executive Board, Arkansas Baptist State Convention

By B. L. Bridges, General Secretary

MISSIONARIES ARE "TAKING OFF"

Our two missionaries, Milner and Wheeler, are on the job. As I write today, Milner is in an associational workers' conference in Caroline Association and Wheeler is in a missionary training school at Cullendale. Missionary E. W. Milner will live at 1601 Battery Street, Little Rock, and Missionary Troy Wheeler is in Camden, for the time being at least, at 600 West Washington Street. These missionaries are launching out, making their dates for the summer and fall, and are actually at work.

The committee on missions and evangelism and the general secretary thought it wise to outline the work of the missionaries. We also thought it wise to give them a division of territory. Bro. Wheeler, for the most part, will work east and south of the main line of the Missouri Pacific railroad as it runs from Poplar Bluff, Missouri, to Texarkana, and Brother Milner will work for the most part north and west of this same line. Whatever territory and whatever tasks we assign to these missionaries are not arbitrary. If the Holy Spirit seems to lead along other lines at any time, then all concerned will be happy to follow His leadership.

WHAT THE MISSIONARIES ARE NOT

It behooves us to say a few words to the brotherhood about the purpose and work of missions. We are prone to forget in our present day organization just what is the meaning and method of missions. As we see it, we are not doing much with our mission work if a missionary goes to a well organized church to conduct a revival when this church would have its revival anyway, but if the Holy Spirit seems to lead a missionary to a church of this description, then certainly this church would have its revival anyway, but if the Holy Spirit seems more than the missionary's salary would amount to—for the time which he gives to that church, in order that this church may help further the Gospel by paying, perhaps, for an extra two weeks of this missionary's time as he goes into some destitute place. This is the first thing we thought we ought to say to the brotherhood. The second thing we wanted to say is that according to the policy of the State Convention no church that uses and pays a missionary will receive credit on the Cooperative Program for the amount that it pays to the missionary. Whatever is paid to the missionary is an **over and above** contribution and does not apply on the Cooperative Program. It goes to state missions and evangelism and will be listed as a designated offering. Brethren, this has been our policy all along and must be followed out this year, so if you use a missionary, do not expect what you pay him, and do not expect the collection that he takes, to be applied on the Cooperative Program. Whatever you promised to give to the Cooperative Program will be over and above this offering to the missionary.

The third thing we wanted to say is that our missionaries are not beggars or scavengers. They are real, honest-to-goodness men of sterling worth, upright in character, cultured in their attainments, and deserve the respect and co-operation of all. They are not "flunkies;" they are not errand runners for some organization or for some man. They are ambassadors for the King. They must be so recognized, and any attempt to humiliate one of them, or to call upon one of them to do what you would not do yourself, will not be sanctioned by the Executive Board.

The fourth thing we want to say is that they are not employed by the Board to supply for pastors of well organized churches while those pastors are running around on vacation or out in a revival, drawing extra pay, etc. We do not say that they should never supply one of our stronger pulpits, but there are at least two things to be said about it. First of all, they must not supply such a pulpit when that would interfere with their holding a revival meeting; and the second thing is that when one of them does find it advisable to do such supply work, that pulpit should pay for the supply and the money should be applied to state missions and evangelism, just as when the general secretary is paid for supply work, he turns the money in to the Cooperative Program. I trust the brethren will not forget this.

Now These Are Some Things Which the Missionaries Are Not

The following is an outline of the program of our task in missions and evangelism for this year. We will all be at it; the general secretary, the committee on missions and evangelism, the missionaries and whatever pastors want to give their services in at least one revival in the interest of state missions. I say the following is the plan and whatever pastors want to give their services in at least one Spirit the right of way if He wants to lead at any time in any other direction, otherwise, so far as we are able to carry out this program, we want to do it. Here it is:

1. ORGANIZING UNORGANIZED ASSOCIATIONS

Call meetings of dead associations.
Organize for monthly workers' councils.
Help secure missionaries.

2. ENLIST UNENLISTED CHURCHES

Urge churches to call pastors.
Put on every-member canvass and present the Cooperative Program.
Induce churches to vote a given per cent for missions.

3. CONDUCT REVIVALS

Soul-winning.
Denominational indoctrination.
Enlist church members in giving.
Building and strengthening Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U.'s, W. M. S. and Brotherhood.