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ARKANSAS

Baptist

NEWSMAGAZINE

AUGUST 11, 1960

Needs of Latins

LAST WEEK we discussed something of the economic and spiritual plight of our neighbors in the Latin Americas which we observed during our recent trip to the Baptist World Alliance meeting in Brazil.

There are three factors largely responsible for the extreme poverty among the Latins. Their wealthy few are contributing a large part to this miserable condition. We were informed in one of the countries we visited that 14 families owned the country. At least you find a hard core of fabulously rich in all of these areas. These few refuse to let the wages for common laborers, which ranges up to \$1 per day, be raised. Thus they continue to feather their nests on the slave labor of the masses.

Along with this element of society, corruption in government has likewise increased the burden of many. It is not uncommon that these two elements of their society are interlocked.

The third factor is that of a spiritually bankrupt church. Wherever we went it was the same story. The church has lost the loyalty of the laymen. We were told repeatedly



DR. WHITLOW

that most of the men attend church but three times in their lives—baptism, wedding, and funeral.

One of the most striking testimonies of the impotence of the church was seen in the Indian city of Chichicastenango, Guatemala. Here one sees Catholic Indians practicing the same pagan rites they have been doing for the past three hundred years. At the Church of St. Thomas men are seen lighting their containers of incense on the burning altar at the foot of the steps leading to the church. They walk slowly up the long flight of steps swinging their censers. They think that the smoke rising from the censers bear their petitions to the gods. Also the smoke supposedly drives away the evil spirits. At the top of the steps the men are joined by their wives and children as they enter the church. There they light candles. Each of the burning candles represents the spirit of a departed loved one—ancestor worship. The women have brought flower petals wrapped in a scarf or blanket. These petals are placed upon the burning candles. The white petals represent petitions offered to the gods for blessing upon themselves and loved ones; the colored petals are petitions to the gods for curses to be pronounced upon those who have done them an evil or an injustice.

Oftimes the ceremonies are concluded later in the day by drunkenness. The drunkenness is not looked upon as a moral imperfection, but rather they believe their spirit is nearest to the gods when under the spell of the "spirits."

These pagan practices have gone on for centuries under the guise of Catholic christianity. The Catholic church does not possess the spiritual conscience nor moral power to lead these poor people from a practice which dooms and damns their souls and bodies.

This spiritual destitution offers Baptists and other evangelicals the opportunity to present Christ as the hope of the world if we possess the love and willingness to do so. Here is the need. Ours is the inescapable responsibility.—S. A. Whitlow, Executive Secretary. ■

New Readers For Baptist Paper

THREE churches have put the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* in their budgets after receiving the paper on a one-month free trial basis.

They are:

Pleasant Hill Church, Rogers, Benton County Association, Mrs. M. W. Andrews, treasurer, and Rev. Kenneth Armstrong, pastor;

Neiswander Church, Marked Tree, Trinity Association, Rev. Bobby Joe Barnett, pastor;

1st Church, Keiser, Mississippi County Association, Rev. James Marlar is pastor.

The newly-organized Kern Heights Church, DeQueen, Little River Association, will receive the paper for three months free. Such is the paper's policy when a new church is organized. Rev. Doyle Clay is pastor. It was recently organized from a mission of 1st Church, De Queen.


Churches accepting the one-month free trial offer include: Altus Central Church, Clear Creek Association, Rev. Elmer E. Linton, pastor; Corder's Chapel Church, Arkansas Valley Association, Rev. W. A. Ginn, pastor; and Bethel Church, Delta Association, Rev. J. M. Divine, pastor. ■

Church, State Journal

THE SECOND edition of the *Journal of Church and State*, published by the J. M. Dawson Studies in Church and State of Baylor University, is now being distributed. The first issue of the *Journal* was published last November.

This issue features articles by Gaylon L. Caldwell, professor of Political Science at Brigham Young University; T. B. Maston, professor of Christian ethics at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Arcot Krishnaswami, representative of the Commission on Human Rights of the United Nations Economic and Social Council; and Dr. W. J. Kilgore, chairman of the department of Philosophy, Baylor University.

Also featured in the volume is the new Proposed Code of the United Nations on Religious Liberty. ■



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In This Issue

NOTHING is more essential to the ministry of a church in its community than having authentic information as to who the people are the church wishes to reach, where they live and what their situations are. One of the best ways to secure this vital information and keep it current is through the taking of a religious census every year or two.

In the taking of censuses, churches and denominations frequently work independently, with a resulting duplication of efforts and unnecessary harassment of the people the churches are seeking to help. Turn to pages 6 and 7 of this issue and read how the churches of Fayetteville worked together to conduct a religious census of that city recently.

Next Week

TWO divergent viewpoints on the question of a Catholic for President will be presented to our readers next week. Discussing the question: "Should a Catholic for President be opposed because of his religion?" Rev. L. D. Eppinette, missionary of Trinity Association, Lepanto, says "Yea," and J. D. McGehee, superintendent of schools at Lepanto and a fellow member, with Eppinette, of 1st Baptist Church, says "Nay." Read their arguments and make your own appraisals.



MR. ROWE

REV. William Cleveland Rowe, 67, Little Rock, who organized 50 new Baptist churches during 39 years as a minister, died Wednesday of last week. He was educated in Lonoke and Prairie Counties and at New Orleans Seminary. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Eula Speight Rowe; three sons, H. Y., El Dorado; Sammy, Alexandria, La., and Rev. Jerald Rowe, Berryville; a daughter, Mrs. Jane Moiser, Brooklyn; a brother, Dovle, Little Rock; and four sisters, Mrs. Alma Morehead, Hensley; Mrs. Ada Laney, Pine Bluff; and Mrs. Gracie Mallard and Mrs. Elsie Griffin, both of Gould. ■

Foundation of Arkansas, Little Rock, expressed appreciation for widespread interest of church and civic leaders in changing the county from the wet to the dry column and predicted a dry victory.

G. C. Hilton, of Fayetteville, Rt. 1, was elected president of the Washington County chapter. Elected vice chairmen were Rev. Wayne Danner, pastor of the Fayetteville Assembly of God Church; Dr. James Patrick, also of Fayetteville; James Blair, Springdale attorney; and Chief of Police Wayne Hyden, of Springdale. Verl Thompson, Fayetteville, Rt. 1, was named secretary-treasurer.

Only 22 of Arkansas' 75 counties now have legal liquor sales throughout the county, Dr. Brown said, while five are partially dry and 48 permit no legal sales at all.

"Two years from now we confidently expect to dry up the whole of Arkansas," Dr. Brown told the group.

Referring to the 1952 local option election in which Washington County voted wet, Dr. Brown said this was one of only two elections lost by the dry forces of the state in ten years. ■

The Cover



CORN, of American origin, exists in 10,000 different varieties and is America's most important crop. It is grown on a larger acreage than any other crop and has a value greater than that of wheat, oats, barley, rye, and rice combined. It has been intimately tied up with the development both of the United States and the entire Western hemisphere. It is at its best when made into cornbread and crumbled into milk.—ELM

Washington Countians Aim at Liquor Vote

VOTERS of Washington County will have an opportunity to vote liquor out, in the November election, if leaders of the county who organized a chapter of the Christian Civic Foundation last week are successful in securing sufficient signers on petitions now being circulated.

Speaking at the meeting in Fayetteville on Tuesday night of last week, Dr. William E. Brown, executive director of the Christian Civic

Editorials

IN AN informal and friendly conversation with a Catholic friend the other day, I said to him: "If the Roman Catholic Church will take an official position of acknowledging religious liberty for everybody, as we Baptists gladly favor it for Catholics and all other faiths, we Baptists will get off your back!" My friend said flatly that he did not believe that the Catholic Church denies religious liberty to any group anywhere in the world. He would not accept the reports we Baptists have first-hand from Spain and Italy and much of Latin America where Baptists and other non-Catholic groups are denied by law to have their own churches and to pursue teaching, preaching and evangelistic services. Nor could he believe, as I told him, that his church is on record as not granting any but the Catholic Church the right to exist, except in countries where Catholics are still in the minority.

Stanley I. Stuber points out in his excellent book, *Primer on Roman Catholicism for Protestants*, (a book we have referred to several times lately and which is available at the Baptist Book Store, Little Rock) that "what Protestants mean by freedom of worship, and what Roman Catholics mean by it, are two different things."

"Roman Catholics begin with the premise that the Roman Catholic faith, and it alone, is the true faith," continues Mr. Stuber, on page 229 of his book. "All other religions are in error, at most to be tolerated. This means that although Protestants may be given, under certain conditions, freedom to worship, the ideal situation is to have the State support Roman Catholicism as the official authorized religion in a completely Roman Catholic country.

"This position is made clear in *A Catholic Dictionary* [official publication of the Catholic Hierarchy] when it declares that freedom of worship is 'the inalienable right of all men to worship God according to the teaching of the Catholic Church. [Italics ours.] No state can justifiably prevent the exercise of this right; and indeed it has a duty to foster this true worship . . . But to avoid greater evil or to achieve a higher good, public authority can tolerate false religions, so long as they do not teach open immorality.' (pp. 201-202)"

Freedom of religion, according to the Roman Catholic viewpoint, simply means full liberty for the "one true religion."

Mr. Stuber quotes, on page 230 of his book, the following statement by Fathers Rumble and Carty in *Radio Replies*, Vol. I, p. 296:

"The Catholic Church, even if our country became entirely Catholic, would not wish to assume purely civil government. Free and easy divorce laws would be repealed; the sale of birth-control requirements would be prohibited; and various other un-Christian liberties would be withdrawn. But where legislation did not conflict with God's laws, it would be unaffected by the predominance of the Catholic religion."

Mr. Stuber gives the following quotation from Francis J. Connell in *Freedom of Worship*, published by the Paulist Press, Imprimatur of Francis Cardinal Spellman, pp. 13, 15:

"A Catholic would not be inconsistent with any principle of his faith if he held that in the circumstances that prevail at the present time, it would be the most feasible plan to have complete religious toleration throughout the whole world. But it must be remembered that a Catholic cannot advocate such a plan on the basis that all religions have a genuine, God-given right to exist. Such a right belongs only to the one religion founded by Jesus Christ for all men. Catholics can uphold only the policy of equality of *civil* rights for all denominations . . . In a country like the United States, where the religious affiliations of the citizens are so numerous and so diverse, and where no single denomination is predominant, complete equality for all religions is undoubtedly the most commendable policy . . ."

But, brothers, there is a tremendous difference between religious liberty and toleration. We Baptists and Protestants think we have a far more direct line to God than that relied upon by those who are looking to the pope and his hierarchy to be their mediators. And we don't believe we have to pray to Mary to speak to her little boy Jesus in our behalf. Let us not be lulled to sleep by the "big-hearted" toleration of those who are but waiting for the day when the full reins are in their hands so that they can pop their Catholic whips over our non-Catholic backs! In the final analysis, Roman Catholicism has much in common with Communism, as far as personal rights and individual liberties are concerned. With this we are at war from now on.—ELM

Personally Speaking

Mountain Moving

DARK Hollow, a section of North Little Rock below and south of Park Hill, is undergoing a face lifting.



ELM

Every little rain used to flood Highway 67-W through that section. But where the rains used to have their whimsical way, re-routing many of us Northsiders up and over Park Hill, a superhighway is fast taking form. When completed it will stand high above the deepest floods.

The foul lowland is turning into a wholesome mountain. Marvelous things are coming to pass through the skill of highway engineers and the use of giant earth-moving equipment.

A long time ago, Jesus declared that mountains can be moved by faith—just a little faith—faith as a grain of mustard seed. But that was before the day of bulldozers and caterpillars. Now we have innumerable handy gadgets. We have learned so much about moving mountains that we are rather smug and self-reliant in this technological age.

But take another look at the modern mountain movers. All of their big equipment notwithstanding, faith is still necessary in their business.

Whether it was recognized as such, there was a lot of faith exercised by the men who devised and constructed the modern machinery used by road builders and earth movers. Before they could walk by sight they had to walk by faith. Although they had never seen it, they believed that the equipment which has long since become commonplace among us could be brought into being. Using the brains and brawn God had created in them and the materials of the earth, also His creation, they brought the earth-moving equipment to pass.

The inventors of the highway equipment and the highway engineers alike had to have faith in certain basic laws of the physical universe, laws which are also of God's making. They have never been able to revoke or change these laws. Wise men do not try, for to do so is to break themselves.

Modern equipment and the findings of engineering do not constitute an overpass over or around faith. Faith is still essential in moving physical mountains. But it is even more essential in moving spiritual mountains. As Jesus says to this day, a little faith can accomplish miracles. And faith, though it be small in the beginning, can grow to great proportions.—ELM

Lodge's Religion

WILL you clarify this question that's in the mind of lots of folks in this part of the State: What denomination is Henry Cabot Lodge?—Mrs. L. L. Shirmer, 616 Storer, Fayetteville.

Reply:

According to the Associated Press, Mr. Lodge, the nominee for Vice President on the Republican ticket, is an Episcopalian.—ELM

Rel Gray Fund

AS a memorial to our Pastor, Dr. Rel Gray, who was killed in an automobile accident on July 27, 1960, Temple Baptist Church has established a fund for the education of the Gray children.

Contributions to this fund may be made by cash or check, payable to Temple Baptist Church and marked "Rel Gray Memorial fund." Records will be kept in the church office, and all donations will be acknowledged by us. The trustees of our church will administer the Fund.

In order that his many friends and fellow Christians may know of this opportunity to give practical expression of their regard for Dr. Gray, we are asking that you help us in making this information available to the people of your area.

Pray for us as we seek to carry on in the will of God.—Mrs. R. E. Mooney, Secretary, Temple Baptist Church, Ruston, La.

Our Responsibility

I FEAR the religious press is falling down on educating the people on what the Catholic Church is. So many people just regard the Catholic Church as another religious denomination, but they are not that. I think they are a big political machine, or they would not urge nations to send ambassadors to the pope.

It is up to the religious press to educate the people. The secular press is not going to do it. I still say I will not only not vote for a Catholic but will vote for his opponent.—Dr. A. L. Peacock, Gentry, Arkansas.

Reply:

We agree, Dr. Peacock, with your appraisal of the situation facing America and with the tremendous responsibility of the religious press. Our papers are the watchmen on the wall to warn the people of impending peril. But the final burden of responsibility, when the people have been warned not once but time and again, rests upon the people themselves.—ELM

'Personally Speaking'

JUST a note to tell you how much we enjoy the *Arkansas Baptist* each week. We just wouldn't miss your "Personally Speaking" columns. You mentioned [March 17] that your mother thinks you've got an awfully good paper. Well, you can add that the Chandlers think so too.—Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Chandler, Duncan, S. C.

Who Pays For Your Vacation?

THERE is a tendency on the part of many to take a vacation from the church during the summer months. Probably at no other time of the year are your services needed more than during this time. While some are taking their vacation others are needed to be more faithful in their attendance and the performing of their duties. While others are away your attendance is needed.

During the summer months many churches suffer because the offerings are low. Many able members, I am afraid, take their regular weekly offering and use it for vacation expenses. Many, of course, don't intend to do it this way, but when they return from their vacations they find that they are short of funds and they never really give their contribution to the church for those Sundays they missed.

The best preparation to make for your vacation is to take all of your church envelopes for the Sundays you will be away, put your regular weekly offering in them, and then the last Sunday before going away, give them all in the offering. This way the church can carry out its regular program of activities, and when you return you are not behind in your contribution to the church.

Don't let your church or God pay for your vacation!
—Editor James O. Duncan, in *Capital Baptist*, Washington, D.C.

Love For All

JESUS SAID, "Love your enemies, pray for those that despitefully use you." If this be the Christian attitude toward our enemies how much more should we love our brethren. We ought always to pray for our brethren.

We can differ in policy with our fellow man and still love him, and bestow upon him the fruits of love which are the fruits of the Spirit. Paul said, "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance . . ." To be longsuffering with one who differs with us is Christian, and to show gentleness toward him and breed about us a spirit of peace by our attitude is Christlike.

Ofttimes we feel that we are neglected and loneliness gets the best of us. If we are not careful we will blame another for our plight, when actually all we need to do is to look inside us to find the solution to our problem.

Then again we fail to understand the other man's problems and even his reasons for what seems to us apparent failure. It is of the world to be so intolerant of another that we cannot listen to his story and try to understand. It is certainly not of the Spirit of God.

If there is one outstanding virtue needed among Baptists in this age of acceleration and pressure, it is love for one another and patience with one another.

We think Christ has been patient with all of us far more than we have been toward others.—Editor J. Kelly Simmons, *Rocky Mountain Baptist*.

Taking A Religious Census

By Dr. Walter L. Johnson

Pastor, University Baptist Church, Fayetteville

PROBABLY the most successful religious census in the history of Fayetteville has recently been conducted by the Ministerial Association. Almost all denominations participated. About 30 census takers did the work on a partial-pay basis.

A total of 14,779 individual cards was turned in, and hundreds more with names of families who could not be contacted after two or three calls. There were 2,541 single students in organized housing on and off the University of Arkansas campus who were not included in the census, since we have, from another source, religious information concerning these. There is an average 10 to 15 per cent of the people away from home when census takers call. With these facts in mind, the number of cards was gratifying, since the recent United States census gives the city about 19,250 inhabitants.

Those taking the census received four cents per individual card returned.

The census takers were paid out of a general fund paid the Association by all the churches participating. Each church paid into this fund ten cents per resident member of its congregation. We aimed at a budget of \$1,000, but actually received \$741. After the census takers were paid and all other expenses, such as census cards and secretarial work, were met, we had \$70 left to turn back into the treasury of the Ministerial Association.

Between 20 and 30 churches participated. These included Assembly of God, Baptist, Catholic, Christian, Church of Christ, Lutheran, Methodist, Pentecostal, Presbyterian.

Two years ago we had taken a city-wide religious census through volunteer workers from the vari-



Fayetteville Church Census Committee

Dr. Johnson, Mr. Wiggins, Mr. Danner, Mr. Bearden, Dr. Best

ous denominations. On that occasion also the writer was asked to direct the work. Some four or five hundred helped. One Sunday was used for training the workers, another Sunday for actually taking the census, and another Sabbath for follow-up, and still another day to complete the work.

A few raised the question as to whether the people of the city would cooperate in giving the information. We expected, from former experience, one-half of one per cent not to do so.

One good Methodist lady came this time to a home where the wife, who refused information, remarked, "I suppose that there are many who do not give information." The census taker replied, "No, you are the first one in eight hundred."

The city daily newspaper, the radio stations, and the pastors from pulpits, kept the public aware of our plans for the census.

Specific Planning

The Ministerial Association chose a committee to assist in

the census: Dr. Robert E. L. Bearden, pastor of Central Methodist Church; Dr. Alexander Best, Baptist Superintendent of Missions for the Washington-Madison Association; Rev. Wayne Danner, pastor of the First Assembly of God and an excellent area director of the census of two years ago; Rev. Earl Hughes, pastor of the Wiggins Memorial Methodist Church; and the writer as chairman.

After long discussion, we decided to use the Southern Baptist census cards, obtainable at our Baptist Book Stores. This was the same card we used two years ago. No other card of which we know is adequate for our Baptist churches. A family card will not serve the purpose. Others might not give birthdays, ages, Sunday School or church affiliations, and personal preference. In my opinion, if another card is used, the census has already largely failed. Other census cards do not place individual responsibility on departments, classes and individuals for reaching the people. The Association adopted the recommenda-

tion of the committee to use these cards.

The city was divided into eight nearly equal sections including the roads out three or four miles beyond the city limits.

Some fifteen or twenty maps of these sections were carefully marked off with colored pencils. Each pastor was asked to propose one, two or three census takers to the committee. About 30 offered to help. To these it was carefully explained the pay they would receive, the way every line on every card was to be filled in, that they were to return at least twice if a family was not at home, that they were to turn in a card with the address of this family when unable to secure the information, and that they were to come back to make their reports to the committee at every weekly meeting. Four or five weeks were given for completing the work.

The census takers pasted maps of the area in which they were to work, on large envelopes containing census cards, and they were instructed to mark off the streets and blocks as they completed them.

What kind of people were the census takers? Almost entirely they were those with deep religious motivation. However, the pay in some cases was an additional incentive, but the sense of privilege and responsibility to God was primary. Two ladies, excellent wives of fine Assembly of God pastors, brought in 1,800 or 2,000 cards each. They averaged about \$1 per hour for their work and did an excellent job, as did many others.

Using The Information

The workers were not paid nor were the cards sorted until the census was completed. When the cards were in, they were sorted according to local church preference and immediately turned over to the church of their preference. No other congregation received information about these cards.

If cards indicated a denominational preference but no local church preference, they were given to the various churches composing this denomination.

The Baptist churches, among themselves mimeographed lists of some one thousand names showing Baptist preference and gave several copies to each of the various Baptist churches, but this was at the expense of the Baptist churches only. The Methodists had about the same number of unattached preferences for their churches. Other denominations also had many preferences for themselves.

The census cards showing no preference were mimeographed with all the information on each card, and copies were given to all the churches participating in the census. There were around a thousand of these names.

Our Church's Tabulation of Census Information

Our church, the University Baptist, tabulated the information:

(1) We took the cards of our own members and those preferring our church;

(2) We made copies of other cards showing Baptist preference but no local preference;

(3) We made copies of cards showing no preference for any denomination. We then divided all of these in the three groups above as prospects according to age for departments and classes throughout the whole Sunday School.

We then typed this information for every class and every department on onion skin paper, making five copies, and placed these sheets in five groupings of some seventy-five pages each for use by the whole Sunday School. Three copies of the whole we put in attractive binders: one for use by the pastor, another by the church secretary, and the third for the Sunday School Superintendent. Another of these copies was divided up according to departments, and every department's sheets were placed in a separate binder for the department superintendent's use.

Still another of the copies was divided into sheets for the individual classes, and these in turn were placed in separate binders, every teacher and class having its own prospects.

This full census tabulation (for our church alone there were 2,179 prospects) furnished us with information for visitation in reaching the people. We now know who they are, what they are, and where they are for every class, department and organization in the church.

The Ministerial Association's Appraisal

The enthusiasm of the Ministerial Association for the new census and its results is excellent, so much so that it has already passed a motion that the Association conduct another census in like manner in two years. The Association considers it the quietest and most effective census which the city has ever had.

The excellent census committee, without whose splendid work the census would not have succeeded, has recommended that the amount paid the census takers for each individual card be raised next time from four cents to at least six cents, and possibly more.

It was the writer's hope that the census would help not only our church but all churches of Baptist and other denominations to do the Lord's work in a better way. We feel that it is doing this.

Nearly all churches have helped do a task in our city which it would have been difficult for any one church to have done alone.

We believe there is a warmer feeling of appreciation between the pastors and people of various denominations as we have worked together in a common task for the Lord.

It is our conviction that the census will result in salvation of many who were lost and the enlistment of many of the saved in the work of the Savior. The churches can now take the story of Him to those whose names and addresses and spiritual condition are known. We believe that the census helps our city to be more Christian. We recommend the plan to others.

We believe that a census should be taken in most situations yearly; in many instances one church can do it. ■

Foreign Board Stations Missionaries In Liberia

By Ione Gray

AT ITS July meeting the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board voted to inaugurate a program of work in Liberia, transferred Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Poe from the Republic of Guinea to Liberia, and recommended that other missionaries be appointed to join them as soon as possible.

The decision to begin work in Liberia was made in response to an urgent appeal of the Liberia Baptist Missionary and Educational Convention and after Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, and Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, visited the country and investigated opportunities there. The little country (population, 1,250,000), located on the southern bulge of West Africa, was established in 1822 by liberated slaves from America as a home of freedom—Liberia means "Place of Freedom." It became a republic in 1847.

It was in Richmond, Va., in January, 1821, that the first Baptist church of Liberia was organized under the leadership of Lott Cary. He and the six other colonists who made up its charter members took the church with them when they sailed for Liberia. Before 1875 Southern Baptists had missionaries (Negro) in Liberia; but since that time the Foreign Mission Board has had no formal connection with Baptist work in the country.

During the past 25 years the work has been unable, because of limited resources, to keep pace with the growth of the country. Recognizing that their witness needs reinforcement, Liberian Baptists urgently requested that Southern Baptists place missionaries in the country and help them in their work.

Liberian Baptists have some able leaders, one of whom is Dr. W. R. Talbott, president of the Liberia Baptist Convention, vice president of the Baptist World Alliance, and also vice president of the Republic of Liberia. They now number about 7,000. They have a small school known as Ricks Institute, and Mr. Poe will become its educational adviser.

A Door Closed, Another Opened

One of the main objectives of the trip which Dr. Cauthen and Dr. Goerner made to Africa was to confer with officials in Guinea relative to the possibility of continuing work in that country. The first missionaries sent there, Mr. and Mrs. Poe, could not remain because their visas were not renewed at the date of expiration. Dr. and Mrs. Thomas O. High followed and were in Conakry, the capital, when the mission secretaries arrived.

Dr. Cauthen said he and Dr. Goerner were received with courtesy by Government officials who made no commitment as to the future of Southern Baptist mission work. Since getting back to Richmond Dr. Cauthen has received a cable from Dr. High saying that a negative reply was received from the government of Guinea. Dr. and Mrs. High have now gone to Nigeria.

Dr. Cauthen said: "We are grateful that effort was made to enter Guinea, and we regret that it is impossible at this time to continue work in that land. However, we remember that some doors which the apostle Paul desired to enter closed and that other doors which he had not anticipated opened.

"This has been our experience. Upon leaving Guinea we went to

Monrovia, the capital of Liberia. Seldom have we found greater welcome than was extended there."

Lessons From The Congo

After leaving Liberia the plane on which Dr. Cauthen and Dr. Goerner were traveling stopped at midnight at Leopoldville in the Congo, where they were scheduled to disembark, cross the Congo River to Brazzaville, and continue to Luanda in Angola. "The airfield was in a disorganized condition," Dr. Cauthen said. "There were no officials in charge and no personnel to service our plane. About 1,500 refugees were waiting in the terminal for transportation. The pilot decided to fly on to Luanda to discharge his passengers, and we continued our journey conscious of the deep tragedy which was taking place in the Congo.

"It is difficult at this time to assess fully the impact of the Congo crisis upon the future of Africa. One must remember the long record of self-government in Liberia and the attainments in Ghana and Nigeria. One must also keep in mind the peaceful emergence of many new governments to independence.

"The factors entering into the tragedy in the Congo must be understood in terms of the history of that place, the colonial policies which have been exhibited, the political immaturity of its leaders, the precipitate way in which independence has come, and possible outside influences hoping to benefit from disturbed circumstances. Lessons learned from a realistic analysis of the causes of the Congo tragedy may enable governments to adjust to inevitable changes in a passing colonial era and help emerging free people to assume the responsibilities of self-government without the explosive expressions of immaturity.

From Angola Dr. Cauthen and Dr. Goerner journeyed to Mozambique. In both those countries they discovered large areas with very limited Baptist work. They then visited Southern Baptist mission work in Southern Rhodesia, where Dr. Cauthen left Dr. Goerner.

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RIDGECREST BAPTIST ASSEMBLY delegates from Arkansas attending the third Southern Baptist Training Union Leadership Assembly July 21-27 are shown here.

Dr. Rollin S. Burhans, president, Greater Louisville (Ky.) College, was speaker for the week which had as its theme, "Keep the New Life Growing." Dr. Phillip B. Harris,

secretary, Training Union Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., directed the conference. About 3,500 persons registered for the week.

PARTHENON Baptist Church, Newton County had a revival July 31-August 7 with Ottis Denney, former missionary of Newton County serving as evangelist.

VACATION Bible School of Pine Grove Baptist Church broke all previous records. There was an enrollment of 148 and an average attendance of 118. The pastor, Joseph A. Hogan, served as principal.

PINE Grove Baptist Church Sweet Home, Ark., had a revival July 10-17 with Larry Taylor preaching and Jim Greer leading the music. There were eight additions for baptism, two by letter, and one by statement. Miss Kathleen Elliot, Church Musician, served as Pianist. Joseph A. Hogan is the Pastor.

GOSNELL Church, Route 4, Blytheville, Mississippi County Association, recently completed a revival with Evangelist Bill Lewis and Singer Herbert "Red" Johnson. The results include 30 professions of faith and four by letter. One young man dedicated his life to full-time Christian service.

REV. Howard Davis, San Dimas, Calif., is the evangelist for revival services being held through Aug. 14 at Rosie Church, Independence Association. Pastor of Rosie is Rev. Roy McLeod.

A **RECENT** revival at Imboden Church, Black River Association, resulted in four additions by baptism. Rev. Ray J. Barnett, Gentry, was the evangelist. Rev. J. C. Smith is pastor of the church.

1ST CHURCH, Piggott, ordained Bob G. Johnson to the ministry July 10. Rev. E. C. Polk, pastor, delivered the ordination sermon. Rev. Ledell Bailey, Leonard Church, gave the Charge. Others assisting were Rev. J. T. Midkiff, Hopewell; Rev. S. R. Pillow, St. Francis; Rev. James Whitlock, Nutts Chapel; Rev. Eugene Dudley, Knobel. Mr. Johnson is pastor of Jackson Street Mission of Piggott.

AUGUST 14-24 are the dates for revival services at Branch Church. The evangelist is Dr. Ralph Dodd, 1st Church, Greenwood. Paul Dodd, music director at the same church, will lead the singing. Rev. Hugh McGehee is pastor.

Harrisburg 1st Celebrates 73rd Birthday

By the Editor

WHAT had been advertised as the 75th Anniversary celebration of 1st Church, Harrisburg, Sunday, July 31, turned out to be the observance of the church's 73rd birthday. After the special occasion had been planned, Church Historian Tommy McGee made the discovery that the church was organized in 1887, instead of 1885 as some had thought.

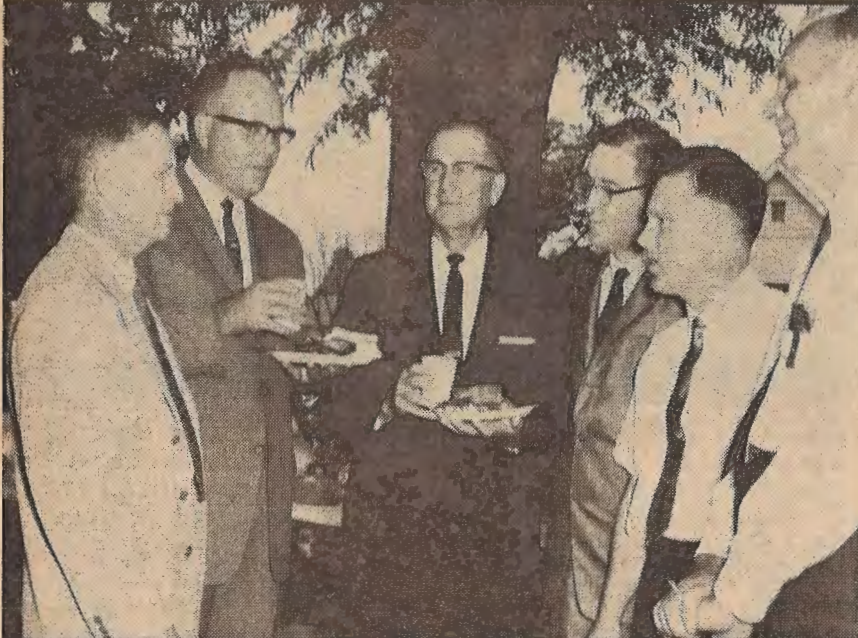
But the error and its discovery took nothing from the spirit of the occasion nor from the weight of the tables that were spread for an old-time dinner-on-the-ground beneath the trees that shade a portion of the church grounds.

Speakers for the day included three of the church's own sons in the ministry: Rev. Louis Gustavus, pastor of 1st Church, Perryville; Rev. Harry Gates Jacobs, pastor of 1st Church, Osceola; and Rev. Carl Hodges, pastor of Bethel Station Church, Paragould. Others who as young members of the church were called into the ministry but who could not be present were: Dr. Frank Pitts, pastor of 1st Church, Blytheville; Rev. Clarence Edmonston and Rev. J. T. Lamb.

TOP: (Left to right) Tommy McGee, church historian; H. C. Jacobs, life-long member of the church and a former chairman of the Building committee; and D. Autrey Newman, now superintendent of schools at Leola, who formerly served as chairman of the church's building committee.

Center: Former Pastor H. E. Williams (second from left), now president of Southern Baptist College and lately a candidate for governor of Arkansas, demonstrates that he still has his appetite for Baptist-fried chicken. To Dr. Williams' left are Rev. L. H. Davis, formerly pastor of the church for many years; Attorney-Layman Edward Maddox, and Pastor Curtis K. McClain; to his right, Rev. Louis Gustavus.

Bottom: The crowd shows which way lies food and drink—and shade.



Three former pastors spoke: Dr. H. E. Williams, who served the church from Jan. 1, 1936 to Sept. 15, 1937, and who is now president of Southern Baptist College, which he founded;

Rev. John Collier, pastor of 1st Church, Moro, who served the church from Jan. 4, 1947, to Feb. 26, 1950, during which period the present church auditorium was completed; and

Rev. L. H. Davis, now retired and living in Arkadelphia, who served from May 5, 1954, to March 29, 1959.

Present members recognized for their long continuous membership included:

Mrs. R. L. Haynes, aged 90, who joined the church in February, 1909, by letter from Tellville, Ky., and has been a member for 59 years:

Mrs. Jerome Huddleston, aged 85, also a member for 59 years, having joined by baptism in December, 1901;

Mrs. Trudie Cooper, aged 70, who has been a member for 56 years;

H. C. Jacobs, who was baptized into the church on March 15, 1913, and has continued in the membership from that time, 47 years; and

Mrs. H. C. Jacobs, who joined the church by baptism from a church of another faith in 1918, and has been a member for 42 years.

According to the facts compiled by Mr. McGee and his committee, the first Baptist church to be constituted in Poinsett County was organized in 1840, at Bolivar, then the county seat, about three miles north of Harrisburg. The first Baptist minister was Rev. John A. Nutt, who helped to organize pioneer churches in Greene, Poinsett and St. Francis counties.

In 1858 a small group organized a Baptist church under the leadership of Elder Pierce and the church worshipped in the Poinsett County Courthouse until the summer of 1869, when they erected a frame church building at Bethel, two miles south of Harrisburg, by which time the membership totaled 100.

The Harrisburg 1st Church was organized on Sept. 10, 1887,

by a small group led by Elder and Mrs. E. L. Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Stancell, all four of whom had been granted letters of dismissal from Bethel Church, at their request, to establish the new church.

In October, 1887, the new church, numbering 25, erected a frame building. Rev. J. S. Edmonds was the pastor at that time.

The second home of the church was constructed in the early 1900's, a brick building completed and occupied about 1906.

Pastors of the church have included: Rev. J. H. Peay, Rev. J. E. Brown, Rev. H. W. McGee, Rev. J. H. Pennock, Rev. George B. Price, Rev. W. S. Young, Rev.

W. S. Roney, Rev. Dillard N. Carter, Rev. M. Culp, Rev. T. A. O'Bryant, Rev. J. W. Derrick, Rev. Lionel Burnett, Rev. J. H. Turner, Rev. P. B. Kinsolving, Rev. W. I. Elledge, Rev. O. H. Peaden, Rev. C. W. Anderson, and Rev. O. C. Hicks.

Five of seven mission Sunday Schools started by the church under the leadership of H. C. Jacobs while he served as associational Sunday School superintendent for Trinity Association, 1937-1945, are now churches: Corner's Chapel (formerly Simpson's Chapel), Black Oak, Freer, South McCormick and Anderson Tulley.

The church now has 440 members and has as its pastor Rev. Curtis K. McClain. ■

REV. Homer A. Bradley recently accepted a call to become pastor of Earle Church, Earle, Ark. He is a graduate of Ouachita College and New Orleans Seminary. He resigned the Eudora Church to move to Earle. During his six and a half year pastorate there an entire new church plant was built. There were over 400 additions to the church.

BURLINGTON Church in Boone County Association recently closed a revival with Rev. Dennis James, missionary pastor of Boone Association preaching. There were three additions, one by baptism. A baptismal service will be held Sunday afternoon at Bear Creek Springs. Rev. Homer Allred, pastor, will baptize eight candidates.

Where In Arkansas Is This?



THIS IS a First Baptist Church photographed by the Editor on one of his recent jaunts about the state. How many of our readers can identify it? Drop us a card telling us where you think it is. Give your name and address.



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Yes No

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Concord Association News

Seminary Classes To Open Sept. 12 In Ft. Smith

THE CONCORD Seminary Center will open Sept. 12 with 45 students pre-enrolled for three classes. This is the second largest enrollment in the four-year history of the extension work in Ft. Smith.

Paul McCray, pastor of Grand Avenue Church, will teach preaching. The text is prepared by Dr. E. N. Patterson. McCray is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee and Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth. Seventeen have enrolled for this course.

Charles Graves, pastor of First Church, Van Buren, will teach Church History, prepared by Dr. Baker. Graves is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University and the seminary in Ft. Worth. Seventeen have enrolled in the church history course.

Dr. Andrew Setliff, minister of education at Grand Avenue

1ST CHURCH, Fountain Hill, will have a revival August 14-21. The speaker will be Ed F. Cole, Ft. Worth, Tex. Harry Nobles, Jr., student at Southwestern Seminary, will lead the singing.

SEVENTEEN additions, including 15 professions, were reported following a revival in July at 1st Church, Parkin. The evangelist was Joe Shaver.

Church, will teach a course in religious education. This is a study in church organizations — Sunday School, Training Union, Brotherhood, and WMU. Dr. Setliff has a B.A. degree from Baylor University and Master and Doctorate degrees in religious education from Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth.

1ST CHURCH, Ft. Smith, recently ordained Ronnie Duncan, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Duncan, Ft. Smith, the mission pastor of Immanuel Mission, 1st Church, Seminole, Okla., and a student in Oklahoma Baptist University.

Young Duncan was interrogated by Rev. Robert Fling, pastor of 1st Church, Seminole; the ordination prayer was offered by Garland Hammons, Seminole. The sermon was preached by pastor Newman McLarry.

THE EXCELSIOR church has

REV. J. A. Myers has recently moved to Grubbs where he has accepted the pastorate of 1st Church. A native of Illinois he had been pastor of churches in Arizona the past 17 years. He has studied at Moody Bible Institute, St. Paul Bible Institute, Burton College, and Burton Seminary.

AMOS GREER and his family completed four years' service with Harmony Association on June 23.

called Gerald Schleiff as pastor to succeed L. L. Gilliam who resigned last March.

Schleiff has been serving the Calvary Church in Buckner association and is a graduate of Ouachita Baptist College. The church has voted to go from half to full time preaching services.

MURL WALKER, pastor of the Oak Cliff Church in Ft. Smith, conducted a revival for Pastor Lawrence Woodward and the Winfield Church, west of Waldron. There were 36 decisions, three professions of faith, six additions by baptism and three by letter. Pastor Woodward led the music.

THE MIXON church has spent several hundred dollars putting in new floors, windows, doors and other much needed improvements. Nine have been added to the church during the past year. The church is planning to organize a WMS and Brotherhood soon. Ralph Willer, a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University in Texas, is the pastor. ■

JANETTE Marie Myers, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Karl J. Myers, Jr., Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria, died Friday, June 3, in University College Hospital, Ibadan, Nigeria, two days after her birth in Ogbomosho. Burial was in Ogbomosho. Dr. and Mrs. Myers' address is Baptist Hospital, Ogbomosho, Nigeria, West Africa.

His Life Our Pattern, by Clarence W. Cranford, Broadman, 1960, \$2.75

In seventeen brief messages, Dr. Cranford, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D.C., since 1942, sets forth words and deeds of Jesus Christ as a guide for our lives. The style of writing has a special appeal to "the man in the street."

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A History of the Baptists of Oak Ridge, Louisiana, 1797-1960, by Glen Lee Greene, The Parthenon Press, 1960

The author's extensive use of early records of Baptist life in Louisiana makes this book much broader in its reader appeal than the title would indicate. He devotes a chapter to John Coulter, "Baptist Apostle of Religious Liberty and Pioneer of Religion in North Louisiana."

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The Gospel According to St. John, Translated by T. H. L. Parker, Vol. 4 of Calvin's New Testament Commentaries, Edited by David W. and Thomas F. Torrance, Eerdmans, 1959, \$4.50

This is the first volume in a completely new translation into modern English of Calvin's commentaries on the New Testament. Previous translations have frequently failed to reveal the close coherence of Calvin's ideas, the publishers point out, adding that "Mr. Parker now provides the reader with a translation that does full justice to the Reformer's qualities as an expositor of the Word of God."

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Current History Review of 1959, Prepared by the Editors of Current History, Rand McNally, 1960, \$4.95

This book makes available in one volume the series of monthly reviews of important events throughout the world that has long been one of the most valuable features of **Current History**. Arranged alphabetically by country and also chronologically, it provides a day-by-day summary of the major events of the year.

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God and Man in Washington, by Paul Blanshard, Beacon Press, 1960, \$3.50

The author, one of the most acute and respected analysts of church-state affairs, has lived in Washington, D.C., for many years and has watched the federal government in action at close quarters. Concentrating on the great controversies that have shaken the Supreme Court, Congress and the White House, the book reaches a climax in its analysis of the issue all America is discussing: Can and should the American people elect a Catholic as President? As is true of the Bible and the Constitution of the United States, this book will be used for "factual ammunition" by debaters on both sides of the church-state issues.

Christ Versus Alexander

*Jesus and Alexander died at thirty-three,
One lived and died for self; one died for you and me.
The Greek died on a throne; the Jew died on a cross;
One's life a triumph seemed; the other but a loss.
One led vast armies forth; the other walked alone;
One shed a whole world's blood; the other gave His own.
One won the world in life and lost it all in death;
The other lost His life to win the whole world's faith.*

*Jesus and Alexander died at thirty-three.
One died in Babylon; and one on Calvary.
One gained all for self; and one Himself He gave,
One conquered every throne, the other every grave.
The one made himself God; the God made Himself less;
The one lived but to blast; the other but to bless.
When died the Greek, forever fell his throne of swords;
But Jesus died to live forever Lord of Lords.*

*Jesus and Alexander died at thirty-three,
The Greek made all men slaves; the Jew made all men free.
One built a throne on blood; the other built on love;
The one was born of earth; the other from above;
One won all this earth, to lose all earth and heaven;
The other gave up all, that all to Him be given.
The Greek forever died; the Jew forever lives,
He loses all who gets, and wins all things who gives.*

—Charles Ross Weede



MR. EUBANKS



MR. BATES

PRESIDENT OF the University of Arkansas Medical Center's Baptist Student Union is Russ Eubanks, of Fort Smith. Russ is a sophomore in Medical School and will practice medicine after graduation.

BUDDY BATES, of Little Rock, is the Baptist Student Union president at Little Rock University. Buddy is majoring in economics and plans to enter retail sales after graduation.—Tom J. Logue, Secretary

Joins Blind Agency

THIS month Dr. Ralph N. Plummer joins the Braille Evangelical agency of Christian Education Services for the Blind, Ft. Worth, as an associate to Edwin Wilson, founder of the work 14 years ago.



Dr. Plummer comes from Kansas City, following 20 years of pastoral ministry. ■

Professor At Baylor

WACO, Tex. —(BP)— Bill Moyers, former director of public relations for Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, has been named assistant professor of journalism at Baylor University here.

Moyers succeeds Ray Tassin who is on leave of absence to complete his doctor's degree.

A former member of the Lyndon B. Johnson campaign staff, Moyers worked for vice-presidential nominee Johnson during his 1954 senatorial campaign and again recently in his bid for the presidential nomination. He also worked with William Blakely of Dallas in his campaign for the Senate.

A native of Hugo, Okla., Moyers graduated from the University of Texas, Austin, where he received the Cabot Award for the highest four-year scholastic record by a journalism student.

In 1956-57 he studied religion and history at the University of Edinburg, Scotland on a Rotary Foundation fellowship. He received the B. D. degree from Southwestern Seminary in January, 1960. ■

Georgia Assets

Georgia Foundation has assets of \$3,548,766 followed by Oklahoma with \$3,120,634; by Louisiana with \$2,167,132, and by Tennessee with \$2,105,545. California, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Missouri topped the \$1 million mark.

The foundations reported yields

on investment of from 4.5 to 5.6 per cent. Some individual accounts yielded slightly more than six per cent return.

The survey information was provided by Herschel C. Pettus, Alexandria, director of Louisiana Baptist Foundation. ■

Not Anti-American

MILL VALLEY, Calif. — "Despite recent Communist-led rioting and political turmoil in Japan, Christian missionary work suffered no harmful effects," declared Dr. Edwin B. Dozier, Southern Baptist missionary in Japan who arrived in San Francisco last week.

In speaking at the Golden Gate Seminary he said there is no appreciable anti-American feeling among a majority of the Japanese people and that Japanese-American relationships remain good throughout the nation. ■

Attendance Up

REGISTRATION figures at the close of the third Southern Baptist Training Union Leadership Assembly at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly showed 3,507 persons registered, boosting total attendance for the three Training Union weeks to 9,780 — 179 more than last year's 9,601.

Graham In Geneva

GENEVA, Switzerland (EP)— Evangelist Billy Graham addressed some 50 evangelism executives, missionaries and other church leaders convened from around the world for a five-day Consultation on Evangelism (July 6-11) at the World Council of Churches' Ecumenical Institute at Bossey, near Geneva.

Theme of the conference was "The Relation of Revival Within the Church and the Communication of the Gospel to the Outsider."

Dr. Graham called upon the churches everywhere to join in a mass evangelistic effort to bring Christ's message to all men in this "crisis hour of world history."

"I believe it is possible in mass evangelism to reach a 'depth of ecumenicity' that is more significant in some ways even than organization ecumenicity," the famous preacher said. ■

Indonesia Grows

BY 1980, according to a population study released by the United Nations, the population of Indonesia may exceed that of Japan.

If Indonesia does overtake Japan in population, it will be the world's fifth largest country, following Red China, India, Russia and the United States. (EP) ■

Changes Course

GOLDEN Gate Baptist Theological Seminary is discontinuing its certificate or diploma program and replacing it with a seminary extension center to start Sept. 1.

R. Fletcher Royal, professor of religious education, will direct this work and courses will be taught mostly by graduate students.

The new program is designed to meet the needs of those who are not college graduates. Prospective students for these courses will be: (1) those who want to earn a certificate in the Seminary Extension Department; (2) those who want courses in Seminary type subjects; (3) those who want courses that may be recognized for credit by colleges, and; (4) those who want to earn credit for Sunday School and Training Union study courses. ■

Accepts New Post

JAROY Weber, pastor of the West Monroe First Church since 1949, has notified Executive Secretary Robert L. Lee that he will accept the position of Secretary of Evangelism for the state of Louisiana to which he was recently elected.

Weber submitted his resignation to the West Monroe Church last Sunday effective August 22. ■

REA to Meet

The Southwestern Baptist Religious Education Association will meet Aug. 30-Sept. 1, on the campus of Southwestern Seminary in Ft. Worth, Tex.

Persons desiring to make reservations in the campus dormitories should contact: Miss Gracie Knowlton, Box 22775, Ft. Worth 15. Room rates are \$1.75, single, \$2.50, double, plus 25 cents each for linens. ■

Beacon Lights of Baptist History

By BERNES K. SELPH, Th.D.
Pastor, 1st Baptist Church, Benton

Bostonians Denied Rights

Baptists in Boston, Mass., were denied the right to build their house of worship in 1679.

Because of their rapid growth in numbers, Governor Bradstreet tried to curtail their efforts through court action. Several of the members were called before the court, censured, and fined. Some who had not paid were warned and the constables were urged to collect the fines.

In spite of this harsh treatment, they bought land and began building a house. Because of animosity toward them, the Baptists did not openly call it a house of worship until it was completed.

Citizens and officials had complained of their meeting in private homes; but when they erected a house of worship the townspeople became more offensive

than ever.

Finding that no law on the books could prevent the erection of a house of worship, the General Court immediately wrote a law to protect the people against the Baptists.

In substance it provided: "That any one building a house for worship must get permission from the court at a public meeting held for this purpose. In the event such a house was built, and as many as three meetings were held in it, then the property could be seized, sold, and the money placed in the county treasury."

The Baptists protested. But instead of seeking persecution by meeting in the house, they waited to see what God would do for them.

On July 24, the King of England wrote the Massachusetts officials commanding them to observe the conscience of all protestants. (The Quakers had also been persecuted.)

With the King's letter in their

favor, the Baptists felt free to meet again in their house of worship. Again the constables came and hauled their leaders off to court. They were warned not to meet until the next General Session. The leaders pleaded that they could not speak for the church but only for themselves. The following Monday a petition of rights was sent from the church to the court.

Ignoring the petition, the officer forced his way through the gate of the church-yard and nailed shut the church doors. He attached a paper which warned the worshippers to not open the doors without court authority. Those ignoring this order would suffer the consequences, it said.

The Baptists replied to such high-handed action with: (1) The house belonged to them; (2) It was built before the law was passed, therefore, they were not breaking a law; (3) Their king had given them permission to meet. ■

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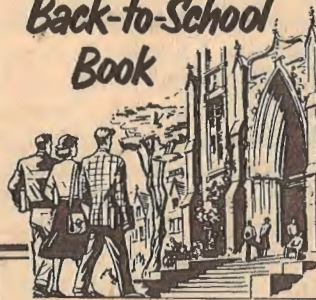
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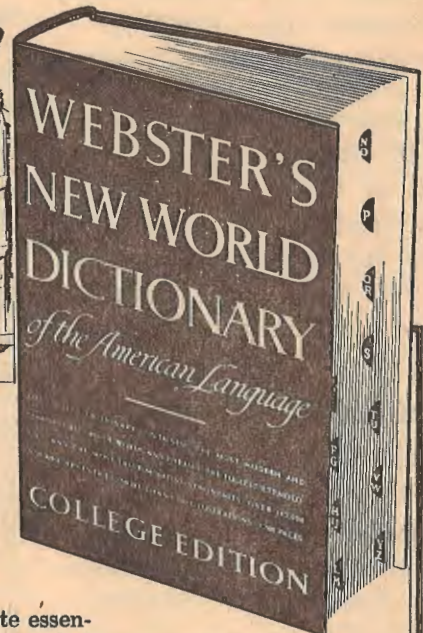
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Rockefeller Helps Tokyo Library

NEW YORK (EP) — John D. Rockefeller, III, has made a personal gift of \$250,000 toward construction of a new library on the campus of the Japan International Christian University near Tokyo.

Announcement of the grant, which will cover more than half of the library's \$425,000 cost, came from the Japan International Christian University Foundation.

The Foundation said that the remainder of the library's cost came from a \$50,000 gift made in 1956 by the Kresge Foundation in Detroit, Mich., and from \$125,000 contributed by the 15 major Protestant denominations in North America whose mission boards support the university.

Dr. Kenneth Scott Latourette, president of the Foundation, pointed out that Mr. Rockefeller's son, John D. Rockefeller, IV, was a student at the Japan university for two and a half years. The younger John has returned to this country to resume his studies at Harvard University.

Texan Joins Freddie Gage Team

Rev. Wayne Tucker has recently announced that he will be associated with the Freddie Gage Evangelistic Association of Houston.

He has submitted his resignation as pastor of Uvalde Baptist Church, Uvalde, Tex. He has also served churches in Sherman and Kerrville, Tex.

He has recently returned from Washington, D. C. where he spent a week with the Billy Graham Team studying methods of evangelism.

Oppose Catholic President

FRESNO, Calif (EP) — The General Board of the National Association of Free Will Baptists meeting here prior to the denomination's national convention called on the Democratic Convention then meeting in Los Angeles to select a nominee "whose religious beliefs are consistent with the separation principle contained in the Constitution of the United States and who could serve as president upholding separation of church and state without mental reservation and without pressure from ecclesiastical authority."

The board made known its feelings in a wire to Gov. Leroy Collins, the permanent chairman of the Democratic Convention and governor of Florida.

The resolution passed by the board in its entirety follows:

"Whereas the Democratic Party is now in convention to select its nominee for President of the United States, and

"Whereas there is a strong possibility that the Democratic Convention will select a Roman Catholic as its nominee, and

"Whereas we have serious doubts that because of the political-religious nature of the Roman Catholic Church, a Roman Catholic President could or would resist fully the pressures of the ecclesiastical hierarchy, and

"Whereas the National Association of Free Will Baptists has historically held to the principle of separation of church and state and we feel that this principle would suffer violence under a Roman Catholic President because of recent statements from hierarchy in Rome,

"Therefore be it resolved that the General Board of the National Association of Free Will Baptists representing 200,000 members in 31 states calls on this Democratic Convention now in session in Los Angeles to think soberly and carefully in the selection of its nominee and give this honored trust to a candidate whose religious beliefs are consistent with the separation principle contained in the Constitution of the United States and who could serve as President upholding separation of church and state without mental reservations

Lutherans Study Sunday School Drop

PHILADELPHIA (EP) — The largest Lutheran denomination in North America is trying to find out why its Sunday School enrollment dropped by 1,200 last year after increasing by 13,000 in 1958 and by 24,892 in 1957.

A report by the Board of Parish Education of the United Lutheran Church in America showed that in 1959 pupils in the denomination's Sunday schools decreased although 50 new schools were started and the number of teachers and administrators increased.

Dr. Walter B. Freed, board president, has called on ULCA pastors to help find and deal with the reasons for the decline.

"We have to rethink the whole problem of how to communicate the Gospel," he said, emphasizing the need for creativity in the production of more efficient curriculum materials.

The Rev. George B. Ammon, board enlistment secretary, observed that one reason for the decline is a "faltering in loyalty to the Lutheran Church." Newcomers to a community are primarily concerned with what the nearest church has to offer their children, and not whether it is of the same denomination.

As another reason, he cited the "slower-paced growth" of the ULCA itself. "In 1954 the baptized membership increased by 2.93 per cent," Mr. Ammon noted. "Since then the rate of growth has slacked to 1.5 per cent in 1959." ULCA membership now totals more than 2,477,000. ■

Church Construction

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) — During the first six months of 1960, church construction reached \$463 million, an increase of eight per cent over the same period last year.

Reports of the Census Bureau showed construction of new religious edifices during June totaled \$82 million, compared with \$77 million in May. An increase of \$3 million over last June, this represented a new record. ■

and without pressure from ecclesiastical authority."

Christian Network

Beams Gospel

THE REV. E. Otto DeCamp, Presbyterian missionary and Director of the Christian Broadcasting System in Korea, has announced plans for a fourth station in the network which is striving to blanket the country with the Gospel.

Expected to be in operation by the end of the year is a station in Iri, in southwestern Korea. This will join the parent station, HLKY (Seoul), and relay stations HLKT (Taegu) and HLKP (Pusan).

Launched in December, 1954, 10,000 watt HLKY is now on the air 77 hours a week with news, fine music, drama, educational programs, children's features and a wide variety of Gospel broadcasts. The best of these are supplied on tape to the relay stations in Taegu and Pusan. All told, the three network outlets air 159 program hours each week.

Headquarters for HLKY are in the heart of Seoul, in the Christian Literature Society building. Here DeCamp is assisted by a staff of 31 dedicated Korean Christians.

Among the broadcasts are "Hour of Hope," which is similar to the "Hour of Decision" in the United States. Seeking to "reach the unreached with a straightforward Gospel message" is Dr. Han Kyung Chik, pastor of Seoul's famed Yung Nak Presbyterian Church.

In addition to the 4,000,000 potential listeners in the three cities now served by the network, many towns and villages in North Korea are within listening distance. In the Communist North, where for 10 years no missionaries have been permitted and no church bells have been allowed to ring, radio provides the only door for outside Christian witness. HLKY is a scant 25 miles from the nearest North Korean towns and villages under Communist rule. (EP) ■

Challenges Youth

WINONA LAKE, Ind. (EP)—Addressing a youth rally here, Republican Convention keynote speaker Walter Judd (Rep.-Minn.) told the young people that they need a "great cause" to challenge them if they are going to help keep the world free.

Speaking at the second day of the Youth for Christ International Convention, Judd gave three areas where Americans must go to work if they want to deepen and enrich their free way of life:

- (1) a better understanding of other people in the world, especially the Communists;
- (2) a better understanding of ourselves and our heritage of liberty; and
- (3) a deeper commitment of the heart and life to the truth we believe.

"Our boys die in battles because we are just plain ignorant," the speaker said. "We have got to study other peoples. We will never overcome Communism by outwaiting them. We must understand them and act accordingly."

He told several thousand delegates, many of them teen-agers, that power comes from dedication to a great idea. The only alternatives in the world today are youth for Communism or youth living for Christ.

Referring to the recent Newport, R. I., jazz festival riots, Congressman Judd said: "If the chief end of life is to have fun, we are in trouble! You can't get life and enjoy the pursuit of happiness by living just for jazz. You need to be captured by a cause greater than yourself." ■

Proposes Relief Fund

DALLAS, Tex. (EP)—The editor of the *Baptist Standard*, official weekly organ of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, has proposed a million dollar Southern Baptist relief fund to help disaster-stricken people around the world.

Dr. E. S. James declared that the 9,500,000 Southern Baptists ought to be ashamed of their

Mission Work

Unhurt by Riots

WACO, TEX.—(BP)—Communist-led riots in Tokyo, Japan, have not yet affected Southern Baptist missions work in the area, a Texas missionary reported to state Baptist leaders.

Missionary W. H. (Dub) Jackson, of Abilene, called Baylor University officials here to report on the welfare of Baylor president, W. R. White, who was in Tokyo at the height of the demonstrations. President and Mrs. White are on a 6-week mission tour of the Orient.

"The rioters," said Jackson, "are definitely a student minority. This is not the voice of thinking Japan but the immature voice of a few Communist-led agitators. The riots are unfortunate but not disastrous.

Jackson expressed keen disappointment at the cancellation of President Eisenhower's visit, but agreed that he would have been in personal danger.

White, speaking to a large church group in Tokyo, compared the Baptist missions opportunity in Japan today to that in Russia in 1910.

"We failed then," said the Baylor president, "but we must not fail today."

Asked if he feared the riots, White said: "I wouldn't want to be in the U. S. without God, and I'm not afraid to be here with God." ■

"puny efforts" of sending \$7.500 cash for the relief of Chilean earthquake victims. He called on the Southern Baptist Convention's Executive Committee "to set aside no less than one million dollars per year for charity work" to be administered by the denomination's Home and Foreign Mission Boards wherever needed in the world.

Urging Baptists to "dig deep in their own pockets" for the proposed fund, the editor charged that "too long have we left it to the government and social agencies to do what the churches have been commanded to do." ■

Plants With Bible Names

By Thelma C. Carter

Do you know that there are many plants named for famous people and important events mentioned in the Bible? Have you ever heard of a crown of thorns plant, an apostle plant, Solomon's-seal, or the prayer plant?

The crown of thorns plant is a cactus-like shrub, having slender stems covered with spines and very few leaves. Small, bright red flowers, which are really bract-leaves, appear in the winter and spring.

The apostle plant, known as marica, is so named because of its twelve leaves. Its fragrant lavender and white flowers look much like garden iris. Each beautiful bloom lasts only a day.

Solomon's-seal, with its greenish-white flowers, gets its name from seallike scars on the rootstock. If you look closely, you will see these resemble the ancient seals used in Egypt and Babylonia for various purposes. The main one was to seal a bargain. The seals were sometimes hung on a

beuced chicken dinner will follow. Joseph Coleman, layman of Tulsa, Okla., will speak at the night session.—Nelson Tull, Sec'y ■

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Solomon's - seal is found in woods, thickets, and shade forests. In the fall the white flowers are followed by blue and black berries resembling blueberries.

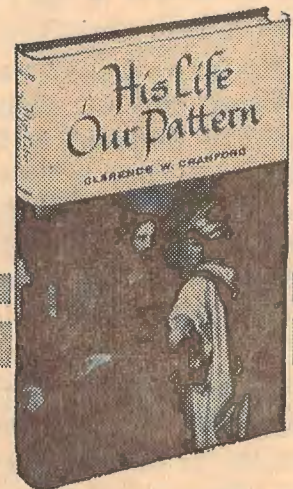
The prayer plant is a house plant which gets its name from the way it folds its leaves at night. All day long the leaves of this lovely, velvety plant are at right angles to the stem. At night the leaves move slowly until they point upward in the position of hands at prayer. In the morning they return to their flat position in order to get the sunshine and moisture.

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Emperor Opens Tribes

United Presbyterian missionaries have been granted permission by Emperor Haile Selassie to open clinics in nine previously unreached tribes in southwestern Ethiopia. ■

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Those Regional Encampments

IT IS a gratifying experience to see how effectively Arkansas Regional Brotherhood leaders are planning and holding their annual encampments. Such meetings are well worthwhile from every standpoint.

Charles H. Carlton, Lake Village, second

vice president of Southeast Brotherhood Region, reports on the encampment July 29 at Wolf Creek Camp, near Collins. At least 160 were present, including many of the pastors and all three associational missionaries. There were many rededications following a message by Jimmy Karam, layman of Immanuel Church, Little Rock. Fred Greeson of Monticello is president of Southeast Region. These Brotherhood men always do a good job.

Leo Boyd, president of Northeast Brotherhood Region, and his associates have planned an encampment at Crowley's Ridge State Park, near Walcott. At this writing this encampment is still two days away, and no report can be made. The general planning is excellent with an afternoon of recreation, supper, and a night of inspiration. Rev. W. E. Clyde, pastor of First Church, Rector, is the evening speaker. This outlines a perfect pattern of activities for such a meeting.

Another encampment, scheduled to be held in the immediate future (as of this writing), is the Northwest Regional Brotherhood encampment, August 12 at the proposed convention-wide Brotherhood camp site, east of Huntsville in Madison County. An elaborate program has been prepared and set forth in an attractive printed folder. The afternoon program will include recreation, singing, and entertainment. Lucien Coleman of the Brotherhood Commission will speak. A bar-

IT is interesting to notice the fine work being done by our mission stations. There are 100 of them. A questionnaire was sent out in July to the pastors of sponsoring churches in an effort to compile some information. We have had a reply on 50 — just one-half of the total.



DR. CALDWELL

In these 50 mission stations there are 2,460 enrolled in Sunday School and 1,219 in Training Union. Last year they baptized 302 people; five have entered the ministry; 15 have gone to Ouachita College and five attend Southern College.

South Cross Roads mission of First Church, Heber Springs, is worshipping in a community building. This mission had 24 for baptisms last year.

Faith mission of Immanuel Church, El Dorado, holds services in a four room dwelling. It is one year old and 12 people have been baptized.

Cornerstone Mission of Altheimer Church meets in an old abandoned store building. Fifty-six are enrolled in Sunday School and nine have been baptized.

South McGehee Chapel is four years old and has 108 enrolled in Sunday School and 22 have been baptized.

Bernice Mission of 1st Church, Russellville, is meeting in an old dwelling. They have recorded 18 baptisms.

Vista Heights, two years old, sponsored by Hot Springs 2nd Church, has 110 in Sunday School and has recorded 45 baptisms.

Twenty-nine people have been baptized through Aberdeen Mission of Stuttgart First Church.

These are typical examples of all the mission stations. Lead your Church to start a mission.—C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent. ■

Liberal

“ACH, Sandy, the baby’s swallowed a penny!”

“Well, let him have it — tomorrow’s his birthday.”

Some Standard Changes

SUNDAY School Superintendents will be interested in sharing the following information with their workers.

The general standard lists three books in the section on Training. They are: Building a Standard Sunday School, A Church Using Its Sunday School, and, The Pull of the People. The new book by Dr. A. V. Washburn, Outreach for the Unreached, is now recognized in this section also. This gives a church an option of four books under the heading of Training on the general standard. Churches by the hundreds and individuals by the thousands, in Arkansas, will be earning credit on this book during Preparation Week in September.

In Primary Department work the two books listed are going out of print and a new Resource Packet is now available at the Bap-

tist Book Store. This Primary Resource Packet will meet the Training requirement on the standard until the two new books are available. Same requirements apply to the packet as apply to a study course book. Questions on the packet for home study are being prepared at Nashville and will be available through our office soon.

In Beginner work a new book is available — Bible Teaching for Four’s and Five’s.

Next thing in sight is the Associational Sunday School Leadership Conference at Ouachita Baptist College, Aug. 23-25. Cost \$10 room and meals for associational officers.—Lawson Hatfield, Secretary.

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Tiziano Became
A Painter Because
Of The

Forgotten Festival

By Nell Dunkin

Tiziano sat on the mountainside looking down a road that led far away from his village. He wished he could follow it to the wonderful city of Venice.

"Come, Tiziano!" said his sister Catarina impatiently. "Let us fill this basket with flowers for the festival."

When Tiziano did not move, Catarina came closer and demanded, "What are you dreaming about now?"

"If only I could go to Venice and learn to paint!" Tiziano said softly.

"Well, you can't for Father hasn't enough money to send you to learn something you have never tried," Catarina said with finality.

It was true. Tiziano had never painted in his life but, while he used charcoal pieces to draw, he dreamed of the colors he would like to add.

The boy had drawn pictures on boards and rocks. The villagers had praised his drawings of the mountains and the woods, but they could not see the glorious colors he saw in his mind.

Tiziano followed his sister down to the village and joined with the other people as they made garlands to carry and to wear the next day. He looked forward to the singing and merrymaking of the wonderful festival.

As he went to the center of the village the next morning, the boy stopped suddenly. There on the

stones of the pavement was a bright splash. Someone had stepped on a flower and it had left a clear, colorful stain just as if someone had painted the stone.

Tiziano forgot all about the merriment of the festival and hurried away to the hillside. Catarina hurried after him.

"Why did you leave the festival?" she asked when she caught up with him.

"I am going to paint a picture; then maybe Father will send me to Venice," he answered.

At first Catarina started to laugh. Then she realized her brother was very serious.

"How will you paint without paints?" she asked.

"See all these flowers," said Tiziano. "I saw some crushed on the stones at the festival. I will paint with them."

Catarina had also seen the crushed flowers on the pavement, but she had not thought of painting with them. Perhaps her brother was something more than a dreamer if he could also be that practical.

"I will help you gather the flowers," she said.

"You must promise not to tell anyone what I am doing," said Tiziano. "I will go to that empty stone house on Father's land and paint there. But I do not want even you to see my painting until it is finished."

Catarina was disappointed, but she began to believe in Tiziano's dream, too. She promised to help

gather flowers. The two spent many hours gathering flowers and painting, always being careful that no one saw them slip away from the village.

At last Tiziano called to Catarina, "Come and see! It is finished! It is what I have seen in my heart."

Catarina ran into the stone house. She saw a lovely picture of Jesus and his mother with a small boy offering flowers to the baby.

"A madonna!" said Catarina softly as she looked at the beautiful colors which had come from the hundreds of flowers she had picked. "We must call everyone!"

All were amazed at this lovely painting on the wall of the old stone house. They were also amazed to know that paints had come from flowers which they had been seeing all their lives.

Tiziano's patience and persistence had shown his father that he was more than an idle dreamer. Although he was but ten years old; the boy soon found himself in Venice as a student of famous artists.

The young artist's dreams of glorious colors flowed from his heart onto the wonderful canvases. He never forgot the scenes around his village and often put them in as background. In time he became the master painter who is known as Titian.

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Isaiah's Vision of the Holy God

Isaiah 6: 1-10

By Paul McCray, Pastor
Grand Avenue Church, Fort Smith
August 14, 1960

I. The Prophet (Isaiah 1:1)

ISAIAH, the Prince of the Prophets, the Peerless Prophet, the evangelistic Prophet — these and many other descriptive phrases are frequently used to describe this Old Testament spokesman for God. His name means "Salvation of Jehovah." He was born about 760 B.C., about the time that Amos preached at Bethel. His public ministry began "in the year that King Uzziah died" about 740, and continued through the reigns of Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, until 698 B.C.



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II. The Crisis (Isaiah 6:1)

Uzziah, the king, had died. He had been one of Judah's greatest kings. Isaiah had lived all of his life under the reign of this mighty monarch. He had never known another king. Now the throne was vacant and Jotham was about to ascend to the royal position. There was a vacancy and a void in Isaiah's heart. In his loneliness and sorrow Isaiah goes to the temple.

III. The Vision (Isaiah 6:1-10)

1. He saw God (6:1-3)

The earthly throne was vacant, the king was dead; but God revealed himself as the eternal king on an eternal throne. He revealed himself as a Holy God. The seraphim cried, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." This is primary in a spiritual experience. Man must first see God. Man cannot discover God. God revealed himself to Isaiah. Today the vision of God comes through Jesus

Christ, the Bible, and the Holy Spirit.

2. He saw himself (6:5)

When a man encounters God in a vital spiritual experience, it does not produce a boastful attitude about our relationship with God. Rather, it causes man to see himself in contrast to a Holy God. He sees how sinful he is even in his most spiritual moments. When he saw the great vision, he cried, "Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips . . . for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts."

3. He saw the world (6:5)

Isaiah cried, "I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips." He saw the world about him as God saw it and realized that they, too, shared his plight. We need the prophetic insight to see the world, and its need, as God sees it.

IV. Isaiah's Call and Commission (6: 5-10)

1. Isaiah's Preparation (6:5)

He had received a proper estimate of God, of himself, and of the world. No man is prepared to take the message of God to a lost world until he sees God as a Holy God demanding holiness of his creatures. He, likewise, must see himself in contrast to the Holy God as a sinner in need of cleansing. Then he must realize that the whole world is in need of cleansing. This was the way that God prepared Isaiah. In other words, God prepares us for our tasks with spiritual experiences.

2. Isaiah's Qualification (6:6-7)

The first qualification is cleansing. He had been cleansed from his sin. Spiritual creatures had taken coals from the Heavenly altar and placed them on Isaiah's lips thus signifying that lips once clean are now able to sing with

the seraphim, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts."

3. Isaiah's Response (6:8)

When Isaiah heard the voice of God saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Isaiah's response was, "Here am I; send me." When God reveals his will to us as he did to Isaiah, may we respond in like manner. Isaiah is an example of that unconditional surrender to the will of God. He answered God's call without question, not knowing where he would go or what he was to preach.

Conclusion

No man is able to do the work of God effectively until there has been a vision of God. This vision produces conviction, confession, cleansing, consecration, and commission.

13 Southern Baptists To Serve On Committee

FIVE more Southern Baptists will serve on the Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance during the next five years. This brings the number of Southern Baptists in the group to 13.

The new additions are Mrs. George R. Martin of Norfolk, Va., past president of the Convention's auxiliary, Woman's Missionary Union; G. Kearnie Keegan, Nashville, student secretary for the Baptist Sunday School Board; George W. Schroeder, Memphis, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission; Howard E. Butt, Jr., Corpus Christi, Tex., grocer and layman evangelist, and evangelist Billy Graham, Montreat, N. C., who drew over 150,000 to his address closing the recent Baptist World Alliance Congress in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Joal Soren, pastor of Rio's First Baptist Church and new president of the Alliance, asked three Southern Baptists to serve on the Administrative Committee. They are Baker J. Cauthen, Richmond, Va., executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board; Duke K. McCall, Louisville, president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and Porter Routh, Nashville, executive secretary of the S.B.C. Executive Committee. ■

Attendance Report

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Benton, First	674	152	1
Camden, Cullendale, First	404	210	2
El Dorado, First	827	252	
El Dorado, Parkview	236	98	1
Fountain Hill	59	27	
Hot Springs, Park Pl.	449	136	
Levy	538	176	3
McGehee, First	509	222	
North Little Rock, Baring Cross	781	253	1
Wattensaw	57	39	
Pine Bluff, South Side	605	201	6
Rose City, Calvary	359	102	
Springdale, First	476	164	2
West Memphis, Calvary	224	117	2

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD

(Continued from page 8)

Chile Needs \$100,000

Dr. Frank K. Means's report, mailed before he left Rio, said the Baptist World Alliance Congress, held in Rio June 26-July 3, has set forward Baptist work in Latin America by 25 years, according to Southern Baptist leaders.

Dr. Means reported that 60 Baptist churches and two-thirds of Chile's Baptists are located in the wide area shaken by recent earthquakes and punished by tidal waves. Estimation of damage to Baptist work, based upon visits to the affected areas, is placed conservatively at \$100,000. "The full amount is needed—and soon—if Baptist work is to be rehabilitated," Dr. Means said. "Chilean Baptists are still optimistic, although they know the days ahead will be difficult. Many have lost their homes, church buildings, and means of livelihood. It will be some time before the jobless can be re-employed."

Seven Missionaries Appointed

The Board appointed seven new missionaries in July, bringing the total to 1,454. They are Orby L. Butcher, Jr., Oklahoma, and Elizabeth Luellen Butcher, Kansas, appointed for Thailand; Emogene Harris, Mississippi, for Nigeria; John B. Stepp, Jr., South Carolina, and Pearl Riveland Stepp, North Dakota, for South Brazil; and Preston A. Taylor, Arkansas, and Dovie Jean Bowers Taylor, Texas, for Argentina. ■

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Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



"Must we ADVERTISE our summer slump, Rogers?"

Usually, during the summer vacation season, there is a certain slackening off of church attendance. But sometimes, on a Sunday morning, it looks as though half the congregation are taking their vacations simultaneously. There appears to be little sense in delivering a sermon on the subject, since the 'culprits' wouldn't be on hand to hear it. So, pretty please, will you confine your CHURCH VACATION to just the two weeks you're away—and attend church services wherever you go...as well?

SENATOR SOAPER SAYS:

To torture a wife, let her go on with your anecdote if she interrupts. It's 2 to 1 she will have forgotten the punch line.

AUNT HETTY: Sakes alive! I don't believe no woman could ever have been so fat.

UNCLE HERMAN: What y' readin' now, Hetty?

AUNT HETTY: Why, this paper tells about an Englishwoman that lost 2,000 pounds.

RUSHING up to a large airliner's ticket counter, a man gasped, "Miss, please help me. I have to get to Chicago in the worst way!" The clerk calmly pointed to her left and said, "Sir, that would be the competing airline next to us."

A PARKING lot in downtown Los Angeles has a special section for small cars. They call it, "The Nursery."

TWO spinsters were discussing men, oddly enough.

"Which would you desire most in your husband?" asked one, "brains, wealth or appearance?"

"Appearance," snapped the other, "and the sooner the better." ■

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