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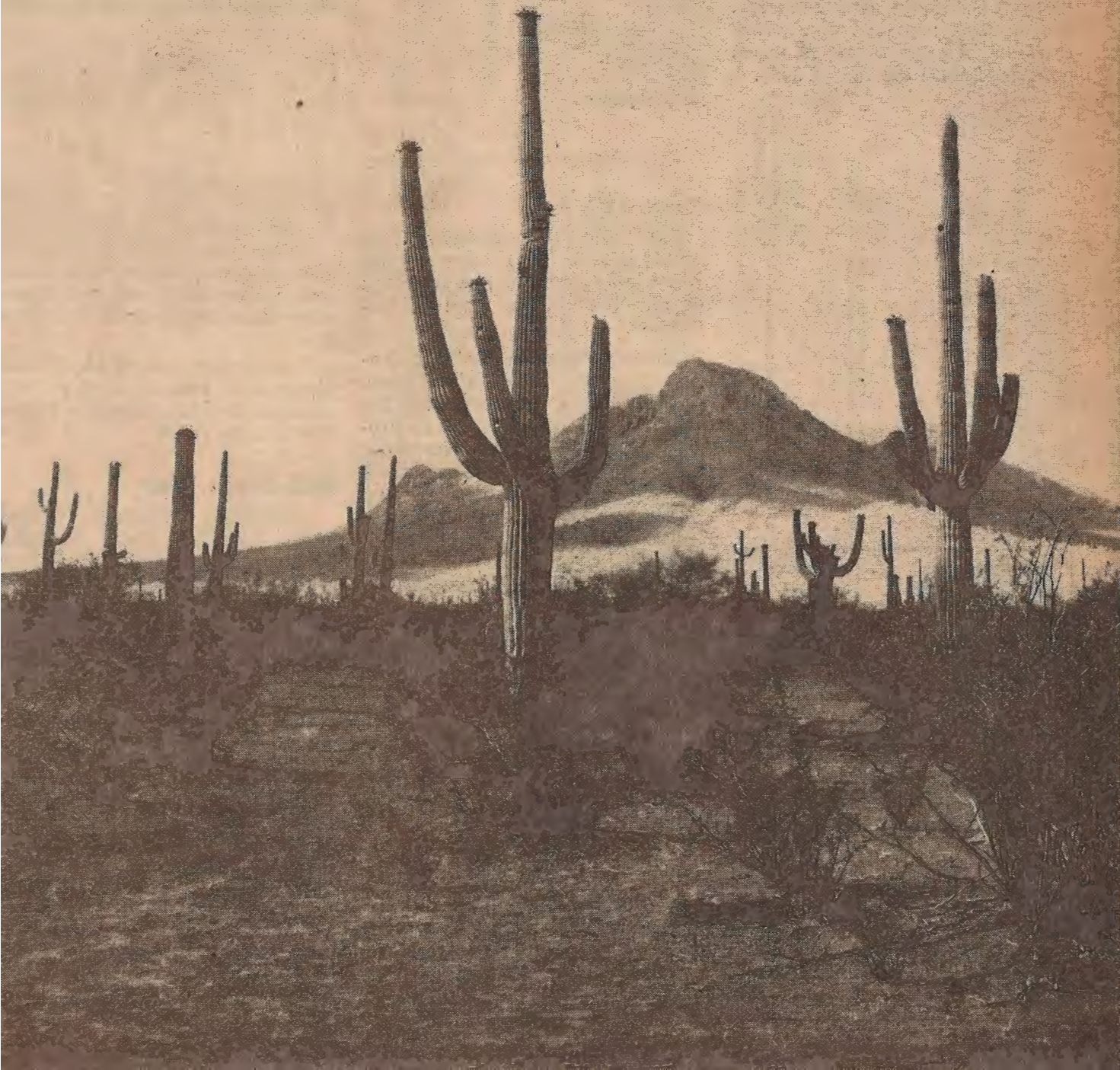
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Church Gifts

THERE ARE 1,167 churches in the 44 associations in Arkansas affiliated with the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. Through the third quarter of this year 1,043 of the churches have contributed to world missions through the Cooperative Program. This leaves a total of 124 churches which have had no part in the world mission program of their Convention.

In the following report it will be noted that seven of our associations have a 100 per cent record of mission giving by their churches through the Cooperative Program. We do hope and pray that every church will have a part in world missions before the end of 1960.

| Association | No. of Churches | No. Churches not Contributing Thru Cooperative Program |
|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| Arkansas Valley | 26 | 2 |
| Ashley | 21 | 5 |
| Bartholomew | 25 | 4 |
| Benton | 23 | 2 |
| Big Creek | 13 | 2 |
| Black River | 30 | 6 |
| Boone | 23 | 0 |
| Buckner | 33 | 7 |
| Buckville | 4 | 0 |
| Caddo River | 18 | 6 |
| Carey | 19 | 1 |
| Caroline | 26 | 3 |
| Carroll | 8 | 1 |
| Centennial | 11 | 0 |
| Central | 39 | 2 |

| | | |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|
| Clear Creek | 31 | 3 |
| Concord | 41 | 5 |
| Conway-Perry | 15 | 2 |
| Current River | 19 | 4 |
| Dardanelle-Russellville | 25 | 1 |
| Delta | 36 | 9 |
| Faulkner | 25 | 3 |
| Gainesville | 16 | 2 |
| Greene | 41 | 4 |
| Harmony | 33 | 2 |
| Hope | 43 | 2 |
| Independence | 18 | 0 |
| Liberty | 51 | 1 |
| Little Red River | 16 | 4 |
| Little River | 28 | 2 |
| Mississippi | 42 | 0 |
| Mt. Zion | 35 | 3 |
| Newton | 5 | 0 |
| Ouachita | 20 | 3 |
| Pulaski | 76 | 4 |
| Red River | 36 | 5 |
| Rocky Bayou | 17 | 3 |
| Stone-VB-Searcy | 21 | 4 |
| Tri-County | 43 | 6 |
| Trinity | 31 | 5 |
| Washington-Madison | 28 | 1 |
| White County | 26 | 3 |
| White River | 17 | 0 |
| Woodruff | 12 | 1 |
| Miscellaneous | 1 | 1 |
| | 1,167 | 124 |

—S. A. Whitlow, Executive Secretary

Over The Top

OUR STATE Cooperative Program receipts have been a little above last year but we are far short of our 1960 budget goal of \$1,650,000.

If every church in our State Convention will share its income with the Cooperative Program in November and December, it will help make up the deficit. If every church that is behind with its 1960 Cooperative Program gifts will "catch-up" during this month and the next, that will help us to supply some pressing needs. Then, if every church that comes to the end of the year with a good surplus in the operating budget will give that to world missions through the Cooperative Program, we can reach our state goal of \$1,650,000 for the year.



DR. DOUGLAS

We regret that we must keep reminding our people that the Cooperative Program gifts are a vital part of Kingdom work. Cooperative Program money goes to educate young people; to help feed orphans; to keep missionaries on the firing

line for God; to broadcast the Gospel over radio and television; and help promote Christianity and the preaching of the Gospel around the world. In fact, it is the life blood of Baptists.

If Baptists did not have the Cooperative Program, our work would be of the "slap-dash-hit-or-miss" type. With the Cooperative Program our money is channeled into every phase of Baptist work, so that all share alike.

Let's go over the top in 1960! Your church can help us do it by doing the magnanimous thing, giving something extra through the Cooperative Program.

Forward Program Reports

MANY OF our churches are using the Forward Program of Church Finance this year to help them set up and subscribe their 1961 budgets.

If your church is using the program and you do not have a report blank, please notify our office and we shall be happy to send you one.


These reports that come to our office help us evaluate the program and it also helps and encourages other churches to study it and use it.

The reports are vital. Please, please take time to send us one!
—Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary. ■

Full-Scale War

MENADO, Northern Celebes (EP)—The Rev. Heini Germann-Edey, a Swiss missionary whose home is in Batu, Java, recently visited this northern outpost of Indonesia and reports that the tragic war between government troops and rebel native forces is still going on, "resulting in untold suffering, separation and death."

"The battle has been waging so long now it is no longer news," the missionary said. "The streets of Menado are emptied every evening at 5:30, and hospitals and clinics are hardly able to operate. Large multitudes of refugees, having barely the necessities of life, live half-wild on the outskirts of the city. They hope eventually to get government aid, but it is so limited it scarcely does any good." ■



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THE PEOPLE SPEAK

'Feed My Sheep'

"THE Art of Building Worship Services" by T. B. McDormand, is a book recently advertised in the Arkansas Baptist. This title suggests some constructive thinking. What are the detractions and what are the contributions in our worship services?

People attend church for various reasons—some to visit, some to be seen, and some for prestige, but mostly, people want to worship. The choir carefully selects the songs designed to establish a spiritual atmosphere and to set the tempo for the service to follow. Then, usually, a most un-natural thing happens. Acknowledgments, introductions, welcomes, announcements of special groups, and review of the church bulletin are time consuming and definitely not conducive to worship.

The choir has tried to make the heart receptive and the interruption has largely destroyed the attitude of meditation and worship. The pastor then delivers the message, after much prayer and preparation, and often wonders why so much of it fell upon barren ground. How can the seed reach full production when the seed bed has not been properly prepared? A spiritual attitude cannot be turned on and off like a water faucet. It must be developed and cultivated. The Master exemplified this when he prayed all night.

Some might say that the people will not read the bulletin. Dives was strongly advised that if his brothers would not listen to the prophets, neither would they listen though one came to them from the dead. By the same token, if the people will not read the bulletin, neither will they listen to the announcements. If there must be announcements, let them come from the choir director or someone else and at a time when they do not interfere. It would not detract from the pastor but would add much to the service.

A visiting evangelist once consumed ten minutes before he started preaching. It was unnecessary and had no value. There were about 500 in the congregation. He not only wasted more than ten eight-hour days but he also consumed a total of 500 more minutes publicly criticizing a little girl for turning the pages of a hymn book.

More important than the wasted time was the fact that the whole procedure was a detraction from the worship service. We sometimes get the idea that whatever we do in the name of Christianity is all right, but it was not all right in the days of Christ. The pompous Pharisee went out unjustified.

We set goals and promote drives to get people to church and this is good. After they are there, both laymen and pastors alike must be more keenly aware that their hearts are hungry. The Master said, "Feed my sheep," but sheep don't eat just anything. Every man has a consciousness of his need for God. Let us

not do things in the Lord's house that might drive him farther away from that feeling of need, and it can easily be done. Whether we face it or not, this question is vitally important.—T. N. Moss, Harrison

Grateful for Paper

WE the Timothy Union of Calvary Church (Little Rock) wish to express to you our appreciation for the fine job you are doing as editor of our Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine.

All of us enjoy reading the paper each week. We are grateful for your fine editorials and their Christian attitude.

Leland Landers
Beulah Landers
Wilson Ferguson
Nina Pound
Mrs. T. K. Rucker
Lena Goodwin
Jesse S. Reed
Mrs. W. Wilson Ferguson
Mrs. Jesse Reed

REPLY: Thanks, dear friends. This is linament for my cuts and bruises.—ELM

Anglican School

ORILLIA, Ont. —(EP)— Men past 30 in Canada's province of Ontario who feel inclined toward the ministry may now study in special classes near home.

The Anglican Church of Canada here approved plans by delegates to the provincial synod calling for a school either in London or in Toronto, Ont. The program will offer a three-year course — the first two years in night classes in the candidates' own churches; the last year in residence at the training center.

Reunion Abandoned

SEOUL, Korea —(EP)— Following adjournment of the General Assemblies of the Presbyterian Church in Korea, most officials had abandoned hope of reunion with the minority Sung Dong Presbyterian group.

Approximately 25 per cent of Korea's Presbyterians are now in the Sung Dong camp, which withdrew from the main body last year in opposition to ecumenical and inter-church activities. Records of the meeting show that efforts of the Sung Dong Assembly to vote affiliation with the International Council of Christian Churches were tabled and that negotiations were begun looking to absorption of the Koryu Presbyterian Church, an earlier right-wing splinter group centered largely in the Pusan area. ■

THE BOOKSHELF

THE AMERICAN HERITAGE PICTURE HISTORY OF THE CIVIL WAR, Narrative by Bruce Catton, Doubleday, Oct. 31, 1960, \$19.95 for regular, one-volume edition; \$25 for two-volume, boxed edition, including 40-page supplement listing a chronology of the major events of the War.

AMONG the more than 18,000 volumes known to have been written about the American Civil War, this volume stands unique. Here, for the first time, is an all-embracing account of the war illustrated by more than 800 pictures, a great number of which are in color, and including many of the superb photographs of Mathew Brady and the famous sketches of Winslow Homer, along with dozens of hitherto unknown paintings, drawings, and eye-witness battle scenes which have been hidden away or neglected for nearly a century.

No previous volume has approached the magnitude and the color found in this collection. Latest modern printing techniques, including both letterpress and offset reproduction, have been used to provide almost unbelievable quality.

The fast-moving narrative, in the inimitable style of Mr. Catton, covers both the military and political aspects of the war. He brings to life the leaders and the common soldiers on both sides. In a tribute to the soldiers, Mr. Catton writes:

"... the real load was carried from first to last by the ordinary soldier. Poorly trained and cared for, often very poorly led, he was unmilitary but exceedingly warlike. A citizen in arms, incurably individualistic even under the rod of discipline, combining frontier irreverence with the devout piety of an unsophisticated society, he was an ardent sentimentalist with an inner core as tough as the heart of a hickory stump. He had to learn the business of war as he went along because there was hardly anyone on hand qualified to teach him, and he had to pay for the education of his generals, some of whom were all but totally ineducable.

"In many ways he was just like the G. I. Joe of modern days, but he lived in a simpler era, and when he went off to war he had more illusions to lose. He lost them with all proper speed, and when the fainthearts and weaklings had been winnowed out, he became one of the stoutest fighting men the world has ever seen. In his own person he finally embodied what the war was all about."

Eighteen battle-picture maps, in color, give a bird's eye view of the fields of conquest. A comprehensive index lists all names, places and events. A total of 375,000 copies are being printed on the first print order. ■

Editorials

SOMETIMES Southern Baptists are accused of "talking money" too much. Whether or not we talk it too much may continue to be a moot subject, but, according to the latest figures on per capita giving, we are far from giving too much money for church and religious causes. According to the annual report of the Department of Stewardship and

Southern Baptists Rank 40th in Gifts

Benevolence of the National Council of Churches, Southern Baptists, with an average of \$53.88 in church giving for 1959, ranked 40th among the 46 denominations included in the tabulation. For whatever it is worth to our denominational ego, our per capita giving rated above the following: Unity of the Brethren, \$52.45; The Methodist Church, \$52.18; American Baptist Convention, \$48.52; Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, \$47.86; Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, \$47.32; and Cumberland Presbyterian Church, \$46.70.

Members of the Free Methodist Church obviously do not believe that salvation is free in the sense that nothing is required of Christians. They headed the list, giving \$269.71 per member! Three other denominations or churches gave more than \$200 per member: Wesleyan Methodist Church, \$228.13; Evangelical Free Church, \$203.54; and Pilgrim Holiness Church, \$200.48. The complete tabulation will be found elsewhere in this issue.

Total giving for 49 church bodies (including three small groups not listed because their reports were not complete) was \$2,407,464,641 for 1959, NCC reports. For 35 of the church bodies, figures for which made it possible to compare the giving for 1959 with the previous year, there was a gain in per capita gifts of \$3.03 or 4.6 per cent. This group registered a 6.6 per cent gain for congregational expenses. A gain of 4.5 per cent was noted in gifts to benevolences (home and foreign missions, overseas relief, rehabilitation, etc.). Giving for foreign missions increased only four cents per member to total \$2.26.

Twenty-seven church bodies indicated they expended a total of \$328,104,500 during the year for new church buildings, representing 28.7 per cent of all local congregational outlays. This compares with \$358,358,112 reported for new church buildings by 25 church bodies in 1958. ■

SHORTLY after this issue of the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* reaches the readers, hundreds of Baptists from over the state will be on their way to Fayetteville for the 107th Annual Session of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, to be held Nov. 15-17 at 1st Church, Dr. Andrew M. Hall, pastor. This will be the first time in many years

Baptist Eyes Turn

Toward Fayetteville!

the convention has met outside the Capitol City. The fact that Fayetteville is located in the extreme northwest corner of the state will doubtless mean that fewer messengers will attend, but having the convention meet in this section will give those who do attend an opportunity to see some of Arkansas' most picturesque scenery at its autumn best, as well as to visit one of the most progressive fields of Baptist endeavor. Surely none of those Baptists who have found distance no barrier to attending Arkansas University football games on the University's home grounds will stay away from the convention sessions because of the miles between.

A glance at the convention program (featured elsewhere in this issue) indicates we are in store for some truly mountain-top experiences, some of Southern Baptists' great, inspirational speakers being scheduled. The pictorial presentation of the work of Arkansas Baptists, following a script prepared by Mrs. Ralph Douglas, will be one of the highlights. Dr. Bernes K. Selph will be completing his first year as president of the convention and will be eligible for reelection.

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Personally Speaking . . .

Fishing in a Tub

EVER hear of the man who decided to fish in a tub?

After months and years of going fishing every week or two, he began to get lazy and stingy. He got to thinking



ELM

how tired he was after an afternoon at the lake, hooking up and unhooking his boat, loading and unloading his motor, gasoline can, tackle box, bait, poles, etc. One day he made the fatal mistake of figuring up how much per pound the fish he caught were costing him. That was

the last straw. He decided to fish in a tub in his back yard.

So when Thursday afternoon came—he always fished on Thursdays so that he could be home for prayer meeting on Wednesdays—he got a No. 2 washtub and set it out under a shade tree in his back yard, got his fishing pole and line, pulled up a comfortable lawn chair and he was "in business."

(I realize that in this gadget age a lot of the rising generation are so ignorant of the finer things of life they don't know what a No. 2 washtub is. When you say "tub" these days a lot of folks think you are talking about a boat, or a bathtub!)

Well, for a while our hero really enjoyed the new routine. Fishing in a tub was so saving on the energies. No tugging at boats, at motors—or at fish! It was not even necessary to stay awake, for when you fish in a tub you'll catch as much asleep as awake. And it was so economical! He saved all his bait bill, for when you fish in a tub you catch as many without bait as with it. And a lot of days he caught as much fishing in the tub as he had caught many a day when he had fished from his boat in his favorite lake.

But it was not all roses. He no longer thrilled as Thursday afternoon approached. And, fishing in his tub, he missed the thrill of seeing his cork disappear and feeling the tug of a big bream, croppie, catfish or bass on the end of his line. He could no longer tell about the big ones that got away. It finally dawned on him that saving energy and money is not so hot when you never catch any fish!

Christians who determine their daily lives on the basis of what is easy, what requires little or no exertion and costs nothing, are like the man who fished in a tub.

And churches made up of such members are not doing any better.

"Come," said Jesus to some fishermen long ago, "follow me, and I will make you fishers of men!"

Erwin L. McDonald

Mrs. Frank Leavell Claimed by Death



MRS. LEAVELL

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB)—Mrs. Martha Boone Leavell, formerly home life counselor in the Baptist Sunday School Board's family life department, died at Vanderbilt Hospital here November 3 after a long illness.

Mrs. Leavell was the widow of Frank H. Leavell, who was secretary of the Sunday School Board's student department for many years.

The former Martha Boone, she was born in Clarksville, Tenn. She married Dr. Leavell in 1914.

After her husband's death, Mrs. Leavell accepted a position with the Sunday School Board in its family life department, which she held until her retirement in 1959.

Mrs. Leavell was the author of several books published by the Sunday School Board, including *Building a Christian Home*, *The Eternal King*, and *Christian Marriage*.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. John P. Newport, of Ft. Worth, Tex., and Miss Mary Martha Leavell, of Nashville; a son, Frank H. Leavell, Jr., of Nashville; a brother, Dr. Will Cooke Boone, of Louisville; and six grandchildren. ■

The Cover



—Home Missions Photo

THESE giant sentinels of the desert remind us of the giants in our Baptist life—Rice, Peck, Shuck, Tichenor, and others who have stood fast amidst difficult and trying circumstances. Their sacrifices brought about the wonderful heritage we have as Baptists in world missions. The Home Missions graded series for 1961 gives a graphic picture of our Baptist heritage. ■

Attendance Report

| Church | Sunday School | Training Union | Additions |
|--------------------------|---------------|----------------|-----------|
| Berryville, 1st | 156 | 62 | |
| Berryville, | | | |
| Freeman Heights | 195 | 106 | |
| El Dorado, 1st | 896 | 323 | |
| El Dorado, Parkview | 249 | 128 | |
| Ft. Smith, Grand Ave. | 785 | 350 | 17 |
| Ft. Smith, Trinity | 329 | 150 | |
| Fountain Hill, 1st | 82 | 34 | |
| Hot Springs, Park Place | 457 | 153 | |
| Jacksonville, 1st | 587 | | |
| Levy | 566 | 256 | 2 |
| Little Rock, Denning St. | 44 | 33 | |
| Little Rock, 1st | 1013 | 445 | 3 |
| Little Rock, | | | |
| Forty-Seventh St. | 185 | 67 | |
| Little Rock, Gaines St. | 345 | 234 | |
| Little Rock, | | | |
| Green Memorial | 108 | 64 | |
| Little Rock, Hebron | 236 | 118 | 1 |
| Little Rock, Plainview | 147 | 71 | |
| Little Rock, Woodlawn | 99 | 51 | |
| Magnolia, Central | 786 | 320 | 32 |
| Martindale | 117 | 69 | |
| McGehee, 1st | 501 | 210 | 1 |
| NLR, Baring Cross | 810 | 285 | 1 |
| NLR, Calvary | 412 | 118 | |
| NLR, Grace | 117 | 57 | |
| Springdale, 1st | 536 | 175 | 4 |
| Sweet Home, Pine Grove | 166 | 49 | |
| Van Buren, 1st | 368 | 146 | |
| West Memphis, Calvary | 235 | 145 | |

Prison Church Unique

SINGAPORE —(EP)— Deep within the Changi Prison here stands a church with barred windows and thick walls — said to be the only kind in South East Asia serving prison inmates on long-term sentences.

Operated by the Malaya Christian Council, the church is dedicated to the memory of prisoners-of-war and internees incarcerated in the prison during the Japanese occupation. The church is a converted prison hospital ward. Most of its furniture was donated by families and friends of former internees and prisoners-of-war.

The Rev. Khoo Siaw Hua, 56, a retired businessman, pioneered the project. He said in visits to prisons in Hong Kong, Manila, Dja-

karta and elsewhere in Malaya he had found no church like this one. "Worship services and Bible reading classes are held six days a week from 6 to 8 p.m.," he said. "On Sundays, Protestant services are conducted in the evening and Chinese religious services in the afternoon."

The church walls are filled with plaques presented by Australian, British, Dutch and Indian troops commemorating their war dead. ■

TWO faculty members of Ouachita College will present a concert at the college Nov. 15 at 8 p.m. in Mitchell Hall. The program performed by Dr. John Norman Sims and Dr. Maurice Hinson will be open to the public. ■

(EDITORIALS, continued from page 4)

Dr. O. L. Bayless, president of the Executive Board, is accepting work in another state (Colorado), and a leader for this key position will be chosen at Fayetteville by the Executive Board.

Let us pray that we have God's protecting care to and from the convention city and that His will may be done throughout the sessions.

Impossibilities-- Failures of Lazy Men

IMPOSSIBILITIES ARE merely the half-hearted efforts of quitters. The man who won't go through to the finish has finished at the start. If he hasn't pluck enough to hang on he must hang back. We can't afford to regulate the pace of progress to accommodate the laggard.

The lazy man has always failed in every spot and in everything. He's a weed in the way of the producer. He absorbs more than he earns. He checks the growth of well-planted endeavor.

He's sterile seed. The winds of fortune may drift him successively to a dozen rich soils, but no matter where he lands, he's useless.

Even when he does meet opportunity he doesn't know it. He can't tell the difference between good luck and a case of measles.

The steady, ready worker never complains. He's too busy trying to better his condition. When a man is doing his level best he always finds life on the level.

When you meet a howler who blames his environment, his generation, his fellows, his country, you find a man who has failed in himself. Not geography nor time nor environment can hold down a fighter.

The right type of man will start a grove of fig trees in a desert.

Failure isn't disease of locality—it's a personal habit.

Anybody can get a steady living out of steady effort . . .

All through the continent, old countries are changing their aspects. The stock-breeder who wasted fourteen acres of prairie upon one steer must hand over that land to the newcomer who can make it support fourteen humans and a steer.

Prairie sections which once went begging for buyers at a dollar an acre are now bearing enough cotton and cane and truck and fruit to raise their value a hundredfold.

The same soil was there all the while. It was always worth a hundred times as much as its selling price, but not to the owner who wouldn't find it out.

The man who looks hard enough will find enough to repay him. Only the worker lasts. Carelessness and indifference and neglect are not timbers for the builder.

There are no free passes over the modern road. Fortune has an interstate commerce law of her own—she won't deadhead anybody.

Everybody who ever did anything, anywhere, had to find the grindstone and run himself against it until he developed an edge that would cut something.

Half of greatness is grit. When intelligence is backed up by the determination not to back down, the only thing under the sun that is impossible is something that can't be imagined. —Herbert Kaufman ■

A MORNING PRAYER

THE day returns and brings us the petty round of irritation, concerns and duties. Help us to play the man; help us to perform them with laughter and kind faces; let cheerfulness abound with industry. Give us to go blithely on our business all this day, bring us to our resting beds weary and content and undishonored and grant us in the end the gift of sleep. Amen.—Robert Louis Stevenson

UP AND DOING

LIFE is the time for doing. The world is a great workshop, in which there is no room for drones. God Himself worketh as the great masterbuilder. All creatures fulfill their needed functions, from the angel that hymns God's praise to the insect that floats in the air. There is plenty to do—evil to put down; good to build up; doubters to be directed; prodigals to be won back; sinners to be sought. "What doest thou here?" Up, Christians; leave your cares and do. Do not do in order to be saved; but, being saved, do.—Selected

YOUR HOME TOWN

If you work in a town, in Heaven's name work for it. If you live in a town, live for it. Give for it. Help advance your neighborhood. Respect the great power that protects you, that surrounds you with the advantages of advanced civilization, and that makes it possible for you to achieve results. Think well of it. Stand by it.

Stand for its civic and commercial supremacy. If you must obstruct or decry those who strive to help—quit the town. But as long as you are a part of a locality, do not belittle it. If you do you are loosening the tendrils that hold you to the community, and with the first high wind that comes along you will be uprooted and blown away. . . . —Charles G. Dawes, a former Vice President of the United States

LET 'ER ROLL!

LIFE rolls along with its up and downs but as long as my credit at the grocery store holds out and I can keep my three friends, I am going to make the best of it and take it as it comes.—Farmer Tyson, Atkins, Ark.

MAGNA CHARTA

THE Bible has been the Magna Charta of the poor and of the oppressed. Down to modern times, no state has had a constitution in which the interests of the people are so largely taken into account, in which the duties, so much more than the privileges, of rulers are insisted upon, as that drawn up for Israel in Deuteronomy and Leviticus. Nowhere is the fundamental truth, that the welfare of the state, in the long run, depends upon the righteousness of the citizen, so strongly laid down. The Bible is the most democratic book in the world.—Huxley

It's You

If you want to live in the kind of a town

*Like the kind of a town you like,
You needn't slip your clothes in a grip*

*And start on a long, long hike,
You'll only find what you left behind,*

For there's nothing that's really new,

It's a knock at yourself when you knock your town,

It isn't the town—it's you!

Real towns are not made by men afraid,

*Lest somebody else get ahead,
When everyone works and nobody shirks*

*You can raise a town from the dead,
And if while you make your personal stake*

*Your neighbors can make one, too,
Your town will be what you want to see—*

It isn't the town—it's you!

Arkansas Baptist Convention Begins Tuesday At 1st Church, Fayetteville

APPROXIMATELY 1,000 people are expected to attend the sessions of the annual Arkansas Baptist State Convention convening in Fayetteville Nov. 14.

Host church for the 107th annual meeting will be 1st Church, with Dr. Andrew Hall serving as host pastor.

Highlights of the meeting will be addresses by Dr. James L. Sullivan, executive secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville; Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, pastor, Second Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.; and Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, professor, Golden Gate Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif.

Dr. Wililam A. Carleton, vice president, Golden Gate Seminary, will bring the devotionals.

The annual sermon will be preached by Rev. S. W. Eubanks, pastor of Immanuel Church, Ft. Smith. The president's address will be given by Dr. Bernes K. Selph, pastor, 1st Church, Benton, Tuesday morning.

Wednesday evening, under the direction of Dr. S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary of the convention, the work of the various depart-

ments in state headquarters and the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine will be presented.

Prior to the initial session Tuesday morning the Pastors' Conference and Pastors' Wives' Conference will meet Monday at 3 p.m.

Speakers for the Pastors' Conference will be Rev. Robert L. Smith, pastor, 1st Church, Pine Bluff; Rev. Charles F. Pitts, pastor, 1st Church, Blytheville; Rev. C. N. Rue, Beech Street Church, Texarkana.

Mrs. Frank Broyles, wife of football coach at University of Arkansas, will speak to the pastors' wives. They will also hear Dr. Joe Hall, Fayetteville physician.

Morning sessions will begin at 9:30, Tuesday, and at 9, Wednesday and Thursday. Afternoon sessions will begin at 2 and evening meetings are scheduled for 7.

A number of meetings for alumni and special groups will be held during the convention. They include: Southern Seminary, Tuesday, 12:30 p.m., Ferguson Cafeteria, Mountain Inn; Ouachita College, Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., Brogdon's Chicken Little, Springdale; Arkansas Baptist Historical Society breakfast, King

Chicken, Highway 71 North, Wednesday, 7 a.m.; educational directors, 12:15 p.m., Wednesday, Midway Restaurant, (toward Springdale); Southern Baptist College, 5 p.m. Wednesday, Brogdon's Chicken Little, Springdale; Southwestern Seminary, 12:10 p.m., Wednesday, AQ Chicken House.

The Baptist Student Union Center on the campus of the University of Arkansas will hold open house during the convention.

The theme is "God's Hand Upon Us" taken from the Scripture, "... the hand of the Lord my God was upon me ..." Ezra 7:28. ■

John B. Love Is Pastor at Cherry Valley



JOHN B. LOVE

JOHN B. (Pat) Love recently became pastor of Cherry Valley Church in Tri-County Association.

He formerly was pastor of Harris Chapel in Tri-County Association. He also taught the sixth grade at Wynne in 1957-58.

A native of Eupora, Miss., he was graduated in 1955 from Mississippi College.

Mrs. Love is the former Miss Betty Jo Davis, of Topeka, Kans. They have three sons, Dickie, Marcus, and Dave. ■

Catholics in Politics

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (EP) A pastoral letter issued here by Puerto Rico's three Roman Catholic bishops forbade members of their church to vote for the Popular Democratic Party in the Nov. 8 elections.

The letter, released by the new Catholic party formed last spring, published in full by the daily newspaper *El Mundo*, and read from Catholic pulpits throughout the land, denounced the "intervention of the clergy in politics."

"We see in this . . . platform an anti-democratic attempt to limit the clergy solely to religious functions and deny them rights as citizens," the letter stated. "The clergy is not even granted the right to protest against political acts which are harmful to moral and

religious doctrines. . . ."

In the San Felipe Cathedral in nearby Arecibo, the Puerto Rican governor's wife and a large group of worshipers rose and walked out when the letter was being read.

Governor Munoz Marin has denounced the letter as "incredible, medieval interference in a political campaign under the American flag as well as under the Puerto Rican constitution." He said his party would defend religion against "the grave errors of a number of prelates."

Francis Cardinal Spellman said in New York that the Puerto Rican directive provided no penalties and therefore communicants could vote as they please without being in danger of excommunication. (The Roman Catholic Church does excommunicate members who vote specifically for a Communist.)

A Word of Appreciation and an Appeal

"HIS PEACE FOR THE MULTITUDES"



WMU Week of Prayer for FOREIGN MISSIONS
NOVEMBER 28 - DECEMBER 2

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

GOAL \$8,700,000

By L. HOWARD JENKINS
 President, Foreign Mission Board

AS WE approach the season when the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is solicited, I want to speak a word of appreciation of the splendid work done through the years by this offering in extending the foreign mission enter-

prise. I would like to make a plea for an even greater liberality on the part of those who have been in the habit of giving and an appeal for participation by those who have not previously had a part in this worthy undertaking.

I know I am not equal to placing before Southern Baptists any adequate description of the Foreign

Mission Board's reliance upon this enterprise. It is not an exaggerated statement when I say that the Board is as dependent for its existence upon the gifts it receives through the Lottie Moon Offering as an individual is dependent upon food for his daily life.

The love of our women for foreign missions is a wonderful thing

State Paper Reaching New Homes Through Churches

to behold. I have been engaged in denominational work for many years and I can say without hesitation that in all that time I have never seen two more devoted and consecrated servants of the denomination than the president and the executive secretary of the Convention-wide organization of Woman's Missionary Union. They work together harmoniously and happily. The result of their work and the work of the members of their staff is shown in this Offering.

I earnestly call upon the members of Woman's Missionary Union in all the states to give wholehearted, enthusiastic, and complete support to the officers in all their endeavors to make an effective witness for Christ around the world. When I think of what the Foreign Mission Board owes the members of this great organization and what their devotion and liberality have meant to foreign missions, it fills my heart with gratitude and joy.

Now let me give you some figures which I think will startle many of you but at the same time will enlighten you as to what this Offering means to the Foreign Mission Board. The first offering was in 1888, when the goal was \$2,000 and the amount received was \$3,315.26. The Lottie Moon Offering has grown from this small amount to a total for 1959 of \$7,706,847.29. The amount given in the last 70 years totals \$60,971,544.19. Some of you may question these figures, but they were taken from the treasurer's actual records.

The Lottie Moon Offering in 1959 exceeded that of 1958 by 13.96 per cent. The goal for 1960 is an increase of 13 per cent over 1959, or \$8,700,000. (The Offering year runs from May 1 to May 1; for example, while the 1960 offering will be taken in December, final figures will not be ready until May 1.)

This Lottie Moon Christmas Offering supports 125 missionaries and also provides \$300,000 toward the outgoing expenses of newly appointed missionaries. In the Foreign Mission Board's 1961 budget there will be \$3,000,000 for current operating items provided through this Offering; whereas in

The *Arkansas Baptist* is going into a number of new homes in the state via the church subscription plan.

Churches that have put the paper in budgets recently include: Altus Central, Elmer Linton, pastor; Mrs. Irene, Kirkpactric, treasurer. Corder's Chapel, Arkansas Valley Association, Rev. W. A. Ginn, pastor. Oneida Church, Arkansas Valley Association, Rev. B. F. McDonald, pastor. Sugar Creek Church, Benton County Association, Rev. Jack E. Lawson, pastor. Elizabeth Church, Big Creek Association, Mrs. Zona Tyree, clerk. Alicia Church, Black River Association; Pitts Church, Black River Association, Rev. J. T. Watson, pastor. Emmanuel Church, Harrison, Rev. Lawrence M. Hammond, pastor. Brownsville Church, Rev. Wendell Ross, pastor. Willow Church, Carey Association, Rev. Cecil E. Launius, pastor. Wattensaw Church, Caroline As-

recent years the figure has been \$2,500,000. This represents the money we use in making up our original budget. The money received in excess of these figures is used for capital purposes, such as erecting hospitals, missionary homes, schools, and other buildings which have to do directly with our mission enterprise.

A Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions has been in effect since it was instituted many years ago. The Offering and the Week of Prayer are inseparably bound together. I am sure you will agree with me when I say that the results are an outgrowth of prayer.

So, I urge all in our churches to have a part in this Week of Prayer, which will be held November 28-December 2. Such an appeal may not be necessary, but I ask all pastors to lend their full support.

Without these special gifts many of the advance projects overseas would be impossible and even the present program would have to be greatly reduced. ■

sociation, Rev. John O'Neal, pastor; Mrs. Roy Smith, clerk.

Thornburg Church, Conway-Perry Association, Rev. Perry Corder, pastor. Philadelphia Church, El Dorado, Liberty Association, Rev. Clay Hale, pastor. 1st Church, Lonoke, Rev. J. T. Harvill, pastor. West View Church, Paragould, Rev. Guy M. Whitney, pastor. Colt Church, Tri-County Association, Rev. T. R. Hammons, pastor. East Side Church, White River Association, Rev. O. J. Ford, pastor. 1st Church, Bay, Hal Gallop, Sr., pastor.

Churches which will receive the paper on a month's free trial basis include: Martinville Church, Ashley County Association, Rev. C. C. Barton, pastor. Mt. Pleasant Church, Ashley County Association, Rev. J. S. Compere, pastor. Winthrop Church, Winthrop, Rev. Eugene Jewell, pastor. Knoxville Church, Dardanelle-Russellville Association, Rev. Carl Fawcett, pastor. Collins Church, Delta Association, Rev. James Hayes, pastor. Nimmons Church, Gainesville Association, Rev. E. W. Gray, pastor. St. Francis Church, Gainesville Association. Bronway Heights Church, Texarkana, Rev. Sidney Peterson, pastor.

Immanuel Church, Hope Association, Rev. Eugene Hughes, pastor. Three Creeks Church, Junction City, Rev. Gib Williams, pastor. Nodena Church, Mississippi County Association, Rev. Roy C. Johnson, pastor. Yarbro Church, Mississippi County Association, Rev. W. T. Taylor, pastor. New Hope Church, Pollard, Rev. Edgar Griffin, pastor. Immanuel Church, Vimy Ridge, Rev. Ralph Ferguson, pastor. East Whelen Church, Red River Association, Rev. J. W. Barfield, pastor. Pleasant Valley Church, Stone-Van Buren-Searcy Association, Rev. Glenn Williams, pastor.

New churches which will receive a free subscription to all its members for three months are: Memorial Church, Hackett. Oak Cliff Church, Concord Association, Rev. Murl Walker, pastor. ■

- Materialism
- Beatniks
- Survey-itis
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What's Wrong With Us?

By ROBERT J. HASTINGS

Stewardship Promotion

General Association of Baptists in Kentucky

CONSCIOUS of recent slumps in church income, baptisms, seminary enrollments, etc., the Baptist Press recently asked, "Are Southern Baptists slowing down or merely catching their breath for the 1960's?"

Opinion is divided as to the seriousness, causes, and remedies of the slowdown. Four causes frequently suggested are:

Materialism

The American people are enjoying unprecedented prosperity. Never have so many had so much. We have more to eat, more to wear, more comforts to enjoy, more to spend, more to invest, and more to save than any other nation in the world. And we carry all kinds of insurance to "protect" us against the unexpected. The Social Security laws provide for old age security, disability benefits, burial benefits, survivor benefits, etc. We have hospitalization insurance, mortgage insurance, liability insurance, car insurance, theft insurance, home insurance.

A new bumper strip reads "Insuror insured." This little two word message symbolizes the current craze for security. We even want the company which insures us to be insured, so that we will be sure to collect even if the insuror is unable to back up the insurance with which we were supposedly insured!

Not that all—or any—of the material comforts are bad. But alert church leaders know that preoccupation with things runs counter to interest in spiritual matters. The Psalmist wrote, "What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee" (Psalms 56:3). When we are afraid of illness, disability, death, old age, etc., it is easy to trust God. But when we are over-confident of the false security which material prosperity offers, there is a tendency to slacken our faith. We do not suggest a return to Depression days for a revival of religion. We do suggest that our pastors call their people to the same repentance whether they ride to church in an air-conditioned Cadillac or walk barefoot down a dusty country lane.

Beatnik Philosophy

A second possible cause of the "slowdown" is an infiltration of the beatnik philosophy. "Sooner or later we'll all be blown up anyway—why get excited about the churches?"

Apocalyptic fires may be burning on the horizon, but this does not spell a moratorium on the Great Commission. God, has never, is not now, and never will repeal the command to "Go." Again, our people need the challenge to press on in spite of unsettled world conditions, the threat of war, or disruptive economic and social problems at home.

When William Carey sailed from England to India in 1793, the French Revolution had just ended and Napoleon was rising to power. Soon war was to break out, lasting until 1815. When Adoniram and Ann Judson sailed for Burma in February of 1812, the British were already blockading our coasts. By June, the War of 1812 was declared. But Carey and the Judsons refused to be troubled by trouble! Their spirit is needed in the 1960's.

Preoccupation With Surveys

In recent years, Southern Baptists have conducted numerous surveys. State conventions, educational institutions, and Convention agencies have been active in this field. Surveys are good, because it is always helpful to ask, "Where are we going? What is the purpose? How can we better organize for the tasks ahead?"

The danger is confusing the surveys themselves with progress. A survey is not progress—it simply clears the way for action and progress. Self-analysis is not going, but getting ready to go! Surveys will not usher in the kingdom of God any more than a chest X-ray will cure a tubercular. Efficiency is not synonymous with spirituality. A cemetery is the most highly organized institution in the world—no "body" ever gets out of place. But a cemetery is also the deadest place—and the last place—to which any of us want to go!

I remember the county fairs as a boy in Southern Illinois. As time neared for the races, a great deal of effort was spent lining up the high-spirited horses. Never were they perfectly in line. But when they seemed to be as even as practical, the starter shouted "go!" And they were off. For some time we have been getting lined up as a denomination. This is preparatory to the race itself. Eventually, someone must shout "Go!" As Baptists, we do not want to imitate the farmer who lost a crop because he spent all summer adjusting his team's harness!

Spiritless Promotion

Someone has noted, "If we were suddenly to discover that the Holy Spirit did not exist, 98 per cent of the work our churches are now doing would continue uninterrupted." This

may be extreme. But it points up a fourth possible cause of the "slowdown," namely, our adoration at the shrine of promotion. By promotion is meant organized effort to achieve an objective through personnel, advertising, scheduling, etc. Promotion, rightly used, is good. Jesus was not one to sit back idly, waiting for the "Spirit to move." He suggested that his disciples go into the highways and hedges (assigned visitation) to compel everyone (advertising) to fill his house (pews packed). Promotion becomes objectionable only when we think it can take the place of the Holy Spirit, whether it be packing the pews for a revival or signing pledges for a budget.

The world can get along without our attendance drives,

promotional campaigns, and advertising stunts. The devices—as good as they are—will never leaven the lump of sin and indifference. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts" (Zech. 4:6). But here, as nearly always, a happy combination is the solution: Spirited promotion. And it will come when we learn to pray as well as plan, to plead as well as promote, to intercede as well as insist.

These, then, are four possible causes: materialism, beatnik philosophy, preoccupation with efficiency, and Spiritless promotion. How we meet these problems may determine whether Southern Baptists are really slowing down—or simply catching their breath for new growth in the 1960's. ■

GLOBE-TROTTING With Ginny . . .

Italian Woman Uses Her One Talent Well

By Virginia Harris Hendricks
ROME, Italy — (BP) — "What can God do with a woman having but one talent?" asked an Italian signora who was speaking before a group of European women.

Signora Girolami was born a



SIGNORA Girolami chats with Miss Virginia Wingo, Southern Baptist missionary.

Catholic, but in her church an unknown language was used in services. Her relatives could tell her little about God. Her hunger to know Him increased when the death of a friend made her ask questions such as: "Who am I? Where am I going after life?"

The signora's cleaning woman noticed her burden. Seeing her servant's compassionate interest, the signora began to confide her

questions to her. The woman responded:

"I am a poor, unlearned woman. I do not know enough to answer your questions. But I do have a book that will answer them."

The signora took the Testament and read it. Still she did not understand it all, though she knew this was the life for which she was searching. She prayed: "I want to know you, God. Please show me how to find a way to you, and to this kind of life!"

One day she happened into a Baptist church and there found her answer. Her joy was so complete that now her children, nephews, nieces, and other kin are also Baptists.

As she closed her testimony, the radiant signora told us:

"Go tell your Baptist women who say 'I can do nothing' about this simple Christian friend who showed me the way to Christ." ■

Facts of Interest

. . . Last year Americans spent \$64.89 per capita on beverage alcohol. Among the million persons arrested for drunkenness, 96,212 were under twenty-five; 8,826 were under eighteen; and 72,109 were women.

. . . The Bell Telephone System's new "Home Interphone," an intercom system that works entirely through telephones, will be available early in 1961. Besides door answering and electronic baby sitting, the system provides a variety of services such as hand-free talk-

ing and broadcasting by voice throughout the house. The equipment for the system consists of a telephone and small speaker.

. . . A report of the National Education Association has revealed that the average teacher with a college degree earns less than half the amount of those in other professions. The average earnings of fulltime teachers, with at least four years of college, was \$5,059 in 1958. For seventeen other professions the salary was \$10,697. Legal and medical workers had an average income of \$12,731. Engineers had an average salary of \$11,070. The average salary for all professional, technical, and kindred workers was \$8,192.

. . . Based on arrest records of 88 criminals, three doctors of Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., have reported the following: One criminal will commit crimes against persons only; another will commit crimes against property only. Seldom does a person commit both types of crimes. The doctors also studied intensively nineteen males and found that the "person offenders" had suffered more from early broken homes, severe rejection, and cultural deprivation than did the property offenders.

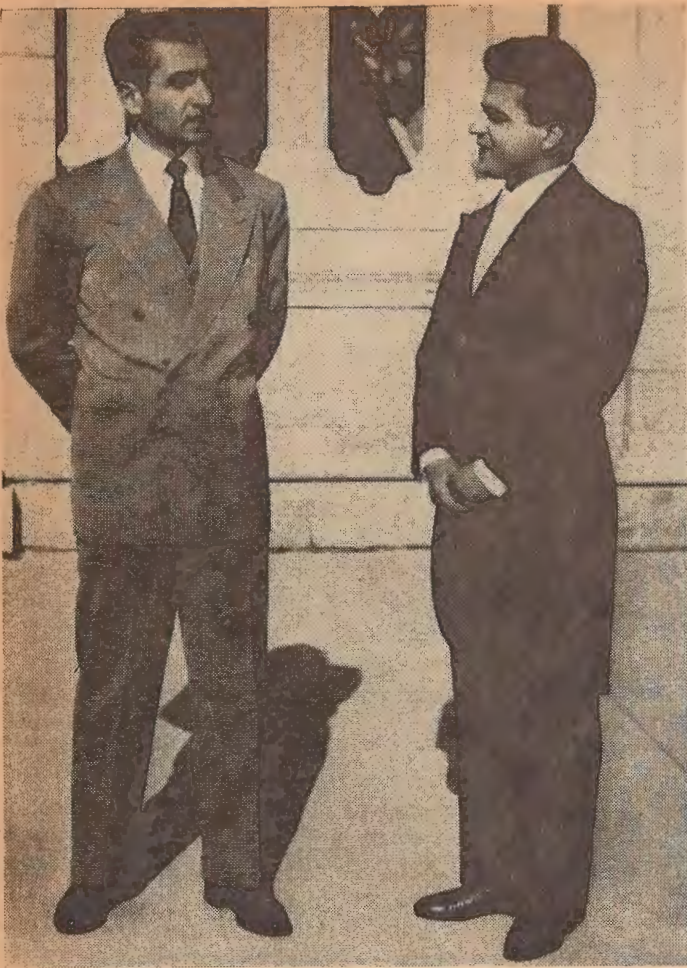
. . . QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Calvary is not man at his worst, but God at his best."—*The Survey Bulletin*

Mexican Pilgrimage

MEXICO CITY (EP)—A total of 20,000 pilgrims gathered at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe near here to proclaim "The Brown Virgin" as the "forger of the nationality of Mexico." About 7,000 made the 228-mile journey from the state of Michoacan on foot. It was one of the largest pilgrimages to the basilica this year.

AT
BSU
Center

Persian



GHOTB (right) converses with the Shah of Iran.

By Joan Willis
Managing Editor

BSU Centers on college campuses across the nation frequently become "homes away from home" for scores of international students studying in this country.

On Oct. 24 Behaeddin Ghotb, an Iranian student at Arkansas Polytechnic College, entertained some 75 guests at the Tech BSU Center in honor of the Shah of Iran's birthday.

Three days prior to the dinner Baha, as he is called by his American friends, began preparing the food in the kitchen of the 1st Church in Russellville.

Guests at the dinner were highly praiseworthy of the exotic flavors experienced in the Persian foods. The first course was Khoroshte Fesendjan, a cooked combination of walnuts, chicken, onion, tomato sauce, spices. A white rice cooked in butter and salt was served next. The third course of Lobia Polo proved very popular. Ground beef was rolled in tiny balls. These and fried green beans were added to a mixture of rice, butter, tomato sauce, spices, and zaffron. Ghotb explained that he had brought the zaffron with him from Persia. It is quite expensive and hard to obtain in this country.

The guests next were served a cutlet made from ground beef, potatoes, eggs, onion, tomato sauce, spices, meal, and butter. The salad was a mixture of tomato, cucumber, lettuce, olives, eggs, potatoes, baked beans, lemon, olive oil, and salt. The sixth course was a special fried chicken. Pears, apples, and bananas were served



PROFESSOR E. M. Wilwers is



GHOTB (right) and coun

s Honor Shah



roduces Ghotb to his guests.



men enjoy the leftovers.



GHOTB with Mayor Newton (left) and President Hull.

as the final course.

Following the meal Ghotb presented James Newton, mayor of Russellville, an Iranian flag. J. W. Hull, president of the college, received a picture of the Shah.

Ghotb, whose father is in the export-import business with offices in New York, London, and Teheran, is personally acquainted with the Shah. He met him through his work in Red Cross and other charity work. When he returns to his country he plans to enter a diplomatic career.

In welcoming his guests Ghotb said, "In Persia (Iran), it is the custom when people like the Shah to celebrate his birthday . . . I am sure that in my country and other countries where there are Persian students, they too are celebrating tonight." He went on to say that if the American and Persian histories are compared one would find that they have had friendly relations. And, for that reason, "every Persian student wants to come to the United States to study . . . and learn new ways to serve his country."

Recent news of the birth of a male heir to the throne of his country has prompted the young student to begin plans for another party.

The BSU Center at Tech under the direction of Neil H. Jackson has ministered to many international students as a part of the program on the campus. Though the Persian party was the largest affair to take place there it serves as an important place to these students at all times—whether for a coke before closing or a game of ping-pong before dinner.



OFFICERS elected at the 108th annual session of Mt. Zion Association include, from left, R. D. Harrington, moderator; Bob Adams, clerk; L. D. Walker, treasurer; Rev. Curtis L. Mathis, vice moderator.

Mt. Zion Association

Annual Report Shows Increase To Missions

THE 108th annual session of Mt. Zion Baptist Association met with Central Church, Jonesboro, Oct. 17-18. Officers re-elected to serve the association were: R. D. Harrington, moderator; Curtis L. Mathis, vice moderator; Bob Adams, clerk; and L. D. Walker, treasurer.

The annual sermon was preached in the opening session Monday night by Bill J. Smith, pastor, Walnut Street Church, Jonesboro. The missionary message and report was given Tuesday morning by Carl Bunch, superintendent of missions for the Association. The doctrinal message was given Tuesday afternoon by James Sanders, pastor, 1st Church, Monette. Paul Stockemer, pastor, Philadelphia Church, preached the closing sermon.

Reports from the 34 churches in

the association showed 416 baptisms, a decrease of 107 from last year; additions by letter and otherwise, 576, an increase of 81; total church membership 11,477, an increase of 253; resident membership 7,712, an increase of 130; Sunday School enrollment 7,502, an increase of 311; a vacation Bible school in every church and one mission school, with an enrollment of 2,926, an increase of 98; a Training Union in every church, with an enrollment of 3,848, an increase of 231; W.M.U. enrollment was 1,449, a decrease of 18; Brotherhood enrollment was 371, a decrease of 261; total gifts were \$453,138, an increase of 9.2 per cent; gifts to missions were \$93,439, an increase of 31 per cent.

Re-elected to lead associational organizations were: Marlin Gennings, Sunday School; Russell

Bragg, Training Union; Mrs. Bill J. Smith, Music; Mrs. Philip Morrison, W.M.U.

T. Harold Burks was elected Brotherhood president. James Sanders was re-elected chairman of evangelism, and Paul Stockemer was re-elected chairman of Missions committee.

Three major emphases for 1961 are: A Church Leadership Conference, Jan. 30-Feb. 3; Jubilee Revival Crusade, March 12-March 26; and Music Expansion Week, Aug. 21-Aug. 25.

The treasurer's report showed receipts for Associational Missions at \$13,809. The 1961 budget calls for \$13,842.04.

The 109th annual session will meet with New Hope Church, Jonesboro, Monday and Tuesday, October 16-17, 1961.—Carl Bunch, Missionary ■

Faulkner Association

1961 Meeting Scheduled At Mount Vernon Church

THE annual meeting of the Faulkner Association was held at Pickle Gap Church recently.

Officers elected for the year include: Rev. William West, pastor of 2nd Church, Conway; Rev. Jack Bean, Mayflower, vice moderator; Robert Holley, education director at 1st Church, Conway, clerk; Rev. Sheryl Blake, Conway, treasurer.

Representatives from Arkansas Baptist Hospital, Ouachita Baptist College and Bottoms Baptist Orphanage gave reports on the work of their institutions.

Speakers included Rev. C. W. Caldwell, state secretary for missions and evangelism, and Rev. J. M. Evans, associational missionary for Faulkner Association.

The 25 churches in the association have a total membership of 4,160. Additions in the past year totaled 499 and the income was \$176,407. These churches spent \$27,861 on mission work and \$117,193 on local expenditures.

The association will hold its 1961 session at Mount Vernon Church.

Rev. E. F. Simmons, who has not missed a session of the association since 1916, will preach the annual sermon.

Baring Cross, NLR, Gets New Pastor



MR. PITT

K. ALVIN PITT, of New Bern, N. C., began his duties as pastor of Baring Cross Church, North Little Rock, Oct. 30.

He is a graduate of Wake Forest College and Southern Seminary, Louisville. He has served churches in Kentucky and Virginia. He comes to Baring Cross from a seven-year ministry at Tabernacle Church, New Bern.

Under his leadership, the Tabernacle Church doubled its membership, constructed a new building and led in the development of two missions into self-supporting churches. His work at the church was the subject of an editorial in the *New Bern Mirror*, recently, which said of him: "Pitt was emotional and demonstrative in his preaching of the gospel. He was typical Baptist when it came to thundering out his messages. He preached as he felt, and he never hedged or sidetracked as he waged his attack on sin."

Mr. Pitt met his wife, Virginia, while he attended Southern Seminary and she attended Carver School of Missions. They have two children, a daughter, Kathryn, age nine, and a son, K. Alvin II, age five.

A reception was held in the church parlors for the Pitt family immediately following the evening worship service, Oct. 30.

The new pastor succeeds Wayne S. Smith, who served as pastor of

the church a year before resigning last summer to return to the staff of Ouachita College. ■

Clear Creek Association

Officers Elected To Lead Clear Creek

THE 88th annual session of Clear Creek Association met with Kibler Church, near Alma, recently. The meeting was to have been held at 1st Church, Alma, but was changed because of the death of their pastor, Dr. Kenneth R. Grant.

Associational officers elected for the ensuing year were: J. W. Burrows, pastor, Oak Grove Church, near Van Buren; moderator; Charles Chesser, pastor, Kibler Church, vice moderator; Faber L. Tyler, layman, 1st Church, Ozark, treasurer; P. C. Church, pastor, 1st Church, Clarksville, clerk.

Department heads and other associational officers are: Ben Haney, pastor, 1st Church, Ozark, Sunday School superintendent; Mr. Chesser, Training Union director; Willis Jones, pastor, 2nd Church, Clarksville, music director; Mrs. S. A. Wiles, Ozark, WMU president; Virgil Smith, pastor 1st Church, Van Buren, Brotherhood president; Charles Duncan, pastor 1st Church,

Mulberry, chairman of evangelism; John Woodward, pastor, Union Grove Church, near Clarksville, chairman of stewardship.

Advances were reported by several of the departments and in several areas of work.

Mr. Haney brought the annual message on the subject, "The New Frontiers of Our Day." Rev. Newman McLarry, pastor, 1st Church, Ft. Smith, spoke Friday morning on "Evangelism in World Missions."

The 1961 meeting will be Oct. 12 at 1st Church, Mulberry. Rev. John Woodard has been invited to give the annual message with Rev. Charles Graves, pastor of 1st Church, Van Buren, as alternate.

Mr. Graves was elected to serve on the Assembly Board of Control for the Baptist Vista Encampment for a three-year term.

Rev. Jimmy Kent has accepted a call as pastor of Hartman Church.

Rev. L. E. Hatfield, of Ft. Smith, has accepted the pastorate of the Union Town Church.—Paul E. Wilhelm, missionary. ■

FISHER Street Church, Jonesboro; recently granted a license to preach to Bobby Webb, 18 year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Webb. He is a freshman at Ouachita College.



BUENOS DIAS!—Admiring sombreros are two Arkansans, Robert L. Vogt, left, of Rogers, and G. C. Hilton, of Fayetteville, who recently made a 10-day tour of Baptist missions points in Mexico, with 53 other Southern Baptist laymen. The tour was sponsored by the Brotherhood Commission. ■



HONOR AWARD—Rev. Bill McCrary, pastor of 1st Church, Smackover, presents Roy Spain, Training Union Director, a copy of the Church Honor Diploma. The Smackover church is the 12th in the state to reach the goal.

THE Southern Baptist College Alumni dinner will be held at Brogden's Chicken Little, Springdale, Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 5 p.m. This will be during the annual meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. Dr. S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary of the state convention, will be the guest speaker. Dr. H. E. Williams, president of the college, will introduce the guests.

Pine Bluff Church Gets Music Director

Richard Smith has been named minister of music for the South Side Church, Pine Bluff. He succeeded James Burleson, who has accepted a position with Ouachita Baptist College.

Smith will develop the graded choir program, and will be working with the music leadership of the church in the several educational organizations.

He is a native of Damascus, and attended Arkansas State Teachers College, and Central State Teachers College, Edmond, Okla., where he received the AB degree. He was graduated with the ME degree from Stephen F. Austin College, Nacogdoches, Tex.

Smith was minister of music and education for one year in the Central Avenue Baptist Church, Oklahoma City. He has served as minister of music with the Calvary Baptist Church, Dallas, Tex.; High Street Methodist Church, Franklin, Va.; 1st Baptist Church, Joaquin, Tex.; and the 1st Baptist Church, Greggton, Tex.

He is currently employed as head of the music department for the Pine Bluff schools, and will continue serving in both capacities.

He and his wife, Sylvia, and their two children, Ricky and Charlotte, reside at 75 Cypress Drive.

Memphis Seeks Right To Sponsor College

MEMPHIS, Tenn. —(BP)—The Tennessee Baptist Convention will be asked to give the green light for Shelby Baptist Association to sponsor a denominational college here.

The association voted at the annual meeting here to ask the state group for permission to acquire a 150-acre campus site, employ an educational consultant to guide the program, and launch a campaign to raise \$3 million.

Stanley Wilkes, pastor of Memphis' Union Ave. Church and chairman of the Memphis Baptist college committee, said he would like to get the project underway by 1962. He said existing colleges and universities in the Memphis area cannot take care of the expected student increase by 1964.

Baptist leaders said any such college would likely begin as a branch of Union University of Jackson, Tenn., a convention-owned school.

The subject of a Baptist college at Memphis has been discussed by Shelby Baptists for the last 20 years. ■

N. C. Church Integrates

CHAPEL HILL, N. C. (EP)—The University Baptist church here has voted 66 to 45 to allow Negroes and persons of other races to join the congregation in regular worship.

The 400-member body resolved that membership in the church shall be based only on religious grounds. The congregation is without a pastor because the Rev. W. Wesley Shrader, former minister, recently resigned as a result of what he termed were his racial integrationist views, which he said some members of the church did not like.

DR. BRUCE H. Price, pastor of 1st Church, Newport News, Va., will preach the annual sermon at the Virginia state convention meeting in Bristol, Tenn., Nov. 15-17. Dr. Price is a native of Arkansas and a former pastor in this state.



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**Dr. O. L. Bayless
Moves to Colorado**



DR. BAYLESS

DR. O. L. Bayless has resigned the pastorate of 2nd Church, Hot Springs, to become secretary of the Department of Evangelism for the Colorado Baptist General Convention, with headquarters in Denver, effective Dec. 1.

Dr. Bayless, who for the past year has served as president of the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist Convention, has served the Hot Springs church since 1947. Under his leadership the church has grown to be one of the leading churches in the state, with a modern, well-equipped plant.

A native of Wister, Okla., he received his education at Oklahoma Baptist University, Southwestern Seminary and Woolsey Hall, Oxford. He received the honorary D.D. degree from the Oklahoma School of Religion.

Mrs. Bayless is the former Miss Frances Ella Adams. They have three children, Ovid Lyndal, Darla Sue and Jon William.

Dr. Bayless has taken an active part in denominational affairs. At different times he has served on the board of trustees of Southwestern Seminary; on the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; on the executive board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention; and on the board of Ouachita General Hospital, Hot Springs.

Brotherhood

State Program

THE PROGRAM for the State-wide Royal Ambassador Fellowship Supper has been completed. The Supper is to be held at 1st Church, Fayetteville, at 5 p.m. on Nov. 14.

The program will include a report of State Royal Ambassador Camps and Congress by boys who attended these meetings. A preview of coming activities will also be presented. Special music will be presented by Ray Conner and George Tharel. Conner is minister of music for 1st Church, Fayetteville. Tharel is manager of the J. C. Penney Store in Fayetteville. The program will be climaxed by a special message from Newman McLarry, pastor of 1st Church, Ft. Smith.

The supper is for all Royal Ambassadors, counselors, and boys interested in becoming RAs, all prospective counselors, and members of RA committees of Brotherhood organizations.

Registration forms for the supper have been sent throughout the state. Reservations are accepted on a first come first served basis. The deadline for getting reservations is noon, Nov. 10. All who attend the Supper will be special guests at the Brotherhood Night Services.

G. C. Hilton, president of the State Brotherhood Convention, will preside at Brotherhood Night Services. The program will begin at 7 p.m. in the church auditorium.

Included in the excellent program will be a presentation of the new Brotherhood organization. Emphasis will be placed on the four major features of the new program. Music will be under the direction of Richard Greer. Dr. Cecil Evans of Rogers will be pianist, and Mrs. E. H. Sonneman will be the organist. Special music will be provided by the Men's Chorus of 1st Church, Fayetteville, and Rev. William J. Sewell, Jr., pastor of 1st Church, Searcy. The clos-

ing message will be brought by Rev. J. T. Elliff, pastor of Bethany Baptist Church, Kansas City. We feel many men and boys from over the state will make the trip to Fayetteville for these two meetings. We will be looking forward to seeing you there.—C. H. Seaton, Associate Brotherhood Secretary

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| 13. General Conference Mennonite Church | 110.26 |
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| 15. Reformed Church in America | 103.23 |
| 16. North American Baptist General Conference | 102.91 |
| 17. Presbyterian Church in the U.S. | 99.42 |
| 18. Lutheran Church—Missouri, Synod | 93.89 |
| 19. Moravian Church, Northern Province | 89.28 |
| 20. United Presbyterian Church in U.S.A. | 82.30 |
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| 38. Lutheran Free Church | 61.20 |
| 39. Disciples of Christ | 60.93 |
| 40. Southern Baptist Convention | 53.88 |
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| 42. The Methodist Church | 52.18 |
| 43. American Baptist Convention | 48.52 |
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| 45. Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church | 47.32 |
| 46. Cumberland Presbyterian Church | 46.70 |

NOTE: Three small church bodies' figures were omitted from this list since their 1960 reports of contributions were not complete.

Sunday School

Tours

THE FIVE-DAY tour with the Sunday School Department holding five one-day district conferences in the state was interesting and helpful.



MR. HATFIELD

The conferences ministered to approximately 650 people in general and age-group conferences. Thirty of the 44 associations were represented. The leaders were well prepared and had good conferences for those attending. Our only regret—far too many people did not receive the blessings of the conference. They were absent.

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"Of the Dead . . ."

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"Well, my son?"

"I took a walk through the cemetery today and I read the inscriptions on the tombstones."

"Well, what about it?"

"Where are all the wicked people buried?"

Master—and Servant

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"In the winter? How do you mean?"

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Your Sunday School Secretary has now completed his first year of service. It has been a good "freshman" year for me. I'll not attempt to evaluate how those I have worked with may feel. But it is onward and forward into the second year!

Have you been asked to serve in the Associational Sunday School organization? This is a real missionary opportunity. Get with it and support your Associational Missionary and the Associational Sunday School superintendent. They have a challenging task. Do your part in sharing all that we have with all the churches. The associational organization challenges the best that is in you. Do this good work and your work in your local church will take an upswing. Now you'd like that I know. — Lawson Hatfield, Secretary ■

Honestly, don't you think your association should face up to its evangelistic needs and ask all churches to cooperate in an "all out" evangelism program in 1961? Brother pastor, doesn't your church need the uplift that comes from a mighty revival? How better can a church get that spiritual charge than by participating in a Jubilee Revival?

The associational officers should meet together for special prayer about this matter. We can alibi and make excuses about the record of baptisms going down, but are these excuses pleasing to God? It's true we are losing population, but did you know that the decrease in baptisms is greater in cities and towns where the population is increasing? Yes, where there are more people than ever, the baptisms are fewer than ever.

If, in 1961 every association would set a date for a Jubilee Re-

vival and enlist all the churches in it we would see a great increase in baptisms. Try it in your association.—C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent.

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DR. CALDWELL

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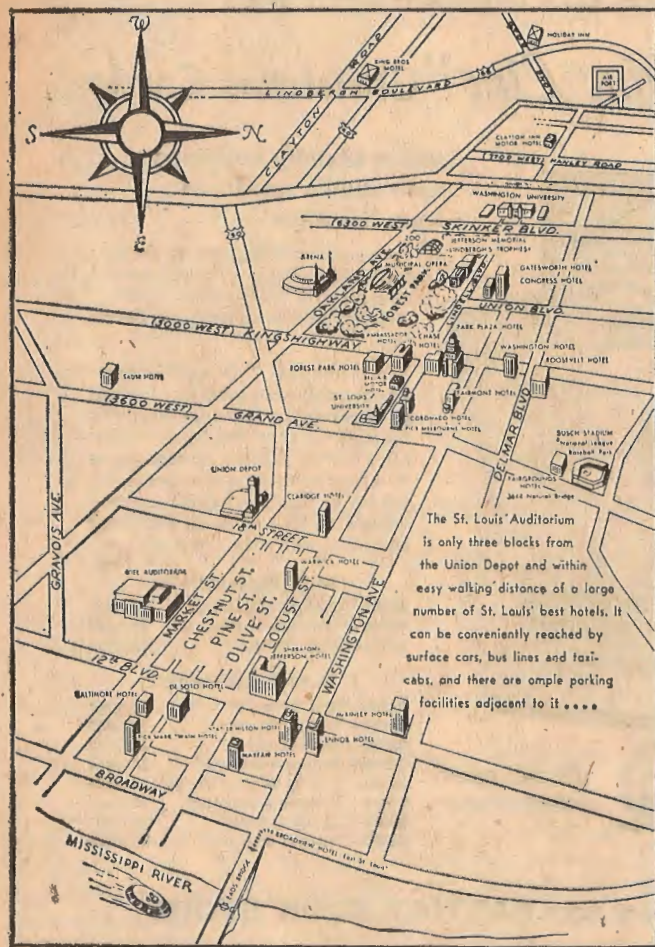


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The Extra Coats

By Grayce Krogh Boller

Teddy watched the big blue moving van draw slowly up to the empty house down the street. He was glad it was Saturday so that he could watch the people moving in. It was fun to see if there were any toys, because toys meant boys and girls. Boys and girls meant new friends.

It did not take the moving men long to take the furniture in. Teddy looked unhappy as he watched. There were no toys. There wasn't much furniture either.

"Mother," Teddy asked at lunch, "who are the new people who moved in today?"

"I don't know, dear," said Mother as she served steaming hot soup. "I did hear their name, but it was a hard one to remember. I want to send a casserole down for their supper. They will be busy getting settled."

"And cake, too?" Teddy knew Mother had baked that morning.

"And cake, too," Mother laughed. "Perhaps you can ask their name when you take it down. They have a boy and a girl about your age."

"Do they?" Teddy smiled. "I didn't see any toys and, Mother, they hardly have any furniture. I'm going to invite them to Sunday school."

"That will be nice and thoughtful," said Mother.

It was hard to wait until Mother had the casserole ready for their

new neighbors' supper. Teddy watched, too, as she iced the cake with thick, chocolate frosting. When he became tired of watching, he brought out his express wagon and dusted it carefully. He would put the food on it to take down the street.

Soon everything was ready, and Teddy pulled the wagon carefully to the new neighbors' home. The boy came out and helped Teddy carry the things inside. Teddy did not stay long. He knew the people were busy.

"Well," asked Mother when Teddy returned, "how did you make out? Do you like them? Are they coming to Sunday school tomorrow?"

"I like them," said Teddy, "but they aren't coming to Sunday school. Mother, they are refugees. That's why they have so few things. They lost everything they owned. They can't come to Sunday school because they don't have warm coats. It's getting cold now. What will they do when winter comes?"

"Maybe we can do something about it," said Mother. "The boy is a little smaller than you are, Teddy. You have a new coat. Your old one is too small for you. Would you like to give it to the boy?"

"His name is Peter," Teddy smiled as he nodded.

"And I have an extra coat I don't wear any more," Mother went on. "Probably Aunt Laura

has one of Peggy's that the girl might have."

"Marina," said Teddy, who had found out all their names. "Daddy has two coats, too. Mother, it's like the Bible says about sharing if you have two coats, isn't it?"

"Yes, it is," said Mother as she started upstairs to see about the coats.

While Teddy and Mother worked, they thought of how they could be good friends to their new neighbors.

"We can take the coats to them tonight and invite them again to go with us to Sunday school tomorrow," he planned.

Teddy was very happy the next morning when his new friends came to Sunday school. They were snug and warm in the nice coats they had received from their thoughtful new friends. ■

Solve It

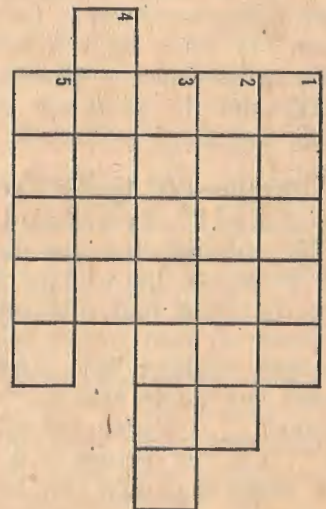
By Carrie I. Quick

Rearrange the letters below to spell the names of disciples. Put the correct names in the squares. When you read the first row of letters downward, you will find the name of another disciple.

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2. D R E A W N
3. W H E A T M T
4. T E E R P
5. S M O I N

ANSWERS

4. Peter, 5. Simon; JAMES
1. Judas, 2. Andrew, 3. Matthew,
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A Sense of God's Presence

By Ralph A. Phelps, Jr.
President, Ouachita College

November 13

Bible Material: *Psalms* 116-118.

A YOUNG couple who had recently experienced great tragedy in the loss of a child said, "This



DR. PHELPS

has been a deep spiritual experience for us. We have been drawn closer to God than we have ever been before; we have grown spiritually." Their lives in the months which

followed demonstrated beyond a doubt that this psalm of praise had been the sincere outpouring of their souls and not just "pious talk" for the sake of the minister.

Frequently a person, upon coming safely through an experience of great trial, has in his life an awareness of God's presence such as he has never known before. The psalms which form the text of this Sunday's lesson apparently grew out of times of great travail through which the writer had passed safely as a result of God's presence in his life.

Apparently Psalm 116 refers to the personal experience of an individual, while Psalm 118 seems to recall some great national deliverance and may have been used on a holiday celebrating the occasion. The latter was a favorite psalm of Martin Luther. The two-verse Psalm 117 could have referred to either experience. Whether the background is personal or national, the same principles apply.

I. Awareness of God's Presence 116:1,2; 117:2; 118:1-4

The psalmist's love for the Lord was based on the certain knowledge that God had intervened in his hour of need for divine help. He was certain that God had "heard my voice and my supplications . . . inclined his ear unto me." It is the picture of a father who hears a child's call for help

and turns his head to listen more intently to the cry.

That God had responded mercifully is evident from the repeated statements that God's "mercy endureth forever." There is no indication that God's intervention in the hour of need had come because those crying to him deserved help; in fact, the opposite seems to be implied, for the singer, declares, "Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; yea, our God is merciful" (16:6). Our chief hope is not, as with a trial lawyer, in presenting enough favorable evidence to get the decision we want, but rests instead in the very character and eternal nature of God.

II. Need for God's Presence 116:3-11; 118:10-14

The exact nature of the trouble which the individual and the nation had encountered is not spelled out, but enough is said to make it clear that the need for God's presence had been acute in both cases.

In the first, the writer says, "The sorrows of death compassed me, and the paths of hell got hold upon me; I found trouble and sorrow." Another translation puts it this way: "The snares of death surrounded me; and the straits of Sheol found me." The picture is one of a hunted animal with snares or traps set all around him. The term "straits" refers to the narrow defiles into which hunters droye their prey for capture. In the strongest possible language, he is saying, "From a human standpoint, my case was completely hopeless."

The nation's plight was equally grievous: "All nations compassed me about." Not only were the enemies on all sides, but they were like a swarm of angry bees attacking; their rage was like a "fire of thorns," a fiercely raging fire.

In our daily lives we find ourselves backed into a corner with

all our human resources exhausted, with nothing but despair and death confronting us. As a nation we come to the point of feeling that our enemies swarm around us like maddened bees. How shall we respond? Shall we curse our fate, cry out to human sources for help, throw in the towel? The Psalmist said, "I called upon the Lord in my distress" (118:5). This we should also do.

III. Nature of God's Presence 116:4-8; 118:5-9

At least three things are taught here about the presence of God.

1. *It is supernatural.* The writer makes it clear that the help he received was not from human allies but from the divine God, and he was not embarrassed to say so. In fact, he says bluntly, "It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man. It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in princes."

Many theologians in our day, including some in Baptist circles, are determined to take all of the supernatural and miraculous elements out of the Bible and try to explain everything in naturalistic terms. What is the point in trying to whittle God down to man's size? These self-appointed "deliverers" would never be able to convince this psalmist that he had not experienced something higher than man's work.

2. *It is manifested in response to man's plea.* While what God did to help was not the result of man's merit, the Psalmist was convinced that his plea to God had claimed God's special attention to his situation. This is not to say that God does not know what is going on unless we tell him, for an omniscient God does not have to receive newscasts from earth to be

aware of what is happening. But a prayer to God is an indication of faith in God, and the manifestation of trust in him is reason for him to hear in a special way. A person who comes to me for help, believing that I can and will help him, is in a better position to receive the benefit of what I can do than one who never calls on me. So it is in our relationship to God.

3. *It is effective.* The writer does not hedge about what God's power did for him. "I was brought low, and he helped me . . . For thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling" (116:6, 8). When God puts his hand to a task, he does it well; for all power is his in heaven and on earth.

While we may not be able to discourse with the learned modernist theologians on problems of form criticism, we can take comfort from the statement, "The Lord preserveth the simple" (i.e., those unacquainted with evil), and that his powers of preservation are limitless.

IV. Gratitude for God's Presence 116:9-19; 118:14-29

Over and over the psalmist pours out his gratitude unto God and promises to praise God's name as long as he lives. His expressions of gratitude include promises to "walk before the Lord in the land of the living," to "take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord," to "pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all his people," and to "offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving."

Because he has experienced God's presence, he no longer fears death but can declare triumphantly, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." Instead of being at the end of his rope without even a knot in the rope to hold to as he once had, he can now say, "The Lord is my strength and my song, and is become my salvation."

Conclusion

The same powerful presence which the psalmist experienced is available to us if we will call on him in faith as did the people in this lesson. The chorus we sing truthfully says, "God specializes

in things that seem impossible; he knows a thousand ways to make a way for you." ■

'Reds' Celebrate

Under the heading of "Tenth Anniversary of Participation of Chinese People in Korean War," the *Peking People's Daily* ran the following item which illustrates something of the Chinese Communist philosophy:

"More efforts should be made to inspire struggles for freedom of all oppressed peoples in the world.

"The scheming of the United States to impose overlordship on the peoples of the world had failed ignominiously.

"The fact that the Korean and the Chinese peoples' forces, with inferior equipment, defeated the better-equipped United States forces of aggression has provided an eloquent proof of the universal Marxist-Leninist truth that the factor that decides the outcome of a war is the character of the war

rather than the equipment of an army, and man rather than material.

"The Chinese people on the basis of their experience in the protracted struggle against Imperialism and reactionaries understood full well that appeasement could never win peace, that only resolute struggle and defeat of the enemy could win genuine peace." (EP)

Yonsei Reopens

SEOUL, Korea (EP) — Yonsei University, the interdenominational Protestant missionary-supported institution which shut down when student riots, boycotting of classes and faculty strikes threatened chaos in September, has been fully re-opened. The school's 4,000 students are back in class, the faculty at work and the board of directors now agreed to reconsider requests that three faculty members dismissed by officials last summer be given a new hearing by a special board-appointed committee.



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JAPANESE Christians are reported to be showing growing interest in the Tokyo Crusade scheduled for May, 1961 by World Vision. The 10,000-seat Meiji Auditorium has been secured in the heart of the student district for the 28-night meeting. Dr. Bob Pierce will be the evangelist and Dr. Paul Rees will conduct special seminars for pastors and other church leaders.

The Bible bookmark reproduced above carries the message: "Would you please write in the space below the names of those persons that you would like to see receive Christ as Saviour during the Tokyo Christian Crusade. Shall we use each one of these 28 days as 28 opportunities, each night bringing one of our friends, family or acquaintances? "Covenant: Beginning now I promise to assume the special responsibility for these souls and to pray for them daily." ■

Beacon Lights of Baptist History

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

Baptists Accused

STERN protestations against infant baptism and absenting one's self from meetings of the Congregational church were declared "moral scandals" by Cotton Mather in early religious controversy in Massachusetts.

These charges were hurled at members of the First Baptist Church of Boston. Thomas Gould, Edward Drinker, Thomas Osborne and John George were baptized and along with five other members established this work.

Mr. Gould raised objections to infant baptism at the birth of his child in 1655. For a long time, he had debated within himself the truthfulness of infant baptism. He reasoned that children were not capable, nor fit subjects, of believers baptism, since Christ gave the commission to preach, make disciples, and then baptize them. Be-

cause children weren't capable of following this order, he refused to let his child participate.

The established church labored long with him but could not lead him to change his mind. Too, he was summoned to appear before the church which he left when he joined the Baptist church. He protested that it had no further control over him. But he finally consented and was excommunicated along with the other Baptists.

They were arraigned before the Court of Assistants in September, 1665. Refusing to yield to the authorities, they were bound over to the General Court. The court declared this company not an orderly church and charged them with presumption against God in its organization. Warnings of prison were given them if they persisted in their meetings.

They persisted, and on April 17, 1666, were summoned before the Court, fined, and required to make bond for the next Court of Assistants. They refused and were cast into prison. The fines were paid and the prisoners liberated.

In 1668, the governor, meeting with magistrates and principal ministers, ruled that the Baptist leaders were disturbing elements and contemptuous of civil authorities (because they did not abide by the Congregational church teachings). They ordered them to move from that jurisdiction. ■

Chinese Menaced

TAIPEI, Formosa (EP) — A former Chinese ambassador to Cuba has told legislators here that Chinese living in Cuba are faced with Cuban economic suppression as well as the menace of the Chinese Communists.

Ambassador Liu Yu-Wan, who was recently recalled by the Chinese government after the severance of diplomatic relations with the Castro regime, told the foreign affairs committee of the legislative Yuan that most of the Chinese in Cuba are engaged in the grocery business, and that after the nationalization of that business by the Castro government, they have been deprived of their means of making a living. He added that the Chinese Communists have sent thousands of Asians to Cuba to make surveys of the economic condition of the overseas Chinese there as a preparatory step.

He also reported, however, that the Cuban people themselves had been very friendly to the Chinese residents in their country. Liu had reported that a warm send-off had been given him when he left Havana.



FORT WORTH—Men and shovels, silhouettes against the sky, continue to provide the basic labor needed for modern-day construction. These Southwestern Seminary students, employees of the seminary plant department, are among those working on Cowden Hall in a \$500,000 "face-lifting" which will make this School of Church Music building one of the most modern and functional music buildings in the nation.

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