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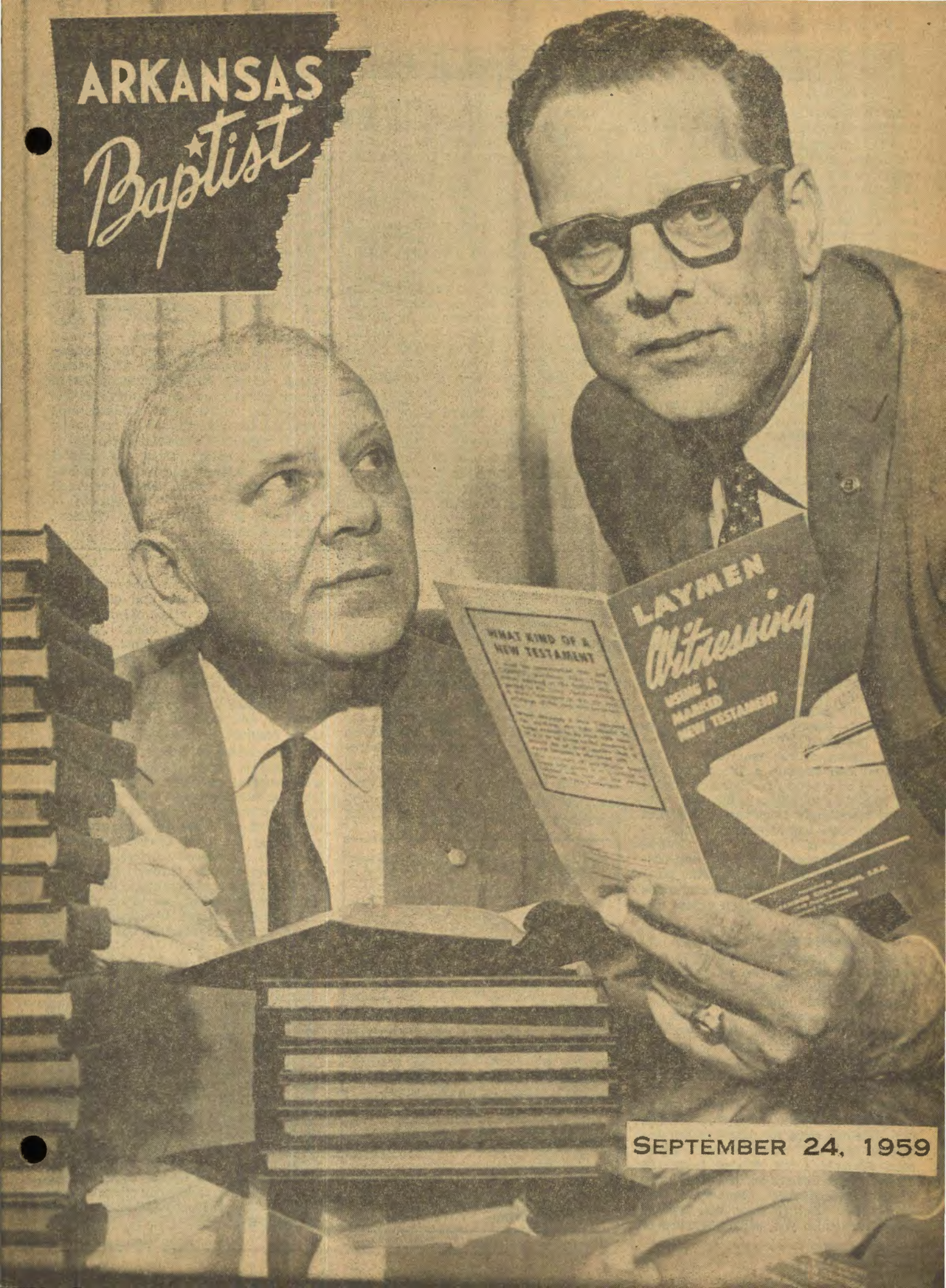
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SEPTEMBER 24, 1959

# Southern College Proposal Referred for Study

AT THE July meeting of the Executive Board a committee from the trustees for Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, presented the following recommendation to our Executive Board: "The Board of Trustees of Southern Baptist College authorized its committee to submit all the property to the state convention for the continued operation of the school." The Executive Board referred this matter to its program committee for study.

It is contemplated that it will require at least a year's study by this committee before any further action is taken. This being true it is not likely that the Convention will be called upon to take any action before its annual meeting in 1960. Prior to that meeting this committee, no doubt, will make known its findings to our people through the *Arkansas Baptist* and other media so that all of our people may be adequately informed as to all that is involved in any action which might be taken. In the meantime, we urge a prayerful attitude on the part of our churches for this committee

that the wisdom of God might be ours as we deal with this vital matter. With all the facts at hand and in the spirit of prayer our people will then be able to make a wise decision.

A motion which will be presented to the convention this fall is: "That the Executive Board recommend to the Convention that the Arkansas Baptist Foundation be placed under the direction of the Executive Board."

We are informed by competent authority that this can be done without impairing the legal status of the Foundation and should in no way limit the Foundation as a service institution to our denomination. On the other hand it has the possibilities of strengthening this phase of our work in Arkansas.

The Executive Board also voted: "That the Executive Secretary be given the trip to the Baptist World Alliance meeting in Rio de Janeiro in June-July, 1960." This trip envisions a visit to a number of our mission fields in South America. I do not know that I am able to evaluate this move purely from an objective point of

view, but I do express the hope and prayer that it may prove beneficial to our total work in Arkansas. It should serve to stimulate a greater mission spirit in our work because of this vital first-hand contact with our mission operations in other lands. We humbly express our gratitude to the Executive Board and to Arkansas Baptists for this enlarged opportunity of mission understanding.

This policy would give the Executive Board time to consider requests, calling for a great capital outlay, with some degree of deliberation which must accompany good judgment. It would enable the Board to be a better steward of its responsibilities. This action is but adding further implementation to an already existing policy of the Convention which says, "All proposals requiring the expenditure of money by the Convention, or the Executive Board of the Convention, from the annual budget, shall be considered by the Executive Board, before being presented to the Convention." The wisdom of this move is evident.—S. A. Whitlow, Executive Secretary. ■

## Local-Real

RECENTLY WE ran across this phrase, "Nothing is real until it is local."

That made us think of what Jesus told Pilate, "Sayest thou this of thyself or did others tell it thee concerning me?" People can put themselves under the good influence of a church by becoming church members. An individual can become a theologian by listening to a good preacher and studying a Bible commentary, but the matter of becoming a Christian means that the individual has experienced the saving presence of God's Holy Spirit, through repentance and faith, and possesses a power that is real. This power gets hold of the individual and grips him. Therefore, the person comes under a new control.

It is possible for church people to meet, discuss, recite prayers, make motions, write minutes, and go home and forget the whole thing. The Hebrews of old did this during another day. They kept the seasons, celebrated at religious festivals, held their worship services, prayed their prayers, in fact, dotted every 'I' and crossed all the 'T's', but forgot the weightier matters. All about them there was moral and spiritual decay. Vows did not mean much to them and when God blessed, the blessings were regulated to self interests and self advancement. God's man Malachi cried, "Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the Lord of

hosts. But ye said, Wherein shall we return? Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive

it." (Malachi 3:7-10.)

They had a religion that could be worn on the Sabbath and on special occasions, then be pulled off or thrown aside as a shabby old coat. Ah! But Christianity, that's different! When a person gets Christ, Christ gets the person. There is a transference of self to another self. This transaction ultimately means that the individual comes under a new control, and this conditions conduct.

That's where stewardship comes into the picture. This doctrine represents a transferral of control. This is true because salvation and stewardship go hand in hand. We are saved by the atonement of Jesus and we are controlled by the Lord Christ. Salvation begins in a personal conversion experience, and controls through love. "The love of Christ constraineth us," then, property situations, world conditions, and moral problems, become local, because the heart reaches out in compassion.

Therefore the men who say, "Our pastor never talks about stewardship; he just preaches the gospel," do not understand the teachings of Jesus. Stewardship says, "Something must happen to mine, because of what has happened to me." Stewardship says, "Property must not control the action of the Christian because Christ motivates his."

Stewardship will never become real until it becomes local. It will never become local unless the church teaches and practices Bible stewardship and the people are led by the Spirit of God to transfer their control from things to God.—Ralph Douglas, Associate Secretary. ■

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## Brotherhood Sends Khrushchev Testaments

TWENTY RUSSIAN New Testaments, with passages underlined emphasizing salvation, were sent to Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev and members of his delegation by the Baptist Brotherhood Commission.

The Testaments, marked by R. L. Sherrick, commission chairman (seated), and Dr. George W. Schroeder, commission executive secretary, channel readers through a chain of references pointing up the path to Christianity.

At the same time, Dr. Schroeder called on the men in more than 13,500 Brotherhoods across the Southern Baptist Convention to participate in special prayer services.

Christians of all faiths were urged by Dr. Schroeder to join with Southern Baptist men in the petitions.

"We want to pray that the Kremlin chief and his party will be so impressed with the religious fiber of Americans that they will want to know and will finally accept the Christ who is so real to millions of our people," he said.

"It is not enough to pray for peace," Dr. Schroeder said. "The prayer of Christian people must go deeper. A lasting peace with consideration of peoples of all nations can never be achieved until those leaders and people can gather on common ground. That common ground is true Christianity."

The Brotherhood Commission gives leadership to men's organizations in Southern Baptist churches located in 45 states, including Hawaii and Alaska. It represents one of the largest organizations of its type in the history of Christianity, with more than 400,000 enrolled. ■



BILLY GRAHAM, in Little Rock for a two day crusade, listens as a newsman questions him during a press conference. Dr. W. O. Vaught, Jr., crusade chairman, is at left.

## How Long as Evangelist? Its Up to God

HOW LONG does Billy Graham plan to go on at the clip he has set for himself over the last several years? asked a newspaper reporter in a press conference with the evangelist upon his arrival in Little Rock for a two-day crusade.

"I realize that it will be a physical impossibility to go on indefinitely," Graham replied. "I have studied the lives of a number of evangelists of the past and I find that the average tenure of their ministries was about 10 years," he continued.

"Well," said the tall blond, now 40, "I am no longer being billed as the boy evangelist, and I have had my ten years. Nothing would please me more than to settle down as pastor of a church."

"Where would you find a church that could seat the people who would come to hear you?" another reporter asked.

"That might not be a problem," smiled Graham. "People might not be able to take me on a regular basis."

The Lord helped him to solve his attitude about the size of crowds a long time ago, Graham said. He said he was no less thrilled to preach to 500 than to 50,000. Some of the greatest sermons were preached by Christ to individuals, he reminded, and concluded that he felt his own best sermons had been those he preached to one person as he won the person to accept Christ.

Getting back to the question of how long he expected to keep to his evangelistic campaigns, Graham said he gives God credit for whatever success he has had. "Without the Holy Spirit my lips would be but clay," he said. "But I expect to go on with my crusades as long as I am able and as long as I feel God calling me to this field of service." ■



# Miracles in Little Rock

GOD HAS used Evangelist Billy Graham and his associates to perform miracles in this city the name of which has become the synonym for racial strife around the world.

A week that opened with bombings that had Little Rock back on the front pages of the newspapers around the globe, closed with the manifestation of a power far greater than any man-made explosives—the power of the Holy Spirit moving in the hearts of people.

As Billy Graham stood at the speaker's platform in War Memorial Stadium here Sunday afternoon and looked out upon nearly 1,000 men and women who had come as "inquirers" in response to his invitation to repent and accept Christ as Savior, he declared:

"The name of Little Rock has been flashed across front pages around the world in connection with racial strife here. As I look out at this wonderful sight and see these people of both races standing together here at the foot of the Cross, I challenge the newspapers to send this around the world!"

Pointing to the timeliness of the Saturday night and Sunday afternoon services, Graham declared to the 30,000 present for the afternoon meeting, "You and I are not here by accident. God has brought us to this place at this time." He reminded his congregation that his appearance here, under the auspices of the Greater Little Rock Ministerial association, had been arranged many months ago.

The great uneasiness that had gripped the city following the Labor Day bombings of two office buildings and a city-owned station wagon had passed with the solution of the bombings by the Little Rock police and representatives of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, at mid-week.

There was even a favorable change in the weather, which had seen high temperatures and thunderstorms for several days. By Saturday night the temperatures had dropped to the low 70's and the atmosphere had cleared. Cloudy skies Sunday afternoon, with the temperature still in the 70's, gave the evangelist ideal conditions.

Open threats of Little Rock segregationists to stage a demonstration of protest against Graham for permitting his services to be "integrated" failed to materialize, but the circularization of down-town Little Rock with anti-Graham bills may have cut down some on attendance.

The manager of the stadium estimated the Saturday night attendance at 20,000 and the Sunday crowd at 30,000. The number of people responding to the invitations totaled 450 for the night service and 986 Sunday afternoon.

There is no way of knowing what difficult days still are ahead for Little Rock, but it is the concensus of the church people who cooperated in the Graham services that the response of the people to the Graham services is the most hopeful development since the current crisis began.

Dr. Graham used well known passages of Scripture for his texts: John 3:16 for the Saturday night service, when he was speaking on "Love," and Matthew 24 and Genesis 6, Sunday, as he spoke on, "The End of the World."

Pointing to the fact that people today in America are living much as people lived in the days of Noah, the evangelist declared that illicit sex relations constitute a greater threat to our national security than communism.

He cited the great prevalence of lawlessness, with men taking the law into their own hands and using force to gain what they want.

He warned that spiritual influences are greatly neglected by people today. Many go to church on Sunday with an outward appearance of sainthood that sprouts angelic wings, but shed their wings and haloes on Monday for their demonic pitchforks, he said. Many regular church attenders make it a practice to lie and cheat all week, he continued.

He warned that today, as in the day of Noah, the world is under the inspection of God, threatened by the impending judgment of God.

"Little Rock is a town of many churches affording the people a great opportunity to live for Christ, but many of you refuse to let God have his

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## Personally Speaking . . .

### Church Termites

A LADY connected with a termite eradication firm called us the other day to see if we'd be interested in carrying in the Arkansas Baptist a news story on how to get rid of termites.



ELM

"I've seen stuff in there that wasn't very religious!"

As we have thought more about it and have read up a little on the habits of termites, we have decided that there might be a lot of pastors and other church leaders who would be interested in tips on how to get rid of "termites."

Occasionally when one pastor has wandered over into another pastor's territory in quest of more sheep for his own flock, the other pastor has been heard to suggest: "I've got a hundred I'll be glad to give you, if you will let me pick them!"

A termite, whether he's of the subterranean tribe or belongs to one of the other two groups common to the United States—damp-wood or dry-wood variety—according to the encyclopedias, "stands near the bottom of the scale of insect life."

And he's near the bottom in his self-centered bent for taking care of old No. 1 and his voracious appetite, even if it means causing your house to fall in on you, or you to fall through your house.

A termite is about as sneaking and underhanded as any member of insect society. He seeks darkness rather than light. He will hide away to do his dirty work of undermining whatever he latches himself on, and he will have a lot of his destructive work accomplished before anybody but his own termite buddies knows what's going on.

Termites have awfully soft shells, and so they are easy to get their feelings hurt, but they are mighty hard to be rid of. Nothing short of a small chemical war will dislodge them from what they are feeding on. (Unfortunately, this method of eradication is "out of bounds" in dealing with church "termites.")

We believe the application is clear. Certainly church members who hang onto the church for what it means to them but who mean nothing but trouble and hindrance to the church, are a lot like the termite. So, certainly, are the sneakers who are always going stealthily about trying to create a stink or disturbance.

Being sure the church is built of "living stones" is the surest safeguard against "termites."—ELM



# Arkansas All Over

## Ouachita Journalism, PR Staffers Named

DR. RALPH A. Phelps Jr., Ouachita president, has announced appointment of Claude Sumerlin, Van, Tex., as head of the Journalism Department and director of the news bureau and Michael Carozza, former assistant superintendent of Bottoms Baptist Orphanage, as director of public relations.

Mr. Sumerlin has the B.A. degree from Texas College of Arts and Industries and the M.A. degree from Baylor University. For the last nine years he has taught journalism and English at Van (Tex.) High School.

Under his sponsorship the Van High School newspaper won first place in its classification for four out of the past five years at the Texas High School Press Association state convention and received three All American ratings from the National Scholastic Press Association, twice rating second highest in the nation.

Mr. and Mrs. Sumerlin have a son, Neal, age nine.

Mr. Carozza, who received his B.A. from Ouachita College at the 1959 summer commencement, was chosen Rural Minister of the Year for Arkansas in 1953 and 1954. In connection with this honor, he received a two-year scholarship to Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., where he studied pastoral counseling.

During this time, he studied with the Atlanta Psychiatric Clinic and served as part-time chaplain of the institution.

In 1955 Mr. Carozza became moderator of the television program, "The An-



MICHAEL CAROZZA

swer," which ran for two years over KTHV, Little Rock.

Mr. Carozza was called to the ministry in 1936 at the age of 16. In 1941 he entered Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, Pa., where he studied until 1943. Following a three-year tour in the U. S. Marine Corps, he returned to Eastern Seminary in 1946.

In 1947 he enrolled in Ouachita College, where he studied until 1949. He then served as pastor of the All Souls Church in Scott, Ark., and dur-



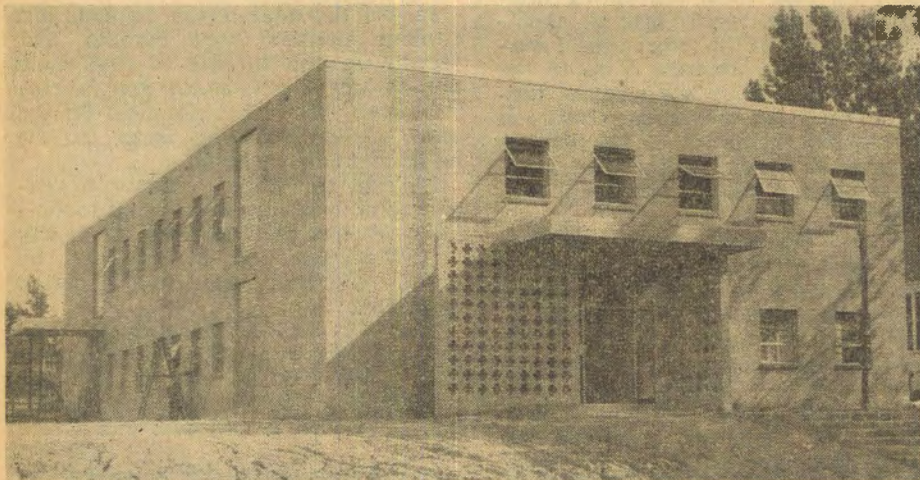
CLAUDE SUMERLIN

ing that pastorate he was author of "In Quest of Happiness," a weekly article featured in the Arkansas Democrat magazine section.

As director of public relations at Ouachita, Mr. Carozza replaces Rev. Wayne Smith, who resigned to become pastor of the Baring Cross Church, North Little Rock.

Mr. Carozza is married to the former Martha Peel Martin of Searcy. They have three children: Martin, eleven; Charles, nine; and Carolyn, eight.

EVANGELIST PAUL E. Wilhelm, Lamar, was with 1st Church, Panama, Okla., Aug. 30-Sept. 1. There were seven by baptism, one by letter and seven rededications.



**DEDICATED**—Parkview Church dedicated their new buff brick educational building Sunday, Sept. 6. The two-story, fireproof building houses 13 Sunday School departments with 16 adjoining classrooms, church offices, pastor's study, and library. The building, providing 10,000 square feet, was constructed by the Wilson Hargett Construction Company of El Dorado at a cost of \$87,745. Charles W. Ripley was the architect. Although the dedication was on a Labor Day week-end, the church enjoyed an increase in Sunday School attendance of 63 over the previous Sunday. Bill Couch, Liberty Associational Missionary, was speaker at the dedication.

FOUR ARKANSANS were among the 33 nurses who graduated from Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis Sept. 12. Dr. H. C. Gabhart, president of Belmont College, was the commencement speaker. Two of the Arkansas students served as class officers — Miss Rita Stephens of Newport as vice-president and Miss Norma Cook of Wynna as treasurer. Graduating, also, were Tahlie Ann Morgan and Iva Jeanne Stinson, both of El Dorado.

## Nall's Memorial Buys Site for Buildings

CHARLES WHEDBY, pastor of Nall's Memorial, Little Rock, reports that the church has purchased 3.5 acres near its present site, where a parsonage is to be constructed starting immediately.

The church plans to build a new educational building on this site during the coming year.

This program is being financed through the sale of bonds by A. B. Culbertson & Co., represented in Arkansas by A. C. Rudloff.

## Drew County Organizes Civic Foundation Unit

A DREW County chapter of the Christian Civic Foundation of Arkansas was organized Sept. 6. The group, representing churches, schools and civic clubs, met at 1st Methodist Church, Monticello, with Dr. William E. Brown, executive director of the Foundation present.

C. R. Teeter was named chairman. Other officers are: Dr. Thomas J. Welch, vice chairman; Leon Vawter, secretary-treasurer.

The following committees were elected:

**Educational:** J. B. M. Holloway, W. W. Edwards, Stanley Chessler; Mrs. Willie Lloyd, Mrs. Wade Gober, Mrs. Janett Mercer, Charles Measles, and Clyde Ross;

**Promotional:** Dr. W. T. Jones, Wells Moffatt, Pauline Anderson, Leonard Polk, L. R. Burk, Clyde Cruce and Dr. J. E. Griner.

A workshop is scheduled in Monticello for Friday, Nov. 13, 9:30 a.m.-4:40 p.m., at which time the program will be worked out to begin early in 1960. ■

**REV. AND MRS. Alex F. Garner**, Southern Baptist missionaries to Argentina who are now in the States on furlough, have moved from Fort Worth, Tex., to Tulsa, Okla., where their address is 402 W. Second St., Tulsa 14. Both are natives of Arkansas, he of Ft. Smith and she, the former Charleta Beindorf, of Pope County.

**MISS ANN WOLLERMAN**, Southern Baptist missionary to South Brazil, has moved from Cuiaba to Jaciara. Her address is Jaciara, via Cuiaba, Mato Grosso, Brazil. Miss Wollerman is a native of Pine Bluff and formerly a member of the faculty of Ouachita College.

**EUGENE WRIGHT**, organizer and former pastor of Goodwin Church, is now living at 261 Cardinal Drive, Forrest City. He is available for preaching engagements. During his ministry at Goodwin Church, members built and paid for a brick building.

## Tyler Street to Sell Bonds for New Unit

**TYLER STREET**, Little Rock, voted Sept. 9 to issue \$150,000 in 6 per cent bonds to finance construction of a new educational building.

The building, containing over 13,500 square feet, will provide five nursery, one beginner, two primary and two junior departments as well as a library. The unit will be of structural steel frame, aluminum curtain walls, with interior partitions of haydite block.

Norris J. Sparks is architect for the building which will be completely air conditioned.

The construction is being financed through the sale of \$150,000 bonds by A. B. Culbertson & Co., A. C. Rudloff, Arkansas director.

Dr. James Coates is pastor.



**FIRST CHURCH of Brinkley** had a groundbreaking service Sunday, Sept. 6, for a new \$150,000 building. Pictured are members of the building committee— from left—Mason Clifton, Glenn Fuller, Summers Little, Jubal Etheridge, L. B. Hughes, C. A. Burton, Mrs. Glenn Fuller, Mrs. R. E. Low, Mrs. L. B. Hughes, Mrs. G. C. Duncan and C. A. "Fibber" Magee. The men with shovels are J. C. Fowler, A. W. Fuller, G. B. Ramey and Pastor Dale McCoy. The new building is being financed by bonds which have nearly all been sold. The Bond Sale Committee, under the direction of A. W. Fuller, sold, delivered and collected \$122,350.00 during August.

**WILLIAM WHITE** resigned as pastor of Neiswander Church, Trinity Association, effective Sept. 1. (CB)

**DEACONS OF 1st Church, DeQueen**, have elected Cecil Pearcy as chairman for the new year. (CB)

**ARKANSAS VALLEY Association** revival reports include: Rehaboth, John Riggs, Marvell, evangelist, five by profession and several rededications; Jeffersonville, W. H. Ryan, evangelist, several by profession; Brickeys, Russell Clubb, evangelist, six by profession, three by letter. (CB)

**JOHN GARLAND**, Childress Church, Mt. Zion Association, has resigned to work in Missouri. Dixie Church in the same association has called Coy Richardson, Caraway, following the resignation of Johnny Lemons. (CB)

**STANFORD CHURCH**, Greene County Association, recently closed revival services led by Dr. Herbert Haney, professor of English and Bible at Southern College. James Felty, a student at Southern led the singing. There were 9 additions by baptism. Lendol Jackson, coach at Southern, is the pastor.

**GARFIELD CHURCH**, Benton Association, has accepted our one month free trial offer. Rev. J. E. Ford is pastor.

**DR. RALPH DOUGLAS** and his son Hunter Riley, led an eight-day revival in Earle Church. Dr. Douglas' son surrendered to preach as did Jimmy Peters, Earle High School student.

## Ouachita Offers Graduate Program

**OUACHITA COLLEGE** is offering graduate work this fall, according to Dr. Ralph Kirkman, dean of faculty.

A graduate program has been instituted in American civilization and religion, with work being offered leading to a master's degree in these fields. The college will not only offer work leading to a higher degree, but will offer work to those who wish to broaden their education without reference to a higher degree.

Policies of the graduate program are determined by the Graduate Council and are administered by the director of graduate studies. Departments offering courses in the graduate program include art, economics, English, general business, history, music, philosophy, political science, religion, sociology and speech.

Through members of the graduate faculty are selected from the regular undergraduate faculty, they are selected on the basis of their experience and formal preparation for the teaching of the courses assigned to them and must hold an earned doctorate.





**SPRADLING CHURCH** held groundbreaking services Sunday, Aug. 30, for their new educational building which will provide for a total of 255 people. The approximate cost will be \$32,000. Turning the first shovel of dirt is Mrs. Daisy St. Mary, one of the oldest charter members of the church. In the background, left to right are: Fay Hobbs, chairman of deacons; Rev. Paul Graham, pastor; Gorman O'Neal, Training Union director; Lee White, treasurer; S. R. Kennedy, Sunday School superintendent; Mrs. A. G. Gilson, WMS president; Miss Janette Orr, youth fellowship president; and Edgar Rozell, chairman of the Planning and Survey Committee.

**DR. JOHN H. PARROTT**, a native of Tuckerman, has assumed his duties as pastor of 1st Church, Roswell, N. Mex. He came to the new post from 1st Church, Palestine, Tex., where he served six years. He is a graduate of Ouachita ('44) and of Southern Seminary. (CB)

**C. PHELAN BOONE**, 1st Church, Hampton, has resigned to attend Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City. During the past 14 months, Mr. Boone's ministry has been blessed with 32 baptisms. Four young people have surrendered for full time service.

**AL STRINGFELLOW**, minister of education at 1st Church, Texarkana, has resigned to accept a similar post in 1st Church, West Palm Beach, Fla. A native of Texarkana he has been with the Texarkana church for the last three years. (DP)

**FIRST CHURCH**, Carlisle, observed its 82nd anniversary with special services Sept. 13. Dr. Troy V. Wheeler, Calvary Church, Alexandria, La., who served as pastor in 1931-32, brought the message, the anniversary service message and preached at evangelistic services through the week.

**TWO ARKANSANS** head the Association of Baptist Professor of Religion. H. Jack Flaners, Jr., Furman University, is the new president, and John E. Steely, Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, is the vice president. The officers were named at the recent meeting of the association in Ridgecrest.

**HUGH E. MARTIN**, Sunday School superintendent for Providence Church, Fayetteville, died Aug. 4. Mr. Martin, who led the school to be Standard, was one of the first Arkansans to receive the Worker's Citation. He led his workers to receive many diplomas, and Providence has been in the top 50 churches of the state in training for several years because of his efforts. Mr. Martin served for several years as association superintendent of training, and had two articles on Sunday School training programs published in the **Sunday School Builder**.

### Chilean Leader Dies

**REV. HONORIO Espinoza**, 55, president of the Baptist Theological Seminary, Santiago, Chile, president of the Chilean Baptist Convention, and a vice-president of the Baptist World Alliance, died September 3 of a heart attack.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON WRITERS



DR. PHELPS



DR. BAYLESS



MR. KLUCK

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** lesson writers for **ARKANSAS BAPTIST** for the next quarter will be: October, Dr. Ralph Phelps, president of Ouachita College; November, Dr. C. Gordon Bayless, pastor of Central Church, N. Little Rock; and, December, Rev. Carl W. Kluck, pastor of 1st Church, Atkins.

## Bible Doesn't Teach Segregation, Graham Says

"WHAT ABOUT the claims of some that the Bible stands for segregation of the races?" a reporter asked Billy Graham, in a press conference here.

"Two or three years ago I wrote a 5,000-word article for Life Magazine on 'The Bible and Segregation,'" Graham replied. "You would not expect me to be able to answer your question on what the Bible teaches about race relations in a few sentences.

"In my article I took up the passages one by one that have been offered as proof that the Bible teaches segregation. Just let me say that I do not believe that anyone can cite the Bible in defense of segregation."

In race relations, people need the new dimension of the love of God, for man does not have the power in himself to love, Graham said. Just as Christian love gives a new dimension to the marital love of husband and wife, it adds a new dimension in all our relationships, he said. ■

**DURING THE** recent revival at Crossett 1st Church there were 11 that came by baptism and 13 by letter. Rev. James L. Pleitz, 1st Church, Pensacola, Fla., served as evangelist and Gale Dunn, Highland Church of Shreveport, La., was in charge of the singing. Rev. B. G. Hickem is the pastor.

## Attendance Report

September 13, 1959

| Church                          | Sunday School | Training Union | Additions |
|---------------------------------|---------------|----------------|-----------|
| Camden, Cullendale 1st          | 416           | 217            |           |
| Crossett, 1st                   | 583           | 177            | 1         |
| El Dorado, 1st                  | 860           | 271            | 2         |
| Mission                         | 32            |                |           |
| El Dorado, Immanuel             | 631           | 283            | 3         |
| Fort Smith, Calvary             | 330           | 111            |           |
| Hot Springs, Park Pl.           | 427           | 136            | 1         |
| Huntsville, 1st                 | 86            | 35             | 1         |
| Jonesboro, Walnut St.           | 344           | 133            |           |
| Little Rock, Life Line          | 245           | 97             | 2         |
| Little Rock, Tyler Street       | 255           | 87             |           |
| Magnolia, Central               | 803           | 308            | 16        |
| McGehee, 1st                    | 557           | 231            | 5         |
| Mission                         | 56            | 31             |           |
| North Little Rock, Baring Cross | 831           | 251            | 3         |
| Pine Bluff, South Side          | 597           | 215            |           |
| West Memphis, Calvary           | 243           | 144            |           |

## A Christian Businessman Says

# Liquor Is My Business

A Christian business man says: "The liquor business is my business!"

A city official remarked, after a group of interested citizens met with the city council to protest a liquor license application, "I wish those people would mind their own business."

This is a concise statement of the attitude of a great many people in the matter of selling and drinking intoxicating beverages. It is with this group in mind who claim, "It is nobody's business if I drink," that these remarks are made.

The liquor business is some of my business. When drink costs me so much in so many ways, it is, indeed, my business.

I am a man. I am a member of society. Whatever degrades the society of which I am a member, in a very real way affects me. It is my purpose in life to improve that society.

I have joined that great host who want to make the world better, if for no other reason, because we want to live in that better world. By drinking you are tearing down that structure we are trying to build. It is my business if you drink.

I am a customer. I purchase the products you produce or the services you render. What do you do for a living? Do you work in the service station where I buy my gasoline? Or are you the man who cuts my meat at the butcher shop?

Perhaps you assembled my automobile or some of those cars we are selling to our friends. You may possibly fit my daughter's next pair of shoes.

Whatever you do, I have a right to expect you to be at your best, for I pay for your service.

Liquor impairs your efficiency and as your efficiency is impaired, I pay for it through higher costs and poor service. It is my business if you drink!

I am the driver of an automobile. When you steer your two tons of steel and glass in the highway and propel it toward me at a rate higher than 100 feet per second, I am reasonable in expecting that your faculties be unimpaired. Drinking makes you a dangerous operator. This fact has been proved through both clinical and highway tests.

On a lonely stretch of highway, a family of six were making their way to the city. Today six white crosses mark the spot where they were involved in a head-on collision with a drinking driver.

A singular accident? No, but repeated under different settings many

thousands of times over. My friend, my family, or I might be in that car that meets you some day. It is my business if you drink.

I buy auto insurance. My insurance rates are set at a schedule to make insurance profitable for the company. Claims paid, whether for a smashed tail light, serious physical injuries or the tragic loss of life are reflected in the premium I pay. You, Mr. Drinking Driver, are responsible for a high percentage of accidents, and thus also for the claims paid. I am helping to pay for your accidents through increased insurance premiums. It is my business if you drink.

I am a father. In every way your drinking affects my children. The newspapers are full of accounts of drinking men molesting children and youth. You may never be guilty of such a crime, but drinking makes the practice more common, and my children more apt to take up the common habits. Further, your children will, innocently enough, believe with you that it is all right to drink. Through association with your children, will my family not be affected by your influence? It is my business if you drink.

I am a Christian. As a Christian I have an interest in you, not born of dollars and cents. It is not a desire to exploit you for any cause, not to count you in our Sunday School. This interest arises from the fact that you are an eternal, living soul for whom Christ died. Your sin against your own mind and body, your family and friends, the society in which you move, is also a sin against the creator who gave you life. It is my business if you drink.

If, in every outreach of life, I see and come in contact with things marred by your drinking, it is my business if you drink.

Submitted to *Arkansas Baptist* by Christian Civic Foundation of Arkansas, Dr. Wm. E. Brown, executive director.

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### Churches Use Films

ONE-FIFTH of all new motion pictures, filmstrips and other audio-visual media released during the past year were produced primarily for church and church school use, according to the 34th Annual Blue Book of Audio-visual Materials. Of the 2,093 titles listed, 415 come under the heading of religion and ethics. — Educational Screen & Audiovisual Guide.

## Dual Purpose Is Explained by Editor

THE MOTTO OF The Maryland Baptist, publication of the Maryland Baptist Union Association, is found in Ephesians 4:14-15.

[Editor's Note: This is taken from a recent statement by Editor Gainer E. Bryan, Jr., of THE MARYLAND BAPTIST on the purpose and policies of one of our leading Southern Baptist state papers.—ELM]

The full passage reads: "That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ."

Two ideas, contained in this passage of Scripture, combine to guide the editorial policy of our state paper: the first, to attempt to separate truth from error and proclaim the truth; the second, to give the truth in a kind and constructive manner. The ultimate goal of the editor, is that he and all Maryland Baptists might attain to Christian maturity in thought and action.

The state paper presents the whole program of Southern Baptists. Sunday school and Training Union promotion, Woman's Missionary Union and Brotherhood work, the giving of our churches through the Cooperative Program, Southern Baptist home and foreign missions, seminary affairs, the work of our charitable and benevolent agencies—all are covered in *The Maryland Baptist*.

The editor seeks to deal forcefully with current issues on the editorial pages, and readers' views are represented in articles and letters to the editor.

Mrs. J. Ward Holland, circulation manager and secretary to the editor, keeps the mailing list up to date, notifies the budget churches of quarterly dues and gives the editor general assistance. ■

## Baptist Press to Open Office in Atlanta

ATLANTA —(BP)— A Baptist Press regional office will be established in Atlanta, Ga., starting Nov. 1, according to W. C. Fields, Nashville, director of the news service of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The regional office will become the third such outlet, other than the home office in Nashville, for Baptist Press. News releases are now being furnished from Dallas-Ft. Worth and Washington, D. C.

Baptist Press is circulated to state Baptist papers, interested daily newspapers, and other news outlets. Theo Sommerkamp, Nashville, is assistant director for the national service.



## Union Campaign Fails

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (EP) — Service employees of the Methodist Publishing House here, by a vote of 44 to 36, have rejected an attempt of the Nashville Teamsters Local 327 to organize and represent them. Eight other votes, which the union had challenged, were not counted.

Union officials vow to return and continue their effort a year from when, under NLRB rules, another election may be held.

The NLRB also has before it a Teamster petition to represent employees of the Baptist Sunday School Board (Southern Baptist Convention), another multi-million dollar church publishing house here. If the Baptist organization refuses to hold an election, the NLRB will hold a conference between both parties to decide the outcome.

## Hawaiians Active Laymen

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) — When the 50th state chose its representatives to Congress, it named three active laymen from Christian churches. This is considered unusual in that Hawaii is the only state in which non-Christian faiths can claim a majority.

Senator Oren E. Long (Dem.) is active in the Disciples of Christ . . . once considered being a minister . . . often fills church pulpits.

Rep. Daniel K. Inouye (Dem.) is an active Methodist, named after a missionary who befriended his mother years ago.

Sen. Hiram L. Fong (Rep.) serves as a trustee of the First Chinese Christian Church of Honolulu (United Church of Christ).

Governor William Quinn is a Roman Catholic. So is the man whom he defeated in Hawaii's first gubernatorial balloting, John Burns.

Predominant religion in the Islands is Buddhism. There are also many Shintoists, Taoists and Confucianists, placing the so-called "Asian faiths" in the majority.

## 'PX' for Missionaries?

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) — Legislation has been introduced which would permit American missionaries to purchase commodities from U. S. government commissaries and 'PX' (Post Exchanges).

Rep. Charles C. Diggs, Jr. (Dem., Mich.), who authored the bill, says he doesn't "see the application" of the concept of Church-State Separation to such a bill. He maintains that some missionaries abroad, because of limited funds or remote location, run short of needed supplies.

At present, missionaries with "pull" or contacts sometimes wrangle PX privileges or buy through military or governmental personnel. Both practices are considered illegal.

# Baptist Crosscurrents

## Either . . . Or . . .

**A**N UNHERALDED and unheeded statement of Dr. Porter Routh in his convention address at Louisville this spring might some day be judged the most significant thing said at this year's convention. The executive secretary of Southern Baptists said, "An increase in the number of special offerings or unbalanced promotion of existing special offerings might put us back where we were in 1925."

Earlier he had described the plight of Southern Baptists in 1925 when faced with distressing debts and needs, state and denominational-wide agencies sent special agents to the churches with conflicting claims and sentimental appeals. The result was ineffective and wasteful methods which confused and frustrated pastors and people.

Baptists welcomed the Cooperative Program in 1925 as a God-send to end the confusion and provide fair and equitable support to our many good causes. Every year since then it has become more evident that this is our answer.

But even while we sing the praises of the Cooperative Program, we are drifting into practices that stand to undermine it. We are resorting to sentimentality and emotional appeals for a temporary increase in gifts but which might result in our great loss.

One good example of this policy is the super-promotion of the Lottie Moon Foreign Mission offering in recent years. What began as a W. M. U. special offering to meet a crisis has developed into a gigantic appeal which has to come to provide a large percentage of the Foreign Mission Board budget. Last year the Board received \$6,700,000 through the Lottie Moon offering and \$7,600,000 through the Co-operative Program.

As a pastor I prevailed upon the W.M.U. to make Lottie Moon a church-wide affair. I believe now I was wrong. It would be better to leave it with the ladies in the same spirit in which it was born.

A great church-wide offering at Christmas time is certainly in order. It helps keep Christ in Christmas, but why not let all our work profit by it rather than one cause. For inspiration we could use many other glorious Baptist heroes of faith as well as Lottie Moon. When it comes to heroism the story of James P. Boyce and his challenge to his three colleagues to die with him before the young struggling Southern Seminary died cannot be surpassed by the sacrifice of any missionary.

We have a way of saying that people will give to Foreign Missions when they will not give to other causes. Is this really so? If it is, it's our fault. It does not take a super-intelligent Baptist to see that the building of a classroom in America in which a missionary is trained is as important as the construction of the building in a foreign country where the missionary will go to preach and teach. And more Baptists than we realize now see that it might be even more important that the Christian Life Commission help us find a Christian approach to the race issue in America than to erect a church building in Nigeria where white missionaries will preach to black pagans.

This is not to rule out the place of designated offerings. Every individual and church should forever be free to designate any or all their gifts and the Business and Financial Plan of the Southern Baptist Convention guarantees that every penny designated will be used in exactly the manner specified. But to provide for the freedom to designate is one thing, to encourage it to the suffering of other causes is another.

In the past few years we have made much progress in reducing the number of special offerings. Let us not produce the same effect of new special offerings by super-promotion of special offerings we already have.

To de-emphasize special offerings and to make an all-out effort to personalize and glamorize the Co-operative Program might result in a slight temporary loss, but in the long run would put us way ahead.

We must decide. To paraphrase without sacrilege, "How long halt we between two opinions? If the Co-operative Program be best, then let's use it; if special offerings, then let's use them. We cannot go on forever using both."

—Editor C. R. Daley, in *Western Recorder*

## You with the Ebony Skin

*Do not worry, you with the ebony skin;*

*Your Heavenly Father loves you—*

*Stay close to Him.*

*Those who mistreat you, having white skin,*

*Have unwashed hearts, that are black within,*

*So, do not seek vengeance, for God says that is His.*

*Just trust in Jesus, and leave it with Him.*

—*Violat Boyd*

# Biblical Basis For Church Discipline

By Lewis E. Clark

Pastor, Maple Avenue Church, Smackover

THE BIBLE teaches that there are many offenses for which a man should or might be brought to the church for discipline.

First, the Bible is the source of all truth and sin against it should stand at the top of the list in the seriousness of the sins that are committed by individuals or groups.

The sin of holding and teaching false doctrine is looked upon by the Bible as a grave sin (Gal. 1:9). "If any man preach any other gospel unto you, than that ye have received, let him be anathema, i.e., accursed."

We are not to keep company with anyone that does not hold to the truth of the New Testament.

"If there come any unto you and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed" (2 John 10).

## The Lord's Supper

This is why I hold that there is not room enough around the Lord's table for another person that does not believe in the cardinal truths of the New Testament.

Can you invite a person to sit with you that does not hold that there is a necessity of being immersed for baptism?

Can you ask one to join you in the Lord's Supper that does not believe in the keeping power of God? Our church is to guard the truth because it was given to us to see that all men know the truth.

We should be careful whom we let teach Sunday School and fill the office of deacon, because much harm can be done through the wrong interpretation of the Bible. If a man has false doctrine, the church has a charge to see if he will listen to truth and if he does not he is to be excluded from their company.

## Disregard for Authority

Second, disregard of authority on the part of a church member is grounds for exclusion. When a church under the direction of the Holy Spirit makes a request of an individual member and that member will not comply with the request then the church must resort to discipline.

"But if he neglect to hear the Church let him be unto thee as a heathen man, and a publican" (Matt. 18:17).

"Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly" (1 Thess. 5:14). When a member lives for his own pleasure and will not consider the church in his life, he must be brought face to face with his conduct.

Third, contention and strife is a most serious sin in the life of a church member: "I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause division and offenses contrary to the doctrines which ye have learned, and avoid them" (Rom. 16:17).

"But if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom" (1 Cor. 11:16).

When a person within the church causes a division and is always causing strife the church has a duty to the Lord to see that this individual is disciplined.

## Immoral Conduct

Fourth, immoral conduct on the part of any Christian is a gross sin and can not go unpunished in society much less in the ranks of a group of Christians. The morals of a Christian are to be much higher than those of the world. When a church member falls into this sin the church must at once do something about the matter. According to Paul, the only thing left to be done is to exclude the individual. This person does not have the right to church fellowship or to eat at the Lord's Table. A person living in adultery or fornication does not have any right to Church membership, but lest you become self-righteous, be sober in your judgment (1 Cor. 5:11).

Fifth, a disorderly walk on the part of a church member has caused more heartaches to the Lord and the Church than any other sin. This sin can be committed by just remaining away from church, casting a bad name on your church, going to a place that would bring reproach on the name of Christ, indulging in a profession not becoming to a Christian, and in general having no concern.

## Walking Honorably

If you are a part of the church then you must walk so you will bring honor to the church to which you belong.

"Withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly" (2 Thess. 3:6; 2 Thess. 3:11).

To belong to a New Testament church means far more than having your name on the roll and attending once on Sunday or once a quarter.

Sixth, a covetous spirit in a Christian is not tolerated by the Lord and should not be tolerated in His church on earth. May I point out that the Bible puts the person that is covetous in the same class as the drunkard and harlot? Yet, we have in our very church people that would not give a nickel to see an ant eat a bale of hay much less give to support the cause of Christ. Some would harp on the idea that the preacher gets far too much for the work he does and we are spending too much on missions. An individual not willing to share that which God has blessed him with cannot expect to gain entrance into heaven: "For this ye know, that no covetous man, which is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the Kingdom of Christ" (Eph. 5:7).

"If any man that is called a brother, be covetous, with such a one no, not to eat" (1 Cor. 5:11).

Let us look closely at the people that make up the membership of our church and see if this is not one of the things that God is holding against us.

## Arrogant Department

Seventh, an arrogant department on the part of a church member is never passed unnoticed by many people in the church, but they that do notice it are very reluctant to say or do anything about this type of individual. Do we have some in our church that must occupy the most important place of service or they will not serve? Do we have some that must lord it over the majority and get their way about everything? Do we have some that must "run" everything or they will not take any part? When this individual stands out, the church has a duty to the person involved to point out his fault and help correct it, but if the offenders will not listen to advice, we then must use church discipline (3 John 9:10).

Eighth, going to law with the brethren is not to occur (1 Cor. 6:5-7). The spirit of true Christianity is to suffer wrong and go the second mile rather than to seek revenge when we have wrong done to us. We need to return to doing things the way the Bible tells us and then the Lord will send His spirit to lead us in the winning of souls.

We do not believe that we should have a church that is always looking for faults in its members, but one that has some principles about their conduct and gives adherence to the Bible.

There are several things that we must do if we are to gain new power. First, we must spend much time in prayer about this all-important matter. Second, we need to adopt the policy that if an individual moves from the community and does not contact the church for one year, he will be dropped from the church membership without any further action on the part of the church.

## Committee on Discipline

Third, we need to appoint a committee on church discipline and give them instructions as to their job. They need to be Christian men and women of the highest caliber.

Fourth, we need above all to try to conserve the results of our evangelism and enlistment work. We need to put more emphasis on church loyalty and not elect a person to an office if his life does not measure up to the norm. We should remove from office at once a person who for no reason at all remains away from his church and office to which he has been elected.

We must have a deeper concern for our inactive members and contact them at once as to their desire toward their church. If they are contacted and show no concern after several visits then we should remove them from our membership. We must be firm but never harsh. We must let love and prayer lead in all that we do.

May the Lord give us souls for our hire, when we comply with His Word. ■

# Free Talking Books for Blind

THIS IS the 25th anniversary of the talking book.

Three organizations are vitally concerned with its history, manufacture, and distribution. The talking books are recorded and manufactured by the American Foundation for the Blind, New York City, and the American Printing House for the Blind in Louisville, Ky. The program is administered by the Library of Congress.

The average book requires about eighteen double-faced discs. The entire list of talking books available to all blind people is so extensive that those using them for the first time are amazed at the choice they have. Whether the blind person likes Shakespeare, adventure stories, biography or mysteries, he can get them.

Twenty-five years ago the talking book was still an experiment. Nobody knows exactly where it began. Some say that Thomas Edison, when he first recorded the human voice, realized that this invention would be a boon to blind people. It was left to the American Foundation for the Blind in New York to do the necessary research and the experimenting to produce a simple phonograph that the blind could operate and to make a long-playing indestructible record that could be played over and over again.

The work is not yet completed. Research is going on continually to improve the quality of records and the tone. Meanwhile the talking book is increasing itself more and more firmly as one of the finest friends blind folks have.

For those who do not yet have a talking book and who want one, the procedure is simple. A doctor's certificate should be sent to Arkansas Rehabilitation Service, Services for the Blind, 109 West 12th Street, Little Rock. An application will be sent, which should be filled out and re-



**ARKANSANS REGISTER**—Three Arkansas students complete registration at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth. During the first three days of registrying, 1,753 enrolled. There were 450 new students.

Pictured, left to right, are Clyde White, Augusta, pastor of the 8th Street Baptist Church in Ft. Worth; Jim Berryman, Conway; and Gale Bone, Batesville. All are graduates of Ouachita.

turned. After a special reproducing machine has arrived, the nearest distributing library for the blind sends the records. They are mailed back to this same library postage free. A catalog listing all recordings will be furnished the subscriber and every two months regular subscribers receive a list of the newest books.

In Arkansas today over 700 blind residents are taking advantage of this

service. There should be many more, however, since there are nearly 5,000 legally blind persons in the state.

Many blind persons using the talking book tell us they would feel lost without it. It seems to give them a large sense of independence to be able to read their own books even though they are on records. Often blind folks read the newest book before the sighted. Some blind readers are so well versed in literature that they carry on long, intelligent conversations about books which all too often the sighted never get around to reading.

As one blind man put it recently, "There is something so human about the talking book that the readers seem to be right there in the room when they read to me. They never say they are too busy or too tired. All I have to do is turn on my machine and the finest literature in the world comes to me through my ears. Thank God for the talking book. I want to thank all those who have made it possible that blind folks can have this great friend by their side."

## Helen Falls Elected

MISS HELEN Falls, counselor for women, New Orleans (La.) Baptist Theological Seminary, has been elected chairman of the Missionary Education Council of the Southern Baptist Convention.



**FIVE BOOKS**, each with a full number of records required to record them as talking books for blind readers. Three double-sided, long-playing records were needed for Christmas Carols, 119 for War and Peace. These books and a wide selection of others are available to blind people on free loan.

## Report From Tokyo

WE HAVE received all of the funds for the Tokyo Baptist Student Center (\$50,000). The new Center Committee has met and this morning we found property which we may be able to buy and build the center soon. Because land is scarce and very expensive in the largest city in the world, we have been looking, praying, waiting for over a year. Without money in hand we could not do anything. So you can imagine how happy we are now.

The Committee is composed of outstanding leaders of the area, well qualified to lead in this new work.

If all goes well, the Center should be built before another year passes and the local program well under way. Our goal for this first term is to launch the student program for the Convention and to get the first Center built and going. Since April 1 I have had the assistance of a newly graduated young man from our Mission University, Seinan Gakuin. He is Yasuhiko Kuramitsu, who is my language teacher as well as my helper.

Much of my time this year has been spent in meetings, committees, and conferences. Our Japan Baptist Convention was reorganized and the changes have necessitated many additional conferences. But these experiences have helped me to know the people and the needs better, understand the language more easily, and travel on 3rd class upper sleepers with ease.

I am also associate pastor at Meijiro Church where we have many university students and the number has grown so much we now have three classes where there was one. We have a class in the home every Tuesday night and the Thursday night meetings of the BSU groups, and hope to start another Bible class on Saturday nights in the fall.

Our first BSU work camp last week was a successful one. The students painted the building of a little mission in a mountain community, had children's evangelistic meetings, visited in the community, and had a week-end revival. We slept in the church and had our morning worship on the bank of the river nearby. There were several decisions for Christ in the services and the students said that the ex-

Over 500 Southern Baptist associational superintendents of missions from 28 states, including Alaska, attended a conference on associational activities Aug. 31-Sept. 3, at the Baptist Sunday School Board. H. E. Ingraham, director of the Board's service division, served as chairman of the program and planning committee for the event, the first of its kind.

R. Hooper Dilday, state Training Union secretary for the Baptist General Convention of Texas, received an honorary degree (LL.D.) from Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, Texas, on Aug. 20.

perience was enriching for them as they saw how God could use them. There were discussion sessions and recreation along with the hard work.

Since I am away from home so much, Anne (Mrs. Martin) has even more responsibility. She has been hostess in our new LM house to many more guests than you would expect . . . and some we didn't expect, too. She has been diligent in her language study (more so than I!!) and is teaching a class of adult ladies and working with the WMU. When any guest steps into your house you must serve refreshments; so that custom means she must always remember to be prepared, whether it is a student group of thirty, a man repairing the washing machine, or a guest who just drops in at supertime.

Among recent visitors were Miss Alma Hunt and Mrs. R. L. Mathis, (along with about 25 Japanese leaders) for a welcome luncheon, BSU summer workers Ted Clark and John Polhill, missionary and military friends, and others. Life on the mission field of Tokyo is not lonely and our guest bed has been in almost constant use. Living in the city has some wonderful compensations in the fellowship with friends from all over the world.

Libby finished kindergarten with flying colors and looks forward to 1st grade at the American school. She has grown in so many ways and is a sweet big sister and helper. Pat is still our "investigator." She likes to take things apart and put them anywhere but back together, and she loves people and will make friends with anyone. The girls enjoy their swing in the big tree and the plastic swimming pool these hot days.

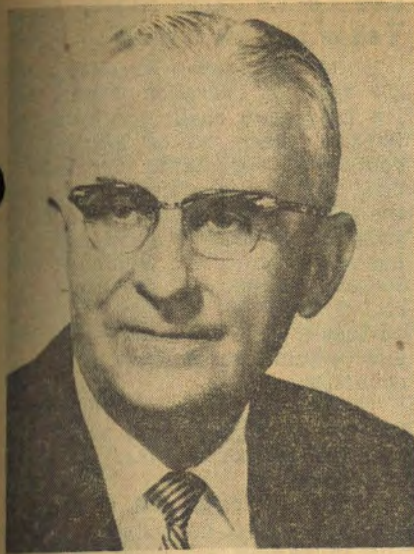
Today we are packing to go to Mission Meeting. I must hurry or we will miss the train to Amagi. Just three years ago we landed here and went to our first annual meeting. It is a highlight of the year for all of us.

A matter of concern to us is that we do more effective soul-winning and personal work among the students and others who come to our home. Please pray that we may grow in this and that we may be used. Some missionaries say that the third year is the hardest on the field. We are glad we are starting our fourth.—Missionary Charles Martin, 36-1177 Yoyogi Vehara, Shibuya-Ku, Tokyo, Japan

## Golden Gate Seminary Begins 16th Session

GOLDEN GATE Seminary is now in session on the school's new 126-acre campus at Strawberry Point. Dr. Kyle M. Yates, Jr., associate professor of Old Testament and biblical archaeology, delivered the academic address Sept. 1 at the convocation service marking the opening of the seminary's 16th session. President Harold K. Graves headed the formal academic procession and presided.

Dr. Yates spoke on "Toward an Understanding of the Hebrew Concept of Miracle." ■



DR. BRANTLEY

## Brantley Education Commission Secretary

NASHVILLE —(BP)— Rabun L. Brantley, vice-president of Mercer University for three years, will become executive secretary of the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

His office will be in Nashville. Ralph A. Phelps, Arkadelphia, Ark., chairman of the Commission, announced Brantley's selection, effective Sept. 1.

He succeeds R. Orin Cornett who resigned in January to accept a federal education post.

Brantley is a native of Sylvania, Ga., and was educated in the schools there and at Georgia Military College. He received his A. B. and M. A. degrees from Mercer University. He was awarded the Ph. D. degree by George Peabody College, Nashville. He has taught at Tift College and Mary Hardin-Baylor College (both Baptist), Georgia State College in Atlanta, and was for 11 years president of Virginia Interment College (Baptist), Bristol, Va. ■

## BAPTIST HIGHLIGHTS

The Mu Yi Baptist Church, Taipeh, Taiwan (Formosa), the first Taiwanese-speaking Baptist church related to Southern Baptist work on the island, was organized in June with 82 charter members. This church brings the total number of organized Baptist churches on the island to 21. Baptist chapels number 40, of which four are for Taiwanese people.

Bryce Finch, supervisor of the Baptist Sunday School Board's photography section, Nashville, recently received the Master of Photography degree from the Professional Photographers of America, Inc., at the association's convention in Los Angeles. The degree is one of the highest honors a photographer can earn in his profession. Only 375 out of 22,000 professional photographers in the United States have earned the recognition, established by the association over twenty-five years ago.

## THE BOOKSHELF

Preaching Through the Bible, Volumes 18 and 19, by Joseph Parker, reprinted by Baker Book House, 1959, \$3.50 per volume.

Volume 18 includes Matthew 1-7, and Volume 19, Matthew 8-16. Joseph Parker was a tremendous influence in his day through his preaching and writing. His influence lives on today in his many writings, particularly in this 28-volume set. This series was originally published under the title, *Preacher's Bible*.

The collection includes more than two thousand expository sermons, notes for preachers, pulpit prayers, and "Handfuls of Purpose."

*Paths to Power*, the Guide to dynamic midweek meetings, by John Huss, Zondervan, 1958, \$2.50.

Pastor Huss, originator of the designation for midweek prayer service, "Hour of Power," has made a place for himself in modern church history by restoring to its proper place of prominence the often neglected and all-important midweek prayer service. Says Dr. Huss, "Merely to have a crowd at the Hour of Power is not the point. The idea is to have a program built around Christ that will impel the people to come week in and week out . . ."

*This Is My God*, by Herman Wouk, Doubleday and Company, 1959, \$3.95.

The novels and plays of Mr. Wouk have gained him a world audience. His *Caine Mutiny Court-Martial* is a current stage success in Paris and Warsaw. His books, which have sold here and abroad in the millions, have been translated into fifteen languages, including Turkish and Japanese. He has won the Pulitzer Prize for fiction, and has been visiting professor of English at Yeshiva University. *This Is My God* is his first non-fiction work. It is an account of the Jewish people and their faith and the account is as compelling and absorbing as one of his novels.

*Light the Dark Street*, by C. Kilmer Myers, Seabury Press, 1957, \$4.

This is the story of the author's experience in dealing with lawless gangs in New York City's lower East Side, where violence and delinquency are on the increase as housing developments place new minorities in the midst of established groups in already substandard conditions. Often an ugly and sordid story, it nevertheless possesses flashes of beauty when the men and women working with these groups manage to "get through" and the church is accepted as "a place where love acts in their behalf."

*Say It Safely*, Legal limits in journalism and broadcasting, by Paul P. Ashley, University of Washington Press, 1956, \$2.50.

This manual is designed to help publishers and broadcasters avoid the pitfalls of libel, invasion of privacy, and contempt of court.

## The Bible Says



That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, and that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he is thy life  
DEUT. 30:20

*The Farmer Gives Thanks*, by Samuel R. Guard, 1956, \$1.

Here is a selection of fifty-six prayers, arranged chronologically to cover the entire year. A farmer offers thanks to God in the language of a man of the soil.

*The Primary Leadership Manual*, by LaVerne Ashby and Doris Monroe, Convention Press, 1959.

This is a study-course book on the primary department in the Training Union. ■

### A CLIQUE?

"EVERY CHURCH is run by a clique. Ours is! The clique is composed of those who are present every Sunday, respond to every invitation to share a responsibility, attend committee meetings, give sacrificially, never complain, make suggestions to the proper officers, pray regularly for the church and its program, read the Bible consistently, attend the mid-week service, dig down for extra and sacrificial gifts when the need arises, and in general do the work."—Quoted in *Bulletin of University Baptist Church, Fayetteville*, Dr. Walter L. Johnson, pastor.

## Are Youth Camps Worth the Effort?

OVER AND over again I have asked myself if our youth camps are worth the time, effort, money and trouble. Then when I have close contact with one I am convinced they are worth everything we put into them.

Recently, I had the privilege of being camp pastor and evangelist at Baptist Vista, Ozark, the youth camp for Clear Creek Association. I knew a little about the beginning of the camp several years ago by Brother W. O. Taylor, missionary at that time. But, when I drove up to camp my eyes fell upon a well arranged, clean campground overflowing with over 200 boys and girls and young people and their sponsors and pastors.

The buildings are well built and well equipped. The meals were up to par. The recreation was planned in advance and there was never a dull moment in camp. Rev. Ben Haney, director,

## Let Youth Serve More, Texas Leader Urges

FORT WORTH—(BP)—More than 300 religious education workers meeting here were challenged by a Texas Baptist leader "to do less FOR our youth and more WITH our youth" in local church programs. Speaking at the 39th annual Southwestern Baptist Religious Education Association meeting at Southwestern Seminary, W. F. Howard, secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Texas student department, said, "We need to broaden and re-think our concept of Christian education.

"There is a minority of young people in every Baptist church which desire deeper Christian training," the student leader said.

Young people, he said, should be allowed to serve on pulpit committees and in various capacities which have been the sole domain of adults.

## Ohio President Leads New Pittsburgh Work

ATLANTA —(BP)— A pastor-director for Southern Baptist work in Pittsburgh, Pa., Joseph M. Waltz, was elected by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

A similar situation has existed in New York City since 1958, in which the pastor of an initial church directs the work of Southern Baptists in that area, surveying the field and establishing missions. Four missions have been established in New York area during that time.

Waltz, who will assume his duties Oct. 1, is presently pastor of a fast-growing, pioneer church in Fairborn, Ohio, and president of the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio.

The Pittsburgh Baptist Chapel which Waltz will serve was established in 1958 as a mission of a Baptist church in Weirton, W. Va. It now has over 100 members.

and Rev. S. A. Wiles, associate Director, had a good program arranged and all the workers filled their places with enthusiasm.

There were sixteen professions of faith. The majority of those trusting Christ were to unite with churches back home. Seventy people, young and old, rededicated their lives. Six young people surrendered their lives for special service.

Yes, when I saw those young people walking the aisles for Christ I had the answer about camps. It was the best behaved group of young people with whom I have ever worked.

The brethren in Clear Creek Association are to be commended for the good job.

May we have more camps and better ones is my prayer. — Jesse S. Reed, State Evangelist. ■

By A. C. MILLER

THE OBSCENITY racketeers are dumping their sewage into the hands of many thousands of American children through the family mail box. The Inspection Service of the Post Office Department estimates that as many as one million children will receive obscene materials through the mail this year. This represents one out of every 35 children of school age in this country.

These merchants of filth use every conceivable method of getting the names and addresses of children. They advertise for sale at bargain prices toys, stamps, and the like. The child receives the item — and the smut dealer has the name and address. These racketeers even go to the extent of gathering up high school year books, from which they take names and match them up with addresses in the telephone directory.

This battle can be won by aroused parents and citizens in the community. But it must be fought from the family mail box to the halls of government. Our government is doing everything it can to stop this menace, but it cannot do it without the active support and help of the home and community forces. Congress has passed a law with teeth in it, making the purveyors of this filth subject to arrest and court action in whatever place the materials are received. During the first seven months of this year 70,000 complaints were received by the Department, as compared to a total of 50,000 for all of last year. The resulting investigations led to the arrest of 293 persons, an increase of 50 per cent over last year.

The family mail box has been a source of strength and happiness for the American home. Let us continue to guard it as such. ■

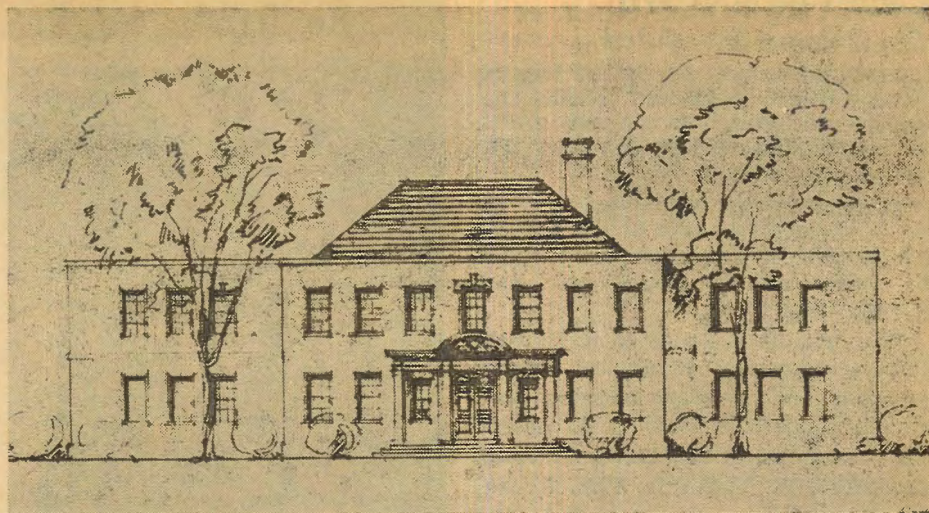
### Prayer Asked During Khrushchev's Visit

NASHVILLE — (BP) — The president of the Southern Baptist Convention called on 9 million members of the Convention's co-operating churches to pray for "God's leadership and power" during conferences between President Eisenhower and Russian Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

The Russian premier and the United States president will visit each other's nations.

The statement of the SBC president, Ramsey Pollard of Knoxville, Tenn., read:

"These are destiny-determining days. Soon President Eisenhower and Premier Khrushchev will discuss matters which will vitally affect the course of history for many generations. May I urge Southern Baptists to pray earnestly for God's leadership and power to be felt during these conferences. Prayer changes things and people."



CONSTRUCTION—This is the architect's sketch of the new academic building now under construction at Carver School of Missions and Social Work, Louisville, Ky. Contract for the \$226,000 building was awarded recently, with completion due in eight months.—(BP)

### Latin-American Churches Record Giving Increases

DALLAS — (BP) — Stewardship in Latin-American churches has increased by more than 40 per cent during the period from November, 1958, to July, 1959.

Giving this year jumped to \$30,074, an increase of \$8,877 over a total of \$21,197 given during the same period last year, said Oscar Romo, associate in the language missions department of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

### Charles Whitten Injured

CHARLES W. WHITTEN, Southern Baptist representative in Spain, was critically injured Sept. 4 in an automobile accident between Barcelona and Zaragoza, Spain. Also involved in the accident were Mrs. Whitten, their three children, and Mr. Whitten's parents, who were visiting in Spain.

Returning to their home in Madrid from a meeting in Barcelona, the Whittens collided almost head-on with a large truck that had pulled out to pass another truck. The steering post of the Whitten car was driven into Mr. Whitten's upper abdomen. He suffered severe internal bleeding before the family could be taken to the hospital at a nearby U. S. Air Base.

A call for blood — of a rather rare type — was sent out over the base radio station, and Mr. Whitten received 18 pints. Emergency surgery was performed by the base surgeon, repairing internal damage. However, several days after the accident Mr. Whitten was still considered to be in critical condition.

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### Mission Literature Themes Recommended

NASHVILLE — (BP) — Themes for home and foreign mission study course books through 1964 have been recommended by the Missionary Education Council of the Southern Baptist Convention.

In its meeting here, the Council gave its endorsement to annual themes proposed by the SBC Foreign Mission Board as follows: 1960, Spanish America; 1961, Europe; 1962, East Asia; 1963, Near East, and 1964, Brazil.

Themes suggested by the Home Mission Board and endorsed by the Council included 1960, Our Mission in Town and Country; 1961, Our Baptist Heritage in Missions; 1962, New Churches for Our Times; 1963, The Church's Ministry to Persons of Special Need, and 1964, tentatively, The Inner City.

Writers are preparing manuscripts for 1961 books already. Many of the manuscripts were reviewed by council members and suggestions given the authors. The 1960 books are in process of publication.

### Florida Plans Budget, Accepts Home Property

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — (BP) — A 1959-60 operations budget of \$2,200,000 was approved by the Board of missions of Florida Baptist Convention here. This budget, which is \$150,000 larger than the 1958-59 budget, will be submitted to the state convention for its final approval during the November meeting in Tallahassee.

Half of the \$2,200,000 budget from Cooperative Program receipts will be used within Florida and half sent to national and world mission causes outside the state. Cooperative Program receipts above the \$2,200,000 for operations will go to capital funds and will be divided 75 per cent to state convention causes and 25 per cent to Southern Baptist Convention causes.

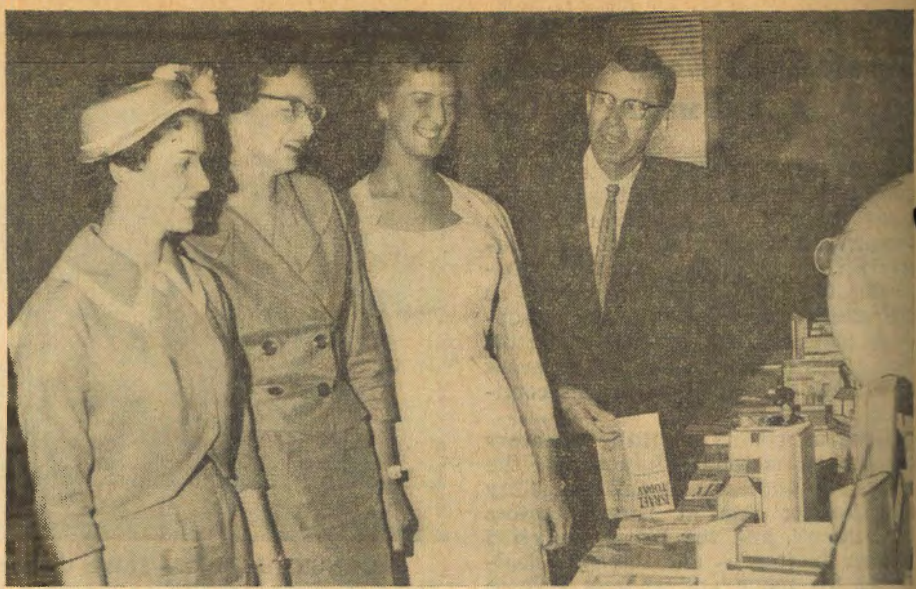


## Church Architectural Conference Scheduled

REPRESENTATIVES OF the Baptist Sunday School Board will conduct the annual conference on church architecture at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Oct. 27-28.

Coming for the conference will be W. A. Harrell, secretary of the BSSB's church architecture department, and his two associates: Ellis Evans and Hardie Bass.

They will be available to meet with church committees to discuss present or future building plans. Pastors and church committees desiring a conference should write Joe Davis Heacock, Box 22000, Ft. Worth 15, Tex., for an appointment.



**BOOKS ABOUT MISSIONS**—Eugene L. Hill, secretary for missionary education and promotion for the Foreign Mission Board, points out foreign mission sites on globe to a trio of Baptist ladies. They are, left to right, Mrs. J. C. Durham, Home Mission Board, Atlanta; Miss Laurella Owens, Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham, and Miss June Link, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. All attended the Missionary Education Council meeting in Nashville, their work being connected with writing, producing, and selling literature in missionary education.—(BP) Photo.



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## SBC Radio-TV Chief To Preach in Europe

FORT WORTH — (BP) — Paul M. Stevens, director of the radio-TV commission of the Southern Baptist Convention here, will preach at United States Air Force bases in England, Norway, Denmark and the Netherlands during October and November.

## Brooks Hays Tells of 'Call' to Pulpit

BROOKS HAYS, called on for a few remarks at a luncheon for Billy Graham and the Graham team, at Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, told these stories:

Soon after his defeat for Congress, he was approached by a pulpit committee from a church over in North Carolina.

"We know you are not an ordained preacher," they said, "but you have been doing a lot of preaching and if you will accept the call of our church we can take care of your ordination and get you back on a regular payroll."

"I was greatly impressed," Hays said, "and I told the committee their invitation was one of the nicest things I had ever experienced, but that I would have to decline."

"That's all right, Mr. Hays," responded one of the committee, and, turning to his fellow committee members he said, "Now, fellows, we can go after Billy Graham!"

The other story has to do with Hays' appointment to Tennessee Valley Authority. A Mississippi paper, commenting on the Hays appointment, said: "We don't know how well qualified Mr. Hays is for his new field of service, but one thing is sure: Baptists will now have access to the biggest baptismal pool in the world!" ■

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Arkansas' delegation of sixty college students at Glorieta won the sweepstakes first place in athletics and talent at Student Week recently. Here Dr. Tom Logue, state director, and Jim Boyd, Little Rock director, admire the trophy. Forty Arkansas students attended student week at Ridgecrest earlier in the summer.

Brotherhood

**Handbook Published For Brotherhood**

THE NEWEST publication of the Brotherhood Commission is the first Brotherhood Handbook. It is for the new year, and is a must for those who lead in Brotherhood organization and work, and who endeavor to guide their Brotherhood into a wider program of work and into a more powerful spiritual agency for the support and promotion of the whole church and denominational program. The Handbook is dedicated "unto a full-grown Christian". Its use will help Brotherhood men to grow in grace and in knowledge; and it will assist Brotherhood leaders in helping men to develop as Christians.

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**Canadian Churches**

**Hope to Win 200**

ATLANTA—Eleven Canadian Baptist churches will attempt to win more people to Christ in a two-week period in October than they won all last year. The vehicle they expect to ride to victory is the Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism.

The St. John, New Brunswick, churches set a goal of 200 for their evangelistic crusade October 18-November 1, when 11 Southern Baptist evangelists will lead them.

**Kansas City to Have  
\$3,300,000 Hospital**

KANSAS CITY, Mo. —(BP)— Missouri Baptists plan to open their newest hospital here about Nov. 1, the Baptist Memorial Hospital of Kansas City.

The \$3,300,000 institution, located at 6601 Rockhill Rd., has been 15 years in developing. Its first equipped unit of six floors will contain 183 beds and 20 bassinets. It will ultimately have 11 floors and 300 beds.

GRADY C. COTHER, pastor of Olivet Church, Oklahoma City, Okla., has been called by 1st Church, Birmingham, Ala.

*On To Atlanta  
In December!*

"THE BIGGEST Training Union event in 19 years" will be the Southern Baptist Training Union Convention in Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 28-30.

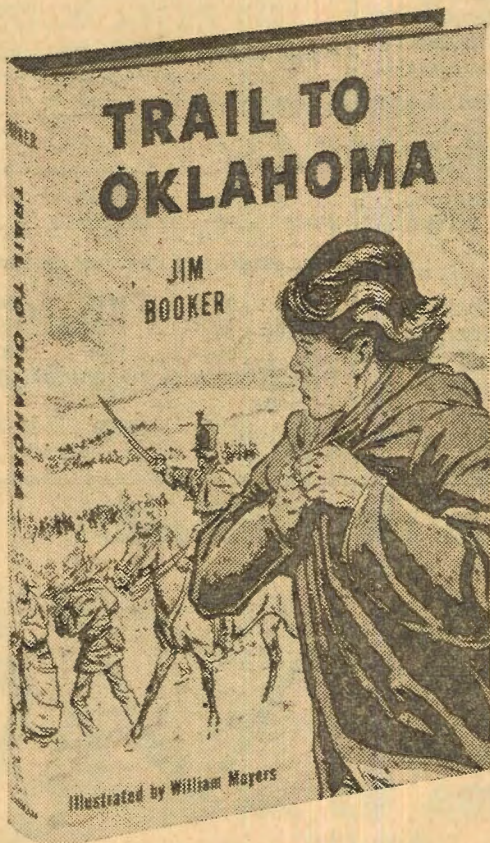
The purpose will be to launch the year of teaching and training in the Baptist Jubilee Advance Program. It will be Dr. Lambdin's last event as the head of Training Union work and the beginning of the work for the new secretary, Dr. Philip B. Harris.

First Church, Paragould, and East Side Baptist, Paragould, have voted to send their pastors and Training Union directors to the Convention. The four will go in one car which will conserve expenses.

**Attention Churches:** Why not plan NOW to send your pastor and Training Union director to Atlanta?—Ralph W. Davis, TU Secretary.

**Prohibitionist Dies**

BRONXVILLE, N. Y. —(EP)— D. Leigh Colvin, for more than 50 years a leader of the prohibition movement, died Sept. 7, at the age of 79. Colvin was Prohibition candidate for the United States Presidency in 1936.



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## Beacon Lights of Baptist History

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

**DOCTRINE** IS the life blood of a denomination. Ample proof of this may be found in Baptist history.

By the turn of the 19th century, English Baptists faced a critical period in their history. For many years the churches had shown a marked decline from their early zeal and missionary efforts. Their doctrinal teachings produced it.



DR. SELPH

Due to certain views of the saving

work of Christ, Baptists had split into two groups: Particular and General.

Particular Baptists held that Christ died for the elect only. Time crystallized this teaching into a rigid doctrinal form. At the close of the 18th century, few Baptist ministers ever thought of addressing sinners from the pulpit. Naturally, the missionary spirit died.

General Baptists took the opposite view, believing that Christ died for all. However, their loose generalities did not develop a deep reverence for God's holiness and purpose, leading them to exalt man.

Without giving proper place to God in a definite work with the sinner, they soon lost their sense of power and direction. Losing their sense of mission, they degenerated into various societies and different faiths.

By 1801, the Particular Baptist churches in ratio to General Baptists were four to one.

Two events largely stimulated Baptists to new religious interests. The first was the publication by Andrew Fuller, pastor of the church at Kettering, England, of his treatise: "The Gospel Worthy of all Acceptation or, The Duty of Sinners to Believe in Jesus Christ."

Second, the revival and growth of the Missionary society. The Particular Baptist Society for Propagating the Gospel among the Heathen had been organized, October 2, 1792. ■



**TAKING PART** in the dedication of new homes for the superintendent and farm manager of Bottoms Baptist Orphanage, Monticello, Sept. 8, were the Orphanage board, top, and, below, left to right, Mrs. Fred Greeson, Mrs. H. C. Seefeldt, Supt. Seefeldt, and Dr. Horace E. Thompson, board chairman, who holds a new portrait of the late C. C. Smith, in whose honor the new home for the superintendent is named.

Board members, front row, left to right: Mrs. W. P. McGeorge, Miss Mollie Center, Julius Miller, Dr. Horace Thompson, Rev. H. C. Seefeldt, (superintendent), Rev. Jim Jones (assistant superintendent); back row: Rev. Dexter Blevins, Rev. Harold C. Bennett, J. E. Allman, Ed Thrash, H. E. Trussell, Rev. J. D. Tolleson, Otto Walker, Paul Owen, and Raymond Farris.

Others appearing on the program included Mrs. Jim Jones, accompanist; Mrs. Curtis Attwood, soloist; Dr. Thomas J. Welch, pastor of 1st Church, Monticello; and Dr. S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. ■

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### State Convention Music Should Be 'Finest'

MUSIC FOR the State Convention this fall should be the finest in the history of Arkansas Baptists.

The Pulaski County Associational Choir under the direction of R. Paul Green, director of Southwestern Singers, Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, will present great sacred music in each of the evening sessions.

Jo Ann Shelton, soloist for the Baptist Hour and music professor in Southwestern, will be the soloist for each session of the convention. The Arkansas Baptist Music Ministers Chorus will form the choir for the first morning session. Organist for the convention is B. Lecl Gibson, 1st Church, El Dorado, and the pianist is Norman Webb, Gaines Street, Little Rock.

At the request of the program committee, the music director for the convention is the state music secretary, LeRoy McClard.

### Board Praises Little Rock

SAN FRANCISCO —(EP)— Baptist leaders had nice things to say recently about Little Rock's progress to end segregation. The board of directors of the National Baptist Convention praised the city "for the constructive things it has achieved in the name of democracy and freedom" in the fight to end segregation in the schools.

Along with the commendation, however, the convention board emphasized that "our approval of the constructive things that have been done does not by any means say that we are satisfied with, or approve, that which has not been done. This is the rejoicing which comes when a part is done on the road to the proposed and designated and desired goal."

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## Missions Are Making Progress

SEVERAL WEEKS ago we called attention to Tomahawk Mission sponsored by the 1st Church of Yellville. The Department of Missions gave \$1,000 on their building program which got the congregation under a roof with the building still not completed. Pastor Delbert Garrett writes that the mission had 72 in Sunday School last Sunday, 45 in Training Union, two men and their wives joined the church and were baptized during the afternoon. They are among the community leaders and will prove to be influential men in church and community life.

Pastor Garrett states that a census was taken in the community and 10 families were discovered with 400 people as possibilities for the Tomahawk Mission. The mission is still in need of additional help in getting the windows, doors, ceiling, and the heating system installed before the cold weather arrives. A request has come for additional help to get this work done before winter.

The Woodland Heights Church of Harrison which was started as a mission of the Eagle Heights Church and has been worshipping in an old dwelling is now undertaking to build their own house of worship. The Missions Department has been asked for aid on this new venture.

The Leonard Street Church of Hot Springs will enter their new building Sept. 20 with the superintendent of missions bringing the sermon Sunday afternoon. This church was organized a year ago and first worshipped in a little rented house, and later secured

a larger place, and have now erected their own building on lots which the Missions Department helped them to secure.

The Pencil Bluff Church near Mt. Ida which was started as a mission of the Oden Church, hopes to have a dedication service the first part of October with the superintendent of mission preaching for them.

Your superintendent of missions will also have the privilege of speaking to the W.M.S. of the 1st Church of Blytheville, Monday, Sept. 21 and then to an associational meeting of the women that evening. The program for State Missions will be given and a special offering for State Missions will be taken.—Dr. C. W. Caldwell, superintendent, ent.

### Graham to Address Convention Session

ATLANTA —(BP)— Evangelist Billy Graham will be on the "Home Mission Night" program at the Southern Baptist Convention in 1960, announced Courts Redford, Executive Secretary, SBC Home Mission Board.

Graham said, when contacted, that he plans to attend the entire convention at Miami Beach next year. This will be his second time to participate on "Home Missions Night."

The 1960 session of the convention is scheduled May 17-20.

### TU Presents 120,000 Study Course Awards

DALLAS — (BP) — More than 120,000 study course awards will be presented this year to members of the Baptist Training Union in Texas, reports R. H. Dilday, secretary of the state training union department. The 120,000 study course awards represent a total of nine million hours of study and class work, said Dilday.

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## Tricks Take Time

By Rae Cross

Ted slammed his pencil and tablet on the dining room table. "I can't do these old problems," he grumbled.

Uncle John looked up from his paper. "Let's get Mischief and take a walk," he said.

Ted jumped up happily. "Oh, good," he sighed. "I never would be able to get the right answers anyway."

"How did you happen to call your dog 'Mischief'?" asked Uncle John as they walked down the street.

Ted laughed as he watched Mischief run down the walk, pick up a rock, bring it back, and lay it at his feet.

"Mischief was just a puppy when we got him," explained Ted. "It seemed he got into everything. He chewed up Dad's slippers, tore Mother's stockings, spilled his food on the floor. Well, he just did so many mischievous things that Mischief seemed like the right name for him."

"He seems like a pretty well-behaved dog now," said Uncle John as they turned into the park. "Let's sit down here a little while," he said when they came to a bench.

"Oh, Mischief's really a good dog now," said Ted proudly. "Come here, Mischief," he called.

Mischief came running and stopped in front of Ted.

"Sit up," Ted ordered.

Mischief sat up until Ted said, "Lie down."

"That's plenty good," nodded Uncle John.

"He can do lots more," boasted Ted. "He can roll over, bring a stick, play dead, say his prayers—"

"Whoa!" cried Uncle John. "How long did it take him to learn all those tricks?"

"Oh, it took a long, long time," admit-

ted Ted. "I tried to get him to do the same thing over and over, day after day, for months. But it was worth it," beamed Ted. "When the Chamber of Commerce sponsored a mongrel show last month Mischief won first prize for the best-behaved and best-trained dog."

"Sort of like learning arithmetic, isn't it?" said Uncle John thoughtfully. "Maybe you don't get the right answer the first time. Maybe you have to work for months or even years before you learn how to do all kinds of problems without making a mistake, but if Mischief can learn—" Uncle John cleared his throat.

Ted looked down at the ground and then up at Uncle John. "I guess you're right," he said sheepishly.

"Think we had better go home and try those problems again?" asked Uncle John.

"People are always talking about having or using horse sense," laughed Ted. "I don't know anything about that, but surely I ought to have dog sense!"

"Arf, arf—that's right," barked Mischief as he jumped off the bench and started running down the walk.

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## Family Fun

By Helen Baker Adams

Did you ever stop to think:  
Your dad was once a boy,  
Who liked to kick a football  
And wind a working toy?  
Your mother was a little girl  
With dolls and skipping rope.  
They had to go to bed at eight  
And wash their hands with soap.  
They had to walk to school. They raked  
The leaves in autumn weather.  
They were children just like you!  
So how! Have fun together!

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## A Profit Quickly Lost

WHEN THE modern child hears the story of Cinderella he's apt to ask: "When the pumpkin turns into a golden coach, is that regarded as straight income or capital gains?"

## This Month's Safety Hint

TO AVOID trouble and insure safety, breathe through your nose. It keeps the mouth shut.

## Sabotaged

THE RECRUITS were participating in their first maneuvers. One group was told to put the local railway station out of commission so it could no longer be used. They were back within an hour, proudly stating, "The railway station can no longer be used."

"Ah, did you blow it up?" questioned one of the training officers.

"No sir," said the group leader, pointing to a large sack. "We simply took all the tickets."

IN THE election of a wife, as in a project of war, to err but once is to be undone forever.—Middleton.

## Silence Is Golden

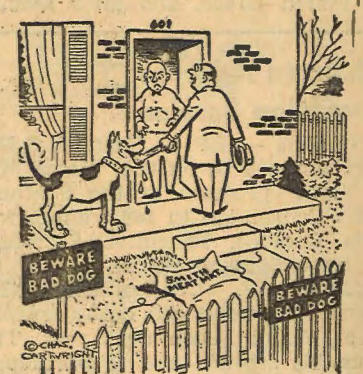
LADY DRIVER: "The thing I hate worst about parking is the noisy crash!"

## Grammatically Speaking

TEACHER: "Name three collective nouns, Henry."

HENRY: "Flypaper, wastebasket, vacuum cleaner."

## Church Chuckles



"May I have a moment to discuss your church pledge?"

Every church building program involves many problems. Few are solved this easily — with a bone from Smith's Meat Market. Fortunately the challenge always brings forth those whose tireless effort and unselfish generosity eventually overcome every obstacle.

# God's Call to Faithfulness

By J. RICHARD PERKINS  
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**Bible Material: Malachi 1-4**  
**Lesson Passages: Malachi 2:17 to 3:4, 16-18**

THE PSALMIST said "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." America



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needs to hear that warning today. This was the message which Israel needed in the fifth century B.C. and Malachi was the "messenger of Jehovah" to deliver it. E. F. Haight in the **Broadman Comments** says, "In our times, as in Malachi's, God needs

men of faith and devotion by whom to deal with the situations created by our cynical unbelief, our undisciplined self-indulgence, and our unashamed sinfulness."

We know nothing about the author or his personal life except as we find it within the book. We know that his name literally means "my messenger." It is interesting to note that not until the second century A.D. did the prophet's name come to be regarded as a proper noun. Until that time "Malachi" had been regarded as the title of the author whose real name it was assumed was not mentioned at all.

His prophecies reflect an heroic patriotism grounded in a deep love for Israel. This required him to denounce the sins of the nation and to call them to repentance. His final exhortation is "remember ye the law of Moses" (4:4). His preaching might have been unpopular in his days even as it would be in ours but as Dr. Francisco says, "He feared no man because he feared God so much."

**I. God honors those that honor Him.**  
 (Malachi 1:6 to 2:9)

Having begun with a clear declaration that God loved Israel, the prophet is confronted with the people's cynical reply (2:2). Against this he levels a volume of irrefutable proofs to verify the fact that God has loved Israel with an undying love. With this background he proceeds to make the charge that Israel did not give God even the honor which they would give to an earthly master (1:6).

The priest had come to dispise the name of the Lord and the offerings which the people brought were both polluted and contemptible. Whereupon he calls for a genuine repentance on the part of all of the people. The alternative to which is a rather shocking suggestion that it would be better to shut the doors of the temple than

*Daily Bible Readings*

- Sept. 24. — A Faithful Remnant (Mal. 3:13-18).
- Sept. 25. — "Sun of Righteousness" (Mal. 4:1-6).
- Sept. 26.—Called into Fellowship (1 Cor. 1:1-9).
- Sept. 27.—Christian Giving (2 Col. 9:6-15).
- Sept. 28. — Power for Witnessing (Acts 1:1-8).
- Sept. 29 — Fellowship in Prayer (Acts 1:9-14).
- Sept. 30. — Choosing a New Apostle (Acts 1:15-26).

that the people should go on making a mockery of their worship of God. Even the Gentiles are more genuine in their worship of God, living as they do among the heathen, than are his people in Jerusalem.

Malachi speaks a word of grim warning to the priest. For he says in essence that if the priests do not return to a true administration of their office as the representatives of God to the people He would reject them completely (2:1-3).

He then presents for us a picture of the true priest as a contrast against the false ones. The true priest is described as one who feared the Lord and "the law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips." His walk an example in the midst of the people, was one of peace and Godliness and was such as would turn the people away from iniquity. He was the messenger of the Lord and the instructor of the people whose example could be followed by every earnest seeker. While on the other hand the false priest was "contemptible and base before all people" and was partial and unfair in his administration of the law. We can therefore clearly see that God by His very nature can only honor and bless those who honor and obey Him.

**II. Cynical unbelief judged and purged.**  
 (Malachi 2:17 to 3:6)

Malachi makes the charge that "Ye have wearied the Lord with your words." To which the people in their typical way asked "Wherein" this sin had been committed and are told that it is in their misconception of God's moral government of the universe. They had come to believe that "everyone that doeth evil is good in the sight of the Lord" and had to finally ask the question "Where is the God of Judgment?" But God changes not, and his character is unaltered by the fickle loyalties of men. There-

fore, Malachi tells us that God is preparing to send his messenger to prepare the way of the Lord and to bring judgment against the transgressors. Before Him none will be able to stand who are guilty of having sinned against the Lord. "He shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver . . . and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness."

Malachi proceeds to say that God's messenger of judgment will move with swiftness against every form of sin, against the law breaker, against the perverted, against the unjust, and against those who are false. Israel's hope, and ours, must rest secure in this faith that God remains unchanged and that He does not act in a price or preference either to bless or to judge.

**III. The Triumph of the Faithful.**  
 (Malachi 3:13 to 4:3)

In conclusion Malachi contrasts for us two groups of people. In the first place we are presented the skeptical and unbelieving who argue that it is without profit to serve God. Those who are proud and work wickedness are the ones who "are happy," and "set up," and "are even delivered."

On the other hand he describes for us those who speak each to his neighbor that they should harken unto the Lord. These went further to make a "book of remembrance" that they might remember the word of the Lord to obey it. These are the ones whom the Lord says He will remember and will bless "And they shall be mine saith the Lord of host, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare thee, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him."

"For behold, the day cometh" that the judgment of God will be manifest in the world to deal with the proud and the wicked. Then there shall be a clear discernment between the righteous and the disobedient. And God's character will be vindicated and sin will be judged.

**Conclusion**

Malachi's presentation of his message was unique in his time. His formula includes (1) a charge, (2) the people's reply and (3) his reply which contained his prophetic message. Having made his charge he was invariably met with the reply beginning with the word "wherein." This attempt to fain innocence and divert the burden of guilt did not pass away with the passing of Malachi's contemporaries. Vance Havner says, "Malachi thundered against the evils of his day and most of his listeners answered, 'Wherein have we done these things? You are scolding us; we haven't done anything wrong.' But there was a remnant: 'Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another.' Any Sunday morning in church it is easy to distinguish the Whereinners from the Remnant." ■





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### COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

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#### Stand By The Deacons

**QUESTION:** A young man in our church was married in another state. It was a marriage of necessity. Later it was annulled because the girl had an abortion.



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He and his present wife were saved a few years ago and have been almost perfect church members. His name was put up for deacon but he was not elected because of his background. The gossips went to work and defeated him. Instead the elected men who seldom come to church and who drink socially. What can we do about this?

**ANSWER:** Be patient. Teach. Talk for the good instead of criticizing the bad. Pray. Remember that God has to use imperfect people in His work.

So far as this young man is concerned there are many other places of service in a Baptist church besides being a deacon. He need not worry about being defeated.

It seems to me that your church made a mistake. Deacons ought to be selected on a basis of their loyalty and their leadership ability.

I know of a cult which considers "backbiting" the major sin. Sometimes I wish Baptists had that rule. However, I would stand by the elected deacons. They need your prayers and cooperation.

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