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-E. Armstrong Roberts

Strong-Arm Display Before Admirers

Southern College Plans Rural Seminary

Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, is progressively developing plans for the conversion of its Rural Ministerial Training Department into a Rural Seminary. Present plans call for the opening of training on the Seminary level in September, according to reports of Dr. H. E. Williams, president of the institution.

In 1941 when the college was founded, the Department of Rural Ministerial Training was instituted as a major emphasis of the institution. This department has grown in size and favor annually until the college administration now feels that it is the opportune time to offer a regular Seminary course with special type courses for those desiring to serve the rural churches or to act as associational missionaries.

Degree to be Offered

Present plans call for the offering of the Th. B. degree only. Pre-requisite training would be a minimum of two years in college for men under thirty years of age. The institution also plans to offer a diploma for completion of the course, by men over thirty years of age and who will be admitted only after approval of the Committee on Admissions. This arrangement will permit older men to take the training for the general good that may be derived. It is the feeling of the administration that no man called of God to preach should be denied the opportunity of some training.

Strategic Location

Southern is well located for such a rural seminary since it is in the heart of the Southern Baptist Convention population. Also within one hundred miles of the college more than five hundred rural Baptist churches are located, which provides a wonderful rural church laboratory as well as opportunities for student preachers to serve

while in training. The institution is also well removed from other seminaries and colleges.

Adequately Trained Staff

The seminary will be opened with an adequately trained staff. The institution already has in its personnel several individuals with the required background of training and experience and will add others as the need requires.

Primary Interest

Plans call for the course to follow the needs of men who may wish to work in the rural pastorate or to serve as associational missionaries. The courses to be offered will primarily relate to the needs of such ministers of our Baptist life. The minister's duties in the pulpit, with his people, and his work in the community, will all be provided for in the curriculum. Every responsibility of the man serving in the rural pastorate or as an associational missionary will be touched upon.

Non-competitive

The rural seminary will by no means be competitive with any present seminary or college. The type of training and the emphasis of same is not to be found in any other institution of our Southern Baptist Convention territory. In fact, present requirements of the accrediting agencies of theological seminaries almost require that some such institution be established to take care of the large number of men asking admittance in our older established institutions, since such agencies look with serious question upon permitting them to attend seminary classes without first earning a college degree. Thus it is seen that the rural seminary could be an aid to our present institutions, especially under their present crowded conditions.

Waste Creates Corruption

Defenders of the proposed Federal budget frequently challenge critics to point out specific places where substantial cuts can be made without weakening essential government activities. And sometimes they get away with this challenge, for the reason that the budget is so complex that the average man can hardly make head or tail of it.

Luckily, however, there are experts who can read and analyze even an \$85,000,000,000 budget, and find out where money would be needlessly squandered. One such expert is Senator Byrd, who has specialized in fiscal matters during his whole public career. The Senator has submitted a detailed, step-by-step trimming program which would reduce the budget as a whole by the huge sum of \$8,600,000,000. Other individuals and organizations have also presented detailed analyses showing where the budget can be reduced by comparable amounts—without eliminating or in any way weakening "necessary" government undertakings and policies.

These cuts take various forms. Some are simply designed to rid the government of routine administrative waste, resulting from duplication of effort, inefficient purchasing methods, excesses of red-tape, and so on. Others go farther and would prevent the government from spending our tax money on jobs that should and can be done by private enterprise. These last would do

more than just save money, important as that is—they would be a barrier to the blight of state socialism that has grown like a fungus over the past twenty years.

A wasteful government inevitably becomes a corrupt government — as recent sordid revelations of scandals and graft in high places have proved. And a corrupt government can destroy a nation. All the signs indicate that the American people are awakening to that fact at last.

—Industrial News Review.



MEOW!

"It's nice. It's exactly like one I had in 1939!"

Escapism

A Devotion by the Editor

"What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?" Matthew 27:22.

Jesus has been called the "inescapable Christ." In theory, at least, evangelical Christianity accepts this evaluation of Christ.

The Psalmist felt that God was inescapable. Whether He went to the mountains or to the valleys, to the markets or to the festivals, to the countryside or to the city, the Psalmist said that God is there.

Yet a perusal of history and the observation of much of current so-called Christian behavior will convince one that, through the centuries and in our present day, greater efforts have been made to escape the inescapable Christ than to yield to His mastery. Being unwilling to reject the Christ outright, but being more unwilling to surrender to Him completely and wholly, the result is a nominal Christianity which as one New Testament writer says is a "form of godliness but denying the power thereof."

It is amazing the efforts people make to escape Christ—the false gods they set up, the methods they use to ease their conscience, the credit they try to claim for good deeds they perform, the ingenious attempts to explain away the inexorable demands of this inescapable Christ!

People say, "I don't think there is any harm in this or that;" or, "I am just as good as somebody else;" or, "So long as a person is sincere, it doesn't make much difference what he believes."

Bargain counters are interesting merchandising attractions. People are always looking for bargains. But there are no bargain counters in Christianity; there are no reduced prices, discounts or rebates.

Christianity cost the life blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. The only price we can pay for it is ourselves. We only decide ourselves when we think that we can substitute a watered-down, diluted, enervated, insipid, lukewarm Christianity for the real thing.

Take the Christ, the whole Christ, the Christ of Calvary, the Christ of the resurrection, the interceding Christ, the Christ who will return in glory, and you will no longer want to escape Him but will cling to Him with an undying faith and love.

For Christ alone can answer the longing in your heart, provide you with assurance through time and eternity and give you the highest and most worthy objectives of life. He alone can give the proper stimulus for all the possibilities and powers of your being.

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From The Editor's Desk

The Challenge of the Gospel Ministry

Quite some time ago we read of an appeal which some denomination, we do not recall the name of the denomination just now, was making to the young men of its churches to enter the ministry. The appeal was based primarily upon the cultural side of the ministry. The young men were told that while they would not receive financial remuneration compared with that of the business world, yet they would be assured of a comfortable living and they would be associated with the best people of the community, people of culture and refinement. They would also be recognized in the community among its leading citizens. The life of the minister, it is said, is quite a comfortable life, not too strenuous or exacting. Some such was the basis of appeal to young men to enter the ministry.

Sacrifice and Service

We have never heard of such an appeal to young men in our Baptist churches. It is no wonder that the response of young men to the ministry on the basis of such an appeal would be disappointing. When anything other than an absolute surrender to Christ and His mission, to sacrifice and service, is made the appeal to enter the gospel ministry, it is not surprising if the

appeal fails to register in the hearts of young men who are not afraid of adventure and sacrifice and even danger.

It is out of an atmosphere and environment of sacrifice and service, adventure and heroism that Southern Baptist young people both young men and young women have surrendered to the Christian ministry, to missionary service and to other types of full time Christian service. So responsive have been our young people that our three seminaries have been unable to meet the demands for training which our young people presented. It became necessary to establish two more seminaries to meet these needs and now all five of these seminaries are crowded to capacity with young men and young women who are not seeking an easy life, simply a cultural society, but who are seeking to serve the Lord wherever and in whatever capacity He may direct them.

Some of these young people will go into our great churches as pastors or ministers of education and music or as secretaries; others will go to the towns and the villages and to the rural areas; still others will become missionaries in the home land either under the associational, state or Home Mission Board auspices; there are those who will fill positions of responsibility in

the denomination; there are still others who will go out to the far flung battle lines around the world where Southern Baptists are carrying the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to the nations who know Him not.

Appeal of Jesus

Jesus never appealed to the young people or the older ones either on the basis of an easy life. He told His disciples that they would be persecuted, that they would have a difficult time, that they must face dangers. But He also told them that He would be with them to bless their testimony and their service.

It is a great mistake for a pastor or a superintendent of a Sunday School or other persons in the local church who are seeking to enlist workers to hold out to them an appeal that has no challenge. It is a mistake to ask someone to take some position in some organization in the church and then tell that person that there isn't much work to do, that it won't tax their energy or their resourcefulness. When trying to enlist someone for service in the local church tell them that it requires their best; and if they are not willing to give their best, they are not suited for the responsibility which they are asked to take.

Kingdom service requires more of one's time than the few idle hours when he has nothing else to do; it requires more of one's thoughts and planning than a careless and hasty improvisation; it requires more of one's means than his pocket change. Service in the Lord's kingdom requires one's best and one should be at his best in his service to God.

Universal Military Training Not A Dead Issue

The Universal Military Training bill was sent back to the committee, but that does not mean that the issue is dead. It means that it is only quiescent for the time being.

Those who are supporting Universal Military Training are only waiting for what they will consider the opportune moment to bring forth the bill again, perhaps in revised form. If the forces which defeated the bill on the floor of the House recently, in sending it back to the committee, are not alert and watchful, there may come a time when it is practically forgotten by these opposing forces and can be put over by the proponents of UMT.

Discredited

Representative Carl Vinson, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee and an ardent advocate of UMT, is credited with being a very shrewd legislator. Doubtless he will take advantage of any let up in the opposition and seek an opportunity to re-present the UMT bill to the House.

The preparedness which Universal Military Training would provide has been discredited even by military men though many of the high brass are enthusiastic for it. Besides the limited preparedness which UMT would provide, there seems to be two other obvious reasons why certain groups are advocating Universal Military Training. One group is the military high brass. Obviously,

UMT would perpetuate the influence and power of the military in the American government. When any group of people once gains an influential position in the government and is able to exercise tremendous power over the government, they are reluctant to yield that position and lose their influence and power. Universal Military Training would continue the predominant position of the military in our government.

Inflation

Another obvious reason for advocating UMT is the fact that beyond the present military buildup, Universal Military Training would keep the government spending at a high figure and therefore would enable the government to more easily keep the forces of inflation operative in our economy. This attitude seems to be definitely in the minds of government officials. The government obviously does not know how to turn the productive resources of the nation from arms production to the production of goods that will add to the wealth of the nation. Arms production actually drains off the wealth of the nation and it is not recoverable.

It seems evident also that big industry is on the side of the government and the military in supporting Universal Military Training because big industry gets the big arms production orders. Industry may be reluctant to give up these arms production

orders which do not have in them the element of risk involved in the production of goods for a competitive market.

Powerful Forces

It must be admitted that the great mass of the American people, the taxpayers, the ones who actually bear the burden and pay the cost of extravagant government spending and who would bear the burden and pay the cost of Universal Military Training are pitted against powerful and organized forces which are determined to saddle upon this country Universal Military Training which has been the blight of every nation, perhaps without exception, which has tried it in the past. The graveyard of nations prove the futility of Universal Military Training. Let us hope that the United States will not go the way of the other nations which have fallen under the weight of their own military establishments.

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California had 43,102 licensed retail liquor outlets in 1951. Nearly 5 million drinkers among the citizens of California drank 203 million gallons of alcoholic beverages in 1950, an average of 42 gallons per drinker. They spent 720 million dollars for liquor. This amount would have built 53,750 homes costing \$12,000 each and provided each with \$2,000 worth of furniture and a \$2,000 car. Liquor taxes produced \$27,255,720, but the taxpayers paid four times that much policing the liquor traffic and caring for the victimized.

—Survey Bulletin.

Kingdom Progress

New Pastor at Portland



ROBERT B. DICKSON JR.

Robert B. Dickson Jr. came to the pastorate of the Portland Church in the Delta Association the first of March.

Pastor Dickson came from the North Side Mission of First Church in Greenville, Mississippi. A native of Grenada, Mississippi, he was educated in the public schools of that city and Mississippi College at Clinton, Mississippi.

Pastor and Mrs. Dickson have four children, the oldest daughter being a student in Clark College at Newton, Mississippi.

Arkansan Attends Writers' Conference

Dr. L. S. Williams, head of the Department of Religion at Ouachita College, attended a Sunday School Board Writers' Conference April 2-4, in Nashville, Tennessee, for writers who prepare material for Intermediate Training Union quarterlies.

During 1952 Dr. Williams wrote 10 programs for Intermediate Training Union, and he has been requested to write the same number during 1953. Mrs. J. E. Lambdin, editor in charge of intermediate work, directed the Writers' Conference.

For 15 years Dr. Williams has contributed to Southern Baptist publications. He has written articles for Home Life, Open Window, Adult Training Union, and Sunday School quarterlies.

Kirkpatrick In Tennessee

Evangelist H. E. Kirkpatrick of Hot Springs was engaged in revival services from March 23 to April 6 with the Shelby Avenue Church, Nashville, Tennessee. There were over 100 additions to the church, 86 of whom were received on profession of faith and baptism.

Beginning April 13, Evangelist Kirkpatrick is engaged for six weeks in revival meetings in Memphis, Tennessee: With the Highland Heights Church, Boulevard Baptist Church, and Kennedy Baptist Church.

Stanley Jordan To Visit Holy Land

Pastor Stanley Jordan, First Church, Springdale, together with 34 other persons will leave New York on May 20 by Pan American airliner for a tour by air and by bus through all sections of the Holy Land. The tour is directed by Roy Beaman of the New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Gethsemane, and Mount Carmel are among the historical landmarks to be visited by Pastor Jordan and others on the tour.

Pastor Jordan plans to fill his pulpit on May 18 then catch a plane to New York to join the others in the group. They will leave New York at 9:30 p. m. on May 20, and arrive in Paris the next afternoon at 3:40. From Paris the group will fly to Beirut via Rome, arriving May 27, after spending three days in Paris and two in Rome.

From Beirut the group will travel by bus, visiting Tyre and Sidon, Baalbek in the Lebanon Mountains, Dog River, the Lebanon Cedars, Ras Shamra, Antioch, Tarsus, Iconium, Smyrna, and Ephesus.

The party hopes to visit Troy, Istanbul, Ankara, and Boghaz-koy.

Other points of interest to be visited if time and political conditions permit are Iraq and Iran, Behistun, Ur, Babylon, Damascus, and Mount Hermon.

The return flight home will begin at Cairo on June 22 and will be routed through Athens, Paris, and London. The party will arrive in the United States on the return trip on June 27.

Rural Evangelist Wiles Believes in Simultaneous Effort

Rural Evangelist M. E. Wiles recently assisted Pastor Eugene Webb and the Bay Church in northeast Arkansas in a revival meeting which resulted in 48 additions to the church, 37 of whom came on profession and baptism. There were two volunteers for mission work.

Missionary Wiles also assisted Pastor Albert Gaston and the Flippin Church in a revival meeting recently which resulted in 40 additions to the church, 32 of whom came on profession of faith and baptism.

Missionary Wiles is now engaged in a two week revival meeting with the Coal Hill Church. He says, "I am a strong believer in the simultaneous plan for our revivals. When we can get a great number of our people and the preachers praying for each other and working at the same time, the Lord is pleased to hear and answer."

W. A. Lindsey Assists Whitton Church in Revival

Pastor E. C. Cloud and the Whitton Church, Tyronza, had the services of Pastor Wesley A. Lindsey of the First Church, Prescott, in a recent revival meeting which resulted in 16 additions to the church. Joe W. Deaton of Trumann was song leader.

Prior to the revival the Whitton Church had received 12 members since January 1.

First Church, Tuckerman Utilizes Youth

Pastor M. S. Lloyd and First Church, Tuckerman, believe in utilizing the youth of the church by giving their young people an opportunity to express their Christian testimony and assume responsibilities.

The Tuckerman church observed Youth Week April 6-12. Harry Bjorkman Jr. and Byron Parr delivered the sermons for the worship services on April 6.

The youth movement in the Tuckerman church really got under way last November 21-25 with a youth team provided by Dr. Dale Cowling, state B.S.U. secretary, and consisting of Tommy Purnell from Ouachita College as team leader, Jim Tillman, Ouachita student, as preacher, Max Gregory, Arkansas State College, as music director, Jo Ann Vaught, Ouachita student, as pianist, and Bobbie Holland, Ouachita student, as junior choir leader.

More recently another youth team conducted a revival in the Tuckerman church. This team was composed of Bill Pratt, Ouachita College, team leader and preacher; Bill Romick, Arkansas A & M College, as singer; Betty Sue Holt, Little Rock Junior College, as pianist; and Wanda Nave, State Teachers College, as junior choir leader. In this revival, March 9-16, there were ten additions to the church by baptism.

The young people of the Tuckerman church are organized into a Youth Baptist Union which meets at 6:30 p. m. each Wednesday evening before the prayer meeting hour.

Dr. Scrivner Commended

Dr. D. Douglas Scrivner, who recently came to the pastorate of Walnut Street Church, Jonesboro, from Roanoke Church, Kansas City, Missouri, is commended to the Arkansas Baptist fellowship by Dr. R. Lofton Hudson, pastor of the Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City.

Doctor Hudson says, "I have known him (Doctor Scrivner) intimately for the last two years . . . he is thoroughly sound as a Baptist and considerably above the average as a Christian. He combines the rare qualities of good scholarship and practical emotional ability. I regret very much that he has left Kansas City, but I know that he will find a good place of service and leadership in Arkansas. I commend him to you personally and to the brethren without any reservations. He is one of the best."

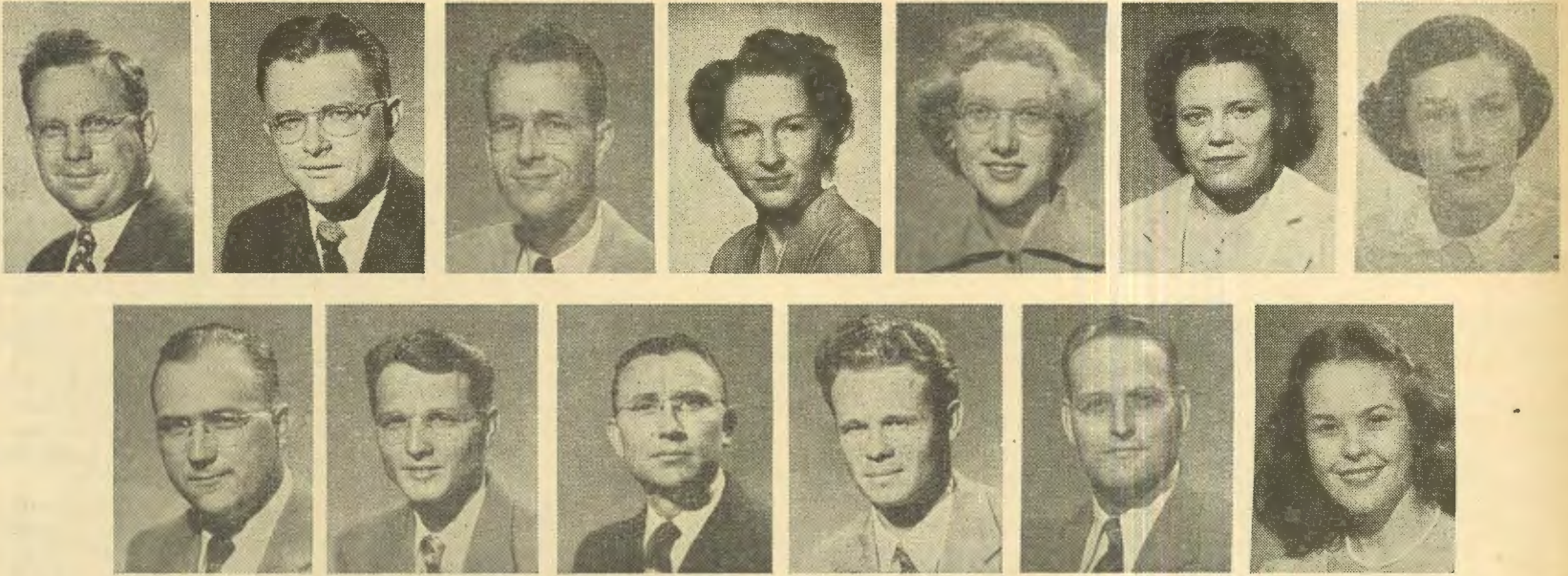
House Cleaning

Congressman Brooks Hays is joining with other colleagues in the House in sponsoring a bill which would (1) improve civil service procedure in the Internal Revenue bureau, (2) make givers of bribes equally guilty with the recipient, (3) impose jail sentences for both, (4) require publicity by RFC of activities in behalf of loan applications, and, (5) prohibit members of Congress from intervening in Federal revenue matters.

Forrest City Church Receives 56 in Revival

Pastor W. M. Thompson and the River Side Church, Forrest City, had the services of Pastor Fred E. Sudduth, Wheatley, in revival services recently. There were 56 additions to the church, 51 on profession of faith and baptism, and five by letter.

Arkansas Graduates At Southwestern Seminary



Pictured above are the Arkansas candidates for degrees at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas, on May 9. Top row, reading from left to right are: Erba A. Butler, Th. M., Marmaduke; E. Stanley Williamson, D.R.E., Little Rock; Owen H. Kersh, M.R.E., Fort Smith; Mrs. W. R. Mizell, M.R.E., Arkadelphia; Billie Ann Cramer, M.R.E., El Dorado; Mrs. Wm. Neil Keltner, B.S.M., Tupelo; and Mrs. Wm. B. Sawyer, B.R.E., Little Rock.

Bottom row, from left to right, candidates for the B.D. degree are: Harold H. Coble, Alma; Bertel G. Garrott, West Memphis; James W. Enoch, Lockesburg; Alex Franklin Garner, Fort Smith. For other degrees are: William Dorris Ellis, Dip. S.M., Fordyce; Mrs. Owen Kersh, A.R.E., Fort Smith.

Sunday School and Training Union Rivalry

A wholesome rivalry has developed between the Sunday School and the Training Union of the Eagle Heights Church in Harrison. Attendance on Training Union and the evening worship service almost equals the Sunday School and morning worship service attendance.

The Eagle Heights Church grew out of a mission established several years ago by the First Church in Harrison, and was organized in August, 1949, under the pastoral leadership of Lenox Medford. Upon the resignation of Pastor Medford, who moved to California, the Eagle Heights Church called Pastor Hugh Cooper of the Piney Church, Hot Springs.

The membership of the Eagle Heights Church has increased steadily, as have the organizations of the church, and also the church budget has grown proportionately.

Recently the church began broadcasting the Sunday evening worship service over radio station KHOZ in Harrison.

The attendance on the midweek prayer service now exceeds 100. The building has been expanded to meet the needs of the growing congregation. The church building is of rock veneer construction.

Clyde Hart Assists Newport Church

Immanuel Church, Newport, and Pastor J. R. Stogsdill, had the services of Dr. Clyde Hart of Central Church, Hot Springs, in evangelistic services March 17-26. There were ten additions to the church, six on profession of faith and baptism, and four by letter.

Perry Church Has Excellent Meeting

Carroll Caldwell, Phil Lewis, and Philip May, students from Ouachita College, assisted Perry Church, Perry-Conway Association, in a revival meeting from April 6 to 13, which resulted in 28 additions to the church. Twenty-seven were received on profession of faith. Mr. Caldwell did the preaching, Mr. May had charge of the music program, and Mr. Lewis was the pianist.

H. D. Palmer, missionary for Perry-Conway Association, is supply pastor of the Perry Church.

First Church, Rogers Has Successful Revival

Pastor Rel Gray, First Church, Rogers, reports a successful revival from March 30 to April 13.

Pastor Russell Clubb of First Church, West Memphis, was the visiting evangelist and Singer Rheuben Green of Jennings, Oklahoma, directed the singing and did personal work.

There were 42 received into the church on profession of faith and baptism, and 8 by letter. Two persons volunteered for mission work, one for medical missions and the other for foreign missions.

Steel Bridge, Lonoke Receives 34 New Members

Steel Bridge Church, Caroline Association, had the services of Evangelist Kenneth Chapman, Wheaton, Illinois, in a revival campaign from April 6 to 13, which resulted in 34 additions to the church, 30 of which were on profession of faith and baptism.

Jack Hogue, Little Rock, is pastor of the church.

Miss Kathleen Manley Speaks To Ouachita Students

Miss Kathleen Manley, Baptist missionary on furlough from her work in Nigeria, spoke to the students of Ouachita College during chapel and also during vesper services April 15. Miss Manley, author of the book "Backside of Nowhere," related to the students many of her African experiences.

In addition to many personal experiences, she presented the political atmosphere of Africa. "Africa is waking up, and its young people are looking around at world governments to see which will be best for them. They are looking to America, and we must not fail them," she stated.

A medical missionary, Miss Manley has been working in Africa 18 years, and is now home on her fourth furlough.

Plainview Revival

The Plainview Church of Harmony Association has had the services of Pastor Lonnie Lasater, West Side Church, El Dorado, in an eight-day revival meeting. The song service was led by the pastor, G. E. Nethercutt, accompanied by Peggy Holloway and Mrs. Hubert Vanderford at the piano. The meeting resulted in twenty-eight additions to the church on profession of faith and baptism, fourteen by letter, and one by statement.

Pastor Nethercutt says, "The church members were strengthened in the faith and drawn closer to God. Brother Lasater preached with power and the Lord blessed from the first service. The house was well filled. We heartily recommend Brother Lasater as a soul-winning evangelist."

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The days seem short when one's heart is in his work.



Christian Horizons



By Religious News Service

Chaplains Hear Colleges 'Injured' in Religious Life

The modern college and university is aware of being "deeply injured in its religious life," the National Association of College and University Chaplains was told at its fifth annual conference held at Earlham College, Richmond, Indiana.

Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson, president of Howard University, Washington, D. C., said that the injury resulted from the monopoly of the curriculum by highly specialized subjects, the preponderant and disorganizing influence of the natural sciences, and the disappearance of religion from its hitherto dominant place in the curriculum.

His talk on "Religion in Higher Education," the principal address of the conference, was heard by more than 100 delegates from 40 states.

"The University began its existence with a Christian world view based on an assured conviction of the nature of human beings and the possibilities of world communities arising therefrom," Dr. Johnson said, "but in the last 200 years it has been forced to operate within the boundaries of aggressive nationalism."

Newspaper Begins Publishing Full Text of Bible

In what is believed to be the first newspaper project of its kind, the Akron Beacon Journal has started publishing the full text of the Bible as it appears in the Revised Standard Version. It is estimated that the project will take ten years or more to complete.

The Beacon Journal is beginning with the New Testament which was published in 1945. The Revised Version of the Old Testament, which will be available in the fall, also will be printed in its entirety.

Each day five minutes' reading of the Bible will appear in the columns of the paper. However, a complete unit will be published daily so that sometimes only four verses will be printed, at other times as many as twelve, possibly more.

According to Murray Powers, the Beacon Journal's managing editor, the idea originated with Ben Maidenburg, executive editor.

"The Beacon Journal is publishing the Bible for two reasons," Mr. Powers said. "First, it hopes to encourage more people to read their Bibles. Second, the paper is aware of the necessity to get people closer to their churches in these critical times. We hope that daily chronological publication of the Bible will help to do this."

Conant Opposes Public Grants to Church Schools

Public treasury grants to private schools threaten the nation's democratic unity, Dr. James Bryant Conant, president of Harvard University, told 5,000 educators in Boston.

In an address to the regional convention of the American Association of School Administrations, a department of the National Education Association, he said:

"We do not have, and have never had, an established Church. To my mind, our

schools should serve all creeds. The greater the proportion of our youth who attend independent schools, the greater the threat to our democratic unity.

"Therefore, to use taxpayers' money to assist such a move is, for me, to suggest American society use its own hands to destroy itself."

Contending that the growth of private schools was developing a dual system of education harmful to American democracy, Dr. Conant said that many private high schools, operated along economic or religious lines, had brought a divisive attitude in American society.

A dual system, with tax money going in some form to private schools, endangers the American principle of a single public school system for all youth, he said. "It serves and helps to maintain group cleavages. The absence of a dual system does the reverse."

Some critics of the public schools are not honest in their attacks," the Harvard president charged, saying that they "want to weaken public school education" and sponsor privately controlled schools. He urged that hostile critics of public schools in the U. S. "be made to show their colors."

Report Spanish Protestant Church Attacked

A Protestant church in southwestern Spain has been attacked by a crowd of young people, according to reports received in Madrid.

The Evangelical Church in Badajoz, Estremadura province, was pillaged, the reports said, by a mob of youngsters who assaulted the pastor's mother, destroyed Bibles and made off with a small amount of cash.

Protestant sources said they did not believe the attack had any official sanction.

The church had been closed down and its doors sealed last February 2 by order of the provincial governor. No reason for the closure was given.

Members Endorse Week's Pay Check to Church

As a love offering for the building fund of their proposed \$75,000 church, members of the Assembly of God, Experiment, Georgia, on Easter Sunday morning endorsed their pay checks for the current week and dropped them into the collection plate.

More than 100 members notified the pastor, E. P. Pruett, of their plan.

The church was organized in 1938 and the present pastor, who had been in the evangelistic field, came in 1943 to accelerate its growth. By 1951 the church Sunday School grew to an average attendance of 350.

Roy A. Harthen, of London, England, is currently concluding a two-year evangelistic tour with services at the church.

Gives Month's Business Take To Church

An appliance dealer in Jackson, Tennessee, E. V. Pettigrew, "turned his business over to the Lord" for a month and presented \$422.90 to the Lambuth Memorial Methodist church.

A Smile or Two

Did you give the prisoner a good going over?" asked the sheriff. "We sure did" replied the deputy. "We browbeat him, badgered him, and asked him every question that we could possibly ask."

"And what did he do?"

"He merely dozed off, mumbling: "Yes dear, you are perfectly right."

He was a bashful lad and had been calling on this girl for over a year, then one night . . .

"Jane, er-ah—I'd like to ask you an important question.—"

"Oh, Bill, this is so sudden," lied the sweet little thing, "I hardly know—"

"No, no," interrupted the lad, "what I want to ask is, what date have you and your mother set for our wedding?"

—Quote.

At the height of the summer in Tampico, Mexico, a tourist asked his taxi-driver why he kept driving from the left-hand side to the right and vice versa. The driver said, "Here we have no left and right, only sun and shade."

—Quote.

Driving through the Ozarks with my wife last fall, we stopped at a mountaineer's cabin for some water, and, to make conversation with the toothless man on the porch, I observed, "It's pretty lonesome around here."

The mountaineer spat tobacco juice, shifted his corn-cob pipe and said: "Solitude is a state of mind which effectuates its reactionary tendencies and inoculates those with hypersensitivity. However, having been a victim of claustrophobia during my adolescence, I find habitation in the environment of nature's wonders not only serene and desirous, but fundamentally mandatory."

We left in silence and when we had driven a piece down the road my wife turned to me: "Well, why don't you say something, you dumb cluck?"

—Landon Smith, Quote.

During the early statehood of New Mexico, a jury was empanelled to decide a murder case. The jury disputed for hours in a bare little room over a saloon. At last they straggled back to their places and the foreman voiced the general opinion:

"We don't think he did it," he said slowly, "for we allow he wasn't there; but we think he would of ef he'd had the chanst."

The teacher was giving a lesson on the seasons. She asked, "Frankie, why does your father put up the storm windows in the fall and take them down in the spring?"

"The main reason is that my mother keeps after him until he does."

First Neighbor: "So your daughter's married, I hear. I expect you found it very hard to part with her."

Second Neighbor: "Hard! I should think so. Between you and me, my boy, I began to think it was impossible."

A bachelor is a man who will get married if he can find a girl who loves him as much as he does.

—Quote.

Enlarging Migrant Missions

By JOHN CAYLOR

In the April meeting of the Executive Committee of the Home Mission Board Mr. and Mrs. Andrew H. Foster, Hammond, Louisiana, were appointed as missionaries to the migrants. This is the third migrant team to go into the field for the Home Mission Board.

The Mayos in the Southeast

Mr. and Mrs. Sam T. Mayo are pioneer missionaries of the field. They have served five years as they followed migrant workers through the citrus groves of Florida, the strawberry fields of Louisiana, and the orchards of Arkansas. They have somewhat set the pattern for migrant missions and proved the value of such a ministry.

The Hortons in California

Last year Mr. and Mrs. James J. Horton, Heber, California, succeeded the G. E. Landens and are working in the West, following the migrant workers from crop to crop and harvest center to harvest center and living with the migrants in trailer camps. These missionaries are winning many people to Christ and serving great hosts of "the people of the road."

The Fosters in Central States

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew H. Foster have been in southern Louisiana four years where he has served as pastor of the Jerusalem Church. As they have served in the Jerusalem Church they have opened new fields in Woodland, Springfield, and Centerville.

These are communities where strawberries are raised and shipped. The people had no church and the Fosters led their people in a ministry to their neighbors. Mrs. Foster organized Woman's Missionary Societies in the communities and the Jerusalem Church people organized Sunday Schools and Training Unions and taught the people to tithe.

At the present time the Fosters are in the cotton belt and are giving themselves to a similar type of ministry in that field. Their coming to the Home Mission Board will be for service among the people whom they have served before except that their work will be entirely in the communities where migrants are concentrated.

Now that the Home Mission Board has a migrant team in the Southeast and one in the West the new team will serve the central portion of the Convention territory. The Fosters will work in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas in the winter, move to strawberry fields in the early spring, and to Arkansas for the fruit crops and canning activities. Then they will move on to Missouri with those who work in the apple orchards.

There are more than a million migrants in the territory served by Southern Baptists. Three migrant teams are but a start in this field of service. There is a great opportunity in the field. The workers are too few and funds too limited to set up all the migrant teams which could be serving in trailer camps and temporary housing

centers in harvesting areas.

Ministry to the Russians

A survey of the West by Dr. L. A. Brown, now professor of missions in Golden Gate Seminary, brings the Home Mission Board face to face with the challenge of a ministry to the Russians. Dr. Brown's survey revealed that there are 25,000 Russians in the West. They need the gospel. It has been difficult to lay plans for such a ministry, but in the April meeting of the Home Mission Board a missionary couple was appointed to serve as missionaries to the Russians. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rogosin of Los Angeles, California, have begun their work of giving the gospel to their fellow Russians in the West. Mr. Rogosin is founder and president of the "Russian Scripture Movement, Inc." He and his mother fled from Soviet Russia in 1922. He served as an officer in the White Russian army, was converted under the ministry of Russian Baptist missionaries, and is commended for his consecration, intelligence, theological writings, and evangelical ministry.

Mr. Rogosin has served in England, Sweden, France, and Italy as a minister to Russians and is recommended by friends from all those areas. He has prepared considerable materials on tithing and has written a number of booklets in Russian. He states that there is no religious broadcast in Slavic languages on the West Coast and is interested in beginning that type of ministry. With a personal ministry backed by literature and a radio ministry he would hope to make an impact on the Russian communities of the West.

News From Baptist Press

Baptist Becomes New Chief of Chaplains

Col. Ivan L. Bennett, chief chaplain of the Far East Command and an ordained Southern Baptist minister, has been named by President Truman as the new army chief of chaplains.

Colonel Bennett is coming from his present headquarters in Tokyo, Japan, to accept his new appointment which carries with it the rank of major general. He has held the colonel rank since 1945.

The new chief, a native of Ash, North Carolina, has served in the chaplaincy since 1920. He is a graduate of Wake Forest College, North Carolina, and Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. He was a pastor in North Carolina before beginning his thirty-two-year span of service as an army chaplain.

He holds the honorary doctor of divinity degree from Wake Forest College and Wilberforce College, Wilberforce, Ohio.

Among his many military citations and honors are the Distinguished Service Medal, presented by President Truman, and the Legion of Merit, Legionnaire, presented by General Douglas MacArthur in 1946. He also served as administrative chaplain of the United Nations.

First Aid Station

Minor accidents and emergencies need no fear of prospective Florida visitors attending the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami, May 14-18, report convention planners. The Miami chapter of the American Red Cross will set up a first-aid station in a convenient location at the Dinner Key Exposition Hall, site of the convention, to be available throughout the sessions.

Australian Youth Worker Visits in States Soon

John W. Drakeford, youth director of the New South Wales Baptist Union, Australia, is visiting in the United States this spring and is very anxious to visit Southern Baptist churches and youth activities, according to word received through Baptist World Alliance leaders.

A young man with ten years' experience in the pastorate and chaplaincy, Drakeford comes recommended as "excellent, powerful and outstanding" by leading Australian Baptists. He writes that he is anxious to "see as much as I can of your Sunday Schools, camps and all aspects of your youth work." He also wants preaching engagements in Baptist churches.

Scheduled to arrive in San Francisco in mid-April, he will visit Baptist work in this country for three months. Anyone interested in contacting him for a visit to a Southern Baptist church may write him at: Australian Consul General, 206 Sansome Street, San Francisco, or through the Baptist World Alliance office, 1628 Sixteenth St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Transportation Service Planned For Miami Convention Guests

Special buses from downtown Miami to the Dinner Key Auditorium will be scheduled by the Miami Transit Company for Southern Baptist Convention delegates during the May 14-18 meetings, announces the transportation committee.

J. C. Lype, pastor of Emmanuel Church in Miami, chairman of the committee, says that plans are being formed to arrange boat transportation from the city docks to the convention hall. Although the provisions

are now incomplete, details and prices will be available at the convention.

The bus fare will be fifteen cents each way. Taxi companies have agreed to carry as many as five passengers at a time, if all are picked up at the same time, for a total of \$1.80.

Many local Miami Baptists will have courtesy car service and others will carry placards and stickers saying "Hop-In, Fellow Baptist."

The committee will provide special transportation for the convention speakers from their hotels to the auditorium and will also have cars to meet speakers arriving by planes.

Western, Eastern Clergies Good For Miami Round-Trip

Both the holders of Western and Eastern Clergy Certificates may use them in the purchase of a through round-trip ticket to Miami for the Southern Baptist Convention May 14-18, Porter Routh announces.

The executive secretary of the Executive Committee in Nashville has received word from traffic officials of both territories that the clergies may be used, but for through round-trip tickets only.

The Western Clergy may be used any time before the convention, officials said. Tickets may be purchased with the Eastern Clergy between May 9 and 16 and have on them a final return limit of thirty days in addition to date of sale.

This special arrangement with the Eastern and Western officials is effective, of course, only for those not having the regular Southern Clergy.

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"Human beings, like chickens, thrive best when they have to do a lot of scratching for what they get."

Arkansas News Briefs

From Here and There

First Church, Fayetteville, Walter L. Johnson, pastor, had the services of Milton DuPriest and Fred Allerbe, students from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, in revival services from April 13-23. Mr. DuPriest did the preaching, Mr. Ellerbe had charge of the music.

Arkansas City Church observed Youth Week, April 6-13, directed by Pastor Edward E. Harris and promoted by the young people of the church. The Youth Week services resulted in ten conversions.

Missionary W. O. Taylor, Delta Association, assisted Montrose Church in a Training Union study course recently, in which fifty persons earned awards.

Chickasaw Mission, sponsored by First Church, McGehee, is in the process of erecting a new auditorium; the mission Sunday School attendance exceeds 100.

Burton A. Miley, First Church, Marianna, is currently engaged in a revival meeting with Shorewood Hills Church, Malvern. Edgar Harvey is the pastor.

D. C. Applegate, pastor of First Church, Paragould, assisted Tyler Street Church, Little Rock, in a revival campaign from April 13-20. Felix Williams is the pastor of Tyler Street Church.

W. A. Herring, field representative for the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage, was a recent speaker at First Church, Paragould.

First Church, Bearden, and Pastor John Hargett, are planning a dedication and home coming service for Sunday, May 25; the occasion is to dedicate the new auditorium.

First Church, New Orleans, and Pastor J. D. Grey, will celebrate the pastor's fifteenth anniversary with the church, on Sunday, May 4.

Crusade Successful In New Orleans

By DR. J. D. GREY

First Baptist Church, New Orleans, experienced a gracious two weeks revival recently in which Dr. C. E. Matthews was the preacher and Mr. Ernest R. Wells, Fort Worth, Texas, the singer. The church had the largest number of additions for baptism for any revival in its history. There was a total of 115 additions to the church. Dr. Matthews also served as director for the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade participated in by 42 Baptist churches and missions in New Orleans. There was a total of 722 additions to all the churches; 456 of whom came by baptism.

First Church, Manila Assisted By Texas Pastor

Pastor Guy D. Magee of the First Church, Manila, had the services of Pastor W. F. Couch of the Amelia Baptist Church, Beaumont, Texas, in revival services from March 30 to April 6. Mr. Dale Carter of the Manila church directed the music. There were 24 persons received into the church membership on profession of faith and baptism, and 4 by letter.

Pastor Magee reports, "We had overflow crowds every service and the spirit was great."

Mt. Zion Association will have the services of Ralph W. Davis and a corps of workers in a Training Union Leadership School from April 28 to May 2. The services will be held in First Church, Jonesboro. Mr. Davis is the State Training Union Secretary for Arkansas Baptists.

Pastor O. L. Bayless, Second Church, Hot Springs, did his own preaching in revival services from April 13 to 20, with the assistance of Ray W. McClung, music director, Miss Mamie Ruth Abernathy, organist, Mrs. McClung, pianist, and Martha Lou Turner, Junior Choir leader, all of Second Church.

Dr. David O. Moore, pastor of First Church, Arkadelphia, recently assisted First Church, Las Cruces, New Mexico, in a revival meeting which resulted in ten professions of faith, and four young people surrendered for full time Christian service.

Pastor Arlie L. McDaniel of First Church, Mena, assisted Pastor Dell Hames and the Ashdown Church in a revival meeting April 14-23.

First Church, Huttig, Doyle Lumpkin, pastor, had the services of Pastor Lehman F. Webb, First Church, Harrison, in a recent revival campaign.

Beginning April 27 and continuing for eight days, Pastor Lehman F. Webb, First Church, Harrison, will do his own preaching in a revival meeting. Felix Goodson will have charge of the music for the revival services in the Harrison church.

Pastor T. K. Rucker, First Church, Forrest City, was with the Lepanto Church and Pastor Leslie Riherd in recent revival services.

Co-operates With Historical Commission

On April 1, Baylor University started the procession of our Baptist schools in their co-operation with the Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention by contributing duplicates from their Texas collection, which include many hundreds of associational minutes prior to 1919, state annuals and Convention annuals.

It is anticipated by Norman W. Cox, Executive Secretary, Historical Commission, that from similar sources there will be large receipts within the year from other institutions.

First Church, Hamburg Receives 22 New Members

Pastor E. E. Griever of First Church, Hamburg, did his own preaching in a recent revival meeting and Johnny Jackson of Louann directed the music. There were fifteen additions to the church on profession of faith and baptism, and seven by letter; nine surrendered for special service, two for the ministry. Pastor W. R. Vestal, First Church, Searcy, was to have been the visiting evangelist, but because of the damage done to his home by the recent tornado, he was unable to be with the Hamburg church.

Tornado Victims Worship In New Building

The Baptists of Judsonia had a capacity crowd as they worshipped in their new temporary building Sunday, April 6. This building is a 40x60 foot structure with a seating capacity of 350 to 400 people. It is a one room structure, but built with the idea of making classrooms by stretching curtains from the two rows of pillars that stand ten feet in from the sides of the building.

This building was made possible through the gifts of various people and Baptist Churches of Arkansas and bordering states; \$2,000 was given by the Arkansas Baptist Convention from an emergency fund purposely set aside for such disasters; \$2,000 was given by the membership of First Baptist Church, Searcy. The combined gifts of other churches and individuals brought the total to \$6,000, which was enough to build this temporary place of worship.

When the church is rebuilt, the lumber and equipment of the temporary church building will be used to help build a new parsonage.

Under the leadership of Paul McMillan, associate pastor of First Church, Searcy, and the acting pastor of First Church, Judsonia, the Sunday School and Training Union have been reorganized and began functioning Easter Sunday. It will mean that some classes will have to meet out on the lawns under the trees, some will meet in what is left of the educational building of the destroyed building, and others will meet in the temporary structure. The enthusiasm and courage of the Judsonia Baptists is high, and they are determined to have and use the complete organizations of the church to glorify their Lord and Savior.

Book Review

By BRUCE H. PRICE

"This Happened In Pasadena"

Daid Hulburd, Author

MacMillan Publishers Price \$2.00

"This happened in Pasadena" and it can happen in your community. In a factual manner a successful journalist tells how Willard Goslin, an able public educator of national and unimpeachable reputation, was selected as superintendent of schools in Pasadena, and a little more than two years later was asked to resign by the same board that elected him.

The fact that Mr. Goslin was hired and fired would be of no interest outside the community, had it not been for a series of dramatic indictments which prompted the action. This book is a blow-by-blow account of what happened and is published for the purpose of protecting other communities from benighted and prejudiced selfish minority pressure groups from within, and from radical un-American influences from without that would destroy the independence of the American school system.

A wide reading of this book by parents, school boards, and teachers will enable honest citizens to recognize sinister forces, and refuse to be used by them against the civic good.

Sheaffer Pencil Lost

Pastor G. D. Magee lost a Sheaffer fine line pencil at First Church, Little Rock, during the Training Union Convention. It has the name G. D. Magee engraved on it. Reward offered. Finder contact owner at Manila.

Foreign Mission Board Reports To The People

By IONE GRAY, Press Representative

Foreign Board Asks Worldwide Evangelistic Crusade in 1953

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, meeting in semi annual full session in Richmond, April 8-9, invited all Baptist conventions and missions around the world, which are connected with the Board, to join together with Southern Baptists in 1953 in a worldwide emphasis in direct evangelism.

The action was taken by the adoption of the following resolution:

"In view of the gratifying results which have been achieved in evangelistic crusades during the past five years, both within the Southern Baptist Convention and in Baptist missions and conventions in other lands,

"Be it resolved that the Foreign Mission Board invite all the missions and conventions abroad with which the Board is affiliated to join with Southern Baptists in giving a united emphasis to world evangelism in 1953.

"That the Foreign Mission Board offer its services in whatever ways it may be able to assist the missions and conventions in setting up their plans and organizations for these crusades as they may request.

"That we ask the area secretaries of the Foreign Mission Board to serve as a committee to represent the Foreign Mission Board in implementing this program and to assist the missions and conventions in correlating their plans insofar as practicable."

Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary, explained to the Board that the emphasis will be a continuation of the effort which these overseas missions and conventions have already been giving to direct evangelism. He further explained that the national conventions make their own decisions regarding such matters and that the resolution merely offers to these bodies the services of the Board and its staff in whatever ways it may be able to assist in setting up their plans and organizations for these crusades.

"The Board believes that in such a time of world emergency it is opportune for these Baptist conventions in America and in thirty other countries to seek to unite the spirit and purpose of their efforts to win the people of the world to a personal faith in Jesus Christ as Savior."

"The World Disturbs Us"

"The world won't let us be satisfied," said Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, in presenting his report to the April meeting of the Board. "It makes us ask questions that disturb us."

Some of the questions asked by the world, according to Dr. Rankin, are: "How seriously are we taking the world crisis in which we live? In proportion to our professions and to our potential resources, how much are we doing to save the world?"

"Revolutionary changes taking place in the world demand that we examine fearlessly and realistically our methods and procedures.

"We can never match the world's need by methods alone. It was through the cross of Christ that God provided the dynamic that made the methods and approach of the disciples effective. Our methods can never be effective except as they are

expressions of the cross on which we have placed ourselves.

"I have an uneasy fear that unconsciously we are assuming that the world can be saved without that kind of cross. We want a cross with loud-speakers on it so that we can remain in the comfort of our security, separated from the miseries of men and preach the gospel of the cross to them.

"If God could have saved the world by remoteness, by remaining separated from men, would he have incarnated himself in human form and become in fashion as a man, to live among men as one of them? The non-Christian world is asking today as never before: 'Who are these people who send missionaries to lead us to accept the things they profess? What do they have to give to us that is better than what we have?'"

"What, then, can we do? In my opinion, we have never made an approach to the world that can be more convincing than the sending of missionaries, who in the name of Christ, will lose themselves and bury their lives among the people to whom they go; missionaries, who live and serve along with the people, who speak their language, who acquire the capacities of sympathy for their miseries and human hungers, and who learn to love them personally and individually."

Dr. Rankin reported that the Board now has 850 missionaries in 30 countries. He said that over against the withdrawal of missionaries from China, the Board has increased the missionary staff in Japan from less than 20, prior to World War II, to almost 90 at the present time, and has opened work in Korea, Formosa, Thailand, Malaya, Philippine Islands, and Indonesia.

New areas have also been opened in Central and South America, Africa, Europe, and the Middle East. New medical centers have been opened in South America, Africa, and Jordan. Theological training has seen advance in all areas.

Dr. Rankin gave the following totals, taken from reports of overseas conventions and missions affiliated with the Board: 1,874 organized churches; 3,600 outstations with a total membership of approximately 200,000 members; 18,500 baptisms; 2,600 Sunday Schools with 190,000 pupils; 1,200 Training Unions with 38,000 enrolled; 900 Woman's Missionary Societies with 25,000 members and 1,280 auxiliaries with 23,000 members; 48,000 students studying in 393 Baptist schools, including lower and higher primary schools, colleges, seminaries, and training schools; five publishing houses providing literature needed by the churches and institutions.

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Toltec Church, Scott Goes Forward

Toltec Church, Caroline Association, had the services of Missionary H. S. Coleman in a revival effort from April 6-13, which resulted in 24 additions to the church on profession of faith. "Toltec has enjoyed steady progress the past two years, with physical improvements being made to the church property all along," says Pastor Homer D. Myers, "but the church membership is more anxious to go forward now than ever before."

Brethren, Please! Please! Please!

When preparing copy for publication in the *Arkansas Baptist*, won't you please double space your type-written copy? It requires extra work by our staff when you single space your copy, because single spaced copy must be rewritten before we can pass it on to the printers.

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—Editor.

Setback For U.M.T.

By the Editor

Universal Military Training received another setback in the House recently. The first setback occurred when the House referred the Universal Military Training bill back to the House Armed Services Committee. More recently the House dealt the UMT program another blow when it cut out \$75,000 from the Department of Defense appropriation bill designed to support the National Security Training Commission.

Representative Carl Vinson of Georgia, chairman of the Armed Services Committee, had announced that the commission was working on a new UMT bill which he expected to bring to the floor of the House early in May.

An amendment to the appropriation bill deleting the \$75,000 from the appropriation bill leaves the National Security Training Commission without funds and it is said that "the UMT commission will have to go out of business on June 30."

However, the issue is not settled yet. The Senate may restore the funds to the appropriation bill. In that case it would have to be fought out in joint committee meetings. If the joint Senate and House committees should restore the \$75,000, then it would have to be fought out again on the floor of the House. It is quite certain that efforts will be made by the Pentagon and veterans' organizations to secure reconsideration of UMT at the present session of Congress.

It would be well for all voters opposing the UMT program to let your Senators and Congressmen know how you feel about the situation as it now stands.

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Hospital Chaplain Eyes Parking Meters

The usual job of Chaplain Joe Luck at Houston's Memorial Hospital is to cater to the spiritual needs of the Baptist institution's patients.

Sometimes Chaplain Luck has some spare time during the day.

What does he do? He checks the parked autos of hospital visitors and if he finds that the parking meter time has run out on them, he inserts a nickel in the meter to give the visitor some additional time to chat with the patient.

Mr. Luck admits it costs him some nickels during the day.

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Training Union Department

RALPH W. DAVIS, *Secretary*

April 27 Is 'Join Training Union Day'

Letters have been sent to all Training Union directors of the state urging them to observe this day. We can and we must increase our Training Union enrollment in Arkansas this year from 68,957 to 80,000. To do this many churches must increase their enrollment by 20 per cent and many more by 10 per cent. The purpose of "Join the Training Union Day" is to increase the enrollment for 10 per cent on one day.

On April 28 we want to hear from all churches that had a 10 per cent increase during April. We will also allow the first Sunday in May to count. Special recognition will be made of all churches that have at least a 10 per cent increase during that time.

A 10 per cent increase should not be difficult. If you have 100 enrolled in your Training Union, go after ten new members during April and especially April 27.

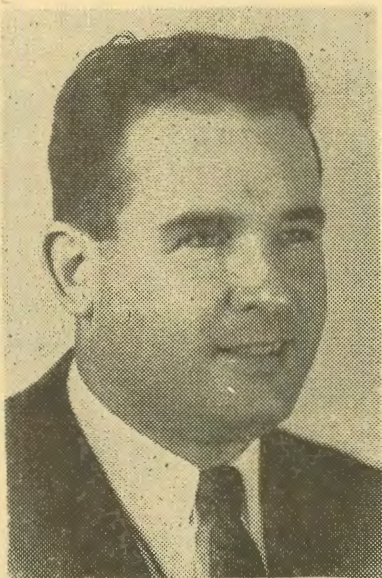
Why an increase in enrollment? Because, as we reach more people our average attendance will increase, and thus more people will be receiving training to serve the Lord better.

The Training Union Department has released the final figures on "M" Night, December 10. A record attendance of 229,995 from 9,774 churches, including 6,354 pastors was reported, an increase of 39,733 over 1950. "M" Night was launched in 1946 with an attendance of 75,964. In Arkansas 36 associations observed "M" Night with an attendance of 9,805.

A good report has just come from the Strawfloor Baptist

Last night my little boy came to me, confessed some childish wrong, and kneeling at my knee, prayed with tear-filled eyes: "Oh Lord, make me a man like Daddy—wise and strong. I know you can." That night while he slept, I knelt beside his bed, confessed

New President, State Training Union Convention



D. C. McATEE, *Pastor*
Immanuel Church, Ft. Smith

Church of Mount Zion Association, which was organized in July, 1951. They have a membership of fifty, with a Sunday School enrollment of forty. Miss Jewell Hannah recently saw the need for a Training Union there and led them in a Training Union study course with the Training Union methods books being taught. There was an average attendance of thirty-five and during the week a Training Union was organized with an Adult Union, Intermediate Union and a Junior Union. The pastor is Oliver S. Conley.

my sins, and prayed with low-bowed head: "Oh God, make me a child, like my child here; pure, guileless, trusting thee with faith sincere."

—*Author Unknown.*

I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all; but whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess.

—*Martin Luther.*

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Sunday School Department

DR. EDGAR WILLIAMSON, *Secretary*

Vacation Bible School Nursery Book A Learning Of God's Love And Care

May 1 is the date the Sunday School Board expects to have in the Book Stores, a new Vacation Bible School textbook for Nursery workers in the Vacation Bible School—just for the three-year-olds, those who will be old enough to be promoted to the Beginner department of the Sunday School in September, 1952.

The book will be of the same size and general make-up as the other Vacation Bible School textbooks. There will be ten programs, and handwork patterns at the end of each program. There will be 37 pieces of music on pages 85-96 arranged in the order it will be called for in the programs. The manual will contain 16 pages. There will be a program for Preparation Day, three suggested commencement programs, and a two-page introduction to each week. The price of the book will be \$2.

Those who plan to use the book may do much preliminary work by using this year's Beginner Book A. Orders should be placed with your Baptist Book Store NOW for the NEW NURSERY BOOK A.

Coming Events

April—Sunday School Training Courses (use books on teaching)

June—Vacation Bible Schools
July 1-9—Arkansas Baptist Assembly, Siloam Springs

September 2—Associational Sunday School Leadership Conference

September 16—State-Wide Special Associational Planning Rallies

October 13-14—State Sunday School Convention.

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Baptist Student Union

DR. DALE COWLING, *Director*

God Is Able To Keep His Word

By JEAN CATER, *Ouachita Student*

To me college had been a dream, the kind of a dream one never expects to experience—and yet my dream came true.

My family was just an average family, and we found it hard to see the possibility of sending two children, my brother and myself, to college. The fact that I believed my brother should have first choice did not lessen my desire to go. And so I did the only thing I knew to do, I prayed. And in that prayer I asked God to make a way if it was His will. Little did I realize when my father was offered a better job in another city that this was the first step in a series of "miracles" that made my college life possible.

We moved and I entered college. I didn't worry much about money that first year. It was the last week of school when I found out that my father had been pretty sick and that we were moving again—and to a job that meant a fifty per cent cut in salary.

Somehow we managed and in September I boarded a train for school with plans to stay

for only one semester. All the way I prayed that I might find a good job that, with what money I had, would enable me to stay. The prayer was answered.

Again in September of my junior year I enrolled, believing that perhaps I might have to leave in January. I think I shall never forget that morning, five days before I was to leave, when the president called me into his office. I was asked if I would stay in school if the present semester's bill was paid, and then he told me of a check he had for me for \$250, which someone had sent to pay my bill.

God has continued to hear and answer prayers, a job last summer, money received when I needed it most—He always knows and supplies, not my every wish, but my every need. And each time I marvel that God continues to bless me so richly.

But the wonderful part of the story is that it isn't just something that has happened to me, but the truth that the same God is rich unto all that call upon Him, and the assurance that **WHERE GOD GUIDES, HE PROVIDES.**

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Department of Missions

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Missions and Evangelism

Preachers in southwest Arkansas are now engaged in Simultaneous Revivals. All indications point to great revivals in the churches. Remember them in your prayers.

M. E. Wiles reports a splendid revival at Bay, where Eugene Webb is the beloved pastor. There were 48 additions to the church and two young women surrendered their lives for mission work.

All churches of Newton County now have pastors. The Missions Department gives considerable supplement to each of the churches on the pastor's salaries.

There are only three associations now without missionaries. They are Little River, Tri-County and Buckville. These are expected to secure missionaries within the next few weeks and, thus, Arkansas will have a missionary working in every association.

The South Side Church in Little Rock, which was organized in January, now has over 100 in Sunday School attendance and has probably led all churches of the city in number of baptisms. R. A. Hill has been serving as pastor and is now leading the church in a revival. Following the revival, the church will call a full time pastor.

Missionary J. D. Seymour reports that all churches in Dardanelle-Russellville Association, with the exception of Plainview, has a pastor. He states that the Plainview Church will likely call a pastor soon. By the time this is read, this association will probably have a pastor in each church.

First Church, Stuttgart, is paying the major part of Al Psalmonds' salary as he serves as pastor of the Deer Church in Newton County.

C. W. Caldwell has had the privilege of speaking and showing a mission film in the Mt. View Church, Pulaski County Association, and Gaines Street Church, Little Rock.

The Third Street Church, Arkadelphia, will observe their first anniversary, April 13. This church has had phenomenal growth under the leadership of Pastor C. R. McCollum. In the anniversary service, C. W. Caldwell will give the morning message, Associational Missionary D. E. Parsons will speak in the afternoon, and Pastor McCollum will preach at the evening hour.

Superintendent C. W. Caldwell is engaged in a revival meeting with Calvary Church of Texarkana. C. C. Ussery is pastor. Following this engagement he will go to Detroit, Michigan, for a revival meeting with the Roseville Church, where Coy Sims is pastor.

Tentative plans are being made by the Mission Department to provide a bus for the missionaries to go to the Western Rural Life Conference to be held at Southwestern Seminary, May 20-22. The bus will be provided if a sufficient number of missionaries desire to go.

The Arkansas Rural Church Conference will be divided into two sections this year—one at Ouachita College, June 2-4, and the other at Southern Baptist College, June 4-6. The same program will be given at both places.

Chaplain Finch's report for March shows that he has conducted 32 services, given 24 Testaments, 8 Bibles, and several hundred pieces of other literature. There were ten professions of faith during the month and eight rededications.

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Brotherhood Convention Postponed

In the February 28 issue of the *Arkansas Baptist* this column carried news of the postponement of the Brotherhood State Convention scheduled for April 24-25. The postponement is at the insistence of Pulaski County pastors due to a conflict between the Convention and the Simultaneous Revivals which will be under way at that time in the southwest quadrant of the state.

The conflict in dates is through no fault of the Brotherhood Department, as the date was cleared for the Brotherhood Convention. But the very purpose of the Brotherhood work is to set forward everything our churches and our denomination are endeavoring to do. Hence we will find another time for the Brotherhood Convention.

COMBINATION WITH BROTHERHOOD NIGHT IS FEASIBLE

Brotherhood Night, held annually on the eve of the meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, has been wonderfully blessed of God! Probably we shall this year expand Brotherhood Night to include parts of the day, and work in all the elements of a Brotherhood Convention. Another probability is that we shall be able to work out a date for the Brotherhood Convention in the early fall.

The Brotherhood Secretary had the privilege of visiting the Motor Cities Baptist Association of Michigan during the first few days in April.

Motor Cities Association is affiliated with the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, and is made up of nine churches, most of which are in the Detroit area.

Your Brotherhood Secretary had the privilege of visiting six of these churches, and speaking nine times during the five day visit. One of the meetings was the first associational Brotherhood meeting ever held in the association. Eighty-one men were present, and the meeting was excellent!

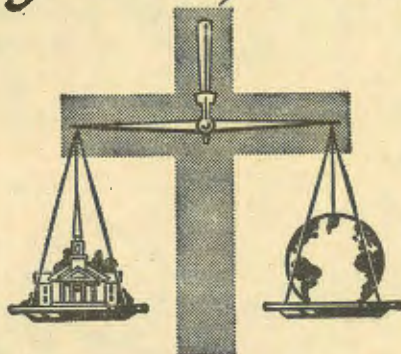
An account of the trip to Michigan, and the experiences and impressions of your Brotherhood Secretary while there, will be published soon in the *Arkansas Baptist*.

GOD'S BLESSINGS POURED OUT AT DeWITT

First Church, DeWitt, recently spent a few intense days in a Brotherhood Revival effort. It was one of those Preaching-Praying-Going attempts to present the claims of Christ and the church to the whole community.

The people of the church responded well to the call to GO. And God blessed! There were 95 decisions, including many re-dedications, 68 additions, 59 coming on profession of faith and baptism.

The Love of Christ



Should Balance Our Giving

Jesse Boyd is the fine pastor of the DeWitt Church. His prayers and his work have been wonderfully rewarded.

Your Brotherhood Secretary was the visiting speaker for the revival. Singing was very ably led by that consecrated song-leader and untiring personal worker and soul-winner, James E. Birkhead, Education and Music Director of First Church, Crossett.

MORE NEW BROTHERHOODS

The number of church Brotherhoods in churches of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention now stands at 345! There are perhaps other Brotherhoods of which we do not yet have record.

The perennial slogan, "Every Church Needs a Brotherhood," continues to set forth the great purpose of the Brotherhood Department—which purpose is that every church shall enlist its men in the service of the Master, through an organization which is designed to lay hold of the hearts and lives of God's men that they may be utilized in God's work.

Woman's Missionary Union

MISS NANCY COOPER, *Executive Secretary*

W.M.U. Convention, Miami, May 11-13

Place of Meeting—Municipal Auditorium (Downtown Miami).
Headquarters Hotel—Biscayne Terrace.

Pre-Convention Meetings: Margaret Fund, Executive Secretaries; Young People's Secretaries; Community Missions; Stewardship Committee; Mission Study; all these will be held SATURDAY, MAY 10, at 9 A. M. Biscayne Terrace Hotel. Joint Session of W.M.U. Executive Committee and State Leaders, SATURDAY, MAY 10, at 2:30 P. M. Biscayne Terrace Hotel.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, SATURDAY, MAY 10, 7:30 P. M.

First Session of WMU Convention will begin on SUNDAY, MAY 11, at 3:00 P. M. Evening session at 8 p. m. There will be three sessions on Monday and three on Tuesday. The hours for these sessions will be 9:30 A. M.; 2:00 P. M., and 7:30 P. M. The following speakers will honor us with their messages: Mrs. J. H. Dawson, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Maxfield Garrott, Japan; Miss Emily Lansdell, WMU Training School; Mrs. Minella Graves, Miami Goodwill Center; Mrs. Genus Crenshaw, missionary to Seminoles; L. O. Griffith, Home Mission Board; Dr. Louie Newton, Vice-president Baptist World Alliance; Mrs. A. P. Pierson, Mexico; Mrs. George Jennings, Spain; Dr. John A. Mackay, Princeton Theological Seminary; Dr. Boyd Hunt, Houston, Texas; Mr. Vernon Richardson, Baltimore, Md.; Miss Frances Roberts, Paraguay; Miss Everly Hayes, China; Congressman O. K. Armstrong, Washington, D. C.

ATTENTION! Arkansas' quota of delegates to this Convention has not been filled as yet, so it is not too late to make plans to attend! Send your name immediately to Miss Nancy Cooper, Executive Secretary, 209 Baptist Building, Little Rock, and she will be happy to insert your name on the approved list of delegates from our state.

TRACT RACK COMPETITION

Royal Ambassadors are going to help the Home Mission Board. We plan to distribute tracts all over the Southern Baptist Convention territory.

The purpose of the tract rack competition is to get good ideas for tract racks. Several of the best racks with detailed instructions on how to make them will be pictured in **AMBASSADOR LIFE** this fall. Different chapters will decide on how they will use the tracts they make and choose the ones best suited for that purpose. These racks

will be placed in bus stations, train stations, hotel lobbies, churches, hospital waiting rooms, and a dozen other places.

The competition is open to all Royal Ambassadors.

SPECIFICATIONS

The following must be submitted for the judges' consideration.

1. Rough drawings of the rack giving all dimensions.
2. Detailed, step by step, instructions on how to make the rack.
3. The completed rack as made by the Royal Ambassador.

The racks should be made to fit two sizes of tracts, four inches by six inches and four inches by nine inches. This does not mean the rack should be limited to two pockets for tracts.

YOUR TRACT RACK WILL BE JUDGED ON:

1. Is it attractive? It must be neat so a man will be glad to have it in his place of business—and your pastor will want it in the church foyer.
2. Is it practical? Can it be used effectively? It must clearly display a number of tracts so that passers-by will want to pick them up and read them. Can your design be built by a chapter of Royal Ambassadors inexpensively?
3. Is it original? Here is where your brain work comes in. Draw up your own design. What materials will you use? Plywood, plastic, metal or something else that is practical and not too expensive? Woodburning sets or cut out letters may be used for insignia, invitation to read, church or chapter names, etc.

The judges will be representatives from the three groups meeting at Ridgecrest at the time the tracts are to be judged. One from the Home Mission Board, one from the Brotherhood, and one from the Royal Ambassador secretaries attending Young Men's Mission Conference.

In case a large number of Royal Ambassadors enter the competition from any one state it may be necessary to have a state elimination. This is the reason it is important to register for the competition with your state Royal Ambassador Leader as soon as you start to work on your rack. Your state Young People's Leader, Miss Doris Ds-Vault, will let you know where to send your rack when it is finished.

All tract racks must be finished and mailed by August 1, 1952. They will be judged during Home Mission and Young Men's Mission Conference at Ridgecrest, August 14-20, 1952.

GOOD TURNS HAVE A WAY OF RETURNING TO THE GIVER WHEN NEEDED

This is not wishful thinking—it's not the Pollyanna viewpoint, but a proven fact. A good deed done for someone else with an unselfish desire to be helpful, and without hope of gain, will return to the giver when needed. Jesus knew this great truth and told it to us in many ways.



Like Giving a Cool Drink of Water to a Man Dying of Thirst

The Mother's Day Hospital Fund is your annual opportunity to do A GOOD TURN FOR HUMANITY by giving one day's hospital care for one patient who is ill and needs attention but can't pay the bill. This gift will be like giving a cool drink of water to a man dying of thirst.

FOR WHOM should you do this? Why, for anyone who needs it, regardless of

race, creed or color. In doing so, you are building up a bank full of good deeds that will make you happier than anything in this world. WHY? Because this good deed is the REAL THING. You are giving health where sickness now prevails, saving life where death is the grim prospect and restoring hope where despair once ruled.

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DOING MORE than is expected is a characteristic of Arkansas Power & Light employees. Paul Paladino, right, got a surprising gift from citizens of Forrest City where he lived while working to help farm customers in St. Francis County and Eastern Arkansas. Paladino is obviously pleased as he unwraps a fine hunting jacket presented to him upon his transfer to Dardanelle. He is helping build the poultry industry in that area.



Figures To Inspire

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

	S.S.	T.U.	Ad.
Fort Smith, First	1850	526	17
Including Missions	2009	564	
Little Rock, Immanuel	1684	565	21
Including Missions	1877	702	23
Little Rock, First	1323	435	3
El Dorado, First	1151	290	6
Including Missions	1303	340	8
Little Rock, Second	1003	190	7
N. Little Rock,			
Baring Cross	996	324	2
Including Mission	1040	347	
Hot Springs, Second	868	200	4
Pine Bluff, South Side	804	266	6
Silcam Springs, First	750	356	10
Magnolia, Central	739	211	4
Including Mission	811		
Texarkana, Beech St.	737	271	6
Blytheville, First	720	241	
Benton, First	716	112	
Including Mission	806	157	
Pine Bluff, First	711	200	5
Hope, First	704	143	3
El Dorado, Immanuel	695	416	9
Including Mission	726	466	
Little Rock, Tabernacle	685	249	4
Camden, First	673	148	7
Including Missions	1030	372	
Paragould, First	652	301	4
Including Missions	876	460	
Silcam Springs, First	650	356	10
Little Rock, Pulaski, Hts.	644	212	8
Fayetteville, First	641	257	6
Fort Smith, Grand Ave.	635	217	9
Crossett, First	630	250	5
Warren, First	620	136	14
Springdale, First	613	317	14
Including Mission	767		
Fordyce, First	592	214	
Hot Springs, Central	591	211	2
Helena, First	573	155	6
Forrest City, First	572	199	
Rogers, First	559	262	33
Including Mission	638	285	35
El Dorado, Second	556	253	5
Pine Bluff, Immanuel	541	244	
West Helena	536	129	
Little Rock, So. Highland	503	199	7
Cullendale, First	490	161	
Fort Smith, Calvary	468	191	4
Paris, First	460	135	2
Stuttgart, First	459	217	2
Including Mission	496	260	
Jonesboro, Walnut St.	453	107	1
Fort Smith, South Side	442	134	2
El Dorado, West Side	440	143	5
Conway, First	440		2
Smackover, First	437	159	
Bauxite, First	425	218	6
Texarkana, Calvary	425	147	1
Bentonville, First	398	101	22
Including Mission	440		
Osceola, First	392	144	2
Hamburg, First	390	173	6
Pine Bluff, Second	373	143	8
Gentry, First	370	223	6
Monticello, First	370	113	
Fort Smith, Immanuel	353	149	5
Hot Springs, Piney	345	211	5
Mena, First	336	113	
Including Mission	364		
Lonoke, First	332	105	4
No. Little Rock, Pk. Hill	325	103	2
Levy	322	146	2
Paragould, East Side	316	126	2
Including Mission	395		
Fort Smith, Trinity	311	137	14
Alma, First	302	134	6
Little Rock, Calvary	301	66	4
Fort Smith, Spradling	295	128	1
Norphlete, First	287	228	1
Carlisle, First	277	136	6
No. Little Rock, First	273	72	3
Little Rock, Hebron	269	103	
Fort Smith, Bailey Hill	250	113	1
Star City, First	249	121	11
Gurdon, Beech St.	249	119	
Crossett, Mount Olive	236	113	
Van Buren, Oak Grove	230	201	19
Springdale, Caudle Ave.	227	152	2
El Dorado, South Side	222	91	
Augusta, First	220	78	
Including Mission	272		
Fort Smith, Mill Creek	200	106	4
Little Rock, Plainview	194	76	5
Pine Bluff, Bethel	187	124	6
Nettleton	170	100	2
Warren, Immanuel	148	135	
Urbana	137	85	3
Hot Springs,			
Harvey's Chapel	129	116	11
El Dorado, Galilee	124	85	5
No. Little Rock, Grace	110	30	1
Grannis	107	73	
Steel Bidge, Lonoke	100	106	3
Board Camp	100	45	
Fort Smith, North Side	91	72	
Fort Smith, Rye Hill	79	22	
El Paso	52	39	

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Home missions is a bright star on the black horizon of this bewildered land. This is no time to slack-up but a time to pick-up in our home mission program.

—R. C. Campbell.

Supreme Loyalty To God

By MRS. HOMER D. MYERS

Lesson based on "International Sunday School Lessons; the International Bible Lessons for Christian Teaching," copyrighted 1951 by the Division of Christian Education, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A.

INTRODUCTION

This lesson might well be entitled, "Three Kinds of Idol Gods." Our scripture text describes three methods which people have of worshiping something other than the true God of heaven.

1. One group must have a god they can see. So they make themselves images or pictures before which they bow and worship. Some claim they must have something before them to keep them reminded of Christ and His sufferings. If Christ lives in the heart, God says that is enough! This group of people are spiritual idolators.

2. The second group are guilty of physical idolatry. Their adoration is bestowed upon people. Their time is consumed with human beings. These people are probably the best "neighbors" the world knows anything about; and we should all be good neighbors. These are considered "good" people by average Americans, but in the sight of God they are evil, for Jesus said so.

3. The third group before us are those who worship the god of materialism. Their hearts are filled with lust for money and the things money can buy.

SPIRITUAL IDOLATRY

FORBIDDEN

Exodus 20:1-6

The eternal word of God stands before us as a great banner, with letters reaching from earth to heaven across our horizon, with blazing brightness, saying to every human being, "I AM THE LORD THY GOD." He is the God of all by act of creation. He was the Lord of the Israelites, and of every Christian, also by the act of redemption: "(I) have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage" . . . therefore: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me."

There is no excuse for any person owning a statue of any description, for the Lord said: "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or in the earth . . ." The peoples of the East are especially idolatrous. The Buddhists, besides worshiping their patron god, Buddha, have many and various gods and goddesses as assistants to Buddha. There are those who worship the memory of Confucius; and others by the teaming millions who worship the ancient Mohammed. But elsewhere around the world, there are multiplied millions who wor-

Sunday School Lesson for

April 27, 1952

Exodus 20:1-6;
Luke 14:25-27; 16:13-15

ship the memory of, and bow before images of Mary; who propagate the doctrine of "Mariology;" a society devoted to the study of Mary's life, and to encourage more praise to the mother of Jesus. Just what is the difference in belonging to the society of Mohammedism, and the society of Mariology? What is the difference in the adoration of Mary and the adoration of Buddha? Both were human beings.

And Jesus said not to call any man Father upon the earth, in a spiritual sense, but many do just that. Again we ask, why call Him "Lord, Lord" and deliberately disobey all His commandments.

PHYSICAL IDOLATRY

FORBIDDEN

Luke 14:25-27

The second group of sinners would be horrified to bow before an idol, but their devotions are wasted on family, friends, and relatives. All idols are not graven images; some are flesh and bones. You have known church members by the dozens who merely drop in on the church services, occasionally. Some idolize home, farm, or business to the point that they cannot leave their earthly possessions long enough to even attend worship services on Sunday. They desire the richest blessings that God can bestow; some pretend to think they are the "salt of the church"—but they have such utmost confidence in others that they leave "others" to carry on for the Lord.

Then, of course, there is the group who "go somewhere" every Sunday or so. They are so devoted to relatives they must visit someone every Lord's day. "I visit you this Sunday, you come over to my house next Sunday, and the Lord's house can go hang every Sunday." Jesus said, Jesus is the authority for these words: "If any man" leaving out none, "Come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters . . . he cannot be my disciple."

But He goes a step further and demands that His disciple must hate his own life also. His disciple must place his very life upon the altar of service: "Who-soever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple."

The cross is the symbol of death. Whatever else it may include, such as suffering and sacrifice, it must mean that the cross-bearer is on a journey, looking

toward the end, without looking back. That he is committed to an all out service for his Master.

Cross-bearing rules out a lukewarm attitude. There is no place for a half-hearted service if we take Jesus to mean what He said. A mild loyalty is not enough—we must maintain a supreme loyalty to God.

MATERIAL IDOLATRY

FORBIDDEN

Luke 16:13-15

As we consider the third group, Jesus said, "No man can serve two masters . . . ye cannot serve God and mammon." Mammon means worldly gain. There is not room in the human heart to worship God, and lust after the world. These two emotions are extreme opposites. One is altogether holy the other exceedingly sinful. To worship God gives spiritual exercise and development. When people lust after the world, they ultimately sink to lowest levels, and if unhindered they will go to any length or depth to obtain worldly gains.

Too many worshippers of mammon, too many desiring worldly gain, too many anxious to get rich quick, is the answer to the national and state scandals sur-

rounding us today. Honesty and integrity have been sidetracked; some seem to think these virtues are old fashioned and out of date, but we cannot run our nation without their assistance. It doesn't take a high degree of intelligence to see that we are doomed to ruin unless our people return to honesty and re-instate integrity in our nation's capitol, and throughout the land.

The way for Christian people to avoid the temptation of serving mammon is to use our worldly gain to the furtherance of the Master's kingdom. If we have a supreme loyalty to our God we will worship Him with our means. If we have the right perspective of glory we will understand that all we can take with us over there will be what we invest in His work while we are here. "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven . . ." where it will be a safe investment, for too many things can happen to our material gains here: fire, theft, depressions; but every dollar invested in eternity will be awaiting us when we arrive.

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Committee on Educational Institutions

Executive Board, Arkansas Baptist Convention

If a plan may be presented to you that will make it possible for you to help Ouachita College attain an additional \$26,000 for operation or capital expenditures next year, would you be interested? Better than that, you can help Ouachita attain \$26,000 without any designation from your church budget, without diverting any funds from the Cooperative Program, and without a special campaign for funds.

Here are the facts. Our college can most economically be operated on a per capita basis with a student body of from 750 to 1,000. Ouachita can accommodate that number this fall. The number is now slightly below 500 students. An additional one hundred cash students can be accommodated with negligible added expense for instruction and salary of personnel. There is room for these students in the classrooms. Dormitory and cafeteria receipts from these one hundred will approximately balance college expense for housing and food. The \$260 tuition fee from each student will total \$26,000.

I am convinced that if Arkansas Baptist pastors and leaders will aggressively recruit high school seniors who now plan to go to a state school, we can present our college with a hundred extra students. Here is the solution to an economic problem. But, not only do we help our college, we provide an extra hundred young people with a Christian education.

The finest time to sell Ouachita College to our high school seniors is now—during these closing weeks of this term.

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Wild-Cat Degrees

By E. N. PATTERSON

In the New York Times of February 1950, Benjamin Fine said: "More than 1,000 questionable or outright fraudulent schools and colleges in this country are fleecing unsuspecting students of millions of dollars annually. At least 100 are nothing more than "diploma mills" where one can buy a bachelor's degree for as little as \$25 and a high-sounding doctorate for less than \$50.

I do not know if the above is correct in every detail but I do know that some preachers have so forgotten their high-calling in Christ Jesus, they have stooped to buy a degree to deceive their associates and the churches. This can certainly be said—no one is ever fully deceived in this matter. His associates will know, he will know and God will know.

This is too late for some but let me plead with any young preacher who might be tempted along this line. Think of your personal experience with Christ, think of your wonderful call to serve Him, think of the many who love and respect you, and say about this as one should say about other temptations, "Get thee behind me Satan."

the ability of the individual church.

6. RALLY COMMITTEE:

This committee would serve with the chairman of the "Stewardship Committee" in making preparation for a great rally to be held at some place agreed upon in the association as a sort of "kick-off" meeting for the revival. It is suggested also that this committee arrange rallies, luncheons, etc., at other times and at such times as may be deemed good for the revival.

The committee adopted the recommendation that the stewardship song entitled, "Bring Ye All the Tithes," recently written by B. B. McKinney, director of the Department of Music for the Southern Baptist Convention, especially for Stewardship emphasis in 1953, be used as the theme song for the revival.

The committee also gave its approval for the expenditure of sufficient funds for promotional materials to be used in the stewardship revivals including tracts, posters, films, etc.

A film entitled "How Much" was shown to the group. This film is one produced by the Audio-Visual Aids department of the Sunday School Board and is designed for specific use in stewardship revivals and study courses. The committee recommended in its findings that this film be purchased by each association for use in its particular stewardship revival and for subsequent use in the field of stewardship study of promotion.

Further plans call for personal presentation of the plans to each association with the hope for one hundred per cent enlistment of the associations.

Get Your Convention Credentials

If you are going to the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami in May, you should let us know how many enrolment cards you want at once. You will not be entitled to a vote in the Convention unless you register as a messenger and you will need a messenger card signed by the moderator or clerk of your church in order to be enrolled as a messenger at the Convention.

Dr. Roy Angel writes that the Convention Auditorium will be some six miles from the hotel area, but they have been promised good bus service for those who will not have their own cars.

No Special Train To Convention

We have not had sufficient applications to enable us to arrange for a special Pullman to the Convention in Miami next month. So far as accommodations are concerned, however, you can get the same service that we listed for the special, and printed on the back page of the *Arkansas Baptist* under date of March 20,

The Administration and Finance Committee of the Executive Board of our Convention, in its second quarterly meeting of 1952, held April 17, approved the promotional plans presented by L. E. Coleman and J. W. Buckner, for the state-wide Simultaneous Stewardship Revivals to be held the week of November 2-9. Brother Coleman and Brother Buckner have been previously elected to serve as Co-chairmen of the movement.

The plans call for the organization of each association in the state with five different committees, the principal one of which is to be known as the "Association Stewardship Committee." Members of this committee would represent stewardship, tithing, budget, and Cooperative Program. Other committees are those of Promotion, and Publicity, Church Enlistment, Finance and Rallies.

The importance and the work of each of these committees is outlined in the following explanation:

THE ASSOCIATIONAL STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEES AT WORK

1. The general chairman should be the Chairman of the STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE.

He should give directions to all other committee chairmen and see to it that each one functions! He will serve as ex-officio member of the "rally" committee.

2. THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE:

This committee is composed of four members. The chairman, in addition to his other duties outlined above will be charged with the promotion of stewardship. The other three members will promote tithing, the budget and the Cooperative Program respectively.

3. PUBLICITY AND PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE:

This committee should publicize the stewardship revival by every possible means—newspapers, radio, tracts, posters. It will see that each church is supplied with the materials needed.

4. CHURCH ENLISTMENT COMMITTEE:

This committee will serve as the "organizing agency" for the several churches. (1) Enlist every church, (2) When the church is enlisted, get it to set up a "stewardship committee" with four members whose jobs will correspond with those of the Associational Stewardship Committee, i. e., Stewardship, tithing, budget, and the Cooperative Program. (3) Get the church to set up various committees representing its various organizations. **In other works, enlist the whole church!**

5. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

This committee would serve as a liaison generally between the associational committees and the individual churches helping to raise funds to pay for promotional costs (film, etc.) in proportion to