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Series Of Doctrinal Tracts

By the Editor

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7! Seven little pamphlets packed full of vital information and stimulating inspiration.

The titles of these seven pamphlets are so intriguing and their subject matter so important that other things will just have to wait until these are read and absorbed. That is the way you will feel, too, when you receive these little pamphlets. They are brief, only about twelve or thirteen hundred words, and are so attractively written that once a person starts reading, it is difficult to stop until he finishes.

Here they are:

"I Am A Church Member." Of course—but wait! Perhaps there are implications in the fact that I am a church member which I have not as yet discovered or examined; it may be that there are obligations and opportunities in church membership which I have not as yet assumed or appropriated. Perhaps this little tract will he p me to evaluate my church membership and place a higher appraisal upon it than I have been accustomed to assigning to my church membership.

This tract is written by Wade H. Bryant. Here is one with a big question mark on the front page and the words, "Sacraments or Savior?" That is a searching question, and it is imperative that I explore all the implications and angles in this question. Does my salvation depend upon the Savior? Or the question may be stated in other terms, does my salvation depend upon what I myself do, or does it depend upon what Jesus has done for me? Well, I must certainly explore the contents of this pamphlet written by E. F. Hallock. This is something vital and my salvation is going to depend upon my answer to this question, whether I am saved by the observance of sacraments or by faith in the Savior.

And here is an invitation to worship. There is the picture of an art window on the front page displaying a lamb and a shepherd's crook. This art window symbolizes the house of worship which invites all people to come to God's house and worship Him.

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Of yes, here is the title, "Oh Come, Let
Us Worship." I am sure that the reading
of this pamphlet will lead to the enrichment of my worship in God's house. I can't
afford to overlook anything that will enrich and enhance my worship of God. I
understand too little about worship anyway,
perhaps I have neglected to take my own
personal worship of God seriously enough to
explore its unlimited possibilities for the enrichment of my life.

So I welcome this little pamphlet on wor-

ship written by D. J. Evans.

"Weighed in the balance, and found wanting." No, that is not the title of this next pamphlet but I see on the front page the open Bible which outweighs the symbol of the church. The title of the pamphlet is, "The Final Authority: Bible or Church." I must determine for my own benefit what I shall accept as the final authority for faith and practice in the Christian life.

Both the Bible and the church are divine in origin and both are to receive from me the respect and the regard which divine institutions demand. But which one of these two must I accept as the final authority? There are those who claim that the church is the final authority; there are others who contend that the Bible is the final authority. I can't afford to be in doubt on

the answer to this question and this little pamphlet written by Verlin C. Kruschwitz will help me to answer this question and come to the inevitable conclusion that the Bible, God's revealed word, is the final authority for the Christian.

These seven pamphlets are published by the Sunday School Board, 161 Eighth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee. Pastors and other church workers may receive these pamphlets free upon application to the executive secretary of the Sunday School Board at the above address.

You may receive a copy of the last named pamphlet, "Southern Baptists and Church Union," by making your request to the Arkansas Baptist, 206 Baptist Building, Little Rock, Arkansas, or to L. E. Coleman, 200 Baptist Building, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Here are pictured two crowns on this next pamphlet: One obviously of precious metal, the other of thorns—humility and triumph.

The title, "The Church's Only Head." Who is the head of the church? Is He a mere man who rules with despotic powers? Or is He the one who wore the crown of thorns, was crucified on Calvary's cross, was buried in Joseph's tomb, was raised out of death and ascended back to the Father?

I must remind myself again, by reading this little pamphlet, that Jesus Christ, the risen and glorified Lord, is the head of His church. I must substitute no other for Him.

Leonard A. Duce has done me a great favor by writing this little pamphlet on the head of the church.

Here is a banner, it's a sort of flag with a red cross in the center of the dark area in the upper righthand corner. "A Banner For Display: Our Mission As Baptists," is the title of this pamphlet by Louie D. Newton.

This banner indicates our mission as Baptists. I must hurry to read this pamphlet and discover anew the thrilling adventures in carrying the banner of our Lord Jesus Christ to all the world. Why, I can carry that banner in my home community and then support those who bear it to other communities and other lands.

"Our mission as Baptists" revives and refreshes my own missionary promptings and the urgings of my own heart.

Here is one that looks a bit familiar, "Southern Baptists and Church Union." So I turn it over and find on the back page the author's name, B. H. Duncan.

It is very important that I should understand the position of Southern Baptists on the question of church union and the ecumenical movement. So I can't wait to see what this writer has to say on this important subject. What is the ultimate aim of the church union movement, anyway? What are some of the pronouncements of the Southern Baptist Convention and individual Southern Baptists concerning the relationship of Southern Baptists toward church union? Would church union involve compromise on the part of Southern Baptists? Would they have to give up their cherished doctrines and accept practices of other denominations.

These questions are disturbing and I hope that I may find an answer to them in this little pamphlet.

Christian Martyrs

A Devotion by the Editor

"Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God."

Jesus had forewarned His followers that they might expect the same treatment which He had received from the forces which had opposed Him. And the persecution which began with arrests, imprisonment, warnings, and threats, moved rapidly to reach the climax of martyrdom.

There were three things which especially outraged the forces opposed to the Christian movement: First, the popular appeal of the gospel story swept many thousands into the Christian fold. Second, the calm courage and unafraid attitude of the apostles and leaders of Christianity further incensed the opposition. Third, the repeated charge that they had slain the Lord's anointed and that God had raised Him from the dead and now calls upon all men to worship Him as the Lord of life.

The list of Christian martyrs provides the most illustrious roster of names in all human history. And Christianity has lived and thrived and grown on the blood of the martyrs. They have gone to the stake and to the block, they have been stoned and left in prison to die of starvation and exposure, they have been thrown to wild beasts for the sport of kings.

And the singular thing in the life history of Christian martyrdom is that the martyrs have accepted their fate with no rancor in their hearts, but with the peace of heaven in their souls, the prayer of forgiveness upon their lips, and the smile of radiant glory upon their faces.

There is one thing of tremendous significance which is always overlooked by those who have opposed the Christian religion, or persecuted the advocates of the Christian faith, or martyred the saints—faith may be opposed, the gospel may be denied, Christians may be persecuted, the saints may be martyred; but faith and hope and truth live on. These cannot be destroyed by "dungeon, fire or sword." They rise from the bruised bodies of those stoned to death, they spring up again from the ashes of those burned at the stake, they flourish in the prisons behind whose walls Christians are confined.

"And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus receive my spirit.

"And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep." Acts 7:59, 60.

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From The Editor's Desk

Christian Education Day

Christian Education Day is on our denominational calendar and has become a significant day in our denominational life. Perhaps it has not won the place in our thinking and in the program of the local churches that it deserves. But with repeated emphasis year after year, the importance of Christian Education Day will grow in our thinking, in our planning, and in our giving.

Problems

There are many problems which are giving our Christian educational institutions considerable trouble today. The inflated dollar is one of these problems. The income of the Christian colleges has not kept up with the inflation of the dollar. Confiscatory taxes on large incomes has considerably reduced the possibility of large contributions to our Christian colleges. The Army is taking many of the young men who would and should be in college and this has reduced the enrolment.

All these things make it more imperative than ever that we recognize Christian Education Day and that we make a worthy offering to this cause. Our civilization depends upon our Christian educational institutions to a very large degree. These institutions put into the education of our young people a Christian content which state institutions are unable to do. It is this Christian content that is so indispensable in our American civilization.

Special Appeal

Besides the general appeal of Christian Education Day in our churches in Arkansas, this year we have a special appeal. The Christian Education Day offering this year, on June 22, will go to two Negro colleges in Arkansas: Morris-Booker Memorial College, Dermott; and Arkansas Baptist College, Little Rock. It is tremendously important that we recognize our opportunities to help these Negro Baptist colleges financially and so help them to render a greater service to the young people of their race.

The fact is that Baptists have too long neglected their opportunities and their obligations to assist in the educational program of our Negro colleges. Other denominations are doing much more to promote Negro education in Arkansas than are we Baptists. The efforts of these other denominations are bearing fruit which is evident in the fact that many Negro Baptist young people are attending the colleges of these other denominations and are being indoctrinated and becoming affiliated with these other denominations. Therefore, by our lack of co-operation and support of the Negro Baptist educational institutions, we are losing to other denominations the young Negro Baptists who, if educated in a Negro Baptist college, would become the Negro Baptist leaders of tomorrow. Because we are neglecting our responsibilities and opportunities these same young people will become the leaders in other denominations in the future.

We have the opportunity on June 22 to make up some of the lost opportunities of the past. We can only do this, however, by making a worthy contribution which will be divided between these two Negro colleges.

Cost of Complacency

Perhaps Arkansas Baptists and Southern Baptists generally have become complacent because they have considered that the Negro population of the South is predominantly Baptist and we need have little concern about them. But our neglect and our complacency has given opportunity to others to move in with educational institutions for the Negroes, and unless we Baptists wake up to our responsibility and our opportunity we shall find that the denominational allegiance of the Negro population of the South has so shifted that Baptists have lost the predominant position among the Negroes.

Therefore, we call attention to the opportunity which is provided Arkansas Baptists on June 22 to make a worthy contribution to these Negro colleges in Arkansas, colleges which are committed to the training and education of the Negro young people with a definitely Christian and Baptist content.

Father's Day, June 15

We are delighted to pay tribute to father. We think that the ideal picture is the father and the lad. Every father worthy of the name will be inspired by the confidence of the lad to live his best as the lad follows in his footsteps or by his side.

Here is a little poem written by Dennis A. McCarthy published by G. B. F. Hallock in his Five Thousand Best Modern Illustrations and reprinted by permission:

Father and Son

Oh, the world is filled with daddies—not a place but has its share;

And they're loved by the little laddies, here and there and everywhere;

And each little laddie's daddy thinks him better than the rest,

And each daddy's little laddie loves his own dear daddy best.

And there are so many daddies, plain and handsome, poor and rich,

"Tis a wonder little laddles can distinguish which from which.

But at picking out his daddy every laddie stands the test

For each daddy's little laddie loves his own dear daddy best.

"Few minds wear out; more rust out."

40.000 Goal Reached

The circulation of the Arkansas Baptist is now 40,253 paid subscriptions. In addition to the paid subscriptions, the exchange subscriptions, the complimentary subscriptions, the sample copies sent out to the associational missionaries, the copies used for the files here in the offices of Headquarters Building, and the allowance made for waste account for approximately 1,200 copies of the paper each week, which means we are now ordering from the printer more than 41,453 copies per week.

It is expected that most of the sample budget subscriptions on the two months free trial basis will be continued in the budgets of these churches. It is also expected that other church budgets as well as clubs of ten or more and individual subscriptions will continue to come in, all of which encourages us to set our goal at 45,000. With the continued help of pastors, associational missionaries, and other friends, we should reach that goal within another year.

Since last January 1, thirty-six new church budget subscriptions to the Arkansas Baptist have been added to its circulation. These thirty-six budget subscriptions have added 2,520 individual subscriptions to the circulation of the paper. In addition to these thirty-four budget subscriptions, there are now eight sample budget subscriptions which will run for two months without cost to these churches. These eight sample budget subscriptions have a total circulation of 229. These sample subscriptions added to the figures above make a grand total of 2,749 subscriptions added to the circulation of the Arkansas Baptist through the budget plan since the first of the year.

We list below the churches which have been added to the list of church budget subscriptions since the first of the year: First Church, El Dorado; First Church, Alexander; Mary's Chapel Church, Blytheville; Trinity Church, Blytheville; Zion Hill Church, Cabot; Pickles Gap Church, Conway; Felsenthal Church, Felsenthal; Jenny Lind Church, Jenny Lind; Spradling Avenue Church, Fort Smith; Macedonia Church, Fouke; South Side Church, Little Rock; First Church, Marvell; Mount Pleasant Church, Mount Pleasant; Amboy Church, North Little Rock; Calvary Church, North Little Rock; Cedar Heights Church, North Little Rock; Pearcy Church, Pearcy; First Church, Plumerville; Shannon Church, Pocahontas; Sunnyside Mission, First Church, Rogers; First Church, Searcy; Friendship Church, Springdale; Church, Stephens; Oak Grove Church, Van Buren; New Hope Church, Detroit, Michigan; Mount Olive Church, Crossett; Yocanna Church, Ink; Bethel Church, Fayetteville; Bethel Church, Roseville, Michigan; Clover Bend Church, Alicia; Harmony Church, Siloam Springs; Whiteville Church, Gassville; Grace Church, North Little Rock; Immanuel Church, Fort Smith; Bowman Church, Lake City; and Holley View, Ham--000-

It is better to understand a little than to misunderstand a lot.

-Copied.

Kingdom Progress

Administration Building At Ouachita Gets Under Way



Dr. John L. Carter, president of the Ouachita College Board of Trustees, digs the first shovel of dirt in ground-breaking ceremonies for the new J. R. Grant Administration building at OBC.

Standing behind him are, from left to right: Judy Grant, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanford, Mrs. J. R. Grant, J. Harold Smith, Dr. H. A. Haswell, W. P. Jones, and J. E. Berry.

Both the J. R. Grant Administration Building and the new boys' dormitory are now under construction, and are due to be finished by January, 1953.

New Orleans Seminary Receives \$5,000

A bequest of \$5.000 to the New Orleans Theological Seminary has been paid from the estate of the late Charles H. Dees of Grand Bay, Alabama. Mr. Dees died last year, leaving this unrestricted gift in his will. A bronze plaque will be placed on a door in the new library commemorating the gift. Mr. Dees is survived by his wife, one daughter and three sons.

Professor W. Plunkett Martin, head of the Department of Sacred Music in the New Orleans Seminary since 1943, was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Sacred Music by the Central Conservatory of Music of Chicago, on May 23, 1952.

Professor Martin has the earned Master of Sacred Music degree from that institution.

UNFAMILIAR MATERIAL

"Blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me." (Luke 7:23). The editor of a Navada newspaper, hard up for matter to fill his columns one week, had his compositor set up the Ten Commandments, and ran them without comment. He received a letter, "Cancel my subscription, you're getting too personal."

"Amateur Hour" Winner, On Program First Church, Truman

Mrs. Lomax of Memphis, Tennessee, three times winner on the "Original Amateur Hour", radio and TV show conducted by Ted Mack, appeared on the closing program of the daily Vacation Bible School Sunday night, June 1, at First Church, Truman.

Mrs. Lomax plays on her toy piano. She specializes in playing religious songs. She will appear on a program in Madison Square Garden this month.

The two weeks Vacation Bible School at the Truman Church, had an average attendance of 84. John Basinger is the pastor.

Baptists Asked To Restudy Social Security Stand

The American Baptist Convention at its annual meeting was urged to restudy its position opposing the inclusion of ministers and missionaries under the federal Social Security system.

A report of the Convention's Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board said:

"Certain major denominations give clear indications of reversing themselves and urging the inclusion of ministers on a permissive basis. . . Whatever position we may take, it should be after having ex-

Eight Years Service First Church, Rogers



REL GRAY

First Church, Rogers, has made notable progress during the eight year ministry of Pastor Rel Gray, "because the people had a mind to work and pray," says the pastor.

The church membership has grown from 653 to more than 1,000; total additions to the church are 868, with 406 coming on profession of faith and baptism, 454 by letter and 8 by statement.

The Sunday School attendance has grown from 204 to an average of 452, with an enrolment of 681; from seven departments eight years ago to eleven departments at present. The Training Union has grown from an average attendance of 63 to 204.

The music department has developed from one adult choir, "poorly attended" said Pastor Gray, to a fully graded choir program with directors for each group. "This has been accomplished through the untiring efforts of Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Reynolds."

The church has both the W.M.U. and Brotherhood organizations for the study and propagation of mission work.

And speaking of mission work, the church has been responsible for many mission revivals up and down White River, conducted by the pastor, in school houses and in deserted church buildings. The church at Monte Ne was established as a mission of First Church, Rogers, and now has a full time program. The Sunnyside Mission in Rogers is sponsored by First Church,

The church auditorium has been redecorated in the past year, and two additions have been made to the education building in recent years. The church spent \$23,000 in the past 18 months on building and repairs for the church and Sunnyside Mission.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray have three children, Rel Jr. age 10; Danny, 7; and Carol Jean, 2. Mrs. Gray is the former Mary Alice Webster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Webster, Little Rock.

amined all the facts and involvements with open mind."

"If we take care of our character, our reputation will take care of itself."

-Copted.

JUNE 12. 1952

Wabbaseka Pastor Resigns

Pastor Paul E. Grimes has resigned the pastorate of the Wabbaseka Church. Pastor Grimes plans to enroll in the Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas.

On Sunday, May 25, his last Sunday with the Wabbaseka Church, Pastor Grimes addressed the graduating class of the Wabbaseka High School at the morning service and closed his ministry with the church in the evening service.

In addition to his duties as pastor of the church, Mr. Grimes has been principal of the Whitehall Elementary School for the past school year.

Before assuming the pastorate of the Wabbaseka Church, Mr. Grimes was pastor of the Greenlee Memorial Church near Pine Bluff.

Pastor Grimes received his bachelor's degree from the Columbia (South Carolina) Bible College. At the seminary he will work toward the Bachelor of Divinity degree.

\$10,000,000 Cooperative Program Goal For 1953

The Southern Baptist Convention, meeting recently in Miami, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee adopted a Cooperative Program goal of \$10,000,000 for 1953.

Cooperative Program funds in the amount of \$5,000,000 are to be distributed for current operating expenses in 1953 as follows: Foreign Mission Board, \$2,500,000; Home Mission Board, \$700,000; Relief and Annuity Board, \$500,000; Southern Seminary, \$230,000; Southwestern Seminary, \$230,000; New Orleans Seminary, \$230,000; Golden Gate Seminary, \$110,000; Southeastern Seminary, \$161,250; W. M. U. Training School, \$50,000; American Seminary, \$56,750; Southern Baptist Hospital, \$40,000; Baptist Brotherhood, \$55,000; Radio Commission, \$120,000; Public Affairs Committee, \$12,000.

The Convention Operating Budget for 1953 was adopted as follows: Baptist World Alliance, \$25,000; Southern Baptist Foundation, \$15,000; Convention Expense, \$45,000; Special Committees, \$10,000; Executive Committee, \$75,000; Education Commission, \$20,000; Historical Society, \$24,000; Social Service Commission, \$13,500; Reserve, \$24,500

By agreement the Sunday School Board will pay \$60,000 of the amount required for the Convention Operating Budget and the remaining \$192,000 will be provided out of distributable funds before further allocations are made.

Three million dollars of Cooperative Program funds are allocated for capital needs of the various agencies of the Convention for 1953. A total of \$8,000,000 of Cooperative Program funds is allocated for operating expenses and capital needs.

All additional Cooperative Program funds above \$8,000,000 and the Convention Operating Budget is to be given to the Home Mission Board and the Foreign Mission Board for the year 1953, with the Home Mission Board receiving 25 per cent and the Foreign Mission Board receiving 75 per cent of all funds above \$8,000,000.

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It has been estimated that it takes all the wages, salaries, rents, interest, dividends, and other income of 62 million American citizens to equal the government expenditures for a single year. Taxes of all kinds will take more than 30 per cent of our total national income, while our contributions for all "church and charity" amount to only 1.5 per cent of our total personal incomes.

Youth Week Crusade At Woodson



BILLY CAMPBELL

The Woodson Church, Pulaski County Association, conducted a Youth for Christ crusade from May 29 to June 1. There was a total of sixteen professions of faith and twenty-one rededications.

Young ministers who participated in the preaching ministry during the week were: Billy Campbell, Jimmy Pierce, and Buddy Smith. Barbara Kuhns was in charge of the musical program and Jeannette Clannan was pianist.



JIMMY PIERCE

An interesting feature of the week's program was special musical numbers rendered by groups from neighboring churches.

Dinner was served on the church grounds on the closing day of the crusade and an afternoon service of song and testimony was held.

Pastor Carl H. Johnson has been with the Woodson Church for about three months.

Arkansas News Briefs

From Here and There

Pastor E. A. Croxton of the Foreman Church assisted Pastor A. J. Carver and the State Line Church in a revival meeting, May 4-16. There were two additions to the church on profession of faith and baptism.

The Brotherhood of South Highland Church, Little Rock, is busily engaged in improving the church property. The men are installing screens on the windows of the educational building and remodeling the building so as to provide more assembly space and classrooms. They are joining a Sunday School class in painting the interior of the educational building. Landscaping the grounds, erecting signs on nearby streets, and painting the pastor's home are among tht projects planned. Ray Brancum is pastor of South Highland Church.

Dr. J. F. Queen, Chaplain for Baptist Hospital, Little Rock, supplied the pulpit for First Church, Malvern, June 8, in the absence of Pastor Don Hook, who is conducting a revival campaign for the Leslie Church.

Second Church, Pine Bluff, Floyd B. Caldwell, pastor, has rented a building on Rinehart Road, near Oakland Park, for the purpose of establishing a mission. Vacation Bible School began there on June 11.

Richard Perkins has assumed his duties as pastor of Calvary Mission, Mena, which is sponsored by First Church of that city. Arlie McDaniel is the pastor.

VITAMIN CAMPAIGN

First Church, Fordyce, and Pastor J. T. Elliff, began a Vitamin Campaign on Sun-

day, May 29, when the "Doctors" of the church began treating the ailing "Patients" of the Training Union.

It works something like this: The "Doctors" are the deacons of the church, who will visit each "Patient" of the Training Union during the week, then alternate among the Training Unions on Sundays. Each visiting doctor carries with him a T. U. Vitamin chart. The patients, if they are to receive new life, must receive an injection of six well known "vitamins" each week. They are:—A—Achieving attendance goals; B—Boosting Bible readers; C-Creating constructive programs; D-Developing dedicated Christians; E-Enlisting every prospect; G-Gaining greater efficiency.

On the first Sunday in July, the winning Union will be presented with a box of candy by the director, and the losing Union will receive a lemon by the pastor.

Evangelist D. C. Bandy of the Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, assisted Second Church, Marshall, Texas, and Pastor R. T. Strange, in a revival meeting ending May 25. There were 26 additions to the church on profession of faith and baptism, and 6 by letter.

Facts of Interest

With the nomination of Judge James P. McGramery as Attorney General, President Truman has named more Roman Catholics to serve in the cabinet than any other chief executive in United States history, a compilation has revealed in Washington. From George Washington's tenure as president until 1933, only 5 Roman Catholics had served in the cabinets of four different presidents. Truman has appointed four.

Christian Horizons *

By Religious News Service

Supreme Court Upholds Released-Time Program

In a 6-3 decision, the United States Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the released-time program of religious education practiced by the public schools in New York.

Under the program, children are released from public schools one hour a week to attend religious classes off school premises with the permission of their parents.

The majority opinion was written by Justice Wm. O. Douglas. Agreeing with him were Chief Justice Fred H. Vinson and Justices Stanley Reed, Harold H. Burton, Tom C. Clark and Sherman Minton.

They held that the program, set up under state law, does not violate the principle of Church-State separation as guaranteed in the First Amendment of the Constitution. In this connection, Justice Douglas said that the New York plan has neither prohibited the "free exercise" of religion nor has made a law "respecting an establishment of religion."

Justice Douglas stressed that there is no constitutional requirement which makes it necessary for government to be hostile to religion and "to throw its weight against efforts to widen the effective scope of religious influence." He held further that there was no coercion in the released-time pro-

Baptists, Disciples Hold Joint 'Fellowship Assemblies'

Delegates to the annual meetings of the American Baptist Convention and the International Convention of Disciples of Christ met together in the International Amphitheatre in Chicago for a series of "fellowship assemblies."

Only the "fellowship assemblies," however, were joint meetings. All business sessions of the two bodies were conducted in separate auditoriums.

Mankind Yearns For Real Christianity, Princess Wilhelmina Says

Mankind is "yearning to experience a Christianity that is made real," Princess Wilhelmina of the Netherlands told some 200 persons from 10 nations gathered at nearby Noordwijk-aan-Zee-for a meeting of the International Council for Christian Leadership.

The former queen told the conference that Christianity was "the only true remedy that can cure the world of the spiritual, moral, and social ills bringing it to ruin.'

"All followers of Christ should join in bringing this new Christianity to our world,"

Navy Chaplains Using Helicopters To Visit Ships

The "sky pilot" is really dropping out of the sky these days onto the decks of ships in the United States Navy.

Navy chaplains are using helicopters to visit smaller ships in the Task Forces which formerly had to go without the services of a chaplain for many weeks at a time.

Moscow Hits Komsomol For Permitting Religious Practices

The Moscow Radio broadcast a sharp attack on the Komsomol youth movement in the Soviet Republic of Georgia for permitting school children to follow religious

Accusing the Communist youth group of failing to exercise proper supervision over the children, the station said:

"Some pupils actually go to church and pray to God to help them in their studies. It might be assumed that those who waste their time going to church get low marks in class and stay down for a second year-with God's help.

"The presence of superstition and religious prejudices are danger signals for the Komsomol movement."

Italian Evangelical Council Protests 'Intolerance'

The Federal Council of Italian Evangelical Churches protested to Premier Alcide De Gasperi in Rome that "numerous acts of religious intolerance and violence" had recently been committed against Protestants

Asserting that it expressed the fears of some 100,000 Italian Protestants, the Council charged that the Interior Ministry had recently closed several Protestant churches and prevented the opening of others.

Senator Asks New Diplomacy Based On Moral Issues

Spiritual forces "above and beyond the line of armed defenses" and a "new diplomacy based on moral issues" were urged by U. S. Senator Ralph E. Flanders (R.-Vt.) in an address to the International Council for Christian Leadership which met at nearby Noordwijk-aan-Zee. "If we can do this," he said, "we can

attract universal support by mutual interest instead of driving it to us temporarily by negative means."

Senator Flanders, who is chairman of the council's American branch, also called for guarantees of disarmament and of the rebuilding of a united Korea.

Queen Pledges To Preserve 'True Protestant Religion' in Scotland

Queen Elizabeth told the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, in a message, that she would use her authority to "maintain and preserve . . . the true Protestant religion in Scotland."

The Queen's message stressed the need for all to show "the living reality" of their faith "by the conduct and example of our daily lives and family relationships."

Baptists Adopt \$6,800,000 Budget

A total budget of \$6,800,000 for the 1952-53 fiscal year was adopted by the American Baptist Convention at its annual meeting. The new budget is about \$600,000 below last year's.

A Smile or Two

IT HAPPENED IN BAPTIST BOOK STORES

Shreveport—One of our churches ordered a film which was sent from the depository in Alexandria. The church secretary called us and read this telegram which was sent to them, said they had not had such a good laugh in a long time.

"Simon Peter arriving Trailway bus. Pick up at station."

A Negro preacher was in the store and asked for another copy of the Running Gears of a Baptist Church. She sold him Pendleton's Church Manual and he was satisfied.

Another customer wanted a Bible with "gouge outs" on it, so a Bible with a thumb index made him happy.

-000-"If you refuse me," he vowed, "I shall die."

She refused him. Sixty years later he died.

I wonder how old Miss Jones is. Quite old, I imagine. They say she used to teach Shakespeare.

The homeseeker had searched throughout the California countryside for a place to call his own. Driving into a small town, he tracked down the local realtor. This transplanted Iowan said he had nothing available and then consolingly added: "You know, friend, there's nothing like the green fields for your carpet, and then at night Mother Nature covers you with a blanket of stars and the blue sky is your roof."
"I agree with you," replied the home

seeker, "but I need something smaller."--Christian Herald.

Pastor: Do you say your prayers every night, Johnnie?

Johnnie: No, some nights I don't want anything.

Little Johnny got off to school one morning before his mother could inspect his wash job. When he sat down in the classroom breakfast was still visible on his

The teacher frowned and said reprovingly, "Johnny, you didn't wash your face this What would you say if I came to school one morning with egg and jam around my mouth?"

"Nothing at all. I'd be too polite."

A small boy was playing ball in the next lot when his mother called "Johnny, didn't I tell you to beat that rug?"

"No, you didn't. You told me to hang up the rug and beat it.

Golfer: Well, how do you like my game? Caddie: I guess it's all right. But I still prefer golf.

United Nations librarians seek to answer all inquiries with competence and care, giving the correspondent precisely what is desired. They admit, however, a degree of bafflement in handling this request from a Minnesota school-child: "I am in the 8th grade and would like for you to send me the United Nations. Enclosed is 5 cents."

-Quote.

News From Baptist Press

Professor Garrison Conference Leader



Webb B. Garrison, an experienced writer of articles for national publications and professor at Emory University, will lead the workshop sessions in nonfiction at the Ridgecrest Writers' Conference, August 1-6.

Writers attending the conference will be

Writers attending the conference will be able to take advantage of some of the experience Mr. Garrison has gained in writing for Ladies' Home Journal, Coronet, Better Homes and Gardens, Boys' Life, and several other national publications, as well as religious and trade magazines.

He teaches "Introduction to Religious Journalism" and "Writing the Religious Feature," in the Chandler School of Theology, Emory University, where he is assistant to the dean. This member of Authors League of America will conduct a daily period at the Ridgecrest conference.

Mr. Garrison has written leaflets and public relations pamphlets, contributed to juvenile biography anthologies, and now serves as editor of Emory Theology News.

Any person interested in this phase as well as the fiction, publicity, reporting, and all other sessions of the 1952 Ridgecrest Writers' Conference can get details of the program by sending a request to Clifton J. Allen, 161 Eighth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee.

Texas Baptists Dedicate New State Office Building

The new Texas Baptist Building in Dallas was dedicated Tuesday, June 3, at special services in the First Baptist Church with Dr. Forrest C. Feezor, Waco, bringing the dedication message.

Located at Ervay and Akard Streets at San Jacinto in downtown Dallas, the building houses the offices of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, the Baptist Foundation of Texas and the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Baptist Book Store occupies the ground floor.

Open house for visitors was held during the afternoon and evening of June 3, according to Dr. J. Howard Williams, executive secretary of the Texas convention.

Dr. W. T. Conner is Dead

Another of the pioneers of Southern Baptist progress, Dr. W. T. Conner, professor emeritus of Southwestern Theological Seminary, died Monday night, May 26, in a Fort Worth hospital.

A member of the seminary faculty since 1910, Dr. Conner retired in 1948 and for some time prior to his death had been confined to his wheelchair. Funeral services were conducted May 28, in Fort Worth.

Dr. Conner was a graduate of Baylor University, Rochester Seminary, Southern Seminary in Louisville, and did additional study at the University of Chicago. Baylor conferred upon him the honorary doctor of divinity degree in 1920.

Throughout his teaching years Dr. Conner was a popular writer of theological studies.

Graves Accepts Presidency Of Golden Gate Seminary

Dr. Harold K. Graves, pastor of First Baptist Church, Bartlesville, Ok. ahoma, will become the new president of Golden Gate Theological Seminary in Berkeley, July 1.

Announcement of Dr. Graves' acceptance was made recently by the chairman of the seminary trustees, Dr. E. Hermond Westmoreland, pastor of South Main Church in Houston, Texas.

Dr. Graves, a native of Tennessee, has been pastor of the Bartlesville church since 1945, coming at that time from Chickasha; Oklahoma. During his ten years in Oklahoma, he has been a leader in denominational work in that state, having served as a member of the board of directors and later as president of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma. He is a member of both the trustees of Oklahoma Baptist University and the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville.

A graduate of Southern Illinois University, Dr. Graves earned his Th.M. and Th.D. degrees from Southern Seminary in Louisville. He has also served pastorates in Kentucky and Indiana.

Convention Names Heads For 1953 Committees

Two committees named by messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention include the Committee on Order of Business and the Committee on Boards, both beginning soon to lay plans for the 1953 Convention in Houston, Texas, May 6-10.

Chairman of the Committee on Order of Business is A. B. Van Arsdale, 1401 Washington, Fort Worth, Texas, pastor of College Avenue Church. All suggestions or questions concerning next year's convention program and order of business should be addressed to the committee chairman.

Dr. E. C. Brown, pastor of First Baptist Church, Blytheville, Arkansas, is chairman of the Committee on Boards.

Ft. Worth And Ridgecrest Hosts To Annual Audio-Visual Workshop

The third annual Audio-Visual Workshops sponsored by the Audio-Visual Department of the Sunday School Board are scheduled for Ft. Worth, Texas, July 7-11, and Ridgecrest, August 19-25.

Earl Waldrup, secretary of the department, announces that both conferences are open to anyone interested in the use of audio-visual materials in the church. A special program is outlined for pastors, educational directors, Sunday School and Train-

ing Union workers, visuals aids directors, W.M.U. and Brotherhood leaders in Baptist churches.

The workshops will include conferences on all phases of the selection, care and use of audio-visual material plus a special feature of studying and previewing recent Broadman Film releases, both motion pictures and filmstrips.

The Fort Worth workshop is conducted in co-operation with Southwestern Seminary and will be held in Price Hall on the Seminary campus. Room and meal facilities are available on the campus by writing to Dr. Joe Davis Heacock, Seminary Hill Station, Ft. Worth 15, Texas. For those prefering a downtown hotel, the Blackstone, Texas and Worth Hotels are recommended. Meals are available in the seminary cafeteria.

The Ridgecrest workshop is one of the regular summer assemblies sponsored by the Sunday School Board. Accommodations and information may be secured from Mr. Willard K. Weeks, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, North Carolina. A \$2.00 registration fee should accompany each request for Ridgecrest reservations.

Nearly 300 people, representing twenty states and fifty-six churches, attended the workshops last summer, Mr. Waldrup said.

Further information may be received from Earl Waldrup, Baptist Sunday School Board, 161 Eighth Avenue North, Nashvil.e 3, Tennessee.

Southern Baptist College Establishes Rural Seminary

Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, will expand its offerings to include the establishment of a rural seminary at the beginning of the fall term, and a building program has been authorized for the enlargement of the college's services by the action of the Board of Control in its annual meeting at the college on May 26.

The seminary plan as conceived by President Williams and authorized by the Board of Control is to provide an institution for the definite and specific training of ministers and associational missionaries to serve the rural and small town areas of the South and the nation. The program of studies will lead to the degree of Bachelor of Theology. It will supplement the present courses in ministerial training in which Southern has been a pioneer.

A tentative name for the new seminary is the Rural Theo.ogical Institute of the South. Proponents of the suggested name point out the clearness with which the name indicates the purpose of the new institution.

Preparatory steps for the opening of the new seminary include the selection of a well-trained faculty, classroom and administrative facilities, and an adequate housing area for students, both married and single. Already the college has met these needs, as well as the needs for the continuation of the colleges of liberal arts, junior level, and industrial arts.

The college has adequate brick and tile apartments for 206 families, and ample dormitory space.

Missionary's Address

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Fite, Southern Baptist missionaries to Brazil, have the following new address: c/o Sr. Artur Ribeiro, Barra, E. da Bahia, Brazil. Mr. Fite is a native of Mena.

Why More Than Five In Six?

By R. ORIN CORNETT



More than five of six Southern Baptist young people in college are in non-Baptist colleges, according to the most conservative estimates made by Southern Baptist educators. Attention will be given to four of the factors which lead our young people to choose other colleges:

Baptist young people go to state and private non-Baptist colleges to obtain an education of supposedly higher academic quality.

The percentage of Southern Baptist colleges and universities which have attained the highest possible academic accreditation is above that of (a) the colleges and universities of the United States as a group, (b) publicly-controlled colleges and universities, (c) privately-controlled colleges and universities, (d) Catholic colleges and universities and (e) Protestant church-related colleges in general. These facts can be verified from information in a table issued by the United States Office of Education in August, 1951, or by reference to the Education Directory, Part 3: Higher Education. Copies of the table are available from the office of the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Of twenty-eight Southern Baptist senior liberal arts colleges, twenty-three are fully accredited by their regional accrediting associations. Among these institutions are at least a dozen of highest academic standards. Baptist young people can get quality education in Southern Baptist colleges.

Many Baptist young people go to non-Baptist colleges because they think the subjects they want are not offered in Southern Baptist colleges.

Almost every subject offered in college anywhere is available in some of the fiftytwo Southern Baptist colleges and universities. For the first time virtually complete information about subjects and degrees offered in our colleges is available in the form of a table published in the April Educator, the May Baptist Program, and in leaflets available through the office of the Education Commission. Every Southern Baptist pastor receives the Program, hence it can be hoped that each will retain the table and do his part to stem the tide of Baptist young people who go to other colleges because they do not know what our own have to offer.

Many Baptist young people think that Southern Baptist colleges are primarily for the training of preachers and other fulltime Christian workers.

Actually, the training of full-time Christion workers is not even the most important function of the Christian college, though it is one of the most important.

The primary function of Southern Baptist colleges is to provide the academic, cultural and spiritual environment in which young people of Christian background and leadership potential can achieve in college the transition from a home, parent, homecommunity, home-church dominated Christian life to a voluntary, permanent dedication to Christian living and culture which will endure in spite of any adversity and any distracting influence. Recognition of this primary objective implies no relief from responsibility for providing an educational opportunity of the highest academic quality.

College years are not the most formative in life, but they are the years when Christian background, ideals and devotion are put to their most severe test. The usual waning of parental authority and the influence of the home church during high school years renders the average Christian young person most susceptible to distracting, frivolous and compromising influences just at the time he enters college. His inclina-

tion to "go with the crowd," his desire to belong, to be accepted, makes him uncomfortable as one of a minority group of consecrated Christian young people on a secular campus. Still, he will be even more unhappy if he joins the restless, purposeless, dissatisfied stream of searchers after diversion found on every college campus.

The Christian young person is happiest and accomplishes most as one Christian majority among which it is considered normal and fashionable to participate in a balanced program of intellectual, social and spiritual development, in which the most highly admired and respected young people are leaders in spiritual activities. This is the basic superiority of the Christian college.

Some Southern Baptists assume that the Baptist student movement on secular campuses can duplicate the influence of the Christian campus.

Those responsible for student work are quickest to admit that this is not the case. The Baptist student movement, on the campus of the Baptist college, supplements and enhances every aspect of the spiritual program of the college. On the secular campus it strives to achieve similar results under much less favorable conditions and in spite of many conflicting influences.

The attempt to channel and intensify the spiritual resources of Baptist students on secular campuses is a most worthy one. It must be regarded, however, as no more than a second choice in our plans to represent it as such and to encourage our young people to regard it as a second choice. Let us call upon all Southern Baptists to learn more about our own colleges and what they can do for our young people. Pastors, W.M.U. leaders, deacons, Sunday School teachers, Training Union leaders, all can serve the needs of our great denomination and insure that it will have adequate leadership in the future by guiding our young people to our own colleges.

Our Representative Will Call

He had not been to church for a very long time though, like Doctor Johnson's acquaintance, he never passed a church without doffing his hat, showing thereby that he had good principles. A faithful shepherd finally succeeded in rounding him up, and bringing his pastoral admonitions to a head, asked the delinquent, hopefully, "Now, what about next Sunday?"

"Well," came the reply, "I cannot promise that I shall be there myself, but I can assure you that there will be someone there to represent the family."

The shepherd, wicked man that he was, turned away muttering to himself: "I wonder whether he will be content to be represented in heaven?"

It seemed to me, as I toyed with the notion, that he had put his finger rather neatly on something important. Frankly, and speaking purely for myself, I could gather no crumb of comfort from the thought that although I personally had been denied access into our celestial home, there was nevertheless a distant cousin who had succeeded in slipping in through the pearly gates. Indeed, I have a hunch that the closer the kinship, the more poignant would be my chagrin that I was not there with him.

Far be it from me to tilt against the solidarity of the family. There is, indeed, a sense in which I am not fully myself except within its fold. Here, and there

alone, do I grow into full stature as a person, and it is for this reason that I would not care to be left out. Nevertheless, were I its head, I would hesitate to inform the Creator that a representative of the firm of Homo Sapiens would shortly call on Him. Since, however, I am only a very junior member of the firm, I would regard it as unfair of the family to ask me to pay such a call in a representative capacity. "There is but one Mediator . . ."

Many things in this astonishing world may be done by proxy. In certain circumstances a man may vote by proxy, and it has been known for a person to get married by proxy. A joyless affair, I should imagine, where you escape the clinging nuisance of confetti by sacrificing the high privilege of looking upon the bride in her radiance. But this sort of thing has its limits. I cannot worship by proxy any more than I can exist by proxy. Even were such a thing possible. I should judge it an ill bargain to escape the discipline of the sanctuary, and even the depressing nuisance of a dull preacher, at the expense of being denied the experience of looking upon the King in His beauty. Nor is it in my estimation a small compensation, should my eyes be holden for awhile that they cannot see the King, that I should meantime look upon the church which is the King's daughter, "all glorious within."

It is doubtful whether the promise would

Arkansan Receives Doctorate From Southwestern

E. Stanley Williamson was awarded the Th. D. degree by the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary on May 9, 1952. Doctor Williamson is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Williamson of Little Rock. Dr. Edgar Williamson is State Sunday School Secretary in Arkansas, a position he has filled for more than fifteen years.

Dr. Stanley Williamson is a graduate of Little Rock High School and Ouachita College. He was captain in the Army during World War II and served thirty months overseas. He was awarded three silver stars and the purple heart during his Army service.

After returning home from the service, Doctor Williamson entered Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, receiving his master's degree in Religious Education on May 6, 1949.

He has served as minister of education in First Church, Fordyce, First Church, Cullendale, and the B. H. Carroll Church of Seminary Hill, Texas.

He is at present minister of education in the Poplar Avenue Church of Memphis, Tennessee.

still hold, were the sacred text amended to read: "Where two or three representatives are gathered together. . . ."

-The Australian Baptist.

A Momentous Decision

By Dr. H. H. McGINTY

Without doubt the recent decision of Circuit Judge Emmett J. Crouse, of St. Joseph with regard to the use of public school money in schools controlled wholly, or in part, by the Roman Catholic Church, will become historic. A comprehensive resume of the court's findings is presented by T. W. Medearis in this issue of the Word and Way. This is probably the most important judicial decision in all the history of the battle to preserve free schools in a free state in this country.

Instituted by the Missouri Association for Free Public Schools, of which Doctor Medearis is the secretary, the case was designed to restrain two school districts in Franklin County from employing nuns as teachers in their public schools. Other suits have been brought in other counties in this state for the same purpose.

The judge's decision in every court was in favor of the public schools. After giving an exhaustive review of the arguments on both sides and with a complete legal background, the court summarized his decision thus: "The Court, having found that the schools at Gilhaus and Krakow are not operated lawfully as free schools, further finds that it is unlawful and contrary to the policy of the Constitution and laws of the state of Missouri, for the defendant, to pay tuition to Reorganized School District Number 8 for resident pupils of Rock Hill School District attending Gildhaus and Krakow Schools; that the payment of said tuition constitutes an unlawful payment of public funds in aid of religious and sectarian purposes and for the support of an institution of learning controlled by a religious creed and church."

The final statement in this vitally conclusive quotation will be hailed widely by all of those who are concerned for the safety of our public school system and who are determined to prohibit the use of public funds for private or parochial schools. This victory should put iron in the blood.

The heart of the entire pronouncement appears to be the statement: "Regardless of the garb which said nuns may wear, the sisters of the highly esteemed, benevolent and charitable religious orders may not lawfully be employed as teachers in any free public schools." This decree is posited upon the fact that nuns assume vows and oaths of obedience which place exclusive control over their personal actions in the hands of church authorities and their superiors in the religious orders. Since they are not free citizens of this country, but have vowed supreme allegiance to a foreign power, they are not eligible to teach in free public schools. This is a principle which would apply to all public schools regardless of the state in which they are located. Free schools in other states may reap benefits from the victory which has been won here in Missouri.

-The Word and Way.

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A school boy was making a speech about the national debt: "It is too bad that future generations cannot be here at this time," he said, "to see the magnificent things we are doing with their money."

"It's faith in something and enthusiasm for something that makes a life worth

looking at."

-Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

I am grateful and appreciative of this opportunity to make an appeal to the many readers of your paper for their co-operation and contribution to the financial drive sponsored by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in the interest of Morris-Booker College at Dermott, and Arkansas Baptist College, Little Rock. As a basis of the appeal, I shall give some information for the benefit of those who may not know the history of Arkansas Baptist College and make some observations which I hope will inspire and encourage the readers to contribute to the drive.

Arkansas Baptist College was established in 1884 and has operated continuously since its establishment. At the time of its establishment there was only one Negro Baptist Convention in Arkansas, and all Negro Baptists in Arkansas supported Arkansas Baptist College until 1915. The first president of the college was a white Baptist minister, who served for a short time. Since his short term the board of trustees and faculty have been Negroes and its major support has come from Negroes.

The late Dr. Joseph A. Booker was president of the college for thirty-nine years. During his tenure he was able to secure contributions from the American Baptist Home Mission Society and several other agencies.

On several occasions he was invited to address the Baptist State Convention and receive contributions. Doctor Booker passed away in 1926. During the ten years following his death the college suffered a very definite decline in financial support, enrolment, and rating.

Beginning in 1937 the college made an about face. There has been a steady improvement in building facilities, faculty, enrolment, and rating. The college has jumior college status with the State Board of Education and is making desperate efforts to be accredited by the State Board of Education as a four year senior college.

The college has received from the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention an annual appropriation for the teachers' salaries in the Department of Religious Education for twelve years. The Baptist State Convention has made appropriations in varying amounts for the same period.

In order that the Baptist State Convention may have representation in planning the program and have full information regarding the use of funds given by the Convention, two members of the Convention, W. O. Vaught Jr., pastor of Immanuel Church, Little Rock, and Sam Reeves, pastor of First Church, El Dorado, have been elected by the Missionary Baptist Convention Consolidated as trustees of Arkansas Baptist College.

In recent years the state of Arkansas has led other southern states in the equalization of educational opportunities and facilities in our public schools, state colleges, and state university. This has been done by properly allocating the taxes paid by all citizens to the best interest of all children. The improvements in our tax supported schools have caused a great contrast in educational opportunities offered in them and those offered in our denominational schools.

If the denominational schools are to survive they should survive in a respectable manner, and in order to do this they must be able to share in the contributions given by the entire membership of the denomination.

The standards for the accreditation of colleges in Arkansas have been set by white people and the financial requirements are based, in most instances, on the economic status of white people. Negro denominational schools cannot meet these financial requirements by drawing on the Negro constituency alone. Their only chance for becoming accredited is to secure assistance from white people.

The barriers that are preventing Arkansas Baptist College from being accredited as a four year senior college by the State Department of Education can be removed by a sufficient increase in finances. At present we have a deficit in our operation accounts of approximately \$50,000. We are hopeful that this co-operative drive will be sufficient to enable us to balance our budget.

I believe there is no greater opportunity offered to the members of the churches of the Baptist State Convention to carry out the great commission than to contribute to an institution which has a program of training Christian leadership, both ministerial and lay.

Finally, may I appeal to the Genominational pride of white Baptists of Arkansas to contribute for Christian education and evangelization of Negro Baptists as other denominations in Arkansas are contributing for Negroes of their respective denominations.

Gratefully yours,

T. W. Coggs, President
Arkansas Baptist College.

These Dare To Share

Amy Compere Hickerson, Broadman Press, Pupil's Edition, paper, 50c, Teacher's Edition \$1.00.

Amy Compere Hickerson is the daughter of a former missionary to Africa, wife of Clyde V. Hickerson, pastor of Barton Heights Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia. She is a graduate of the W.M.U. Training School, Louisville, Kentucky, and a former Stewardship director for South-wide W.M.U.

All the world loves a hero. This book of hero stories was written especially for Intermediates. In five biographical sketches the author tells of those who, by daring to share with others, learned the way to successful and heroic living. There is a teacher who wrought nobly in college classroom. There is a couple who proved their heroism amid the the difficulties of pioneer life in the Arkansas Ozarks. There is a flyer who, in less than twenty years of his life, won awards of distinction for service to his country and also learned the joy of service for Christ. There is a woman who showed herself a heroine in her home wherever God called her preacher husband. There is a man who conquered pain and made his brief life heroic with Christian service.

This book is designed as a stewardship study book for members of Intermediate Girls' Auxiliaries and Royal Ambassador Chapters. While the stewardship teaching is not given in Pedagogical outline, it is there on every page, revealed in the lives of those who dared to share their money, time, talent, personality, and all thy had. While enjoying the stories, teen-agers will learn lessons in stewardship through the examples of these stewards found faithful in many phases of Christian living.

The Teacher's Edition contains helpful material to aid in teaching the book.

Baptist Brotherhood of Arkansas

Nelson Tull, Secretary

Serving Through The Summer—

Wide-awake Brotherhoods will find in the summer months many wide-open opportunities for service. These same opportunities are limited in some measure during the other seasons of the year.

Below are listed some of the unlimited opportunities that summer brings:

1. OPPORTUNITIES FOR REVIVALS IN UNCHURCHED FIELDS

The revival may be held under a brush arbor, in a school house, under a tent; or in somebody's front yard, using the porch for a rostrum. What an opportunity to make the summer count effectively for Christ!

The Evangelistic Committee of the Brotherhood should determine the location, lead the Brotherhood in taking a complete family-group census; plan the services, the music, and every phase of the revival effort. Plan carefully to visit every lost person in the community, every unaffiliated Baptist, every unbaptized Christian. Plan seasons of prayer!

If feasible the revival effort should be conserved by extending it into a permanent work in the community. Start the Sunday School during the revival, and keep it going from then on.

That's how churches begin!

2. OPPORTUNITIES FOR COTTAGE PRAYER-MEETINGS

The cottage prayer-meeting is a missionary enterprise in the local church-field, and is signally blessed of God.

The Evangelistic Committee of the Brotherhood should search out families where there are lost people, and schedule the services.

A cottage prayer-meeting is a simple service: a few songs, some earnest praying, a few testimonies, a simple Gospel message, and then an invitation.

Summer provides opportunities for Brotherhoods, through cottage prayer-meetings, to reach out in every direction to the uttermost limits of the church field. even in areas where the roads cannot be traveled at other times of the year. Summer is a fine time ilies back in the woods, or in the fields.-families with no transportation to church; families that are growing up outside church and Sunday School and the Kingdom 3. OPPORTUNITIES FOR

to search out those isolated fam-

PERSONAL WORK

Like cottage prayer-meetings. personal soul-winning knows no season! Yet summer does away with many of the handicaps that weather brings at other times of the year.

To go to a lost person; face him with his sinful condition; show him that he is lost from God. without hope in the world or in the world to come; tell him the Gospel story on the level of your own personal experience with the Lord; then face him with God's terms of salvation, "Repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ" (Acts 20:21); and finally, to press for a decision for Christ then and there;—that's personal soul-winning, the greatest work in all the world!

Remember: "He that winneth souls is wise" (Proverbs 11:30).

4. OPPORTUNITIES FOR INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES

Services in institutions provide unparalleled opportunities in evangelism. Jail and other penal institutions, reformatories and hospitals, are fertile fields in which to sow the gospel. Institutional services help develop personal soul-winners.

Get started in institutional evangelism this summer. Continue it until Jesus comes again!

Every Sunday afternoon, in Little Rock, a band of faithful men takes the gospel to those in the city jail, and then to those in the county jail. These men have been doing this work for nearly 17 years, without missing a single Sunday. They have seen thousands of people trust the Lord during these years of service in a very fruitful field.

Summer is a good time to begin work which can be then carried on through the other seasons of the year, and through the years.

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Woman's Missionary Union

MISS NANCY COOPER, Executive Secretary

SEND CLOTHING TO KOREA

In speaking to a group attending the Southern Baptist Convention held in Miami, Dr. Baker James Cauthen, secretary of mission working the Orient, referred to Korea as "our greatest missionary discovery." Numbered in the limited missionary force is Dr. John Abernathy, Arkansan-bymarriage and much loved by his 'adopted" state. Dr. Cauthen emphasized the tremendous need for clothing-GOOD, CLEAN USED CLOTHING and BEDDING. It is distributed by our missionaries and the need is indescribable. Never in history has such devastation been wrought as in Korea. Be sure the clothing is GOOD and CLEAN. All sizes and types can be used.

Check with your postmaster about size of parcels. Pack well and mark "GIFT" on the parcel. Address and mail to

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CAMPS WITH A PURPOSE

We quote Mrs. George R. Martin, president of Southern Woman's Missionary Union, who said, "Woman's Missionary Union is given the high privilege of fostering the only organizations in our churches that have as their main purpose putting the world into the hearts of those who will follow in William Carey's foot-steps and draw the world to the feet of Christ.

"All organizations concerned with the training of youth have found the camp idea to be a vital force in achieving their respective objectives. Woman's Missionary Union finds it a mighty means toward making missionary-minded and missionary-hearted Baptist young people."

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ROYAL AMBASSADOR CAMPS Cost \$13.25

Junior Camp July 14-19 Intermediate Camp ____July 21-26

GIRLS AUXILIARY CAMPS Cost \$11.50

Intermediates ____ July 28-Aug. 1 Junior ___ _August 4-8 ___August 11-15 Junior ____

YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CAMP, Cost. 5.50 August 1-3

BUSINESS WOMAN'S CIRCLE CONFERENCE, Cost. \$3.50 _ July 26-27

All of the above will be held at Ferncliff, 18 miles west of Little Rock. Registration fee of \$1 per person should be sent to Miss Doris DeVault, 209 Baptist Building, Little Rock, for all young people's camps and to Miss Nancy Cooper, same address, for the BWC Conference.

QUACHITA LIBRARY FUND GROWING

Gratifying is the response to the call for aid for the library at Arkansas Baptists' only senior college. Daily contributions are received and they are promptly forwarded to the college in order that the much needed books may be purchased, processed, made available for use at the earliest possible date.

If your WMS has not responded to this need, perhaps a little encouragement is needed. Information was sent to every president. Suggestions were that contributions be mailed to State WMU Treasurer, 209 Baptist Building, Little Rock, by June 9. This date was set in order that the books might be secured as soon as possible. Of course, gifts for that purpose will be welcomed at any time.

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EDGAR WILLIAMSON, Director

July 1-9

THE DATE: July 1-9. The first meal will be served and the first service held Tuesday night, July 1. The last meal served and the last service will be held Wednesday night, July 9.

WHEN TO ARRIVE: Any time Tuesday, July 1. All reservations will be held until Tuesday evening, July 1, at 9:00 p. m. Reservations not taken by that time will be assigned to others desiring accommodations.

NOTE. The first meal will be served Tuesday evening, July 1. It will greatly help all concerned if those coming for the assembly session will arrive on the grounds Tuesday, July 1, and NOT BEFORE.

WHAT TO TAKE: This is an encampment. Cot, mattresses and meals will be furnished according to rates already published. There will be buckets, dippers, and wash basins in dormitories and cabins. TAKE pillow, sheets, blankets, at least two; towels, and toilet articles. There is no hot water.

what to wear: Be prepared for dress-up and recreation. Sport shorts are NOT worn at any time. Women and girls taking slacks are requested to wear them only in the afternoon for recreation. Take at least one raincoat, overcoat or wrap. At times it may be cool and it may rain.

HOW TO GET THERE: From Little Rock take highway number 65 to Conway, 64 to Alma, 71 to Springdale, 68 to Siloam Springs. Before entering Siloam Springs at the "Y", turn left on highway 59, three miles to Assembly grounds. Kansas City Southern trains, and several bus lines stop at Siloam Springs.

FIREWORKS: No fireworks permitted at any time.



THE DAILY SCHEDULE

- 6:30 Rising Bell
- 7:00 Breakfast
- 7:45 Devotional Hour, Dr. Carl Goodson
- 8:35 Sunday School, Baptist Student Union, and Music Conferences
- 9:25 Woman's Missionary Union, Brotherhood, and Preachers' Conferences
- 10:10 Recess
- 10:30 Training Union and Music Confer-
- 11:20 General Assembly, Tabernacle. Special Features
- 12:30 Dinner
- 6:00 Supper
- 7:00 Night Service, Dr. Carl Bates, Speaker
- 8:30 Recess
- 8:45 Fellowship Hour
- 10:00 Campus Clear
- 10:30 Lights Out

July 1-9

WHAT SHOULD BE UNDERSTOOD: There are some simple rules and regulations that all should understand and accept.

LEAVING THE GROUNDS: No one will leave the grounds until after the noon meal without emergency permission, obtainable at the Business Office. Young people leaving the grounds during the afternoon should be properly chaperoned, and have the consent of their pastors or dormitory supervisors. No one will leave the grounds after supper without emergency permission, also obtainable at the Business Office.

LIGHTS OUT: Lights in all cottages and dormitories must be out at 10:30 p. m. Many come to the encampment for their vacation, and have a right to expect to rest during the night hours. These should be considered. Any unnecessary noise or disturbance after 10:30 p. m. will be investigated and those guilty will be asked to leave the grounds. This procedure has been voted for by the encampment.

SWIMMING: There will be no mixed swimming. Men and boys will swim at one time, girls and women at another. All are required to wear robes to and from the pool, and to shower before swimming.

CAUTION: It is understood that those who register for the encampment agree to abide by these suggestions. Refusal to observe these suggestions, or willful mutilation and destruction of encampment property, will result in immediate dismissal from the encampment grounds.

THE SPEAKERS: Dr. Carl Goodson, Bolivar, Missouri, will speak at the morning Bible Hour. Dr. Carl Bates, Amarillo, Texas, will speak at the evening services. Special features will be presented at the noon-day services. Troy V. Campbell, Houston, Texas, will be the song leader.

RECREATIONAL DIRECTOR: Rev. James Hillman Smith, Paris.

THEME: "I Can- Through Christ"

SCRIPTURE: Philippians 4:13

The Supreme Court Swings Back

By J. M. PRICE

In 1925 the Supreme Court of the United States declared unconstitutional an Oregon which compelled all children eight through sixteen years of age to attend public schools only. The Court said: "The child is not the mere creature of the State; those who nurture him and direct his destiny have the right, coupled with the high duty, to recognize and prepare him for additional obligations." This decision was favorably received, and rightly so. Otherwise we would be moving toward Hitler's and Stalin's views of the state as the sole guardian of the child.

In 1947 the Supreme Court upheld a New Jersey decision which permitted the use of public tax money to pay the transportation of Catholic children to and from parochial schools. This was done in spite of having stated in the same decision: "No tax in any amount, large or small, can be levied to support any religious activities or institutions to teach or practice religion." A Junior Sunday school should have seen the inconsistency. In thus leaning toward the Catholics, the Court incurred the criticism of Protestants very generally and violated even its own statement.

In 1948 the same court ruled in the Illinois Case that it was contrary to the First Amendment to permit Jews, Catholics, and Protestants to give religious instruction in school buildings on released time when requested by parents. This, in spite of the fact that there was no extra cost to the state, all denominations had the same privilege, and no compulsion was exercised. In this decision the Court leared over toward the Atheists and incurred

the criticism of friends of weekday religious education throughout the nation. As has been well said, the complaint in this case sought freedom from religion rather than freedom of religion.

On April 28 (1952) the Supreme Court handed down a decision in the New York Case upholding the courts of that state in declaring it constitutional for the public schools to release pupils one hour per week for religious instruction, off of the school premises, when the parents requested it. In this decision the Court came back to the middle of the road. It reaffirmed its emphasis in the Oregon Case that the parent as well as the state has a right to say what the child is taught. Also that the parent has the right to have the child taught religion. To do otherwise, the Court said, would be to "read into the Bill of Rights a philosophy of hostility to religion" and prefer "those who believe in no religion over those who do."

This is a sane and fortunate decision. It gives encouragement and opportunity to that great host of people who believe that religious instruction should be an integral part of one's education and not something tacked on to the side. Two and a quarter million of youth in twenty-two hundred communities in forty-six states were receiving such instruction before the Illinois decision. Soon that number should increase to two million and a half. And this is formidable army. Many are being reached who are not in Sun-day schools and others will get additional and valuable Bible instruction. This will go a long way toward counteracting juvenile delinquency, correcting immoral and intemperate conditions, and

Department of Missions

C. W. CALDWELL, Superintendent

Vacation Bible School At Fordyce



Last week we called your attention to the special emphasis we are to give Negro Christian Education on June 22. As you know. we observe Christian Education Day in our Sunday Schools each year in June. This year, however, we are stressing Negro Christian Education in Arkansas. It is our hope that the program will be observed in every church and a special offering made which will go to the two Negro Baptist Colleges -Morris-Booker Memorial College, Dermott, and Arkansas Baptist College, Little Rock.

We are not asking for any sacrificial giving; we are not even asking that you do your best; but we are suggesting that each person who hears the program give one dollar. One dollar will hurt no one but it will certainly help these colleges.

forming a bulwark against mater-

While thinking of Negro work. let us remind you of the service that can be rendered the Negroes through Vacation Bible Schools. Several churches plan to sponsor such schools for Negroes. Many others should do the same.

Missionary A. P. Elliff reported an outstanding Vacation Bible School for Negroes in Fordyce last summer. The enrollment and interest were beyond expectations. Try it in your community.

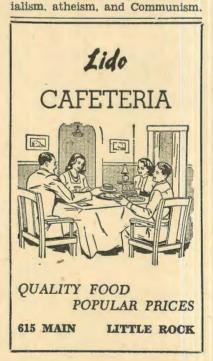
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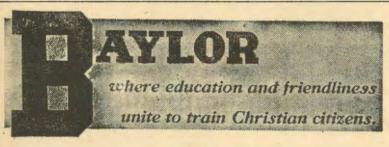
"Thank God, every morning, when you get up that you have something that must be done, whether you like it or not. Being forced to work, and being forced to do your best, will breed in you temperance, self-control, diligence, strength of will, content and a hundred virtues that the idle never know."

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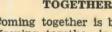




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FALL QUARTER OPENS SEPTEMBER 16 FOR INFORMATION, WRITE THE REGISTRAR





Keeping together is progress, Working together is success.



POAU Leader Warns Eisenhower Against Catholic Vote

Dr. Glenn L. Archer, executive director of Protestants and Other Americans United (POAU), has written General Dwight D. Eisenhower, a potential Republican candidate for President, what amounts to a veiled warning not be jockeyed into seeking Roman Catholic political support by promising an appointee to the Vatican, or by other tactics.

"Recent primary results demonstrate with unmistakable force the high regard which millions of Americans hold for you," Doctor Archer stated in the letter, which was reprinted in Church and State Newsletter, official POAU organ Washington, D. C. "I rejoice in the manifestations both as a fellow Kansan and fellow American.

"There is, however, one aspect of recent political debates which is a cause of sorrow, rather than gratification, to all patriotic citizens-I mean the deplorable injection of the so-called 'religious' issue into national politics, resulting from the President's illfated appointment of an Ambassador to the Vatican and his oftrepeated assertion that he will seek to implement this move in spite of the great public outcry against any entanglement with the Vatican. I am writing . . . to you because I am concerned lest you, too, may be dragged into this futile and harmful contest which today poses a grave threat to American unity at a crucial hour in world history.

". . Almost superhuman integrity is required of a political leader before he can look at this question in any terms other than, 'How many votes will it win or lose for me if I take one stand or the other?' It is not surprising, therefore, that at least two Senators who are presidential aspirants have sought to straddle the issue by suggesting a reversion to the stratagem of a 'Personal Representative of the President' to the Vatican. By reason of my present position, however, I believe I can testify with assurance that such a maneuver would prove to be as offensive to the great majority of Americans as the proposal for a formal Ambassador to the Pope.

"I sincerely hope, therefore, that you will resolutely decline to be drawn into the jockeying for political advantage through appeal to any so-called 'Catholic' or other 'religious' vote. By sticking to the real issues of statesmanship, I believe that you will shortly be given an unparalleled opportunity to lead America into a brave new world."

-Washington Religious Review.

Book Review

"THE MEANING AND MESSAGES OF THE BOOK OF REVELATION"

By EDWARD A. McDOWELL

Broadman Press,

The author's view is in his statement, "When Revelation is studied in its historical context it becomes revelant for our time." The reader who is interested in a detailed critical study of the Book of Revelation with reference to sources, dates, etc. will be disappointed. The reader who is interested in a chart for history which is yet to be, whether taken from the first century view, or the twentieth century will be disappointed. But the reader who is interested in an interpretation of history which recognizes the ever present element of crisis and the final and complete victory of righteousness will appreciate the book. The interpretation of the

Associational Elimination In Hymn Playing Due

Associational Music directors are urged to conduct the Hymn Playing Elimination before July 1 and send names and ages of winners who will enter the State Tournament at Siloam Springs to Mrs. B. W. Nininger, 212 Baptist Building, Little Rock, Arkansas, at once.

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When success turns a man's head, it always leaves him looking in the wrong direction.

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symbolism of Revelation is understandable and profitable. There is nothing weird and fantastic in the author's interpretation nor is there any evidence of a cold destructive attitude. The book is recommended for those who are interested in reading a useful interpretation of the Book of Revelation.

Figures To Inspire

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A BLIND WOMAN'S GIFT

A poor blind woman in Paris once put twenty-seven francs into a plate at a missionary meeting. "You can't afford so much," said one.

"Yes, sir, I can," she explained. On being pressed to explain, she said, "I am blind, and I said to my fellow straw worker, 'How much money do you spend in a year for oil in your lamps when it is too dark to work nights? They replied, 'About twenty-seven francs'."

"So," said the poor woman, "I found that I could save so much in the year because I am blind and do not need a lamp, and I give it to shed Gospel light to the dark heathen lands."

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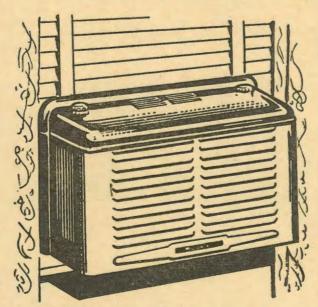
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HELPING BUILD ARKANSAS

Be Truthful

By Mrs. Homer D. Myers

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We usually think of "Truth" as being accurate statement of facts. That is true. An incorrect statement of facts is a falsehood, whether told intentionally or otherwise. But truth is much broader than a sentence composed of so many words, or an accurate statement of facts.

THEOLOGICAL TRUTH

Truth in its greatest sense is theological and spiritual. Jesus said, "I am the truth . . ." In the same sense that "God is love," God is also truth; the Father of truth, the source of all truth. The Apostle John had much to say about truth in his epistles. I John 2:4 tells us that truth and deception cannot dwell in the same person. "He that saith, I know him. and keepeth not his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him."

Again, he warns us to "try the spirits"; ascertain if one witnesses to the truth or to evil, for some prophets are of Satan, parading under the banner of God. Jesus told us that the Devil is a liar, and the father of lies; he is the source of all evil, just as God is the fountain head of all that is good. Jesus also said He would send the Spirit of truth, who would guide us in all truth, if we wish to be guided. John commended the believers with these words; "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in the truth."

Thus, in the spiritual realm, we have the truth versus the false; truth battling against evil. We may choose the truth of Christian doctrines or we may be led away by false prophets who preach another gospel. It is the privilege of every person to know what the Bible teaches, and those who follow human leaders with man-made religions are without excuse for their error. We are prone to pity those who are led astray by the Jehovah Witnesses, Christian Scientists. Mormonism, and other materialistic religions that are conceived by Satan and born of un-regenerated men and women, but when those deluded people stand before the judgment seat of God—they shall stand without excuse for their sins.

TRUTH—A PRINCIPLE

The most beautiful lives on earth are those that are motivated by principle; who are sincere; who are dependable, reliable, who harbor no hypocrisy. Every successful endeavor is accomplished by dependable people; by people Sunday School Lesson for June 15, 1952

Exodus 20:16; John 18:15-27

who do just what they say they will. In short; worthwhile things are always done by people who love the truth; by people of integrity.

"Thou shalt not bear false witness..." First, because of principle. Any sinner may be a respectable citizen if he is a man of principle; a man who is truthful.

TRUTH-A LIFE ATTITUDE

Truth should be an every day habit. This rules out every hint of exaggeration. When truth is stretched, it becomes a falsehood. Or, a portion of truth may be omitted in telling something, and do an injustice to the person in question. One may engage in a little exaggeration here, and a little deception there, and before one knows it, others have lost confidence in him or her. If a person is known for his integrity, he must earn the distinction by being exceedingly truthful.

Parents should maintain a lifeattitude toward truthfulness in dealing with their children. Promises should be kept, or made upon the condition that they will be kept if at all possible. Parents should not continually threaten to discipline children—and never do it. Children watch their parents, and know more about their honesty than anybody else.

REASONS FOR FALSIFYING

In spite of the commandment of God: "Thou shalt not bear false witness," it seems to be human nature to falsify when it is to one's advantage. Sometimes one is caught "in a jam" and falsifies without thinking. We have known people who enjoyed prying into the affairs of others, and oftentimes those people get the wrong answers to their prying questions. Others falsify from fear. That was Peter's predicament in the trial of Jesus. He was seized with fear; he was overwhelmed with the desire to live, even though he had recently told Jesus he would die with Him. When Peter came face to face with the possibility of death, it was so easy to stand and say: "I never knew the man . . . I do not know him at all."

Others falsify for gain. That was the cause with Judas. His crime was premeditated. Peter's was not. Judas sold his Master and betrayed Him with a kiss, a mark of affection. That kiss was the grossest lie ever told. Lies may be told in many ways, by certain attitudes, without speaking one word. Any kind of deception is a lie.

Then there are others who fal-

sify for fun—they just enjoy it. You have known people who simply could not "tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth." Some have a mania for "tall tales," and too often they are told for the truth.

Gossiping, no doubt, would come

Gossiping, no doubt, would come under the head of falsifying for fun. While one may gossip without telling falsehoods on another, gossiping breeds evil, and would encourage its victims to exaggerate the faults of friends or foe.

ate the faults of friends or foe.

The Lord said, "Thou shalt not, bear false witness against thy neighbor." The false witness is not only a liar, but often a thief. The person who handles the truth loosely is dangerous. Money stolen may be replaced; restitution may be made for many sins, but a falsehood propagated against an innocent person cannot be recalled, nor can all its damage ever be repaired. To question one's character or morals, to merely express a doubt about one's character in a subtle manner, can do untold harm in the life of another.

BE TRUTHFUL WITH ONE ANOTHER

We have a tremendous obligation before God and our fellowman to be truthful. If one speaks at all, he or she should be so careful to speak the truth. We should seek the truth, rejoicing not in iniquity, but in truth. We should live the truth, practice the truth, think the truth, and the results will be a noble character, a person whom others will have to respect.

All statements should be made with the realization that God is listening. He hears all, knows all and sees all. If we were speaking to Him directly, surely we would be truthful—certainly we would understand that He would see through any pretense we might have. Yet, we forget that truth many times in telling something that has happened, and tell things in such a way as to influence the hearer to see things our way.

BY ALL MEANS— BE TRUTHFUL TO GOD

The most amazing thing in all the world, however, is the way people falsify to God in their prayers! When people stand in a public service and tell God how much they love the church, and how much they love the church members, there should be a bit of truthfulness in their prayers, for if the church members about them know they are not telling the truth—what must God think of them?

"Thou shalt not bear false witness," before God, nor men, in any way, shape, form, or fashion.

"A religion that does nothing that gives nothing, that costs nothing, that suffers nothing is worth nothing."

"If you can't be thankful for what you receive, be thankful for what you escape."

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Central College Graduates 1949-50

The Central College Liquidating Agency finds that for some cause unknown to us, diplomas were not given to the graduates of Central College in 1949 or in 1950. We have proceeded to order these diplomas and they will be ready as soon as we can get the authorities to sign them. Meanwhile we need more information about the graduates of those two years. We are publishing herewith a list of the graduates of these two years and we will be ready to give out the diplomas properly signed at an early date. If you are a graduate of Central College, having finished in either one of these two years, and your account is paid up which is not only customary, but which is demanded by all schools before dip'omas are given, you may have your diploma or certificate, but we need your address because in several instances we do not have the address of the graduate. In some cases we do have the address, but we will appreciate it if you will give us information that you may have as to the whereabouts of these graduates just as soon as you read this article. Thank you! Here is the list:

Those Receiving Associate of Arts Degrees Are:

Margaret E. Armstrong, Jack E. Ausbrooks, Norma Jean (Tate) Ausbrooks, Dale Beach, Marion F. Boyd Jr., Edward W. Bratton, Charles F. Broughton, June M. Buchanan, Willis M. Crosby, Peggy Davidson, Mary K. Dennis, Ruth Dowell, Thelma J. Haley, Don R. Hankins, John A. Harper, Frederick D. Hubbs, James R. Knight,

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Christian Education Day

Let us not forget that June 22 is Christian Education Day at the churches and Sunday Schools. Study Christian Education and make your contribution that day for this cause. It will be given for our negro Baptist colleges this year. They need it and we need to give. Your extra contribution will help you and it will help others. Let's do something for this worthy cause.

Thank You Brethren

During the month of May our churches and friends contributed a little more for the Cooperative Program than the monthly budget calls for. We are grateful indeed to the Lord, and to the churches. For the monthly budget we needed \$73,023.61, but the brethren sent in \$74,390. This is not only gratifying and satisfying, but it is encouraging indeed. All the more so, because it was the month of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting and frequently on a Convention month we have to worry about a deficiency in Cooperative Program contributions. Last year, however, the receipts were good during the month of May. We received \$61,968 which was \$15 more than the budget called for, but in May this year we received \$1,367 more than the budget called for. Again we say thank

This liberality also presages a great year for 1953. With the all-out Stewardship Revival Campaign which your office is pre-paring for the latter part of this year our churches will do much better in 1953. We should be able to go well over a million dollars in undesignated contributions in 1953. Let us hope and pray and work harder than ever. Then let us be wise in our planning and in our work and make every dollar produce good results in the work of the kingdom in Arkansas and to the ends of the earth.

Buckner And Coleman, Busy

J. W. Buckner and L. E. Coleman, our assistant, are busy these days promoting the Simultaneous Stewardship Revivals to be held throughout the state November 2-9. When these lines appear in your state paper, they will have been in a associational workers of ferences, and in the pastor's conferences held last week at Ouachita College and Southern Baptist College.

Brother Coleman reports good interest being manifested in these revivals. We have received letters of encouragement, and promises of an all-out effort in this particular phase of our work this year from many pastors over the state.

Brother Buckner and Brother Coleman are working on an itinerary which will take them into every association by the first of September where a meeting can possibly be arranged. In addition to the workers' conferences, they will also present their plans and the program for the promotion of the revivals in pastors' conferences to be held at Harrison, Alma, and Monticello. In addition to these conferences, they will present their plans at the eleven o'clock hour on the Siloam Springs Assembly program Friday, July 4. This is the day and hour assigned our department for the presentation of our work at the Assembly.

All of us who are charged with the promotion of these Simultaneous Stewardship Revivals would encourage anyone or all of our people to write us giving suggestions or constructive criticism which would help us in promoting this cam-

Central College Property In Conway

Your Central College Liquidating Agency has not sold the Central College property in Conway at this writing (June 5). The group of our North American Baptist Association leaders that has been negotiating with us for the purchase of the property has not been able to come through on the deal as of today. June 1 was the day when we were expecting to consummate the deal. This group of brethren, however, believe that within two weeks they will have everything in hand and that the deal can be closed. We are giving them this additional extension of time, and we trust that everything will go through as hoped and as planned. If on June 16 the deal is not completed, your Liquidating Agency will proceed to contact other prospective purchasers.

Contributions For Storm Torn Churches

Church & Pastor	mount
Pickles Gap, T. W. Hayes	120.80
Carlisle, L. G. Gatlin	10.00
West Helena	56.52
Hope, S. A. Whitlow	65.00
Ft. Smith, First, J. Harold Smith	738.51
Smackover, Dale Taylor	56.00
Melbourne, Ewell Boyles	42.50
Bay, Eugene Webb	100.00
Mountain Home, D. W. Stark	47.27
Eudora, Dillard Miller	35.00
Crooked Bayou, Leroy Brady	
Cabot, Wilson Deese	5.00
DeQueen, S. W. Eubanks	105.13
Immanuel, Little Rock, W. O. Vaught	10.00
Osceola, Percy F. Herring	136.44
Current River Association	50.00



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SUBJECT:

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ARKANSAS STATIONS

KELD, El Dorado, 2 p. m.

KENA, Mena, 2 p. m.

KDRS, Paragould, 10 a. m.

KUOA, Siloam Springs, 4:30 p. m.

KOSE, Osceola, 5:30 p. m. KUMA, Magnolia

KOTN, Pine Bluff, Sat., 8:30 p. m.

KRLW, Walnut Ridge.

Consult local paper for time.