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THE OTHER night in one of our associational conferences with the pastors, deacons, church treasurers, and the associational missionary, we were discussing our proposed state budget for 1959. When we came to the item for Southern Baptist Convention causes it was stated that a one per cent increase would be proposed for next year. Someone asked the question if this trend would be repeated each year. The answer given was that it depended upon what the churches did about their increase each year to world missions through the Cooperative Program.

We all recognize that the percentage for causes outside of our state cannot be increased each year unless the churches in turn increase their percentage through the Cooperative Program. Some of us hope that it may be possible to continue the percentage increase of our state budget each year for Southern Baptist Convention causes. This year the one per cent increase is being recommended in the hope that a large number of our churches will make increases to the state budget for 1959.

Approximately fifty of our churches used the Forward Program of Church Finance last year. Up to September 1 this year we have received about \$40,000 more in our office than for the same period last year. This increase is due in some measure to the use of the Forward Program of Church Finance by the churches last fall.

This year an even larger number of our churches will use the Forward Pro-

gram. This should mean an increase in total giving. This increase in receipts on the part of our churches might prove to be a detriment if our churches do not make larger provisions for missions outside their locality.

The Forward Program of Church Finance recommends that each church increase its contribution to world missions through the Cooperative Program by at least two per cent over last year. That is — if your church gave 20 per cent to world missions through the Cooperative Program for 1958 that it be increased to 22 per cent for 1959. This means a two per cent increase on all undesignated gifts.

If Southern Baptist churches would increase their gifts through the Cooperative Program by two per cent for 1959 it would mean more than \$16,000,000 for missions next year.

We need, however, to see behind the increase in giving the increased Christian service we should be able to render. It would make for an enlarged service in 59 Baptist colleges. It would strengthen the ministry of our six seminaries. It would make more effective our state mission programs. It would make possible hundreds more missionaries at home and abroad.

Two plus provides a spiritual challenge to every Baptist. Two plus provides an additional opportunity of service to every budget committee. Two plus provides every church with the opportunity of preaching the gospel to every creature.—S. A. Whitlow, Executive Secretary

The Fall Roundup

FOR MANY, vacation time is over and it is time to go back to school again. For some, it is a time of getting ready for the fall business rush. For the farmer, it is harvest time. For the church members, it is a time of new opportunities.



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Our churches are looking for workers, and more workers, to lead during the new associational year. This affords many an opportunity to help set the evangelistic and stewardship pace in the churches. This should be a time of prayer, dedication, and surrender on the part of all concerned.

In too many instances, workers are approached about a place of leadership with the old "there's not much to do" attitude. Church officers are brought in about like fall round-up in the cattle country — all the cattle with a certain brand are put into a certain corral.

When it takes about 23 Baptists an entire year to win one soul, we need to look again at our efforts. When the average Baptist gives one-fourth of his tithe through the church, it is time to re-evaluate our teaching and preaching, too. When three out of five church members stay away from our Sunday morning worship service, it is time for us to get on our knees and ask the way out of our dilemma.

Evidently Jesus faced the same kind of situation during his earthly ministry. In Luke 9 and 10, he evidently had something to say about the situation: "Jesus said unto him, let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the Kingdom of God" (Luke 9:60). "Therefore said he unto them, the harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers into his harvest" (Luke 19:2).

Sure, churches have their problems, but they are only challenges to those dedicated, spirit-possessed workers who have taken a place of leadership to glorify Christ Jesus. What does it matter if there is criticism when Bible-tithing is taught? They are true to their calling and go on teaching the truth. What does it matter if some of the church members are afraid of a plan of enlistment like the Forward Program of Church Finance — they go on giving leadership. What does it matter if some refuse to cooperate with them in helping to promote the entire church program — they go on giving proper direction. —Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary.

Louisiana's Blood-Labeling Law

LITTLE three-year-old Gary Bilbo lies in the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans critically ill, his life endangered by a Louisiana law which requires blood transported into Louisiana to be labeled "white" or "Negro." Gary, who lays wan and pale, needs almost endless amounts of blood to keep him alive. He is too sick and weak to care about a law some politicians passed as he continues to have severe internal hemorrhages from the unusual disease from which he suffers. The family has limited income since Gary's father is a carpenter. Sometime the Louisiana politicians who passed this law are going to have to stand before the Bar of Justice and we are not referring to some local court or even the Supreme Court. This will be a Court from which no appeal can be made. It will be hard to explain to a righteous God that a little boy's life was endangered because such a law was on the statutes. —Charity and Children

SBC President Hits 'Rights' Amendment

IN A television appearance in Little Rock on Sept. 7, Brooks Hays, president of the Southern Baptist Convention and Democratic nominee for reelection as Congressman from Arkansas's 5th Congressional District, branded the proposed States Rights Amendment as "a dangerous plan." He said the amendment, if approved, would restrict the rights of individuals.

Mr. Hays said the proposed amendment, which is to be voted on in the November election, "follows the wholly false assumption that the federal government is the enemy of our people. Nothing could be further from the truth."

Hays noted in a prepared statement opposing the proposed amendment that he and other congressmen had said a good deal about federal invasion of prerogatives of the states.

"As early as 1952 I foresaw, for example, the effect of the Supreme Court ordering de-segregation and I have sought, as everyone knows, to help find a way out of the difficulties it brought on.

"At the same time I must oppose the steps some are advocating as corrective. I refer to the so-called States Rights Amendment to be voted on in November which would do violent damage to the individual liberties and local self-government, which are vital parts of our constitutional system."

The federal government has made mistakes, Hays said, "but the system itself provides a way by which such mistakes can be corrected . . . Our grievances must be so phrased that love of country is not obscured by our discontents," he said.

"It would be tragic to establish a state commission to oppose and obstruct and threaten the federal government of which our state is a part, particularly in this period of world crisis when our enemy is powerful and intent upon exploiting every division among us."

Mr. Hays said, "This amendment must be judged not by its name or motivation but by its predictable results. It provides an elaborate new agency which would be frozen into the Constitution virtually free from the Legislature's control and given sweeping powers over citizens."

Churches Take Paper

The following churches have requested the *Arkansas Baptist* on the one-month free basis, with a view to placing the paper in their budgets to go to all their families:

Campbell Station, Newport, Eddie McDonald, pastor.

Black Oak, Tyronza, Tommy Childers, pastor.

White Lake, Lewis Bankster, Tupelo, pastor.

West Ridge, Trinity Association, Wayne Williams, pastor.



Cover Story

Northvale Church Getting Building

AFTER NINE years of more or less "living from pillar to post" Northvale Church, Harrison, Homer Allred, pastor, is soon to complete a beautiful new auditorium.

The cover photograph shows Pastor Allred, right, with Dr. C. W. Caldwell, superintendent of Evangelism and Missions for the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, on the front of the new church building on September 5, just a little more than a month after work was actually started. The building was already being used by the church.

The accompanying photograph shows the building as it appears to those passing down the street. It includes, in addition to the church auditorium, eight classrooms. The plan is to build a T-addition to the church when a growth of the membership justifies it.

The church now has 72 members and is having a Sunday School attendance near 70.

Since the most of the labor is being donated by members of the church, the



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total cost of the building, which will be faced with sheetrock, is expected to be between \$7,500 and \$8,500.

Pastor Allred is the new vice-moderator of the Boone County Association.

Leavell Honored By New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS, LA. — New Orleans Mayor DeLesseps S. Morrison honored Dr. Roland Q. Leavell's many years of achievement in New Orleans by awarding him a "Certificate of Merit" at a recent Rotary Club luncheon.

Dr. Leavell, president emeritus of the New Orleans Seminary, announced his retirement in April.

Dr. and Mrs. Leavell began residence in Jackson, Miss., in August.

● E. A. INGRAM, formerly pastor of 1st Church, Siloam Springs, has moved back to 1624 W. 21, Little Rock, and is open for supply work. In his closing service at Siloam Springs he baptized 10 and received 11 others for membership.

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Ministers Oppose Amendment

AFTER CAREFUL consideration of the proposed "State's Rights Amendment" No. 53, which will be voted upon by the people of Arkansas in the November election, we, the Sheridan Ministerial

Editor's Note: Because of the timeliness and wisdom contained in this statement from the Sheridan Ministerial Alliance, we are glad to offer it here in full for the consideration of our readers.

Alliance, desire to make public record of our stand on this important issue. We are for state's rights, but we feel that the title of this proposed amendment is misleading. If adopted by the voters of the state, a commission would be formed which would be given extensive powers over the lives of individual citizens and organizations, including the churches.

Many of our traditional and cherished rights as free Americans, such as freedom of speech, freedom of worship, the right of public trial by one's fellow citizens, are in grave danger of being taken away from us either partially or wholly and being placed under the direct control of the commission of twelve men. The Commission, by this amendment, would be set over and above the courts of the state: "No court in the State of Arkansas shall be empowered to enjoin the Commission from the performing of its duties as set out in this Amendment." This group of a dozen men would have power to decide who or what organization was "threatening the sovereignty of the State of Arkansas." They could operate as a court of inquisition as in dictator countries with the power to "make investigations and/or hold hearings (whether public or in executive session) in connection with

any investigation made by it . . ." All elective and appointive officers and employees of the State, all political subdivisions, including the public schools, all persons, corporations, societies, organizations and other groups of persons found by the majority of the Commission to be a "threat" to the sovereignty of the State shall be subject to the action of the twelve men.

In order to secure public support for this proposed amendment, the author implies that this is solely offered as a protection against Communism; but under the provisions of the proposed amendment, anything can be called Communistic.

If, for example, anything should be said in any church service that does not meet the approval of the Commission, it may be labeled "Communistic" and the church may be closed! The minister or church member making the statement which disagrees with the slightest provision of this proposed amendment may be subjected to imprisonment for one year and-or a fine of \$5,000.

In addition to the above mentioned, the functions of voting privileges, educational facilities, and taxation could be seriously impaired by the Commission.

Therefore, be it resolved that we, the Sheridan Ministerial Alliance, at this time make known our firm opposition to the proposed amendment to our constitution called the "State's Rights Amendment." We commend those individuals and organizations that have taken a public stand in opposition to this proposed amendment. And we urge serious consideration by every responsible voter of the dangers involved should this amendment be adopted. We urge you to vote for those liberties that are dear to every loyal American citizen by casting your vote AGAINST Amendment No. 53 in the November election.

The Ministers' Role

The Harvard sociologists who criticized the Little Rock clergy for alleged lack of courage during the school troubles here apparently base their case on the assumption that there is no tenable moral position between the extremes of enforced integration and enforced segregation.

The fact is that a considerable majority of Little Rock's ministers at one time or another have spoken out against lawlessness and disorder, and have urged upon their flocks a spirit of reconciliation and good will among the races. If these preachments have had little apparent practical effect on the central problem of school desegregation, they have undoubtedly led a good many churchgoers to quite sobering reflection upon the great moral is-

sue involved in Little Rock's troubles.

Some local ministers may be as the sociologists said, intimidated by the hostility of some members of their congregation to the official position in support of the Supreme Court decision taken by all the organized denominations. But there are more, we suspect, who have remained silent simply because they have not been able to resolve their personal dilemma of conscience. This is a season when churchmen everywhere are literally wrestling with their souls.

In any event, we believe the activities of the ministers of the community have had a calming effect in a time of considerable racial tension. Let it be remembered that while Little Rock has heard a lot of rough talk in the past year, there has been, thank God, very little rough action.—Arkansas Gazette

Personally Speaking . . .

On Running Away

AND I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! for then would I fly away, and be at rest (Psalm 55:6).

Located about two miles east and a little north of the town of London, Pope County, are two natural wonders



DR. McDONALD

which used to loom large, especially for young people—Chimney Rock and The Cave. That was before world travel became commonplace and when there was no television. Whether young people still like to go there, I do not know.

The Cave, especially, lives on in my recollection and frequently breaks into my imagination when the going gets tough. Sometimes I remark, almost seriously, in the bumper-to-bumper traffic we are exposed to daily with its noise and fumes, "Let's just move to The Cave and get out of all this mess!"

The words of the Psalmist reveal that man's occasional longing to "get away from it all," whether the thing he would flee be physical, moral, or spiritual, is nothing new.

As our world continues to shrink all around us, life becomes "mighty daily," as someone has said. And as conscious as we are of the unending spiral of higher prices and mounting taxes, and budgets that are so hard to budge, the biggest problem we have is living together.

We are tempted to want to run away from civilization, at times, because of the difficulty of getting along with one another. That we have no place to go is well stated in a poem we clipped the other day entitled "Ultimatum":

*Now the frontiers are all closed,
There is no other country we can
run away to.*

*There is no ocean we can cross
over.*

*At last we must turn and live
with one another.*

*We cannot escape this day any
longer.*

*We cannot continue to choose be-
tween good and evil—*

*The good for ourselves, the evil
for our neighbors—*

*We must all bear the equal
burden.*

*At last we who have been run-
ning away must turn and face
it.*

*There is no room for hate left in
the world we must live in.*

*Now we must learn love. We can
no longer escape it.*

*We can no longer escape from
(See Personally, page 5)*

Your ARKANSAS BAPTIST Scrapbook

by JUDY McDONALD

Religion had a very small place in the life of early Arkansas. The typical frontier settler was self-contained and self-dependent. He ground his own corn.



His women spun their own thread, made their own clothes.



His favorite heroes had a strong touch of Jesse James—were "good men with a gun."

Little Rock, Now

(Editor's note: The following is from a sermon by Pastor Dale Cowling, 2nd Church, Little Rock, entitled: "My Position as a Christian in Little Rock, September, 1958.")

THE SOLUTION of our problems in Little Rock will not come in some package deal. Neither will it come suddenly. The solution depends upon individual Christians following a Christian course of action, thus creating a climate of confidence and calmness, out of which the answers may come.

To that end I affirm again that my course will be as follows:

1. I will not look back to try to fix the blame.
2. I will not become involved in emotional discussions.
3. I will not be a part of any mob or a party to any violence.
4. I will not mistreat or intimidate any individual regardless of position, race or color.
5. I will, however, remember that "the Lord, He is God." I will have confidence that He will bring ultimate victory and blessing out of this confusion.
6. I will remember my Savior's plea to be kind, forgiving and loving to all.
7. And, I will pray earnestly for the best solution.

Letters to the Editor

THE PEOPLE SPEAK

States Rights

Dear Brother McDonald:

I thought you would be interested in knowing that the Sheridan Ministerial Alliance endorses your recent editorials on the proposed "State's Rights Amendment" without reservation.—Wendell Welch, pastor, 1st Church, Sheridan.

Editor's Note:

The report of the Sheridan Alliance will be found on the editorial page, page 4.

Invitation

Dear Editor:

Because of the ever enlarging number of unaffiliated Southern Baptist church members moving to this area, we would ask that all pastors and church clerks be informed: 1. That the Immanuel Southern Baptist church, Jacksonville, Ill., is a fully organized cooperative Southern Baptist Church; 2. That the church contributes to all mission causes; and 3. That all Southern Baptist families will receive a warm welcome. Our present membership totals but 57.—Edward B. Wilson, Moderator.

Commends Evangelist

Dear Brother Mc,

I would like to recommend to the brethren and churches of our State Convention Paul Ragland, evangelist. I have known Brother Ragland for the past eight years, and know him to be one of the best evangelists in our state. He is 39 years old, a graduate of Ouachita, and spent two years in our seminary of Golden Gate at Berkeley, Calif.

He held a pastorate for four years, and has been in the field of evangelism for two years. His address: 300 Oak Street, Crossett, Ark.

Brother Ragland will do your church good, and always is a great help to the pastor and people. He is one of the greatest soul-winners, and truly loves the Lord.—Jim Birkhead, pastor 1st Church, Mountain Home.

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one another.

Love is no longer a theme for eloquence, or a way of life for a few to choose whose hearts can decide it.

It is the sternest necessity; the unequivocal ultimatum.

There is no other way out; there is no country we can flee to.

There is no man on earth who must not face this task now.

Maple Avenue Dedicates Building

"ANY WILFUL dishonor to the church is a dishonor to the body of Christ," William Walter Warmath, 1st Church, El Dorado, said in the dedicatory message for Maple Avenue Church, Smackover, Sept. 7.

The congregation and friends attended the dedication of the modern 400-seat sanctuary. Mr. Warmath's message was "Ye Shall Reverence My Sanctuary."

"Sad indeed is the plight of a person who grows to adulthood with no childhood memories of the church," the El Dorado pastor explained.

"There are many people who would never hear the Bible read if they did not come to church."

The crowd attending the dedication were told "In the church we should be able to say, 'I saw the face of the Master and heard the trumpets blow'."

Referring to God's house as a place of prayer, Dr. Warmath said, "The church has been called the audience chamber of the Almighty, and it is that if it is anything at all."

Lewis E. Clarke is pastor of Maple Avenue. Committee members include: Finance, A. C. Ingram, T. B. Fraser and C. A. Connell, chairman; Building, W. H. White, Jr., chairman, W. A. Warnock, C. L. Alexander, Wallace McBridge and L. G. Corley.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Corley gave the land on which the building was erected.

● **REV. AND Mrs. B. W. Orrick**, Southern Baptist emeritus missionaries to Uruguay, may be addressed, 1809 S. Eighth St., Waco, Tex. Mr. Orrick is a native of Pike County, Ark.

● **JAMES L. PLEITZ**, Grand Avenue, Ft. Smith, was camp pastor and inspiration speaker for the Highland Church, Shreveport, in a camp at Caney Lake, Aug. 25-29. Gale Dunn, educational director, was in charge of the camp.

● **THE HARMONY Association's** annual meeting will be in Lee Memorial Church instead of the Altheimer Church as previously reported. Dates of the meeting are Oct. 16-17.

R. WELLS BISHOP, North Little Rock, has accepted a call to 1st Church, Carlisle. A native of Missouri, he is a graduate of Moody Bible Institute and has traveled as an evangelist. In addition to his evangelistic work, he has held pastorates in Indiana, Kansas City, Mo., and North Little Rock. Mrs. Bishop is the former Mary Frances Beeler, DeValls Bluff.



MR. BISHOP



PICTURED ABOVE is the beautiful new home of Maple Avenue Church, Smackover, which was dedicated on the afternoon of September 7, with Dr. W. W. Warmath, pastor of 1st Church, El Dorado, as the speaker.

Pastor Lewis E. Clarke writes: "The new auditorium is of brick and is paneled on the inside with Limba from France. The carpet was imported from France also.

"The auditorium has a seating capacity of 400 and was built at a cost of \$85,000. The new structure is completely air conditioned."

● **ON THE** Sunday following an all-night prayer meeting in Parkview Church, El Dorado, attendance in Sunday School climbed to 163 and tithes and offerings totaled \$757.41. Pastor William L. Stone said, "Our church has just purchased building lots costing \$8,000. We are claiming God's promise, 'Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.'" The prayer meeting, with the building project as

its main object, was sponsored by the Brotherhood.

● **L. C. LEACH**, Snyder, Tex., has accepted the call of 2nd Church, El Dorado, to become minister of music and education. He arrived on the field Sept. 15. (CB)

● **JEFF PECKHAM** has assumed his duties as youth and activities director of 2nd Church, Hot Springs. (CB)

Baptist Memorial Ranks at Top

Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis now ranks seventh among all hospitals in the country in number of admissions, according to an annual survey released by the American Hospital Association.

The report also lists Baptist as the largest private, non-University-connected hospital in the U. S. It ranked third among private hospitals last year, twelfth among all hospitals.

Baptist's rating is based on 32,840 admissions from September, 1956, to September, 1957. This figure does not include newborn, which would give a combined total of 36,144.

Dr. Frank S. Groner, administrator, said he expects admissions for the current year at Baptist to top the 39,000 mark, including births. The hospital has been operating at near capacity level for most of this year, Dr. Groner stated.

The five largest hospitals in the nation, all government owned, are Los Angeles General, Cook County in Chicago, Charity in New Orleans, Kings County in Brooklyn and Bellevue in New York. In sixth position is Presbyterian — Columbia University in New York, the only voluntary hospital other than Baptist in the top 10. However, it has University connections.

Boone Association Votes to Change Name

BOONE COUNTY Association of Missionary Baptists will henceforth be known as Boone County Association of Southern Baptists, following an action taken by the messengers to the 71st annual session of the association at New Hope Church, Omaha, Sept. 5.

Those who spoke in favor of the change said that this would clarify the relationship of the association with the Southern Baptist Convention.

A move to increase the maximum number of messengers to the association from any given church from six to ten received a majority vote but lacked the two-thirds majority to make it effective.

The association voted to mimeograph the minutes of the annual meeting in the interest of economy and with a view to having them ready for distribution within sixty days.

Officers for the coming year are: Dale Jackson, pastor of Eagle Heights Church, Harrison, moderator; Homer Allred, pastor of Northvale Church, Harrison, vice moderator; G. Magness, layman from Harrison, treasurer; and John Finn, pastor of Gordon Street Mission, Harrison, clerk.

Oldest pastor present was Troy Eoff, of 1st Church, Lead Hill, who now has been in attendance for 51 consecutive annual sessions of the association. Pastor Eoff has been a pastor in the association for more than 30 years and served the association as clerk for 15 years.

E. F. Cox served as host pastor.

● P. C. CHURCH, who recently assumed the pastorate of 1st Church, Clarksville, is a graduate of Ouachita and Southern Seminary.



MR. CHURCH

Previous pastorates include Calion Church, Calion; Trinity, Little Rock; 1st, Perryville; Bethabara, Owensboro, Ky., and North 42nd Street Church, Louisville, Ky. Mrs. Church is the former Miss Beth Moore, Dumas. She is a graduate of Ouachita and attended Southern Seminary and the University of Louisville.

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● GREENLEE CHURCH, Harmony Association, recently reorganized its Woman's Missionary Society. The church's new educational building is almost completed. (CB)

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● TWENTY-TWO churches in Harmony Association are participating in the citywide census in Pine Bluff. Several other denominations also are taking part in the census, Sept. 14-21.

Ordinations

GARDEN HOMES Church, Little Rock, ordained Earl Lampley and Clarence Barnett as deacons, Aug. 31. Taking part were: Pastor Lee Lewis, moderator; W. Dawson King, clerk; Morris E. Young, examination; A. Peterson, prayer; H. W. Ryan, sermon.

DELAPLAINE CHURCH, Greene Association, ordained their pastor, Robert Feazel, to the full gospel ministry Aug. 17. Among those participating were H. W. Johnston, moderator; M. E. Prince, clerk; Jack Sharbutt, 1st Church, Reno, interrogator; H. C. Croslin, Maplewood Park Church, E. St. Louis, charge and sermon; Wilburn Feazel, brother of the candidate, prayer; James Compton, Delaplaine, Bible presentation.

Revival Reports

1ST CHURCH, Searcy: T. K. Rucker, 1st Church, Forrest City, evangelist; Pastor William J. Sewll, music director; 20 additions.

LAMBROOK CHURCH, Aug. 2-12: Homer Robertson, Fisher Street Church, Jonesboro, evangelist, Refus Caldwell, music director, W. C. Steward, pastor; 14 by baptism, 8 rededications.

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NEW MAGAZINE—Edward Hurt Jr., Memphis, associate secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Brotherhood Commission, and Mrs. Mildred Dunn, an associate editor with the Commission, check a poster advertising the new Brotherhood Commission periodical, "Ambassador Leader." The quarterly magazine's first issue is due about Feb. 1. Its name indicates to whom it's directed. Royal Ambassadors, an organization for 9-to-16-year-old Baptist boys, is under direction of the Commission.

THE BOOKSHELF

Hammond's Nature Atlas of America, by E. L. Jordan, C. L. Hammond and Co., 1957, \$7.50.

Here is a practical and beautiful "family reference book" showing by word, picture, and map, our nature heritage.

This book includes 320 original paintings of rocks, trees, wild flowers, birds, animals, reptiles, fishes and insects, with an outline of their most important orders and families. There are 104 full-color range maps showing the areas where all 320 subjects may be found.

Large-scale colored sectional maps of the United States and Southern Canada show the finest observation posts for the study of nature, from national parks and national forests to wildlife refuges and game preserves, and the best roads leading to them.

With the atlas is a guide to nature hobbies.

The Pastor in Profile, by Adolph Bedsole, Pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Panama City, Fla., published by Baker Book House, 1958, \$2.95.

"If being merciful is required to obtain mercy, many preachers are going to find themselves without mercy one day. Some preachers appear to feel that they are privileged characters in the matter of finding fault with others. This sin of fault finding is concentrated in three areas. The first area is in

the lives of fellow-ministers, the second is in their own churches, and the third is with the world in general."

This quotation from the chapter, "The Preacher as a Fault Finder," gives an idea of the interesting and direct style of the author. Discussed in this book are the preacher and his youth, his education, his denomination, his preaching, his word, ministerial laziness, the preacher and his politics, changing pastors, his nerves, etc.

Twelve Who Were Chosen, by William P. Barker, Fleming H. Revell Co., 1957, \$2.00.

"Mistaken idea number one," he says, "is that the twelve apostles were a group of unusually gifted, exceptionally talented, deeply religious and naturally saintly men.

"Mistaken idea number two is that one must do something big and dramatic to be a Christian."

The purpose of the book is not only to give interesting and informative sketches but to cause average Christians to be no longer content to leave to the "professionals" the task of bringing others to Christ.

Preaching on the Life of Christ, by W. S. McBirnie, Pastor Trinity Baptist Church, San Antonio, published by Zondervan, 1958, \$2.

An extensive background of archaeological study in the Holy Land, coupled with years of study in several of our leading schools, qualify Dr. McBirnie for this vivid treatment of the life of Christ.

Seven-minute Stories for Church and Home, by Alice Geer Kelsey, Abingdon Press, 1958, \$2.

Presented here are three dozen fresh and original stories for use by church workers, ministers, and parents in guiding the junior-age group.

The Church Kindergarten, by Polly Hargis Dillard, Broadman Press, 1958, \$3.95.

In this guide for churches which have kindergartens, Mrs. Dillard recognizes that the church kindergarten's primary concern is the spiritual development of the child, but that it must also undertake to guide all his learning — physical, mental, social, and religious.

Suggested schedules, a detailed outline of a day's activities, diagrams of room arrangements, material for a parent's handbook, and suggested readings are among the materials found between the covers of this book.

A Time Apart, Daily Devotions for Young People, by Virginia Ely, Fleming H. Revell Co., 1957, \$2.50.

Devotional material for every day of the year is presented here, featuring not only scriptures, but quotations from great men and women, along with prayers.

Books received include:

Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress for Devotional Reading, simplified by Clara E. Murray, Baker Book House, 1958, \$1.50.

Our Baptist Story, by Pope Duncan, Convention Press, 1958.



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A Mistake That Wasn't

By EUGENE T. PRATT
(Secretary Evangelism, Missouri
General Association)

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is another in a series of soul-winning experiences reported by state Secretaries of Evangelism. The series is a part of evangelism preparation for the 1959 Baptist Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade.

"A HEAVEN-SENT human mistake resulted in four new Christians being baptized into our church.

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The man and his family attended services twice and didn't return.

Ten months later the family was back in church and made an appointment to talk with the pastor.

A crisis had occurred in the family and the man and his wife wanted Christian help. After a discussion in the pastor's study, they prayed together and experienced salvation.

The pastor visited in their home a few days later and two older children made decisions for Christ.

The next Sunday four members of the family were in the church's baptismary at the same time.

"An error is easy to make," said Rev. Mack R. Douglas, "but when the good Lord lets a phone call to the wrong maintenance company become an opportunity for leading four members of a family to Christ it becomes a heaven-sent mistake."

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WOODROW W. NUTT, Training Union director-elect for 1st Church, Helena, qualified this year for the Sunday School Worker's Citation and has held since October 21, 1956, the Training Union Adult Diploma.

Mr. Nutt, a meat cutter by trade, teaches a class of 13-year-old intermediate boys and serves as deacon of his church. He has been a Christian since he was 13 years old.

His Training Union certificate is his second Adult Diploma, having earned one under former regulations.—

SBC Gifts Up For Month

NASHVILLE —(BP)— The financial statement for August on Cooperative Program and designated receipts at the Southern Baptist Convention treasurer's office here shows increases over July, 1958, and August, 1957.

Treasurer Porter Routh said that \$1,600,313 was received. This included \$1,449,700 through the Cooperative Program — not designated — and \$150,612 in designations. This total was more than \$100,000 greater than the total for last July and for August a year ago.

Southern Baptist Convention total receipts for the first eight months of 1958 are \$19,070,658. This is 8.81 per cent ahead of the eight-month, 1957 total. Cooperative Program receipts to date are \$10,362,587, running 9.48 per cent over a year ago. Designations are up 8.02 per cent and to date this year are \$8,708,070.

August disbursements included \$632,359 in Cooperative Program and \$117,985 in designated offerings to the Foreign Mission Board of the Convention. It brought the foreign missions total for the year so far to \$11,409,839.

The Home Mission Board's disbursements to date in 1958 are \$3,341,566 including \$218,179 in co-operating state conventions and do not include money retained by states and churches for their own local programs.

During August, receipts from Arkansas were \$44,690 including \$43,750 through the Cooperative Program and \$940 through designations.

World Council Plans \$2,500,000 Building

NYBORG, DENMARK — A plan to build a new \$2,500,000 headquarters for the World Council of Churches in Geneva, Switzerland, was approved by the Council's Central Committee meeting in Nyborg, Denmark, August 21-29.

Henry Knox Sherrill, New York, a president of the World Council of Churches, will serve as chairman of an international committee to raise the necessary funds for the new buildings.

Bishop Sherrill will retire as presiding bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, U.S.A., on November 15. He continues as chairman of the U. S. Conference for the World Council of Churches. His term as one of the Council's six presidents extends until the next assembly of the WCC in December, 1961.

According to the report adopted by the Committee, the architect's final plans would be presented to the 1959 meeting of the policy-making body on the Island of Rhodes.

Providing that progress in fund-raising is satisfactory, the construction of the new headquarters property will be started in the autumn of 1959.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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DR. BOATWRIGHT



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Regional Sunday School Conferences
October 13-17, 1958

ROY E. BOATWRIGHT, Sunday School Secretary for Kentucky, will be one of the main speakers and conference leaders during the Regional Conferences. Dr. Boatwright will bring a message entitled "We Propose to Share with Others" each morning and will direct the administration conference each afternoon and evening.

Allen B. Comish will speak in the afternoon on "We Plan to Improve" and will lead the intermediate conferences in the afternoon and evening. Dr. Comish, former superintendent of Intermediate Work, Sunday School department, Baptist Sunday School Board, has been selected to serve as superintendent of training with the Sunday School department of the Sunday School Board.

Remember these dates and make your plans to attend the conference nearest your church:

Monday, Oct. 13, Central Church, Jonesboro.

Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2nd Church, Pine Bluff.

Wednesday, Oct. 15, Beech Street Church, Texarkana.

Thursday, Oct. 16, 2nd Church, Little Rock.

Friday, Oct. 17, Grand Avenue Church, Ft. Smith.

BSU

Tom Logue, Secretary

A Thousand Letters

PRE-SCHOOL retreats for the school year of 1958-59 are history, as between three and four hundred students who attended their college B. S. U.'s pre-school retreat in Arkansas return again to the college campus. These students have met to receive inspiration and to make plans for enlisting the approximately 7,000 Arkansas Baptist students in the local church and into the B. S. U. campus program.

Perhaps a thousand Arkansas Baptist students will join a local campus church in September as the campus church and the Baptist Student Union



DR. LOGUE

emphasize "Join-the-Church Day." The postman will tell you that it will cost \$40 for the churches to write for these letters, and the printer could estimate the cost of the paper involved, but of inestimable worth is the inspiration of the college generation to our campus churches. Nor can one estimate the potential of this force if spiritually led correctly.

The Baptist Student Union is not only the link between the church and the college campus; it is the church at work at the college campus. Many of our colleges are described as "suitcase colleges." The vast majority of students of these colleges live within short distances of the college and return home almost each week-end. This condition makes more urgent the ministry of the church through the Baptist Student Union in its campus week-day activities.

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CHURCH MUSIC

LeRoy McClard, Secretary

President Resigns

JOE JUSTIN WALTERS, minister of music, 1st Church, Pine Bluff, for the past five years has resigned to accept a similar post in Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, Miss. Mr. Walters is a graduate of Mississippi College and Southwestern Seminary. Under his leadership, the Pine Bluff church has developed six choirs with an enrollment of 200.



MR. WALTERS

Following is an open letter from him written in his capacity as president of the Arkansas Music Directors Association:

MINISTERS OF MUSIC OF ARKANSAS:

It is my unpleasant responsibility to submit my resignation as president as I take a position in another state. I have been called as minister of music

by the Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, Miss., and will assume duties Sept. 15.

As I leave Arkansas I leave the finest Christian fellowship I have ever known. The spirit of cooperation, mutual helpfulness, and enthusiasm among the ministers of music has been an inspiration to me during these past five years.

Our state church music director, Mr. LeRoy McClard, has given and is giving the very best in personal leadership. He has that unique ability to work with both large and small churches, possesses fine musicianship and high ideals coupled with executive qualities which make him the ideal state director that he is. Under his progressive leadership the church music program in Arkansas is, in my opinion, second to none among the other states in our Southern Baptist Convention.

May I urge you to continue to support Mr. McClard and the fine church music program in this great state, that you may continue to advance the Kingdom of God through music!

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson

Wife Loves Another Man

QUESTION: I married when I was 18 and am now 19. My husband is overseas and I feel that I am in love with another man. My husband says he loves me but I do not love him. Should we go on through life and both be miserable or should I write a "Dear John" letter and get it over with? What does God expect of me under the circumstances?



DR. HUDSON

Answer: How do you know you do not love your husband? Or that you love the other man? Perhaps you are simply lonely and this other man came along at the wrong time.

No, I wouldn't write a "Dear John" letter. The least you can do honorably is to wait until you see your husband to tell him. You might even learn to love him. You must have had some reason for marrying him in the first place. Consider this.

It is easy for some people to love someone until they live under the same roof with them for a few months. Then you either mature in your love or you begin to hate them because of their limitations. This "other man" might not be so glamorous after you wash his dirty sox for about six months.

The Bible teaches that marriage is for life. Without this, there is little security in the husband-wife relationship. I have an idea that God would want you to row a while, and a little harder, before you give up the ship.

Miss Nancy Cooper, Secretary

District WMU Meetings

October 21-November 7

Annual district meetings of Arkansas Woman's Missionary Union are scheduled as follows:

Oct. 21, Southwest, 1st Church, Mt. Ida.

Oct. 22, West Central, 1st Church, Mansfield.

Oct. 23, Northwest, 1st Church, Eureka Springs.

Oct. 24, North Central, 1st Church, Mountain Home.

Nov. 4, Central, 1st Church, Cabot.



MISS COOPER

Nov. 5, Northeast, 1st Church, Newport.

Nov. 6, East Central, 1st Church, Stuttgart.

Nov. 7, Southeast, 1st Church, Hamburg.

The date given for CENTRAL DISTRICT, Nov. 4, is contrary to the one published in the Guide Book, but is the correct one for that meeting.

According to the by-laws adopted at the annual meeting of Arkansas Woman's Missionary Union, the state president, Miss Elma Cobb, will preside at each of the meetings.

Featured on the program will be Mrs. Albert I. Bagby, nee Thelma Frith of North Little Rock, a popular missionary speaker. In 1933, during the time when Southern Baptists were sending out no missionaries, Mrs. Bagby went to Brazil in answer to the undeniable call to be a foreign missionary.

In 1938 she was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board — the year that she was married to Albert Bagby, son of the pioneer Baptist missionaries to Brazil. All of her years of missionary service have been spent in teaching in Porto Alegre, where she and her husband are directors of a large school.

Publicity should be given to these important meetings, and attendance is urged by all missionary-hearted people.

Awaken to Arkansas' Needs

The suggested date has passed for the observance of the season of prayer for state missions, but there should be everpresent in the heart of every Christian the compulsion to continue to pray for our state — for the teeming multitudes who do not know Christ as Saviour — for the thousands who do not practice his teachings of justice and compassion. Arkansas needs Christ!

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Flight Time

By THELMA C. CARTER

IT HAPPENS in midsummer, in mid-August and September, when the burning heat weighs down on the leaves and grass. At the first sign of a nervous or gusty wind, the getting-ready-time for birds to migrate occurs.

You can see the hurry in the movements of birds around your home. The young birds, able to fly by midsummer, are as excited and eager as their parents to be on the way to warm winter homes.

The large land areas of the United States and Canada, along with their abundant water and food supply, provide ideal summer homes for birds. But when cold weather approaches, the migrating birds (not all birds migrate) are ready to travel.

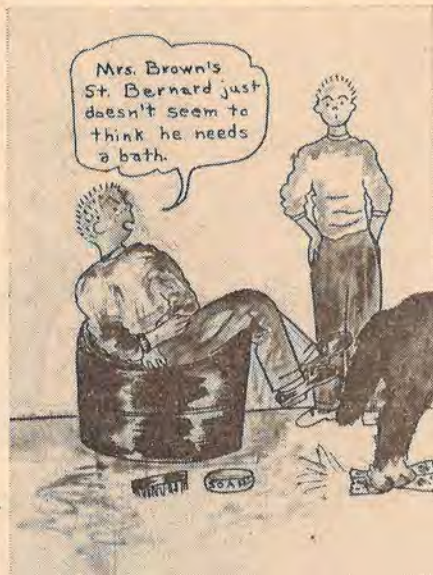
South America, Central America, and the islands of the West Indies are among the favorite winter homes of migrating birds. The psalmist reminds us of God's concern for his birds: "He sendeth the springs into the valleys . . . By them, shall the fowls of the heaven have their habitation" (Psalm 104:10-12).

Some birds, such as the arctic tern, fly more than seven thousand miles to warmer lands. Swallows, warblers, ducks, bobolinks, thrushes, and hummingbirds are among the great host of migrating birds.

This fall take a moment to watch the companies of birds in flying for-

THE TEEN AGE

By JUDY McDONALD



mation, winging their way to distant lands.

Think of the tasks that only our beautiful birds can do, the niche that only they can fill. No green thing could grow without the watchful care of birds, for it is they who destroy the thousands of damaging insects.

body, it did not work.

As he walked and worried, he noticed several boys playing a game with a wooden plank. He stopped for a moment to watch them. He saw that one boy would kneel down and place his ear close to the board at one end. Another boy, kneeling at the other end of the plank, would scratch with a nail. In this way he would send along the plank code messages, which could be heard by the boy who was listening.

Dr. Laennec watched the game more intently. Was this the solution to his perplexing problem? If the boys could make sounds pass along a wooden plank, why could he not use the same principle to hear better the sounds in the human chest?

He hurried back to the hospital and snatched up several sheets of letter paper. These he rolled into the shape of a tube. When he went in to see his patient, he rested one end of this paper tube over her heart. He placed his ear to the other end.

The result thrilled him. The sounds he was so anxious to hear were clear and sharp. With the help of this tube, he thus became the first doctor to hear distinctly the sounds within the human chest.

A Smile or Two

"IF YOU could have two wishes," said one girl to another, "what would they be?"

"Well," said her friend very thoughtfully, "I'd wish for a husband."

"That's only one," pointed out the first girl.

"I'd save the other until I saw how he turned out."

A MOTHER, her arms filled with groceries, got on a bus with her daughter, about five. The girl had the fare and dropped it in the fare box, then seemed to feel that a word of explanation was in order.

"I'm paying the money," she told the driver in a voice clearly audible at the back of the bus. "My mother is loaded."

IF YOU'VE ever been a parent for 15 years or so, you understand why teen-age is described as addle-essence.—Baptist and Reflector.

"FOR THE love of Pete, be brief!" an exasperated railroad superintendent counseled a maintenance-of-way man whose reports on trivial incidents too often ran to many tedious pages.

Thus reprimanded the worker reported as follows on damage done by a cloudburst:

"Dear Sir: Where the railroad was, the river is."

PATRONS OF a restaurant noticed tacked on the wall a sheet of paper on which was printed in bold characters:

"The umbrella in the stand below belongs to the champion heavy weight fighter of the world. He is coming right back."

Five minutes later umbrella and paper had disappeared. In their place was this notice:

"Umbrella is now in possession of the champion Marathon runner of the world. He is not coming back."

MOTHER: Billy, you are at the foot of the spelling class again, are you?

BILLY: Yes'm.

MOTHER: How did that happen?

BILLY: Got too many z's in scissors.

TEACHER: Who can tell me what an island is?

TONI: It's a piece of land that went out for a swim.

Boys Playing Aided Doctor in Discovery

By Alan A. Brown

SOME BOYS at play in a lumber pile were responsible for the discovery of the stethoscope, one of your doctor's most important instruments in diagnosing illness. The stethoscope, you know, is the listening device the doctor places on your chest and back to listen to the sounds of your heart and lungs.

The doctor who made this great discovery was a Frenchman, named Rene Theophile Hyacinthe Laennec. It was in the year 1816.

Now the doctor was worried. He had a patient who was suffering from heart disease. The patient was a stout girl, and he had a great deal of difficulty in hearing the sounds of her heart. The girl was very sick, and he wanted to help her. But unless he could listen to her heartbeat, he could not determine how to treat her.

In those days, before the invention of the stethoscope, the only way a doctor could hear a person's heartbeat was to place his ear on the patient's chest. This method was sufficient in most patients. But with Dr. Laennec's patient, who had large layers of fat on her

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Justice for the Needy and Neglected

By DAVID GARLAND

(Pastor, Baring Cross, North Little Rock)

Deut. 15:7-11; Isaiah 58:4-12;
Matt. 9:35-36; Luke 4:16-24;

I John 3:17-18
September 21

GOD HAS A genuine and everlasting concern for the world. It would seem, however, that He emphasizes His concern for the needy and neglected while still showing genuine concern for all others. Due to the relationship of the Christian to his God, where God has concern, the Christian has responsibility to implement the concern which God has. In each

great group of admonitions, those of Moses, those of the prophets, those of the Master, and those of the apostles, the concern of God has been revealed. Moreover, His method of demonstrating in genuine service that which is needed and called for is made known. These teachings and commands, if followed and obeyed, are still the proper avenues in meeting the needs of the needy and neglected in our own day.

I. The Commands of Moses.

Deut. 15:7-11.

Moses, in verse 11, declared that there would always be needy people in the world; "For the poor will never cease out of the land . . ." We have them with us always. In light of their constant presence and everlasting need he states a universal principle for use in their case: "Thou shalt surely open thy hand unto thy brother, to the needy, and to the poor, in the land."

The methods of implementing this command were several. First, every seventh year was to be a time of release from an obligation which had not been met. The obligation referred to was a loan, not the whole or balance on a debt of purchase (Deut. 15-1). Second, "If there be with thee a poor man, one of thy brethren, within any of thy gates in thy land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thy heart, nor shut thy hand from thy poor brother; but thou shalt surely open thy hand unto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need in that which he wanteth" (Deut. 15:7-8). Third, there shall be a generous and unselfish spirit demonstrated in the aiding of such as these. "Thou shalt surely give him, and thy heart shall not be grieved when thou givest unto him; because that for this thing Jehovah thy God will bless thee in all thy work, and in all that thou puttest thy hand unto."

II. The Admonition of the Prophets.

Isaiah 58:4-12.

God used the prophets in marvelous ways as he called the people of Israel to put into practice the laws and commands established in the Mosaic laws. They were ever calling the people to more than religious observance. To them there was more to being a follower than worship; there was the duty of service to their fellow-man. Duty expressed itself two ways. They were to abstain from all forms of oppression (Isaiah 58:6). Then they were to extend favour to those in need (Isaiah 58:7).

Israel had been careful and meticulous in the observance of religious form. They gave every form their attention and allegiance. Yet what God wanted was more than form. He wanted an expression in service of their religious convictions. "The fact that I have chosen. . ." said God, is care for and attention to the oppressed and "the poor that are cast out." These things are more important than mere observance. This, with proper observance, was in keeping with the will and purpose of God. It meant that the observer would receive the rewards of mercy. These included a new day which would dawn (Isaiah 58:8) and Jehovah's favor would overshadow them (Isaiah 58:8b).

III. The Lord's Example and God's Plan.

Matt. 9:35-36, Luke 4:16-24.

God's plan was clearly revealed in His purpose for His Son. "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he anointed me to preach good tidings to the poor: He hath sent me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord" (Isaiah 61:1, 2). Christ was anointed (appointed, set aside) for the purpose stated. He was "sent" with right and authority to do that which was assigned. This plan of meeting the physical, mental, and spiritual needs of mankind was the one followed by Jesus in His ministry. Having been "sent," "Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of disease and all manner of sickness. But when he saw the multitudes he was moved with compassion for them, because they were distressed and scattered, as sheep not having a shepherd" (Matt. 9:35-36). He gave His strength and life to meet the needs of such as these. To this hour He still reaches their needs through the lives of His followers around the world, as men and

women give themselves to His plan and example.

IV. The Response of the Apostles.

I Jno. 3:17-18.

To the needs of his day, John admonished the people to love in the deeds of their hands rather than in the words of their mouths. Little love has been shown through the words of one with good intentions. Intent, however worthy, is unworthy until it becomes expressive. The love that Paul described to the Corinthians was not to be found in words but in deeds. Love was to be more than lovely speaking; it was to be positive acting and serving.

It takes little time to be able to discover true love. It is seen in the sharing of one's possessions, however hard-earned, with the needy and less fortunate. To refuse to do so is to signal the fact that the love of God may not abide in that life and heart. Yet, where it is found in child-like quantity and quality, the love of God is sure to be found and to abide.

Now, as modern apostles, we are to demonstrate to those in need — the poor, the aged, the orphan, the widow, and the helplessly ill — through our devoted and sacrificial service that the love of God is within our lives and hearts. And, lest there be misunderstanding, through such means and such means only is it possible for us to demonstrate to the world that love which is measureless and boundless.

In your own mind, what picture does the world have of the love of God through the kind and charitable expressions of your life? If the picture is vague and distorted, turn in love and service that it may be brought into full view and maximum beauty.

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Laymen's Day Crusade

IN CONNECTION with Laymen's Day, many churches throughout the Southern Baptist Convention are holding a Laymen's Day Crusade. Preparations for the crusade should be begun some weeks before Laymen's Day, Oct. 12, in order that the crusade can truly be a soul-winning campaign carried through by the men of the Brotherhood.



MR. TULL

In the tract, "Laymen's Day Soul-Winning Crusade," published by the Brotherhood Commission, the following seven steps are suggested:

1. Pray for power to witness effectively.
2. Conduct a personal witnessing clinic.
3. Provide men with laboratory experiences.
4. Organize men for the crusade.
5. Pray for God's blessings on the witnessing during the crusade.
6. Plan a detailed complete schedule for laymen's Day.
7. Follow through with Regular Witnessing periods.

The Laymen's Day Crusade may well be the opening wedge of a continuing program of evangelism in many of our churches; for when men are led into a program of real evangelism, when they learn the joy of winning lost peo-

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● By placing the paper in the church budget a church gets this organ of information and inspiration into all its homes every week. The actual cost to the church is only 14 cents per month per family. Because our people give more liberally of themselves and their possessions when they are kept informed as to our progress as cooperating Baptists, and when they are informed as to world needs and how we are working together to meet these needs, we believe the paper is an investment and not an expense. It actually "costs" a church far more—in unenlisted members—not to send the paper to its families than the small subscription price—\$3.36 per week per 100 families.

ple to Christ, when they make the discovery that the Lord will bless their efforts in evangelism, and when they learn that engaging in evangelism enables them to tie their lives onto God's great eternal purposes, they never again find satisfaction in their service to the Lord except on the highest level, the level of evangelism.

We trust that your men are planning a soul-winning crusade as a vital part of their Laymen's Day observance.

Liked Paper Larger

Dear Erwin:

I like the extra pages in the Arkansas Baptist . . . I would rather have a cheaper grade of paper and a bigger paper with more news and articles than a better grade of paper, but a smaller paper. I am happy about the change. —Jay W. C. Moore, Ft. Smith.

Editor's Reply: The recent, 24-page issues were experiments and we have not changed permanently to this size paper, as much as we wish we could. From time to time, as the volume of advertising makes possible, we hope to go to 24 pages.

● MR. AND MRS. Horace W. Fite Jr., Southern Baptist missionaries to South Brazil, have recently moved to Ceres, where Mr. Fite will do agricultural work. Their address is Caixa Postal 36, Ceres, Golas, Brazil. Mr. Fite is a native of Mena.

Pastor Langley Honored at Parkin

RAY LANGLEY, 1st Church, Parkin, recently observed his 10th anniversary with the church.

The pastor was honored on August 17, which had been advertised as Homecoming.

During the morning service, which was largely attended, including some from as far away as California, Deacon C. E. Bell, in a surprise move, stepped to the pulpit and informed the pastor and visitors that the home coming was to be the observance of Pastor Langley's tenth anniversary.

Deacon Bell pointed out some of the milestones of progress for the decade: the Sunday School has more than doubled; a new Educational building has been erected and paid for; Cooperative Program gifts have mounted from \$1,200 to \$2,700; the church is now free of debt; a spirit of unity and co-operation prevails.

As a memento of the occasion, Pastor and Mrs. Langley were presented a silver coffee service. Mrs. Langley's Sunday School class presented her an orchid.

Pastor J. W. Royal of Calvary Church, Benton, who "just happened to be passing through" with Mrs. Royal on their way to Ridgecrest, was introduced as the preacher for the hour. A former pastor of the church, Brother Royal had previously been invited by the deacons "behind their preacher's back."

A basket dinner was served at noon.

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