Ouachita Baptist University

Scholarly Commons @ Ouachita

Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, 1950-1954

Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine

6-26-1952

June 26, 1952

Arkansas Baptist State Convention

Follow this and additional works at: https://scholarlycommons.obu.edu/arbn_50-54

Part of the Christian Denominations and Sects Commons, Mass Communication Commons, and the Organizational Communication Commons

Recommended Citation

Arkansas Baptist State Convention, "June 26, 1952" (1952). *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, 1950-1954*. 89.

https://scholarlycommons.obu.edu/arbn_50-54/89

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine at Scholarly Commons @ Ouachita. It has been accepted for inclusion in Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, 1950-1954 by an authorized administrator of Scholarly Commons @ Ouachita. For more information, please contact mortensona@obu.edu.

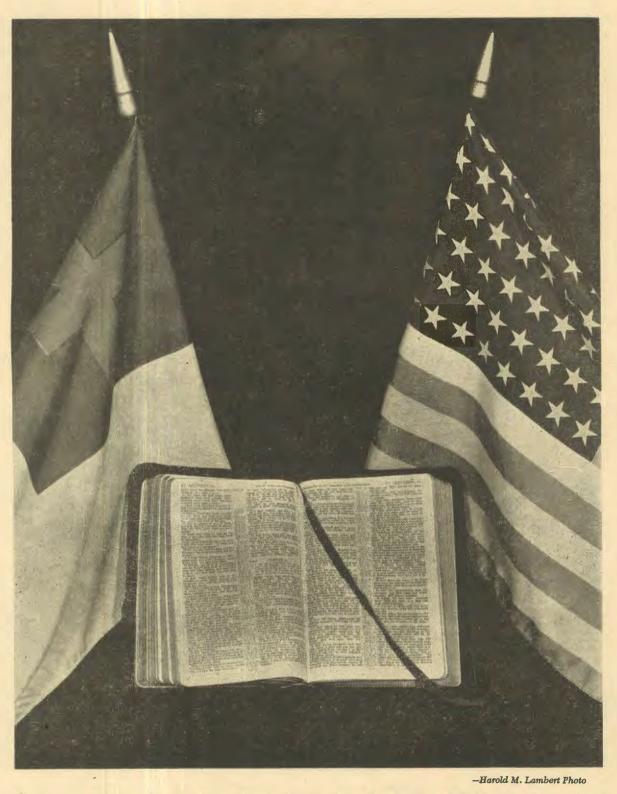
ARKAMSAS BARRISI BARRISI

BAPTIST OFFICIAL STATE PAPER

VOLUME 51

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, JUNE 26, 1952

NUMBER 26



Independence Day should call us back to the Bible and to God

Editorial Comments

Religious Racketeers

It would be difficult to find a more contemptible person than one who makes a racket out of religion for his own personal gain. Yet it is common knowledge that this is frequently done by conscienceless persons.

It seems that the situation became so bad in the resort city of Winter Haven, Florida, that the city commission, with the approval of the Winter Haven Ministerial Association, took action to restrict evangels and itinerant preachers who were not sponsored by organized local congregations.

The new ruling prohibits those conducting open air meetings in the city park and elsewhere from collecting money from persons outside their immediate audiences. "The ban is aimed at halting house-to-house and store-to-store canvassing by unsponsored groups."

The new ruling also requires that those holding tent meetings must comply with all city building code requirements and zoning laws.

Biggest Propagandist

While President Truman is berating private enterprise for advertising which he calls "a vicious propaganda barrage," it is reported that the Federal government has 2,600 employes working full time on public re ations and publicity activities. Besides these full time propagandists the Federal government part time publicity work is done by other Federal employes. And remember that the 2,600 full time propagandists and the part time propagandists are paid out of the tax funds of the government in the amount of \$17,000,000 a year for salaries alone, to say nothing of other expenses.

The Federal government is taking the taxes which it extracts from the people to pay the salary of high pressure propagandists to propagandize the same taxpayers on government policies and programs. So we the people are paying the government to propagandize us. And the government is the biggest propagandist of them all.

An OPS Order

To comply with an OPS order, a great department store found that 20,000 hours of work by section managers and assistants was required. More than 20,000 sheets of carbon papers and 26,000 pages of forms were consumed. The store's clerical staff, though large, couldn't handle the alone and \$5,000 was spent for private stenographic services to help out. It is estimated that this one OPS order cost the store several hundred thousand dollars.

When this is repeated over the country, not only in large department stores but in all kinds of stores, big and little, we get an idea of what bureaucracy means and we get a further idea of what socialism will mean in our government.

It is reported that in some cases, stores have been forced to close—they just couldn't make a go of it under present policies and conditions.

We wonder if there is any business that is free from government control and regulation in our land today! -000

Nine times out of ten the reason man can't find a way out of a difficulty is that he is looking for an easy way out. -Copied.

To Organize POAU Chapter In Little Rock

A local chapter of Protestants and Other Americans United for the Separation of Church and State is to be organized in Little Rock on Monday, June 30, 10:30 a.m. The organizational meeting will be held in the new educational building of the First Baptist Church; Thirteenth and Louisiana St., Little Rock.

All persons interested in the organization of a local chapter of POAU are invited to attend this organizational meeting, both ministers and laymen.

We hope that the ministers of Little Rock and out in the state will make an announcement of this meeting from their pulpits and urge their laymen to attend if they possibly can. The membership in this organization is not confined to residents of Little Rock but we would be happy to have members from every section of the state. It is not intended that this shall be a Baptist organization but an organization of all friends of democracy and freedom who are interested in preserving the wall of separation of church and state and preventing that wall from being breached by those who would have the state support the church financially and the church dictate to the state in politics.

This is a vital issue before the American people today and unless we become awake to the dangers which we face, we are likely to find our historic American principle of separation of church and state in the discard before too many years have passed.

Remember the date and place and purpose: June 30, 10:30 a.m.; new educational building, First Baptist Church, Little Rock; the organization of a local chapter of Protestants and Other Americans United for the Separation of Church and State.

Blowing Both Hot And Cold

We refer again to the Moscow Church Peace Conference. At the same time that Soviet Russia is trying to enlist the influence of the church people for her program of peace, she is also fighting to stamp out Christianity.

Here is a news release which comes by way of London to the effect that Moscow radio broadcast a lecture to Soviet political schools affirming that the Communist party's propaganda "aims at exposing the harm of religious prejudices and practices." It was stated in the lecture that "The Communist party rears a brave people free of religious superstitions and prejudices. Religious beliefs and religious rites are incompatible with membership in the party." _000-

No one is useless in this world who lightens the burden of it to anyone else. -Dickens.

-000-In the old days, the man who saved money was a miser; nowadays he's a wonder. -Automotive Dealer News.

Preoccupation Thwarts Worship

A Devotion By the Editor

"He riseth from supper . . . and began to wash the disciples feet."

Jesus and His disciples are eating the passover. There is a tenseness in the atmosphere which only Jesus understands. The disciples were so preoccupied with their ambitions for the establishment of a temporal kingdom, and Judas with his plot to betray Jesus, that it was impossible for Jesus to get their serious attention.

Jesus must break this spell before He could teach them the things that they must know to prepare them for coming events

It was a clever turn that Jesus gave the trend of thought which was occupying the minds of the disciples. It had to be violent, and violent it was. After He had finished washing the disciples feet, He then asked 'Know ye what I have done unto you."
First of all, this was a rebuke to the

disciples, for the thoughts that were preoccupying their minds. And I wonder if Christ's disciples today do not often deserve such a rebuke. The question naturally arises with what preoccupations do we come to the Lord's house and enter His service.

It was also an example that greatness is measured in the kingdom of God by service. Before this Jesus had said, "He that would be greatest among you, let him be your servant." And on this occasion when the disciples were questioning among themselves who should be greatest in the coming kingdom, Jesus took the part of a servant and washed the disciples' feet.

We may well ask ourselves the question Why do I want to preach a great sermon why do I want a great church; why do want a large Sunday School and other progressive organizations within the church; why do I want a comprehensive church program and an adequate budget?

There are two possible answers to these questions. There was the answer in the prospects which were preoccupying the thoughts of the disciples; and there was the answer in the prospects which were preoccupying the thoughts of Jesus.

On this answer turns the question of the real genuine Christian content of our church life and Christian activities.

"Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am.

"If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

"For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you. John 13:13-15.

ARKANSAS BAPTIST 206 BAPTIST BUILDING, LITTLE ROOK Official Publication of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention

B. H. DUNCAN B. H. DUNCAN

MRS. HOMER D. MYERS

Publication Committee: D. B. Westmoreland, Jr.,
Walnut Ridge, Chalrman; Hugh Owen, Pine Bluff;
Walter Hill, Little Rock; James Fitzgerald, Hot
Springs; N. R. Griffin, Monticello.

Entered Post Office, Little Rock, Arkansas, as
second class mail matter. Acceptance for mailing at
special rate of postage provided in Section 1132
October 1, 1913.

October 1, 1913.

Individual subscription \$2.00 per year. Church Budgets, 12 cents per month or \$1.44 per year per church family; Family Groups (10 or more paid annually in advance) \$1.50 per year. Subscriptions to foreign address \$2.50 per year. Advertising rates on

The cost of cuts cannot be borne by the paper except those it has made for its individual use.

Resolutions and obituaries published at five cents per word. One dollar minimum.

Articles carrying the author's by-line do not neces-sarily reflect the editorial policy of the paper.



From The Editor's Desk

Transfer Church Membership Week, September 14-21

We publish on page eight a statement by Dr. Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, giving the history of this movement for a Transfer Church Membership Week. By all means every reader of the Arkansas Baptist should turn to page eight and read this statement by Doctor Routh, read it several times until its message becomes a part of your consciousness.

We feel that this is one of the most needed, one of the most promising, and one of the most challenging movements among Southern Baptists. While we know that there are many Baptists who have moved from the home community but have not moved their church membership, yet we are shocked at the number estimated at two million Southern Baptists who are non-resident so far as their church membership is concerned.

These Baptists have moved everything else but their church membership — they have moved their old shoes, they have moved the cat, they have moved their dog, they have moved a lot of junk that is practically worthless, but the most valuable possession they have is left behind: Their church membership.

"Not-at-Home-Baptists"

These non-resident Baptists cannot worship God in absentia, that is, they cannot worship God in a place where they are not. And not being a member of the church in the community where they live they feel no obligation to enter into the program of the church there. Therefore, they are away from home so far as their church membership is concerned, and when people are away from home they often take liberties that they would not take at home; they do not feel the restraints which they feel at home; they do not feel the obligations which they feel at home.

"Transfer Church Membership Week" is a challenge to all other Baptists, who are at home in their church relationship, to seek out these "not-at-home-Baptists" and try to lead them to a re-evaluation of their church relationship and their obligations to the cause of Christ as represented in the church. These people who have moved everything but their church membership often want to impress those who are inviting them to transfer their membership with the high valuation they place upon their church membership, they value it so highly in the home church that they won't move

it, but as a matter of fact they are placing a very low estimate upon the value of their membership, else they would take it with them. They wouldn't think of leaving their most valuable material possession behind. They wouldn't leave their automobile behind, they wouldn't leave their household furniture in the old community, they wouldn't leave the items which have a sentimental value in the community from which they are moving. Yet they frequently claim that because of sentiment they are leaving their church membership behind. It isn't logical.

Values Lost

These people are losing the values of their church membership. They are losing the fellowship in Christian service, they are losing the strengthening, fortifying forces which inhere in the acceptance of Christian obligations. It is our opportunity to try to recover these away-from-home-Baptists and help them to recover the values of their church membership.

It is hoped that every pastor, every church, every interested, active church member in Arkansas will get into this program wholeheartedly and seek out these away-from-home-Baptists and try to interest them in transferring their membership and putting their lives into the Lord's service. It is hoped that every agency and institution of our Convention, and every association, and associational missionaries will get into this movement wholeheartedly and at once.

Be sure to look for other discussions in the Arkansas Baptist week by week on this important movement among Southern Baptists.

Aid For Tax Supported Schools and Hospitals

A resolution was passed by the International Convention of Disciples of Christ in its recent meeting in Chicago urging Congress to enact legislation providing Federal assistance to tax-supported and publicly-administered schools and hospitals. Such legislation would, of course, eliminate church and denominational schools and hospitals from such Federal aid. It was specifically stated in the resolution that Federal laws providing grants for the establishment or operation of hospitals be amended to limit such grants to public hospitals and non-sectarian hospitals owned by voluntary community groups not operated for private property.

Time To Settle Issue

It would seem that the time has arrived for settling this question once and for all time concerning the granting of tax funds, whether state or Federal, to sectarian institutions including both schools and hospitals. Unless the present trend is stopped and turned back soon, there is the very real danger that the support of sectarian institutions out of public tax funds will become so well established that it will be practically impossible to correct the situation.

As we stated many times before this trend to grant assistance from public tax funds to sectarian institutions is not a local issue nor a temporary issue—it is

worldwide and age-old. The Roman Catholic Church is in the forefront of this drive to secure public tax funds for their schools and institutions. It is the permanent unalterable policy of the Roman Catholic Church to secure public tax funds for their schools and their hospitals, and they have succeeded in some countries to gain public tax funds for the salaries of their priests and other church employes.

Dangerous Trend

However, the trend has affected other religious groups in some areas. For instance, the Council of the Melbourne Diocese of the Church of England in Australia and Tasmania recently asked state aid for church secondary schools. The Council suggested that the government pay such schools one-half of what it would cost to educate each student at a government school. It also urged that the government reimburse church schools for the construction of the necessary new buildings up to one-half their cost.

The Catholics of Vancouver, British Columbia, have formed a Christian democratic party. This is a Catholic political party. The party is now demanding state support for parochial schools on an equal basis with public schools.

While its leaders deny that the Christian democratic party is a "Catholic party," it will be difficult to convince anyone of the truthfulness of that statement.

But coming closer to home, the 31st Triennial Convention of the Catholic Knights of America, meeting recently in New Orleans, passed a resolution reaffirming "our natural and parental right to educate our children in schools of our own choice." No one questions the right of parents to educate their children in schools of their own choice. But the contention of the Catholics is that when the government refuses to grant public tax funds for the support of Catholic schools, it is at the same time denying Catholic parents the right to educate their children in schools of their own choice.

In St. John, N. B., the Protestant Ministerial Association has protested to the city council against the construction of a Roman Catholic high school for boys. They claim there is ample space in the St. John high school building for additional pupils.

The Catholic diocesan authorities propose the building of a new school and renting it to the school board "for \$50,000 or more yearly"

We repeat that the question of public tax funds for sectarian institutions should be settled decisively and in favor of the publicly owned and publicly supported institutions. Until such time as it is decisively determined that public funds shall be used only for public institutions, we shall be harassed by this clamor of sectarian institutions, primarily Catholic, for public funds.

Kingdom Progress

"Faithful Followers Campaign" Proves Successful



Pictured above are 185 members of the Calvary Church Sunday School, located in Pulaski Heights, Little Rock, who received an award for attending Sunday School twelve Sundays out of thirteen during the recent "Faithful Followers Campaign." The awards were Bibles with each individual's name in gold.

Seated at the extreme left, front row, is A. B. Weidman Jr., who holds a seven year perfect attendance record, and third from him on front row is his mother, who also has a seven year attendance record. Many others in the group have attendance records of one year and several have more than one year.

Calvary Church and Pastor Lawson Hatfield set aside March, April, and May for the campaign, when Sunday School attendance was stressed and greater efficiency, as suggested in the six point record system. Pastor Hatfield says "it has been most gratifying." During this period the enrolment grew from 362 to 385, with a net gain of 23 Sunday School members; the average attendance increased from 221 to 292, or an increase of 71 per Sunday. The church also received 20 new members during the campaign.

ing the campaign.

Pastor Hatfield has been with Calvary Church approximately eleven months; during this time the church has added three nursery rooms and two Beginner departments to the educational plant, and plans are complete for two additions to the Primary department in the near future.

Brazilian Baptist Seminary Celebrates 50th Anniversary

The first Baptist seminary founded in Latin America, the Baptist Theological Seminary of North Brazil, celebrated its 50th anniversary April 1-5. Solomon Ginsburg, "The Wandering Jew in Brazil," and Jeff Hamilton started the seminary in the former's home in Recife on April 1, 1902. Nine students were enroled for the first term.

Taking part in the jubilee celebration, which included four days of special programs, were the following missionaries: John Mein, president of the seminary; Raymond Kolb; L. Johnson; and David Mein. A special memorial service was held in honor of the late missionaries Mrs. Elizabeth Mein, Mrs. Ana Bagby, and E. G. Wilcox.

One hundred and three students, from eight states, were enroled in the seminary last year, this being the largest enrolment in the institution's history. Besides missionaries John and David Mein and Raymond Kolb, the faculty includes five Brazilian professors. A night course for pastors and lay workers was added to the regular curriculum last year.

No Paper Next Week

It has been the custom through the years to skip the week of July 4.

—Editor.

Transportation To Siloam

A bus will leave Immanuel Baptist Church, Tenth and Bishop, Little Rock, at 7 a. m. Tuesday, July 1, for Siloam Springs Assembly.

Round trip fare is approximately \$6.00.

For reservation call: Miss Rebecca Tune, 2-6146, Little Rock.

Wayne Eskridge Ordained

Wayne Eskridge, student at Ouachita and pastor of the Hicks Church, Ashdown, was ordained to the gospel ministry on May 28, by Immanuel Church, Little Rock.

Chaffin Named Secretary By Louisiana Baptists



DR. FLOYD B. CHAFFIN

Dr. Floyd B. Chaffin, associate executive secretary-treasurer of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, has accepted the call of the Louisiana Baptist Convention to become its executive secretary-treasurer. He will begin his duties July 1.

The new secretary has been associate to Dr. J. Howard Williams in the Texas position for the past four years. He is succeeding Dr. T. W. Gayer who has served some months as interim executive secretary-treasurer for Louisiana since the death of Dr. W. H. Knight last December.

A graduate of Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, Dr. Chaffin is a native of Alabama and spent his high school years in Arkansas. He has the Th. M. degree from Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, and the D.D. degree from Howard Payne College in Brownwood, Texas,

Before going to the Texas administrative post, the new Louisiana secretary was pastor at Coleman, Texas, and the Polytechnic Baptist Church in Fort Worth.

Almyra Dedicates New Building

First Church, Almyra, Harold Presley, pastor, dedicated their new church building on Sunday, June 15. The dedication service was held in the afternoon and featured messages by C. A. Raabe, chairman of the deacons; A. W. Fuller, chairman of the building committee; and Pastor Claud Bumpass of Urbana. The ceremony of dedication was led by Pastor Presley.

Guest speakers were, for the morning service, Bart Allen; for the evening service, Nelson Tull.

Other features of the services of the day were the dedication of the new baptistry and a new piano dedicated to the memory of the charter members of the church.

The Almyra church property is valued at \$43,000. Total receipts last year were \$21,-482, of which \$3,389 went for mission causes.

In 1898 a small Baptist church organization moved from Prairieville to Almyra and began worship in a school house, becoming the First Baptist Church of Almyra. In 1909 the church built an auditorium. Eight Sunday School rooms were added in 1927. In 1951 the present building was started which was dedicated on June 15.

Arkansas News Briefs

From Here and There

First Church, Corning, Dr. Leo B. Golden, pastor, recently ordained the following new deacons: H. E. Bridgeforth, Warren Cooper, Clarence E. Headley, Owen Henderson, Loyd Smith

Calvary Church, Fort Smtih, had a Bible School enrolment of 259, average attendance 215; and the offering was \$60.50. L. H. Davis is the pastor.

Pastor Jesse S. Reed, Second Church, El Dorado, and Mark Short Sr. of Arkadelphia, assisted Pastor Ermon Webb and the Vine Grove Church, Vine Grove, Kentucky, in revival services June 3-15. There were 30 additions to the church membership, 16 of whom were received on profession of faith and baptism.

Pastor Ermon Webb is a native of Arkansas, a graduate of Ouachita College, and of the Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

Three simultaneous schools of music are being conducted in Mississippi County Association from June 22-27. Mrs. B. W. Nininger, state music secretary, is conducting a school for the Blytheville churches at First Church; Mrs. Joe Simmons and Miss Dorothy Weaver are directing schools at Wilson and Manila.

First Church, Blytheville, had a total enrolment of 221 in an eight-day Vacation Bible School, 45 of whom were faculty members. The average attendance was 172. Dr. E. C. Brown is pastor of First Church.

The Vacation Bible School of First Church, Hamburg, sent \$55.02 to the Cooperative Program. E. E. Griever is the pastor.

South Side Church, Fort Smith, Victor H. Coffman, pastor, reports the "largest Bible School in the history of the church" June 2-11, with 176 enrolled, and an average attendance of 151; 94 maintained a perfect attendance record. There were five professions of faith, and the mission offering of \$46.57 was sent to the Baptist Assembly, Yumury, Cuba.

Mount Olive Church, Crossett, had a Bible School enrolment of 162, average attendance of 130. There were six professions of faith. R. O. Ekrut is the pastor.

Baring Cross Church, North Little Rock, reports an enrolment of 500 in the Bible School, with an average attendance of 448; 214 pupils and 54 faculty members had a perfect attendance record. The offering was \$101.35. The Baring Cross mission at Camp Robinson had an enrolment of 78, average attendance of 69, and the offering was \$16.13.

"The best yet," says Dr. W. O. Vaught, Immanuel Church, Little Rock, concerning the Bible School. Immanuel Church enrolled 725, with 319 having a perfect attendance record. Riverside Mission had an enrolment of 85.

An interesting feature of the Immanuel Bible School was the different denominations represented. There were 362 Baptists, 42 Methodists, 4 from the Church of Christ, 10 Nazarenes, 3 Catholics, 1 Evangelical, 4 Lutheran, 2 Episcopal, 1 Open Door, 3 Church of God, 2 Four Square, 3 Christian, 10 Presby-

Coronation Service At Childress Chapel Greene County Association



Mrs. Virginia Hoggard crowns the queens, Janie Boleyn and Nancy Taylor, in the G. A. coronation at the Childress Chapel Church, J. O. Miles, pastor. In addition to the two queens, there were eleven maidens, five ladies-in-waiting, and one princess.

Others taking part in the program were: Mrs. J. O. Miles; Miss Lanell Taylor; Mrs. James E. Bowen, associational superintendent; Mrs. Donald Herren, associational young peoples' leader; and Mrs. Tom Black, local W. M. S. president.

terian, 1 Christian Science, 3 Assembly of God, and 2 Pentacostal.

The School ended with a picnic with 700 in attendance,

First Church, Harrison, Lehman H. Webb, pastor, had an enrolment of 111 in the Vacation Bible School, with an average attendance of 93, 60 of whom had a perfect attendance record. There was one profession of faith and the offering totaled \$45.20.

Hardin Church, Pine Bluff. enrolled 107 in the Bible School, with an average attendance of 79. E. A. Richmond is the pastor.

First Church, Smackover, Dale F. Taylor, pastor, had an enrolment of 205 in the Bible School, with a daily average of 160. The Cooperative Program offering was \$40.08.

Pastor J. T. Elliff of the First Church, Fordyce, announces the coming of Evangelist Angel Martinez for a revival meeting August 3-10.

Pastor Howard S. Kolb of the Immanuel Church, Pine Bluff, reports six professions of faith at the evangelistic service of their Vacation Bible School recently. The enrolment of the school reached a total of 386 with an average daily attendance of 302. Mr. E. N. Wisdom, educational director, served as principal of the school and there were 65 faculty members.

Pastor L. E. Cunningham of the First Church, Alma, reports a Vacation Bible School with 221 enroled and an average attendance of 185. An offering amounting to \$20.57 was given to the Cooperative Program. Mrs. O. V. Hall was principal of the school.

McDaniel Goes To California

Pastor Arlie L. McDaniel has resigned the pastorate of First Church, Mena, to accept the pastorate of the Harvard-Terrace Baptist Church in Fresno, California.

Pastor McDaniel has been with the Mena church for three years and seven months. During his pastorate at Mena, there have been 207 additions to the church membership by baptism and 205 additions by letter, making a total of 412.

The Sunday School has increased in attendance from an average of 240 to 320. During the same period a mission sponsored by the Mena church has been organized into the Dallas Avenue Church, and another mission has been opened with Richard Perkins as pastor.

Pastor McDaniel has been active in denominational work, having been moderator of the Ouachita Association for three years, and a so a member of the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

Progress At Salem

Pastor James B. Busby has been with the First Church of Salem for one year, during which time the church has made progress along all lines. Pastor Busby has conducted two revival meetings during the year; there have been thirteen additions to the church on profession of faith and baptism, and thirteen by letter; a Sunday School study course and a Training Union study course have been completed.

A nursery has been added to the Sunday School organization, one room added to the building facilities, the basement remodeled and the windows screened.

Funds for associational missions have been almost doubled.

---000-

Popularity is never a lasting asset unless character merits it.

Christian Horizons

By Religious News Service

Arizona Churches Seek Ban On Liquor Advertising

Protestant churches in Arizona are circulating initiative petitions that would ban liquor advertising in Arizona publications, or over radio or television stations in the state.

The petition is one of two the Arizona Temperance Association will attempt to place on the November general election ballot.

The other would prevent the issuance of new liquor licenses until after the 1960 federal census. It also would bar the issuance or transfer of licenses to areas that have deed restrictions against liquor establishments.

> Dr. Sockman Declines To Become A Bishop

Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, pastor of Christ Church, New York City, has asked that his name not be considered for the office of bishop in The Methodist Church.

The announcement came on the eve of the quadrennial episcopal election at the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference in Harrisburg, Pa.

Dr. Sockman, who also is preacher on the NBC National Radio Pulpit and president of the Protestant Council of New York, led in the balloting at the jurisdictional election four years ago, but asked that his name be withdrawn.

Since then, he has been urged to allow his name to be ballotted upon at this

year's jurisdictional conference.

Dr. Sockman said that while he had "very high regard for the episcopal office and the men who hold it," he was convinced that "the greatest need of the contemporary church is the strengthening of the local pulpits."

"There is a tragic lag," he said, "between pronouncements of general church conventions and the practices of local church congregations. We can never exalt the pulpit properly as long as we regard it as a stepping stone to administrative positions. Having held and taught these convictions, I would now seem inconsistent in leaving the pulpit for the bishopric."

Liquor On Radio, TV Programs Hit

The moral content of radio and television programs came under fire from church and temperance spokesmen in Washington.

Criticism of drinking and of excessive advertising of alcoholic beverages on radio and TV programs predominated among witnesses as a special subcommittee of the House Interstate Commerce Committee opened an investigation ordered by Congress.

Miss Elizabeth A. Smart, representing the Women's Christian Temperance Union, gave the congressmen a vivid account of a recent "evening on television" and said that a beer advertisement was placed on the screen at 6:45 p.m. directly between two popular children's programs. She suggested that it was not meant to attract an adult audience at that hour.

The alcohol beverage industry is using the broadcasting industry to give itself "an aura of respectability" it has never before possessed, she said.

Pepper Warns Of Haste In Church Unity Movements

note of caution regarding Christian unity proposals was sounded by former U. S. Sen. George Wharton Pepper at a testimonial luncheon in his honor sponsored by the Philadelphia Council of Churches

The 85-year-old Protestant layman told some 500 clergymen and laymen that there were perils in approaching unity too hastily. He also warned them against attempts to use unity movements for nonreligious purposes.

"There are those among us who want to hurry the advance toward unity," he said, who wish to consolidate gains before there are enough gains to consolidate. Our first lesson must be to learn to labor and wait.

Southern Baptists Dedicate First Missionary Boat

Foreign missionaries of the Southern Baptist Convention dedicated their first sea-going vessel in ceremonies at Freeport,

The 50-foot craft will be used by the Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McCullough in work among the English-speaking inhabitants of a group of small islands, lying off the coast of Nicaragua, which belongs to Colombia. The two missionaries have made their headquarters for the past 10 years on San Andres, a two-by-seven mile island of the group, which has about 5,000 inhabitants.

Churches on the islands asked the Southern Baptist Convention's Foreign Mission Board, through Mr. McCullough, for assistance in facilitating transportation of the missionaries between the islands and the Nicaraguan mainland.

Roy Rogers Says He's An Evangelist On Horseback

Some 45,000 persons, attending the final meeting of evangelist Billy Graham's fiveweek mission in Houston, heard cowboy movie star Roy Rogers say that he could do more good on horseback than in the pulpit. There had been reports that the cowboy actor was planning to become an evangelist.

Mr. Rogers, who flew in from Hollywood with Dale Evans, his wife and co-star, to give testimonials as Dr. Graham's featured guests, said he could minister to boys and girls in his own way through his movie career.

"I am reaching hundreds of thousands of them each week through the 2,000 Roy Rogers Riders Clubs," he said. "Children all over the country bow their heads and pray with me when I lead the Cowboy's Prayer in the movies shown at the clubs."

Threatened rain and a muggy 87-degree temperature held the crowd well under the record of 60,000 set at an earlier session.

Dr. Graham said that the Houston crusade, attended by a total of 492,500, was "one of the most successful of my life." More than 8,000 "decisions for Christ" were reported during the Houston campaign.

A Smile or Two

"I saw a mule throw a young Negro high in the air one day. I said to him:

"I'm sorry old Kit threw you so hard." "He said, 'No sir, she didn't throw me. That's the way I duz. When Ize afraid she might throw me, I just gits off."

"Maybe Harry Truman uses the same

-Selsus Tull

Be sure your brain is turning over before you throw your jaw in gear.

Man: "Have you any wallpaper?"

Clerk: "Yes, sir."
Man: "Is it the kind I can but on myself?"

Clerk: "I suppose so. But it would look better on a wall."

Mother—"Junior, when your Aunt Becky arrives, she won't kiss you with your face so dirty."

Junior-"Well, mom, that's what I fig-

"This is my car," shouted the motorist to the garageman, "and what I say about it goes-see!"

Just then the mechanic crawled from under the car and pleadingly said, "Say engine, Mister."

-Hosteling in Indiana

After a hard day at the office a man went home to his wife and cute little 3year-old daughter.

"Have you a kiss for Daddy?"

"No."

"I'm ashamed of you. Your Daddy works hard all day to bring home a little money and you behave like that. Come on now, where's the kiss?"

Looking him right in the eye the 3-yearold said, "Where's the money?"

Douglas MacDougal finally broke and bought a cash register. The gleaming machine was his pride and joy, to be shown admiringly to every friend and customer. Buying a pack of chewing gum one day, the patron noticed that Dougal slipped the nickel in his pocket.
"Why don't you ring it up?" he asked.

"You'll forget it if you don't put it in the

drawer."

"That I willna," replied the Scotsman. "Y'see, I do it this way: I add in my head till I have a dollar in my pocket, then I ring it up. 'Tis a beautiful machine, and I'll not be wear-ring it out!"

"Have you ever appeared as a witness in a suit before?" asked the attorney.

"Why of course!" replied the sweet young thing.

"Will you please tell the jury just what suit it was?"

"It was a blue suit," she replied, "with white collar and cuffs, and buttons all down the front."

"What is your age?" asked the Magistrate. "Remember," he cautioned, "you are on oath."

"Twenty-one and some months," the woman answered.

"How many months?"

"One hundred and eight."

News From Baptist Press

Executive Committee Meeting, Nashville, June 9-11

The way was opened for the Home Mission Board to borrow \$500,000 for meeting emergency needs in their Church Building and Loan fund when the Executive Committee in its recent meeting in Nashville approved the request of the Home Mission Board representative in line with a Convention resolution passed at Miami.

The representatives presented plans for borrowing the money to be loaned in small sums not to exceed \$15,000 for the construction of small churches in needy fields, primarily in the West. The action will not become final until passed by the Home Mission Board in its annual meeting in August.

The funds, to be borrowed from Atlanta banks, will be repaid at the rate of \$100,-000 per year out of Advance Program and Capital Needs receipts accruing to the Board.

Following the approval of this request, the Committee asked the new president, Dr. Storer of Oklahoma, to appoint a committee to study the over-all problem of future financing of church buildings, with special study directed toward the problems of growth in the West. Dr. C. C. Warren, Charlotte, North Carolina, vice-president of the Executive Committee, was named chairman of the special committee.

Hear Texas Plan

A group of Texas Baptist leaders led by William F. Fleming, Fort Worth oilman, presented a plan for creating a \$10,000,000 reservoir of funds available for the building of western churches. Fleming challenged the committee to "build your plans with an eye on souls not just on dollars." The appointed committee will study the Texas plan.

Others on the committee, due to bring its report to the December meeting, are Frank A. Hooper, Atlanta, Georgia; Carl E. Bates, Amarillo, Texas; Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, Georgia, and H. C. Chiles, Murray, Kentucky.

On report of a special committee on Home Mission Board annuities, the Executive Committee adopted a resolution, pending further Convention action, giving approval "to the writing of annuity contracts by the Home Mission Board for the benefit of its Church Building and Loan fund, at the same rates used by the Relief and Annuity Board and by the Southern Baptist Foundation, with an obligation to trustee the same with the last named agencies."

A finance committee recommendation approved the request of Southwestern Seminary and the Radio Commission that they be allowed to use current 1952 capital needs receipts to restore operating reserves which were used with the approval of the Convention for capital needs.

Spring Promotion Conference

The March 18-19, 1953, promotion conference will be held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, according to the report of the promotion committee.

The promotion committee also reported hearing the proposed program of Dr. J. N. Barnette and the Sunday School Board for enroling one million additional people in Bible study in the year October 1953 to October 1954, climaxing the effort with a simultaneous enlargement campaign September 19-26, 1954. The committee pledged its

full co-operation and voted to keep the dates clear for the effort.

In accordance with a request from the Convention in Miami, the committee on convention arrangements brought the recommendation that "at the 1953 convention (1) an adequate number of seats in the Convention hall be held for messengers until the scheduled time for each session to open beginning with the Wednesday evening session; and, (2) that admission to the section or sections reserved for messengers be upon presentation of Convention badge."

The committee also approved the Rice Hotel in Houston as headquarters hotel for the 1953 meeting. The Convention sessions will be held in the Coliseum and Music Hall, May 4-10.

Executive Committee Lists New Committees In June Meeting

The new title of associate secretary and director of publications was given to Albert McClellan by the Executive Committee in its June meeting. Mr. McClellan also serves as press representative for the Convention.

Dr. Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion for the Executive Committee, is also an associate secretary.

Standing committees of the Executive Committee appointed by the president were:

ADMINISTRATIVE — Frank A. Hooper, Georgia, chairman; Ralph P. Baylor, Maryland; H. C. Chiles, Kentucky; Edward H. Pruden, D. C.; Walter B. Feagins, Florida; A. J. Moncrief, Jr., Missouri; Paul A. Meigs, California; Howard M. Reaves, Alabama; C. C. Warren, North Carolina; T. K. Rucker, Arkansas.

FINANCE — Louie D. Newton, Georgia, chairman; W. Boyd Hunt, Texas; J. Winston Pearce, North Carolina; Herschel H. Hobbs, Oklahoma; W. Douglas Hudgins, Mississippl.

PROMOTION—J. Norris Palmer, Louisiana, chairman; G. Allen West, Tennessee; I. E. Lee, Illinois; Mrs. George R. Martin, Virginia; Leon M. Latimer, South Caro'ina; Homer G. Lindsay, Florida; O. R. Shields, Missouri; Paul Wheeler, South Carolina; J. D. Grey, Louisiana; D. C. Martin, Arizona.

CONVENTION ARRANGEMENTS—R. Lofton Hudson, Missouri, chairman; Carl E. Bates, Texas; George B. Fraser, D. C.; John W. Wood, Virginia; L. M. Walker, New Mexico.

A special committee was appointed to bring to the December meeting a resolution relating to Dr. W. T. Conner, long-time Baptist leader who died recently. The committee includes Homer G. Lindsay, Florida, chairman; Howard M. Reaves, Alabama, and W. Boyd Hunt, Texas.

Dr. J. Norris Palmer of Louisiana was named chairman of a special committee to consider the enlargement of the Executive Committee. His committee includes J. Winston Pearce, North Carolina; M. A. Huggins, North Carolina; B. H. Duncan, Arkansas, and S. L. Stealey, North Carolina.

Continuing as the committee on charters of agencies are Frank A. Hooper, Georgia, chairman; Walter B. Feagins, Florida, and C. C. Warren, North Carolina.

Storer Elected To Lead SBC Executive Committee

Dr. J. W. Storer, pastor of First Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma, was unanimously elected president of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention in its semiannual meeting in Nashville in mid-June.

Dr. Storer succeeds George B. Fraser, Washington, D. C., attorney, who retires after five years of service with the committee as president.

The committee named as its vice-president, Dr. Casper C. Warren, pastor of First Church, Charlotte, North Carolina. Re-elected to their present offices were Dr. O. R. Shields, Lafayette Park Church, St. Louis, Missouri, recording secretary; Porter Routh, Nashville, executive secretary and treasurer; Dr. Merrill D. Moore, Nashville, director of promotion, and Albert McClellan, director of publications and Convention press representative.

Standing committees of the Executive Committee were named by Dr. Storer as follows: administrative, Frank Hooper, Atlanta, Georgia, chairman; promotion, Dr. J. Norris Palmer, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, chairman; finance, Dr. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, Georgia, chairman; convention arrangements, Dr. R. Lofton Hudson, Kansas City, Missouri, chairman.

The president re-named the members of two special committees on Annuities of the Home Mission Board and Charters of Agencies, with Mr. Hooper, Dr. Newton and Dr. Storer serving on the first and Mr. Hooper as chairman of the second.

Cooperative Program Gifts Up Over Half Million This Year

A 16 per cent gain in Cooperative Program receipts in the Nashville office through May this year puts the total above three and a half million, according to Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Executive Committee.

At this time in 1951, Southern Baptists in twenty-two co-operating states had given \$3,141,002 to world-wide and Convention causes through the Cooperative Program, another \$3,340,452 in designated gifts, or a total of \$6,481,454.

All three figures have increased for the first five months of 1952. The 16 per cent increase in the Cooperative Program brings that current amount to \$3,645,974, while a 21 per cent increase in designated gifts brings that one to \$4,060,227. The \$7,706,201 in total gifts represents an 18.9 per cent increase.

The report for May, 1952, shows \$748,-869 through the Cooperative Program and \$711,305 in designated gifts or a total for the month of \$1,460,174.

Among the larger states, those with the most gain over last year's gifts at this time to the Cooperative Program include Arkansas with a 50 per cent increase over last year, Oklahoma with 35 per cent, Alabama with 33 per cent gain and Tennessee and Texas both with about 20 per cent gain.

Gifts from Kansas and the Oregon-Washington convention are both nearly twice last year's total.

A world in need of economic stability, medical skill, Christian diplomacy and politics, happy homes and a more abundant way of life awaits your witness. You have the tools with which to work. What will you do with your life?

Transfer Church Membership Week, September 14-21

The following statement was made by Porter Routh, executive secretary, Executive Committee, to the Southern Baptist Convention

in Miami, May, 1952

"AWOL has become a term well understood

in the American vocabulary.

"If the morning headlines should tell the startling news that one fourth of the American soldiers were absent without leave, we would immediately become disturbed about our defenses. Congress would call for an immediate investigation. Top generals would scurry to the Pentagon for round-the-clock conferences. The Kremlin would start its propaganda mills grinding out the hilarious news that the American army was falling to pieces.

"Yes, we would have a right to be disturbed, but we become complacent when we read year after year—and I might say parenthetically that this problem is not one which has arisen within the last few months—that 25.2 per cent of Southern Baptist church members are non-resident, or absent without leave, to use a more common term.

"The problem is one which must be faced by the pastor in the city and in the open country, for the records show that 22.8 per cent of the membership reported by city churches is non-resident, while 30.5 per cent of the open-country church membership is non-resident."

Thousands of Southern Baptists share this concern with Dr. Routh. Because of the gravity of the situation, a concerted effort on the part of Southern Baptists entitled "Transfer Church Membership Week" has been undertaken for the purpose of locating and enlisting this vast throng of unattached fellow Baptists.

Its Origin

Transfer Church Membership Week, September 14-21, grew out of the meeting of the Promotion Committee of the Convention, April, 1952. Present at this meeting was a representative leadership from Southwide and state agencies of the Convention. The matter was presented later to the Executive Committee of the Convention, May 12, 1952. The Executive Committee recommended Transfer Church Membership Week to the Convention for its consideration. The Convention unanimously recommended it to all states, associations, and churches.

Its Purpose

Information obtained from reliable sources, such as from pastors of churches through a cross section of Southern states and from the Department of Survey, Statistics and Information of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Knoxville, Tennessee, reveals that there are approximately two million non-resident church members whose names are on the rolls of Southern Baptist churches or who have their church letters in their possession. The Transfer Church Membership Week, September 14-21, is a concerted effort long overdue on the part of Southern Baptists, to remedy this alarming condition.

Proposal

- 1. A search to locate non-resident Baptists to be made by all churches throughout the Southern Baptist Convention on September 7. Special cards for this search are being prepared by the Sunday School Board and may be obtained from any Baptist Book Store.
- 2. Special visitation day, September 13, with daily visitation throughout the following week as follow up on prospects found in the search.

3. Special invitation to all unattached Baptists to transfer their church membership to be given in all churches, Sunday, September 14; Wednesday, September 17; and Sunday, September 21.

4. "Round Up" Visitation Day, September 20, with great climax on Sunday, September

Suggested Duties For All Participating Southwide and State Agencies

- 1. Baptist Sunday School Board. (1) Supply through the Baptist Book Stores search cards to be used in locating unattached Baptists. (2) Prepare attractive placards for display in churches and mail to all churches in the Convention.
- 2. Radio Commission. Two messages on the Baptist Hour on the subject of the campaign, August 31, September 7. Dr. J. D. Grey, President of the Southern Baptist Convention, the radio speaker.

3. BSU. To work through all state secretaries. State secretaries with all campus secretaries furnish own literature urging students

to transfer membership.

4. Sunday School, Training Union, WMU, Brotherhood. Participate in search for prospects, visitation follow ups, and prayer meet-

ings throughout the campaign.

- 5. State Executive Secretaries. (1) To have meeting with all department heads immediately and plan method of procedure on the proposal. (2) Bring discussion to first meeting of state executive board or such statewide agency as exists in the individual state. (3) To ask all associational moderators to give the monthly workers' meeting or rally in the month of July or August to this campaign. Material for suggested program will be supplied by Department of Evangelism, Home Mission Board.
- 6. Baptist Press. Make full use of church bulletins and all other mediums of publicity.
- 7. State Baptist Papers. To carry at least one editorial in month of June and give all space possible to promotion of campaign.
- 8. State Secretaries of Evangelism. Promote Transfer Church Membership Week campaign through associational organizers and chairmen.
- 9. Home Mission Board. Folder or tract and sample letter to be used by pastors in writing to churches and to prospects mailed to each pastor and church in the Convention.

Suggested Duties For Associations

- 1. In every association of the Southern Baptist Convention set up a steering committee composed of the following: moderator, clerk, associational missionary, chairman of evangelism, superintendent of Sunday School, director of Training Union, president of WMU, and president of Brotherhood.
- 2. To see that the entire program of the associational monthly workers' meeting or associational rally in the month of July or August, 1952, be devoted to this special effort.

To enlist every church in the association to participate in this campaign.

Suggested Duties For Pastors And Churches

- 1. That each pastor in the Convention be urged to make a study of his own church roll and write to all of his non-resident members, urging them to unite with a Baptist church where they now live.
 - 2. That on Sunday, September 7, all the

churches of the Convention engage in a visitation search for unaffiliated and nonresident Baptists, using the information card to be supplied by the State Secretaries.

- 3. That the information thus obtained be used by the pastors in writing to the church to which these unaffiliated members belong, requesting that church and pastor communicate with these people urging them to unite with the Baptist church of their choice during "Transfer Church Membership Week." (See * footnote.)
- 4. That the following calendar of activities be adopted and followed by each church in making this program effective:
- (1) A search to locate non-resident Baptists, Sunday, September 7.
- (2) Visitation—To begin Saturday, September 13, and to continue daily throughout the next week, with round-up visitation day, Saturday, September 20.
- (3) Reception of members—Sunday, September 14, Wednesday, September 17; Sunday, September 21.
- (4) Prayer and invitation night, Wednesday, September 17.
 - (5) Climax Sunday-September 21.
- 5. That every church in our denomination be urged to give wide emphasis to this effort in all its printed materials, publications and programs.

The measure of a Christian's love for

Christ or a church's love for Christ is not completely revealed in interest manifested for lost souls only. Our love for Jesus is determined by our attitude toward the children of God. This is proved by Christ's statement to Simon Peter. "So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He said unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He said unto him, Feed my lambs. He said to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He said unto him, Feed my sheep" (John 21:15-16).

So definite is this fact stated in God's Word that the Bible makes it a proof of our salvation. "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death" (I John 3:14). Our concern for these wandering Baptist friends and the effort we put forth to reach them and to help them to return to serving Christ in His church reveals our love for Him.

*Footnote

Because there is a limited number of Southern Baptist churches scattered throughout the West, it is requested that names and addresses of unattached Baptists now living in that section be mailed to the state executive secretaries, as follows:

Arizona, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Idaho
—Dr. Willis J. Ray, Box 590, Phoenix,
Arizona.

California—Dr. S. G. Posey, 1405 Broadway, Fresno, California.

Kansas—Dr. N. J. Westmoreland, 244½ North Main Street, Wichita, Kansas.

Washington and Oregon—Dr. R. E. Milam, 1422 S. W. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

Eight Tractors Plow Fourteen Acres In Three Hours

First Church, Biscoe, has planted fourteen acres of land in cotton, the work being done by voluntary labor by the members of the church.

When a call was issued for tractors to plow the land preparatory to planting, eight tractors appeared and did the job in three hours. A little later the cotton was planted.

When the time came to hoe the cotton, thirty-six people appeared for that job

which was quickly accomplished.

The proceeds from these fourteen acres of cotton will be used to pay off a bank note for money which was loaned for the

construction of a new building.

On Sunday, June 8, the Biscoe church observed the first anniversary of the new church building. Dr. C. W. Caldwell, state superintendent of missions, was the guest speaker for the morning service. A record Sunday School attendance was registered with 133 present and dinner was served by the church people in the community build-

Youth Revival At Bald Knob

Pastor V. E. Defreece and Central Church, Bald Knob, are planning a youth revival to begin July 30.

Dr. Dale Cowling, state B.S.U. secretary, is working with Pastor Defreece in planning the details of this revival and engaging a team of seven workers from the B. S. U. department.

Pastor Defreece also reports a successful Vacation Bible School with an enrolment of 177 and an average attendance of 113. Forty faculty members participated in the school.

Writer's Conference At Ridgecrest

Dr. P. L. Elliott, president of Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs, North Carolina, will help give Baptist writers a foundation for Christian authorship through lectures on "Literature and Life" at the Ridgecrest Writers' Conference, August 1-6.

Dr. Elliott has lived close to the people of Western North Carolina. Out of this experience, along with serving as college English professor for twenty years, he has gained insights into life and familiarity with literature to equip him to share a working philosophy with Christian writers.

Workshops and instruction in writing will occupy six hours of each week day at the conference. Experienced personnel will present techniques of writing articles, fiction, and publicity. Three hours of each afternoon will be available for recreation.

Conference leaders and Baptist editors will be available for private interviews with those attending this short course. Such person-to-person conversations are made possible to help writers learn better the practical skills of good writing.

Copies of the entire program of the Ridgecrest Writers' Conference are available from Clifton J. Allen, 161 Eighth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee.

Evangelist Available

Evangelist Joe Shaver, former pastor of First Church, Batesville, and now giving his full time to evangelistic work, announces that he has two open dates this summer and fall for revival meetings.

Evangelist Shaver may be contacted at 1304 Peabody Street, Memphis, Tennessee.

Good And Bad

By Dr. DUKE K. McCall

What did you think about the Southern Baptist Convention session in Miami? I have asked that question of my friends, and others have asked the same of me. This is what I think:

It was a good Convention as evidenced by the fact that there was never enough time provided for miscellaneous business in the program. That means the Convention was unwilling to rubber stamp official recommendations but engaged in vigorous sometimes prolonged debate before voting. Very important is the fact that the floor microphones were used in debate almost as much as the microphones on the platform. Southern Baptist messengers are learning to ask questions and express themselves before balloting.

To me that is the most significant thing that came out of the Miami Convention. The Committee on Order of Business for the Houston Convention ought to take note and provide more time for miscellaneous busi-

Executive Secretary Porter Routh asked for questions and discussions of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee report. He got what he asked. For the most part the Executive Committee's recommendations prevailed but not until the messengers understood what was involved and were persuaded that the Executive Committee had thought the matter through impartially and carefully. Taking the treatment of the Executive Committee report as a cue, the Committee on Order of Business probably ought to give that report more time or at least not schedule some poor fellow to speak in the waning twilight of the afternoon after the messengers have finished with the Executive Committee's report. After all, the Southern Baptist Convention is a business session as well as a time of inspiration and information.

Another good thing about the Miami Convention was the appearance of so many new faces in important spots on the program. Despite the dire predictions of some dispeptic observers, the Convention program was not made up of the same old people and the same old speeches. There is new life pouring into the leadership of the Convention but, thank God, the tried and true leagers have not been put on the shelf.

A third good thing about the Convention was the decorum of the messengers. At no point was bitterness expressed over any action. President J. D. Grey aid a good job of presiding and was at his best in the fairness exemplified by his warning of the messengers that the right to applaud carried with it the right to hiss.

On the bad side was the absence of recommendations in the Convention Book of Reports. Some study ought to be made by the Committee on Convention Arrangements to determine whether the Convention Bulletin published each day during the Convention has replaced the large volume of reports. If it has, we ought to save the five or six thousand dollars spent annually on the Book of Reports.

Perhaps the most dangerous tendency evidenced in Miami was an almost imperceptible use of the location of the Convention session to pass matters of sectional interest. I refer not primarily to actions taken in Miami but to efforts to set up actions for

the Houston Convention, running all the way from Constitutional amendments to manipulations of Cooperative Program appropriations. There was some evidence that efforts were being made to arrange things so that matters of special interest in the southwest would come up at Houston. Brethren, let us be Southern Baptists, not sectional Baptists.

The election of vice-presidents by a plurality instead of a majority will prove to be a headache. The door is open for a bit of politic-ing in the nominations since election by plurality makes it possible to nominate two or more men to split each other's vote. thereby slipping through another man actually less popular. This is no reflection on the two excellent men elected at Miami but it is a prediction as to what is going to come to pass if the procedure of election by a plurality is followed in the future.

We also broke out with a rash of amendments to the Constitution in Miami along with an announcement of more to come at Houston. I felt that there was a bit too much apathy about amending the Constitution with a tendency to vote for any proposal. I hope we will be more critical in Houston next year.

All in all, though not a spectacular Convention, it was a good Convention. Much constructive work was accomplished, and only a modest number of headaches were left over for next year. -000

\$125,000 Bequest

According to a report in The Alabama Baptist, Howard College, located at Birmingham, Alabama, will receive property valued at \$125,000 by the terms of a will by Mrs. Marie Smith Inzer, the late wife of Dr. John Inzer of Sylacauga, Alabama.

The following is taken from The Alabama Baptist: "Known in Sylacauga as the Woolworth building, the property is probably the most important piece of business property in that city. It is to go to Howard College fee simple at the death of Doctor Inzer.

"Mrs. Inzer inherited the property from her late father, Mr. Edward Jefferson Smith, who was considered one of the three founders of Sylacauga. She left it as a memorial to her preacher husband and to her father and mother.

"Mrs. Inzer died at her home in Sylacauga, May 6, 1952. She had been ill with leukemia since September, 1947.

"In her will Mrs. Inzer made provision that her husband, Doctor Inzer, is to have equal authority with the Board of Trustees of the college in determining the purpose to which the bequest should be devoted. She requested him to see that it is used to build a president's home for the college.

"Doctor Inzer has advised the Board of Trustees that he wishes to carry out his wife's expression in the matter.

"This matter will finally be determined on the return of Doctor Inzer to Alabama from a trip which he has taken at the insistence of his doctors for the purpose of trying to regain his normal health."

An astronomer points out that the planet Venus can not support life. We might add that it is also becoming a bit difficult on this planet.

-000-

-P. K. Sideliner.

Department of Missions

C. W. CALDWELL, Superintendent

Central Association Has Great Mission Program

We do not say that Central Association is the best of the 45 affiliated with Arkansas State Convention, but we doubt if there are many carrying on a better all around mission program. They adopt definite projects. They set goals. The Cooperative Program gifts from January 1 to June 1 were \$19,251.50, which is \$501.50 more than the goal set.

Delbert Garrett is missionary in Central Association. The Association pays his entire salary. His eight page bulletin is packed full of information about the association's activities. We give below some paragraphs taken from the bulletin. Keep in mind as you read them they were written by Missionary Garrett.

"Ground breaking services were held for the new building at Pearcy, Sunday, May 18. Your associational missionary was speaker for the occasion. They plan to build with brick tile, and make the building one of beauty. The building is being erected in a prominent place in the community.

"Your Missionary began a revival June 9, in the millshed at Pearcy. L. C. Ward, who led the singing for us there last year, is with us again this year serving in the same capacity. We have had three services to date and a steady increase in attendance has been noted. Interest is good and the indications are favorable for a good revival. The young church has made wonderful progress under the leadership of Pastor and Mrs. Ernest Rushing. A building fund has constantly grown, a location is acquired and the footing has been poured for their new building. Pray for the revival and the church.

"The Assembly Development Committee has been doing lots of thinking planning on the wisest and best method of developing our assembly grounds. They have recommended a plan to the Association's Executive Committee which was acceptable. This plan will make our Assembly a regional affair rather than for just our Association. A letter is in the hands now of some three hundred South Arkansas Baptist pastors

Mary Hardin-Baylor
an accredited Senior Liberal
Arts college for women
featuring . . .
*Excellent Student Associations
*Comfortable Living Conditions
*Reasonable Prices
*Excellent Faculty
*Small Classes
Gordon G. Singleton, Ph.D.
President

Belton, Texas

getting their attitudes wih reference to coming in with us and making our Assembly a bigger success. If the response from these letters is favorable, a meeting will be called of all those interested and plans for further progress will be made there.

"Your Missionary conducted an eight day meeting at County Line, ten miles west of Antioch, May 25-June 1. This community is predominantly Pentecostal in their belief. They were having no preaching by any denomination and had not had for some time. We were permitted to use the community church building for services and worked as best we could. A family there gave us permission to use their two room furnished cabin which they were not using and my family went with me. These were bad days in many ways, but we were happy in the work because six young people were saved to bless God's kingdom work in a wonderful way.

"Since moving to Malvern, I have felt a great need for the establishment of Baptist work in a section of this town, known as Eastwood Addition. After conferring with other interested parties I took a survey of an area of sixteen blocks in the heart of this section, but not inclusive of all the possibilities at all. There are more than one hundred and thirty homes in this area surveyed, and more will be built. We contacted 112 families representing 376 people. Of this number 179 said that they were interested in seeing a new work begun near them to the extent that they would attend the services at least some. There is more than a hundred Baptists already living in this area, 45 of whom are not affiliated with local work. We found 55 unsaved people above 15 years of age in our prospect list. Approximately 100 of these 179 are adults, but in the main they are young adults and are working at plants in and near Malvern. These young adults have children that need to be in Sunday School. Many of them are not now being reached by any denomination.

"These and other related facts were presented to the Association Missions Committee in a meeting recently, and this committee ask the Executive Committee to look with favor upon the establishment of work in this area."

TENNESSEE MILITARY INSTITUTE
Founded 1874

79th Year
Limited to 200 boys. Grades 8 through
12. Over 90% of graduates enter college. Small class sections. Personal attention. A school where the Bible is
taught. Facilities for all intramural
and interscholastic sports, including
swimming and golf. Tuition \$1150.00.
For catalog, write: Colonel C. R. Endsley. Pres., Box 10, Sweetwater, Tenn.

Woman's Missionary Union

MISS NANCY COOPER, Executive Secretary

Attendance Record Broken

RAVENDEN CAMPS

One hundred forty-eight junior and intermediate age girls with counselors attended the Girls' Auxiliary Camp, June 2-7, and eighty boys of corresponding ages attended the Royal Ambassador Camp, June 9-14. Miss Doris De-Vault, State Young People's Secretary, directed the girls' camp and Russell Duffer of Paragould directed the one for boys. C. F. Gwinup was in charge of the dining room for both camps.

Missionary speakers, mission study classes, and the teaching of methods were included in the scheduled activities. Decisions were recorded which indicate readiness on the part of informed youth to be used however and wherever the Lord leads.

ARKANSANS AT RIDGECREST

On June 11 Arkansas' de'egation to the Convention-wide YWA Camp at Ridgecrest, N. C., left by chartered bus, private car, "thumb"! The group represented 15 churches and numbered 42. They were under the direction of Miss Doris DeVault, State Young People's Secretary, who was not only to "mother" the group, but who also served as one of the conference leaders.

The following attended: Misses Alene Andrews, Billie Jean Armer, Agnes Barker, Sue De Mom, Marlene Freeman, Linda Gregory, Ann Jenkins, Melba Dean Miller, Bonnie Puryear, Virginia Puryear, Barbara Robbins, Frances Tolleson, and Mrs. Williet W. Casey of El Dorado; Misses Melrose Brashears, Alma Jane Dreher, Ruth Eckhart, Mary Beth Routon, and Mrs. Hugo Culpepper of Little Rock; Misses Barthens Carter, Frances Gray, Maxine Varnell, and Jean Waller of Pine Bluff; Misses Dorothy Carter, Delores Halton and Melba Smith, Stephens; Misses Eliza-beth Carter, Jean Frazier, Mary Alice Fields, Mary Frances Richardson, Eloise Spinks, Mary Lee Staggs, Helena; Misses Mary Lynn Gilmore and Elzora Williams, Monticello; Misses Angie Jackson and Carol Jones, Bentonville; Misses Maxine Joiner, Myra Joiner, Fort Smith; Misses Elizabeth Reed, Ann Rhoden, Benton; Misses Betty Walker, Faith White, Manila; and Miss Peggy Stone, Hot Springs.

LET'S STUDY! LET'S TEACH

In the June issue of Royal Service are splendid teaching helps on The Lower Levels of Prayer, which we are recommending strongly for study during the last quarter of 1951-52. It would

lay a splendid foundation for the observance of the Season of Prayer for State Missions in September, Plan for it NOW.

Three new books on Stewardship are available for young people and can be secured at the Baptist Book Store, 303 West Capitol Ave., Little Rock. With the summer offering unlimited opportunities for all day outings with the young people, the books offer unusually interesting studies of one of the fundamentals of not only Woman's Missionary Union, but of our denomination. Let's teach!

Bonny Baptist and the Sunbeams is for the Sunbeam crowd and is delightfully illustrated. It is only 35c per copy and teaching helps are available for 15c.

The juniors will like Genny, Penny and Kan. It sells for 35c and teaching helps are 10c per copy.

These Dared to Share is for intermediates and is especially interesting for Arkansans for it is written by Amy Compere Hickerson (Mrs. Clyde), native of our state, and in it are biographies of several Arkansans. It is 50c and the teacher's edition with teaching helps in the back of the book is \$1.00.

YWA and WMS folks are urged to study Stewardship Applied in Missions and Bible Stewardship (the first for WMS and the latter for YWA), teaching helps for which are available at state WMU headquarters without charge. If your choice of subject matter is stewardship, these are recommended highly.

MISSIONARY CAMP TIME!
ROYAL. AMBASSADOR
CAMPS, Cost \$13.25: Junior
Camps, July 14-19; Intermediate
Camp, July 21-26.

GIRLS' AUXILIARY CAMPS, Cost \$11.50: Intermediate, July 28-August 1; Junior, August 4-8; Junior, August 11-15.

YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXIL-IARY CAMP, Cost \$5.50: August

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

All of the above will be held at Ferncliff, eighteen miles west of Little Rock. Registration fee of \$1.00 per person should be sent to Miss Doris DeVault, 209 Baptist Bldg., Little Rock, for all young people's camps and to Miss Nancy Cooper, same address for the BWC Conference.

Home Board Intensifies Missions In Summer

By Dr. JOHN CAYLOR

When workers in many fields are preparing for vacations and slumps the dreading summer Home Mission Board is intensifying its work on all the mission

STUDENT SUMMER MISSION PROGRAM

During the first week of June 366 students from colleges and seminaries started out on their summer's work in home missions. Thirty of the students are supported by the Baptist Student Union but their work is under the direction of the Home Mission Board.

The students are working in practically all the home mission fields and doing every type of that missionaries do by regular appointment. They work in Vacation Bible Schools, kindergartens, evangelism, visitation, and personal soul-winning. They have been assigned as follows: city and rural work, 100; western. 125; camps and schools of missions, 14; Alaska, 8; Cuba, 6; Panama, 2; Chinese-Japanese, 3; Indians, 16; French, 8; Good Will Centers, 20; Spanish, 60; Negro, 11; Baby Home, 2; and migrants,

Dr. Courts Redford, assistant secretary of the Home Mission Board, directs the Student Summer Mission Program. All the staff members of the Board join him in asking that Southern Baptists pray for these 366 student workers as they serve the Lord on mission fields.

Many of the students will discover themselves. Some will find the Lord's will for their lives in future mission services. Some may decide that they are not "cut out" to be missionaries. In all cases these students are consecrated and eager to serve the Lord. They deserve the backing of praying people.

Last year the students who served in the summer program won an average of ten persons to Christ for each worker. This would aggregate more than 3,500 conversions this summer if the average is maintained in the ten weeks of their work with the Home Mission Board.

NEW MISSIONARIES APPOINTED

In recent meetings of the Board new missionaries have been appointed as follows: Jewel Morrisette, to serve in the Carver Center in New Orleans; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Uejo have been appointed student workers with the Japanese in Richmond, California; Mr. and Mrs. Roland B. Armstrong have been designated to work with Cubans in Tampa, In a new mission which is to be set up; Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Aragon are to work among the Spanish in Clayton, New Mexico; and Jose Moreno has been named Spanish student missionary at La Feria, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. B. I. Carpenter, of Ketchikan, Alaska, have been granted a three month furlough beginning September 1. They expect to be in the States during their furlough period.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Queen, of Club, will spend three months in the States beginning in January.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR PROPERTY

The Board has appropriated money for the purchase of lots in Deming, New Mexico, adjacent to property already owned by the

Also an appropriation has been made to purchase house trailers for Mr. and Mrs. Andrew H. Foster and Mr. and Mrs. James J. Horton, migrant workers.

The Buena Vista West Indian Church, Havana, Cuba, is to be provided property through an appropriation from the Board.

An appropriation was made for the purchase of a pastor's home and chapel in Cartagena, Cuba, and for mission property for the Cuscaden Park Mission, of Tampa, Florida.

The Board has appropriated \$25,000 for a church building in Palmer, Alaska, and building will proceed as soon as possible.

Six thousand dollars was appropriated to help in the purchase of a church building near the campus of the University of Washington in Seattle for use as a church and Bible chair.

INDIANS TO RIDGECREST

During Home Mission Week at Ridgecrest, August 14-19, the Board is planning to have practically all the missionaries to the Indians present and hopes to have a large delegation from the Cherokee Reservation. See the Indians at Ridgecrest.

____000____

What counts is not the number of hours you put in, but how much you put in the hours.

EAST TEXAS BAPTIST COLLEGE

Marshall, Texas

Summer School, June 2, 1952 New Apartments Ready for Occupancy

New Dormitory for Men Being Completed

New Library-Science Hall Being Planned

High Academic Rating Migh Moral Standards Reasonable Rates Orthodox in Belief Spiritual in Character

H. D. BRUCE, President Applications Should Be Made NOW

Baptist Brotherhood of Arkansas

NELSON F. TULL, State Secretary

Siloam Springs Brotherhood Conferences

You are invited to join one of the two Brotherhood Conferences at Siloam Springs Assembly, July 1-9. These conferences are arranged for the men and young men on the Assembly camps.

Dr. E. A. (Happy) Ingram will lead the Brotherhood conference for young men, 17-24. Dr. Ingram is a familiar figure on the Assembly grounds, and is loved by everybody there. Every young man at the Assembly will profit by attending this conference.

The Brotherhood and State Missions Departments have joined hands in arranging a conference for adult Baptist men, both preachers and laymen. We trust that all the men on the campus will join with us in making this conference an outstanding feature of Siloam Springs Assembly.

HOLD THOSE SUMMER **MEETINGS!**

Every now and then we find a Brotherhood that suspends opduring the summer erations months. We fail to find any reason for this; because, as has been pointed out in this column many times, and as most of us know, summer offers opportunities for Christian service which we cannot afford to miss.

So, hold those summer Brotherhood meetings! Add to them a fish-fry or a night's encampment. Invite the boys along.

Keep up the Brotherhood program of work!

'BROTHERHOOD NOTES"

The little bulletin which we are pleased to call "Brotherhood Notes" is in the mail. This issue has eighteen pages, and is being sent to every pastor, every church Brotherhood president, every associational missionary, and every associational Brotherhood president, throughout Arkansas.

A copy of this bulletin will be sent to anybody else upon request.

"Brotherhood Notes" presents a cross-section of Brotherhood work in Arkansas; and will be published quarterly, beginning with the present issue.

The Brotherhood Department will also begin in July the quarhood Newsletter"; and in August another quarterly publication: "The Brotherhood Work Sheet." The "Brotherhood Newsletter" will be just what its name implies, a newssheet telling of events in Brotherhood through-

out Arkansas and the Southland.

terly publication, of a "Brother-

The "Brotherhood Work Sheet" will be a ways and means publication, setting forth effective methods in carrying on and carrying through the various items of work which make up the Brotherhood work program.

THE MAILING LIST

Our mailing list for the above periodicals will be: All Arkansas Baptist pastors, all church Brotherhood presidents, all associational missionaries, all associational Brotherhood presidents, and all heads of Baptist departments and institutions.

And YOU, if you will send your name and address to the Brotherhood Department, 219 Baptist Building, Little Rock, Arkansas.

BROTHERHOOD ROLL CALL

Every pastor and church Brotherhood president in the Arkansas Baptist State Convention been mailed a list of all the Brotherhoods of record in the files of the Brotherhood Department.

If your Erotherhood does not appear on the Roll-Call list, let us know immediately!

TRACTS

New Brotherhood tracts, recently off the press, include,

'How to Build and Sustain Brotherhood Attendance"

"An Active Brotherhood Will" "The Executive Committee of Associational Brotherhood and Its Work"

"Men and Boys and Missions" "Suggested Steps for New Brotherhoods"

Write the Brotherhood Office for a free copy of any (or all) of these tracts.



Foreign Mission Board Reports To The People

By IONE GRAY

MISSION SECRETARIES VISIT FOREIGN FIELDS

Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist, Foreign Mission Board, and Dr. George W. Sadler, the Board's secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, left Richmond immediately following the June meeting of the Board to transact, mission business and to fill speaking engagements in Europe and other countries.

The mission secretaries were accompanied to Europe by Mrs. George R. Martin, of Norfolk, president of Woman's Missionary Union, and Mrs. R. L. Mathis, president of the Woman's Missionary Union of Texas.

They will meet with Baptist pastors and laymen at Madrid, Spain, after which Dr. Rankin has scheduled a five-day tour of Baptist work in Spain with Dr. John D. Hughey, missionary to the country since 1947.

Dr. Sadler will go immediately to Zurich, Switzerland, to deliver a series of lectures on "Baptists and World Missions" to approximately 80 pastors from England and the continent. From Zurich, he will go to Yugoslavia for tendays. He will visit Zagreb, where Baptists are in the process of securing property to be used for a sanctuary and Bible school, and Belgrade, as well as other centers of Baptist work.

From Yugoslavia, Dr. Sadler will go to Greece to investigate the possibility of extending the arm of Southern Baptist influence or of opening work there. He will go from Greece to Italy and from there to Hamburg, Germany, where Southern Baptists have helped to rehabilitate the Baptist seminary which was largely destroyed by the war.

After his tour of Baptist work in Spain, Dr. Rankin will go to the Near East, visiting the Board's work in Lebanon, Jordan, and Israel, before returning to Europe for a visit to Switzerland and Germany. Then he will join Dr. Sadler, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Mathis, and Dr. Theodore F. Adams, pastor, First Baptist Church, Richmond, at Copenhagen, Denmark. at the first fall meeting of the Baptist Federation of Europe, which is being held under the auspices of the Baptist World Al-The mission secretaries will return to Richmond about August 10.

JUNE APPOINTEES

The Foreign Mission Board named ten young people for overseas mission service at its June meeting bringing the total for the year to 55.

The June appointees are George McDaniel (Mack) Cole and Norma Raye Ives Cole, Texas, to Colombia; Marilyn Francis Horton, Florida, to Japan; Clarence Eugene Kratz and Dorothy Gray Kratz, Alabama, to Southern Rhodesia; Walter Mason Moore, M.D., and Charlean De Berry Moore, Oklahoma, to Nigeria; Milton Murphy, Ohio, and Martha Mae Ladd Murphy, Indiana, to Israel; and Emma Mildred Watts, R.N., Kentucky, to Nigeria.

LATIN AMERICA

Dr. Everett Gill Jr., the Board's secretary for Latin America, reported a recent visit to the Bahama Islands, where two Southern Baptist missionaries, Dr. and Mrs. H. H. McMillan, recently went as unofficial advisors.

Dr. Gill said: "The Bahama Islands are scattered over 70,000 square miles of sea, stretching southeastward from West Palm Beach, Florida, and have a total population of approximately 70,-000. In the early centuries the Indians were driven out by the Spaniards; and Negro slaves were imported to work the plantations. It is now a British colony of English-speaking Negroes, who have enjoyed full religious and political freedom for over a century. With an enlightened British policy, public education is free and compulsory, with the result that the population is literate."

GUATEMALA AND HONDURAS

The Baptist Convention of Guatemala-Honduras has 18 churches with a total of 916 members, according to the statistical report presented at the recent annual meeting in Chimaltenango. Of the members, 261 are tithers.

THE ORIENT

Dr. Baker James Cauthen, the Board's secretary for the orient who is now on his way back to his headquarters in Tokyo after coming to the States to speak at the meeting of the Southern Bapis Convenion, left his report to be read at the June meeting of the Board. It dealt largely with the immediate need for additional missionaries in Korea.

"I am greatly impressed with the significance of our work in Korea from the standpoint of evangelism, relieving terrible suffering, and encouragement of a valient group of Baptist people," he said.

"I was privileged to preach to one of the most fervent congregations I have seen anywhere in the Orient. I think I will never forget the rich spiritual tone of the service, and, in particular, a quality in their singing, indicating what they have learned of God through suffering."

The three Southern Baptist missionaries in Korea have secured headquarters in Pusan, a city normally of 400,000 people, but which now has more than 1.000,-000 who live in pitiful refugee huts.

It is hoped that two missionary nurses will soon be able to go to

Supreme Court Clarifies Church-State Issues

The U. S. Supreme Court, in a history-making decision, has clarified in a major area the weighty (and touchy) question of separation of church and state and just what it meant by this expression and by the First Amendment to the Constitution, which reads, in part: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibit the free exercise thereof."

By a 6 to 3 vote, the majority of the court upheld the constitutional right of New York City schools to release pupils from school during regular hours for religious instruction in churches—if the pupils wish to avail themselves of the privilege. As a result of the decision, similar systems of released time affecting more than 2,000,000 children have been given the green light to continue as usual. Release time programs, in fact, operate in 46 of the 48 states.

It is evident that the decision strengthened the idea that the state should encourage religion, rather than maintain an air of strict neutrality between religious forces and non-religious, or irreligious, forces, as such. The majority of the Supreme Court, in the decision, stated clearly:

"We are a religious people whose institutions presuppose a Supreme Being. . . When the state encourages religious instruction or cooperates with religious authorities by adjusting the schedule of public events to sectarian needs. it follows the best of our traditions . . . To hold that it may not would be to find in the Constitution a requirement that the government show a callous indifference to religious groups. That would be preferring those who believe in no religion over those who do believe."

The majority, in its opinion, also makes this significant comment: "The First Amendment, however, does not say that in every and all respects there shall be a separation of church and state. Rather, it studiously defines the manner, the specific ways, in which there shall be no concert or union or dependency one or the other. That is the common sense of the matter. Otherwise, the state and religion would be aliens to each other—hostile, suspicious, and even unfriendly."

-Washington Review.

Pusan to assist Dr. N. A. Bryan, who is carrying on medical work. Inasmuch as women, other than nurses, cannot secure admission to Korea under present circumstances, Dr. Cauthen suggests that the only way to appoint new personnel for Korea would be on the basis of letting the wives remain in Japan for Korean language study and their husbands go on to Korea for work.

Figures To Inspire Sunday, June 15

Fort Smith, First
Including Missions
Little Rock, Immanuel
Including Missions
El Dorado, First
Including Missions
Little Rock, First
El Dorado, Immanuel
Including Mission
Little Rock, Second
Fayetteville, First
Pine Bluff. South Side 369 861 753 443 rayetteville, First
Pine Bluff, South Side
Texarkana, Beech St.
Hope, First
Benton 591 223 Benton, First Little Rock, Tabernacle 84 157 Little Rock, Tabernacle Crossett, First Fort Smith Grand Ave. Camden, First Including Missions Siloam Springs, First Including Mission Forrest City, First Warren, First Paragould, First Including Missions 489 485 475 743 474 460 116 215 455 Including Missions
Little Rock, Gaines St.
Springdale, First
Including Mission 169 207 Including Mission
Hot Springs, Central
Cullendale, First
El Dorado, Second
Hot Springs, Park Place
Paris, First
Conway, First
West Helena
Little Rock, So. Highland
Rogers, First
Including Missions
El Dorado, West Side
Fort Smith, Calvary
Hot Springs, First
Mena, First
Including Mission 550 420 405 177 114 118 77 119 404 394 381 136 430 353 348 88 151 Fort Smith, Calvary
Hot Springs, First
Mena, First
Including Mission
Jonesboro, Wainut St.
Smackover, First
Stuttgart, First
Including Mission
Monticello, First
Hamburg, First
Texarkana, Calvary
Fort Smith, South Side
Hot Springs, Piney
Bauxite, First
Fort Smith, South Side
Hot Springs, Piney
Bauxite, First
Fort Smith, Immanuel
No. Little Rock, Park Hill
Little Rock, Calvary
Paragould, East Side
Springdale, Caudle Ave.
Alma, First
Levy
Little Rock, Hohrey 344 103 317 352 77 143 314 295 285 115 105 99 71 36 135 138 73 119 110 260 234 233 230 Alma, First Levy Lety Little Rock, Hebron Star City, First Firt Smith, Trinity Pine Bluff, Second Including Mission Bentonville, First Including Mission Crossett, Mount Oli 227 2 210 44 Including Mission
Crossett, Mount Olive
Dermott
Gentry, First
Augusta, First
Including Mission
No. Little Rock, Bethany
Netfleton, First
Little Rock, Ironton
Sylvan Hills, First
Rt. Alma. Kibler
Little Rock, Tyler St.
Little Rock, Woodlawn
Little Rock, Capitol Hill
Greenwood, Jenny Lind
Natural Steps 147 64 112 39 89 73 100 42 31 42 70 Greenwood, Jenny Lind 87 70 1
Natural Steps 80
Litle Rock, People's 43 1
Magnolia, Immanuel 73 40 1
Little Rock Markham St. 65 38
Hot Springs, Emmanuel 53 4
Little Rock, Rosedale 52 23
(First Church Hot Springs, should have been credited with 9 additions to the church on Sunday Line 1. the church on Sunday, June 1.)

HAVE YOU PRAYED ABOUT IT?

Have you prayed about it, friend? You wonder what is best? Then place the matter in His hands

And leave to Him the rest.
The load is lifted when you pray;
Your heart will lose its sigh,
When you give all into His hands
As He is standing by.

Alhambra News.

HOUSE AND HOME

A house is built of logs and stone, Of tiles and posts and piers;
A home is built of loving deeds
That stand a thousand years.

—Vicor Hugo.

Church Music Department

MRS. B. W. NININGER, Director

Church Music Leadership School Ouachita College, August 11-16

This is the first of a series of personality sketches introducing the various members of the faculty for the Church Music Leadership School which will be held at Ouachita Baptist College, August 11-16.

Ray W. Smathers, Minister of Music, First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia, is one of the outstanding members of the faculty.



Arkansas Baptists are exceedingly fortunate to have opportunity to study Graded Choir Work with Mr. Smathers.

Mr. Smathers is a native of Ashville, North

Carolina, and holds a Bachelor of Music degree from Westminister Choir College. He majored in voice and conducting under the tutelage of Dr. John Williamson, president of Westminster Choir College and conductor of the famous Westminster Choir. He studied organ with Dr. David Hugh Jones.

After graduation he studied with Professor Edgar Schofield. He also toured for four years with the Westminster Choir.

In addition to churches served during his student years, Mr. Smathers served for ten years as Minister of Music of one of the largest churches in New York City. While in New York, his choirs were featured in many notable engagements including the annual Thanksgiving Service in Grand Central Station, the opening day of the Temple of Religion at the New York World's Fair; the Easterdawn Service in

Radio City Music Hall before nine thousand people, which was broadcast over an international radio network, and for the annual festival of music at the great Academy of Music of Brooklyn, New York. Achievements of the Westminster Plan in the church under the leadership of Mr. Smathers resulted in many invitations to the choirs to sing concerts of religious music before groups of church interest in such ministry of music throughout the metropolitan area.

A happy feature of the work of Mr. Smathers with the New York church is that he was there for ten years which gave time to see the marvelous development such a program will achieve. Under his leadership children's choirs grew into adult choirs and other children's choirs replaced them so that almost the entire church came to have a magnificient musical background and ministry.

Mr. Smathers has been Minister of Music with First Church, Atlanta, since 1943. Recently, in response to many requests for information regarding methods and techniques in building the Graduated Choirs, Mr. Smathers held a Graduated Choir Workshop. Twenty-four ministers of music and organists from five states attended this clinic, observed each choir in rehearsal, and remained for a class following each rehearsal.

During a fourteen-month period, four national magazines have featured the work of the five choirs of First Church, Atlanta. These were: The Etude, The Christian Herald, The Southwestern Musician, and Home Life.

Sunday School Department

Dr. Edgar Williamson, Secretary

DR. CHARLES L. McKAY GOES TO SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

Dr. Charles L. McKay, for the past three years pastor of First Church, Pascagoula, Mississippi, goes to the Sunday School Board, in the Sunday School Department, as Secretary of Enlargement and Enlistment for Evangelism through the total Bible-teaching program as carried out in the

Doctor McKay is a native of Mississippi. He is a graduate of Mississippi College, and holds master's and doctor's degrees from the New Orleans Seminary.

Before moving to Pascagoula, Doctor McKay was pastor in Mobile, Alabama. Doctor McKay is an attractive, forceful, and practical speaker and conference leader. He has used the Sunday School as a major means in all of his church work during the past ten years. He has a testimony of successful achievements over a period of ten years that is most valuable in the type of work he is to direct.

Doctor and Mrs. McKay have two daughters. The older daughter is married, and she and her husband are students in the New Orleans Seminary. The second daughter is twelve years of age, is a Christian, and an accomplished musician.

Doctor McKay will take up his work with the Sunday School Board on or about July 1.

STANDARD DEPARTMENTS AND CLASSES

The following named departments and classes have applied for, and have received the Standard recognition:

Primary Department, Calvary, Fort Smith, Mrs. T. E. Swafford, Department superintendent.

Primary Class, First Baptist, Little Rock, Mrs. Floyd Moran, teacher

ANOTHER STANDARD SUNDAY SCHOOL

Gaines Street Church, Little Rock, has been awarded the Standard recognition for 1952. Charles Lawrence is the pastor; Mr. Gene Herrington, Sunday School superintendent.

REGARDING VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

Many churches have already reported the Vacation Bible School for 1952. Indications are that bigger and better schools are being held in every section of the state this year. Baring Cross, North Little Rock, is an example: On the opening day of the Vacation Bible School Baring Cross had an enrolment of 414. Some highlights of this school are: Total enrolment, 560; average daily attendance, 448; number professions of faith, 13. Offering, \$117.48, which was given to the Children's Home, Monticello. Age groups from Nursery age through the Intermediate ages were included in the school. Dr. David Garland is pastor; Mr. John Butler is Sunday School superintendent.

COMING EVENTS

JUNE—Vacation Bible schools.

JULY 1-9 — Arkansas Baptist
Assembly, Siloam Springs.

SEPTEMBER 2 — Associational
Sunday School, Leadership
Conference

SEPTEMBER 16 — State-wide Special Associational Planning Rallies

OCTOBER 13-14 — Sate Sunday School Convention, Pine Bluff.

-000----

Since liquor came back, our nation's capital has become a virtual Sodom and Gomorrah. Communists have been given key positions in our government.

Training Union Department

RALPH W. DAVIS, Secretary

Summer Field Workers Are Now At Work!

During the three days, June 11-13, thirteen college young people received their training in Little Rock to do summer field work for eight weeks during the summer. The three days of preparation were spent in First Church, North Little Rock. This church provided homes for the workers to stay during their preparation days. During those three days the noon and night meals were provided by the following churches of North Little Rock; Park Hill, Central, Grace, and Calvary, Rose City. Heretofore, the workers have been trained at the Arkansas Baptist Assembly for three periods each morning, but during these three days of preparation in North Little Rock they received the same amount of training that they have been receiving at the assembly.

The following workers constitute the summer field work groups this summer: Gilbert Nichols, Batesville; Edward Smith, DeQueen; Otis E. Fox, Longview, Texas; Bill R. Lewis, Helena; Jesse L. Nutt, El Dorado; Jettavee Joan George, Drasco; Jean Carolyn Garrison, Fordyce; Jacquelyn Coates, Beau-

mont, Texas; Shirley Joplin, Hatfield; Gurtha Faye DePriest, Berryville; Laverne Harvill, Altheimer. Two other workers, Martha Sexton and Mabel Dean Marshall, Cabot, received the training but will work during the summer in Caroline Association. However, during the first week they worked in Faulkner County Association with the other workers and during the second week they accepted the invitation of Calvary, Rose City to work.

On June 14, the workers went to Faulkner County Association where they worked in the following churches: Brumley Chapel, Pickle's Gap, Beryl, Holland, New Bethel, and Lone Star.

During the week of June 21-30 their work will be in Stone-Van Buren-Searcy Association where they are working in Mountain View, Shirley, Scotland, Shady

Grove and St. Joe. On June 30, they will go to the Arkansas Baptist Assembly and after the assembly they will work in six other associations for the fo'lowing six weeks. These workers will visit, enlist Bible readers, bring messages on tithing, win the lost, strengthen the Training Unions in churches that have Training Union work, and organize Training Unions churches that do not have that work. These consecrated young people are ready to give their lives for the Lord throughout the summer. Their work will be concluded on August 23. Remember these workers in your prayers.

----000

The mighty empire of Babylon fell as a result of a booze party. So did Alexander's. Let America beware!





ASK THE MAN WHO KNOWS... Your Local Dealer!

Arkansas POWER & LIGHT Company

HELPING BUILD ARKANSAS

Associational Meetings For 1952

Dr. B. L. Bridges, General Secretary

Below is a list of the associations, the time and places of their meetings, and the names of the officers in them. If there are any inaccuracies, please advise us at once.

STONE-VAN BUREN-SEARCY-Place: Mountain View; E. W. Taylor, Marshall, moderator; Mrs. C. E. Passmore, Marshall, clerk;

Garner Johnson, Clinton, Treasurer. Time, August 28-29.

WHITE RIVER-Place of meeting, Mountain Home; Dewey Stark, Mountain Home, moderator; Guy Hopper, Gassville, Vicemoderator; Claude Crigler, Cotter, clerk; Neil Nelson, treasurer. Time of Meeting: August 28-29.

BOONE COUNTY—Place: Lead Hill: E. F. Cox, Omaha, mod-

erator; James Walker, Rt. 3, Harrison, Vice-moderator; Jess Mat-

lock, Omaha, Clerk-Treasurer. Time: September 4-5.

CARROLL COUNTY-Place: unknown; Carl V. Willis, Eureka Springs, moderator; Millard Evans, Greenwood, V-moderator; Donald Ethridge, Berryville, clerk. Time: September 4-5.

GAINESVILLE-Place: Pollard; Howard King, Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, moderator; H. W. Johnston, Datto, clerk; Ernest Forrest, Pollard, treasurer. Time: September 9-10.

CURRENT RIVER—Place: Mt. Pleasant Church; L. B. Golden, Corning, moderator; G. E. Neeley, Reyno, V-moderator; H. W. Johnston, Datto, clerk; Earl Fitzgerald, Corning, treasurer. Time: September 10-11.

BUCKVILLE-Place: Sweet Home. Homer Speer, Star Rt., Mountain Pine, moderator; A. J. Bratton, Buckville, V-moderator; Robert Melton, Buckville, clerk; Joe Anderson, Blakely, treasurer. Time: September 10-11-12.

BUCKNER-Place: Fellowship. John Evans, Heavener, Oklahoma, V-moderator; Mollie E. Center, Waldron, clerk; Time: September

CLEAR CREEK-Place: Clarksville; Walter Yeldell, Clarksville, moderator; L. L. Cunningham, Alma, V-moderator; D. O. Stuckey, Rt. 3, Van Buren, clerk; David Dryer, Ozark, treasurer. Time: September 18-19.

LITTLE RED RIVER-Place: Concord; E. O. Downs, Concord, V-moderator; John Garland, Banner, clerk; Wayne Stark, Heber

Springs, treasurer. Time: September 18-19.

CONWAY-PERRY-Place: Plumerville; V. L. Matthews, Morrilton, moderator; C. H. Dunaway, Bigelow, V-moderator; Mrs. R. E. Dismukes, Bigelow, clerk; R. S. Williams, Perryville, treasurer; Time: September 23.

FAULKNER COUNTY-Place: Brumley Chapel. Dr. J. S. Rogers, Rt. 3, Conway, moderator; Gus Poole, Conway, V-moderator; T. W. Hayes, Conway, clerk; Clarence Day, Conway, treasurer. Time: Sep-

INDEPENDENCE-Place: West Batesville. L. H. Roseman, Batesville, moderator; Adrian Sims, Batesville, V-moderator; Arthur Porter, Batesville, clerk; H. M. Jennings, Batesville, treasurer. Time: September 25-26.

WHITE COUNTY-Place: McRae; William Burnett, Beebe, moderator; V. E. Defreece, Bald Knob, clerk; B. C. Huddleston, Searcy, treasurer. Time: September 25-26.

CADDO RIVER—Place: Oden; J. A. Kuehen, Oden, moderator; Roy Wright, Mt. Ida, clerk; Andrew Hulsey, Mt. Ida, treasurer; Time: September 30-October 1.

LITTLE RIVER-Place: Lockesburg; Dell Hames, Ashdown, moderator; Carroll Gibson, Dierks, V-moderator; C. A. Bishop, Ashdown, treasurer; Time: October 2.

OUACHITA—Place: Grannis; A. L. McDaniel, Mena, moderator; Guy Jones, Grannis, V-moderator; M. L. Wallis, Mena, Clerk; E. Barber, Mena, treasurer. Time: October 2-3.

BIG CREEK—Place: Salem. James Busby, Salem, moderator; W. A. Moody, Mammoth Springs, V-moderator; Lloyd Horton, Viola, clerk-treasurer. Time of meeting, October 3-4.

PULASKI—Place: First Baptist, Little Rock; K. O. White, First Church, Little Rock, moderator; Lawson Hatfield, 7009 Rockwood, Little Rock, V-moderator; L. C. Tedford, 1823 East Washington, N. Little Rock, clerk; W. Dawson King, Baptist Building, Little Rock, treasurer. Time: October 6.

ASHLEY COUNTY-Place, Crossett, First Baptist. E. E. Griever, Hamburg, V-moderator; Howard Barton, Crossett, clerk-treasurer. Time: October 6-7, nights.

WASHINGTON-MADISON-Place: Springdale; Walter Johnson, Fayetteville, moderator; Stanley Jordan, Springdale, V-moderator; John Stephens, Prairie Grove, clerk; Lee Sanders, Springdale, treasurer. Time: October 6-10.

CENTRAL-Place: Calvary Church, Benton; moderator; J. C. Melton, Rt. 5, Hot Springs, V-moderator; S. A. Wiles, Royal, clerk; W. A. Jackson, Benton, treasurer. Time: October 9-10.

CONCORD—Place: Lavaca; O. M. Stallings, Lavaca, moderator. Roy Rollin, Greenwood, V-moderator; H. E. Marsh, 1905 Tilles, Ft. Smith, clerk; Perry Griffin, 22 6th, Ft. Smith, treasurer. Time: October 9-10.

LIBERTY-Place: First Baptist, Camden; J. D. Tolleson, El Dorado, moderator; J. H. Hooks, El Dorado, V-moderator; J. N. Mc-Kinney, El Dorado, treasurer. Time: October 9-10.

(This list will be continued in the July 10 issue of the Arkansas Baptist).

Address of Dr. J. S. Compere

Since publishing a work of appreciation some time ago about Dr. J. S. Compere, we have the information that he is making his home with his daughter, Mrs. W. B. Pittard, 504 Franklin Street, Lynchburg, Virginia. We thought that some of his friends would want to write him a letter of appreciation

Miss Sadie Espy

We have just received information that Miss Sadie Espy of Van Nuys, California, passed to her reward on June 14. Miss Espy is a former employe of our Convention, having worked in the offices here in Little Rock a number of years. Many will very fondly remember her, and will share the grief of the family on account of her demise.

A Low Percentage

One of the most appalling facts in our denomination today is the small amount of the church dollar that is contributed for missions. Most all of the dollar is kept for local purposes in the churches. In our state, the average is as follows: 83.91 cents out of each dollar are kept for the local church program; 11.58 cents go to local and state missions while only about 8 per cent, or 8 cents out of the dollar, goes through the Cooperative Program which is the main support of our missionary causes. Throughout the Southern Baptist Convention the churches keep at home an average of 83.28 cents.

Do the leaders fail to have a good conscience on missions, or are

we unable to sell missions to the churches as a whole?

Don't You Want To Give A Refrigerator?

The Baptist office building needs an electric refrigerator, Most of our employes, 25 or 30 of us, are girls. Most girls either walk to work or ride the bus. It is hardly possible for them to go home for lunch and to return within the hour. So, they bring a lunch along with them in many instances. But it is a dangerous thing, this hot weather, to keep a lunch until the noon hour, and eat it, because the weather is too hot to guarantee that it will be kept "fit to eat." Then, too, when we take over the ground floor of this building we expect to have a little luncheonette. The colored maid will prepare a light lunch for the employes here and the expense will be prorated among us. At least that is our present plan. We will need a refrigerator then worse perhaps than we do now, but it occurred to us that somebody, maybe a dealer, wants to give us a refrigerator. These girls on the second floor of the Baptist Building will greatly appreciate it. As you read this, maybe it is you that wants to give the icebox. If so, call us up or write us a letter at once. We will greatly appreciate it.

Another reason for bringing their lunches is that the cafes in Little Rock are expensive and most of them serve beer.

Dr. Harris And Camden

It was our pleasure recently to visit First Church in Camden, and pinch-hit for Pastor Harris while he is away for a much needed rest. Dr. Harris is one of the busiest men you ever knew. They are erecting a large, beautiful, commodious sanctuary. They hope to have it finished before the end of the year. Dr. Harris is supervising the arrangement of the building. It takes a lot of sweat, and blood, and energy to put things like that through to comp'etion, but Harris is doing it. He is also a great preacher. The people love him and like to hear him preach. Large congregations greeted us at both hours when we were pinch-hitting for him.

Christ's New Commandment

By Mrs. Homer D. Myers

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

"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another."

Jesus was love personified. He was the manifestation, the living example of love. He was God revealed in the flesh, and God is love. He is the source of love, He gave us the practical version of love. And His request is that His children likewise be living examples of love; as we see love revealed in Him so should we be to others.

Love is not a statement of so many words. Too many sing lustily: "My Jesus, I love Thee" who do not mean a word of it. Many sing, "Oh How I love Jesus" who know nothing of Jesus, nor love. By their "fruits" shall ye know whether they love or not. You have known people who claim to love lost souls, who wouldn't walk across the street to tell a sinner about Christ. There are some who forever desire others to pray for their lost loved ones, they want somebody else to agonize over their lost loved ones, who never do anything themselves to reach their own loved ones, and many times live such loose and ungodly lives that nobody could reach their loved ones because of them.

Then there is another group who claim to love the brethren. But they live in a constant attitude of criticism and bitterness toward the brethren. We know professing Christians who go to church regularly—so they will have someone to criticise; professing Christians who never see anything good in anybody, nor anything; who see nothing worthwhile or good in their own church, nor their own denomination. Such people have neither loyalty nor love. But hear the words of Jesus: "If ye love not your brethren whom you have seen, how can you love God whom you have not seen?"

SELF ASSURANCE

Again John tells us that one assurance of our own salvation is love: "We KNOW we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren." May we ask a simple question here: If one has not the fruits of love in his life for the brethren, has he been saved? If one's whole attitude toward the church brethren is one of antagonism and bitterness, has that person been saved? According to the word of God, we have not been saved unless the love of God has been shed abroad in our hearts, which makes us love our brethren.

Sunday School Lesson for June 29, 1952

Mark 12:28-34; Jno. 13:34-35; 15:10-14

There is no bitterness in love. Love prays for the weak, never attempts to slay the weak. Love builds up, never destroys. Love is generous in all its attitudes. One does not have to compromise with sin in order to be sympathetic with his fellowman. Love is tolerant and forgiving, realizing that all are subject to mistakes. Love does not sit around and think evil about others.

Love is hopeful, always looking up to the giver of all good gifts. Love is cheerful, because love desires the happiness of others.

Real love is practical, it practices rather than pronounces. It is well and good to tell folks we love them; but love in action is more effective. A husband and father may assert his love for his family ever so loudly, but if he does not support them, if he refuses to provide for their needs, his words become a mockery, he is a hypocrite. Paul said the man who refuses to provide for his household is worse than an infidel. James spent his opinion of professing Christians who can see a brother in need and do nothing about it. Love practices; love is active; love is unselfish; love is Christianity at work.

A scribe came to Jesus one day and asked which was the greatest commandment of all, first in importance. Jesus reminded him that we should love God with our whole being, heart, soul, mind, and strength; and to love our neighbors as ourselves. What Jesus was really saying was that we should love God like we love ourselves, with our whole being, and to love others in the same manner. The Scribe and Jesus agreed that such a love was worth more before God than all the sacrifices mankind could make. Indeed Paul said, "Though I give my body to be burned and have not love, it profiteth me nothing."

Though one had all the gifts—all knowlege, all power, all the abilities, all the virtues, it would all be worthless without the gift of love.

IDENTIFICATION OF A DISCIPLE

"By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

Do you love the church, the blood bought church, with all its imperfections, its failures, its shortcomings? If not, you are not a true disciple! There is no perfect institution nor organization; Jesus knew that when He died for the church. But He loved it

just the same and died for it just as freely. Jesus did not organize a perfect institution because He had only imperfect material with which to organize it. But He organized it just the same, and commissioned that imperfect organization to carry the gospel story to the four corners of the earth.

Do you love the church members with all their faults and weaknesses and failures? If not, you are not a true disciple. If nobody is "spiritual" but yousomething is wrong with you. If no one is right but you,-examine yourself before an open Bible. If everybody makes mistakes but you—you are blinded by self-righteousness. The person who is in love with Jesus is too busy in service to notice the failures of all his brethren. It is the person who isn't doing anything for the Master who has time to criticise and belittle others.

DIVINE PROMISE John 15:10

"If ye keep my commandments (love God and one another) ye shall abide in my love."

Ye shall reside, dwell, live in His love; overshadowed daily by His love. If one is constantly enveloped and surrounded by the love of Christ, would not the result be satisfying and gratifying? A consciousness of the blessings and favors of God will be ours to enjoy every minute of our lives if

we "abide in his love." Surely the frustrations of life would have little effect upon us if we abide in His love.

Perhaps the word love has been more abused than any other in the languages of men. In this day, when iniquity abounds and the love of many has waxed cold, Christian people need to think more about godly love, a spiritual devotion, and our lives should be filled with a sincerity, with the sort of love that will be a source of refreshment to those about us.

May the Lord help us to be more loving; to be more lovable; to be loyal to God, to our church, to our fellowman; may we as God's children be a source of inspiration to all with whom we come in contact; may we radiate a sincerity that will make people to know that we are born-again sons of God.

--000-

SIN OF FAULT-FINDING

How easy is fault-finding! It requires no talents, no self-denial, no brains, no character to establish the grumbling business. Fault-finding is not difficult. It is often employed as an easy escape from real responsibility; like Issac McCurry's dog, hitched to a lawn mower, which stopped to bark at a passer-by. The boy who was guiding the mower said, "Don't mind the dog; he's just barking for an excuse to rest."

+Copied

OUACHITA Baptist College

- ... Christian Faculty & Student Body
- . . . High Academic Rating
- . . . Deeply Spiritual Environment
- ... Offering Four Degrees
- . . . All Requirements For Teaching Certificates
- ... Owned and Operated By The Baptists of Arkansas

Fall Term at Ouachita Opens Monday, September 15. Dormitories are filling rapidly! Write for application blanks today . . . Address:

REGISTRAR OUACHITA COLLEGE ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS