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Personally speaking



Boys as assets

This week the writer of this column is John E. Roberts, editor of *The Baptist Courier*, official organ of South Carolina Baptists. We have lifted his "Personally" column from his issue of Oct. 17. Here it is:

"His name is Tom and he lives in Thomasville, that little North Carolina city that comes close to being the "Chair Capital" of the world.

"Tom is an artist, but he doesn't know it. It is Tom's job to take ugly rough boards straight from the sawmill and turn them into beautiful polished mahogany or walnut or cherry or oak for furniture to grace the nation's finest homes.

"As in most giant industrial plants, Tom does not get to see his product through every step from start to finish. He treats it through a few crucial processes and passes it on to another department for succeeding steps. He never sees the lumber as rough, splintery, knots and bark showing. From the beginning he sees it as it is going to be when his giant kilns have rid it of moisture, when planers and polishers have given a glass-hard finish and the once ugly grain is now the source of the wood's beauty.

"This visionary quality allows Tom to run his hand lovingly over a dusty, sun blackened and mud spattered board and speak of it as a beautiful dining room chair.

"Tom is a deacon, an usher, a Sunday school teacher. But he gives his spare time to boys—anybody's boys. With a fierce allegiance they call themselves "Tom's boys," and indeed they are. He has been a Scoutmaster for a generation, and some of his "boys" are looking forward to having their own sons in his troop. The supreme tribute is the way neighboring Scout leaders stand in line to enroll their sons with him.

"His life is built around the boys. He bought a little place in the country and moved there as much for the boys as for himself. On any Saturday they drift in singly, in twos, half a dozen to roam the woods, cook over campfires, splash in the stream and sleep in the ever-present tents.

"Tom sees the boys the same way he sees lumber. He looks beyond the tousled hair, freckles,

carefree and careless present to the stately and accomplished man the boy is to become. He has them for only a little while. Like his work in the furniture plant, his is merely a step in the development process. But with his touch as an artist it is enough."

Thanks, John!

Erwin L. McDonald

IN THIS ISSUE:

WILL you be among the 10,000 expected to attend the Crusade of the Americas rally (pages 9, 10) on Nov. 4? Three Baptist conventions will be represented.

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A second look at college plan

One of the advantages of publishing in advance of the annual meeting of the Arkansas State Convention any proposals to be up for action by the Convention is that this gives opportunity for intelligent consideration before time to vote. We are happy to carry in this issue (see page 4) the thinking of one of our pastors—Dr. W. O. Vaught Jr., of Little Rock's Immanuel Church—about proposed actions concerning the admission of Southern Baptist College to our Arkansas Baptist family of institutions.

Granted the admission of Southern Baptist College, the question of whether or not there is to be one board or two has something to be said both for and against, regardless of which way we go. It would seem, that having one board for the operation of the two colleges we would then have, has much to be said in its favor. There is the prospect of a higher percentage of coordination and unity of Christian education purpose and accomplishment under one board than under two separate boards. On the other hand, there is always the very real possibility, as Dr. Vaught suggests, that the "wholesome competition" resulting from each college having its own board could have an over-all beneficial effect.

Personally, we do not see why we could not have eminent success in our education program going either of these routes—with one over-all board, or with each institution having its own board.

We are heartily in accord with the Vaught reaction to the method of electing board members. In harmony with our Baptist democratic processes, we agree that vacancies on the college board or boards should be filled the same way vacancies are filled on the boards of other institutions or agencies—with the Convention's nominating committee being unrestricted in the selection of names to be put before the Convention for election or rejection. Any consulting the committee might do with institutional heads should be left to the discretion of the committee itself. And when the nominating committee has made its recommendations, there should always be opportunity for other nominations to be made from the floor of the Convention.

The proposal for the naming of a chancellor to serve both colleges, yet without exerting any administrative influence on either, sounds, as Dr. Vaught suggests, difficult or impossible to fulfill.

This strikes us as something not really essential at this time to the admission of Southern Baptist College. How best to promote the mutual wellbeing of Southern and of Ouachita University would seem to be something that might better be arrived at—by one board or by two—working with the administrations of the two schools in the months and years ahead.

The fact that there is obviously to be honest differences of opinion on this or on any other issue that may be before the Convention this time is no ground for disappointment or apprehension. The test will be on whether we can come together with open minds, earnestly seeking to know and understand as many of the facts as we possibly can, and praying always for the leadership of the Holy Spirit. We have a challenge here to use well the time between now and the Convention sessions.

Use the laymen

Pastors and churches need to let their laymen know that they are wanted, Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, Miss., business executive and church leader, told persons attending the recent Continental Congress on Evangelism, in Washington, D. C.

Pointing to a growing shortage of pastors, Cooper, who is a vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention and a leader of the Crusade of the Americas, said that Baptists in North America might well follow the example of Baptists in South America and call on laymen to accept preaching assignments.

Southern Baptists now have 1,000 fewer ministerial students in their seminaries than they had 10 years ago, he said. He said we are going to have to "stop organizing churches, or start enlisting more pastors, or begin putting more laymen to pastoring churches."

Speaking to the pastors in the meeting, Cooper said, "You have some 10-talent men in your churches and you ought to give them 10-talent jobs."

Brother Cooper is himself an excellent example of a many-talented layman dedicating his service to the Lord. May his tribe rapidly increase. The work of the Kingdom is far too great to be left to the pastors, the paid church workers, and the women.

Arkansas all over

Gravette progress

John B. Stephen, Gravette, writes: "We are proud of our church, First Baptist at Gravette," and calls our attention to the fact that his pastor, Gene Box, was among the Arkansans going to Michigan for the recent week's work.

Another statement in the Stephen note might be open for debate: "We are in extreme northwest corner of the state but it is better than Little Rock so far as climate goes."—ELM

McCray to assist in area crusade plans

Paul McCray, pastor, Central Church, Jonesboro, will represent the division of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board of the SBC at a World Missions Conference in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Kenai, Alaska, Oct. 29-Nov. 1, 1968. His duties will be to assist in planning for area crusades for the Crusade of the Americas to be conducted in the Spring. He will go to Honolulu, Hawaii, Nov. 25-27, to assist in preparation for the area crusade there.



MR. McCRAY



DR. JOHN R. MADDOX, pastor of First Church, Camden, as he unveiled the bust of his father at the Baptist school in Belo Horizonte, Brazil, recently. The school, founded by the late Missionary and Mrs. O. P. Maddox, was celebrating its fiftieth anniversary, and there are now 2,218 students.

Besides being the speaker at this occasion, Dr. Maddox also preached many other times in Portuguese while in South America.

Association takes issue with college committee proposals

The Pulaski County Association, in the closing session of its annual meeting, Tuesday night of last week in Geyer Springs Church, went on record as taking issue with certain proposals contained in a report of the Arkansas Baptist Convention's Committee to Study Southern Baptist College's Request That She Be Accepted as a Member of the Family of Arkansas Baptist Institutions.

The action came in the form of the adoption of "An Open Letter to Arkansas Baptists," written by W. G. Vaught Jr., pastor of Immanuel Church, Little Rock, and presented by Dr. Vaught to the association.

Replying to the proposed recommendation of the convention's committee as published in a recent issue of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, ahead of action to be taken by the convention at its annual meeting in Hot Springs, Nov. 18-20, the Vaught proposal favors the admission of Southern Baptist College to the convention as "a fully accepted member." It takes issue

with the proposal for the setting up of one board of trustees to operate Ouachita University and Southern Baptist College; with the proposed way for selection of trustees; with the proposed employment of a chancellor who would have "no administrative authority over either of the institutions"; and with the provision that the new plan take effect immediately upon its approval by the State Convention.

(The Vaught statement is carried in full in "The People Speak" department, page 4, of this issue, and there is related editorial comment on page 3.—ELM)

In other actions, the association:

Adopted a record budget of \$60,000 for the coming year;

Voted to receive two churches into the association—Ridgecrest and Wakefield;

Voted to ask University Church, a membership of the association, to clarify its doctrinal position on baptism and the Lord's Supper;

Voted to buy a 10-acre church site on Chicot Road;

Heard a report that seven acres of land valued at \$95,000 had been given recently to the association, on Pratt Road, just off the Pine Bluff highway and near a 1,400-acre industrial development;

Had a color-aided presentation indicating that the value of local church property in the association had increased \$3,000,000 in the past three years;

Named the following officers for the coming year: Johnny Jackson, pastor of Forest Highlands Church, moderator; Edward Edmondson, pastor of Sunset Lane Church, vice moderator; Mrs. Earl Hunsford, clerk; and H. V. Haygood, superintendent of missions, treasurer.

Messengers were present from 47 of the 51 churches in the association.

The 1969 annual meeting will be held next Oct. 12 and 13 at Pulaski Heights Church. William Phillips, pastor of Lifeline Church, is scheduled to preach the annual sermon, with Paul Sanders, pastor of Geyer Springs Church, as alternate.

One man, one boy is 'Brothers' plan

The firm handshake of a man may not mean very much to the average boy, but it is a symbol of security and concern often unknown to a fatherless boy.

This is what the Big Brothers of Pulaski County is seeking to bring to boys who have been deprived of the companionship of a father.

According to Meryl D. Harris, executive director of Big Brothers of Pulaski County, the program is designed to provide positive identification to boys 8-17 whose fathers are absent from the home or unable to carry out their responsibilities.

Big Brothers was founded in 1904 in New York City on the principle that regular contact between one man one boy could prevent juvenile delinquency and provide a more complete life for a fatherless boy.

The Big Brother usually sees his Little Brother once a week. This, however, is the average and may vary. The important thing is for the Big Brother to convey to the boy that his interest in him is sincere.

Little Brothers are referred to the Big Brothers by parents, schools, courts, clergymen, and other social agencies.

Big Brothers of Pulaski County is located at 510 W. 16th Street, Little Rock, Phone 372-4001.

Miss Gill on staff of Campus Crusade

Linda Sue Gill has been accepted on the staff of Campus Crusade for Christ International. This organization is an inter-denominational Christian movement presenting Jesus Christ to high school students, collegians, professors, laymen and military personnel of this nation and the world. Founded by Dr. William R. Bright at UCLA in 1951, it has since spread to hundreds of campuses in this country and many other countries.

Miss Gill has been assigned to Minneapolis, Minn., and will work in city-wide youth crusades in cooperation with high school age students.

She attended Ouachita University, received her degree from the University of Arkansas, and her master's degree from the University of Missouri. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Gill, Jr. of Dumas.



Feminine intuition

by Harriet Hall

Are you a gracious receiver?

When I was a junior in high school one of my teachers asked me to prepare a stencil for her. It so happened that the stencil was a test to be given to her senior class. After I had finished the stencil and taken it to the teacher, she tried to pay me for my work.

"Why, Mrs. Clark, I don't want anything for doing that work. It was no trouble at all."

"But I want to give you something," she answered.

"Oh, no," I said. "I couldn't take anything for it." I tried to explain that I felt honored to be trusted to type her senior test and that I really wanted no pay.

It was to no avail. She was insistent. Finally, she took hold of me, pushed me gently down into a chair, and said, "Now, listen to me just a minute. I want to teach you something. You are young. All of your life you will come into contact with people who will want to do something for you. Don't argue with them. Learn to be a gracious receiver." Thus rebuked, I accepted her token of appreciation.

It was a lesson that this future minister's wife needed to learn. How often I have thought of it on the many occasions when people have been so generous and kind. It is a lesson we all need. Much has been said and written on the subject of giving. Perhaps more needs to be said about receiving. It is the receiver who makes the gift possible.

God has given us so much. He has given us the Bible. Let us say with the Psalmist, "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee." (Psalm 119:11). We should receive this great gift and build it into the fabric of our lives.

God has given us a partnership in His business with the Great Commission. God has given the greatest gift of all—Jesus. Jesus gave his life for us.

We must learn to accept these gifts—graciously—and use them in His service.

Comments, suggestions, or questions, may be addressed to Mrs. Andrew Hall, Mt. Sequoyah Drive, Fayetteville, Ark.

From the churches

Proctor and Matthews at University Church

Mr. Rick Proctor, a native of Wynne, has been moved to the position of Collegiate Minister by University Church, Fayetteville. He is the former Minister of Youth there. Mr. John Matthews of North Little Rock is the new Minister of Youth.

Mr. Proctor assumed this full-time job after receiving his degree in law, and successfully completing the Arkansas Bar Examination. While in school he was president of the University B.S.U.

Mr. Matthews, a senior at the University of Arkansas, will be directing the Junior, Junior High, and Senior High departments while completing his requirements for a Bachelor of Arts de-



MR. MATTHEWS

MR. PROCTOR

gree in English and Philosophy. He plans to enter Southwestern Seminary in the fall of 1969.

Both Proctor and Matthews were licensed to the ministry by University Church.



Immanuel Church, Magnolia

Immanuel, Magnolia, observes anniversary

Oct. 13, Immanuel Church, Magnolia, observed its 17th anniversary, with homecoming.

The church recently completed a remodeling program. In addition to a complete new front with stained glass entrance and new steeple, improvements

include a new ceiling, new drapes, new carpet, new lighting arrangement, interior decoration, and a new roof.

Much of the work was done by the men and women of the church.

James Lindsey is pastor.



Pastor and Mrs. Harold Clower, of London Church Dardanelle-Russellville Association, on the front of the newly completed, three-bedroom pastor's home built by the church at a cost of \$10,000. This is the first time the London church, which dates back to 1880, has owned a parsonage.—ABN Photo

South Side Church, Pine Bluff, has called Robert Dickson, a ministerial student at Ouachita University, to assist in church visitation, through February, 1969.

First Church, Leachville, held its annual G. A. coronation service Sunday evening, Oct. 6. Mrs. Jack Pierce presented emblems of achievement to the following girls: Maidens Rhonda Whet-

sel and Marcella Whetsel; Ladies-in-Waiting Judy Maynard, Janie Whetsel, and Doris Dean Blackwell; Princesses Rhonda Selby, Candace Thomas, and Mary Hope James; Queen Regina Gammill. Beth Dodson was crown bearer, Monta Lea Grimes and Marsha Jackson were ushers, Gina Sharp and Vicki Hunt were candlelighters.

Music was provided by a trio: Mary Hope James, Regina Gammill and Dana Jo Marshall; and by a duet: Marsha Jackson and Monta Lea Grimes.

Counselors are Mrs. Jack Pierce, Miss Elizabeth Pierce and Mrs. Don Wheeler.

Indian Hills Church, No. Little Rock, recently ordained two new deacons, Billy J. Moore and Arthur Smith. Herb Hodges, pastor of South Highland Church was the speaker, and Jerre Hassell, moderator.

H. O. Shultz has resigned as pastor of Nutts Chapel, Paragould. He was honored recently with a dinner and pounding.

Pulaski County Association has recently received seven acres of property located on Pratt Road, very close to a 1,400 acre industrial park area. The property is valued at over \$30,000.

Oak Cliff Church, Fort Smith, Oct. 13, ordained Ross McCarley as a deacon during the Sunday morning service, and granted a license to preach to Rick Smith.

Park Place Church, Hot Springs, recently ordained David Cone to the ministry. The ordination sermon was brought by R. A. Bone, pastor, Calvary Church, Batesville.

Revivals

Center Hill First, Paragould, Sept. 15-22; Junior Vester, evangelist; 3 for baptism and several rededications.

Calvary, Paragould, youth revival, Sept. 6-11; Clifford Rice, Campbell, Mo., evangelist; Gary Henson, song leader; Miss Glenda Cash, pianist; 8 professions and candidates for baptism, and many rededications.

First Church, Batesville, layman led revival, Oct. 20-27; with speakers C. T. Bennett, Sherman Rutherford, M. T. Greenfield, Ralph Wyatt, Hollis Flowers, C. C. Freeny, John Purtle, Joe Chumley, J. K. Southerland.

South Side Church, Pine Bluff, Nov. 3-10; John R. Bisagno, pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, Okla., evangelist.

East Side Church, Paragould, Oct. 11-13, revival for the deaf; Carter Bearden, of the Home Mission Board, evangelist; one profession and baptism, three by letter. Don Reed is pastor.

Count-down to convention

Hot Springs, November 18-20

'Partners in the task' is theme for Wednesday afternoon session

Sixth in a series by THOMAS A. HINSON
President, Arkansas Baptist Convention

Two of the most important convention committees will make their reports early in the afternoon session on Wednesday.

Dr. L. H. Coleman, Pine Bluff, Chairman of the Committee on Nominations will bring his committee's report, offering nominations to fill vacancies on all of the convention boards and agencies. This is one of the most important items of business at any annual convention. Nominations of leaders who develop policies and guide institutions and work of the Convention through its Executive Board for three years to come are elected by this process. Therefore, the hearing of this report, and participation in its adoption, should be one of the major items of business in the minds of messengers. The Committee on Resolutions will also be heard in the Wednesday afternoon



DR. DAVIS

session. Resolutions which have been offered by messengers in earlier sessions will have been referred to this Committee for their study and consideration before reporting back to the Convention. Also, whatever other resolutions the Committee may desire to initiate itself will be heard. This, too, is often one of the most important policy-making decision times of the Convention in session, and the report of the Committee should be heard by every messenger.

The recommendations section of the Executive Board report will be presented as a part of this session. The 1968 budget will be adopted at an earlier session. Other Executive Board items needing Convention approval will be presented at this time. Messengers will want to share in these important decisions.

Music for the afternoon session will be provided by three college choirs. The combined choirs of Ouachita and Southern will provide music for the opening of the session. Just before the address of the afternoon, the Arkansas A.M.&N. College Choir will sing.

The address of the afternoon will be delivered by Dr. Lawrence Davis, President of Arkansas A.M.&N., and one of the outstanding Negro leaders in Arkansas. Dr. Davis is not a minister, but he is respected for his leadership of the institution he serves as President. He is a capable speaker; and when the Program Committee was looking for a person to fill this position which has traditionally been filled by an outstanding Negro leader, Dr. Davis was selected, not only as a suitable person to deliver this address, but an excellent choice as an Arkansas leader in race relations.

KEY NOTES author

Dr. Bob C. Riley, professor of political science at Ouachita University, is the author of an article published in the October issue of Key Notes, a professional journal for directors of student work of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Entitled, "How to Deal with the Elections," the article is a guide to study methods.

Philippine preacher available to supply

Ide Guilaran, a senior at Ouachita University, is available for weekend preaching.

He also has slides concerning the mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention in the Philippines.

He can be contacted at Box 105, OBU, or call CH 6-7883, Arkadelphia.

Southern Seminary alumni to meet

Marvin E. Tate, associate professor of Old Testament Interpretation at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, will represent the Louisville school at its alumni reunion during the annual meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in Hot Springs. Marvin Gennings, Jonesboro, has announced that the Southern Seminary alumni will meet at 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 19, at Avonelle Motel, Hot Springs. Gennings is president of the state alumni group.



DR. TATE

The seminary has 23 students from Arkansas enrolled this fall and 136 alumni in the state.

Officers' retreat

General Officers of the Sunday School include the pastor, general superintendent, general superintendents in charge of training, visitation and enlargement, the general secretary, minister of education and other staff members. An annual retreat for these workers is conducted each year at Paron Camp. The meeting for 1968 will be Friday night through Saturday noon Dec. 13-14. Make a Merry Christmas gift to yourself by attending 6 p.m. supper Friday and closing with noon meal Saturday, the 14th.



MR. MARSH

Mr. Harold Marsh, Field Services Consultant of the Sunday School Department, Nashville, Tenn. will be a chief resource person at the retreat.

Major emphasis at the retreat will be to review the new Achievement Guide and discover ways of using the Guide to improve the Sunday School work of a church.

Like good food?—Peanuts?—Apples?—Fellowship?—Then plan now to visit the 'all weather' facilities of Camp Paron, Dec. 13-14.

Cost?—A mere \$4.65 for three meals and a good bed.

Bring linens and cover.

Reserve it, today.

Write.—Lawson Hatfield, State Sunday School Secretary

Crusade of the Americas Rally

A great Crusade of the Americas Rally will be held Nov. 4, 7:30 p.m., at Barton Coliseum.

People from the Arkansas Baptist State Convention and the two National Baptist Conventions who will be in the Crusade of the Americas will be expected to come in great numbers. Dr. S. A. Whitlow, chairman of the joint committee on the Crusade, is expecting 10,000 in attendance.

Dr. Wayne Dehoney, pastor of Walnut Street Church, Louisville, Ky., and North American coordinator for the Crusade, will be one of the speakers.

Rev. Caesar Clark, pastor of Good Street Church, Dallas, Tex., will also speak. He is one of the greatest Negro preachers in the South.

This will be an opportunity for many churches to bring busloads of people and enjoy a great night together for the glory of God.

This will be the official kick-off meeting for the Crusade of the Americas in Arkansas. The purpose of the Crusade is: A deepening of the spiritual life within the churches, homes and individual Christians; the evangelizing of the American continents; and the establishing of true moral and spiritual bases for the betterment of mankind's economic, social and physical welfare.

Brother pastor, please work with the leaders in your church and make plans for many of your people to attend the rally. This will be one of the greatest meetings you have ever attended.—Jesse S. Reed, Director of Evangelism

McClain is named official at OBU

Dr. Joseph Tolbert McClain has been named vice president for administration at Ouachita University, Dr. Ralph A. Phelps Jr., president, has announced. A native of Oklahoma, Dr. McClain received his A.B. degree from Oklahoma Baptist University and his master of theology and doctor of theology degrees from Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Tex. Dr. McClain was associate



DR. MCCLAIN

professor of Bible at Texas Technological College, Lubbock; professor of Bible and Greek at Howard Payne College, Brownwood, Tex.; professor of New Testament interpretation at Golden Gate Seminary, Berkeley, Cal.; and was divisional head of the religion and philosophy departments at Ouachita, 1954-58.

He has been pastor of Baptist churches in Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, and, before his appointment at Ouachita, was pastor of First Church, Shelby, N. C.

Pray for
"CRUSADE OF THE AMERICAS"

Day of prayer

The Baptist World Alliance Women's Department gives Southern Baptist women a channel of fellowship with women in more than sixty countries!

The Women's Department was founded in 1950 to promote fellowship, deeper sympathy and fuller understanding and sharing among Baptist women of the world.

A prime source of cooperation among Women's Department members is the Baptist Women's Day of Prayer. The suggested date for the 1968 observance is November 4.

After study and prayer, hearts are opened to share and to give. The offering taken at the Day of Prayer observance has grown through the small gifts of thousands of women. The offering is used for the following work:

To strengthen the work of the continental unions, to make possible the women's sessions at the Baptist World Alliance Congress, to effect the meetings of the administrative committee and the executive committee, to assure travel of continental officers, to finance promotional and educational material, to assist in needs of the Baptist World Alliance, to give to Baptist world relief projects.

Each church is urged to participate in this world day of prayer. Suggestions for observance and instructions for remitting the offering are available upon request from the State WMU Office, 310 Baptist Building, Little Rock, 72201.—Nancy Cooper, executive secretary and treasurer

WANTED: to attend a "Musical." Applicants must be wives of pastors, wives of ministers of education, or wives of ministers of music and be eager for a good time. Excellent reward for attendance. Nov. 18, 2 p.m., Central Baptist Church, Hot Springs.

It's later than you think!

It is later than you think if you have not made reservations for the State Royal Ambassador Fellowship Supper and plan to attend. The Supper is to be held at 6 p.m. on Nov. 4, at Immanuel Church in Little Rock. The deadline for making reservations is Thurs., Oct. 31.

The Annual Royal Ambassador Fellowship Supper is a time for fellowship, mission information and inspiration. Fun and music will be provided by the Calvary Youth Group from Calvary Church, Little Rock, under the direction of Mr. Frank Arnall. They will present several fun numbers and two from Good News. There will be several group participation numbers.

The mission inspirational speaker will be Rev. William Gray, missionary to Mexico. While home on furlough Rev. Gray is teaching in the Mexican Baptist Bible Institute in San Antonio. On his return to Mexico he will be working in Mexico City and directing the Book Store work for the entire country.

Every Royal Ambassador-age boy will receive a blessing from attending the Fellowship Supper. Make reservations now.

It is later than you think if, Brotherhood officers, including Baptist Men and Royal Ambassador workers, have not been elected for the new year. The Brotherhood director, elected by the church, is the key man. He in turn should seek out a president for Baptist Men and a leader for Royal Ambassadors. The president for Baptist Men takes the lead in securing the other officers to complete the organization. The Royal Ambassador leader and his committee are responsible for securing counselors and assistant counselors to adequately provide Royal Ambassador chapters for boys 9-17 years of age.

It is later than you think, but not too late, to provide missionary education, through units of Brotherhood work, for Baptist boys and men nine years of age and up.

Call on the Brotherhood Department if we may be of assistance to you.—C. H. Seaton

Baptists of three conventions plan rally Nov. 4 in Little Rock

Ouachita conference on constitution

Claude Lynch, Osceola, and Bobby Stover, Dermott, have been named co-chairmen of the Ouachita University public affairs conference on constitutional revision, to be held at Ouachita Nov. 1-2.

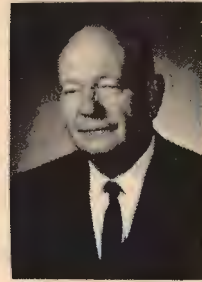
One hundred high school students from across the state are expected to take part in the conference.

Experts for and against constitutional revisions will speak and serve as resource personnel.

About people

Edmunds on staff of Annuity Board

For J. P. Edmunds, retirement lasted only one month! On October 1, he started new duties as representative-at-



MR. EDMUNDS

large on a part-time basis for the Southern Baptist Annuity Board, after retiring with 31 years of service with the Baptist Sunday School Board. According to R. Alton Reed, executive secretary of the Annuity Board, Edmunds will work primarily with retired ministers and denominational employees. In addition, he will contact associational and city missionaries, attend pastors conferences and various meetings to keep all informed about the Board's ministry.

Reed said the new position is a pilot program designed to provide personal communication with the annuitants whose contacts with the denomination usually diminish once they retire.

Guitarist preaches

Graceville, Fla., Jimmy J. Evans, West Helena, Ark., began Oct. 13 as pastor of Caney Creek Church, Jackson's Still, Fla. Mr. Evans was a professional guitarist when he entered the ministry. He enrolled at Baptist Bible Institute here in August for the three-year course in pastoral training. Mrs. Evans is the former Miss Joyce Houston of West Helena. They have



MR. EVANS

four children.



DR. DEHONEY



MR. CLARK

What is expected to be the largest bi-racial religious meeting ever to be held in Arkansas, with the exception of Billy Graham crusades, is scheduled for Nov. 4, in Barton Coliseum, Little Rock.

In a meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m., Baptist ministers and lay people from three major state Baptist conventions will participate in a state-wide "Crusade of the Americas" service.

The meeting is sponsored jointly by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, Southern Baptist Convention affiliate and the largest religious denomination in the state, and by two Negro conventions, the Regular Arkansas Missionary Baptist Convention, Inc., and the Consolidated Baptist Convention of Arkansas.

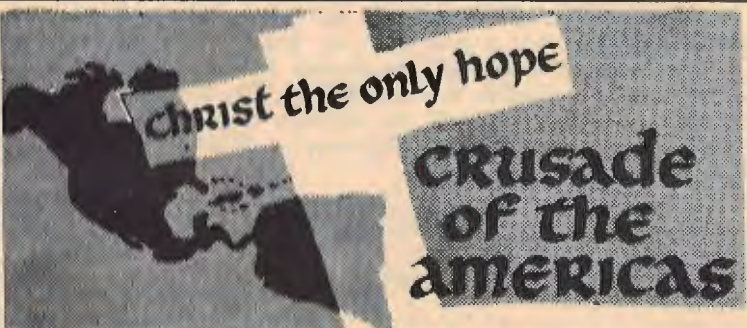
Purpose of the rally will be to focus on a simultaneous Baptist evangelistic crusade throughout the Western Hemisphere scheduled for 1969.

Featured speakers will be Rev. Caesar Clark, pastor of the Good Street Baptist Church, Dallas, Tex., and editor of the National Baptist Voice, and Dr. Wayne Dehoney, pastor of Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., a past-president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and an international leader of the 1969 crusade.

Dr. S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention and general chairman for the rally, has set the attendance goal at 10,000. Attendance is expected from churches of the three participating conventions from all sections of the state.

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Baptist Joint Committee names Southern Negro as chairman



MR. TUCKER

WASHINGTON—The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs elected Homer J. Tucker of New Jersey as its chairman at the semi-annual meeting here. C. Emanuel Carlson is the executive director.

Tucker is the first Negro to be named as chairman of the agency that is maintained in the nation's capital by eight Baptist bodies in North America. The Southern Baptist Convention is a major supporter of the committee.

A large portion of the meeting of the Baptist Joint Committee was spent discussing the ways it should serve the various Baptist bodies in the future.

The Baptist Joint Committee is authorized by its sponsoring denominations "to act in the field of public affairs" (1) when a need for conference or negotiation with government arises, (2) when Baptist principles are involved, and (3) when items are referred to it by a Baptist convention or agency.

Among other functions, the committee is empowered "to inform the Baptist constituencies of governmental movements and measures affecting principles held essential to true relations between church and state and the right application of Christianity to the life of the nation."

In the past the committee worked largely in the areas of religious liberty and separation of church and state. But in recent years the problems of church-state relations have rapidly expanded and have become more complex.

The committee authorized a special committee "to re-study the role of the Baptist Joint Committee and its working relationship with the member communions." This committee will make a report of its findings in October 1969.

Other officers of the Baptist Joint Committee are: C. R. Daley, of the

Southern Baptist Convention, first vice chairman; G. K. Zimmerman, of the North American Baptist General Conference, second vice chairman; and Alton Wheeler of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, recording secretary.

In accepting his election as chairman, Tucker pointed out many of the overwhelming problems in the nation to be confronted by Baptists. But, he continued, "I am staggered by the resources of the combined eight bodies in the Baptist Joint Committee. The total membership of some 23 million is greatly multiplied when it comes in con-

tact with the divine power of God."

Tucker is director of urban work and community ministries for the New Jersey Baptist Convention. Prior to that (for 14 years) he was pastor of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Newark, N. J. He serves on the Baptist Joint Committee as a representative of the American Baptist Convention.

A southern Negro, Tucker grew up in Warrenton, Ga. Although he completed only the fourth grade in elementary school, at age 20 he passed a college entrance examination and later graduated from Virginia Seminary and College at Lynchburg, Va.

Tucker was the first Negro in the South to receive the Eagle Scout Award. This honor came to him in Texas in 1934. (BP)

Beacon lights of Baptist history

Repaying borrowed money

BY BERNES K. SELPH, TH.D.
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Seventeenth Century Baptists were concerned that their people repay borrowed money. About such matters they showed commendable strictness. Two incidents illustrate their views.

John Blowes was reprov'd by his church for not paying money due to John Thompson, Simon Parratt and Roger Stampe. He was reprov'd the second time for pretending to have given satisfaction to these brethren for the things they had charged against him when he had broken faith with them. This second reprov'd brought forth a penitential letter from the delinquent, which acknowledgment pleased the congregation and he was again received into fellowship.

An "admonition" was sent by the Broadmead church, Jan. 18, 1679, to one Sarah Watkins. It read, "A widdow woman, for her scandalous, walking disorderly, not tending to business but making it a common practice to goe up and downe borrowing money of any whomsoever she could, and not endeavoring to pay it again." This was a common practice of widow Watkins and she was informed that unless she reformed the church would be forced to withdraw from her.

On August 8 of the same year her case came up again. The charges were the same. She borrowed wherever she could and promised to pay. She never performed her promise, "spending much, if not most of tyme in going up and downe, and so did no work, or but little, to endeavor honestly to live, and eat her own bread."

The church unanimously consented to withdraw from her. The ruling elder passed the sentence upon her: "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and by the authority He hath given His church, we do declare that S. Watkins, for her sins of disorderly walking, borrowing and paying again, making promises and not performing, and not diligently working, is withdrawing from, and no longer has full communion with this church, nor is to be a partaker with them in the holy mysteries of the Lord's Supper, nor privileges of the Lord's house. And the Lord have mercy on her soul."

The elder interpreted, as an afterthought, the expression "nor privileges" to mean, "If she doth come to ye meeting, not to be suffered to stay when any business of ye church is transacted, etc."

Such conduct on the part of the church demonstrated its desire to make its teachings practical and applicable to daily life.

¹J. Jackson Goadby, *Bye-Paths in Baptist History* (London, Elliot Stock, 62, Paternoster Row, E. C., 1871). p. 272

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Practical School Alumni Assoc. Elects Officers

Returns To ABMC



Officers for the association, pictured above, are: seated, Jane Turbyfill, president; standing, left to right: Margaret Leggett, parliamentarian, Sandy Thompson, 2nd vice-president; Frances Rolf, secretary; Dorothy Walters, reporter and Rosa Lee Harris, historian.

At a meeting held August 30 in the Student Union Building, approximately thirty-one graduates of ABMC's School of Practical Nursing, met to organize the Arkansas Baptist Medical Center School of Practical Nurses Alumni Association.

The group formally adopted a constitution and by-laws and held an election of officers to serve during the first year. Officers elected were: Jane Turbyfill, president; Sue Gillihan, 1st vice-president; Sandy Thompson, 2nd vice-president; Frances Rolf, secretary; Betty Moix, treasurer; Dorothy Walters, reporter; Margaret Leggett, parliamentarian and Rosa Lee Harris, historian. Advisors for the Association include:

Mrs. Janie Tyler, Mrs. Mary Jackson, Miss Edith Kincheloe and Mrs. J. C. Fuller.

The Practical School was started in September, 1964 and recently graduated its ninth class which had a total of thirty-four students enrolled. This brings to 167, the total number graduated during the last four years.

Plans are being made by the Association to have a membership drive, in order to reach as many of the graduates as possible. The next meeting is scheduled for November 26. Graduates of the school who are interested in becoming charter members of the Association should contact one of the officers listed above.

Lynn Becomes Fellow In A. C. H. A.



H. T. Lynn

Mr. H. T. Lynn, Assistant Administrator of Arkansas Baptist Medical

Center, has been inducted as a Fellow into the American College of Hospital Administrators.

Mr. Lynn is a native of western Kentucky and received his B. A. degree from Baylor University.

He came to ABMC in 1958 as Business Manager. He was promoted to Assistant Administrator of the Center in 1961, at which time, he was nominated for membership in the College. His application for membership was accepted in 1963 after he successfully passed a comprehensive written and oral examination covering all phases of hospital administration. It was also necessary for him to satisfactorily complete courses offered by the College of Hospital Administrators and to demonstrate his involvement in com-



Leland Zimmerman

Leland Zimmerman has returned to ABMC as Chief Accountant after an absence of three months, during which time, he worked as an auditor for the Department of Health, Education and Welfare — Audit Agency, in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Mr. Zimmerman and his wife, Marguerite, live at 4400 Lakeview Road in North Little Rock. They have three sons, Dee, age 7; Lee, age 4 and Tim, age 1 year.

community activities outside the hospital field.

After becoming a member, application for elevation to Fellowship cannot be made for five years, at which time, the applicant must successfully complete additional courses required by the College and further demonstrate his involvement in community programs and activities. The applicant must also write a thesis or prepare four case studies on some phase of hospital work with which he has been directly involved.

Becoming a Fellow is the highest professional advancement the College of Hospital Administrators awards. In Mr. Lynn's case, he has achieved it in the minimum amount of time.

He is 1st vice-president of the downtown Lions Club; former board member of the Hospital Financial Management Association; member of the Board of Directors of the Arkansas Hospital Association; chairman of the committee on Computer Services for Arkansas Hospital Association and chairman of the Council on Administrative Practices of the Arkansas Hospital Association.

"A Decision I Have Never Regretted"



Mrs. Brown is shown sitting at the chart desk, recording medications in the patients' charts.

This month's Employee of the Month was born in Conway, Arkansas. She moved to Little Rock at a very early age and continued to live here and attend public school. The Buzzer salutes Mrs. Floye M. Brown, L. P. N., who works on nursing station 3-G.

Mrs. Brown said that she married at an early age and started keeping house and making a home. "I never worked before because my husband didn't want me to. On several occasions I was a patient at Baptist and on one occasion, my nurse was Mrs. Dorothy Horne who is a supervisor in nursing service," she said. Mrs. Brown said that nursing and hospitals had always fascinated her and when she was here as a patient, she asked all kinds of questions of anyone who came into her room. "I think I have always wanted to be a nurse. I have two nieces who are R. N.'s. and my sister-in-law is an R. N., and they have encouraged me," she said.

At age 39, Mrs. Brown made up her mind to become a nurse. She enrolled in a state vocational training school, seeking to fulfill her ambition. All during the few months of classroom work, she told Mr. James Jones, Director of the school, that she wanted to take her clinical training at Baptist because, "that's where I'm going to work," she said. When clinical assignments were made, she was sent to Baptist. She finished her clinical training on Sunday afternoon and reported to work

Monday morning at nursing station 3-G. At 40, Mrs. Brown had achieved her goal. At last, she was a nurse.

After three years of bedside nursing, she was selected to take a three-month course in medication. If classes were held on her day off, she came back and did not miss a single class. Upon completion of the course, she was promoted to medication nurse and continues to function in that capacity today. "The decision to go to school and become a nurse is one I

have never regretted," she said.

3-G is a 37-bed medicine service. "The interesting thing about our floor is that we have a variety of diagnoses. Our patients run the gamut, from coronary cases to admission for tests and diagnostic work-up," she said.

Mrs. Brown takes a great deal of pride in her work and in the work done by the entire staff on 3-G. "After all, I wanted to be a nurse for a lot longer than I have been one," she said. "We don't refer to patients by case number or as 'the coronary in 303'. Our patients are individuals with individual personalities, apprehensions, diagnoses and needs," she said. "To become involved with each patient and apply your professional skills to the particular needs of every patient, makes nursing hard work — but it is also the very thing that provides motivation and satisfaction which go far beyond working for just a salary," she said.

"Although we do not discuss religion with our patients, you cannot help but be aware of God's presence. The deep faith of many of our patients is a constant reminder that He is working alongside all of us," she said.

"As far as I personally am concerned, I am doing what I have wanted to do for most of my life. I am making a contribution and doing something worthwhile. I know I am needed. What more could anyone ask of a career?", she said.

The Buzzer salutes Mrs. Floye M. Brown, medication nurse on 3-G. She is another example of employee assets to good patient care.



Mrs. Brown is shown in the medication room filling orders for medications to be given to the patients.

Center Has New Microbiology Lab



Members of the staff in the new lab look over a rare specimen. They are, from left to right: Ruth Hampton, Jennings Osborne, Dr. Douglas Young and, seated, Mrs. Lyndell Smith.

The Center's microbiology laboratory, which was located in two closet size rooms in one corner of the clinical lab, has occupied newly refurbished and spacious quarters on the second floor of what was formerly the nurses residence.

"These new facilities will assist us in faster microbiological diagnosis, permit us to culture some organisms we were previously unable to do and the new safety features make a safer place for the technologist to work," said Dr. Douglas Young, Pathologist.

"Ology" means, the study of, and "microbiology" means, the study of small living organisms such as bacteria, fungus, viruses and parasites. The section is further divided into two sub-specialties: Mycology, which is the study of fungus, and Parasitology, which is the study of parasites.

In making tests for identifying unknown bacteria, the lab first obtains a sample of bacteria from sputum, throat swabs, etc. The bacteria is then placed on several types of media (food), necessary for it to live and grow. Within 24 hours, the bacteria has sufficiently multiplied and a positive identification is possible by use of a microscope and certain biochemical tests. As soon as the bacteria has been identified, medicated discs are placed on the media and the specimen is stored for an additional 24 hours. If the medication impregnated into the disc is effective in killing the bacteria, there will

be a visible zone of inhibition around the disc. This information will assist the physician in prescribing medication to kill the bacteria in the patient.

Certain bacteria require special atmospheric conditions. For instance, the bacteria which causes T. B. grows faster in the presence of carbon dioxide. Therefore, with the new carbon dioxide incubator, the technologist can provide the necessary atmospheric conditions for the culturing of this bacteria at a much more rapid rate.

Mrs. Lyndell B. Smith, section chief, is one of four mycologists in the state. Not only is she a registered medical technologist, certified by the American Society of Clinical Pathologists (ASCP),

Zones of inhibition created by the medication impregnated into the discs.



Safety Committee Report

Twenty-seven departments and nursing stations received Safety Awards for the month of August. There were 24 accidents reported during the month with emergency room charges amounting to \$126.25.

Those departments receiving Safety Awards for the month were: Patient Accounts, Finance, Administration, Cafeteria, Cobalt and X-Ray, Laboratory, Laundry and Linen Room, Maintenance, Medical Arts Drug, Medical Records, Nursing Administration, School of Practical Nursing, Nursing Education Administration, School of Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Purchasing, Baptist Student Union, Pastoral Care and Inhalation Therapy.

Nursing stations receiving Safety Awards for the month include: 2-J, 3-A, 4-G, 4-A, Labor and Delivery, Emergency Room and Central Supply Room.

she is also a registered nurse and a member of the Medical Mycological Society of the Americas. "We are having a higher incidence of positive T. B. tests and finding more pathogenic fungus," Mrs. Smith said. "Often times when a patient is taking chemotherapy, we find that their resistance is lowered and they are more susceptible to fungus," she said. The section does about 340 cultures per month for T. B. and fungus. A new safety hood with vented air flow and ultra violet light permits the technologist to work with T. B. germs and fungus, under safer conditions.

In addition to new quarters and new equipment, the staff has been increased to three full-time technologists, to cope with the increased workload and teach the students in the Center's School of Medical Technology.

The cover



'... yet to be'

"When is the best going to be-
gin?" an aged wife asked her
aged husband, as she remembered
the frequently quoted couplet,

"Grow old along with me,
The best is yet to be."

With more than 20,000,000 peo-
ple in America today who are 65
or older, the problems of aging
are frequently in the spotlight.
Notwithstanding all that is being
done to make the sunset years
as pleasant and abundant as pos-
sible, old age continues to be the
most burdensome time of life for
millions.

This week's cover spotlights the
loneliness of an elderly lady con-
fined to a nursing home.

Perhaps this will remind those
who have aged friends and rela-
tives to find more time for visit-
ing them and helping to meet
their needs for Christian fellow-
ship.—Photo by Paul M. Schrock

Dies 'for hippies'

BROWNSBURG, Ind.—Sgt. Jeff Da-
vis of this city was killed in Viet Nam
and his widow was left to mourn.

But before he gave his life he had
sent her a letter to be opened only in
the event of his death. It read:

"I died for the guys with the long
hair and protest signs. The draft card
burners, the hippies, the anti-every-
thing people who have nothing better
to do. . . I died so these people could
have a little longer time to get straight-
ened out in life. God knows they need
it. . . I died for the United States."
(EP)

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Baptist beliefs

Through a needle's eye

BY HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

Pastor, First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,
past president, Southern Baptist Convention

"For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich
man to enter into the kingdom of heaven"—Luke 18:25

A rich young man had failed to rise to Jesus' demand for his becoming a
Christian. And Jesus remarked about how difficult it is for a rich man to enter
into the kingdom of God. Not because he is rich, but because he trusts in his
riches rather than in God.

Then Jesus spoke the words of our scripture. What did He mean by the figure
of a camel going through the eye of a needle? Some insist that in Jerusalem there
was a gate called the Needle's Eye Gate. A camel could only pass through it by
being unloaded and then crawling through on its knees. This makes good preach-
ing. But the fact is that no such gate existed.

Jesus probably was citing a current proverb. The rabbis spoke of an elephant
going through the eye of a needle.

The point is that such is a physical impossibility. By the same token a rich
man cannot be saved by his riches. He must come to Christ as a poor lost sinner
as must the poorest pauper. Someone said that the ground is level at the foot
of the cross. There is no favoritism with God.

Note that Jesus said that it is *easier* but not absolutely impossible. "The
things which are impossible with men are possible with God" (v. 27). If God
wanted to put a camel through a needle's eye He could do it—hoof, hide, hump,
and all. But He does not choose to do so.

God can save a man, not because of, but in spite of his wealth. No one can
buy salvation. But anyone who comes to God in faith toward Jesus Christ can
be saved. Yea, God not only can save a rich man, but He can lead him to dedicate
his wealth to God's service. A man cannot be saved by his riches, but he should
use his riches to God's glory because he is saved.

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Proposal for Department of Peace is renewed in Senate

WASHINGTON—Bi-partisan members of both Houses of Congress say they are launching a campaign to establish a department of Peace. Their proposals would bring together several internationally-oriented agencies and programs for one concerted voice on peace at home and abroad.

The rallying cry is that "peace is everybody's concern and nobody's business."

The new proposal calls for a secretary of peace to develop policies and programs to foster peace. He would coordinate "all federal activities" affecting the principle of peace.

Sen. Vance Hartke (D., Ind.) has teamed with Republican Sen. Mark Hatfield (Ore.) and Sen. Ralph Yarborough (D., Tex.) to sponsor the Senate proposal.

The companion legislation in the House was introduced by Rep. Seymour Halpern (R., N. Y.) and co-sponsored by 22 members from both parties.

Rep. Halpern told the House of Representatives that they must face the reality that in the government of the United States "there is nobody in charge of peace . . . there is no department working at the problem full time . . ."

This may explain, he continued, "Why we have failed to convert a peacekeeping intent into a peacekeeping capability."

Halpern admitted that much of the federal effort is devoted to the goal of peace, but he described these efforts as "too widely diffused, too separated from one another and without that single executive leadership required for fulfillment of this mission."

On the Senate side of the capitol, Hartke, the senior law maker from Indiana, said that peace efforts must be redoubled, not as an adjunct to "a State Department too often committed to uphold Defense Department policies," but as a new and positive force at the top levels of official structure.

Hartke testified before the Democratic Platform Committee in August making an appeal for a plank in support of Department of Peace.

The proposed department would reorganize the executive branch of government by transferring the following agencies into the new department:

- * The Peace Corps, the Agency for Arms Control and Disarmament Agency now under the Department of State;

- * The functions of the Bureau of

International Commerce in the Department of Commerce which relate to the policy on the general agreement on tariffs and trade;

- * The functions of the International Agricultural Development Service, now in the Department of Agriculture;

- * The Export-Import Bank

- * And "any other agency or office, or part of any agency or office in the executive branch of government" if the bureau of the budget agrees that its functions are pertinent to the Peace Department.

In addition, the proposed legislation which is reported to be "gaining a lot of momentum" calls for the creation of an international peace institute, in many respects parallel to the Military academies, and also, for a Peace By Investment, Corps to establish and expand people-to-people relationships in the economic field, particularly in underdeveloped countries.

This is not the first time such a department has been proposed. A number of previous bills have been introduced, with efforts increasing in the last two or three decades. In 1945 and 1947 hearings were held by House committees on similar proposals.

Legislative assistants for both Sen. Hartke and Rep. Halpern admit that they do not expect action on the legislation before the end of this session of Congress.

The bill will be reintroduced in the new Congress as a "first order of business" they said, and a concerted effort will be made then to push for more support and to gain hearings before the Senate and House committees on government operations.

A spokesman in one of the peace churches, Miss Frances Neeley of the Friends Committee on National Legislation, said that in the past they had had "reservations" about this kind of approach. She said it is "pretty impossible to separate a secretary of peace from the secretary of state."(BP)

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Does Anyone Here Know God?, by Gladys Hunt, Zondervan, 1967, \$4.95

This is a collection of the stories of contemporary women "who have encountered Christ and have been transformed by His power." The introduction is by Mrs. Cliff Barrows. Each of the 19 chapters is devoted to a particular woman, featuring her picture and her testimony.

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1969 Biblical Sunday School Commentary, H. C. Brown, Jr., Editor-in-Chief, Word Books, 1968, \$3.95

Recognizing that there is a constant search for usable material on the part of Sunday School teachers, Word Books has brought out this brand new commentary under the editorship of one of Southern Baptists' outstanding Bible scholars. Dr. Brown is a graduate of Southern Baptist Seminary and a member now for many years of the faculty at Southwestern Baptist Seminary.

The book offers fresh points of view in lesson presentation and a large supply of appropriate anecdotes and illustrations.



Hunter, hold your fire!



SAFETY first is still the way of wisdom of the hunter whose pulse quickens when a trophy buck is near enough for a good shot.

Hunting accidents, where one hunter shoots another for a game animal are infrequent in Arkansas but one is too many.

The correct identification of the target should be the first consideration of a hunter before he raises his gun.

Since people are emotional creatures it is only natural that emotions enter into hunting, but every hunter should learn to master his emotions. This is not to say that it is not normal for even the experienced hunter's pulse to quicken when a trophy buck is near enough for a good shot. Rather, a hunter should not let emotions overshadow his judgment or self-control.

If every hunter would make positive identification of his intended target, make sure it is legal game that is in easy killing range, make sure that there is not a person or property in line with that game, and only then raise his gun—there would be no hunters shot mistakenly as game.

It is true that some game would get away if all hunters took these preliminary precautions, but isn't it really worth the gamble?

Let all who hunt always remember—the hunter who shoots too quickly may have a lifetime to regret his mistake.

Dusty, the mixed-up cat

BY MARY J. CAPPS



Dusty was a tiny, black kitten who should have lived on a farm. In fact, he was born on a farm and would be there yet—if he weren't such a mixed-up little cat.

Almost as soon as his eyes were open, Dusty left his barn home and set out to explore the farm. He was having so much fun sneaking through jungles of grass, slapping at pebbles, and feeling down crawdad holes that he didn't notice how far he had gone. Being so young, he soon grew tired and hungry.

"I'm going back to the barn," he mewed.

But being a mixed-up kitten, he went the wrong way.

"I don't remember the barn being this far away," he cried.

He walked and walked. He was so tired! Lying in the soft grass, he took a short nap. Then he walked again as fast as his four tired little black paws would go.

His barn home was west. But Dusty, the mixed-up little cat, kept going east. He was going farther and farther away from his home. And farther away from his mother. And farther away from his brother and his sisters. He was all alone.

When he came to the highway, Dusty

knew he was lost. But he wasn't afraid, being a mixed-up cat.

"What strange dirt," he mewed, sniffing at the hard cement the road was made of. He was so busy sniffing the road that he didn't see the big truck coming.

The truck driver saw the tiny, lost kitten, but he was going very fast. He blasted his loud air horn in warning. Pretending that he wasn't frightened by the terrible roar, Dusty bravely arched his back like a big, angry tomcat. But the strong wind made by the passing truck rolled him over and over.

"What was that?" he gasped as he landed upside down beside the roadside mailbox.

If he hadn't been such a mixed-up cat, Dusty would have run back the way he had come. But poor Dusty was the most mixed-up cat you've ever seen. So back to the highway he ran!

Dusty stuck out one paw and felt the road. It was the hardest dirt that he had ever seen. It made his paw tickle and he rolled over, laughing.

Not knowing the danger, Dusty decided to walk on the strange dirt. But being a mixed-up kitten, he walked straight across into the traffic, without looking.

There was a screech of brakes as a blue car pulled off the road and stopped. Friendly hands picked up the kitten and took him back to the car.

"Can we keep him, Daddy?" cried the little boy and girl who were sitting in the back seat. "Please? Please?"

"Well, we can't leave him here in the road, children," their father told them.

"Let's go back to that filling station we passed and see if he belongs to them."

"No. He isn't mine," the smiling man at the filling station told them. "I've never seen him before. I don't know who he belongs to."

"Oh, goody!" the children cried. "Please, Daddy, can't we keep him?" they begged.

"I think we'll have to keep him—at least until we find his owner," said their father. "We certainly can't leave him here. He might get hurt."

And they drove off toward the city with the purring, mixed-up kitten, who seemed not to mind being lost.

Dusty liked his new city home. And being such a mixed-up kitten, he didn't mind that the little boy's mother dog kept carrying him back to the box where she lived with her three tiny puppies. He was such a mixed-up kitten that he didn't even fuff up or hiss—the way a cat should—when the dog washed him, her big tongue leaving him soaked.

His new mother tried hard to teach Dusty to wag his tail. But he couldn't. And she tried to teach him to say, "Arf, Arf!" But he couldn't.

Dusty kept right on carrying his tail straight up in the air. And his "Arf! Arf!" always came out "Meow!" But his new mother loved him anyway.

"I guess he's just a mixed-up puppy," she thought, lapping her big, red tongue over the fuzzy, little black face.

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The sand hill gopher

BY MARIE B. MELLINGER

The sand hill gopher is really a tortoise. A tortoise is a turtle that lives on land. This tortoise is called a gopher because it digs holes in the sand. The word gopher is from a French word meaning to dig. These holes can be many feet deep and are called burrows.

The sand hills are in the southern states. Here there are few trees and only scattered bushes and clumps of grass and cactus. The sand is white and glaring. It is hot in the sand hills. During the day, when the sun is shining, the gopher tortoise stays in its



cool burrow. When night comes, the tortoise comes out to feed. It eats ants and bugs and flies and the leaves of plants and grass. It also eats the round, green fruits of a bush called the gopher apple.

Rattlesnakes crawl into the tortoise burrows to get away from the hot sun. They like the shade and do not quarrel with the tortoises. Frogs, called gopher frogs, also live in the tortoise burrows. So do large black beetles known as tumblebugs. All of these creatures seem to get along while sharing the same burrow. They have found a way to live in the strange sand hills.

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Unrighteous men made righteous

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Life and Work
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Romans 3:10-26

The first three chapters of the book of Romans emphasize the fact that the whole world stands in need of righteousness which is acceptable before God. Chapter one depicts the sinfulness and condemnation of the Gentiles. Chapter two gives the sinful state and equal condemnation of the Jews. Chapter three shows that both Gentiles and Jews are under condemnation and equally are in need of redemption found only in Christ. The third chapter begins by raising the question of whether the Jews have an advantage over the Gentiles. The Jews have been entrusted (reference to the Old Testament) with the oracles of God (v. 2). They were taught the Mosaic law. Their heritage is rich and meaningful. The inference is given that the greater the advantage, the greater the liability or responsibility. Paul raises another question: Are the Jews better than the Gentiles? His reply is, "In no wise" (v. 9).

I. Sin is found in all (vs. 10-12)

Paul points to one thing the Jews and Gentiles have in common: all are under sin. Everyone is a sinner by birth, choice and practice. In Romans 3:10 Paul quotes from Psalms 14:1b, 3. Romans 3:12 is a direct quotation from Psalms 14:3. Paul is impressed with the stark reality of man's sinful state. The absence of righteousness admits to the presence of sin (see v. 10). There is no movement toward God. The theologians of the past century talked at great lengths about the utter depravity of man. They insisted that man basically is bent in the direction of sin. Their views were correct. Man has a sinful nature. Paul grants no exception in the human family; not even one does good.

II. Sin does not bring peace (vs. 13-19)

Paul continues to labor his doctrine of sin. Man is morally corrupt. Human nature everywhere and in every century is essentially the same. The passage under consideration is a quotation from Isaiah and the Psalms. The man that does not continue in sin does not exist.

Paul discusses the sins of the throat, tongue, lips, and mouth. They are under the dominion of sin when a person is not under the control and possession of Christ. How much misery they bring to the world and to the sinner!

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The above verses describe what life is like when under the dominion of sin. Note his sequence of thought:

1. They are miserable (v. 16).
2. They do not have peace (v. 17).
3. They do not fear God (v. 18).

Distress and trouble dog their steps. Wherever they go they leave misery behind them. A key thought resulting from the practice of sin is a lack of peace. Kenneth N. Taylor gives the following translation of verse 17: "And they have never known what it is to try to be kind and good."

This truth ought to be stressed emphatically. The world, the flesh, and Satan will not bring a person inward peace and deep, abiding satisfaction. Goodness and mercy are reserved for those who follow God.

The word "fear" in verse 18 could better be translated "reverence." The absence of fear means that God is not their thoughts.

III. The law cannot save (vs. 20-23)

No one ever has been saved by keeping the law. The simple truth is that no one can keep the law. What the law lacked, Christ fulfilled. Paul stated: ". . . for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified" (Gal. 2:16). This is the identical statement found in Romans 3:20. (See Eph. 2:15; Heb. 7:19.) God has provided a method for man to be saved, but it is a faith method and not a law method. If man could be saved by his own works or by keeping the law, why should Jesus have come to this earth and died on the cross?

In verse 23, Paul restates the principle of the universality of sin. He leaves no doubt that all are sinners and in need of God's grace.

IV. Redemption is found in Christ (vs. 24-26)

The only possible justification for sinful mankind, under condemnation of sin, is by grace through faith in Jesus

Christ. There is but one method for justification for everyone—faith in Jesus, who was the sufficient sacrifice for sin.

Having laid the groundwork, Paul beautifully and dramatically tells of the provision of God for man's redemption. Romans 3:21-31 is the very heart of the book of Romans. God has provided a way! Its method is faith, apart from the law. Its agent is Christ. He came for redemption. He alone renders man favorable to God.

Note the phrase (v. 24) "freely by his grace." This denotes the freeness of our justification. Christ is the giver of this free gift of salvation.

The word "propitiation" (v. 25), or "mercy seat," is an interesting word and is found in only two other instances in the New Testament—1 John 2:2; 4:10. Christ is our propitiatory sacrifice. He is our Passover, sacrificed for us. He is God's lamb, the perfect sacrifice for sin.

The crowning theme of the Christian is redemption through Christ, our Justifier.

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God's own people

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In the passages selected for study, Peter set out a positive program of responsible activities (1:13-21) and reminded his Christian readers that they were the people of God (2:9, 10).

A program of Christian conduct (1:13-22)

In an extended series of exhortations—four imperatives and two declarations—Peter challenged his people to enter upon a program of positive Christianity.

1. Shift your mind into top gear (1:13).

The apostle challenged his people, saying, "Gird up your minds" for strenuous mental activity. It is just as necessary that we love God with the top of our minds as it is that we love him from the bottom of our hearts.

2. Set your hope on the return of Christ (1:13).

Early Christian leaders stimulated Christian hope by emphasizing two basic beliefs:

(a) Jesus conquered death for himself by his resurrection, and

(b) he will conquer death for us when he returns and raises the dead.

3. Be holy in all your conduct (1:15).

The incentive for seeking holiness is that God is holy and expects his people to be holy.

4. Conduct yourselves with reverent fear (1:17).

Men are to fear God because (a) he judges all men, (b) he judges impartially, and (c) he judges on the basis of our deeds.

5. You remember how you were redeemed (1:18, 19).

It was not with money that you were redeemed but with the blood of Christ. He died a violent death on our behalf and somehow his death wrought salvation for us.

6. You remember who it was that redeemed you (1:19, 20).

It was Christ who (a) was foreknown before this historical order was established, "before the foundation of the world;" (b) was made known in this historical order, "at the end of the times;" and (c) was exalted above this historical order by the Father who "raised him from the dead and gave him glory."

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7. Love one another fervently (1:22).

This final admonition sets the capstone atop the other exhortations. Jesus said that when his people love one another the word will get out that they are his disciples (John 13:35).

God's people (2:9, 10)

Peter packed a heavy load of truth into the first ten verses of chapter two. He called on his readers to give expression to their salvation.

He claimed that Christian believers have inherited the Old Testament promises. These are collective terms which refer to the body rather than to individual Christians. When the Lord wanted to assure Isaac that he had inherited the covenant promises made to Abraham, he repeated a portion of the terminology of those promises (Gen. 26:2-4). In similar manner he passed along the promises to Jacob (35:10-12). In much the same way Peter pulled out numerous Old Testament phrases and claimed them for his people. He and Paul gave a spiritual interpretation to the ancient promises. They believed that those who have faith in God, such as Abraham had, are the true children of Abraham (Rom. 3:29 and Gal. 3:6). The prophetic phrases were lifted from Exodus 19:6; Isaiah 47:20; and Hosea 2:23.

The passage should cause one to give up any lingering ideas that Jews have a place of special honor in God's sight. God called out and made use of Israel in preparing the way for Christ, but the promises which were made to them along the way are now the property of Christians. There are no promises which a Jew can claim for himself or his racial group unless he becomes a Christian; and once he becomes a Christian, it no longer matters whether he is a Jew or a Gentile. Peter burned the brand of Christian ownership onto every spiritual promise which God made and left open in the Old Testament; he claimed these as the sole property of Christians.

1. Who you are (2:9a).

Peter would have all Christians believe that they are dignified sons of God and, therefore, important people. He would have welcomed the revision of the hymn which referred to us as worms.

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1 Peter 1:13-21

2:9, 10

(1) You are a "chosen race" (Isa. 43:20).

Just as God chose Israel from among all the nations of the earth and made a covenant with them, so also he called unto himself through Christ his Christian believers.

(2) You are "royal priesthood."

In Exodus 19:6, God called Israel "a kingdom of priests." (Peter quoted from the Septuagint.) Did he mean for the nation to be composed of holy men, all of them priests; or did he mean for the nation to function as a priest in guiding other nations to God? Probably the former. The latter idea is cared for in the next term.

(3) You are "a holy nation" (Exodus 19:6).

The church is composed of saints who individually and collectively have been set apart unto God. The church is said to be holy because it is dedicated to God.

(4) You are "God's own people."

The expression was intended to be a summary statement which gathered up and interpreted the previous claims.

2. Why you were chosen (2:9b).

You were chosen to proclaim God's wonderful deeds of redemption. A disciple is to bear witness to what he has experienced in Christ who transported us out of the kingdom of darkness and evil into his kingdom of light and life.

3. What you have become (2:10).

Once you were non-people, but now you are people of God; once you were non-mercied, but now you have received mercy (see Hosea 2:23).

The passage has a great and important message for all Christians: You are somebody—a dignified son of God—; be sure you act like it.

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A Smile or Two



"BEING committee chairman is a snap if you growl enough."

—ARK-E-OLOGY by Gene Herrington

Human nature

A city slicker wandered into a small town and struck up a conversation with an oldtimer sitting outside the general store. "I see you don't have much of a population problem here," sneered the slicker.

The old gentleman reflected, then answered, "You're wrong, son. Nearly every problem we've ever had here's been caused by population."

Arithmetic

Bill: "Shall I cut this pie into six or eight pieces?"

Jim: "Better cut it in six—I don't think I can eat all eight."

Rough sledding

Overheard in a teacher's lounge: "Boy, what a morning! All the closed circuit TV systems broke down, and I had to teach."
 —Education Commission, SBC.

Attendance Report

	October 12, 1968	Sunday School	Training Unionist	Ch. Adms.
Church Alexander First	56	39		
Alicia Berryville First	89	43		
Berryville First	155	65		4
Freeman Heights Camden	102	53		
Cullendale First	392	117		
First	501	115		
Second	94	65		
Cherokee Crosssett	68			2
First	595	203		4
Mt. Olive	291	169		1
Dumas First	184	70		
El Dorado Caledonia	50	25		
East Main	301	269		
Ebeneser	143	60		1
First	708	462		5
Victory	88	43		
Eureka Springs				
Rock Springs	76	43		
Forrest City First	590	173		2
Fort Smith				
First	1,199	423		2
Towson	162	109		5
Gentry First	194	81		
Green Forest First	161	64		1
Greenwood First	265	132		
Gurdon Beach Street	154	59		
Harrison Eagle Heights	218	79		1
Hope First	483	153		
Hot Springs Piney	190	73		
Jacksonville				
Bayou Meto	188	60		1
Berea	106	61		
First	476	133		1
Marshall Road	384	135		5
Second	209	71		1
Jonesboro				
Central	447	202		
Nettleton	283	139		
Little Rock				
Geyer Springs	532	199		
Life Line	463	193		14
Rosedale	219	120		3
Magnolia Central	647	236		
Manila First	155	87		
Marked Tree Neiswander	105	53		
Monticello				
Northside	97	72		
Second	227	121		
North Little Rock				
Baring Cross	611	293		1
Southside Mission	34	12		
Calvary	481	161		3
Central	269	114		2
Gravel Ridge First	204	149		5
Levy	514	146		
Park Hill	850	213		2
Sixteenth Street	59	35		
Sherwood First	191	35		
Sylvan Hills	233	103		
Paragould East Side	320	140		4
Paris First	350	102		
Pine Bluff				
Centennial	188	120		
First	644	157		
Green Meadows Mission	81	47		
Second	164	80		
Watson Chapel	185	135		
Pocahontas Shannon	90			
Springdale				
Berry Street	110	70		
Elmdale	379	133		
First	431	103		3
Oak Grove	69	52		
Van Buren				
First	473	193		
Oak Grove	150	59		
Vandervoort First	43	37		
Walnut Ridge First	333	127		21
Warren				
First	319	157		
Southside Mission	41	61		1
Immanuel	196	94		
Westside	47	34		
West Fork First	120	53		

Certainty

"Halt! Who goes there?"
 "American."
 "Advance and recite the second stanza of the Star Spangled Banner."
 "I don't know it."
 "Proceed, American."

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RECIFE, Pernambuco, Brazil—Dr. J. Frederick Spann, native of Levy, Ark., recently directed a 110-voice choir and the 84-piece Recife Symphonic Orchestra during a special program in commemoration of the 351st anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. The program, which consisted of eight numbers by the choir and orchestra, congregational singing, Bible reading, and a history of the Reformation, was the first of several planned for the month of October. The century old Santa Isabel Theater, which seats 1,200 was filled to capacity for the 90-minute program.—(Photo by Roberta Hampton)

Writer doubts USSR has religious freedom

PORTLAND, Ore.—Answers to her questions about religious freedom in the Soviet Union were too pat and seemed to reflect an accommodation with the state.

So writes Rebecca Tarshis who recently returned from a tour of Russia. Border guards, said Miss Tarshis, were furious when they discovered a suitcase full of Bibles which she and her traveling companions attempted to take into Russia. They were allowed to keep the English Bibles but the Scriptures in Russian were confiscated.

Coming upon several elderly men finishing their Friday prayers, she asked if she could take a picture of them in the traditional prayer shawl and phylacteries of the orthodox Jewish men at worship. The men not only obliged willingly but asked her to wait and talk to the president of the synagogue. She said they had photographs allegedly showing the synagogue filled with people and overflowing into the street.

"The pictures had been brought out too readily," said Miss Tarshis. "It seemed incredible that respected elders of so large and old a place of worship

found it necessary to support their statements with picture proof."

When she showed her traveling companions the pictures she had been given of the head rabbi they recognized him immediately as Rabbi Levin who had been hooted off a New York rostrum a few days previously when he had said Jews in the Soviet Union were free to practice their religion.

"The Russian clergymen seemed to have made an accommodation with the State," writes Miss Tarshis in the Seattle Times, "but whether or not that accommodation will kill religion completely is still a moot question." She said it did not seem to bother the Rev. Arthur Mitzkevitch, assistant head of the Baptist church, that he could schedule no youth meetings, no prayer meetings, no meetings for the sharing of Christian testimony, or Sunday school classes.

"Perhaps, as has been suggested," said the Soviet visitor, "there is an underground waiting for a propitious time to fan brighter the presently feeble flame of religious belief in Russia." (EP)

New York Baptists to form convention

NEW YORK—The Baptist Fellowship of New York meeting here Sept. 27-28 reaffirmed Jan. 1, 1970 as a realistic date to establish the New York Baptist Convention and began plans for a constitution meeting to be held in Syracuse Sept. 25-26, 1969.

The 163 messengers from 55 churches and chapels across New York and Northern New Jersey passed a measure to begin the new organization with four staff members. Those forming the nucleus of the state leadership will be (1) executive secretary-treasurer-editor-evangelism secretary, (2) secretary of church program ministries, (3) secretary of missions-stewardship-brotherhood, and (4) a part-time WMU secretary.

Membership in the 98 congregations now totals 9,500, according to Roger Knapton, chairman of the executive board. Based on this figure, he said, "the goal of 10,900 members to be reached by 1970 can be attained."

A record budget of \$8,700 was approved for 1969, and a reserve fund has been established by the Maryland Convention in which one-third of 1969 cooperative program gifts given in the fellowship territory will be held for the new convention.

In other action, the fellowship elected as president for the coming year Paul James, superintendent of missions for Metropolitan Association. First vice president is Hartmon Sullivan, pastor of LaSalle Church, Niagara Falls; Quinn Pugh, pastor at Bergen Church, is second vice president.

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