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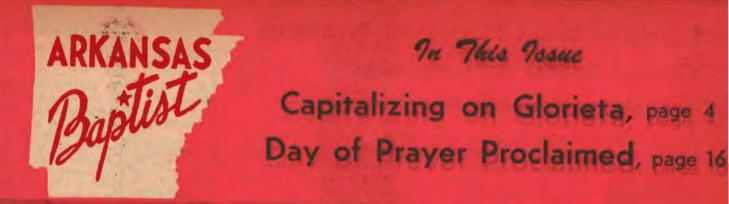
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## Executive Board News and Promotion\_\_\_\_

# Speaking Schedule Is Announced for

# Leaders of Arkansas Baptist Convention

AT THE JULY meeting of the Executive Board a plan was adopted to acquaint the leadership of our churches with the 1959 program of Arkansas Baptists. The Board members from each association were asked



DR. WHITLOW

to arrange for a supper meeting for the pastors, deacons, treasurers, and the associational missionary at a convenient place in the association. It was suggested that the plate be held to \$1, if possible, and each would go "dutch."

One of the heads of our institutions, the president of the Convention, the president of the Executive Board, the Executive Secretary or his Associate would attend these meetings and discuss fully the following items of our 1959 plans: The proposed budget for 1959; the Forward Program of Church Finance; the Thanksgiving offering for Bottoms Baptist Orphanage; the Minister's Retirement Plan; and other items of interest and concern.

We are grateful for the cooperation on the part of the Executive Board members for making the above arrangements for us. It is hoped that we may be able to get into each of the 44 associations during the months of September, October, and the first ten days in November.

Following is a list of the places arranged for September:

Date		Assoc.	Place	Speaker	Board Member
Sept.	1	Central	Lonsdale	S. A. Whitlow	Hugh Owen
Sept.	5	Bartholomew	Monticello	S. A. Whitlow	T. J. Welch
Sept.	8	Mississippi Co.		Ralph Douglas	G. Wm. Smith
Sept.	8	Delta	Bellaire	H. C. Seefeldt	H. A. Bradley
Sept.	9	Carroll County	Berryville	Ralph Douglas	J. B. Measel
Sept.	9	Greene County	Paragould	J. A. Gilbreath	James Yates
Sept.	11	Woodruff	Patterson	S. A. Whitlow	Thomas Lindley
Sept.	15	Current River	Corning '	B. K. Selph	Curtis McClain
Sept.	15	Caroline	Lonoke	Ralph Douglas	Harold White
Sept.	22	Black River	Walnut Ridge	S. A. Whitlow	Byron King
Sept.	29	Tri-County	Forrest City	S. A. Whitlow	T. K. Rucker
Sept.	30	Carey	Bearden	S. A. Whitlow -S. A. Whitlow,	Lawson Hatfield Executive Secretary

### TEN COMMANDMENTS TO COMBAT JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

- I. Thou shalt guard thy children in the home and on the street.
- II. Thou shalt make thy home a sanctuary of love and devotion.
- III. Thou shalt honor the teachers of thy children and teach the children to honor them.
- IV. Thou shalt not condone the faults of thy children through a misguided sense of loyalty.
- V. Thou shalt teach thy children respect for the law, and keep them from companionship of children who indicate a disrespect for the law.
- VI. Thou shalt not lead thy child into temptation by providing him with the means thereof, to-wit: too much money, a car, and adult privileges.
- VII. Thou shalt enforce decency in the dress of thy daughters and dignity in the dress of thy sons.
- VIII. Thou shalt protect the morals of thy children from the indiscretions of youthful ardor and inexperience.
- IX. Thou shalt conduct thine own affairs in such a manner as to set an example worthy of imitation.
  - X. Thou shalt not permit thy children to bear arms except in the service of their country.

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## How Do You Vote

Adams wrote, "Will you tell me how to prevent riches from becoming the effect of temperance and industry? Will you



tell me how to prevent luxury from producing effeminacy, intoxication, extravagance, vice and folly?"

There is only one perfect answer to Adams' question: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." These words had an emergency meeting as a background. One

DR. DOUGLAS

day Paul stopped at Miletus and called a meeting of the church leaders in Ephesus. Evidently the church people at Ephesus had been more concerned with "getting and receiving" than "giving and serving." So Paul wanted to remind them of what Jesus said on the matter.

In this question, and in the statement, we see the connection between the economic and the spiritual. We can also see that the road of Christianity always leads to Stewardship. Therefore the individual who does not travel the road that leads to the blessedness of giving may be following the road that leads to havoc and chaos.

With all of the above in mind and due to the fact that 20 per cent of the Baptist church members give 80 per cent of the total church budget while 80 per cent of the members give only 20 per cent of the budget, it is high time for us as leaders to do something to help get our people on the road that lead to Bible giving.

Beyond a doubt, the Forward Program is the best plan Baptists have ever used to help get all of the church members to get on the right road and feel their responsibility in supporting all phases of Kingdom endeavors.

Many Baptists do not know that the function of money is to produce the spiritual. Some Baptists do not know that money exists by God's grace and for God's sake. Therefore, they do not know that no one has a right to do with money that which leaves the spiritual out. We should be willing to put forth more effort to help more of our people learn the responsibility of giving.

The Forward Program of Church Finance is an attempt to lead all of our people down the road of complete surrender of their lives to God's call.

When this occurs, our churches can treble their income, double their gifts through the Cooperative Program and solidify their fellowship.

Are you for doing this or against its How do you vote? Remember, destinies are hanging in the balance awaiting your vote.—Ralph Douglas, Associat Executive Secretary

"Operation Baptist Biography"

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES of Southern Baptist leaders, both living and dead, will be secured from churches and church leaders in the coming weeks through "Operation Baptist Biography."

The sketches are to be prepared in triplicate, one copy going to the church files, one to the Baptist Historical Society Committee in the state, and one to the Southern Baptist Historical Commission to be preserved in the Dargan-Carver Library, in Nashville.

L. C. Tedford, Chairman of the Baptist Historical Committee for the state of Arkansas, Baptist Building, Room '207, Little Rock, is directing the project in the state.

It is hoped that every Southern Baptist preacher in the state will submit his biography, along with large numbers of laymen and women who have or are now rendering distinctive service or leaders in churches and assoclations. These will include doctors, lawyers, farmers, housewives, teachers, etc.

Each church would want to see that biographies are filled out on such persons as any who may have gone out from the church to be missionaries, charter members who have been faithful tithers, for example, deacons for long periods of years; teachers who have taught their classes for 20 years or more, etc.

Each church should also be careful to fill out information sheets on outstanding members who are no longer living. For example, Immanuel Church, Little Rock, will want to include sketchés on Dr. Otto Whittington, Dr. J. R. Grant, Rev. L. M. Keeling, and Claud Durrett, Sr.

It is suggested that each church have a committee to determine who from its membership should be included.

Not since 1915 has there been any serious effort made to gather Southvrn Baptist Biography. Although the lographies are not to be published, it is believed that having them available will prove of great service now and in the future. Dr. Norman W. Cox, of Nashville, originator of the idea, expresses the hope that Baptists all across the Southern Baptist Convention will give their co-operation. He states that the project is open to everyone.

Forms for the biographies, provided through the Southern Baptist historical Commission under the direction of Dr. Cox, may be secured by writing to Chairman L. C. Tedford, at the Baptist Building in Little Rock.

Chairman Tedford is undertaking to enlist the services of a "captain" to serve in each of the district associations of the state. This leader will contact the pastors and the churches and will handle the supplies and information needed for his own association.



FIRST ARKANSAN to fill out a biography sheet in the "Operation Biography" campaign in the state was U. E. Moore, right, a former mayor of North Little Rock and for many years now a deacon and Bible teacher in Central Church, North Little Rock. Preparing to file a copy of the biography in the Baptist Building, Little Rock, is Secretary Elsie Williams. Center is L. C. Tedford, pastor of Grace Church, North Little Rock, who is serving as state chairman of the project.

He will present the matter at the annual meeting of the association this fall.

No one is receiving salaries for the work, but items of cost such as printing and postage and certain secretarial help will be met through an assessment of \$1 per person whose sketch is submitted. Half of this dollar will be kept in the state office for expenses there and half of it sent to the Southern Baptist Historical Commission for expenses incurred there.

Churches sending in sketches should finance them in some way, either by collecting from individuals or by voting money out of church funds.

It is hoped the project can be completed by January.

• DR. ANDREW M. Hall, pastor of 1st Church, Fayetteville, celebrated his fifth anniversary with the church on Aug. 17. The Halls came to Fayetteville from the pastorate of 1st Church, Lake Wales, Fla.

## Arkansas Beginnings

How did Arkansas get its name? Who were the first "foreigners" to visit Arkansas?

You will find the answer to these questions in the first of the new cartoon series, "Your ARKANSAS BAPTIST Scrapbook," by Judy Me-Donald, on page 7 of this issue.

## Arkansan Named On New Orleans Faculty

NEW ORLEANS - Dr. Harold L. Rutledge, native of Paris, Ark., joined the faculty of the New Orleans Bap-



tist Theological Seminary Aug. 15 as assistant professor of Christian psychology and counseling in the School of Religious Education. The announcement Was made by Dr. John M. Price, Jr., director of the School of Religious Education. In addition to his

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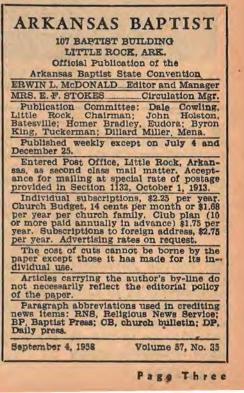
teaching duties, Dr. Rutledge will coordinate the testing and counseling program for seminary students.

Dr. Rutledge formerly served as associate chaplain at the Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans. His background of experience includes 25 years of service in the pastorate, the religious education field, and in the hospital chaplaincy.

A graduate of Ouachita, he received his doctor of theology degree from the New Orleans Seminary in 1957. Dr. Rutledge has also studied at the University of Chicago and completed one year as resident in clinical pastoral education at the Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans.

Baptist Arkansas Paper

THIS EDITION of the ARKANSAS BAPTIST is printed on Arkansas produced newsprint. It was turned out by the new International Paper Co. mill in Pine Bluff.





Top, 1st Church, Fort Smith. Bottom, Glorieta inspiration and home-made icecream.

• DR. D. WADE Armstrong, director of evangelism for the Baptists of California, recently did the preaching for a revival in Trinity Church, Downey, Calif., in which there were 69 professions of faith and 32 joining the church by letter. Both Dr. Armstrong and John S. Ashcraft, pastor of the church, are former Arkansans.

• PASTOR ANDREW M. Hall, 1st Church, Fayetteville, has accepted an assignment to do an article, "Inclusive or Exclusive?" for the Baptist Student Magazine, Nashville. The article will deal with snobbishness sometimes found in Christian groups. • EVENING SHADE Church, Oxley, Stone-Van Buren-Searcy Association, has added the Arkansas Baptist under the budget plan, following a one-month free trial. Eddie Griffith is pastor.

• JAMES C. FITZSIMMONS, 812 Poplar Drive, Benton, who was licensed to preach by 1st Church, Benton, in 1955, is serving as chaplin of Benton Post 19 of the American Legion. He also does supply preaching.

● REV. AND Mrs. Russell L. Locke, Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria, have recently returned to the States for furlough. Their address is Rt. 1, Half Way, Mo. Mrs. Locke is the former Veda Williams, Shirley.

It Worked for Us Capitalizing on Glorieta Inspiration

By DAVID MEIER Minister of Education.

WHAT GOOD can a trip to Glorieta do for a church? Look what happened here. We returned and gave reports to

1st Church, Ft. Smith



our people in the Sunday evening service. It took a whole hour. But enthusiasm is contagious! It started spreading and our superintendents felt it important to give as much of our Glorieta information to our workers as possible. The plan: summer

MR. MEIER

lawn clinics on Tuesday nights with our workers meeting by departments at different members' homes for a 6-week period. Each night we met from 6:30 to 8:30 and studied a method book along with the different Glorieta material. This gave them credit for their efforts and lots of fellowship too, for we spent the last half hour in a social, eating home-made ice cream and cake, discussing together the materials and how to meet our problems.

It has done wonders throughout our school and especially among our adult. — discussing promotion and what we need to do about reaching more adults. (We multilithed the Glorieta material for each age group, so that everybody received the same materials as those who had been at Glorieta.)

Each Tuesday night we had from 40 per cent to 48 per cent of our workers present (even during vacatio time). We also continued our weekly teachers and officers meetings every Wednesday night and found that the lawn clinics on Tuesday actually helped to increase attendance on Wednesdays.

As if Tuesdays and Wednesdays. weren't enough to ask of our people during July and August, we began a new visitation schedule for all-day Thursdays, starting July 10.

The first night 150 were present. Now the astonishing thing about this is that we have not had even 100 people visiting during the last two years, at any one time. This was a new era! Of course, we thought that it might be a "one-time" thing for some people, but it wasn't. Every week since, we have had from 120 to 175 people present and signing a sheet that they are visiting.

Of course, we realize that there are

many who visit but won't get to come to the church to sign up. However, we only specify our totals from our signup sheets.

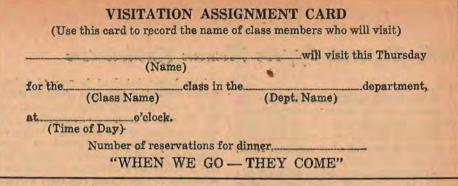
It has done wonders to our Sunday School attendance. The first week after this new visitation program started, we jumped 4 per cent higher in our enrollment being present. The next week we had 5 per cent more enrollment present and the third week, 3 per cent more. It has given us the best August average in the history of our church. Two Sundays ago we also had the largest offering (regular weekly offering) in the history of our church. It was over \$6,100!

We use a sign-up card in every Sunday School class on Sunday mornings, asking that at least two people from each class sign to visit, either at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. or at 6 p.m.

At 6 p. m. we serve a free dinner — a light meal — and then have a skit around 6:30 to demonstrate some of the problems that people may run into. Then they get their prospect cards or just visit their absentees. We visit both absentees and prospects on this day. Then at 8:30 we return for our visitation reports and also eat our dessert!

This helps bring the people back to share their blessings and also answer any problems or questions they might have. It has been a very good feature. Our church nurseries are open at all three times during the day.

That's about the story — without the "spirit." As we all realized in February and March, we were in a slump both financially and spiritually. But the spirit around our church these days is one of optimism and adventure. Folks are saying that they believe we're going to have a great year!



• MISS JOSEPHINE Harris, Southern Baptist missionary to Hawaii who has been in the States on furlough, has returned to her field, where her address is 2009 Oahu Ave., Honolulu 14, Hawaii. Miss Harris is a native of Brinkley.

RIDGEVIEW CHAPEL, of 1st Church, Fayetteville, has called Robert Vaughn, former pastor of Southside, Fayetteville. The late L. G. Golden led in formation of the chapel in 1956.

#### FIRST WORSHIP services for a mission of 1st Church, Oden, were conducted in the Legion Hut, Pencil Bluff, Montgomery County, Aug. 17. Pastor Thurlo Lee will continue preaching in both places until a church is organized and a pastor called. Attendance on the first day was: Sunday school, 53; morning worship, 60; Training Union, 36, and evening worship, 41. Ivan Marks, missionary, currently is conducting a revival in the mission. Organizational leaders include: Sunday school superintendent, Odus Mullenix; general secretary, Clifford L. Ryan; Training Union director, Erby Fletcher, and mission treasurer, Mrs. Charles Stewart.



ROYAL AMBASSADORS at their recent Convention-wide Congress had the privilege of meeting personally 49 missionaries and their children. John Hill interviews Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Culpepper and sons of Argentina and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pool and son of Ogbomosho, Nigeria.

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## DeWitt Church Plan Encourages 'Campers'

TO ENCOURAGE the youth of the church to attend one or more of the several camps sponsored by Arkansas and Southern Baptists, 1st Church, De-Witt, has adopted a Baptist Campers Plan for the associational year 1958-59.

Pastor Andrew Heskett explained the plan as follows:

"Any resident desiring to enter the plan agrees to pay a sum of money, not less than \$1 per month, to the camp fund treasurer the first of each month, (Any amount above \$1 is optional each month with the individual.)

"The church agrees to pay, upon departure for any Baptist camp chosen by the member, a 10 per cent dividend of the amount toward or up to the registration and camp fees combined which the member has to his credit in the camp fund treasury. He may withdraw as much additional money from his own savings as he feels necessary for the trip.

Should the member choose to attend two or more camps during the summer, the same benefits will be extended for each camp, provided that he has the amount upon which the dividend is paid in the camp fund treasury 30 days before the chosen camps begin.

"Any member may assign his savings and dividends, or a portion thereof, to the benefit of another person, whether member or non-member, should he decide not to claim the benefits for himself. In this case, the member must assign both his savings and dividends to the benefit of the other person.

"No money paid in membership dues will be returned for any purpose other than camp expenses until Aug. 30, 1959. The money not used but returned at this time will draw no dividend nor interest."

A member of the plan moving to another church may continue in the plan for the 1958-59 year, but cannot renew his membership.

The agreement contains a provisional clause which permits a carry over of credits until the next year should the church vote to continue the proposition.

## Editorials

## Why Baptists Oppose Roman Catholicism

HOSE WHO might be inclined to lift an eyebrow at the perennial Baptist emphasis on separation of church and state should take note of an Associated Press story that came out of Frosinone, Italy, last week. We quote in part:

"Italian police, on orders of town officials, have stopped construction of a Baptist church at nearby Viroll. The minister of the church was threatened with arrest when he tried to get builders to resume work.

"The church project is in St. Angelo in Villa, a tiny part of Viroli that counts 278 Baptists among its 428 residents. That is a highly unusual statistic in Roman Catholic Italy. The St. Angelo church is part of the Southern Baptist Convention.

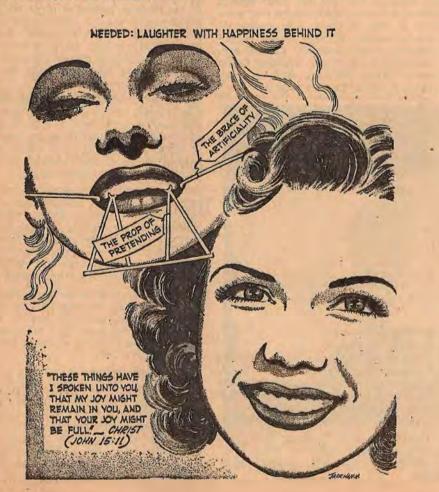
"Work at the church has been halted several weeks. Rev. Graziano Cannito, Italian Baptist minister, tried to get a dozen men to return to work today. They did not and one said police had forbidden them to enter the church premises.

"A police lieutenant told Mr. Cannito he had orders to arrest him if work resumed.

"'If you have orders to arrest me, arrest me," replied the minister." The latest incident is one of a long series involving the new church. Nearly a year ago permission had been given by the municipal authorities for the building to be erected. Work on the foundation was started in April. After it was well underway, Mayor Antonio Baldassara of Veroli ordered construction stopped and the part already built demolished. He gave as his excuse the statement that authorization for building had not been obtained from the Italian Interior Ministry.

When work was continued, charges were brought against Pastor Cannito, accusing him of violating the mayor's order. The charges were dropped later, but since then the work has been stopped by the town authorities by stationing police at the church.

This is why Baptists, who stand for freedom of religion for all people everywhere, must take the stump against the Roman Catholic Church, and for separation of church and state. We would die for the right of a person to be a Roman Catholic, if that is his choice, but we would also die to keep the Roman Catholics or any other group from denying us the right to worship God according to the dictates of our own consciences. —ELM



#### Personally Speaking ...

#### **About Mules**

THIS I learned while growing up on a farm — the only safe relationship with a mule is outside the orbit of his immediate influence.



But if you've got to deal with a mule, and you cannot always have the length of a wagon between the two of you, the next safest place is close, close to his warm side!

The writer of an old jingle may not have been such a hot poet, but he certain-

DR. McDONALD p knew his mules:

> You can change a fool, But a doggone mulé Is a mule until he dies!

Today the mule as such has largely been displaced in our society — and here we use "society" in its broader aspects. But some of his characteristics have apparently rubbed off on some of us.

For instance, take the attribute of stubbornness. This is one of the most characteristic attributes of the lowly mule. But it is also found in a lot of wives, a few husbands, an occasional deacon and even, once in a while, a preacher or a choir director!

Like the most of our English words, this one has half a dozen different definitions in Webster's Unabridged... no wonder there is so much "double talk"! But the meaning that describes a mule or one with the predominant mulish characteristic is:

Fixed, resolute, or unyielding, in purpose or mental attitude; unyielding; inflexible; esp., unreasonably unyielding; obstinate.

Who was it that said, "Don't bother me with facts — I've got my mind made up"?

For those of my readers who may be reading this to their wives, there is another definition worth quoting: "Difficult to handle, manage, or treat."

At the risk of having some of these batted back upon our own heads, here are some colorful synonyms: "Determined, perverse, mulish, pig-headed."

Other traits of the mule that bob up with alarming regularity in the human species include: balking in the path of progress, or running sidewise or backward; using up energy to kick rather than to pull.

Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding ... Psalm \$2:9a.

Erwin L. M. Donald

ARKANSAS BAPTIST

Letters to the Editor THE PEOPLE SPEAK

### **On "States Rights"**

I have just finished your editorial ... and I am glad that you have the freedom to speak your mind on any subject ... I am a Baptist and have studied the (proposed States Rights) Amendment and I do not see the dangers that you are so alarmed about ...

First of all you mention the \$250,000 as being an unnecessary expense. This amount of money spent by the Sovereignty Commission will be a very small expense if it can help to maintain the higher moral standards we now have achieved and to prevent further encroachment by the Federal Government on the wishes of a majority of the Citizens of this State.

I would like to point out to you that eight of the members of the Commission will be elected officials and subject to recall if they become a "gestapo" as you seem to be sure they will be. What do you mean by "witch hunting"? are you using the term as the Communists so often do when members of Congress get so hot on their trail? I should think you would be glad to rid this State or all of the States of any "witches" that might be stirring up trouble or trying to overthrow the Government by force or provoking violence.

You are saying that the majority of the people in our great. State are not able to elect anything but a "gestapo" and that the Governor, Attorney General. Speaker of the House, and the other elected public officials that become members of the Commission are sure to be "witch hunters and a gestapo. .^."—Signed, but name withheld

### **Editor's Reply**

I too am glad that editors still have freedom to speak, in Arkansas. But I am not sure at all that this could be expected if we should adopt the socalled States Rights Amendment. An editor who would refer to the possibility of the powerful "States Rights Commission" going "witch hunting" might be regarded by a majority of the Commission as being "Communistic" or as one whose thinking would be "detrimental to the sovereignty" of the State of Arkansas. That would be all it would take, under the provisions of this human right's throttler called "States Rights Amendment," to haul such editor before the ashhopper.

The witch hunting which would be made possible under this proposed amendment, in a state where "Communist" is a term frequently used indiscrinhinately to brand one who dares to have a different viewpoint, would be a constant threat to the security of those who wish to do their own thinking and speaking on the issues of the day.

Dictatorship comes with the assent of the majority, either by positive vote or by default. The "remedy" for the threat

# Your ARKANSAS BAPTIST Scrapbook

Hernando de Soto, the Spanish conquistador,

and his men explored Arkansas in 1541-42. They erected a cross and bade the Indians adore it.

> The state of Arkansas takes its name from the Indians who called themselves Oguapaws, a name often shortened to Kappas, or, Quapaws. Their country, rather than their tribe, was known as Akansea or Arcanca - the land of the downstream folk.

of Communism in Arkansas, real or imagined or both, as provided under the proposed amendment, would, we believe, be little better than Communism itself. Thinking citizens of Arkansas, who value their own personal liberty, better not sleep through the Nov. 4 election!— ELM

### **Prayer Requests**

Dear Dr. McDonald:

The W. M. U. Department is faithful in sending the Arkansas Baptist to the missionaries from Arkansas. The paper is always instructive, in spiring and brings information of friends.

Certainly we would be deeply grateful if you have space to publish the following request to Arkansas Baptist friends:

In the city of Otaru there is a small Baptist Mission seeking to witness to the thousands who know not Christ. Plans are being made for a four week evangelistic meeting this fall. The meeting begins Sépt, 21 and continues to Oct. 19, the Lord willing. These are big plans so we make a special request for your prayers. Please plan to pray every day and send us word that you are praying.—Annie Hoover, South 22 West 14, Sapporo, Japan

## Carver Installs New President

LOUISVILLE — (BP) — Nathan C. Brooks Jr. will be installed as president of Carver School of Missions and Social Work here Sept. 23.

Brooks assumed the presidency in June, succeeding Miss Emily K. Lansdell. Carver School is an institution of the Southern Baptist Convention.



A MODERN building is being erected at the Tulip Mission, site of the organization of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in 1848. 1st Church, Fordyce, has taken over leadership of the mission. A move to provide Baptist work in the area was revived after the Centennial celebration. The Missions Committee of 1st Church has recommended memorials for all convention presidents and executive secretaries in the amount of \$50 with the funds to be used for the furnishing of the building. Additional funds will be used for brick or stucco around the block building.

## Special Committees Get Operating Funds

NASHVILLE —(BP)— The Executive Committee in its semi-annual meeting here allocated \$7,500 for the work of two Southern Baptist Convention special committees during the next year.

It allocated \$5,000 for the Committee to Study Total Southern Baptist Convention Program and \$2,500 to the Baptist Jubilee Advance, Committee.

Both committees will report to the 1959 session of the Convention at Louisville in May.

The Committee to Study Total Convention Program presented 38 recommendations to the 1958 session of the Convention, setting forth proposed reorganization of procedures used by the Convention and its agencies. Fifteen of the recommendations were referred back to the special committee for another year of study.

The Baptist Jubilee Advance Committee is recommending ways in which Southern Baptists will co-operate with six other Baptist groups in North America in a six-year program of Baptist growth.

The six-year program culminates in 1964, with the 150th anniversary celebration of the founding of the first nationwide Baptist organization.

#### **NO LONG-FACED TITHERS**

W. E. GRINDSTAFF says, "I have never seen a long-faced tither." Without a doubt there would be fewer longfaced Christians if there were more tithers.

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## Mrs. Mathis Elected To Alliance Committee

ZURICH, Switzerland — (BP) — Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Waco, Tex., president of the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, has been elected to the executive committee of the Baptist World Alliance to take the place of the late Dr. J. Howard Williams, president of Southwestern Seminary.

Mrs. Mathis will be the second Southern Baptist woman on the Alliance's executive committee. Mrs. George Martin, Norfolk, Va., whom she succeeded as WMU president, is also a member.

## **Revival Reports**

MURPHY CORNER Church, Aug. 11-17: Jimmy Whitlock, Diaz Church, evangelist, Johnny Green, pastor; 11 by baptism.

GRUBBS CHURCH, Midway; O. I. Ford, evangelist, J. C. Montgomery, pastor; 20 by baptism, four by letter.

MT. OLIVE Church, Crossett: Billy Walker, evangelist, H. L. Seamans, music; 46 by baptism, 7 by letter, 10 starting family altars and 35 pledging to tithe. Sunday School and Training Union attendance set records. Pastor Roy Bunch pointed out, "All this happened during the annual rodeo when they said that we couldn't have a revival."

1ST CHURCH, Reyno: Billy Walker, College City, evangelist; 25 professions, two by letter and a number of rededications.

## Gideons Set Record In Bible Placements

GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL'S recent 59th Annual Convention in the Kentucky Hotel in Louisville marked the Association's 50th year in the field of Scripture distribution.

During the past year The Gideon Association was headed by P. J. Zondervan under whose leadership its members placed more than 600,000 Bibles in hotel and motel rooms in the United States and Canada alone. This Bible placement activity set an all-time record, nearly doubling any previous year's total. The Bibles were placed entirely without cost to the hotels and motels, the funds being made available primarily from offerings by interested church congregations and gifts by the Gideons themselves.

At the 1957 Convention of The Gideons held a year ago in Minneapolis, Mr. Zondervan, president of the Zondervan Publishing Company, Grand Rapids, Michigan, startling the membership by announcing that a recent survey indicated that approximately 720,200 of the nearly two million ho-tel and motel rooms in the United States and Canada were without Bi-He challenged the membership bles. to place a Bible in every room in America by the time of the Louisville Convention. This was the spark that set off the greatest activity ever known by the Association. Gideons from 46 states reported "task completed" at Louisville.

# O. M. Stallings to Observe 50th Anniversary in Ministry

FROM HIS first sermon as a farm lad in his teens, on September 20, 1903, in the Mt. Harmony community, three miles east of Greenwood, to his 50th anniversary in the same community has been a long road for O. M. Stallings, who retired two years ago from the pastorate of 2nd Church, Conway.

Mr. Stallings will return September 21 to the community where he was born and reared and where he preached his first sermon to observe the anniversary.

From the farm to one of the largest and most prominent Baptist churches in the Southern Baptist Convention makes the history of this man's life read like a fairy tale. This church is Immanuel Church, Tulsa, Okla., a city of 300,000 population and a church with a membership of 3,000.

Here the boy from the hills of Western Arkansas served twelve years and led in the construction of their present auditorium. Several prominent Tulsa business and professional men will be at Mt. Harmony to help him observe his fiftieth anniversary in the ministry.

<sup>1</sup> During this half century Stallings has delivered 18,000 sermons and addresses and conducted 1,200 funerals. He witnessed over 5,000 conversions under his own preaching as pastor and evangelist and 2,800 of these were received into the various churches for baptism. He conducted 525 revivals, either a week or two weeks.

During these 50 years, Mr. Stallings influenced more than 100 young people into special life service. Among these were the late evangelist-pastor, Arden P. Blaylock; Floyd Looney, editor of California Southern Baptist; James Sapp, SBC Brotherhood; Horton and



O. M. STALLING

Charles Myers, pastors; Mrs. Arnold Harrington, foreign missions; Gene Bartlett, state music secretary for Oklahoma; and Donnie Adams, who heads the music department of Wayland Baptist College, in Texas.

These 50 years found Preacher Stallings leading in nine building programs and collecting for all purposes half a million dollars. He estimates that he has traveled by horse, buggy, bus, automobile and train over a million miles.

Dr. O. C. Griggs, Tulsa, Dr. J. S. Rogers, Conway, Dr. T. H. Jordan, Van Buren, Gene Bartlett, Oklahoma City, Harvey Marsh, Jr., Muskogee, Okla., C. C. Roberts, Ft. Smith, and Dr. A. B. Martin, Ft. Smith, will participate in the anniversary program.

### Baptist Ministers In Blue Cross Plan

Blue Cross protection for ministers and full-time church personnel whose applications were received through August 29 will become effective on September 1, Blue Cross officials report.

The initial response to the program, approved by the Executive Board of the State Convention, has indicated a great interest on the part of our ministers in securing adequate hospital coverage, they state.

• Under the new policies established by Arkansas Baptist Hospital, Little Rock, and Baptist Memorial Hospital of Memphis, the availability of this new hospitalization plan increases in importance.

• Applications received during the period of August 29-September 15 will provide memberships effective on October 1. NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Leon E. Branham, manager of the Baptist Book Store in Greenville, S. C., died Aug. 11 of a heart attack in the store. Burial was August 13 in Columbia, S. C. Mr. Branham became manager of the Greenville store in June, 1955, coming from the Baptist Book Store in Columbia, where he was audiovisual aids supervisor.

• KENNY ROBINSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Robinson, Rt. 4, North Little Rock, received a two-year pin for perfect attendance in Sunday School, June 28, at the Highway Church, where his parents are members. Kenny was two years old on June 10, and has not missed Sunday School since he first attended at the age of two weeks. — Mrs. Roy T. Reynolds

### **Concord News Notes**

#### By Jay W. C. Moore

1ST, PARIS, Tommie Hinson, pastor, had Evangelist Vincent Cervera from Greenville, S. C., in a week's revival recently. There were 11 for baptism and five by letter.

ELEVEN LAYMEN from 1st Church, Ft. Smith, held a week's revival in Muskogee, Okla., recently. The revival, sponsored by Immanuel Church, was held under a tent in a new addition. The Muskogee Church has established a mission in this area. The Ft. Smith men helping in the revival effort were: Verne Bentley, Thell Smith, Gerald Cross, Joe Potts, Bill Tripp, Harold Boyd, R. C. Wisner, John Adams, Dennis Stouffer, Ken Bolley and Albert Hess.

CONCORD association ranked second in the number of training awards earned from Oct. 1, 1957 to June 30, 1958. Pulaski was first. First Church, Ft. Smith, led the state with 925 awards and Grand Avenue was third in the state with 511 awards.

MARY ELSIE Robertson, daughter of Deacon and Mrs. Tom Robertson of 1st Church, Charleston, spent July and August touring Europe with 10 other University students from different universities in the United States. Miss Robertson will enter the University of Arkansas in September to work on her master's degree.

ED PINE is the new minister of music and education for the Immanuel Church, Ft. Smith. Pine, a native of Philadelphia, Penn., studied at Youngstown University, Hardin-Simmons University and was recently graduated from the seminary in Ft. Worth. Mrs. Pine is the former Helen Hutchinson, Youngstown, O. The Pines have three children, Gloria, 10; Kathleen, 11, and Eddie, 13.

GRAND AVENUE church was led in a revival the last of July by Bob Smith, pastor of 1st Church, Pine Bluff. Jerry Howell, minister of music, Grand Avenue Church, directed the music. There were 7 additions by letter, 5 by baptism, and 4 rededications. Jim Pleitz 1s pastor.

OFFICERS for the associational WMU for the new year are: Mrs. John Febro, Immanuel Church, president; Mrs. Roger England, Grand Avenue Church, 1st vice president; Mrs. Paul Berry, 1st Church, Ft. Smith, recording secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Jay W. C. Moore, East Side, Church, Young Woman's Auxiliary, director; Mrs. Joe Davis, Spradling Church, Sunbeam director;. Mrs. Murl Walker, Kelley Heights, mission study director; Mrs. Herman Sanford, Greenwood, prayer chairman; Mrs. Wilson Tucker, Southside, stewardship chairman; Mrs. J. O. Kincannon, 1st, Ft. Smith, 3rd jubilee chairman; Mrs. J. V. Goff, Temple Church, community missions chairman and Mrs. Carl Beckerdite Bluff Ave. publicity chairman.



THIS IS a scene from Where Your Heart Is, the new life commitment and stewardship film from Broadman Films, film producing department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board. The film may be ordered from Baptist book stores for showing in churches. —Broadman Films Photo

## Finnish Baptists Meet Change

#### By GAINES S. DOBBINS

#### (Professor, Golden Gate Seminary)

BAPTISTS OF Finland are organized in two conferences or conventions — Finnish-speaking and Swedish-speaking. At one time efforts were made to combine them, but the language barrier proved too difficult. The Finnish churches have about 1,200 members, the Swedish-speaking about 1,800. There are no marked differences of our privilege to attend the one convention at Vihtavuori, and the other at Vaasa.

At Vihtavuori we were told that one of 16 of Finland's population was a war casualty, one of 17 women was widowed, one child of 25 was orphaned. Finland, with a population of only four million,' is predominately rural.

The evening meeting was held in a big one-room church building, and but for the strange language, we might well have thought we were in the country district association meeting in Kentucky or Mississippi.

Finland is changing. Good roads, farm machinery, trucks and tractors, airplane service, excellent schools, radio and even television are transforming the customs and standards. Will the churches change their methods to match the challenge of the new day? The Sunday schools have been for a handful of children. There has been no membership training program. Pastoral service has often been meagre. Twenty years ago the work of the churches was in the hands of elderly people — there was no youth program. Evangelism was occasional and emotional.

Today the churches are changing. The most significant change is the increasing majority of young people. The messengers averaged under 40. Back of this change is the work of two small but excellent seminaries. Principal Schmidt, of the Swedish Seminary, is studying in the United States, on leave of absence. The leader of the Finnish group, Rev. Mikko Kolomainen, is principal of their school and its only fulltime teacher. In his utter devotion to the seminary he reminded us of Boyce and Broadus in the early days of Southern Seminary. Some of the Finnish students then go to Ruschlikon. When they return, they bring with them undimmed conviction concerning the Bible and the gospel and strong determination to grow efficient New Testament churches for their changing world.

We spent hours with groups of ministers and laymen discussing possibilities of change looking toward improvement and enlargement. Their eagerness to learn about our Southern Baptist Sunday School, Training Union, and evangelistic principles and methods was gratifying. They proposed to work with the Swedish Baptist Union in translating certain of our materials with adaptions for their use. Much interest was expressed in the suggestion that a Commission of the Bap-

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The following books have been received:

Threads of Gold, by Myrtie Lee Powers, Vantage, 1957, \$3.

The Prayer Telephone, by Archie Pennman, Greenwich Publishers, 1957, \$2.50.

Visible Glory, by Fred Z. Browne, Greenwich, 1957, \$2.50.

God's P. O. W., by William H. Rittenhouse, Jr., Greenwich, 1957, \$2.50.

The Spiritual Message of Hebrews, by Pearl Vass, Greenwich, \$2.75.

The Forgotten Faith of the True Worshipers, by Haig M. Mardirossian, Vantage, 1958, \$4.95. The Thread, by E. C. Guidroz, Van-

The Thread, by E. C. Guidroz, Vantage, 1958, \$3.75.

A Modern Concept of God, by John I. Gross, Vantage, 1958, \$2.95.

The Philosophy of All Possible Revelation, by Robert Matheson, Greenwich, 1957, \$2.50.

Mississippi Minister, by John J. Morant, Vantage, 1958, \$2.50. Fling Wide The Gates, by Don Bran-

Fling Wide The Gates, by Don Brandeis, Vantage, 1958, \$2.95.

Lotteries, Laws and Morals, by Judge Francis E. Williams, Vantage, 1958, \$5.

The Analysis of Revelation, by Alva. W. Sherman, Greenwich, 1958, \$2.75.

Southern Baptists in Illinois, by L. H. Moore, Benson Printing Company, Nashville, 1957.

60 Short Talks for Superintendents and Youth Leaders, by J. Vernon Jacobs, Standard Publishing Foundation, 1958, \$1.50.

When I Grow Up, by Harvey G. Albright, Convention Press, 1958.

tist European Federation be appointed to work with our Baptist World Alliance Commission to provide attractive literature for Bible study and membership training.

Baptists weigh more than they count in Finland. The general secretary of the Swedish-speaking group, Reverend Alwar Sundell of Vaasa is a candidate for parliament; apparently with good prospect of being elected.

Finland has had a long night of religious neglect. Pray that Baptists may find the way to bring in now a long day of religious awakening!

# We Are For It: 2 Plus

#### By CHESTER L. QUARLES

(Executive Secretary-Treasurer Mississippi Baptist Convention Board)

W E ARE for the "2 Plus" idea now being promoted. It assumes that the church is giving to world missions through the Cooperative Program on the percentage basis. This idea has been widely accepted. More and more churches are giving each month an exact percentage of their total undesignated contributions to world missions.

The exact percentage is set by the church in regular conference. This percentage should be as high as possible to begin with. Even new churches or missions should be able to contribute more than ten per cent of their income to world missions. Older and stronger churches should agree upon a much higher percentage.

In October 1957 a group of Missis-sippl Baptists toured South America. Much of the mission work was observed and many of the missionaries were consulted. Great inspiration was derived from these associations and conferences. It was learned for instance that in some of the South American countries the Baptist Conventions do not consider a church a cooperating church unless it gives at least ten per cent through the Cooperative World Missions Program. If such a policy were followed in the Southern Baptist Convention many hundreds of our churches now considered cooperating would automatically be dropped. I doubt if anyone would have the temerity of suggesting the adoption of such a policy now.

The "2 Plus" idea supposes that the church wants to do more continuously for missions. Advance is expected, progress is promoted. So it is suggested that the church raise the percentage each year no less than two per cent. If the percentage of the total income of the church being contributed to world missions through the Cooperative Program is 25 per cent in 1958, it is suggested that the percentage be no less than 27 per cent in 1959. Whatever the percentage might be at present "2 Plus" is suggested. This yearly increase of "2 Plus" will

This yearly increase of "2 Plus" will enable our Southern Baptist Convention to advance in all of our mission work at home and around the world. We have set large goals for ourselves to be reached by our Baptist Jubilee Year — 1964. We can easily reach our goals and thereby be able to render magnificent service for God by the simple methods: (1) have a budget, (2) give to world missions through the Cooperative Program on a percentage basis, (3) increase that percentage every year and, (4) consider no less than a 2 per cent increase yearly.

### More Serious Than Cancer

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#### By JOSEPH B. UNDERWOOD

#### Secretary, Department of Evangelism, Baptist Convention of New Mexico

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first 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.

"I HAVEN"T tried to deceive you about your physical health and I want to talk to you about something much more serious than your cancerous condition."

Dr. Dan Maddox, a New Mexico surgeon, then asked a patient, "Are you a Christian?" The reply was, "No."

A few verses of Scriptures were read, the patient asked how to pray and the Christian doctor helped him to his knees. The man, who would meet physical death in a few days, confessed his sins and accepted Christ as his Saviour.

Before witnessing to the cancer victim, Dr. Maddox had visited his patient but had not talked to him about his spiritual health. Several relatives and other visitors were in the room and he had decided to wait for a better time.

Dr. Maddox left the hospital and was walking to his car when he reminded himself, "I'm leaving on vacation in the morning and won't return for two weeks. I don't know one of my patient's relationship with Christ and he may not be here when I return."

Following the impulse of the Holy Spirit, the doctor returned to the patient and helped him prepare for eternity.

Almost daily Dr. Dan Maddox performs delicate and complicated surgery that means prolonged life and better health. "However," said the doctor, "the greatest experience I have comes from introducing a soul to Christ and seeing a life saved spiritually and eternally."

The dedicated surgeon frequently speaks before groups of pastors and laymen and always encourages God's people to be "divine muscles for Christ in your churches,"

## **Baptists in Poland**

#### By DR. R. PAUL CAUDILL

WARSAW - This is Tuesday, Aug. 12, and I am aboard a plane en route from Warsaw to Krakow. By my side is seated the Rev. Aleksander Kircun, Warsaw, president of the Baptist Un-ion of Poland. We will fill engage-ments, God willing, in Krakow and Kapowis today and tomorrow and take a general look at the work of Baptists in those areas. We are also to visit the extermination camp at Oswiesim where Hitler put to death so many Jews and Poles during his infamous era in Poland.

Before the late world war, there were some 17,000 Baptists in Poland. The work was very strong then. But the ranks of Baptists in Poland were disseminated by the resettlement of many of the Polish Baptists following the war. Many others were killed in the conflict. Consequently, there are today in Poland some 2,500 Baptist church members. There are 64 churches and about 40 preaching stations. There are a total of 27 pastors who care for the 64 churches and 40 preaching stations, assisted by 28 lay preachers. There are 25 church buildings. There are 13 other meeting places supported by the Union, and 26 private meeting places.

In the years since 1945, the Baptists of Poland have received into their churches by baptism between 48 and 118 new members every year.

Some 50 per cent of the church members are young people (quite a differ-ent picture to that in Russia), and youth meetings are held in each church. In each of the churches there is a Sunday School for young people between the ages of four and fourteen. Once or twice a year an evangelistic campaign is conducted in the churches. These evangelistic meetings last from three days to one week. Annually, study courses are provided for pastors and lay preachers. These last for ten days. This year, for the first time since the war, a course will be offered for Sunday School teachers,

Baptists in Poland publish one newspaper or magazine, "Word of Truth," with a circulation of some 2,500. It goes to the families within the membership.

In 1946, the Baptists of Poland received offical recognition. This placed them on the same level with other important church groups and gave them the same rights. The preachers and students of the Theological Seminary are freed from military service.

I have found no evidence of religious persecution in Poland recently. There is freedom for the propagation of the faith. Of course, no preacher would speak in derogatory terms of the government. But he has the utmost freedom to propagate his faith and to witness for the Lord Christ through his churches, and in person to person evangelism.

This year is for the Baptists of Poland the year of jubilee, their centennial. Let us pray earnestly for our brethren in Christ here in Poland as they begin their second century of cooperative endeavor.

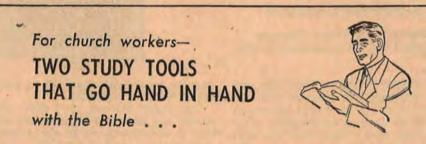
### 27 Nations Represented At Switzerland Meeting

RUSCHLIKON-ZURICH Switzerland -(BP)- Over 100 delegates from 27 nations met at European Baptist Seminary here for sessions of the executive committee of the Baptist World Alliance.

Main item on the agenda of the executive committee was plans for the Baptist World Congress in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, in 1960.



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#### SEVENTH DAY BAPTISTS

GOVINA, Calif. — Three hundred and fifty delegates to the 146th annual conference of the Seventh Day Baptist Church sat down at the California Baptist Theological Seminary here for business sessions, prayer meetings and workshops, Aug. 11-16.

The Church represents a constituency of 6,000 in the U. S. and 4,000 overseas missionaries and church members.

#### HITS PROFANITY

CHICAGO (Special) — "What truly puzzles me," declared Columnist Jack Mabley in his daily column on the second front page of the Chicago Daily News, "about the flood of profanity and blasphemy is that much of it comes from people who attend churches and temples, who claim a religion of which the 10 Commandments is an integral part.

"One of the Commandments says thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain. This is broken several million times a day in Chicago."

#### CHANGE IN RATING SINS

COLUMBUS, Ohio -- Results of a survey of moral codes among undergraduate students at Ohio State University reveal significant changes in the classification of sins. The survey, conducted every 10th year since 1929, recently asked OSU students to rank a list of the same 50 sins in the order of immorality. Answers reveal that the students believe it is less reprehensible to use poison gas on a civilian enemy than it is to forge a check or commit adultery; that suicide or falsifying a federal income tax return are more heinous than a strong power's unjustness toward a weaker nation.

Kidnapping and hit-run driving, as in previous years, were considered the worst of offenses, but the attitude toward sex morals was considerably more liberal.

#### CATHOLICS USE PUBLIC RELATIONS

NEW YORK — Roman Catholics must beam the good news of the church beyond the limits of the Catholic press," John E. Kelly, a Roman Catholic priest and public information expert, urged recently.

"We must preach the Gospel to every creature, not just to Catholic press subscribers," he declared.

Kelly asserted that where intelligence, time and money have been given to public relations, Catholic efforts have been more than adequate.

# -Baptist Crosscurrents A Prayer Of Thanksgiving

O. W. SHIELDS was praying and as he prayed he expressed thanks that he had lived to see the day when Baptists were correlating their work. (Many Illinoisians will remember Dr. Shields, long time state evangelist in Illinois—and several years pastor of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Carbondale). Brother Shields says that he has not retired but just shifted gears. Living in Hot Springs, Arkansas, he was back in Illinois assisting his son-in-law in a revival. As Brother Shields prayed in this devotional period of the Madison County Missions Clinic, I realized anew that in many ways Baptists have correlated their program.

Brother Shields remembers a day when Sunday School people were so zealous for their work that they actually fought other work in the church. Big classes, big rooms, big names, and the church was secondary. A church might have 1000 in Sunday School and 250 in preaching services. The Sunday School has also been fought. The editor once knew a pastor who would not go into the church house until Sunday School was over. He sat out in his car until they dismissed. Training Union, W.M.U. and Brotherhood have all gone through that stage of promotion where many thought of them as the sole aim of the church. All else was extraneous and could just as well be eliminated. Others felt that they were of the devil and had no place in the church.

But today it is different. Every agency is convinced of the worthwhileness of every other agency in the church. Not only so, but everyone rejoices in the success of every agency. We realize that a church with 600 in Sunday School, 50 in Training Union, 25 in W.M.U. and 10 in Brotherhood is a sick church, poorly developed. The church with 600 in Sunday School, 300 in Training Union, 150 in W.M.U. and 85 in Brotherhood is a much healthier church.

Baptists have reached a plateau in the correlation of their work where we are in agreement on the worthwhileness of all the functions and agencies of the church.

We need to reach another plateau and we will. We need to realize that there are some areas where Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union and Brotherhood duplicate each others efforts. We need to reach the place where we will eliminate this overlapping and delegate such responsibility to whatever agency may be best equipped to deal with it without feeling that we have betrayed any one of the agencies or functions. We have a good many useless and overlapping meetings. But no one will give in that their meeting is not of primary importance. At the present time and under the present thinking it is of primary importance—but when we reach another plateau in correlation we will come to see that duplication is just as much a waste of efficiency as the antagonism of a generation ago that existed between some areas of effort.

Baptists are moving toward correlation. Our churches will become better balanced and healthier when we arrive at this next plateau.

-Editor L. H. Moore, The Illinois Baptist

## Problem Mothers

"OF COURSE this is a foolish venture . . . A man just can't talk about mothers and get away with it . . . But somebody needs to . . . The case histories of hundreds of thousands of emotionally immature sons in World War II attest that somebody ought to talk to mothers . . . Men are less important to their children than women. So few fathers grow from "biological incidental" through "economic necessity" to "responsible partner" in child rearing that they really are less closely related to the parent problem. Consequently, more problem parents are mothers, even though many times mother is a problem because papa is no real father. And to whom is mother a problem? To her little son, of course, most of all." —Carlyle Marney, in *Dangerous Fathers*, *Problem Mothers*, and Terrible Teens, Abingdon, 1958, \$2.

## New Cabinet Member Calls For Evangelism of Youth

EFFECTIVE EVANGELISM of youth should begin in the local church back home, rather than on a college campus, in the opinion of Dr. Arthur S. Fleming, newly-appointed Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare. Dr. Fleming, who is relinquishing the presidency of Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio, to assume the cabinet post, told the National Methodist Convocation on Evangelism that "there is no more effective witness on our college campuses than the student who comes from a local church that has measured up to the challenge of Christian education."

He called on church members to make their Sunday School programs more effective. "Instead of sitting back in our easy chairs complaining about the young people in this generation." he said, "let's go out and talk to them about Jesus' way of life." Effective Christian education would set in motion spiritual forces that would make it possible for the United States "to save its life by losing it in service for others," Dr. Fleming declared.

## This I Believe Billy Graham Is No Deceiver

This I believe, when Billy Graham is attacked and classified as a "deceiver," "unethical," "intellectually dishonest," "short of ethics," "standards one thing in public another in private," and "his humility a myth," those of us who love him, trust his integrity and believe in his humility, should bear our testimony.

This sharp and stinging criticism appears in a June 20 issue of a paper which its editor represents as "The mouthpiece of evangelism in America." The editor, the avowed critic of Billy Graham, says he represents 20,000 preachers, 3,000 missionaries and hundreds of evangelists.

The sharp criticism of Evangelist Graham grows, in this instance, out of a book written by Dr. Robert Ferm. The book, under the title, "Cooperative Evangelism," is labeled paid propaganda. The critic claims the book is not only paid propaganda but is an effort by Mr. Graham "to excuse his yoking up with modernists and to smear fundamentalists." It is primarily a fundamentalist's attack on Mr. Graham.

The critic claims "Dr. Graham compromises. He saw certain things the modernists could give him; so he de-

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cided to win the friendship of the modernists by sneering at fundamentalists." He says Mr. Graham's påid propagandist "slanders the dead to excuse his compromises." He seeks to discount Mr. Graham's beautiful humility by calling it a myth — "The myth of Graham's humility."

This I believe, thoughtful people who have observed Mr. Graham's life and followed his ministries in his various crusades and world preaching tours will not be impressed with the criticisms. Many of us believe Mr. Graham is being strangely used of the Lord. We are willing for the scriptural test to be applied, "By their fruits shall you know them."

Therefore, upon many lips the question emerges, why would one who claims to have the "mouthpiece" of evangelism and himself an evangelist, so sharply and caustically criticize Mr. Graham who is attracting and preaching to unprecedented crowds? This I believe, is the one prevailing answer one hears: "Jealousy," "envy." These are the motivating influences one hears. Let us hope not.

This I believe, the critic of Mr. Graham has done good. Books from his pen have blessed. His paper carries sermons from the greatest of preachers. But no soul can survive the poisons of jealousy and envy. Mr. Moody in a sermon warned against it by using a fable to illustrate.

An eagle was jealous of another that could outfly him. He saw a sportsman one day and said to him, "I wish you would bring down that eagle." The hunter replied that he would if only he had some feathers to put into his arrow. So the jealous eagle pulled one out of his wing.

The arrow was shot, but it didn't quite reach the exalted eagle; it was flying too high. But the envious eagle kept pulling out more feathers until he had lost so many that he could not fly, and the sportsman turned around and killed him.

Said Mr. Moody, "If you are jealous, the only man you hurt is yourself." This I believe, if jealousy is the motive of Billy's fundamentalist critics.

Now your orchid from the Garden of God's Word: "Little children love one another."—Forrest C. Feezor, Executive Secretary, Baptist General Convention of Texas.

WITH MEMBERS of Congress eager to end the session, the story of the Indian visiting his fellow tribesman who was sick in the hospital has been called to mind to discourage long speeches. The visiting Indian said, "How um feel?" "Ugh." "How um like pretty nurse?" "Ugh, ugh, ugh." "Me ask simple question. Don't make long speech." —Brooks Hays

#### ARKANSAS BAPTIST

## Churches Call Ministers of Music

TWO MINISTERS of music and four music and education directors have recently been called to churches in Arkansas, LeRoy McClard, director of the Church Music department of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, has announced.

They are: Robert Hatzfeld, minister of music, 1st Church, Springdale; Max. Alexander, minister of music, Park Hill Baptist Church, North Little Rock; and the following ministers of education: Thurman Hitchcock, 1st Church, Bentonville; Edward H. Pine, Immanuel, Fort Smith; Haskell Lindsey, 1st Church, Rogers; Robert Glenn, 1st Church, Forrest City.

Mr. Hitchcock is a graduate of Texas Wesleyan College, Ft. Worth, and received the master-of-religious-education degree from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth. He has completed one year of music at Southwestern Seminary and has served at the Bowles Memorial Church, Grand Prairie, Texas, and the John T. White Church of Fort Worth.

Mr. Lindsay is a graduate of Campbellsville Baptist College, Kentucky, and has done advance college work at the University of Louisiana. He recently moved from 1st Church, Forrest City, to his present work.

Mr. Pine attended Youngstown University and Edward Bok Vocational School, Philadelphia. He was graduated last May from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth.

Mr. Hatzfeld comes to Arkansas from Southern Seminary, Louisville, where he received the master-of-sacred music degree last May. He has the bachelor-of-music degree, with a major in choral directing, from Oklahoma Baptist University.

Mr. Alexander has the bachelor-ofmusic degree from Oklahoma Baptist University, where he took a major in choral conducting and voice. He received the master-of-sacred-music degree from Southwestern Seminary in 1955. He comes to his present work from Highland Park Church, Texarkana, Texas.

Mr. Glenn has the bachelor-of-sacredmusic and bachelor-of-religious-education degrees from Southwestern Seminary and studied at Southern Methodist University. He moved from Tabernacle Church, Little Rock, to his present work.

## Adams Announces 1960 **Baptist Congress Theme**

ZURICH, Switzerland -(BP)- The theme for the Baptist World Alliance Congress to be held in Rio de Janeiro in 1960 will be "Jesus Christ Is Lord." The Scripture text theme is Phil. 2:10-11, Theodore F. Adams, Richmond, Alliance president, announced at the meeting in nearby Ruschlikon. Dates of this tenth meeting of the Baptist World Alliance Congress will be June 26-July 3.



MR. HITCHCOCK

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## **Candidate for Mission** Field Dies in Wreck

MISS MARY Littleton died July 26 shortly after she was in an automobile crash near Pittsboro, N. C., which also took the lives of her two companions. A candidate for foreign mission appointment, she was the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Homer R. Littleton, Southern Baptist missionaries in Kumasi, Ghana. Miss Littleton was



### Married But Not in Love

QUESTION: I'm 30 years of age and married to a fine Christian man several years older than I am. We have

two children. But the trouble is that I don't love him as a wife should love a husband, but as a daughter loves her daddy. We married when I was 15 and my parents did not teach me much.

Now I am in love

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with a man who is nearer my age. What can I do? I do not believe in separation and divorce. I am miserable.

ANSWER: The difference in age is probably not your real problem. You seem to be a very dependent person who was looking for a father figure and found one. But the man you are in love with, or think you are, is likely another father figure. You need to find a good marriage counselor who can help you to restructure your interpersonal relations with your husband. I judge that he treats you like a child and you treat him like a father. This is not good husband-wife behavior.

How did you fall in love with this other man? Devote the same amount of thought and admiration to your husband and you will feel less miserable. In the meantime, build a rich, useful life for yourself and quit chas-ing rainbows. This will help your misery too. I wouldn't jump out of the frying pan into the fire. Life can be rich even in an inadequate marriage.

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## White Says Communism Increasing in Japan

HOUSTON —(BP) — K. O. White, pastor of 1st Baptist Church here, said "there is a good deal of communism in Japan and it is growing."

Dr. and Mrs. White recently returned from a six-week mission tour of Hawaii and Japan.

He said "Japan is growing and there is a lot of poverty. Communists are giving them a lot of false rumors and hopes.

"The people are falling away from religion due partly to the emperor's renunciation of being a divine person," he added.



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# Eisenhower Proclaims Day of Prayer

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In our time, buffeted by unprecedented changes and challenged by an aggressive denial of Divine Providence, we have continuing need of the wisdom and strength that comes from God, and we shall always find our highest satisfaction in a steadfast purpose to know and to do His will.

In that spirit, the Congress, by a joint resolution approved April 17, 1952 (66 Stat. 64), has provided "That the President shall set aside and proclaim a suitable day each year, other than a Sunday, as a National Day of Prayer, on which the people of the United States may turn to God in prayer and meditation at churches, in groups, and as individuals."

It is a privilege to carry out this resolution, and I accordingly set aside Wednesday, the first day of October, 1958, as a National Day of Prayer; and I call upon my fellow Americans and all who may be visitors in our country, each according to his own faith, to join in prayer for our Nation and for all mankind, and especially:

First, that we may be humbly mindful that this Nation, under God, arrived at its present position by the toil and sacrifice of many citizens who coordinated personal interests to the common welfare and passed on to us a heritage with which we are singularly blessed;

Second, that we may have Divine guidance in our efforts to lead our children in the paths of truth and to provide a healthy environment in which they may grow in body, mind, and spirit;

Third, that we may ever exercise a compassionate concern for human suffering, whether at home or in distant lands, and that we may strive to alleviate hunger, eradicate disease, and advance the well-being of our neighbors.

Fourth, that we may be saved from blinding pride and from any act hurtful to the concord of free nations joined in building a just and durable peace under the guiding hand of Almighty God;

And, finally, that we may have courage to move forward in the unconquerable spirit of a free people, strong in faith, having a will to endure the burdens which have been given us to carry in our day, and to work toward goals of human betterment which may be attained only beyond our span of years.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.—Dwight D. Eisenhower.

## Alabama Appoints Public Relations Head

MONTGOMERY — (BP) — David K. Morris assumed duty Aug. 1 as administrative assistant in charge of public relations for Alabama Baptist Convention, according to an announcement by A. Hamilton Reid, executive secretary for the Alabama Baptist State Executive Board. He will help promote Baptist work in Alabama through communication media.

A recent graduate of Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, he has for the past year-and-a-half been the director of the office of news and information for Southwestern Seminary. Prior to that, he was director of public relations for Mississippi College, in Clinton, Miss., for two years.

#### BROTHERHOOD

Nelson Tull, Secretary

#### Where Are They?

WE'RE THINKING of Baptist men and Baptist boys. Where are they on Sunday morning during Sunday



Where are they on ng during Sunday School? Where are those who are not in

Sunday School and not in church? Where are they on Sunday evening during 'Training Union and the church service which follows? Where are they during the Wednesday evening prayer service? Where are they when the time ar-

rives for church-wide visitation? Where are they during revivals?

We thank God for faithful men and faithful boys who are always found where they ought to be, doing God's will. May their number be increased!

The task of Brotherhood is to enlist God's men and boys in all the work of their church. How can this be done? By utilizing faithful men and boys in a continuing effort to lead other men and boys over into the realm of faithfulness in life and in service. Just leading men and boys to be faithful in attending the church services is not necessarily leading them into faithfulness. They must be led to do the work that God saved them to do; to establish habits of service, and to give all they are and have over. into the God-given work of their church.

Men and boys are generally going to be found busy doing something. What they do may be worthwhile, or not worthwhile. But they're going to be busy at something. The work of Brotherhood is to lead God's men and boys to engage habitually, consistently, continually, and perennially, in activities which are God-given, and which thus have values which are eternal (2 Corinthians 4:18).

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European Baptists Cooperate

#### By PORTER ROUTH

BERLIN, Germany —(BP)— Twenty-two Baptist Unions or as an American would say, Baptist conventions or



associations, comprise the European Baptist Federation. This group met in Berlin, June 26-31, to study ways and means of closer cooperation and more aggressive evangelism. The meeting took place against the background of one of the most dra-

MR. ROUTH

matic tensions of our time, the struggle of East against West.

One of the more significant things accomplished was the summation of feelings and convictions in a Declaration. Following is the text of that declaration:

The Second Congress of the European Baptist Federation lies behind us. God has heard our many prayers and has granted to us a great and blessed fellowship. We have the firm conviction that this Congress has enabled us to take an important step forward toward a closer cooperation of the 22 Unions of our Federation.

Most of all we are grateful that for the first time since the last world war, it has been possible for Baptists from the people's democracies both from the East and from the West to have greater contact with each other. We found through our fellowship that we all have the same conviction that Christ alone is our hope, because He has died for all and has risen again. He alone can redeem the world and set up the kingdom of peace and righteousness for which humanity at all times has been longing.

We became one in our prayer to God that He may bring together those responsible in statesmanship, that they may find ways by which the powerful technical achievements of this century may not be used as weapons for a murderous war but as means for a securer peace and better conditions 'of life for all mankind. And, because we know through the Word of God about man's strong temptation to misuse the power at his disposal, we pray that God will send to all the nations the spirit of penitence, so that the hate and dissension that exist in the human heart will be rooted out and God's judgment will not come upon us in the form of another war.

The future of our churches was also the subject of our thoughts and prayers. Not that we wavered or were in disagreement about the fundamental principles of Baptists in all the world. But we see with deep sorrow the perverting power of sin, which in many ways expresses itself in modern culture, with its result that the struggle of youth for purity of body and soul becomes much harder, and it is more difficult to maintain the sound foundations of marriage and family life.

We therefore call upon all our churches to take heed to the clear message of the Word of God, not only in preaching and teaching, but also in pastoral care and education. In this way, according to the will of God, we shall be the salt and light of the earth.

But, before everything else, the Congress has had in view the year of evangelization in 1959 in which all the Baptists of the world will cooperate. In the foreground of our thoughts was placed the need for the clear witness both of the individual and the whole Christian community of believers, in order to "spread the word of salvation in Christ. We cannot create a man-made revival, because God alone appoints the hour of salvation.

With great joy the Congress has noted that even in countries where the adequate training of preachers is given only in a limited way, God nonethe-less has raised up men and women who, through a consistent witness and simple preaching, have been able to lead many people to Christ.

So we all in joyous faith go back to our churches having set our hope on Christ alone and resolved to bear a steadfast witness for Him. May the Lord our God give to us all in all our countries His richest blessing.

## TRAINING UNION Do in September

1. Get all officers elected. The nominating committee in each church should be busy now getting the Train-



ing Union workers, such as leaders and and sponsors, selected. Each union will then elect its officers the last of September or the first of October. Each union should appoint a nominating committee to select the list of officers. In no case should officers be selected by nominations

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from the floor. 2. Get the new unions formed into groups and committees. This is done with the use of organization charts which may be ordered from your Training Union Department for 2 cents each. The nominating committee in each union could fill out the chart while they are meeting to select the officers.

3. Get all Training Union workers (or at least one adult worker from each department) to attend the State Training Union Leadership Workshops at Second Church, Little Rock, on Tuesday, September 30, 10 a. m.-4 p. m.

## Sanderson Leaders Meets In South America

DALLAS —(BP) — For 30 days Baptist pastors and laymen in four South American countries will attend churchcentered evangelism conferences led by Leonard Sanderson, Dallas, secretary of evangelism for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

# **Prayer Opportunity**

#### By MRS. JOHN W. TURNER Missionary to Lebanon

IF YOU are accustomed to praying for miracles, please read this and pray.

Tripoli, Lebanon, has been our "destination" for the two years that we have been in language school in Lebanon's capital city, Beirut. It is located on the winding coast of the Mediterranean Sea, 43 miles north of Beirut.

A city the size of Waco, Tex., and predominantly Moslem, Tripoli has one small Baptist church. The warmhearted Lebanese pastor, Falz Sakhnini, has led the church to furnish workers for weekly services at a mission point inside the city and in two near-by mountain villages, Halba and Hakour. Other villages are inviting them to enter. What an opportunity!

Each time we have traveled to Tripoli to visit the Sunday services or help in the Thursday village work we have viewed the marvelous opportunity before us.

The pastor has asked my husband to hold a week of stewardship teaching and to organize adult Sunday school classes. With the power of God undergirding all efforts in Tripoli, a permanent meeting place could soon be erected on the well-located property already purchased. We would be the first Southern Baptist missionaries in Lebanon to move their residence outside the city of Beirut, and we would go to Tripoli under urgent invitation of Baptists there. What an opportunity!

At the present time this opportunity is lost.

The present political crisis in Lebanon prevents our moving to our home in Tripoli on schedule. Yet we, as boldly and as humbly as we know how, turn to the Word of God and read: "If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say into this mountain. Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done. And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in, prayer, believing, ye shall receive."

So we turn to God and pray — and we beg you to join us <u>\*</u> that this opportunity will be regained, that shortly the crisis in Tripoli will pass.

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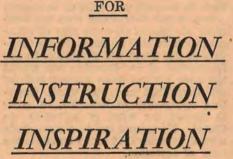
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# Baptist Medical Team Finds Crowded Conditions in Hong Kong

#### By JOSEPHINE ROBERTSON Writer, The Cleveland Plain Dealer

KOWLOON, Hong Kong —(BWA)— Members of the Baptist World Alliance medical team found an estimated 100,-000 refugees sleeping on the streets of Hong Kong, one of the most densely populated areas of the world.

Although this crown colony of Great Britain has provided apartment buildings or temporary housing for hundreds of refugees it cannot keep up with the influx. In fact, all population figures can only be estimated since the increase by birth and smuggling of refugees is impossible to calculate.

Hong Kong is one of some 25 countries being visited by the team of five physicians and nine other personnel in a three-month round-the-world tour of medical centers in Asia, Europe and Africa.

Here we saw whole families sleeping on the pavement under flimsy shelters of pressed fiber board furnished by the government, or on arcaded sidewalks in areas of a few square feet that Were partially barricaded by cardboard cartons or cloth bags containing the family's possessions. Hundreds of persons slept on concrete, without plllow or cover, under the open sky.

We found that similar congestion existed at Kwong Wah Hospital where 21,000 babies are delivered a year and mothers lie two in a bed — not in a double bed but one of conventional hospital size. Dr. K. D. Ling medical superintendent of this hospital of the Tung Wah charitable group, told us the chronically ill and maternity cases had to share beds. The acutely ill and the dying have beds to themselves. The census of the morning was 1,001 patients in 725 beds.

Dr. S. G. Rankin, a Southern Baptist physician who guided our tour at Hong Kong, operates a clinic at 76A Waterloo Road in Kowloon in one of the most densely populated areas of the world, with 2,000 persons per acre. With the help of a staff of nurses this lone doctor treats 500 patients a week.

The sick line up on his doorstep, beginning at 3 a. m. to wait for the opening of the clinic at 7:30 a. m. Except for an hour at lunchtime, Dr. Rankin works from then until 5:30 or 6 p. m. daily, including Saturday.

One quarter of his patients pay nothing. One half pay less than the cost of the medicine. The remaining quarter pay the cost of the medicine and up to the equivalent of 50 cents, U. S. money, per visit. The doctor is helped in his budget by gifts of free drugs from pharmaceutical houses. The clinic's annual deficit is made up by the Southern Baptist Mission Board.

Dr. Rankin tries to help the most sufferers possible in his workday rather than to spend a great deal of time on a few patients. Complex and prolonged treatment requiring hospitalization is not possible for many. This is because of the shortgage of hospitals here.

In the hope of helping more people, Dr. Rankin is now promoting the building of a Southern Baptist hospital on a site contributed by the Hong Kong government with certain provisos.

Preparation of the site must be completed within a year. That will cost \$50,000. Such a sum is now in hand. Blasting of the sandstone hill to provide a level place for the hospital will soon begin.

The government of the crown colony has stipulated that the hospital must be completed within three years. So Dr. Rankin and others promoting it have only a year to raise \$300,000, the estimated cost of the building. This does not include the cost of equipment for the 80 beds to be opened at the start. The hospital is expected to provide for 160 beds when in full use. "Help us if you can," said Dr. Ran-

kin. "Best, pray for us."

## MISSIONS & EVANGELISM

#### C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent

SNOWBALL CHURCH in Stone, Van Buren, Searcy Association will dedicate their building September 7. C. W. Cald-



well will preach the sermon. J. D. Passmore is pastor.

Laney McReynolds, Morningside Church, Shreveport, will be the evangelist in Lee Memorial Church revival crusade, March 8-22. Eugene Webb is pastor.

DR. CALDWELL

White River Association commends

the Tomahawk Mission for building aid. They state: "It's a wonderful opportunity to reach many souls and eventually establish a full-time Southern Baptist Church."

Stuttgart 1st Church will have O. C. Robinson, Jr., as their evangelist, March 8-15, according to announcement of the pastor, Ermon Webb.

Springdale 1st Church plans to survey the western part of their town as they anticipate establishing a new mission.

Elden Rogers will be the evangelist for Half Moon Church, April, 12-23. Walace L. Koon is pastor.

Northvale Church, Boone County, has secured property and is erecting a new building in the northwest part of Harrison. Homer Allred is pastor.

Leland Hall, West Plains, Mo., will be evangelist for 1st Church, Strong, March 9-15. Pastor is Maxwell Baker. Three new missions have been established this year in Black River Associa-

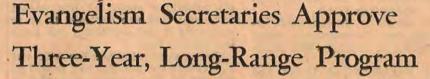
tion, according to Cecil Guthrie. Parkview Church, El Dorado, will

Parkview Church, El Dorado, will have Dr. B. K. Self as evangelist for the March Crusade. William L. Stone is pastor.

Lowell Wright has resigned as missionary in Boone and Newton Associations to accept a pastorate at Hickman, Ky. A great loss in our mission program!

Cotter Church, Monroe Palmer, pastor, will have R. P. Thompson, Oklahoma City, as evangelist, April 12-26.

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A THREE-YEAR, long-range program for deepening evangelistic consciousness was approved by the state secretaries of evangelism of the Southern Baptist Convention in their conference at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly.

The three-year plan will follow the 1959 Simultaneous Crusade, a continent-wide crusade by seven Baptist bodies, and will help in implementing the Jubilee Advance.

How-to-do-it materials will be prepared to accent a yearly emphasis; these will include materials for the associational officers, 1960; for the church officers, 1961; and on personal soul-winning, for the individual church member, in 1962, in an effort to enlist every church member in soul-winning.



## Children's Nook-

God's Wondrous World

# A Log Schoolhouse

### By THELMA C. CARTER

Y OU PROBABLY have seen a picture of a log schoolhouse, with pioneer boys and girls standing near by. If you looked closely, you may have seen tall trees in the background, and the schoolyard possibly was covered with roses, daisies, buttercups, and violets.

daisies, buttercups, and violets. If we could see beyond the picture, we would realize how important the log schoolhouse was to pioneer families. Breaking ground or clearing a forest area for a log building — especially if it were a church or schoolhouse — was an occasion of happiness and hard work.

History tells us that as soon as a settlement was established the families chose the location of their church and school. Work on these buildings usually began before haying time and harvest. Men and boys worked hard, cutting trees, stripping the branches, notching the logs for the buildings and benches.

Pioneer storybooks tell of the excitement the building activity created among the wild creatures of the forests. Squirrels, wolves, foxes, birds, even bears could be seen in shrubs, in treetops, and on hilltops, watching the boys and men at work.

Schools were in session for only a few weeks of each year. The weather was the main problem. Greased paper covered the windows, but cold winds came in through chinks between logs and around the rough doors.

There was no heat in the very early schools. Pioneer children brought heated soapstones (warmed in home ovens) upon which they warmed their feet. Later, log schoolhouses had crude fireplaces.



Reading and writing were the main subjects taught. The Bible was a chief book of the schools. Imagine how often they read: "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits" (Psalm 103:2).

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## Important People

#### By JENNIE S. TIBBETTS

A PREACHER was asked to name ten of the most important men in the Bible. Can you identify those ten men by the clues before you check the references? Score ten points for each one you guess correctly. Why do you think he chose these ten?

1. Who, when a boy twelve years of age, was lost for three days and found in the Temple? (Luke 2:42-46.)

2. Who made prophecies about the judgment, and captivity of Judah? (Isaiah 2'1.)

3. Who is called "father of a multitude" and was told by God to go to Canaan? (Genesis 12:1-5.)

4. Who led the children of Israel across the river Jordan? (Joshua 3:1, 14-17.)

5. Who dwelt in the cities of Hebron and was made king over the house of Judah: (2 Samuel 2:3-4.)

6. Who was educated in Egypt by Pharaoh's daughter? (Acts 7:21-22.)

7. Who was called "the beloved physician"? (Colossians 4:14.)

8. Who caused a disagreement between Paul and Barnabas and sailed with Barnabas to Cyprus: (Acts 15:36-39.)

9. Who was stoned at Lystra and thought to be dead? (Acts 14:19.)

10. Who was the man that was fishing with his brother Andrew when Jesus said, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men"? (Matthew 4:18-19.)

#### ANSWERS

8. Mark, 9. Paul, 10. Peter Joshus, 5. David, 6. Moses, 7. Luke, (perserved, 9. Paul, 10. Peter (perserved, 9. Paul, 10. Peter

## A Smile or Two

#### Control

A YOUNG father was pushing a baby carriage in which an infant was screaming. Wheeling the howling baby along, he kept murmuring gently, "Easy now, Donald. Keep calm, Donald. Steady boy. It's all right, Donald."

A mother passing by paused to say, "You certainly know how to talk to an upset child — quietly and gently." Then leaning over the carriage, she said, "What seems to be the trouble, Donald?"

"Oh, no," corrected the father. "He's Henry. I'm Donald!"-Christian Herald.

SMALL BOY, scowling over report card, said to his daddy, "Naturally, I seem stupid to my teacher; she's a college graduate."—Christian Herald.

#### Oh No!

A FATHER had taken his small son to church. The boy sat and listened very attentively without saying a word, until the preacher announced, "We will now sing hymn two hundred and twenty-two: "Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand.' Two hundred and twentytwo."

The puzzled boy nudged his father. "Daddy, we don't have to work this out, do we?"

#### Phony Story

THE CHIEF salesman of a certain New York firm had a very loud voice. One morning when the manager arrived at the office he heard a terrible noise coming from the salesman's office.

"Who is that shouting?" asked the manager.

"That's Mr. Hill talking to Chicago," replied the secretary.

"Well, tell him to use the telephone."

THE TEACHER had been giving the class a description of different kinds of railway cars and paused to ask if anyone knew what railroad cars that carried cattle were called. There was a moment of silence when one little fellow cried out: "I know, they're 'Cattleacs!' "—Baptist and Reflector,

#### **Old** Fashioned

A HOUSEWIFE was complaining to the repairman about her new washer and dryer that was supposed to be so wonderful it did everything but scrub the kitchen floor.

The repairman tossed a few socks and a shirt into the machine and turned on the switch. The machine proceeded to wash the clothing, dry it, fold the pieces nearly and flip them across the room where they landed tidlly in the lefthand dresser drawer.

"Well," asked the mechanic, "what's wrong with that?"

"I'll tell you what's wrong with that," screamed the housewife, "I always keep my husband's socks in the right-hand drawer!"—Capper's Weekly.

## Sunday School Lesson\_

# Justice in Daily Work

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Ex. 20:9-10; Ecc. 9:10, Eph. 4:28 Col. 3:22 to 4:1; 2 Thess. 3:6-12

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**CARLYLE ONCE** wrote, "The only happiness a brave man ever troubled himself with asking much about was happiness enough to get his work done.



Not 'can't eat!' but I can't work!' — that was the burden of all wise complaining among men." Such concepts call attention to the need for and the value in work. Work is a part of God's plan for the human race. Her advances, accomplishments, contributions

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have resulted from work. The more diligent a generation the greater the advance, the more significant the accomplishment and the more worthy the contribution.

Being a part of God's plan, work is honorable and worthy. The humblest laborer or the loftiest executive through work can render service to God and his fellow-man — not only can but must if there is to be a lasting contribution. Work is a part of God's purpose for the race; and in every instance, He has a plan for man to follow in doing His work.

1.—The Biblical emphasis upon dillgence. Haggai 2:4, Ecc. 9:10.

As Haggai the prophet admonished the people in the rebuilding of the temple: "Yet now be strong, O Zerubbabel, saith the Lord; and be strong, O Joshua, 'son of Josedech, the high priest; and be strong, all ye people of the land, saith the Lord, and work: for I am with you, saith the Lord . . ." (Haggai 2:4.) All the courage in the world would avail nothing now apart from work — hard work!

Ecclesiastes, in its effort to teach the value of the good life, calls for diligence as a contributor thereto: "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might..." Thus the implication that laxity, carelessness, halfheartedness or lack of interest in one's task will take from rather than add to the good life.

#### 2-The necessity for integrity.

Eph. 4:28, Col. 3:22.

Men may steal many things many ways. Some steal because it is an emotional sickness which needs treatment. Others steal because they lack the necessities of life. Such are those who need to get to work as Paul points out, "Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour. "Work is the best cure for the thief. Work must be done so as to justify the wage. To waste time and lie down on the job is a matter of dishonesty. A man should give a good day's work. In addition to being honest with self and employer one must consider the fact that he has an obligation to God. All must answer to conscience, most must answer to his employer, but it is absolutely certain that we must be able to answer to God, Col. 3:22.

#### 3.-The key to integrity.

Col. 3:23-25.

When one puts work in its proper place in attitude and manner he realizes that beyond every other aspect there is the aspect of service. Service to man, yes, but ultimately service to God. Therefore the counsel "Whatsoever ye do, do it, as to the Lord." Such will assure integrity, personal satisfaction and God's blessing.

#### -4.—God's plan for the worker. Ex. 20:9-10.

God's plan for the worker was twofold. He was to work: "Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work," and he was to rest and worship. There is a vital relationship between the two. An acceptable sabbath cannot be kept unless there has been honest labor the other days of the week. God has always expected work of man — even hefore he fell. The very worship of his heart is related to it. After work God revealed concern for man's welfare and commanded a day for rest and worship. The sabbath was for the purpose of worship, so necessary — but not worship only: it was for man's physical welfare also, as he rested.

#### 5.—God's will for the employer. Col. 4:1.

Though the primary emphasis of this lesson has been upon the worker's duties and responsibilities there are nevertheless great responsibilities resting upon the employer. He must be 'just,' he must be 'fair' and he must realize his duty to God: "Ye also have a master in heaven." The employer, like the worker, must face up to his God-given responsibility and treat all employees in justice and fairness.

6.—The idler.

2 Thess. 3:6-12.

There is no reason for idleness, not even the imminent return of the Lord. Paul had kept right on at his task. All followers should act the same. Work is a worthy, necessary and blessed thing. When all men realize it there will be a greater measure of happiness and sense of mission in the hearts and lives of all.

#### SUNDAY LAW FOR N. J.

NEWARK, N. J. — A new law, prohibiting the Sunday sale of clothing, home and office appliances and furnishings, lumber and building materials in 18 of New Jersey's 21 counties, has been signed by Governor Robert B. Meyney. Atlantic, Cape May and Ocean Counties were excluded to protect the retail trade of the boardwalks of coast resorts.

Enforcement of the new law was stayed, however, by Superior Court Judge Joseph L. Smith, pending a test of the constitutionality of the statute.



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trast to these are the garage buildings, front porches, and crowded rooms in private homes where our Baptist services must be conducted.

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"Out of our mission's list of the ten most urgent needs to be met with 1957 Advance Funds, only eight could be provided. The remaining two were for urgently needed chapel buildings. I feel that there would have been money enough for these also, if last year's Cooperative Program goal had been reached a little earlier."—Kathleen Jones (MD), Baptist Hospital, Kediri, Indonesia

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