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OCTOBER 10, 1957

● T. R. COULTER, Jr., has accepted the pastorate of Matthews Memorial Church, Pine Bluff, coming from East-



MR. COULTER

view Church, Meridian, Miss., where last year he led the association in baptisms and ranked 21st in the state. During his three-year ministry in Meridian 180 members were added to the church, 99 by baptism. The buildings were increased to four times their original size and a pastor's home was purchased.

Mr. Coulter received his education at Mississippi Southern, Hattiesburg, and Golden Gate Seminary, Berkeley, Calif. Mrs. Coulter, the former Delora Hopper of Mississippi, is a graduate of Blue Mountain College. There are two children, Dan, who is 9 years old, and Debbie, 3.

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● THE PASTOR, Jerry Hopkins, did the preaching in a "Home Folks' Revival" at Harvard Avenue Church, Siloam Springs, which resulted in 17 additions to the church. Charles Foreman, music director for the church, was in charge of the music.

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● SANDRA WISENER was recognized as Queen with Scepter in a recent GA coronation service at First Church, Fort Smith. She was attended by Melissa Smith. Princesses named were: Jenny Boley, Linda Fisher, Elizabeth Griffin, Mary Ella Griffin and Patsy Phillips; Ladies-in-waiting: Patsy Jo Baker, Rose Clement, Kay Hill, Rose Anne Hill and Vera Ann Neihouse; Maidens: Jane Griffin, Beverly Lane, Sharon Lenington, Betty McNoel, Merry Lou Sloat, Barbara Ann Taff and Julia Ann Wofford. A reception followed the coronation. Dr. J. Harold Smith is pastor.

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● NEW OFFICERS of the Independence Association: Coy Sample, Ruddell Hill, moderator; Jimmy Wright, Desha, vice-moderator; R. A. Bone, Calvary Church, Batesville, clerk; and Floyd Wayman, of the Ruddell Hill Church, treasurer. Next year's meeting will be with Floral Church, R. A. Bone, Calvary Church, Batesville, to preach the annual sermon, Leslie Riherd, West Batesville Church, alternate. Other associational officers are:

WMU superintendent, Mrs. Susie Arnold, Floral; Sunday school superintendent, Roscoe King, Batesville; Training Union director, Henry Collie, Batesville; VBS superintendent, Fred Westmoreland, Bethesda; Music director, Verne Carpenter, Batesville; Brotherhood director, S. F. Rutherford, Batesville; Evangelism chairman, Richard S. Brannon, Batesville; camp superintendent, Harrison Johns, Batesville.

Watching Ouachita

Doster Honored

DR. W. C. DOSTER, professor of English, was elected chairman of the subcommittee on undergraduate programs of the Arkansas Experiment in Teacher Education recently in Little Rock.

Purpose of this group is to work out plans and projects for the years 1957-58 and 1958-59 in the fields of English and humanities. All Arkansas colleges will participate in the projects, which are financed by AETE.

● RESERVE OFFICER Training Corps has announced assignments and promotions. Bill Blake, senior from Hope, was named battle group commander with the rank of cadet lieutenant colonel. Cadet Major James Bynum, senior class president from Memphis, Tenn., was named company executive officer. Both Blake and Bynum are distinguished military students.

● THE COLHECON CLUB, composed of home economic majors, has announced its officers for the year: Janet Larson, Kansas City, Kans., president; Jo Ann Blancett, Little Rock, first vice president; Betty Ferguson, Bluffton, second vice president; Carolyn Jones, Essex, Mo., secretary; Ruth Ann Thomas, Arkadelphia, treasurer; Deana Jones, Oil Trough, reporter; and Mary Lois Hutto, Wichita, Kans., historian.

● ANN SEWARD, Arkadelphia has been elected president of the College Tiger Band.

Martha Wilson, Conway, was elected vice president; Caroline Woodell, Arkadelphia, secretary-treasurer; and Richard Loyd, Shreveport, La., reporter.

● PAUL STOCKEMER was ordained to the ministry recently by First Church, Warren. Mr. Stockemer received the BD degree of the summer session of Southwestern Seminary. He also completed a course of training in the army chaplain school at Fort Slocum, N. Y.

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● S. RICHARD WALLIS, native of Harrison, recently ended a ten-year ministry at Temple Church, Springfield, Mo., to accept the pastorate of First Church, Clinton, Mo., which has a membership of 1,481. Former pastorates include First Church, Clarksville.



MR. WALLIS

Mr. Wallis has the BA degree from Ouachita College and the ThM degree from Southern Seminary. While in Springfield he served on the faculty of Southwest Missouri State College and led Temple Church in the erection of a three-story educational building which cost \$80,000. Mr. and Mrs. Wallis have a teen-age daughter, Sondra.

● PASTOR CLIFFORD R. LYON, of First Church, Mansfield, writes of the passing recently of Deacon Martin



MR. CROSS

Cross, long a faithful member of the Mansfield church. "He was our lay member on the Associational Board and served faithfully for many years," pastor Lyon writes. "It was a blow to our church to lose him. I admired him and respected him in all our dealings. His wise counsel is missed," Mr. Lyon states.

Mr. Cross was a cousin of Mrs. John A. Abernathy, for many years a missionary to China and now in Korea.

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● WHEN THE EVANGELIST who was scheduled to lead Central Church, North Little Rock, in a revival, was not able to fulfill the engagement, Pastor Gordon Bayless led the church in a week of visitation, climaxed by three evangelistic services on Sunday. Although the weather was bad on the climaxed day, the Sunday school had a total attendance of 424, within 16 of the all-time record, and there were several decisions for Christ. There are many evidences of a church-wide revival, as the church membership continues a systematic visitation program.

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● EVANGELIST PAUL E. Wilhelm, Lamar, recently assisted Second Church, Clarksville, and Pastor Dick Reeves in a revival. Eight were received by baptism, three by letter.

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Free Men Through the Ages

By Nelson Tull

"THE LAND of the Red Man," was the first scene of a beautiful and interesting panorama of "Free Men Through the Ages," the theme of the National Conference of Southern Baptist Men, held recently in Oklahoma City. On the front page of this issue of the ARKANSAS BAPTIST is a picture of one of a group of real Indians who opened the Conference with an authentic war dance and then gave a demonstration of an Indian church service. During the service four outstanding Southern Baptist Leaders were adopted into four different Indian tribes, in a very impressive ceremony. The men were: Dr. Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee; Dr. George Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission; Dr. J. W. Storer, president of the Baptist World Alliance; and Bruce Carter, president of Oklahoma's Northeastern A. & M. College.

Every phase of the three-day Conference was of the highest order and reflected the most careful planning. The speakers were of the choicest. Everything moved along beautifully. Everywhere there was a wonderful spirit of fellowship.

The key address of the Conference was brought by Dr. Carlyle Marney, pastor of First Baptist Church, Austin, Tex. He spoke on, "The Truth Shall Make Men Free." Other speakers during the Conference included Glen Archer, executive director of POAU, Washington, D. C.; Howard E. Butt, Jr., Texas layman; Dr. J. W. Storer; and Bruce Carter.

Among the many high-lights of the Conference was the very dramatic presentation of "The Baptist Story," a panorama of Baptist history. Singing for all sessions of the Conference was led by Gene Bartlett, secretary of music for Oklahoma. Special Music was brought by the Bison Glee Club of Oklahoma Baptist University under the direction of Dean Warren Angell; by a fine chorus of men from Gastonia, N. C.; and by the Dotted Quarters from Pompano, Florida. Several tableaux were presented, under the leadership of Artist Jack Hamm: One on Baptist Publications, and another on the Open Bible. There were two outstanding panel discussions: "In My Vocation" and "In My Home." "Handfuls on Purpose" featured several Christian testimonies.

The afternoons were given over to twelve seminar workshops, where the men were grouped by vocations. In these seminars, a blessing to all who participated, a very vital question was discussed: "How Can I Demonstrate My Faith in My Vocation?" The men found the answers!

The Conference closed with a message on "Freedom for Our World," by Dr. J. W. Storer; and with a dedication service, led by Brooks Hays, Congressman from Arkansas and president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The next National Conference for Southern Baptist Men will be held in 1961.



Top Picture

THE BAPTIST STORY TODAY—The Baptist story of various periods of time was described in word and pictures to the 6200 men present for the first National Conference of Southern Baptist Men recently in Oklahoma City. Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, explained the many activities in which Southern Baptists are active today.

Second Picture

THE BAPTIST LEADERSHIP—Executive secretaries or other representatives of all Southern Baptist boards, commissions, and institutions were introduced to participants in the National Conference of Southern Baptist Men. In background may be seen the Bison Glee Club from Oklahoma Baptist University. The conference met in Oklahoma City.

Bottom Picture

SEMINAR PARTICIPANTS—There were approximately fifty leaders in the twelve workshop seminars. There were twelve moderators, one for each workshop. The twenty-four panelists were furnished by the Brotherhood Commission and there were twelve state secretaries. Arkansas' secretary, Nelson Tull, is in the front row, extreme right.

—Baptist Press Photo by Marse Grant

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ARMY MOVES INTO LITTLE ROCK

Eisenhower Signs Dramatic Order Depriving Governor

"Enemies Are Gloating"

Washington (AP) — President Eisenhower declared last night that the enemies of the United States abroad are gloating over the school segregation troubles in Little Rock.

He appealed to citizens of Arkansas to "assist in bringing to an end all interferences with the law."

The Chief Executive went on the air to explain to the U.S. public why he had ordered federal troops into Little Rock in order to enforce his command that persons he said were obstructing justice must cease and desist, and disperse.

DISORDERLY MOBS

"In that city," Eisenhower said, "under the leadership of demagogic extremists, disorderly mobs have deliberately prevented the carrying out of proper orders from a federal court."

"Local authorities have not eliminated that violent opposition and, under the law, I yesterday issued a proclamation calling on the mob to disperse."

Eisenhower said that certain miscreants of persons, many of them imported into Little Rock by agitators, "have insisted upon defying the law and sought to bring it into disrepute."

The President mentioned no names in his address from the White House.

Eisenhower said the very basis of individual rights

Faubus of Control Cessation Command Disobeyed

Newport, K. I. (AP) — President Eisenhower yesterday ordered ground and air units of the Arkansas national guard into federal service to cope with the violence-ridden Little Rock school integration crisis.

He also authorized federal troops to deal with the situation if needed.

Eisenhower took his dramatic action in an executive order declaring that his proclamation on Monday, demanding a cessation to the obstruction of justice, had not been obeyed.

AUTHORISATIONS TO DEFENCE MINISTER

The order authorized and directed Defence Secretary Charles E. Wilson to order into active military service of the United States such Arkansas guard units as he deemed appropriate to carry out the purpose of the order.

The effect was to remove Arkansas units from the control of Governor Orval Faubus and place them under the direction of the U. S. forces.

Eisenhower further authorized Wilson "to use such of the armed forces of the U. S. as he may deem necessary" to carry out a federal district court's integration orders.

The President meanwhile left by air for Washington from his vacation headquarters here to address last night the nation on the crisis on all television and radio networks.

Eisenhower signed the ex-

NINE WILL GO TO SCHOOL — IF

Little Rock (AP) — The head of the N.A.A.C.P. in Arkansas announced yesterday that nine Negro children will attend Central High School today, if the national guard, now federalized by President Eisenhower, can start protecting them by then.

"The children will go back to school as soon as we are assured protection," Mrs. L. C. Bates, state president of the N.A.A.C.P. said.

"The president's action has given us, and certainly the nine negro children, renewed faith in the constitution," she added. — (UP)

Executive order without ceremony in his vacation office at 11:22 a.m. (E.S.T.) less than an hour after Central High School in Little Rock, centre of mob disturbances on Monday, opened classes for the day.

Eisenhower said in his order that his proclamation command "has not been obeyed and willful obstruction of enforcement of said (integration) court orders still exists and threatens to continue."

The proclamation held that certain persons in Arkansas individually and in unlawful assemblies, combinations and conspiracies, willfully obstructed enforcement of the integration orders. It commanded that all persons engaged in such obstruction cease and desist therefrom and that they disperse forthwith.

Faubus had stationed National Guard units at Central High School from September 2 to last Friday to block Negro pupils from entering on the ground he was doing so to prevent violence. He withdrew them in compliance with a federal court order which he has appealed.

FIRM LEGAL BASIS

The White House was emphatic it had a firm legal basis in taking its action.

Little Rock, Ark. Regular Army troops sent to Little Rock for duty in the integration crisis entered the town at 6.30 p.m. yesterday.

Earlier in Washington the Army announced yesterday that 500 battle-equipped troops from the 101st airborne division were flying to Arkansas and would reach Little Rock within an hour.

The announcement was made by an aide to Secretary of the Army Wilber Bruecker and conferred at length with Secretary of Defence Wilson and other Pentagon officials.

ARMY COMMANDER

The Army said the regular troops would be placed under the command of Major General Edwin A. Walker. He is the regular army officer designated to command Army and federalized National Guard troops in Arkansas for the duration of the school integration crisis.

The Army spokesman said also that all members and units of the air and army National Guard in Arkansas would be ordered to duty. — (AP)

Little Rock, Ark. Helmeted paratroopers from the famed 101st airborne division took up stations around Central High School last night while hundreds of Little Rock people looked on.

The total force, said to be 500, split one group going to the high school and the other to the National Guard armoury at Little Rock.

A number of Negro paratroopers were seen in the trucks. However, it appeared that they were being assigned to duty away from the high school.

The orders to the troops will be: To insure enforcement of the federal court orders for racial integration at the 2,000-student high school. — (AP)

Newport, R. I. (AP) — A white man was charged in municipal court yesterday at Little Rock with various offences in connection with the racial disorders there.

Only one of the cases was not completed. Clarence R. Saunders, a negro from an air base, was fined \$300 and given a 90-day jail sentence for running down a policeman in his car during a skirmish on Monday night.

The most serious charge, against a white man was that laid against Shelton Wilson, accused of assault with intent to kill. Wilson was accused of attacking a Negro reporter during Monday's outburst of violence in front of Central high school.

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THE ARGENTINE MISSION

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Dear Friends:

Thought you would like to know that your state is making headline news in Buenos Aires the third largest city in the western hemisphere.

You can imagine how this helps Baptist Mission work. Pray for us.

Thanks,
James O. Watson
James O. Watson

Swift Police Action

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. Little Rock and state police moved in swiftly on known agitators at Central High School yesterday and hauled them away to jail before they could start whipping up collecting crowds into a fury over integration.

Peaceful Integration

Oklahoma, Okla. The enrolment of four Negro students at an elementary school in Morris and a Negro student at a high school in nearby Preston, followed Saturday's Federal court-ruling by Judge Eugene Rice. He called for compliance with the Supreme Court order on a subpoena by the parents of the Negro pupils. Governor Raymond Gary has said Oklahoma has been 75 per cent racially integrated. — (AP)

'If it Had Been Left to Me' — Faubus

NEW YORK (AP) — Governor Orval Faubus of Arkansas yesterday said in an interview that the State Authority would have settled Little Rock's school integration problems without violence if President Eisenhower "had left law and order to us."

Faubus said: "As long as the National Guard was in control, not a blow was struck, nor property damaged."

Faubus said he had not declared martial law in the Little Rock situation because such a step "was too drastic a measure."

"DISGRACEFUL SITUATION"

Vice-President Richard M. Nixon yesterday said the "disgraceful Little Rock integration situation" is largely the fault of Arkansas Governor Orval Faubus.

Nixon said he was certain that "The overwhelming majority of the people will support the President's firm position on behalf of law and order, and I also believe that a great many people in the South do not approve of the disgraceful acts of what was obviously inspired by a minority group."

AS HUNGARY - NOW ARKANSAS

Senator Herman Tammadge (D-Ga.) yesterday issued the following statement: "We will mourn the destruction of the sovereignty of Hungary by Russian tanks and troops in the streets of Budapest. We are now threatened with the spectacle of the President of the United States using tanks and troops in the streets of Little Rock to destroy the sovereignty of the State of Arkansas."

Adlai E. Stevenson termed the Arkansas school integration situation "a national disaster." — (AP)

The Way Out

THE LETTER from Southern Baptist Missionary James O. Watson of Buenos Aires, reproduced on the opposite page, with its appeal for Arkansas prayers for missions, speaks volumes.



MR. McDONALD

Every one will agree that the tragic era that has brought the army to the campus of Little Rock's Central High School to ally open violence and enforce federal court orders is greatly to be deplored. The cause of missions and of democracy have suffered inestimably from the "Little Rock" incident. For today we Americans live next door to all the nations of the earth. We are like apartment dwellers with thin walls. There is no hiding our family troubles from others.

No doubt we have been remiss, as Arkansas Christians, in prayer. We are tempted in troubled times to use our prayer time for worry and in trying to work out schemes through cloudy and sometimes hot and biased thinking. Even prayers uttered in this mood scarcely rise above the rafters. But we are assured:

"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much" (James 5:16).

More than prayer will be required to resolve our difficulties in the present emergency, but we believe prayer must be the bedrock. Through the prayers of Christians, not only in Arkansas but throughout the nation and around the world, the resources of God himself can be available. Men of goodwill who fearlessly seek the right in humble obedience to the leadership of the Holy Spirit can find the correct answers and the right approaches.

We are seeing all over again that missions and foreign policy start at home. If we are going to be worth much in helping to set a lost world straight, there are some things in our own houses which we, with God's help, must get straight and keep straight.

Little Rock is a great city and Arkansas a wonderful state. It will take us a long time to live down the reputation the trend of recent events has given us in the wide, wide world. But, God being our helper, we will make a comeback. With Christians of Arkansas resorting to the fervent and effectual prayer of those yielded to God's will, we shall rebuild on our ashes. God will use even this to draw his people into a closer walk with him.

Edwin L. McDonald

Conway-Perry News

LOUIS GUSTAVUS, McCrory, has accepted the Perryville church, where a new home for the pastor is being built. Mr. Gustavus is a graduate of Ouachita College and Southern Seminary. He and Mrs. Gustavus have three children.

THE PLUMERVILLE Church has reached a standard Sunday school, the only one in the association. C. A. Ramer is Sunday school superintendent and Don Gravenmier is pastor.

DON HALLUM, Russellville, assisted the missionary in a revival at Pleasant Grove Church which resulted in five additions by baptism and nine by letter.

DON GRAVENMIER and Plumerville, First, had a very fine training course, teaching **The Sunday School and Missions**.

GLENN McCALMAN and First Church, Morrilton, are sponsoring a Sunday school study course for adults and young people. He will teach the adults and Don Gravenmier will teach the young people, **The Sunday School and Missions**.

PLEASANT GROVE CHURCH has called Don Hallum as pastor.

BILL BROWN, student at Southern Seminary, assisted W. E. Shirk and Bigelow Church in a revival. There were nine additions by baptism.

EUGENE CORDER assisted Pastor L. Lovell, and Adona Church in a revival. Three new members were received by letter.

THERE WERE 10 Vacation Bible Schools in the association this year and one mission school.

NIMROD CHURCH will ordain three deacons on Sunday afternoon, October 27.

HARMONY CHURCH is host to the annual meeting October 10, for a one-day session. Glynn McCalman will deliver the annual sermon.—H. D. Palmer, Missionary

● WILLIAM M. Burnett is the new pastor at First Church, Judsonia, following a four-year ministry at Union Church, El Dorado.



Former pastorates of Mr. Burnett include Trinity Church, Little Rock and First Church, Beebe. While in El Dorado he led Union Church to erect a new building. A graduate of Ouachita College, Mr. Burnett also attended Southwestern Seminary and East Texas College, Marshall.

● NEW OFFICERS in Gainesville Association are: Moderator, L. E. Ray, Rector; vice moderator, S. R. Pillow, Pollard; clerk, Maudie Patten, Rector; treasurer, C. W. Bailey, Piggott; WMU president, Mrs. T. W. Leggett, Sr., Piggott; Sunday school superintendent, J. E. Collier, Pollard; Training Union director, R. H. Wright, Piggott; Brotherhood president, Lea Hartness, Piggott; Evangelism Chairman, E. Clay Polk, Piggott. Time of the next meeting will be September 9-10, 1958, at Rector Church. J. E. Collier, Pollard, will be the preacher.

● FIRST CHURCH, Manila, climaxed "Preparation Week" by giving 15 awards to the following: Worker's Diplomas, Bert Faulkner, Jack Burgett, Clyde Parker and Mrs. Paul Hicks; Seals for Worker's Diplomas: Ernest Webb, Mrs. Dewey Rice, Mrs. L. G. Gammill, Jr., Mrs. Paul Hicks, Gerald Costner and Bert Faulkner; completing Worker's Diplomas: Mrs. Ed Griffin, Mrs. Harbert Griffin and Mrs. Clyde Parker; receiving Advanced Diploma: Mrs. L. H. Goodson; completing Advanced Diplomas: Miss Ivarena McMichael, Mrs. R. D. White, Mrs. Edith Horner and Mrs. Dora Walker; receiving Masters Diplomas: Mrs. R. D. White and Miss Ivarena McMichael. W. R. Vestal, Jr., is pastor.



Missionary Gearing With a VBS Group

VACATION BIBLE School enrollment in the 51 churches in Mississippi County Association this year reached an all-time high of 4,923, with average attendance of 3,970. Ten were mission schools and six were Negro schools. For three straight years the association has had a school in every church.—John D. Gearing, Missionary.

A Call to Prayer

FOR THE first time in the history of the Baptist work in this section of Mexico, comprised of the three states of Michoacan, Guanajuato, and Queretaro, the churches are planning a simultaneous revival effort. The 24 churches and 6 missions prepared for a week of prayer, visitation, and personal witnessing, October 6-12, preceding a week of evangelistic services, October 13-20. A goal of 1,000 professions of faith has been set by the Associational Committee of Evangelism.

Will you pause a few minutes each day during the two weeks and join us in prayer that God may pour out his blessings and his convicting power in this fanatical section of Mexico? How we need a revival among the members of the churches! How we need to win the lost who are hopelessly groping in the darkness of superstition! We feel that this can be accomplished only by the faithful praying for and with us. May we depend on you?—William M. Clawson, Morelia, Michoacan, Mexico.

Church Center Burned

A HINDU MOB burned down a community center at Raipur, India, in an anti-missionary demonstration. The center was operated by the Evangelical and Reformed Church Mission Board of Philadelphia, working through the United Church of Northern India. Police arrested 62 persons during and after the demonstrations, and arraigned them on charges ranging from arson and attempted murder to looting and assaulting public servants. State officials promised a thorough probe of the incident. Meanwhile, they advised Christians who fled from the area to return. Missionaries who left Raipur at the time of the riots already are back at their posts.

JACK U. HARWELL, of Mobile, Ala., is joining the staff of the **Christian Index**, Atlanta, Ga., as assistant to the editor. Harwell is the son of Hoyt Horace Harwell of Leroy, Ala., who is chairman of the press relations committee of the Alabama Baptist Convention. He has been chief of the internal information division of the 12-state Mobile Air Force Materiel Area with headquarters in Mobile. He is a graduate of Howard College. The **Christian Index** is the weekly publication of Georgia Baptists.

LESLIE S. WILLIAMS, pastor, First Baptist Church, Statesboro, Ga., has accepted the position of superintendent of missions for the Columbus Baptist Association, Columbus, Ga.

FIRST CHURCH, Eldorado, Okla., called L. E. Laing as its pastor. Laing returns to Oklahoma from pastorate of Jackson Ave. Church, Lovington, N. M.

Texas Widow Back Home From Tour of Nigeria

DALLAS (BP) — A little white-haired 78-year-old widow from Abilene, Tex., completed a 9,000-mile, five-month journey to Nigeria as a Southern Baptist missionary observer.

"I went over there," said Mrs. J. L. (Mom) Anthony, "to get a glimpse of our mission work. And I certainly did. I could write a book about these past few months."

During her stay in Nigeria, she toured "nearly every province," averaging about five talks a day. One Sunday she spoke 11 times.

A Baptist Sunday school teacher for more than 50 years, Mrs. Anthony said she had to speak through an interpreter most of the time. As many as five were needed at times to translate her Bible stories into the different dialects of groups gathered to hear her.

Traveling with regular Southern Baptist missionaries working in Nigeria, Mrs. Anthony used a flannel-graph and her well-worn Bible to "introduce them to Christ."

Since she lives alone and makes her own way as a seamstress, Mrs. Anthony could not finance the journey by herself. It was sponsored by the University Baptist Church of Abilene and by personal friends.

She has read her Bible every day for the past 61 years, has missed Sunday services only 26 times in 61 years and has been late only twice — both times because of car trouble.

If You Are Moving

Our subscribers, who are changing their addresses, are requested to please notify the **Arkansas Baptist**, if possible, two weeks ahead of their move so the paper can correct your address.

A good many people are on the move. Many subscribers to this paper change their address. Each time an undelivered paper comes back to our office we must pay for it. Where the Post Office used to charge us 2c they now have raised the charge to 5c for each paper returned to our office because a subscriber has moved and failed to notify us of the change. This has become expensive to your state paper. We do not make money. We try to "break even," but we will not be able to do so without the cooperation of you as a subscriber.

If you change your address, please advise us two weeks ahead, giving us your old address and your new, as well as the name of the church of which you are a member. Thank you!

—The Management

James F. Cole to Edit Louisiana Newspaper

ALEXANDRIA, La. (BP) — The **Baptist Message**, weekly newspaper of the Louisiana Baptist Convention, will be edited by James F. Cole after January 1.

Cole will succeed Finley W. Tinnin who has been editor of **The Baptist Message** since 1920. Tinnin, 70, the dean of Southern Baptist editors, is retiring December 31.

The new editor has served the last four years as pastor of First Church, DeRidder, La. He has a bachelor's degree from Union University, a master-of-arts degree from Baylor University, and bachelor-of-divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Seminary.

Grady Sparkman, who has been associate to Tinnin, will continue to serve as associate editor.

Cole is a native of Trenton, Tenn.

New Maryland General Secretary Is Selected

BALTIMORE (BP) — Roy D. Gresham, pastor of Middle River Church here, has been elected general secretary of the Maryland Baptist Union Association.

He will succeed Clifton C. Thomas who is retiring January 1.

Gresham will join the association staff in November. During November and December he will work with Thomas to acquaint himself with his new duties.

After graduating from Furman University in his native South Carolina, Gresham taught school for three years and later worked for Glenn L. Martin, Baltimore aircraft manufacturer, for four years.

He has been pastor of Middle River Church for 12 years.

Southern Baptists in Maryland number 45,000 in 170 churches.

Brotherhood Commission To Reorganize Staff

OKLAHOMA CITY (BP) — The Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission has approved reorganization and enlargement of its administrative staff in Memphis, Tenn., where commission offices are located. The commission has re-elected Bruce Carter of Miami, Okla., as its chairman and George W. Schroeder, as executive secretary.

James Sapp, associate secretary in charge of church Brotherhood work, is now director of promotion of the commission. A new associate secretary to direct church Brotherhood work will be named.

The commission will also employ an editorial secretary to direct publication of its two periodicals — the quarterly **Brotherhood Journal** and the monthly **Ambassador Life**.



Round-Up of

World-Wide

RELIGIOUS NEWS REPORTS

Film Team Rescued

NEW GUINEA'S "Flying Bishop" came to the rescue of Lowell Thomas, noted author and newscaster, and a party of 50 cameramen who were in head-hunter country without food. Thomas and his party, filming the stone-age people who live in the area for a forthcoming Cinerama production, were saved from starvation by Bishop Leo C. Arkfeld, who is stationed at Wewak, New Guinea.

DALLAS (BP)—Two hospitals valued at nearly \$3½ million dollars were accepted recently by the executive board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

They are the Memorial Hospital of San Angelo and the Baptist Hospital of Southeast Texas, Beaumont. The San Angelo hospital was accepted as a gift from its founder, Mrs. Louis Gayer. Baptists of the Texas convention's third district previously owned the Beaumont hospital.

Acceptance of a third hospital, located at Texarkana, was delayed for further study. Its \$3,600,000 plant will be completed next year.

MIDDLETOWN, Ky. (BP) — Thomas B. Chaney, Jackson, Miss., has been elected director of the Forward Program of Church Finance for the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky. He joins the staff Oct. 1. Chaney, a layman, is now serving as superintendent of missions of Hinds County Baptist Association (Jackson area), Miss. He is a former Louisvillian, having served as educational director of Walnut St. Baptist Church there in 1948-51.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BSSB) — Miss Florida Waite, secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board's Church Library Service since 1943, retired September 30. Her successor has not been named. Miss Waite plans to make her home with her sister, Miss Lizzie Waite, in Black Mountain, N. C., where she will take an active part in the installation of a church library at Black Mountain Church.

"IF JUST NOW you had a globe of the world in your possession and were to spin it and point your finger at any other country, you would find no nation with religious freedom equal to that in the United States," POAU Executive Director Glenn L. Archer told the National Conference of Southern Baptist Men meeting in the Oklahoma City Municipal Auditorium on the morning of September 19. Taking as his theme, "Free Men Through the Ages," Archer declared that American leadership in this field was based primarily on the First Amendment with its guarantee of separation of church and state.

Baptist Crosscurrents

Ministerially Speaking

Dr. Forrest Feezor, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, writing in the BAPTIST STANDARD has said a plain word about the phrase "ministerially speaking," which needed to be said.

Dr. Feezor said, "I deplore and regret its use. It is a resolve of mine never to let the expression have hospitality in my heart or be expressed by my lips. This I believe, its employment, rightly understood, mantles a man of God with an undesirable reputation . . ."

In defining the term he explains that "ministerially speaking" actually means "allowing for exaggeration" or "in other words, 'ministerially speaking,' I am lying about our attendance . . . This, I believe, is not honoring to God's servant."

He continues, "'Ministerially speaking' should mean the opposite. That is, when a minister, God's called and ordained man—speaks, it will be regarded as pristine truth. It can be quoted with no fear of embarrassment from inaccuracy."

And in conclusion he says, "Nothing vicious or low is meant by those who employ the term. It is usually used to induce laughter. But its implication is too serious for that. It could be taken as a license for lying. God's Word counsels against lying in strong and vehement language. This I have resolved, never to use an expression that reflects upon the veracity and honesty of a servant of our Lord."

Baptist Messenger

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A Cobwebby Room

Time and energy are like money—if spent for one thing they cannot at the same time be spent for something else. It gets back to the question of discrimination. All of us could easily spend all our time and energy in self-pleasing. When we became Christians we said no to self and yes to Christ. We committed ourselves to seek first the kingdom of God. We accepted a place in the church. All this we did voluntarily. Perhaps in childhood and youth we gave first place to Christ and the church, but somehow interests and duties have multiplied until now we give only the leftovers to the Lord and his work. Perhaps we are inclined to say, "I've done my share—now I want to take it easier. I can't obligate myself to go to church Sunday nights."

Whose day is Sunday anyhow? In the New Testament we read that it is "the Lord's day." Why not keep it for him and the things of the soul? Why should it be accounted a burden to spend Sunday morning in Bible study and worship, and the evening in training and worship? May we not agree that this excuse of having too much else to do is for the Christian just a cobwebby room that needs sweeping?—*Dr. G. S. Dobbins*

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Personal Christian Influence

Christian influence is the highest witness we can exert. It is felt more than expressed. It is the one element that makes preaching valid in the eyes of the multitude. It is the atmosphere the Christian creates. It is not found where there is not Christian love. Nothing destroys it so quickly as un-Christian speech, unworthy cruelty, unkindly criticism. "If any one says, I love God, and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him, that he who loves God should love his brother also." (I John 4:20, 21) Offenses against love destroy Christian influence. Therefore, love. Reveal it Godward and manward. Remember it is always vicarious, like the love which Jesus showed in enduring the cross. Prayer: Grant us, O Lord, thy forgiveness for any loveless speech and carnal hardness we have shown against our fellows. Breathe on us thy Spirit that we may become like Thee in patience, understanding and hope so that as we are drawn to Thee we, ourselves, may be the means of others desiring Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.—*The Watchman-Examiner*

Business, Civic Leaders Urge Peaceful Compliance

(EDITOR'S NOTE: We believe this statement issued by a group of Little Rock's leading citizens, representing many religious faiths and including President Brooks Hays of the Southern Baptist Convention, is worthy of the prayerful consideration of all our people. —ELM.)

A GROUP of Little Rock business and civic leaders adopted yesterday a "Statement of Objectives and Rededication to Principles" calling for peaceful compliance to court-ordered school integration.

The resolution, signed by 25 men urged residents "regardless of their feelings on the subject of segregation * * * [to] uphold those who enforce laws without reservation."

The statement read:

"We believe that the people of the city of Little Rock, regardless of their feelings on the subject of segregation:

"1. Believe in and are dedicated to government by law and order.

"2. Detest and condemn violence.

"3. Have faith in the use of democratic legal processes for settlement of differences.

"4. Need a period of continual calm consideration of all the facts and circumstances.

"Therefore, we call upon all of the citizens, and organizations of citizens, to resolve that they will:

"a. Uphold those who enforce laws without reservation.

"b. Condemn violence and the threat of violence or the encouragement of violence.

"c. Join unitedly in daily prayer for guidance and counsel for all who lead our people."

The resolution was signed by William F. Rector, insurance executive; J. Curran Conway, president of the Federal Home Loan Bank at Little Rock; Carroll Thibault, president of Thibault Milling Company; Wallace Townsend, attorney and member of the Republican National Committee; Gordon H. Campbell, insurance executive; Raymond Rebsamen, financier; R. E. Ritchie, president of Arkansas Power and Light Company; Sam B. Strauss, president of Pfeifers of Arkansas.

Brooks Hays, Democratic congressman; Walter C. Guy, Board chairman of Arkansas Printing and Lithographing Company; William Harold Sadler, former Little Rock automobile dealer; Harvey C. Couch, Jr., president of Union National Bank; Clyde E. Lowry, Board chairman of National Equity Life Insurance Company; Harry W. Pfeifer Jr., secretary-treasurer of M. M. Cohn Co.; Richard C. Butler, attorney; A. Howard Stebbins, president of Group Service Underwriters.

C. L. Thompson, vice president of Union National Bank; Foster A. Vineyard, insurance executive; Houston J. Burford, general manager of Southwest Hotels, Inc.; John A. Riggs Jr., president of J. A. Riggs Tractor Company; Warren E. Bray, general manager for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company; E. Grainger Williams, insurance executive; William H. McLean, vice president of Commercial National Bank; W. M. Shepherd, president of the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce, and Joshua K. Shepherd, insurance executive.

—ARKANSAS GAZETTE
October 3, 1957

THE BOOKSHELF

SMALL GIANT, by Phyllis Woodruff Sapp, Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich., 1957, \$3.

IN THIS \$5,000-first prize novel by Mrs. Sapp, an Oklahoma City Southern Baptist, is found the story of one man's courageous fight against a crime-ridden city run by a power-mad gang leader. At the risk of life and love, Phil Sanders, a man of faith, throws himself into the battle for right.

For us, the writer certainly succeeds in holding the suspense and sprinkling every chapter with thrills. We found her characterizations slightly over done — too much "biting of the lower lip" and pounding of the hero's fist into his open hand. But this is no serious fault. The circulation of this book will bear a Christian testimony and may lend moral support to those facing evil forces in every-day lives.

THE SPEAKER'S SPECIAL OCCASION BOOK, edited by Maxwell Droke and the Editors of *Quote*, Published by Droke House and distributed by Grosset & Dunlap, 1954.

SPEAKERS, TEACHERS and writers will find this to be a valuable reference volume to keep within easy reach. It was conceived by the editors of *Quote*, the weekly digest for public speakers and is said to be the product of ten years of research. It contains material for the nationally-recognized holidays and for many of the "Days" and "Weeks" celebrated in schools and by civic groups. The material is arranged chronologically by months of the year. Its usefulness would have been greatly enhanced by a detailed index.

THE WONDER OF SNOW, by Corydon Bell, Hill and Wang, New York, 1957, \$5.

WE DO NOT agree with the author of this book on his opening page that ". . . man evolved through tedious time from early strains of warmth-loving primates . . ." But, for those who can turn on to the remainder of the book and read what is said about snow, this book will prove of interest and, possibly, of value.

One of the interesting highlights is the answer to the question: Are our winters milder now than when our grandparents were growing up? Yes, says the author, but weather comes in cycles of several hundred years, he says, and eventually winters will be severe again. According to his theory, the height and power of submarine waves in the oceans, as tide-producing forces of the sun and moon ebb and flow, have a far-reaching effect on the severity of our winter weather.

Foreign Mission Board Reports to the People

Three Missionaries Appointed

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board appointed three new missionaries at its September meeting and heard reports from a new member of its secretarial staff and several who have been traveling overseas.

The new missionaries are Rev. and Mrs. Charles H. Morris, of Metropolis, Ill., appointed for Malaya, and Miss Alma Oates, of St. Louis, Mo., appointed for South Brazil.

Dr. Sadler Convalescing

Dr. Sadler is recovering from a recent operation and is expected to be able to return to his office within a few days.

Dr. Goerner Reports

Dr. Cornell Goerner, secretary-elect for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, began his work in Richmond early this month. He made his initial report to the Board in its September session.

Work Begun on Headquarters Building

Work has been started for the Board's new headquarters building in the 3800 block of Monument Avenue, Richmond. "Unless there is some unforeseen emergency, we can anticipate holding the October, 1958, meeting of the Foreign Mission Board in the new building," Dr. Cauthen said. "We can plan formal dedication services of the building at that meeting."

Orient Missions Conference

Dr. Crawley reported on the Orient Missions Conference held in Hong Kong, July 26-August 4, at which time Bap-

tist leaders of East Asia came together for 10 days of worship and intensive discussion.

Representing 11 countries and territories in East Asia, the conference membership was made up of 58 people, 43 Southern Baptist missionaries and 15 national Baptist leaders from associations and conventions in Korea, Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, the Philippines, and Malaya.

"The Orient Missions Conference was not an official body in any sense," Dr. Crawley explained. "It had no power to decide on policy for any convention or Mission (organization of Southern Baptist missionaries within a given country or area). But there was much that it could do and did do along lines of discussing basic common problems, sharing insights and experiences, clarifying relationships in the work, and offering recommendations and plans for improvement of Baptist mission work in the Orient."

Relief Funds Appropriated

The Relief Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention has appropriated \$20,000 for direct relief work among German Baptists, many of whom are refugees.

Five thousand dollars was designated for relief work in Hong Kong. Small amounts were voted for the South Brazil Mission to use among Hungarian refugees who have migrated there and for the Peru Mission to relieve the suffering of famine victims in the southern part of that country where Irish Baptists work with 14 churches.

Golden Gate Has Record Enrollment

A RECORD 333 students have enrolled for the fall semester at Golden Gate Seminary, according to Dr. Wm. A. Carleton, dean. This registration marks a 9 per cent increase over the highest previous record. One hundred and nineteen are attending the seminary for the first time.

Analysis of the seminary's enrollment shows that there are 243 ministerial students, 74 in the field of religious education, 10 pursuing studies in sacred music, and 3 unclassified. Students attending the seminary this semester are offered 57 courses and a number of graduate seminars.

California, with 65 students, tops the list of states sending students to the Southern Baptist Convention's only theological school on the West Coast. Fifty-nine Texans make up the second largest group, while Oklahoma and Arkansas are the homes of 39 and 21 men and women respectively. Approximately 79 per cent of the students are married.

A total of 93 colleges and universities are represented in the enrollment. For

the fifth consecutive year, Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, with 41 former students enrolled, leads in representation by colleges.

Dr. Harold K. Graves, president of the seminary, is beginning his sixth year as administrative head of the institution which is now in its fourteenth session. During the past five years, the student body has shown a continuous growth — from 198 in 1952 to the current 333; the library has increased threefold; with but one exception, faculty members have doctor's degrees, and all have been in an active Baptist ministry prior to joining the faculty.

Because of the growing strain on physical facilities, Golden Gate acquired in 1953 a campus site at Strawberry Point in Marin County, just north of San Francisco. The school plans to occupy the new campus in the fall of 1959.

PAUL H. CRANFORD has resigned the pastorate of Jackson Hill Church, Atlanta, to become pastor of Temple Church, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Special Offer On Budget Plan

AS AN INTRODUCTORY offer to churches interested in sending the Baptist state paper every week to every family, ARKANSAS BAPTIST will send the paper free for four issues to any church requesting it. The only requirements to qualify for the offer is for the pastor and the budget committee to agree to propose to the church, within a month, that the paper be included in the budget. If for any reason the church does not accept the recommendation, there still is no charge for the free mailing.

To take advantage of this special offer, churches should send mailing lists of all their families, with correct, current mailing addresses, as soon as possible to the Editor. In sending the list, make it clear that the church is applying for the special offer of one month's free subscription to all its families.

The actual cost to the church of sending the paper to its membership is just a little more than a 3-cent postage stamp per week per family, or \$3.36 per week for each 100 families. Billing is at 14 cents per family per month, or \$14 per 100 families. The 450 churches of the state which now send the paper to their families find it a good investment and not an item of expense. Church members who are kept informed, as they are through the state paper, are interested members, and it is the interested members who make the local church an active and effective Christian force for the carrying out of the Great Commission.

Not every church member will be interested enough in his church and in missions to subscribe. But the sending of the paper by the church to all the homes fulfills in part the responsibility placed upon the church to teach its members to observe the commandments of Jesus. In many cases the visit each week of the Baptist state paper will be the only direct contact of a church with some of its families. The paper may easily be the means of helping to enlist members who have drifted away from the church services because of indifference.

A church may qualify for the Budget Plan by sending the paper only to those families which indicate they want it. No family should be included on the church mailing list which for any reason requests that the paper not be sent. All other families living within reasonable distance of the church should be included.

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Departments

WMU

Nancy Cooper, Secretary

The Circle Plan

THE CIRCLE plan has long been recognized as an important means of enlisting and developing members of



MISS COOPER

Woman's Missionary Society. Some new plans are being projected for 1957-58 and are discussed on pages 76-80 of the current Year Book. A former edition stated:

"The best results from the circle plan come:

"When the circle functions as a part of the society and never apart from it, its members realizing that the circle is not an end within itself.

"When the circle chairman and program chairman make every circle meeting a missionary meeting by following the circle plans suggested in *Royal Service*.

"When circles are regrouped annually or every two years, thus avoiding forming of cliques, increasing the member's appreciation for many people, and enlarging her vision for service."

WMU Presidents, Have You—

—reported 1957-58 officers to State WMU Office and associational superintendent?

—sent *Annual WMU Report* to the above?

—sent Record of Advancement for every organization (WMS, YWA, GA and Sunbeam Band) to state WMU office?

—sent Mission Study Achievement Chart to State WMU?

—ordered sufficient *Guide Books*, *Year Books* and other materials to start the new year "right"?

—discovered the "Forecaster" in the October *Royal Service*? (Heed and preserve in notebook.)

—remitted Dixie Jackson Offering to State WMU Treasurer?

REMEMBER TO ORDER

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BSU

Tom Logue, Director

News From the Campuses

U of A Medical School

THE FIRST pre-school retreat for Baptist medical students was held at Ferncliff prior to the opening of fall classes. Approximately 20 attended. The medical students do not have a Baptist Student Director, and the retreat program was planned by students Jessie McNeil and John Wikman.



Arkansas Tech The Baptist Student Union at Arkansas Tech has a new BSU paper, the BAPTIST SHIELD. Attendance is higher at the daily devotional service at the center, and a large number of students have moved their church membership to a local church. Tech is the first school to ask for a larger quota for the State Student Convention.

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Alumni, Parents, and Visitors
at Fayetteville
Are Invited

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Open House at the New Baptist
Student Center
944 West Maple Street

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October 19 — Dad's Day
(Texas game)

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November 2 — Homecoming
(Texas A&M Game)

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Center will be open Saturday
morning and after the game

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Arkansas Baptist Hospital

Students from ABH will present a program of special music, personal testimonies, and slides of Baptist Student work at First Church, McCrory, October 22, for the Woodruff associational meeting. On October 23 student nurses will be on the Caroline associational program, meeting at First Church, Coy.

The pre-school retreat for ABH was held at Ferncliff this year and 75 attended. Jim Pleitz served as camp pastor.

Arkansas A and M

A YWA is being organized at Arkansas A and M. Mrs. Maurice Fennell, wife of the Student Director, is counselor and she reports that 5 girls attended the first meeting.

Ouachita and Henderson

Mrs. Marylea Wood has assumed her duties as Baptist Student Director in Arkadelphia. The BSU office in the Student Center at Ouachita has been redecorated and the vesper service attendance has been exceptionally high.

MISSIONS

C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent

● E. A. RICHMOND, Chaplain at the Boys' Industrial School, is attending the meeting of National Association of



DR. CALDWELL

Training School Chaplains in Freeville, N. Y. Last week, he spoke to the Pulaski County Pastors' Conference in Little Rock, and at a Father and Son Banquet in First Christian Church, Pine Bluff.

● THE MOST extensive mission program ever launched for the Mexican cotton pickers (braceros) by any denomination is now in full swing in Arkansas. Seventeen Spanish speaking preachers are conducting services from Elaine and Dumas to Jonesboro and Blytheville. This program began five years ago. Now, associations, churches, and even individuals are beginning to finance the work in their territories.

● A SOUTH-WIDE rural church conference is scheduled to meet in Bellevue Church, Memphis, February 24-27. This will be the second such meeting held by our denomination. Arkansas should be well represented.

● DR. J. W. GARDNER, our worker for the deaf people of the state, conducted services during September at Mena, Lake City, and Forrest City. The Department of Missions pays his traveling expenses. Dr. Gardner was missionary to the deaf under the Home Mission Board for a number of years. His home is in Little Rock.

● WILLIAM E. WOODSON, missionary in Dardanelle-Russellville Association, has nine places listed where mission work should be started. How many places are in your association? Is your church ready to sponsor one? In setting up your budget don't forget the need of that mission station. Don't wait until the middle of the year and then say, "We don't have anything in our budget for it."

● THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST is now going to the families of First Church, Yellville, of which Dale Barnett is pastor; and to Mt. Zion Church, near Batesville, R. R. Sanders, pastor. Harmony Church, El Dorado, sent in a new budget, E. L. Ward, pastor. And Tennessee Church, Hope Association, changed from a club to the budget plan. A. V. Smith is the pastor.

A room has been rented across from Henderson State, and daily devotional services are held at noon for the Henderson State students.

BROTHERHOOD

Nelson Tull, Secretary

Regional Brotherhood Clinics

YOUR BROTHERHOOD Department is asking each Regional Brotherhood president, along with the Regional

Brotherhood Executive Committee, to plan and hold in his area a Regional Brotherhood Clinic for associational Brotherhood officers. The clinic should be held on a night between October 15 and November 15 of this year. The purpose of the clinic is to train associational Brotherhood officers in their work, not only that they may better do their work in Brotherhood, but also in order that they in turn, may help train church Brotherhood officers in an associational Brotherhood clinic which will be scheduled on a night between November 15 and December 15.

The association is the fundamental promotional unit among Southern Baptists; and the associational Brotherhood, when properly organized and when functioning effectively, is the best agency known for organizing effective church Brotherhoods and helping them to maintain a high standard of work. The Regional Brotherhood Clinics are being planned for associational Brotherhood officers to help them better comprehend and understand their duties, their responsibilities, and their opportunities, in building a greater and better associational program; and that they may then work effectively and objectively to help every church in their association to have and maintain a functioning, productive, and an effective church Brotherhood.

The president of each of the Brotherhood regions in Arkansas has been sent materials which will help him and the other regional Brotherhood officers to prepare to serve as instructors during the clinic. The Brotherhood Department will supply free of charge all materials needed for holding the Regional Clinics.

We trust that every associational Brotherhood officer in the state will take advantage of the opportunities offered by the Regional Clinic to help him to prepare for a greater year in Brotherhood in 1958.

We trust also that every church Brotherhood officer will make his plans to attend the Associational Brotherhood Clinic.

The National Conference of Southern Baptist Men held recently in Oklahoma City was one of the greatest meetings of the age. Some 8,000 Southern Baptist men were there to witness sights they can never forget. The wonderful panorama of Baptist history, the good singing, the excellent messages, and the parade of Baptist personalities was a profitable and delightful experience to the great host of men.

MUSIC

LeRoy McClard, Director
State Festivals On

OUR EXPERIENCE with the first three District Music Festivals makes it imperative that we call off the remaining District Festivals. This will come as a disappointment to some and a relief to others.

Our apology must go to the Churches who have already participated in District Festivals, for their needless worry and expense.

The reasons for eliminating the District Festivals seem to outweigh the advantages of having the festival on a district level.

Some of the reasons are:

1. The District Festivals must come too early in the year for proper preparation.
2. Most music budgets cannot stand a District and State Festival.
3. The Fall High School, Junior High, and Elementary Football games claim priority over the festivals.
4. Some fail to realize that there is a music education experience in listening to other choirs.
5. Some realize that the standard of work accomplished by their choir is so poor that they are ashamed for other churches to hear them sing.
6. Some do not care!

Surely the Lord will bless the Music Ministry in our Churches if we are willing to work, study, train and completely dedicate our talents and efforts to the Glory of God. There is no need for any Church in our State to have an inferior Music Ministry. We have the methods and materials. What we really need is more concern. Teach the "Church Music Manual" in your Church and under the direction of the Holy Spirit do something about the Lord's Music Ministry.

ALL ADULT, YOUTH, JUNIOR, AND PRIMARY CHOIRS MAY ENTER THE STATE FESTIVALS. SEE THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST FOR PARTICULARS.

THE TWO Sunday School Weeks at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly each broke the previous high attendance record which was 2,612, during the first Sunday School Week in 1955. This year's first week had 3,171, and the second week had 2,867 official registrations. There were approximately ninety decisions, of which about ten were professions of faith.

Another National Conference of Baptist Men is being planned for 1961. It is not too early right now to begin making your plans to go, regardless of where the meeting will be held.

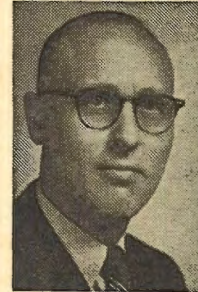
TRAINING UNION

Ralph W. Davis, Secretary
Intermediate Sword Drill

1. THE FIVE drills are explained in the sword drill rules which may be ordered free from your state Training Union department.

2. Scriptures for character, doctrinal, and unfinished quotation drills are found in the Intermediate quarterlies for July 1, 1957 to March 31, 1958:

July - September, 1957: Intermediate 1 quarterly — pages 9, 22, 36; Intermediate 2 quarterly —



MR. DAVIS
pages 9, 22, 35.

October-December, 1957: Intermediate 1 quarterly — pages 12, 30, 40; Intermediate 2 quarterly — pages 9, 22, 25.

January-March, 1958: Intermediate 1 quarterly — pages 8, 19, 37; Intermediate 2 quarterly — pages 4, 17, 35.

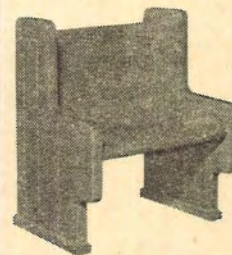
In the January-March 1958 quarterlies the material for the last six months of 1957 will be reprinted.

3. Don't delay! Start today. Time is passing. Church drills will be held the last part of February, associational drills the first of March, and the district drills at the district conventions the middle of March.

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● HOLLY SPRINGS Church, Carey Association, ordained Dan Dempsey as a deacon. Moderator of the meeting was Tom Poole. D. L. Lampkin, Sparkman, served as clerk. Judson Albritton, Holly Springs, questioned the candidate. Dewey Starke, Bearden, delivered the message and Elston Herndon, Hillside Church, Camden, offered the prayer.— Reported by Mrs. Ruth Fultz, church clerk.

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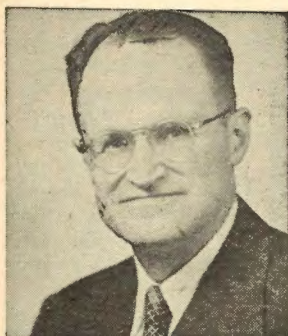
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GETTING HELP TO EVERY CHURCH

We have learned that the best way to get help to every church is through the associational Sunday School organization. To help the associational Sunday School organizations, the state has been divided into 8 districts with a superintendent over each district. The objectives of the superintendents are 1. to help organize every association; 2. train the officers; 3. use the **Standard** as a program of work; 4. help organize associational schools; 5. and enlargement campaigns.

RESULTS OF THIS PLAN IN ARKANSAS

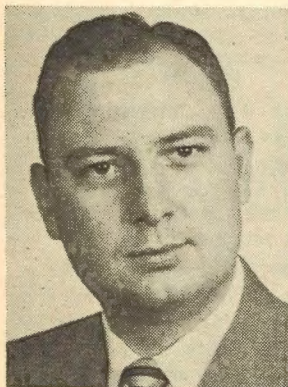
| | '54-'55 | '55-'56 | '56-'57 |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Assns. organized..... | 39% | 80% | 94% |
| Training Awards | 20,832 | 24,506 | 32,652 |
| Churches in training..... | 323 | 447 | 635 |
| Standard Assns. | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Standard Sunday Schools.... | 28 | 26 | 67 |
| Standard Units | 384 | 415 | 725 |



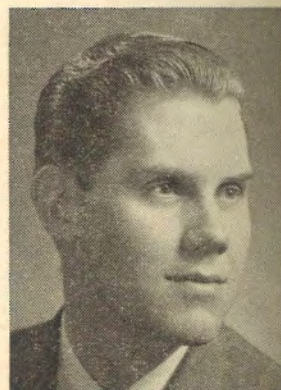
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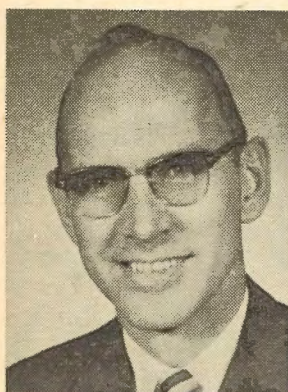
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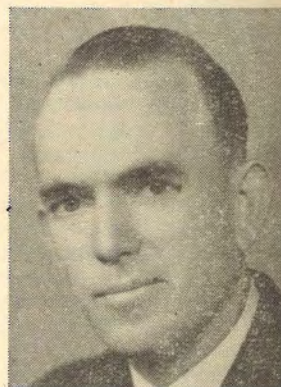
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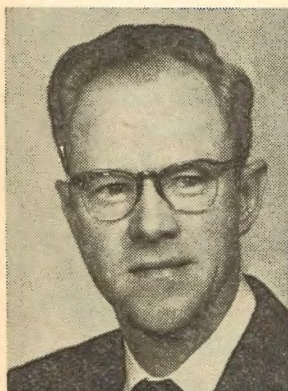
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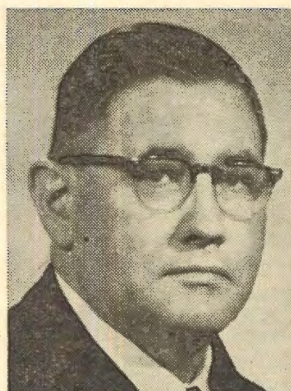
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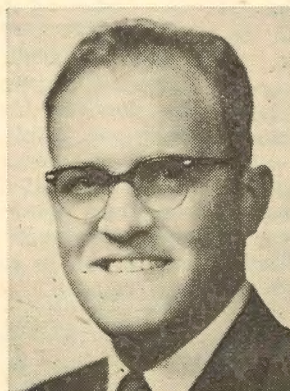
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EVANGELISM

I. L. Yearby, Secretary
We Must Do Both

IN NEW TESTAMENT evangelism there are two chief methods. The Bible states it in this language: "I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publicly, and from house to house" (Acts 20: 20). "And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ" (Acts 5:42).



DR. YEARBY

These scriptures clearly indicate that two methods in evangelism were practiced by New Testament Christians. One is the public proclamation of the gospel by a preacher to a congregation. The other is personal witnessing and teaching of the gospel by individual Christians. The New Testament teaches, by precept and example, that these two methods go together. "Publicly" and "in the temple" certainly mean the preaching done by God-called preachers and pastors to congregations. "From house to house" and "in every house" mean visitation and personal witnessing on the part of Christians. These two methods in evangelism are still the order today.

Southern Baptists have developed the very best program of evangelism known to the Christian world. The "Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism" calls for both of these New Testament methods of approach. We have majored on preaching the gospel "publicly" to the neglect of private personal witnessing and soul winning. We have failed to develop our people in personal soul winning. Facts reveal that only about three out of every hundred church members, on an average, ever actually win anybody to Christ. Thousands of our churches over the country report not a single conversion or baptism in a whole year. (216 churches in Arkansas reported no baptisms last year.)

Brethren, we will never reach and win more people to Christ than we are now winning through "crusades" and "revivals" alone. We must enlist, train and develop our people in doing personal witnessing and soul winning week by week. We must utilize both methods of evangelism. They go together.

Here is a duty which is not optional for the Christian, but obligatory. The terms, "being a Christian" and "being a soul winner," ought to be synonymous. Every born-again child of God and member of a Baptist church, who at the same time, is not a soul winner, is a contradiction.

The purpose of "soul winners commitment day," Sunday, January 5, 1958, is that every church make a supreme effort to enlist all their people to make commitment to become personal soul winners.

NEW YORK, N. Y. — Several million dollars' worth of advertising will be contributed in the ninth annual Religion In American Life campaign this fall in a continued public-service effort to encourage regular attendance at worship services of all churches and synagogues.

During November, which is observed throughout the nation as Religion In American Life Month, messages urging Americans to "Worship Together This Week" will appear in all major media of mass communications. American business and the advertising industry donate the time and space for the messages through The Advertising Council.

THE NEWS IN the cable from its Pakistan representative to Church World Service last week was tragic: "Floods now cover 5,000 square miles, five million homeless, disease on rampage, starvation imminent, worse than 1955 flood which devastated Punjab area."

Officials of the Protestant and Orthodox churches' relief agency went to work immediately and on Sept. 20, food staples, blankets and clothing were on their way by sea and air. Drugs to combat eye diseases, malaria and dysentery, which left by air the same day, were carried free of charge by the airlines.



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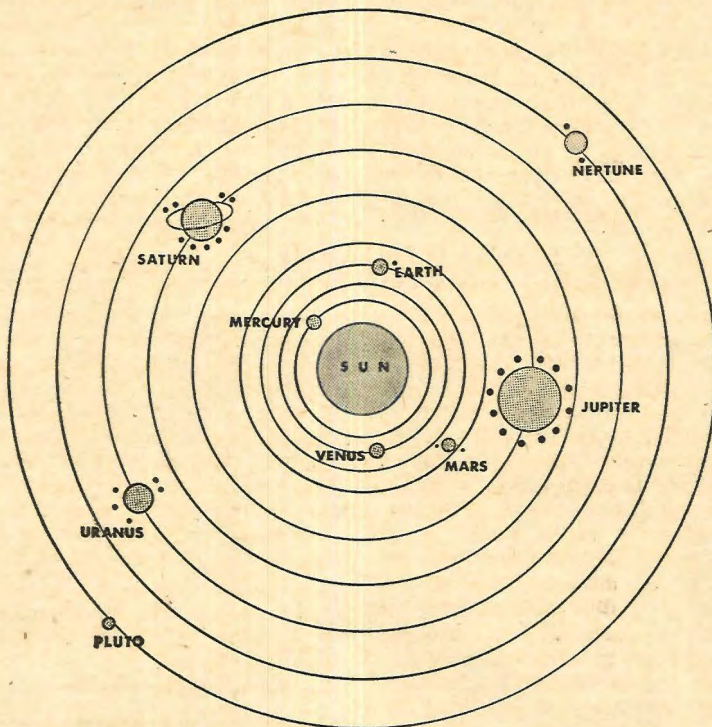
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Our Interesting Planets

By GLADYS K. BRADLEY



IF YOU ARE space-minded at all, you will be interested in the position of the planets. Here's an easy way to know them. The best way to learn them is according to their distance from the sun. Once you have learned them that way, you will never forget them, not even when you are eighty!

All right, initials come first: **M-V-E-M**. Easy, isn't it, with an M at each end? These initials start the names of Mercury, Venus, the earth, and Mars. By this you will see that the earth, where we live, is third from the sun. Mercury is in first position, closest to the sun.

Now you are almost halfway through. The next initials are **J-S-U-N**. Of course, the ending **S-U-N** makes this group easy, too. The names are Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune.

You are getting farther and farther away from the sun. Pluto, the ninth planet to be discovered, is so far away and so tiny that you need not bother about an initial, but just call his name. When you can say the others — **M-V-E-M**: Mercury, Venus, earth, Mars; **J-S-U-N**: Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune — then it's time to say Pluto. easy, isn't it?

Now you'll have fun making a map, mostly circles, showing the planets and the sun. You have learned these in the order of their distance from the sun but not according to size. Here's a hint. The first four, the ones nearest the sun, are also the smallest. Jupiter is the largest; so that is easy. Saturn wears a halo of rings, and is second in size.

Get your compass and a clean sheet of paper, and let's start our map. The sun is bigger than any planet; so start in the center with a fairly large circle for the sun. One inch across is a good size.

The first four small planets may have circles quite close together, spaced about the same. If you're very particular, the two M's are the smallest; so locate Mars and Mercury with the smallest markers and Venus and the earth a wee bit larger. The earth has one moon, as you already know, and you may show it with a small dot. Mars has two moons.

You may not wish to locate the moons, and that is all right. It is planets we are locating first.

Now you are ready for the four big planets. Space these four circles quite wide apart, at least a half-inch. Jupiter is the largest and, believe it or not, has twelve moons! Saturn is proud of her halo and is the only planet to have one. Saturn is second in size and has nine moons. Uranus with five moons and Neptune with two are about the same size.

Now draw a last big circle, and locate little Pluto. We don't know too much about Pluto, because it is so newly discovered.

Have you noticed that the planets are all named after Greek or Roman gods? Once you have drawn these circles and located the planets, you will always remember them. So it is time well spent. Good luck!

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A Smile or Two

THE COWHAND had not been feeling well. The first chance he had, he went to town for a physical checkup. After it was over, the doctor said, "You have a little lung trouble. Could you arrange to sleep outdoors?"

"Wa'l," drawled the cowpuncher, "I been sleepin under the check wagon all summer, but I reckon I could kick a couple of spokes out the wheels."

"I'VE BEEN watching that mechanic for the last 15 minutes. There's a man who really knows his job. He didn't spill a drop of oil. He put the hood down gently, fastened it securely, and left no fingerprints on it. He wiped his hands on a clean tissue before opening the door, spread a clean cloth over the upholstery, meshed gears noiselessly, and drove out into the street."

"Yeah, that's his own car."

ASKED THE SECRET of his power as a preacher, a Negro minister in Washington, D. C., declared, "It's simple. I reads myself full. I thinks myself clear. I prays myself hot. And then I lets go."

A HOMEMAKER was struggling with directions for installing a new walltype can-opener. After several unsuccessful attempts she gave up and went to get her glasses for a closer look at the directions.

When she returned the opener was neatly in place and the cook was already using it.

"How in the world did you get this up?" the astonished mistress asked. "You've told me you can't read!"

"Well, ma'am," was the reply, "when you can't read, you've just got to think."

"WHY DON'T YOU go in?" asked one tramp of another, as they stood before the gate. "Dat dog's all right. Don't you see he's waggin' his tail?"

"Sure, I do; but he's a-growlin', too, and I don't know which end to believe."

AN OLD country doctor parked his Model T on the street. When he came back a number of youths were standing around laughing at the old car. The doctor climbed into the seat and said mildly, "The car's paid for, boys." Then he looked deliberately from one boy to another. "You're not—and you're not."

—The Watchman-Examiner

FIRST GI: How did you get that black eye?

SECOND GI: I was hit by a guided muscle.

—Ex.

LEGALLY THE husband is the head of the house, and the pedestrian has the right of way. Both husbands and pedestrians are fairly safe until they try to exercise their rights.

—Ex.

Moral Standards in a Church

By S. A. WHITLOW

October 13

I Corinthians 5-6

CORINTH WAS one of the greatest cities in the Roman empire, characterized by wealth, luxuriousness and lust.



DR. WHITLOW

The community was highly cultured, but grossly immoral. For a church to maintain its purity in the midst of such surroundings is never easy. This is especially true when many of the members had long revelled in the life of their environment.

Carnality had permeated the church. It had substituted the wisdom of man for the Word of the cross. This was an invitation to moral laxity.

(Editor's Note: Dr. Whitlow is pastor of First Church, Arkadelphia.)

A Case of Incest

The church had written Paul concerning a number of problems. But a case of rank immorality appeared in the church which he felt must be dealt with before he could turn to their inquiry. "It is reported commonly that there is fornication among you." This case may have been part of Chloe's report to Paul. However, it was an "open secret" to the entire church and community and may have been common knowledge to Paul also. It was a case, the rankness of which, not even the pagan world would condone. Paul charged, "It is such fornication as is not so much as named among the Gentiles, that one should have his father's wife." A son and his stepmother were involved.

While Paul was gravely concerned with this particular case, there were implications which posed an even graver problem. That was the attitude of the church toward the matter. Instead of shocking them into a deep sense of humility and shame, the church was boastful about it. "Ye are puffed up, and have not rather mourned." The indifference to the problem may have stemmed partly from the contentious spirit that reigned in the church. Strife and envy had closed the door to penitence and right thinking. The church was now calling black, white. An incident which should have provoked tears had produced a silly laughter. "Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump." The malignant nature of sin was now endangering the life of the church. Unless this particular case was dealt with properly the life of the church would be polluted and their witness brought to ruin.

How to Deal With The Problem

The case was one of common knowl-

edge and possibly of long standing. Paul had written in a previous letter "not to keep company with fornicators." Now he calls for forthright action against the offending party. This must be done for the good of the offending party and to protect the integrity of the church and to preserve its witness. They were to put away from among themselves that wicked person.

There was no hesitation in Paul's mind about the proper course. He commanded "In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when ye are gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of Christ, to deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus." Here Paul clearly points out the spirit in which such action is to be taken, and its ultimate objective. It is for the salvation of the offending party. Moral judgment must be passed by the church. Moral flabbiness comes to a church that will not sit in judgment upon that which is obviously contrary to decency and justice. Action in the spirit of Christ on the part of the church would bring the offending party to his senses and thus cause him to turn to God. With evidence of repentance on his part the church should move speedily to forgive and restore, "lest perhaps such a one should be swallowed up with overmuch sorrow." The action is "for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus."

Lawsuits Between Christians

The spirit of the world which pervaded the church was manifesting itself in legal entanglements between the members. "Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints?" We need to keep in mind that it was before pagan courts that these Corinthian Christians were carrying their complaints. While there are instances of the miscarriage of justice in our courts today, in the main right does prevail. However, Paul was dealing with a principle that would apply equally as well today. The principle of peaceful arbitration would be more becoming of Christians in any age. Since the redeemed are to sit in judgment with Christ over the world and angels, it does seem that men of goodwill could be found within the fellowship who could judge in matters pertaining to this life. To appeal to pagan courts was an indictment against their profession. It would be better to suffer loss than to gain a personal right and disrupt and destroy the fellowship of the church.

Sacredness of the Body

Paul was guided by the law of expediency in many things. "All things

are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient." Paul is simply saying that everything that is legitimate and right for others is right for him as an apostle. He is thinking here particularly of the sex life. Every legitimate expression of sex life was right for him. But he adds that the exercise of every individual right does not always work for the best interest of others. He refuses to become captive even of an individual right. Fornication is not a proper use of the body simply because the body is meant for God. The sins of envy, greed, jealousy and hate are sins of the spirit, but fornication is a sin against the body. The body becomes an instrument of this sin. The body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. It belongs to God for he has purchased it with a price; therefore we are to use our bodies as instruments to glorify him. It is as we hold all things sacred to God that we gain a right perspective in life. It is only through the power of the Spirit that we can be victorious in our conquest of the flesh.

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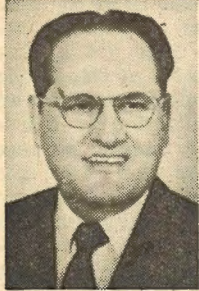
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Ideas

SOMEONE HAS said, "Nothing is more powerful than an idea whose hour has struck." This is true because an idea can get into the mind of an individual and cut capers like lifting empires from their hinges and changing the destiny of the world.



DR. DOUGLAS

Five hundred years ago, a lone boy went out to cut his initials in the bark of a tree, but instead decided to cut block letters of his name. After many hours of work, he took all fourteen wooden letters, of his name — John Gooseflesh — into the house to show his mother. His mother was a dresser of parchment and had a pot of dye boiling on a white-hot fire. John spread the letters out on a table and then accidentally knocked one of them into the pot of dye. In trying to rescue it he dropped the letter on a piece of white parchment. When he picked it up he saw, for the first time a printed letter.

That new idea was twenty years reaching its maturity, but finally John Gutenberg had invented the first printing press.

Not all ideas are born like that. Every day individuals receive the impact of onrushing ideas. These ideas come from all directions. In our day the preacher, the teacher, the scientist, the writer, the political candidate, the teacher, the television and radio commentators all play an important part in storming the minds of people with new ideas.

This should present a tremendous challenge. All who are in a position to broadcast ideas from the "stump," or via air waves, have an opportunity to indoctrinate en masse. The spoken word of the preacher can be engraved on the souls of men. The printed word of a writer can cut its way into the minds of men. The comments of the television and radio announcers can fan the feelings of men into a conflagration. The expounded theories of the scientist can give distorted ideas and shake the foundations of faith, and the politician can advance ideas on which the nations rise or fall.

Cold War

There is a cold war going on between Christian ideals and pagan propaganda. Pre-conceived ideas make some peo-

ple suspicious of the preacher's ideas, while they take in, without reservation, everything that a Hollywood star says or does. But all will do well to remember that few people who feel called upon to save the world have any idea about how they should do it. Too, they do not have to worry about whether their names will be in the next issue of "Who's Who."

Not New

During Paul's time, the Christians at Rome were called upon to live their lives in a world that was everything but Christian. Secularism, materialism, and Romanism had been exalted to the state of a religious faith. The Church became a citadel besieged by pagan ideas.

Beginning with the twelfth chapter of Romans, Paul brought the Church members face to face with the crux of the problem — "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." He was saying, among other things, "You Christians cannot run away from a non-Christian society. Instead, the only way to cope with the situation is to plunge into the stream of humanity with lives dedicated to the high calling of living every day for the glory of the Lord."

The Right Ideas

God's view of the world is from Calvary. If the world had been manned by sinless, ideal people, Jesus never would have gone to Calvary. If we will look up into the face of Him who saw us from Calvary, we can't help but say, "By the mercies of God, we will put ourselves at your disposal, today."

Then, and not until then, will individuals be able to say, "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me." Too, obstacles like stones, stripes, ship-wrecks, hunger, nakedness, cold and prison will become challenges and not defeats.

Remember, you cannot figure without arithmetic; you cannot have music without notes; you cannot write without penmanship; and you cannot read without spelling. Neither can you put forth the right ideas without the right incentive. That is the reason some individuals seem to be works of art and instruments of usefulness while other individuals cannot be explained at all. —Ralph Douglas

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