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Over-Indulgence

HAVING experienced the characteristic over-indulgence of the Thanksgiving menu and immediately being confronted with the orgy of spending in which the American people will soon engage throughout the Christmas Season, I find a pang of conscience when I recall some of



DR. WHITLOW

the scenes I witnessed recently on our trip to Central and South America.

There are multitudes of people south of the border who have never known the satisfaction of a full stomach. One of their problems is that of reconciling the fact that one of our greatest economic problems is that of an over-abundance of the necessities of life when many of them are starving because of a lack of the necessities of life. In the face of their plight it is rather difficult for us to explain how we can conscientiously destroy food stuff by plowing it under, and wantonly destroy our livestock in order to bolster a sagging market.

Illiteracy ranges from 20% to 85% in many of the Latin American countries. Spiritual poverty is also in evidence on wholesale fashion. It is rather obvious that the problem

of the multitudes is basically a spiritual problem.

These problems are also our problems as Baptists whether we recognize them as such or not. God has been good to us. We have known a freedom and spiritual heritage because those who have gone before us paid the price that it might be so. We cannot evade the fact that we are our brother's keeper. We must share the gospel with them.

The problems we have enumerated will require much time and a deep sense of dedication on our part to help solve. They cannot be solved by a single act nor with a week. There is something that we can do within the next few weeks that will mean much and it will also indicate our willingness to share Christ with our friends to the south. We can give sacrificially at this Christmas Season for world missions through the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. The fruit of this offering will be a real blessing to others in the name of our Lord. Give now. Give liberally that others might live.—S. A. Whitlow, Executive Secretary.

First Church, Wilson

OUR OFFICE has received the Forward Program of Church Finance from 1st Church, Wilson,



DR. DOUGLAS

where Rev. T. E. Farrar, Jr., is pastor. The report reflected some things that we have known for the past few years: namely, the Forward Program enlists workers in the church; enlists tithers; enlists pledgers; and enlarges the entire program of the church.

Here are some of the pertinent facts about the campaign.

Budget Goals

1959	1960
\$19,134.40	\$22,248.20

Pledged

1959	1960
\$16,000.00	\$21,000.00

Tithers

1959	1960
61	111

Pledgers

1959	1960
152	184

The budget goal was increased 16 percent. The amount of money pledged increased 31 percent. The number of tithers increased 82 percent and the number of pledgers increased 21 percent.

Now, this is becoming a familiar story to those who have worked in a Forward Program campaign. This story is the rule and not the exception.

A few times, we have heard the statement, "such and such a church used the Forward Program and it did not do much good." We have made some follow ups on these statements and found the Forward Program was not used. In most cases, parts of the Program were adopted and the impression was made that the church had used the Forward Program.

Let us suppose that some church used the entire program and no visible increases came. Would that be a legitimate reason for a church, whose members are giving less than 1/3 of the tithe, not to use the Program? If so, then I know some churches that should never try to conduct a revival because they used the services of a preacher, a singer, had visitation for ten days, urged the people to visit and attend, spent much money in the effort, but wound up with no visible results.

It would have been unwise for these churches to never mention revival campaigns again, so they made bigger and better plans for other revivals and the visible results were numerous.

First Church, Wilson, has been a good church and the people have been taught stewardship across the years. But, it took the Forward Program of Church Finance Campaign to enlist more tithers, more givers, and more workers. It also took a pastor like T. E. Farrar, Jr. who presented the Program in the right manner, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit to lead the people. — Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary.

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New Mission Organized By 1st Church, Springdale

1st CHURCH, Springdale, organized the Elmdale Mission recently.

It is located in the northwest section of the city in a new housing development.

Since the first Sunday services Oct. 2, 100 people have enrolled in Sunday School.

Harlan D. Nelson is serving as interim pastor. A resident of Huntsville he retired from the active ministry in Texas this year.

The mission building is a brick building located on a four-acre plot. It includes an auditorium seating 125 persons, eight class rooms, kitchen, and two rest rooms.

This is the third mission started by 1st Church: ■



LIBRARY OFFICERS: President John Holston, of Batesville, of the Arkansas Baptist Library Convention (right) confers with Vice President Tom Gambrell, Pine Bluff, and Secretary Mrs. Mamie Shook, Little Rock, at a meeting in Fayetteville recently in connection with the Baptist State Convention. The annual convention of the library organization will be held March 23-24 at Immanuel Church, Little Rock.—Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine Photo



DEAD—Dr. W. W. Hamilton, 91, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, former president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and chaplain emeritus of Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, died in that city Nov. 19. (BP)

Rocky Bayou Notes

DR. H. M. HANEY, of the faculty of Southern College, Walnut Ridge, will be the "M" Night speaker for Rocky Bayou Association, Dec. 5, at 1st Church, Melbourne. Mrs. Jane Smith will present highlights of the Training Union program for 1961.

A NEW attendance record for



OUACHITA LEADERS: Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., president of Ouachita College; Dr. Walter H. O'Neal, president of the Ouachita Alumni; and Wayne Smith, recently elected Ouachita Alumni secretary.—Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine Photo

our hymn sings was set at Sage, Nov. 17, with 158 present.

TWO foreign students from Southern College will speak at the WMU Rally at Calico Rock on Dec. 15: Victor Wong, from Hong Kong, China, and Nabeel Kteily, from Nazareth. Men are invited to come with their wives to this meeting.

R. B. McDOWELL has accepted the pastorate of the churches at

Zion and at Sidney.—Noble Wiles, Missionary ■

Tri-County Officers

NEW officers of Tri-County Association are: Edgar Harvey, pastor, 2nd Church, Forrest City, moderator; Ben Rowell, pastor, 1st Church, Crawfordsville, vice moderator; Johnny Green, pastor, Goodwin Church, clerk; Nall Brantley, Forrest City, treasurer.

Not Just Anybody

NOTHING ventured, nothing gained.

Early in 1927 the Columbia Aircraft Corporation of New York City, headed by Charles Levine and Clarence Chamberlin, missed the opportunity of having one of its prized Bellancas go down in history as the first aircraft to fly non-stop across the Atlantic. They



ELM

were not willing to risk it to the hands of a young flyer by the name of Charles A. Lindbergh, who had his heart set on a Bellanca for a proposed non-stop flight from New York City to Paris.

Through his financial backers, young Lindy had the \$15,000 Columbia Aircraft was asking for one of their planes. But company officials refused to sell to him because he would not permit them to "select the crew that flies it."

Said Mr. Levine "You understand we cannot let just anybody pilot our airplane across the ocean."

It was mid-February of that fateful year for aviation. Every day was bringing news of others who were aspiring to be the first to fly the Atlantic non-stop. In sore disappointment Lindbergh crossed the continent to the West Coast. There he succeeded in enlisting the services of the relatively unknown, up to that time, Ryan Airline factory, in San Diego, Calif.

Everybody at Ryan counted it a great privilege to build a plane for Mr. Lindbergh and the plane would be his to fly as he saw fit. In a few brief weeks of frenzied, around-the-clock labors, the company built for the young aviator a strong but simple, one-engine plane. When it was ready the new owner had them to paint on it what he had longed to paint on the coveted Bellanca—"The Spirit of St. Louis."

In this little plane, not the Bellanca, Lindbergh flew to his "place in the sun." And for many, many years now it has been this little plane, not a Bellanca, that has been on exhibit in the great Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., as "the Lindbergh plane." And people stream to see it.

There are always a lot of valuable things that the world cannot afford to entrust to the hands of "just anybody." But before we refuse some young man his big opportunity, perhaps we better take another look at the young man himself.

Erwin L. McDonald

THIS is a subject [education] that has strong claims on us as a denomination," declared M. P. Blair, in the Report on Education, given at the 33rd annual session of Dardanelle Association, Sept. 17, 18 and 19, 1887. "Other denominations see the importance of this work and are pressing the claims of their schools; and, if we do not bestir ourselves, our children will be left to be educated by others," he continued.

A Baptist Aim - Christian Education

But there was good news in the report that year. Baptists of Arkansas, after talking and praying many years about the need for their own college, had actually established Ouachita College in Arkadelphia. Upon its opening in 1886, the college had enrolled "one hundred students the first day" and had seen its enrollment reach 214 before the end of its first session. Enrollment for the fall semester of the second year, in 1887, had already reached 165 and registration had not closed.

A few years later, at the 39th annual session of the Dardanelle Association, Aug. 16, 17, and 18, 1893, a committee composed of A. H. Autry, W. D. Moffitt, and G. W. Woodson declared in the Education report:

"In the early aspirations and efforts of our brethren, we find two aims always prominent: 1. The education of the rising ministry, and; 2. The education of our sons and daughters under Christian influences. Intellectual superiority gives leadership. If the Baptists of Arkansas would lead, they must educate their sons and daughters into intellectual and moral supremacy.

"We believe that Baptists, as a denomination, are under special obligations, even above others, to undertake the work of the higher Christian education of the youth of our land to the fullest extent possible. And to this end we heartily recommend our Ouachita Baptist College, Arkadelphia . . . Let us emphasize not only an educated ministry, but an educated membership as well. Let it cost treasure and time, it will yield a rich harvest. If the carnal man is better by it, much more the Christian."

And so these leaders, long since dead, being dead yet speak for Christian education.

Ouachita College, now in her 75th year, has an all-time high enrollment of 1,210 for the fall semester and is faced with the necessity of expanding its faculty and facilities or arbitrarily setting a limit on the number of students to be admitted. President Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., who has seen an increase of more than 130% in enrollment during his seven years as head of the college, estimated in his report recently to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention that Ouachita will have about 2,500 students by 1970 if she "does no more than keep step with the national increase" in college students.

Dr. Phelps asked the messengers attending the convention in Fayetteville some rather pointed questions:

"What do you, Arkansas Baptists, want for Ouachita College, your child? Do you want her to go backward? Do you want her to lose accreditation and the national recognition which she has managed to attain in several fields? Do you want her to be second rate, a cause conducted in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ but ridiculed in academic circles and a source of embarrassment to even her most loyal alumni? Or do you want her just to level off where she stands today and not have a place for your children or grandchildren in 1962 or 1964? Do you want to guarantee that Baptist boys and girls *must* go to tax-supported institutions whether they want to or not? I ask these questions because the future of Ouachita Baptist College rests not in the hands of her trustees, her administration, her faculty. The future rests squarely in the hands of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, which 75 years ago gave birth to this school. Our fervent hope is that the parent body will today have the same measure of enthusiasm for and devotion to the ideal of Christian higher education that it had in 1885. God help us to that end."

The time has come when we Baptists must decide whether or not we are going to stay in the education business. We can leave the field in a few brief years by merely standing still. Somehow we must enlist more tithers and channel more of our local church funds into our world mission program, which program includes Christian education as a part of the bedrock of its foundation. ■

Catholic President

OUTBURSTS such as recorded in the enclosed newspaper article suggest that you speak first and THINK, if at all, afterwards. [Newspaper clipping of a Fayetteville release enclosed.]

Is it not true that Baptists are the ones who cry loudest for separation of State and Church? Yet, it would appear that practically all the political activity is on the part of the Baptist ministry and prominent members of this sect. Catholics, too, believe in separation of Church and State, but they do not go about flailing their arms and beating their breasts, and insisting that the Baptists are destroying American ideals.

Why not concentrate more on the needs of the United States and stop worrying about the Vatican? If only you could see into Catholic minds, to realize how little you have to worry about in this regard!!

There have been and probably are now many Catholic Governors in the United States and to my knowledge none of them is asking for or getting any instructions from the Vatican. The very idea is absurd and it is hard to imagine that intelligent men think along such lines.

We Catholics are as much concerned about our country as you are and I know you will admit that Catholics were well represented in the Armed Forces in defense of their country. I am one of them, who served proudly for 4½ years. Of course, I am dismayed that there are so many who call themselves "American" who question our loyalty.

I bear you no ill-will; I do hope the day will come when you can calmly view matters as they really are and avoid distortion. Fortunately, not all Baptists fall prey to your machinations.

In closing I might add that I consider Mr. Nixon a very able Statesman, but I did not reach this conclusion on the basis of his religion, whatever it may be.

Let's be fair and face the real issues, placing our trust in God alone.—Stephen J. Clancy, 5 Boyd Ave., Jersey City 4, N. J.

REPLY: At Fayetteville I was approached by a reporter who wanted to know if we Baptists feel any different about a Catholic for President than we did a year ago. I told him something he did not put into print: that no one Baptist can speak for other Baptists in such matters. But I told him that as far as my personal views are concerned, they have not changed. I had been opposed to a Catholic for President because of the oppression by the Vatican of those of faiths other than Roman Catholic and since there has been no indication of a change of policy by the Vatican, I still feel as I did.

You will be interested to know that I was a co-author of the resolution passed last week by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention assuring President-elect Kennedy of our prayers and support in the interest of the general welfare of our

nation and of peace throughout the world and pledging our best efforts for the preservation of our American heritage of religious liberty. Mr. Kennedy has sounded like a Baptist in his views on religious liberty and separation of church and state. We hope these views are not changed by the Pope.

Frankly, I am greatly pleased with your own personal views as expressed in your letter. Perhaps there may be a new day dawning for religious liberty in America and around the world. So may it be.—ELM

'Hurting Your Church'

AN ARTICLE appeared in today's Tulsa Daily World concerning your remarks with reference to opposing the candidacy of a Roman Catholic.

Your understanding of Roman Catholicism is based on what occurred in the dark ages.

You are only hurting your church by such attacks upon another religion. It would be much better if you directed your attacks against communism and there are many other topics where your preaching could do some good.

I wish to point out that there are some baptist [sic] who feel that under these circumstances they have no alternative but to renounce their church and join a different and less spiteful or hateful place of worship. How many there are, I do not know, but since I do know a few, there must be many. I have also heard some remarks about retaliatory measures through investigation to determine to what extent allegiance to this country, or opposition to our Constitution, is involved. At any rate, none of the comments made by others here have been favorable to you or to any of those who have used the church as a shield to cover ulterior motives and camouflage foreign instructions and purpose.

I don't recall that any religion is favored in communists countries, but I do recall that the communist dictators seek the downfall of Catholics first and get around to others last.

I am not a Catholic.

I am with the group in paragraph 4 above.

This matter should be the subject of an F. B. I. investigation and their powers should be extended to include deportation.

P. S.—Do you sleep well? What's with you anyway?—B. R. Blake, 1247 Trusdale, Tulsa, Okla.

REPLY: The Roman Catholicism against which this editor is arrayed is present-day Catholicism which declares that the Roman Catholic Church is the "mother" church, dating all the way back to the Apostle Peter (which the Catholic church claims for its first pope!) and claiming further that all teaching not in harmony with that of Roman Catholicism is heresy and has no right to continue to exist. Here is one Baptist who has no intention of throwing in the sponge even if all of those of your stripe go over to the Catholics.

Let us set you straight on one point. We are not fighting Catholicism as a

religion for those who choose to embrace it as such. We are just not bowing our neck to receive the shackles of restricted religious liberty in conformance with the pattern of the Catholic hierarchy, which asserts its authority over all men.—ELM

Religion's Help

ACCORDING to a survey by the Associated Press, religion helped elect Kennedy President. For example I quote reports on four states:

Texas: "The religious issue cut both ways for Kennedy. Protestant rural areas chose to remain democratic rather than vote against a Roman Catholic. Kennedy won areas where Catholic Latin Americans are concentrated."

South Carolina: "The religious issue worked in reverse in this state. The Democrats very cleverly kept it alive and turned it to their own advantage."

New York: "A great many Catholics who have been voting Republican apparently switched in hope of electing a Catholic President for the first time."

Illinois: "The religious issue proved to be a big factor in saving Kennedy in Illinois. Many Catholics who normally vote Republican went for Kennedy."

The results are clear. Catholic Republicans put their church above their party and country and voted for Catholic Kennedy. On the other hand, many Protestant Democrats put their party above their God, Church and Country and voted for Kennedy. These Protestant Democrats will have a sad awakening when they realize that by their ignorance and stupidity they have surrendered our religious freedom, separation of church and state, and other principles to the Roman Catholic Church, and set Protestantism back five hundred years.

Can it be that some of our Protestant ministers are responsible because they did not have the faith and courage to enlighten their people on the doctrines and ambitions of the Roman Catholic Church and its persecution of Protestants in countries which it controls?

The religious issue is not dead as some would have us believe. The Roman Catholic hierarchy will use it to their advantage at every opportunity. We need to stay awake, watch and listen else we perish. "In time of peace prepare for war."—L. W. Reigel, Layman, Lyndon (Ky.) Baptist Church.

New Subscriber

I AM grateful for the copy of your magazine of Nov. 10. I am so impressed with the whole magazine that I am enclosing a check for a year's subscription.

Your paper appears to be most outstanding. I take a good many of the denominational papers, so I am able to make a fair comparison of your paper and some of the others.

May I take this opportunity to say that in Dr. Vaught you have one of the most useful and outstanding members of the Foreign Mission Board. It is a delight to work with him and to observe his dedicated life.—L. Howard Jenkins, President, Foreign Mission Board of SBC, Richmond, Va.

Welcomes Mission

AS a former Arkansan, and a Southern Baptist I am delighted that a Southern Baptist Mission was begun recently in this area.

We are but a handful numerically, but those of us who are attending feel that this is indeed an answer to prayer.

Those, like myself, who are "transplants" here, and who are parents, have longed for a Southern Baptist program for our children.

This could indeed be the beginning of a "light shining in darkness" for this heavily populated area, of which the great majority are Roman Catholics. And the Protestant churches here are largely "liberal" in doctrine.

This will indeed be a difficult "mission field," but with the prayers of God's people in back of us, we feel that this mission can be used to bring many to Christ.

Please remember us in your prayers—that God will use this mission to bring souls to Christ. Screvin Southern Baptist Mission, Providence, Rhode Island, is sponsored by the Screvin Memorial Baptist Church, Portsmouth, N. H.—Mrs. Wm. B. Deans, 181 Carleton St., Providence 8, R. I.

'We Rejoice'

WE had a wonderful Convention at Fayetteville. Many of us have come home rejoicing over the announcement made by our Executive Secretary, Dr. Whitlow, that the Executive Board is planning to employ a superintendent of evangelism and that the Foundation Board is planning to employ a director.

Those of us who read the Arkansas Baptist paper love our Baptist cause. We believe there are great things that will be done in the field of evangelism and the work of the Foundation Board. We are not too much concerned about how it is done just so we see an increase in baptisms, and begin to induce our people who are making wills and making large monetary contributions to remember our Baptist causes. Again we rejoice. E. Butler Abington, De Queen

For Missions

THOUGH you were influential in my coming to Brazil, you have recently started whittling the support right out from under me—which leads to this correspondence.

I'm referring of course to your campaign against the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. In one editorial "Dividing the Cheese" you used a very apt expression, since cheese can be cut in mighty thin slices and that is what Southern Baptists are doing when they dedicate only three cents of the collection-plate dollar to world missions.

Would you cut the slice still thinner by doing away with the one special yearly offering for foreign missions? It seems to me that you would do better to carve on the big chunk that stays at home!

Aside from this little case of backsliding you're doing a wonderful job with

Arkansas Baptist. Keep up the good work.—Gene H. Wise, Southern Baptist Missionary, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

REPLY: My interest in trying to steer all of us back to full support of the Co-operative Program is to channel more money, not less, to missions. We lose when special offerings, such as Lottie Moon, become so big they take away from the Co-operative Program. Special offerings should be taken only in real emergencies and for causes which cannot be anticipated and placed in the Co-operative Program budget. You can't eat your pie (or cheese) and still have it.—ELM

DR. JOHN McClanahan, pastor of 1st Church, Hope, was a featured speaker recently at the 31st annual convention of the North Carolina Baptist Student Union, at 1st Church, Winston-Salem, N. C. He gave two addresses: "Christ's Lordship in My Life," and "Christ's Lordship in Our Culture."

BAPTIST HOUR SERMON TOPICS

DECEMBER, 1960

Preacher: Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs

Dec. 4 "The Corruption of Power"

11 "The Corruption of Prophecy"

18 "How Shall We Face God?"

25 "The Glory Of Bethlehem"

City	Station	Time
Arkadelphia	KVRC	3:00 p.m.
Berryville	KTCN	10:00 a.m.
Conway	KCON	2:30 p.m.
De Queen	KDQN	1:00 p.m.
El Dorado	KELD	3:30 p.m.
Fayetteville	KFAY	8:30 a.m.
Fordyce	KBJT	4:00 p.m.
Forrest City	KXJK	9:30 a.m.
Hope	KXAR	5:00 p.m.
Jonesboro	KNEA	6:30 a.m.
Mena	KENA	1:30 p.m.
Monticello	KHBM	3:30 p.m.
Paragould	KDRS	8:30 p.m.
Prescott	KTPA	1:00 p.m.
Siloam Springs	KUOA	7:30 a.m.
Wynne	KWYN	7:30 a.m.
Van Buren	KFDF	10:00 a.m.

MASTERCONTROL

Corning	KCCB	10:30 a.m.
Forrest City	KXJK	10:00 a.m.
Fort Smith	KWHN	12:30 p.m.
Little Rock	KTHS	5:00 p.m.
Paris	KCCL	4:00 p.m.
Prescott	KTPA	3:00 p.m.
Siloam Springs	KUOA	10:00 a.m., Sat.

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

Paragould	KDRS	10:15 a.m.
Prescott	KTPA	—
Rogers	KAMO	8:05 a.m.
Stuttgart	KWAK	6:30 p.m., Fri.
Wynne	KWYN	9:15 a.m.
Fort Smith	KFSA	4:00 p.m., Sat.

THE BOOKSHELF

A Recipe for a Merry Christmas, by Handel H. Brown, Eerdman's, 1960, \$2.50

For those who wish to "put Christ into Christmas," this book of devotional material about Christmas should prove to be a boon. The pastor is minister of 1st Presbyterian Church, St. Cloud, Fla.

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Peloubet's Select Notes 1961, edited by Wilbur M. Smith, W. A. Wilde Co., 1960, \$2.95

Peloubet's has been published for 87 years and continues to be one of the leading Sunday School lesson commentaries. The commentary is compiled so as to be used easily and effectively. Lessons are complete with introductory suggestions for the teacher and the setting of the Scripture assigned. Each lesson has a plan for its presentation.

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Between You, Me and the Gatepost, by Pat Boone, Prentice Hall, 1960, \$2.95

Human relations—how to get along with people—is the theme of this new book by the popular singer, actor and entertainer. Pat digs into his "private stock of memories" to help teenagers find the answers to many of their questions confronting them.

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Let My Heart Be Broken . . . with the things that break the heart of God, by Richard Gehman, McGraw-Hill, 1960, \$4.95

This is the story of World Vision, one of America's missionary organizations, and its founder, Dr. Rob Pierce, whose constant prayer is the title of this book: "Let my heart be broken with the things that break the heart of God."

The author, a professional writer, accompanied Dr. Pierce on a global tour and this book tells how, through the work of a tireless American woman in the World Vision organization, pathetic lepers in Formosa find new purpose in life; how Communist infiltrators have marked every Hong Kong missionary for death when the Reds take the city; how manacled war criminals in Japan marched to their execution singing hymns after their lives had been touched by a colorful British woman missionary known as "Sense!"; and how devoted doctors and nurses, teachers and preachers venture with faith alone into places of disease and great danger.

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History of Religion in the United States, by Clifton E. Olmstead, Prentice-Hall, 1960, \$4.95

Dr. Olmstead, of Princeton Theological Seminary, who is executive officer of the Department of Religion, George Washington University, deals with the theological aspects of religion against the broad background of political history, in this accounting of the history of religion in the United States, particularly for that period since the Civil War. He attempts to survey both the major and the minor religious movements of the nation.

'For The Sake Of Discipline'

FROM Springfield to Quincy is about 100 miles, and the original plan was to send the 21st there by rail. Instead the regiment went on foot, by Grant's decision. All the surviving accounts agree that the march did the regiment a great deal of good, and the only question seems to be why Grant made the decision.

Governor Richard Yates remembered that he did it "for the sake of discipline"; a regimental veteran believed that it was "because we needed the drill"; and Grant himself wrote that he thought making the march on foot would be good preparation for the regiment's later experiences.

A variant is that the authorities had provided railroad cars, and that a long string of these were backed into a siding at Camp Yates for the 21st to board. The cars were freight cars, they were very dirty, and the soldiers made outcry when they saw them. As freeborn Americans they would ride in no filthy freight cars: if the government wanted to send them off by rail let the government bring passenger cars. Grant heard them out and remarked that if they did not want to ride in freight cars they did not have to: they could walk, and they would do so at once, with a few wagons to carry tents and other equipment.—From Bruce Catton's *Grant Moves South*, published by Little, Brown, 1960, \$6.50.

'As Poor Richard Says'

IT would be thought a hard Government that should tax its people one-tenth part of their time, to be employed in its service. But idleness taxes many of us much more, if we reckon all that is spent in absolute sloth, or doing of nothing, with that which is spent in idle employments or amusements, that amount to nothing. Sloth, by bringing on diseases, absolutely shortens life. Sloth, like rust, consumes faster than labour wears, while the used key is always bright, as Poor Richard says.

But dost thou love life, then do not squander time, for that's the stuff life is made of, as Poor Richard says. How much more than is necessary do we spend in sleep: forgetting that the sleeping fox catches no poultry, and that there will be sleeping enough in the grave, as Poor Richard says. If time be of all things the most precious, wasting time must be, as Poor Richard says, the greatest prodigality, since, as he elsewhere tells us, lost time is never found again; and what we call time-enough, always proves little enough: Let us then up and be doing, and doing to the purpose; so by diligence shall we do more with less perplexity. Sloth makes all things difficult, but industry all easy, as Poor Richard says; and he that riseth late, must trot all day, and shall scarce overtake his business at night. While laziness travels so slowly, that poverty soon overtakes him, as we read in Poor Richard, who adds, Drive thy business, let not that drive thee; and Early to bed, and early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise.—Benjamin Franklin, in *Poor Richard's Almanack*

'... the Righteous Are Bold as A Lion'

UNGODLY fears grow into obsessions which drive men to despair. Job said, "Terrors shall make him afraid on every side, and shall drive him to his feet" (Job 18:11). In the Proverbs we find a fine contrast between the one who is driven by ungodly fears and the one who is sustained by his consciousness of being right with God: "The wicked flee when no man pursueth; but the righteous are bold as a lion" (Proverbs 28:1).

From the Chambered Nautilus

Build thee more stately mansions,
O my soul,
As the swift seasons roll:
Leave thy low-vaulted past:
Let each new temple,
nobler than the last,
Shut thee from heaven with a
dome more vast,
Till thou at length art free,
Leaving thine outgrown shell by
life's unresting sea.
—Oliver Wendell Holmes

The Wiser Way

... FOR the individual man there is no radical cure, outside of human nature itself, for the evils to which human nature is heir. The rule will always hold good that you must

Be your own palace or
the world's your gaol.

But for artificial evils, for evils that spring from want of thought, thought must find a remedy somewhere. There has been no period of time in which wealth has been more sensible of its duties than now. It builds hospitals, it establishes missions among the poor, it endows schools. It is one of the advantages of accumulated wealth, and of the leisure it renders possible, that people have time to think of the wants and sorrows of their fellows.

But all these remedies are partial and palliative merely. It is as if we should apply plasters to a single pustule of the small-pox with a view of driving out the disease. The true way is to discover and to extirpate the germs. As society is now constituted these are in the air it breathes, in the water it drinks, in things that seem, and which it has always believed, to be the most innocent and healthful. The evil elements it neglects corrupt these in their springs and pollute them in their courses.

Let us be of good cheer, however, remembering that the misfortunes hardest to bear are those which never come. The world has outlived much, and will outlive a great deal more, and men have contrived to be happy in it. It has shown the strength of its constitution in nothing more than in surviving the quack medicines it has tried. In the scales of the destinies brawn will never weigh so much as brain. Our healing is not in the storm or in the whirlwind, it is not in monarchies, or aristocracies, or democracies, but will be revealed by the still small voice that speaks to the conscience and the heart, prompting us to wider and wiser humanity.—James Russell Lowell, in *Democracy*

Work In Africa Continues Amid Unrest

IN his report to the Foreign Mission Board in November, Executive Secretary Baker J. Cauthen expressed confidence the Advance Program funds from the Cooperative Program will provide more than the \$800,000 needed from this source for the Board's 1961 budget. (Cooperative Program money received after the Southern Baptist Convention's operating budget is met is called Advance Program funds and is shared by the Foreign and the Home Mission Boards, with the Foreign Board receiving 75 per cent.)

"This is also the period when the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is being received. Of this, \$3,000,000 will constitute a part of the 1961 budget and will be used for support of missionaries, operating expenses of schools, hospitals, evangelistic work, and many other purposes.

Dr. Cauthen called attention to large-scale evangelistic meetings just concluded in Hong Kong and similar ones being held in the Philippines. Four thousand people attended the opening night service in Hong Kong. Two pastors from the United States are assisting Southern Baptist missionaries and national Baptist leaders in these meetings. They are Dr. Charles C. Bowles, of Hunter Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., and Dr. Elwin L. Skiles, of First Baptist Church, Abilene, Tex.

James D. Crane Named Field Representative

In its program of strengthening administrative arrangements for Latin America, the Board named Rev. James D. Crane, missionary to Mexico, as field representative for the area made up of Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, and the Baptist Spanish Publishing House in El Paso, Tex.

Couple Approved for English Work on Guam

After studying the request of a Southern Baptist group on Guam and hearing the report of Dr. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient, the Foreign Mission Board approved in principle the placement of a missionary couple on the island for English-speaking work.

Early this year a two-year-old Southern Baptist fellowship group on Guam organized itself into a congregation with a full program of worship, evangelism, and religious education under the sponsorship of Ardmore Baptist Church of Memphis, Tenn. This congregation has requested the Foreign Mission Board to provide help along the lines of its present policy with regard to English-language work overseas.

Dr. Crawley explained that although Guam is technically a territory of the United States it is much nearer in location, background, and original culture to the Philippines and other East Asia areas than to this country. On the island are nearly 40,000 Guamanians, of Polynesian lineage and largely Roman Catholic in religion, thousands of Filipino contract workers, and more than 20,000 Stateside Americans. The majority of the Americans are military personnel and dependents; but a number of them are civilians related to the military forces, to local government and schools, or to private business enterprises. Among them are probably 1,200 to 1,500 Southern Baptists.

"This situation would indicate the possibility of development of a strong Southern Baptist church," Dr. Crawley said. "And as it develops it will find opportunities for ministry not only to Stateside personnel but also eventually to Filipinos and Guamanians."

Central Africa Work Continues Amid Unrest

In his report Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, said there has been a noticeable increase in political unrest and racial tension in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland. However, Southern Baptist missionaries there do not feel that they are in danger. "They feel that their ministry is more needed than ever; and their chief concern is that they may continue to have freedom to move among the African population, preaching, teaching, and serving," Dr. Goerner said.

"In contrast with these troubled conditions elsewhere, Nigeria moves into its second month of national independence without any indications of internal disorder. Evidence continues to come to light that most Nigerians have a deep sense of gratitude for the recognized contributions of Christian missionaries."

Dr. Goerner said an unusual evidence of the continuing desire for American personnel in Africa came recently from Ghana. A communication from the Ministry of Education of the Ghana Government invited the Foreign Mission Board to assist in recruiting trained teachers for service in secondary schools operated by the Government. "While it is doubtful the Board will be able to render assistance in this regard to the extent hoped for by education officials in Ghana, an effort will be made to publicize the needs and place interested persons in direct contact with the proper officials," Dr. Goerner said.

The Baptist theological seminary building in Budapest, Hungary, has been restored to the Hungarian Baptist Union, Dr. Goerner reported. After control of the property was lost by Baptists the building was used as the legation of one of the Asian countries. The seminary, which carried on in other, less suitable quarters, is now conducting its classes in its original home.



Pictured from left to right are Ray Fleet, minister of music and education; C. N. Rue, pastor; Mrs. Ray Fleet, Mrs. F. M. Butler and Dee Cooper shown watching the barbecuing of the meat. The preparation and serving of the entire meal was under the supervision of Brother Fleet.



From left, Mrs. A. L. Taylor, Mr. Taylor, Mrs. P. P. Yarbrough and Mr. Yarbrough being served at the Loyalty Dinner.

Texarkana Church Serves Buffalo At Loyalty Dinner

BEECH Street Church, Texarkana, purchased buffalo from a ranch in Kent, Tex. and served the barbecued meat at the Church Family and Loyalty Dinner Nov. 9.

Joe Lavender and Jennings Cox, deacons, flew to Marfa, Tex., where the meat had been placed in storage, and brought it to Texarkana.

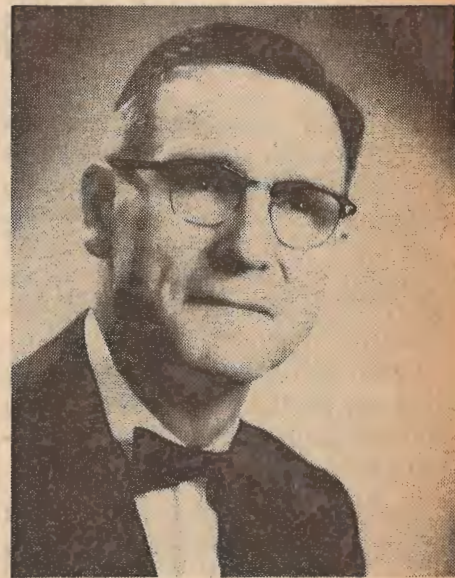
There were more than 500 in attendance at the Loyalty Dinner. The

entire program was centered around a western theme with Ralph Gibson of Ft. Worth, Tex. furnishing the music and Wayne Dehoney of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tenn. bringing the inspirational message.

The dinner, which was part of the over-all drive for the subscription of a \$140,000.00 budget, is believed to be the most successful ever held by Beech Street Church. ■

Kelley Heights Gets New Pastor

By Jay W. C. Moore



MR. FITZGERALD

JAMES FITZGERALD, pastor of Calvary Church, Blytheville, for the past two years, has accepted the pastorate of Kelley Height Church, Ft. Smith. He succeeds Murl Walker, who resigned last May to organize the new Oak Cliff Church in southeast Ft. Smith.

Before going to Blytheville, Bro. Fitzgerald served Park Place Church, Hot Springs, for seven years. During this period there were 700 additions and a \$250,000 auditorium was constructed. There were 200 additions during the two-year pastorate in Blytheville.

The 51-year-old Fitzgerald is a graduate of Vanndale (Ark.) high school and Union Baptist University, Jackson, Tenn. In other church activities Mr. Fitzgerald has served as moderator, clerk and treasurer of several associations and has served on the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

A SCHOOL of missions was conducted in Trinity Church, Mason Bondurant, pastor. Mrs. Maxie Moore taught the book, "Cross the Bridge," to the adults and young people; Mrs. H. A. Slack taught the intermediates, "Buenos Dios;" Mrs. Claude Titsworth and Mrs. Davis Reed taught the Juniors, "New Home;" the sunbeams used the book "Who, Me?" which was taught by

Mrs. Joe Davis and Mrs. Corrine Singleton. Mrs. Norman Giles, Mission Study Chairman, directed the program.

Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Sorrels of Muskogee, Oklahoma, missionaries to the Cherokee Indians, were the mission speakers the last night of the school.

FAMILY mission night was observed for the fourth annual time recently by Immanuel Church, Ft. Smith, Dr. S. W. Eubanks, pastor.

Dr. Frank Patterson, director of the Baptist Spanish Publishing House, El Paso, Tex., was the featured speaker.

THE Palestine Church, Roy Pledger, pastor, has ordained one of their young men, Wilson Winford, as deacon.

A REVIVAL meeting has been conducted in First Church, Afton, Okla., by Missionary Moore. There were 13 professions and 13 were baptized. C. E. Henson is pastor of the Church. Buck Winston directed the singing.

IMMANUEL Church, Dr. S. W. Eubanks, pastor, spent nearly \$10,000 during the last associational year remodeling their auditorium. Among the improvements were new plastered ceiling and insulation, floor sanded and varnished, pews refinished and re-varnished, grand piano refinished, new rugs for the platform, front and aisles, enclosures built on floor level for the piano and organ, additional seats added to the choir loft and twenty new light fixtures added.

1ST, Greenwood, Ralph Dodd, pastor, has rented the Hall property with an option to buy it at the end of the year. The young people's department was moved into this property and a new department for young adults was started in the vacated space. The church and pastor have a goal of 300 in Sunday school attendance by the end of this associational year. ■

Evening Shade Church Is Organized

THE Evening Shade Church, formerly a mission of 1st Church, Waldron, was organized Nov. 6.

The Council of ministers and laymen was composed of: Ernest Ho-

ABH Gives Plaques At Board Dinner

THE Board of Trustees of Arkansas Baptist Hospital were honored at a dinner recently in the Hospital Dining Room.

Plaques were awarded five persons for their "diligence and devotion" in service to the Hospital. Receiving the plaques were: Dr. Raymond Cook, chief of the medical staff in 1959; Rev. Lloyd Sparkman, pastor of 1st Church, Kosciusko, Miss., a former president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, and a member of the ABH Board of Trustees from 1942-44; Mrs. J. W. Littleton, president of the ABH Auxiliary in 1958-59 and who was cited for her special work in organizing the volunteer corps; Dr. Paul G. Autry, Midland, Tex., the only member of the Medical Staff to serve at the same time on the Board from 1945-48; Dr. Joe Rushton, of Magnolia, the present president of the Board. Dr. Rushton's plaque was awarded by Rev. H. L. Lipford of Cabot, another member of the board.

Other guests included: Rev. and Mrs. Harold White, of England; Dr. and Mrs. Erwin L. McDonald (Dr. McDonald is editor of the Arkansas Baptist); Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Whitlow, (Dr. Whitlow is executive secretary of the Baptist State Convention and Mrs. Whitlow is president of the ABH Auxiliary); Dr. and Mrs. W. G. Cooper (Dr. Cooper is coordinator of the intern program and new chief of the Medical Staff); Dr. and Mrs. Guy Farris (Dr. Farris is outgoing chief of the Medical Staff). ■

gan, John E. Evans, Truman R. Spurgin, Bobbie Joe Martin, Lawrence Woodard, Ernest Baker, Ford F. Gauntt, and Bill Kennedy, pastors; Waymon Sparks, Clyde Stinson, M. C. Walker, G. W. Henderson, C. A. Bowman, Ed Noyes, laymen.

Rev. Bill Kennedy is pastor of the church. ■

Clear Creek "M" Night

CLEAR CREEK Association will have two "M" night meetings this year. One meeting will be held at 1st Church, Clarksville, with Dr. Erwin L. McDonald, editor of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine,

Morrilton Church Observes Centennial

1st Church, Morrilton, observed its 100th birthday on Nov. 20. The occasion was one of reflection and thanksgiving.

The morning service was attended by some former members who now live in other cities. Included among them were Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Dollar, now of Conway; Mrs. L. M. Earl, Mrs. Wilma Kline, Mrs. Linnie Webb, Mrs. Rebecca Farish, and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Parker, all of Little Rock. These have meant much to the church over a span of years.

The pastor, Dr. Amos M. Bennett, spoke on the subject, "Every Era's Endeavor."

A dinner was spread after the morning worship. O. O. Smith was in charge of preparation and service. He was assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bettis, Clifford Stobaugh, Bill Kendrick, Mrs. O. O. Smith, Mrs. Roy Cutsinger, Mrs. John Tarvin, and Mrs. M. Fullerton. After the good food, there was time for fellowship and reminiscing.

During the Training Union period, two films were shown. One, "Price of Freedom," dealt with the historical background of Baptists, and "My Church" put an emphasis on what the present church is, and can do.

The evening service followed an "Old-fashioned" theme. Several of those attending were appropriately dressed in the finery of by-gone days. Rev. H. D. Palmer, former missionary of Conway-Perry Association, spoke on "Our Baptist Heritage."

A final note was given on Wednesday night, Nov. 23, when the pastor spoke on prayer. He used an outline prepared by Reverend V. C. Neal, who was pastor of the church 1905-1909, and 1914-1922.—Reporter ■

speaker. The western district will meet at 1st Church, Van Buren, where Dr. Andrew M. Hall, pastor of 1st Church, Fayetteville, will be the guest speaker. Both meetings are scheduled for Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m. The "M" Night theme is "Be Thou Faithful."

Pine Bluff Native Goes To LR Church



MR. REICHEN

JAMES E. Reichen, native of Pine Bluff, has been named minister of music and education at Baptist Tabernacle, Little Rock.

He was formerly minister of music and education at Second Church, Pine Bluff.

During his service at Second Church he organized choirs for all age groups, beginning with six-year-olds.

Reichen is married to the former Miss Rosemary Guice of Pine Bluff. They have two children, Linda Kay, 12, and James Walter, 6. They will live at 3924 West Tenth St.

Rev. Don Hook is pastor of Tabernacle Baptist. ■

Caroline Association

Officers Chosen

To Lead Association

NEW association officers for the Caroline Association include: moderator, H. L. Lipford, pastor at Cabot; vice moderator, Harold White, pastor at England; treasurer, J. T. Harvill, pastor at Lonoke; clerk, Eddie Elrod, pastor at Austin Station.

Department leaders include: Sunday School Superintendent, W. T. Byrum, Hazen; Training Union director, Dennis Dodson, Toltec; W.M.U. president, Mrs. Jake Lowman, Cabot; Brotherhood president, Paul Brown, Lonoke; music director, Harold White, England.

The annual meeting next year will be held at Caney Creek Church Oct 16-17. Rev. Wendell Ross, pastor of Brownsville Church, will preach the annual sermon. Rev. Charles Fuller, pastor at Old Austin, was elected as alternate. The doctrinal sermon will be given by Rev. J. T. Harvill, pastor at Lonoke.

About 200 people attended the four group Hymn Sings Oct. 30. Fourteen churches were represented.

The ARKANSAS BAPTIST is being received by 948 families in the association now. Assuming there are three church members in each home more than 3,700 members have access to the paper. —J. M. James, Superintendent ■

MEMBERS of South Texarkana Church entertained the Rev. and Mrs. Leon Westbury and sons, Mike, Larry, Mark, and Frank, with a farewell dinner recently. They have moved to Gainesville, Tex., where Mr. Westbury will be pastor of the Harvey Street Baptist Church.

Orphanage Worker Dies In Hospital

MRS. Christene Seefeldt Holland, 71, who had served as secretary of the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage for the past 12 years, died Monday of last week in a Monticello hospital.

Survivors include three brothers: Carl Seefeldt, of Davenport, Ia.; Oscar Seefeldt, of Houston, Tex.; and Harold Seefeldt, superintendent of Bottoms Orphanage; and a sister, Miss Mae Seefeldt, of Monticello.

Funeral services were held Nov. 23 at 1st Church, Monticello, with Dr. Thomas Welch, the pastor, in charge, assisted by Rev. C. D. Wood. Burial was in Oakland Cemetery. ■

A Christina Seefeldt Holland memorial fund has been started by Rev. Mike Carozza, pastor of 1st Church, Nashville, and a former member of the administrative staff at Bottoms Baptist Orphanage. Contributions for the fund should be sent directly to the orphanage. The funds will be used to buy something needed by the home.

El Dorado Church Gets New Pastor



MR. McMURRY

REV. Rhine McMurry recently accepted a call as pastor of East Main Church, El Dorado. He began his pastorate there Nov. 9.

A native of Fordyce Mr. McMurry is the son of Mrs. John McMurry. He is a graduate of Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, and Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville.

His pastorates have included: Bethesda Church, Fordyce; Mission of 1st Church, Jonesboro; Mission of 2nd Church, Little Rock; Calvary Baptist Church, Harrisburg; 1st Church, Lewisville.

At the time of his acceptance he was moderator of Hope Association and Training Union president of Southwest District. He also served as recreational director at Siloam Springs Assembly last summer.

He and his wife, the former Lillian Hart, have one daughter, Laura Beth. ■

AS ships meet at sea—a moment together, when words of greeting must be spoken, and then away upon the deep—so men meet in this world. And I think we should cross no man's path without hailing him, and if he needs, giving him supplies. — Dean C. Dutton ■



TRAIN up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. Prov. 22:6

SBC News and Notes

LOUISIANA Baptists recently dedicated a new, \$1,350,000 headquarters building in Alexandria. The building includes, besides offices for the state convention, quarters for the Baptist Book Store. A 30-foot chime tower serves as an architectural balance with the main three-story office building and the book store.

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A TELEGRAM from the Southern Baptist General Convention of California to President-elect John F. Kennedy pledged him support of California Baptists in the carrying out of his campaign promises to maintain separation of church and state and to forbid federal tax aid to parochial schools.

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A BUDGET of \$2,655,000 has been adopted by the Louisiana Baptist Convention for 1961. Of this amount, \$833,333 will go to Southern Baptist Convention agencies and causes. H. A. Hunderup, Jr., New Orleans minister, is the new convention president.

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W. Burman Timberlake, Sacramento minister, is the new president of California Baptists.

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LL.D. degrees were conferred on Dr. Joao Filson Soren, pastor of 1st Baptist Church, Rio de Janeiro,



AT FAYETTEVILLE: Top, left to right, Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr., pastor of Second-Ponce de Léon Church, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. Andrew M. Hall, pastor of 1st Church, Fayetteville, host to the State Convention; Dr. William A. Carlton, vice president of Golden Gate Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif.; and Dr. Bernes K. Selph, pastor of 1st Church, Benton, who was re-elected president of the State Convention.

Bottom, left to right: Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Whitlow, Dr. and Mrs. Bernes K. Selph, and Rev. and Mrs. James Brewer. Dr. Whitlow is executive secretary and secretary-treasurer of the State Convention; Dr. Selph, Convention president; and Mr. Brewer, pastor of 1st Church, Helena, is the newly elected president of the Executive Board of the State Convention.—Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine Photos ■

and president of the Baptist World Alliance, and Dr. Millard J. Berquist, president of Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City, at William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., on Nov. 10. Honored with Certificates of Achievement as the college observed its 17th annual Achievement Day were five alumni: Miss Wanda

Ponder, director of the School of Nursing, Baptist Hospital, Asuncion, Paraguay; James G. Stertz, associate secretary for personnel of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; W. A. Crouch, Liberty, Mo.; W. E. Rhoades, San Francisco; and W. A. Watson, Media, Pa.

Is Your Religion Contagious?

SPEAKING on the subject, "The Vocation of a Christian," Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr., told those attending the closing session of the Baptist state convention in Fayetteville:

Right now Christians are facing one of the most critical hours of all history. Our present generation may determine the course of Christendom for the next 1,000 years.

Are our spiritual lives becoming more vital, more dynamic? Are we really making progress? Are we growing in stature before God? There is much to disturb. What real evidence do we have that we Christians are living lives that are different because in the long ago Jesus of Nazareth lived among us?

M. F. Ham said years ago in Arkansas: "As I look at organized Christianity in America I feel that 95 per cent of the church work being done by Christians could be done by trained pagans."

How much difference does it make because Jesus has come into our hearts?

The great need is not for more Christians but for a better brand of Christian.

One of the most vicious things in our world is a materialistic philosophy that would destroy all we hold dear. We must live without compromise. Sin breaks the heart of God. God is sometimes helpless to move in the world because his instruments are stained.

We will never be able to do anything about the great immoralities of our time—liquor, gambling, war—till we are willing for Christ's sake to be social outcasts. Like the man in Times Square we must say to the world: "I am a fool for Christ's sake—whose fool are you?"

We need to consecrate our lives without reservation. For many of us ours is a religion of remnants. We give God the remnants of our time, of our money—our left-overs, fragments. And this is not enough with which to meet the hour that confronts us.

Issac said to his father, Abraham, as they approached the place for the sacri-

fice, "Here is fire and wood, but where is the sacrifice?" We have a lot of "fire" and "wood" in our Baptist work, but where is the sacrifice? Money and material things are not the most godlike things we can offer.

Some who go to church on Sunday but then go on out to live their own lives till next Sunday wonder why they never become great spiritual giants. We need to realize that unless Christ can get into our hours and minutes, he is not going to be in our eternities.

We need a spiritual corps to go to the ends of the earth to share our spiritual insights. We need to pray without ceasing. How much time do we pray? The only solution for our problems is to be found on our knees.

We need to witness without fear as we try to win others to Jesus Christ.

Do you have real religion—the catching kind? Has anybody ever caught any religion from you? I imagine that when we get to heaven to be greeted by our Lord he will say to many of us: "Did you come alone? How could you!"

We need to love without limitation.

(Editor's Note: Dr. Swilley, pastor of Second Ponce de Leon Church, Atlanta, is a native Arkansan and a graduate of Ouachita College and Southern Seminary. He was formerly pastor of 1st Church, Pine Bluff, for a number of years.)

In an address Wednesday to the convention, on the topic, "The Road to Survival in a Divided World," Dr. Swilley said:

There are no barriers in God's sky. We are one people around the world, brought together by the love of God.

Ours is a world of revolution and turmoil. In many lands the people are trying to stand upon their feet as those made in God's image. They have had little of the good things of life. Now they are beginning to climb out of the bottom

of the pile, many of them with the light of the stars in their eyes.

Should we be amazed that the shots for freedom fired at Lexington and Concord are finally being heard around the world?

Multitudes of the downtrodden people of the world are awakening to a sense of their own dignity as persons and are hungering for justice and freedom. They desire to share with their own families the good things of life. Just as our founding fathers moved out from tyranny to walk as a free people, many are saying today: "We too want to be free."

I recall hearing the late Theron Rankin say: "The hour is coming when the non-white peoples of the world will begin to march. Only God in heaven knows what the future will hold unless we win them to Jesus Christ."

Swirling forces are moving on to power. As we look into the vortex, what is to be the shape of the world tomorrow?

Three-fifths of the people of the world go to bed hungry each night. There are teeming millions in India where nine out of ten do not have enough to eat.

Near Rio this year I saw a horrible sight. Out on the grounds where the city dumps its garbage were vultures and human beings, digging around in the waste for bits of food.

There is appalling hunger, destitution for clothing, shelter and medicine among the millions. But the greatest need is for truth for their minds.

Ours is a world of terrifying problems. There are terrific political complications. Who in his right mind would want to be President? American security may be weighed in the balances. Do we have the moral and spiritual power we need? We have a lot in the showcase; what, after all, is deep down inside? Christians can have what it takes!

Russians are wise in their strategy because they are planting in the hearts of their children the things for which they stand.

Today, 2,000 years after Christ said to Christians: "Go into all the world . . ." there are still great areas of the earth where the gospel of Jesus Christ has never been heard. Only 43 years ago Communism began its march. Now there are 900,000,000 people under the direct or indirect control of Russian Communism.

One of our battleships—the Enterprise—cost more money than all the money put into missions by all denominations since the beginning of modern missions, in 1792. Last year Americans gave two and one-half billions to all church causes, but gave twice that much, \$5 billion for tobacco; four times as much, \$10 billion, for liquor; eight times as much, \$20 billion, for gambling; and we had to spend \$21 billion for the fighting of crime.

Americans are giving one and one-tenth cent per meal for missions.

The love of God is seeking to get into the hearts of all men. We will do nothing about winning the lost till God's love gets into our hearts. Only then can we be compassionate. ■

Ouachita Who's Who



RILEY



TITTLE



VAUGHAN



HERNDON



HORTON



MORROW



BROWN



BLEDSOE



BOWDEN



PEELER



JOHNSON



HUTTO



NATION



PLATTNER



BOLDOSIER



WOODELL



McDONALD



BAKER



CLAYTON



JOPLIN



RODGERS



SPEARMAN



COLLIER



SPEARS

TWENTY-FOUR Ouachita College students have been selected to appear in the 1960 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges". Students chosen include, from left, top row, Ray Riley, Little Rock; Charles Tittle, Hope; Billy Vaughan, Camden; Doyle Herndon, Kansas City, Mo.; Mary Charlene Horton, Hope; Vivian Morrow, Gadsden, Ala.; second row, Pat Brown, Blytheville; Virginia Horton Bledsoe, Monette; Marcia Bowden, Hope; Jacquie Peeler, Nashville; Billie Bob Johnson, DeWitt; Kathy Hutto, Damascus; third row, Polly Nation, Pine Bluff; Drollene Plattner, Norphlet; Patricia Dale Boldosier, Norphlet; Martha Carolyn Woodell, Arkadelphia; Eddie McDonald, Newport; Billy Mack Baker, Malvern; fourth row, Lois Clayton, Clarendon; Lamar Joplin, Magnolia; Diana Rodgers, Arkadelphia; Beverly Spearman, Texarkana, Tex.; John Collier, Jacksonville; Nan Spears, Pine Bluff.

Counselor's Corner

BY DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON
(Author of the new book,
"Sir, I Have A Problem,"
at your Baptist Book Store.)

"Authority In Marriage"

QUESTION: You implied in a recent column that the marriage of a believer and an unbeliever is okay. To me this is puzzling. Even common sense should tell you that this is wrong. The truth is not very "hard to come by" in God's Word. Why don't you tell people exactly what the Bible says about marriage.

ANSWER: One of us is all mixed up and I think it is you. Which is your authority, the Bible or common sense? And whose common sense? And whose interpretation of the Word of God?

Baptists believe that each Christian must interpret the Bible for himself. And, I believe that the Bible speaks to every Christian (who will listen) in every situation. Not simply a verse here or there that tells us exactly what to do in every circumstance, but He speaks through many passages in many ways. Let's not try to blue-

print a free God.
He also leads his children by the Holy Spirit (John 16:13, Romans 8:14).
If the truth is not hard to come by Christians are certainly wasting a lot of money on colleges and seminaries.
Frankly, I think the kind of dogmatism that tells people "exactly what the Bible says" on any subject has greatly hindered the work of Jesus Christ. Baptist dogmatism is no more commendable than Roman Catholic.
The true authority in marriage problems is God as he speaks through his Word to each child. I can only give witness to what he says to me. ■

"ARISE, Shine, for Thy Light Is Come" was the theme of the first Girls' Auxiliary Coronation at 1st Church, Ward, recently. Queens who received their crowns were: Martha Jean Marshall, Johnnie Reveley, Betty Smythe, Linda Starrett, Patsy Scruggs, Carolyn O'Bryan. Recognition was also given four princesses, four ladies-in-waiting, and five maidens. A reception was held in their honor following the service. Rev. Houston Austin is pastor.

Leprosy Worker
WAKAYAMA, Japan (EP) — An expert on leprosy from the

United States has arrived in Japan expressing his intention of spending the rest of his life here.
Dr. Hillary Ross, who formerly served the National Leprosy Hospital in Louisiana, will settle to Wakayama Prefecture to act as adviser to a home for crippled children now under construction by the Aitoku-jido Society.
The 66-year-old Catholic decided to study leprosy in Japan when he visited this country in 1958 to attend an international leprosy conference.

The Boomerang

*When a bit of sunshine hits ye,
After passing of a cloud,
When a fit of laughter gits ye
And ye'r spine is feelin' proud,
Don't forget to up and fling it
At a soul that's feelin' blue,
For the minit that ye sling it
It's a boomerang to you.*
—Capt. Jack Crawford

HOW ABOUT HER HEAD?

A new bride proudly carried a tray into the dining room and said, "My first turkey."
Her husband said, "My, Honey, it looks wonderful. And you've stuffed it beautifully."
"Stuffed it?" she exclaimed. "This one wasn't hollow when I bought it."



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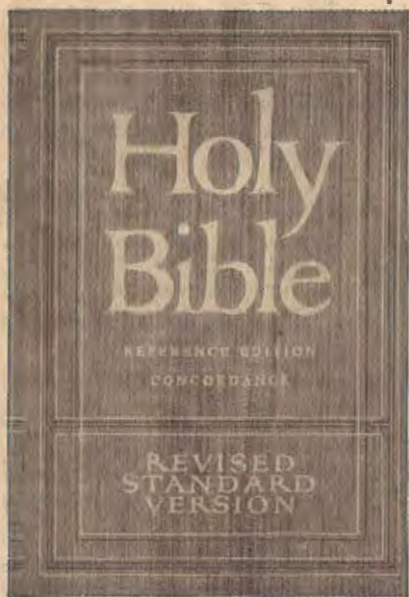
NEIL Jackson will begin his sixth year as Baptist student director at Arkansas Tech Dec. 1. Miss Juanita Straubie will begin her eleventh

year as Baptist student director at Baptist Hospital in January, and Darrel Coleman will begin his third

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DR. CALDWELL

Mr. Baker was reared in Rison and is a graduate of Ouachita College and Southern Seminary. He has held a number of pastorates including Lake Village, DeQueen and Wynne. He recently observed his 12th anniversary as pastor of Wynne Church and the church presented him a new car for their expression of their love and appreciation. While pastoring at Wynne, the Wynne Chapel Mission was begun and a nice modern building constructed. Both pastor and church have been thrilled over the accomplishments in this mission and in the program which is becoming an independent church.

The Bakers have moved to Booneville where they have purchased a new home. He can be reached by writing him c/o the State Sanatorium, Booneville, Ark.

All churches and individuals having supplied literature and other material gifts to Bro. Finch to be used in the sanatorium will remember to send all future supplies to Bro. Baker.

The Bakers have one daughter, Mrs. Riley Parker, Tucson, Ariz.—C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent.

November 20

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Berryville,			
Freeman Heights	162	92	
El Dorado, 1st	954	312	15
Parkview	230	104	2
Ft. Smith, Grand Ave.	714	323	1
Fountain Hill, 1st	69	32	
Huntsville, 1st	155	49	3
Little Rock,			
Baptist Tabernacle	611	163	3
Baring Cross	869	294	2
Calvary	429	133	2
1st	1179	402	12
Forrest Highlands,			
Country Club	152	65	4
Gaines Street	474	320	4
Geyer Springs, 1st	284	88	
Grace	125	52	
Gravel Ridge	140	73	1
Green Memorial	94	65	1
Hebron	233	110	2
Highway	244	139	
Immanuel	1435	585	6
Levy	585	270	3
Life Line	258	128	2
Martindale	126	62	
Nalls Memorial	128	70	
Plainview	139	62	1
Riverside	72	37	2
Sherwood	102	46	
Magnolia, Central	728	333	2
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But He Gets Paid

"WHAT does your husband do?" one wife asked another.

"He's an expediter."

"What's that?"

"Well, it's hard to explain but if we women did what he does, they'd call it nagging."

Winnah—By Unanimous Vote

FATHER — "Now, children, tell me who has been the most obedient during the last month and done everything mother asked them to do?"

CHILDREN (in Unison) — "You, Pop."

Strangers At Night

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"Did your teeth chatter?"

"I don't know — we don't sleep together."

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May the spirit of God direct us as we plan the music from Sunday to Sunday that it may be the music which honors God and contributes to the spiritual growth of our people.—LeRoy McClard, Secretary.

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Another thought about books. Order your January Bible Study Books now. Don't wait, you'll be too late. Order STUDIES IN FIRST CORINTHIANS and these other materials from the Baptist Book Store — Lawson Hatfield, Secretary.

Dry Cleaned

DICK, age three, did not like soap and water. "Surely you want to be a clean little boy, don't you?" asked his mother.

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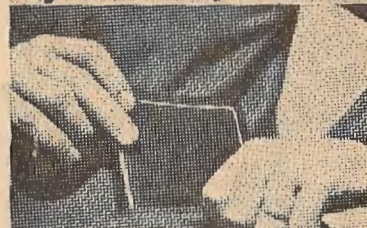
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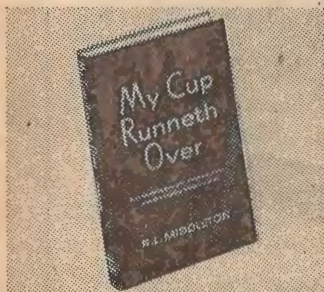
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Beacon Lights of Baptist History

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

Foreign Missionary Society Organized

A snuffbox became the first depository for missionary funds of the newly organized English Baptist Missionary Society, Oct. 2, 1792.



DR. SELPH

The ministers organizing this society met in the home of a widow of Kettering (some say they met in Andrew Fuller's study). Several of the 14 men present were relatively young. Fuller was 38 years of age; Peace, 26; Ryland, 39; and Sutcliffe, 40.

William Carey challenged this group to see what the Moravians were doing. He reminded them that some were British like themselves. Many were but artisans and poor. He asked, "Can't we Baptists attempt something for the same Lord?"

Stirred by his spirit and interest, they passed a resolution to bring into being the long awaited missionary society. The ministers present pledged 13 pounds, two shillings, and two pence, plus one pound that had come in that day from the sale of Carey's pamphlet. The money was placed in a snuff box.

At a later meeting Andrew Fuller was made secretary of the society and Reynold Hogg was made treasurer.

On Jan. 9, 1793, Carey introduced John Thomas, a British surgeon, who had served in Bengal and wanted to be the new Society's representative. Though Carey wanted to go as a missionary, he insisted that Thomas be sent because he was a physician. When Thomas addressed the group, he told them that it was possible for a missionary to support himself to a large extent. Whereupon Carey offered himself and was accepted.

The more wealthy Baptist

churches stood aloof from the missionary movement. The poorer churches finally raised enough money to send out Carey and Thomas. They sailed in June, 1793.

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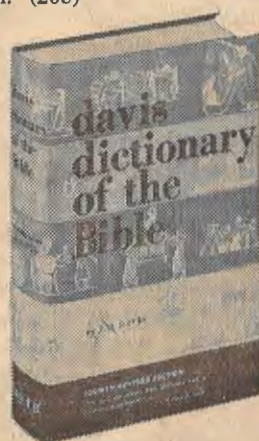
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inaccessible peak of the Colorado mountains. Already the first snow of the season has covered the small form. Only the faintest spark of life exists.

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Two days later he leaves the colt alone in the lean-to next to his shack while he makes one of his rare trips to the community at the foot of the mountain. He wants to find the colt a winter home. But Black Jupiter, entranced with the world he had almost missed, takes matters upon himself.

How he finds his way into the hearts of two children, who had been longing for a horse of their own, and the part he plays in helping to bring the strange old prospector into contact again with his fellow man is Black Jupiter's own story.

While you enjoy the book, *Black Jupiter* by Mary Katherine MacDougall, you will also read interesting information about copper mining in Colorado. A mystery in the copper mine, of which the children's father is in charge, adds interest and excitement to a story that ends satisfactorily for all.

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CHICO sat by the open door of the little adobe house in Guatemala where he lived with his father and mother and his sister Ester. His brown face was tense as he groped for reeds by his side to finish the basket in his lap. Suddenly he pushed it aside.

"If I could only see the colors of the reeds, I'd like to make baskets," he said.

More than anything else Chico wanted to see. Once a doctor happening upon the village where Chico lived, had said that he thought he could make Chico able to see. But Papa would not hear of it. The doctor was a foreigner and a missionary. After much persuasion, however, Papa was willing for Chico to go to the city to the shrine of the Black Christ. Perhaps he could make the boy see.

What happened to Chico and Ester in persuading Papa to make the trip to the Black Christ, and later during the trip, makes a story full of adventure and excitement. Chico's disappointment in the Black Christ's failure to give him his sight was forgotten entirely in discovering the missionary doctor again.

You will enjoy reading about Chico in the book, *Eyes for Chico* by Mary Coxhead. It tells about customs and superstitions in Guate-

mala, as well as how Chico seeks to be able to see.

Another book, *The Chili Pepper Children* by Oren Arnold, is the story of a Mexican family who, for a living, raise and sell chili peppers. It is a family affair from Papa and Mama right down to Bitsy, age two and a half. Hondo, the oldest of the children, is the main character.

When fiesta time comes around, more than anything else the family want to enter the parade, but they lack the main essentials. They lack a donkey to pull their "float" and the means to adequately decorate their cart.

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This is the story of a family's living and loving together, of cheerfully and happily making the best of what they have. You will find it is fun to read about them.

In the story, *Black Jupiter*, an old prospector, following a hunch, finds a newborn colt in an almost

God's Covenant of Love

By W. W. Warmath, Pastor
First Baptist Church
El Dorado, Arkansas
December 4, 1960
Bible Material;
Jeremiah 31; Romans 8

QUITE often we use the words "Old Testament" and "New Testament" without understanding the real meaning behind them. A testament is a covenant or a compact. The Bible is full of covenants between God and His chosen people or with people in general. The "Old Covenant" was principally Mosaic and legal. The "New Covenant" was principally Christian and based upon love.



DR. WARMATH

The Scriptures reveal this gradual unfolding of the nature of God until "in the fullness of time" (cf. Gal. 4:4-5) He was perfectly revealed in Jesus Christ, His only-born Son. During this month we study four lessons on God's love. The Old Testament foretells it. The New Testament fulfills it. In various manners God spoke to the ancients but when He spoke through His Son (cf. Heb. 1:1-2) He gave to the world the loftiest expression of Himself. From the very heavens themselves He made known this truth—GOD IS REDEMPTIVE LOVE. Let us look at four words that describe "God's Covenant of Love."

I. God's Love Lasts, Jeremiah, 31:3-7

Sometimes a nation takes on the moral and spiritual color of an individual. The people had sinned against God and had been disobedient to Him. By consequence they had begun to feel that God didn't love them any more. In the past they had experienced His mighty acts of deliverance but what about now? Judah would soon die as a nation and would face exile in a foreign land. It was Jeremiah's hard lot to condemn their corrupt

life and warn them of sin's consequences. They wouldn't listen. They reaped the results of their sin. Now in Babylonian exile they cry in the thought that "God doesn't love us any more."

From the desolate city of Jerusalem Jeremiah wrote to them. He told them that God loved them "with an everlasting (perpetual) love." (v. 3) He assured them that deliverance would come (v. 4) and that prosperity and happiness would again be their lot. (vv. 5-7)

Sin backs God out of the horizon of our consciousness but doesn't destroy His love. God's love lasts in spite of our sinfulness.

II. God's Love Gives, Jeremiah 31:31-34

The prophet announced that God would establish a new compact with them. It would be unlike the one made with their ancestors when they were brought out of Egypt. (v. 32) That one was written on tablets of stone and was filled with laws to be obeyed—or else. The people could not keep it. There isn't anyone who can. If one had to be saved by keeping the commandments there wouldn't be anyone saved.

The good word was that God would write His will, not on tablets of stone, but in their hearts through the forgiveness of their sins. (vv. 33-34) It is difficult for us to see that man was made for fellowship with God. Sin breaks that fellowship and it is only by God's giving and forgiving grace that oneness with Him is restored.

III. God's Love Frees, Romans 8:1-2

This is one of the grandest chapters in the Bible and is often referred to as "beginning with 'no condemnation' and ending with 'no separation.'" At any rate, like the other lessons in the series we

have in this one an Old Covenant passage and a New Covenant passage.

In Romans 8 Paul gives a summary of what the new compact means to the Christian. It means liberation. The Christian does not stand condemned before God for God's love frees him from the penalty of death. (eternal separation from God)

Keep in mind that a definitive word is given concerning the Christian. First, he is "in Christ Jesus." (v. 1a) That is Paul's favorite. Second, he walks "after the Spirit." (v. 1b) Simply giving assent to Christ is not enough. One must give evidence of the new relationship by his manner of life. In this chapter alone there are some twenty allusions to this "life of the Spirit."

IV. God's Love Wins, Romans 8:38-39

These words are surely words of encouragement to everyone of us. God's love will win out over every enemy. There are times when our love for Him may waver but His love for us never changes, never turns loose, never lets go.

We may feel like the Jews felt in exile. "God doesn't love us any more. If He did, He would do something about this situation." We need to drive down a spiritual stake right here. In spite of anything and everything, we can be fully convinced beyond doubt that God's love for us will win the victory. It is verily true that "nothing the world can do to a man who loves God can hurt him."

P. P. Bliss, the evangelistic singer and composer, said that he wrote the sacred song, "Oh! How I Love Jesus," when he was a young man. Growing older however, he realized more deeply how insignificant is our love toward God compared to His love for us. Hence, in his later years he wrote that appealing hymn, loved by children and adults alike:

"I am so glad that our Father
in heaven
Tells of His love in the Book He
has given;

Wonderful things in the Bible I see,

This is the dearest, that Jesus loves me."

God's love lasts and gives and frees and wins. No wonder that "the greatest of these is love." (I Cor. 13:13)

Catholic Politics

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (EP)—Reacting sharply to a Roman Catholic pastoral letter here forbidding Catholics to vote for the Island's Popular Democratic Party, Governor Luis Munoz Marin cabled U. S. Democratic Presidential Nominee John F. Kennedy asking the Senator to condemn "this procedure which is against all American principles." In reply, Sen. Kennedy's press secretary, Pierre Salinger, issued a release saying: "Senator Kennedy has stated on many occasions that he considers it wholly improper and alien to our domestic system for churchmen of any faith to tell the members of their Church for whom to vote or for whom not to vote."

Cardinal Francis J. Spellman, Archbishop of New York, said Catholic voters in Puerto Rico would not commit a sin or be penalized by the Church if they ignored a directive of their bishops not to vote for the Popular Democratic Party in the island elections on Nov. 8.

Dr. Fred Pierce Corson of The Methodist Church in the Philadelphia area who is Presiding Bishop of the Puerto Rico Provisional Conference of the Church and president-elect of the World Methodist Council, termed the Catholic prelates' letter an "alarming illustration of the pressure the Roman Catholic hierarchy can exert."

Dr. Truman B. Douglass of New York, executive vice-president of the Congregational Christian Churches' Board of Home Missions, in an address here likened the Roman Catholic Church to Soviet Russia, charging that "it treats all peoples as 'colonials' whose destiny is to serve the will and purpose of the ruling authorities. . . . The Roman Catholic Church regards all its members, not as responsible persons, but as subjects," Douglass said.

The Vatican upheld the Puerto Rico Bishops' stand, stating that they acted "perfectly within their rights" in issuing a pre-election pastoral letter advising the faithful "on moral and spiritual matters." The announcement stressed that the bishops' letter was restricted to Puerto Rico and to "the particular and special conditions of the island itself."

On the heels of the proclamation, the three Puerto Rico bishops issued a second pastoral letter stating that "any Catholic commits a grave sin if he votes for the Popular Democratic Party, because the prohibition of the bishops is based on grave matters of conscience." It further stated that any Catholic who . . . supports the heretical

content not only commits a mortal sin, but also can be excommunicated according to Canon 2316.

Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State (POAU) filed a complaint with the Fair Campaign Practices Committee against the bishops' "interference." Dr. Glenn L. Archer, executive director of POAU, asked the committee to "take action in regard to this kind of church political campaigning on American soil."

Richard Cardinal Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, declared that Roman Catholics in this country would never dictate the political voting of citizens.

The *Commonweal*, an independent weekly journal edited by Catholic laymen, criticized the Puerto Rico pastoral, declaring: "Bishops must obviously concern themselves with the formation of a Christian conscience by the voter. But for the bishops flatly to forbid Catholics to vote, for the Popular Democratic Party, as was done in this case, seems to us to confuse more than to clarify the complex relationship between religion and politics. This is particularly true since the question of authority raised by such letters is, to say the least, highly ambiguous."

But the *Tablet*, official publication of the Diocese of Brooklyn, N. Y., said in its issue of Oct. 29 that the bishops were "definitely within their rights." It declared editorially:

"Governor Munoz Marin's official position in favor of existing laws permitting dissemination of birth control information and allowing sterilization, his government's promotion of abortion and toleration of common-law marriages, as well as his opposition to released-time religious instruction for public school children constitute a defiant stand which any Catholic bishop must protest."

K of C Files Suit

RALEIGH, N. C. (EP)—The Knights of Columbus organization has filed a \$150,000 libel suit in the United States District Court here against a Farmville, N. C., Baptist pastor and a Eureka, N. C., woman. The two are charged with printing and distributing a "large quantity" of pamphlets containing the "bogus oath" attributed to the Knights of Columbus.

The Roman Catholic fraternal group charged that the oath was "calculated by the defendants to injure" the organization and its members. It maintained that the Rev. Donald R. Bryan, pastor of Central Baptist Church, Farmville, and Mrs. Ruth J. Timby, Eureka, were "motivated and actuated by a spirit of actual hatred and malice toward members of the Roman Catholic Church generally and towards the Knights of Columbus."

Signed by Supreme Knight Luke E. Hart of New Haven, Conn., the complaint said that Mrs. Timby had the "false and libelous" oath printed as

part of a paid political advertisement in the *News and Observer*. The editor of the local daily newspaper later repudiated the statements in the advertisement and condemned publication of the false oath. He pointed out that it had been, exposed years ago in Congress as being spurious and a "reckless disregard for truth and fair play."

Map African Advance

THE Wycliffe Bible Translators are now planning to advance into the Bibleless tribes of West Africa. According to George M. Cowan, Wycliffe president, the action is in response to urgent requests by representatives of several mission organizations.

A preliminary survey of the area had been made by Dr. John T. Bendor-Samuel, Director of the annual Wycliffe Language Course in England.

The Board's action was taken, Mr. Cowan said, with "a deep sense of responsibility to press on until every tribe is reached with the Scriptures." Subsequently, Dr. Bendor-Samuel was appointed Director of the advance, which will begin in one of the four West African countries of Ghana, Sierre Leone, Portuguese Guinea, or Liberia.

Language Problem

TAIPEI, Formosa (EP)—Only 59 of the 534 Protestant missionaries serving in Formosa speak Taiwanese. The others, some of whom were formerly stationed on the Mainland, use Mandarin or speak through interpreters, according to a report by Far East News Service.

The agency says the number of native-born Taiwanese on the island is between seven and eight million. Latest statistics, based on a report by the Ministry of the Interior, reveal the island's population includes a total of about one and a half million Chinese "Mainlanders" including 300,000 serving in the armed forces, instead of the "two to three million" figure usually quoted.

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