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ONE *Hungry* WORLD

The Relief Committee of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, meeting recently, expressed gratitude that churches and Christian agents are available to administer all funds secured in Southern Baptists' relief and rehabilitation drive.

"Every dollar given through Southern Baptist churches for the relief of human suffering and the rehabilitation of individual and family life is handled by Baptist churches abroad, or by church-controlled agencies who have proved trustworthy in using our funds as designated by this committee," declared Dr. George W. Sadler, director of the committee.

A sum of \$10,000 was allocated for Pastor Imre Somogyi of Budapest, who has acknowledged the receipt and distribution of two previous remittances of that amount.

The committee also authorized the use of \$25,000 for the rehabilitation of displaced persons now in camps in Germany, to be spent at the discretion of W. O. Lewis of the Baptist World Alliance, on a special mission to Europe. Dr. Lewis, who speaks German, Russian, French and English, can render a unique service to the 4,500 Baptists in D. P. camps, who refuse repatriation because of religious persecution. Some seek admission to the United States under the President's directive; others will try to emigrate to Canada and Brazil.

When you give through your church, your gift is delivered through church people overseas.

The churches of Asia and Europe must be strengthened with material and spiritual resources and equipment for a ministry to the needy in their midst. This will be the result of Southern Baptists' campaign to raise \$3,500,000 for relief and rehabilitation before September 30. Missionaries work with Chinese Baptists for the most effective use of relief funds in China. Although Southern Baptist missionaries are not on duty at this time in Hungary, Romania, Yugoslavia, Italy, and Japan, Baptists in those countries are dependable relief agents.

Mass starvation of 800,000,000 was averted this summer by swift action on the part of nations with surplus food, but the aftermath of war, including inflation, disease, and slow death from malnutrition, is still an ominous situation in Asia and Europe. According to "Fifty Facts about UNRRA," that organization plans to terminate shipments to Europe by the end of 1946, and to the Far East by

the first quarter of 1947. The churches will then be the only agencies to which hungry, homeless, friendless people may look for help.

Rice is now \$56,000 per picul (160 pounds), writes Missionary W. B. Johnson of China. "Even at the high rate of exchange this is \$1.50 a pound U. S. Sugar is now 70 cents, salt 20 cents, and coffee \$3 a pound American money. Our section has always been one of the most prosperous sections of China, but I have already gotten relief twice for our field and I am negotiating for more."

Joe Reed, one of four Southern Seminary students, who accompanied 750 horses and 7,900 chickens on the relief ship CC Carroll Victory to Poland, is home again. "The greatest need that I noticed (during five days in Danzig) was the seeming spiritual darkness," he reports. "I bought Gospels in several European languages before I left. The people were eager and happy to receive them, given on condition that they would read them. May more spiritual food be hastened to this spiritually ignorant and superstition-plagued people." Ben Bushong of Church World Service (of which Dr. George W. Sadler is a director) is looking for 3,000 more Christian cowboys needed during the remainder of 1946 as cattle attendants in taking relief to devastated Europe. The trip lasts four to six weeks; the pay, \$150. Write Bushong, Box 26, New Windsor, Maryland.

Practically as welcome as the flour were the sacks in which it came, reports a relief worker in Europe. Women quickly began converting them into children's dresses, aprons, bags, and what-not. It is impossible, she says, to buy reasonable goods by the yard in any store. Worse conditions are reported in central Europe, where it is said women work in the fields at night to conceal their nakedness.

The warehouses of Church World Service empty themselves every week. Twenty box-car loads of food, clothes, and other supplies were shipped in June, designated for Hungary, Korea, Italy, Holland, China, and Germany.

I feel strongly that all the political or economic devices we may construct for producing a better world will not and cannot work, no matter how sound they may be in themselves, unless we have men and women of higher character to operate those devices, to translate high principles into effective programs. If the forces of religion do not succeed through their educational and other activities in achieving that end, to whom, pray tell, can a stricken and distraught world look for adequate leadership?—Walter H. Judd.

THE BEATEN PATH

A Devotion by B. H. Duncan, Hot Springs

"Some seed fell by the wayside."

This represents the life that is imperiled to spiritual influences, the life that is hardened and glazed, as unyielding as the smoothly paved road. Such lives make good training for the ways of the world, but no vitally spiritual can grow in them.

So the word of God, not being able to penetrate even the surface of the life, is carried away by any bird of prey that happens along. The silly little birds and the big ugly vultures are constantly flitting about or lingering in broad pinions looking for the words of eternal truth lying exposed on the surface of consciousness.

These birds of prey take many different forms. A casual remark may wipe out the trace of the word and worship of God. The ugly vulture of gossip may snatch away the word of God so that the only thing remembered from an hour of worship is a slanderous remark. Other interests may brush aside the seed of the Kingdom and stifle any response to the appeal of God's word. The silly bird of fickleness may flutter by and catch a sight of a freakish hat or other attraction and completely obliterate all spiritual impressions.

Often the hideous vultures of hate, malice, jealousy, envy and vanity gobble up the seed of eternal truth and leave the soul of the hearer as bleak and barren as an exposed rock. Sometimes a set determination to hear only what suits oneself effectively robs one of the word of God.

"When any one heareth the word of the Kingdom, and understandeth it not, cometh the wicked one, and catcheth that which was sown in his heart. This which received seed by the wayside" (Matthew 13:19).

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Arthur A. DuLaney, pastor, First Church, Roswell, N. Mex., recently observed his 50th anniversary there. During these five decades there have been 1203 additions, 341 departures, making a net gain of 559 and bringing the present membership to 2023. Receipts for the five years have totaled \$186,059.91, of which \$64,209.91 went to missions. All have been paid, property improved and properties acquired.

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Dr. R. L. Whipple, President, Central College, Conway, Arkansas

Across the Editor's Desk

Our First Freedom

"We know what happened to the German mind under Hitler's regime.

"We know how thought is regimented in Russia and many other countries still under dictatorships, where the press, radio and movies are under government control.

"In the United States freedom of speech and press is guaranteed to us under the Bill of Rights—the First Amendment to our Constitution.

"But—are we in danger of losing that freedom? Of having our minds regimented? Government is not the sole enemy of freedom. Concentrated economic power also acts as a restraint of thought."

A Revealing Book

The Civil Liberties Union has recently announced in the above words a report on the monopoly and control of the press in America. This report is presented in a book, "The First Freedom," by Morris L. Ernst.

"Our democracy has been sterilized by the few score of owners of radio, movies and press. With rare exceptions, the people of our nation have been kept in ignorance of the economic power in these fields," states Mr. Ernst. He backs up this charge with facts showing the dangerous trends of monopoly in the mass communication field, and describing the way in which competition has been stifled and is now at a minimum.

Mr. Ernst, by the way, has been a member of the New York Bar for over thirty years and during that time has figured prominently in many important cases affecting public interest and influencing social policy. He has represented the American Newspaper Guild for a number of years and has served as counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union on innumerable freedom-of-the-press cases—including radio and motion pictures, and also for the Dramatists Guild and Authors League of America, Inc. Among the various publications he has represented are: The New Yorker, Life, The Nation, Survey Magazine, The New York Post. He has also been Eastern Council for the Society of Independent Motion Picture producers. Thus it is evident that he has an excellent background against which to discuss the First Freedom.

Here are a few of the facts he reveals:

Press

In the United States we have more than 40,000,000 daily circulation of newspapers—but 10 states have not a single city with competing dailies.

Fourteen companies owning 18 papers control about one-fourth of our total daily cir-

ulation; 375 chain newspapers own one-fifth of all circulation.

More than one-fourth of our daily newspapers are absentee owned.

Twenty-two states are without Sunday newspaper competition.

Weekly papers are considered the backbone of local democracy; 3,200 of them have disappeared. One company dominates more than 3,000 weeklies.

There are only 117 cities left in the entire country where competing dailies still exist.

Radio

There are 59,000,000 radio sets in American homes.

One-third of all regular radio stations are financially affiliated with newspapers.

Four networks before the war had 95 per cent of all night-time broadcasting power; 144 advertisers account for 97 per cent of all the network income. Eleven advertisers contribute about 50 per cent of all network income.

Movies

The weekly attendance at the movies is more than 100 million people.

Five companies control the 2,800 key theaters of the nation. These five companies take in more than three-fourths of all money paid by movie audiences for screen entertainment.

Two companies produce about 90 per cent of all raw film stock.

Trend Toward Monopoly

What will happen if we allow a few persons to monopolize the organizations of dissemination of thought? How far has the monopoly trend gone? The number of newspapers in America has decreased—a few years ago there were 2,600 dailies; today there are 1,700. Chains have swallowed paper after paper; the same feature articles, canned editorials and columns feed the people's minds. Ownership has gradually come into the hands of a small number of persons—many of them absentee owners with no interest in local affairs. The vitality of our democracy is being sapped, with the number of ideas circulated being reduced more and more.

In radio the concentrated control in which a few companies dominate the field is about the same as the press: the close connection between radio networks and radio manufacturers, the tie-up of newspapers with radio, the exorbitant cost of radio programs, the fight against subscription radio, the monopolistic practices which keep programs off the air or limit their audiences. There are plenty of facts to prove that the right of the people

to hear diverse opinions, ideas and entertainment is greatly restricted. With the advance of frequency modulation and television this restriction may become all the more dangerous.

Movies are controlled in every real sense by just five companies. They bought up all the leading theaters in the country; they dominate the independents; they stifle the exhibitors' choice and the peoples' selective capacity through block-booking, blind selling and designating play dates. Only the thoughts, ideas and opinions of the few men who control the movies can reach the 100,000,000 persons who attend the movies each week.

What will be the result if this control of the press, the radio and the movies should be militantly anti-Christian?

Killing Two Birds

The First Baptist Church of Daytona Beach, Fla., where former Arkansan Lee' Nichols is pastor, is using the relief appeal to encourage the practice of tithing among its membership.

All members of the church were asked to enter into a four-months' covenant to bring the whole tithe into the church treasury. Out of this the church will appropriate each month a sum for relief.

A total of \$6,898.68 was given in church offerings during the month of June in accordance with the plan, and the deacons allocated \$3,108.56 of it to the relief campaign. Similar allocations will be made during July, August and September, the official period of the Southern Baptist campaign.

Pastor Nichols reports that the plan is proving very popular, and he believes many of his new tithers will continue to be faithful stewards after the four-months' pledge is completed.

The Minister's Wife

*The minister's wife is a miraculous thing,
Being able to teach, to pray and to sing.*

*She has busy hands, swift feet, honest face, and
big smile;
A strong nervous system and a big heart is worth
while.*

*She is never blue when things go wrong;
But always greets husband with a happy song.*

*She must do the job others can't do;
And stick to the task until it's all through.*

*Then speak the right word to all, by the way;
For never an uncouth thing must she say.*

*She can go farther on less than any of the rest,
Then pray to the Father to keep and to bless.*

*Be always well dressed, but not at all flashy,
Her children well reared, and not a bit sassy.*

*Be ready to go at the least little call,
To help with the work, being sure to serve all.*

—MRS. HOMER H. BRIDGES.

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OTTO WHITINGTON, Director

229 Urquhart Bldg., Little Rock, Arkansas

A Mighty Battalion of Speakers

I am happy to announce that Dr. Edgar Williamson, State Secretary of Religious Education, will be Director of Speakers for the Campaign.

LOOK FOR HIS STATE-WIDE PLAN FOR SPEAKERS, which will be in the Arkansas Baptist August 22nd.

One hundred and fifty speakers, both laymen and preachers, will carry the campaign to every available space in Arkansas. A partial list of speakers' names was published. Others are still coming in and will be published later. Don't fail to have a Campaign Speaker at all your Churches and Associational Meetings. Invite one or more of these men to come to your Church to give information and inspiration about the Campaign. These men will help take an offering, if you desire.

MAKE YOUR OWN DATES TO SPEAK.

SELECT YOUR OWN SPEAKER.

Dr. Williamson Wants:

1. Sermons on Christian Education by all Pastors, Evangelists and Missionaries.
2. Exchange of pulpits, a visiting preacher in every church.
3. A Speaker in every Country Church to inform and inspire and to help with the offering, if necessary.
4. Ouachita hour in every Association this Fall with a good hour and a good Speaker.

Speak Directly On The Campaign

Write us if you need extra information. You may never know when your speech may bring from one to ten thousand dollars to Ouachita, so do your very best.

God grant Dr. Williamson and each Speaker an extra portion of Spiritual Power. Lord help us in this Campaign, we need Thee so much.

**Send Money Direct to Dr. B. L. BRIDGES, Executive Secretary,
200 Radio Center Bldg., Little Rock, Ark.**

Center of Life Eternal . . .

THE CROSS OF CALVARY

The Cross of Calvary has been deemed for centuries the center of life and life eternal. It is the emblem of the Christian religion; it is more than an emblem, for it points to humanity to the reality of the life of Christ, His crucifixion, and resurrection. Man has long tried to express his emotions toward the cross in various ways: poetry, prose, and music. But there is a feeling of sublimeness connected with the cross that no one has ever quite put forth in words or music.

When men are weary and trials press upon them, they turn to the cross to find freedom from their burden. When they are cast down, they turn to the cross for courage and strength to fight back at the inevitable forces of darkness. When men are afraid, the cross points them to Him who "casteth out all fear." And the great cross bearer, "Come unto me, ye that labour, and I will give you rest; take my yoke upon you and learn of me . . . for my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." These are the words the Master used to describe His cross.

The Road to Heaven

Raymond Kresensky has given his interpretation of the cross in his "Golgotha's Cross."

*What is the cross on Golgotha to me—
But the brave young Jesus murdered there?
Roman justice debased?
Israel's Messiah lost?
The tender lips agonized?
The active mind bewildered?
The feet that walked fair Galilee,
Pierced by nails?*

*I have tried to speak
The words those lips revealed.
I have tried to think as He thought.
I have taught my feet to walk
Humbly as He walked.
And God prepared me a cross.*

*The arms reach out to gather in
The cripples, the blind, the weak.
The arms reach out to feed them,
To give them to drink.
In these hands the nails are driven.
But the cross points upward.
The arms fold me.
The cross lifts me.
Golgotha's cross is the road to heaven."*

Mr. Kresensky feels that the cross was a vital and unjust attack upon an innocent man. Then he realizes that there is a cross for him to bear. He bears it willingly and fully and he is convinced that Golgotha's cross is the road to heaven.

Love So Amazing

The composer, Rev. George Bennard, has chosen the musical note to express his emotions to this cross by saying, "Some day I will exchange this cross for a crown."

The cross has been the central theme for music among all Christian denominations. Through the acid of music put to words, one feels the deep emotion of power that emanates from the cross.

Miss Watts, when a lad, was not at all impressed with the hymns of his day. So he decided to try to write better ones, and out of the depth of a soul that reached for God,

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By GUY S. WILSON

Reynolds Memorial Church, Little Rock

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and kept on searching for audible utterances that would better portray the heavenly deity surrounding the cross, he gave to the world his interpretation of this cross.

*When I survey the wondrous cross,
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it, Lord! that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God:
All the vain things that charmed me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.*

*See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down:
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.*

Mr. Watts felt that after taking a glimpse at this cross the very least that he could possibly do was, to give his life, his very all. All because he felt and understood the amazing love that God demonstrated on this cross.

Peace and Joy

So, the cross stands out still as the center of all creation, bringing sunshine out of darkness, hope out of despair, and peace out of

destruction. Once Sir John Bowring stood watching and listening to the noise of battle in the night. He knew the destruction dealt in war. As the long night ended, and the first rays of dawn appeared, he glimpsed the sight of a church steeple with the cross towering high above, weathering even the rifle of battle. To him, that cross towering high over the ruins of destruction, pointed him and all mankind toward the peaceful unearthly atmosphere surrounding this old, old symbol, the cross. His appreciation of this moment found expression in the spontaneous flow of words that has blessed the lives of thousands of people.

*In the cross of Christ I glory;
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.*

*When the woes of life o'ertake me,
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me:
Lo! it glows with peace and joy.*

*When the sun of bliss is beaming
Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming
Adds more luster to the day.*

*Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure,
Joys that thro' all time abide.*

Mr. Bowring found a new inspiration, hope and outlook on life that morning as he saw the cross towering over the ruins of battle. It seemed to have lifted him, and even when there was destruction all about him, he found that there was something that would stand the tests of time.

Ravenden Springs Assembly Holds Great Session With 457 Enrolled

Ravenden Springs Baptist Assembly has closed the greatest session in its history. Registration reached 457 compared with the record attendance of 353 in 1945.

Forty-seven preachers registered. Pastor L. C. Tedford, First Church, Corning, was leader of the preacher's school and was elected dean of the 1947 school. The most popular class was the book of Amos taught by Blake Westmoreland.

Though fewer unsaved people attended the assembly this year, there were four professions of faith. High spiritual hours were experienced under the preaching of Pastor W. D. Edwards, Marked Tree; Pastor L. G. Miller, New Liberty Church, Blytheville; Pastor P. H. Jernigan, Calvary Church, Blytheville; Pastor E. C. Polk, Rector Church; Pastor O. C. Hicks, First Church, Harrisburg; Pastor Harry Hunt, First Church, Pocahontas; Pastor Edgar Griffin, First Church, Truman; President H. E. Williams, Southern Baptist College, Pocahontas, and others.

The church auditorium was too small to allow the attendance of many local people.

It was filled each service by the assembly crowd. This condition has prevailed for the past two years.

Material for a new tabernacle has been delivered and the work is already in full swing. It is hoped that it will be ready for the Girl's Auxiliary Camp August 19-24 and the Royal Ambassador Camp August 26-31.

Plans for the 1947 session are already under way. Five hundred registrations are expected. That session will be mainly Bible study, missionary and evangelistic. No study courses will be offered for Sunday School and Training Union next year.

Last year \$2,228.33 was received between sessions, making possible the erection of a dining hall, steel bridge, a third dormitory for women, a concrete tank for water supply and many other improvements. All this is paid for. But money is now needed for the large tabernacle.

New officers are J. I. Cossey, director-president; P. H. Jernigan, vice-president-program chairman; W. Harry Hunt, secretary; and Claude North, treasurer.

NOTES OF ADVANCE

Among patients admitted to Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, during the first six months of this year, 35 per cent were Catholics, 11 per cent Baptists, 21 per cent other denominations, and 35 per cent were young children or gave no religious affiliation.

Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Ricketson of Little Rock, Southern Baptist missionaries to China, who have been home on furlough since the United States entered the recent war, will return to their station in Shanghai September 1. They will be accompanied by their sons, James and Samuel, who were born in China. Dr. Ricketson was missionary director of the Ming Jang Boys' School at Shanghai.

Rev. W. H. Lansford, Heber Springs, led evangelistic services at McRae which resulted in 13 additions. Eight candidates were baptized July 21.

Nine additions to the church, eight for baptism, and two young ladies surrendered to special Christian service resulted from evangelistic efforts at Madison Church, Tri-County Association. Rev. H. M. Dugger, Beebe, did the preaching and J. T. Martin, Forest City, led the singing. Glen Giles is pastor.

Dr. R. T. Skinner, pastor of First Church, Bowling Green, Ky., has been elected editor of the Western Recorder, Baptist paper of Kentucky. He will take up his duties some time within the next 90 days. Dr. Skinner succeeds Dr. John D. Freeman, who resigned several months ago to accept the position of rural field worker with the Home Mission Board.

The Chattahoochee Baptist Association of Georgia has made extensive plans for a community wide revival to be held in the Gainesville High School Auditorium, Gainesville, Ga., August 4-15. Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, newly elected president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, is the evangelist.

East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Tex., announces the creation of a department of church music of which Dexter Riddle of Fort Worth, Tex., will be the director. President H. D. Bruce says that he believes that a department in which young people will be taught church music will meet a long-felt need of the colleges and the churches.

A class of student nurses will be admitted into the Mather School of Nursing, Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, September 3.

Dr. J. S. Compere, Corning, served as supply pastor of First Church, Hayti, Mo., while the church awaited the coming of a new pastor, E. R. Clawson, of Carrollton, Mo. Dr.

Compere supplied the pulpit of First Church, Corning, July 21 while Pastor L. C. Tedford was in evangelistic services in Charleston, Mo.

Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor, First Church, New Orleans, was evangelist in a recent revival in First Church, North Little Rock. W. R. Bum-pas, minister of music and education in the church, directed the music. Pastor R. O. Barker says: "It was one of the best revivals the church has ever had. There were not only a good many additions to the church, but there was a revival in almost every phase of the church work. Dr. Grey is one of the most powerful preachers in the Southland."

Larry Don O'Kelly and Henry Wilson, young men of First Church, Russellville, have answered God's call to enter the ministry. Mr. O'Kelly is now doing summer field work under the direction of the State Department of Religious Education. Mr. Wilson has been employed by the government to work in China and will be leaving in a short time. In the last two and one-half years the Lord has called six young men of the Russellville Church into the ministry. A number of young women have surrendered themselves to do whatever the Lord will have them do. Fritz E. Goodbar is pastor.

"The Greatest Achievement," a 20-minute 16 mm sound motion picture in color on the life of the late Dr. George W. Truett, produced by the Baptist Sunday School Board with photography and direction by W. O. Vaught, Jr., pastor, Immanuel Church, Little Rock, may be rented from the Baptist Book Store, Little Rock, for \$10 after August 10. Twenty-five copies of the film have been made for distribution by all Baptist Book Stores in the South.

Wilton Church, D. W. Bolton, pastor, observed Homecoming Day August 4. The morning address was given by Hon. Frank S. Quinn, deacon in Beech Street Church, Texarkana. There was an old-fashioned dinner on the ground.

First Church, Bay, began evangelistic services August 4 with Evangelist C. L. Randall, Memphis, Tenn., leading. Homecoming Day will be observed August 11. All members, former members, and friends are invited. Roy Hilton is pastor.

Sixty-six students of Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., received diplomas and degrees at the summer commencement July 18. Enrolment in the summer session reached an all-time high of 502 resident students, including 112 former service men. The fall session will begin September 9.

New Orleans Hospital Serves 2100 Months

By E. C. BROWN, Pastor
First Church, Blytheville

The Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans served 12,758 bed patients during the first six months of this year, according to a report of Superintendent Louis J. Brantley which was filed with the Board of Directors at the semi-annual meeting. Two hundred and sixty-eight patients were given 605 days of free service. Income for the period was \$772,453.99. The hospital does not have an allocation from the Cooperative Program, hence does not get any denominational support. However, all operating expenses were paid, including the cost of the free service.

More than one-third of all patients are Catholics, thus indicating the mission aspect of the hospital. A full-time religious worker is employed as student secretary and a Bible is kept within reach of every patient. Two Sunday School classes are taught by nurses—one for adults and one for children.

For several years the Board has considered establishing a hospital for the chronically ill, but war conditions stopped action. However, an effort to secure gifts for such a building was made in April and May. Cash and subscriptions amounting to about \$30,000 came in.

A committee consisting of Earl C. Hamer, Texas; Edgar Godbold, Louisiana; Andrew Potter, Oklahoma; Joe E. Brown, Missouri; and Earl P. Paris, New Orleans, was named to handle the establishment of a hospital in San Antonio, as instructed by the Miami Convention.

The Hospital has a plant in New Orleans which cost \$2,379,846.91, all of which is paid for; and has a cash surplus of \$127,500 as a cushion against economic reverses, in addition to the money for the building for the chronically ill. The Hospital operates to care for patients at all times. The medical staff is harmonious and cooperative; and the fact that 200,000 patients of New Orleans gave nearly \$300,000 for a new building indicates the popularity of the Hospital as an outstanding institution of New Orleans.

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BAPTIST ON CBS

Dr. Wallace Bassett of Dallas, will be the preacher on Columbia's Church of the Air program Sunday morning, August 18, 8:00-9:00 A.M. CST. His subject will be "The Merits of the Gospel."

The choir of the Cliff Temple Baptist Church, of which Dr. Bassett is the host pastor, will render the music. The program will originate from the studios of KRLD, Dallas.

Dr. Bassett spoke on the Baptist Hour program in 1945 and fan mail requests for his message were so substantial that a reprint of his message was necessary.

The Columbia Broadcasting System is planning to increase its program for Baptist participation in the program of the Church of the Air through the Southern Baptist Radio Committee.

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“. . . ye shall receive power . . . and ye shall be witnesses . . . in Jerusalem . . . and unto the uttermost part of the earth,” Acts 1:8. “Go ye . . . and teach all nations, baptizing them . . . : teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you . . . I am with you always . . .,” Matt. 28:19-20.

From the press and radio we hear men crying out that: “Millions are starving,” “How to prevent World War III,” “How many missionaries do we need?” “The door to Japan is wide open—are we ready?” “Wanted: 300 missionaries NOW!” “Can we meet the emergency?” “Please increase your gifts to the Co-operative Program—Foreign Missions alone is calling for one and a quarter million dollars for reconstruction work,” “More volunteers, more money needed”—On and on the cry goes out.

Baptists Not Ready

Southern Baptists regret that a thousand new missionaries cannot be appointed in the next two years. We do not have the volunteers for appointment and we are not prepared in our thinking about world missions to support a thousand new missionaries.

Southern Baptists have the true message: “Jesus Christ in the hearts of the men and women of the whole world will save us from any calamity that may lie ahead.” But—

The survey made of Home Mission fields reveals that our homeland is not evangelized. There is greater need today for missionaries to go to the waste places than ever before. There are 25,000,000 unchurched people in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention alone. Sixty percent of the population of our cities are unchurched. The rural churches are becoming depleted. Five thousand Baptist churches in the country have fewer members than they had ten years ago. Six thousand three hundred had no conversions last year. Three thousand are without pastors. Four thousand (missionary Baptist churches) gave nothing to missions!

Associational Missions Weak

This is deploring! There is a reason somewhere for this: Weak associational missionary programs. The average associational program of today is just a compromise with our consciences! Since it is “customary” to have an associational mission program we go about raising pledges from the cooperating local churches, hire a missionary and turn him loose, to live or die, as the case may be. He is then supposed to carry on in all phases of the work, with little or no help, at his own expense.

If he doesn't turn the world upside down the first year, he is criticized and every one wonders “where the missionary is” all the time. “What's he doing with his time?” He is also supposed to stay away from his family and out of town if he lives in town and if he doesn't, well, this just isn't “associational missions.” And if his health breaks down under all of this load and strain, he resigns and tries to find a pastorate somewhere.

Some Are Improving

We are happy to say however, that in some cases this is not true. Some associations are giving their missionaries a “living” salary, a helper, a home in which to live, expenses paid

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By OTTIS DENNEY

Missionary, Hope Association

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to all of the assemblies and conventions and his operating expenses paid on the field.

The pastors are assisting the missionaries by helping in revivals and study courses. They are extending an arm of their church out to several of the mission points and thus “feeding the little flock” until it can carry on for itself.

Able bodied laymen are assisting with the organizational set-up by sponsoring the Training Union, Sunday School and Woman's Missionary Union organizations, thus promoting all of the phases of the work and giving a balanced associational mission program as outlined in the Great Commission of our Leader and Lord, Jesus Christ.

State and Southwide Clinics are being held in the interest of associational missions. Some of our Baptists schools are conducting classes along the line of rural missions. Young people are being appealed to, from both pulpit and class room, to give their lives to associational missions. The Store House Plan is being adopted by some of the rural churches. Rural preachers and leaders are given recognition by the press and placed on the programs of the Conventions each year.

“Neglected Jerusalem”

The day is well nigh on its way when Associational Missions will be looked upon by Southern Baptists as their “neglected Jerusalem”—the home base for all mission supplies, Home and Foreign. More appeals will be made for young people to train themselves for this type of work and plant their lives out in the “neglected sections” of our vast country lands.

It will no longer be a reflection upon a seminary graduate to preach to the small, weak country churches. After all, here is where Southern Baptists sprang from and here is the source of most of her great preachers and missionaries! Hence, the need for an extended program of associational missions!

Out here is where God is—calling and training His preachers, missionaries and teachers. Out here is where most of the country's leaders are born and raised. We dare not neglect it any longer. It is the feeder to the city churches and hence their obligation to the program for better associational missions.

A Better Day

We can see, not to far off, more and better qualified missionaries employed. Smaller fields of service assigned to each worker—instead of from one to four counties. Each missionary will have one or more helpers: one to look after the correspondence, publication of bulletins, and associational organizations; another to map out territory for establishing new missions and churches. The missionary will thus be free to give more of his time to the “neglected” sections of his terri-

tory. After all, here is where the real task of associational missions lies—teaching and preaching where others dare not, or will not go.

Homes, conveniently located, will also be furnished; and an associational automobile, with expenses paid, is soon to come. Alone with this, the workers' expenses will be paid to all assemblies and conventions. Programs will be prepared for the advancement of associational missions. Every inducement will be made toward developing the missionary and his program of missions. A certain time will be encouraged for home study and sermon building.

Respectable salaries will be offered to attract more and better trained leaders in both the churches and mission fields.

A balanced program of teaching and preaching will be fostered. Training encampments will be located near the centers of the associations for special emphasis weeks and revivals, thus making an atmosphere conducive for more to hear the Call of God to Special Service.

With more and stronger Churches, developed in the art of missions, Southern Baptists will have a reserve of both volunteers and money to do whatever they may please—from establishing schools, hospitals and orphanages all over the world to more and better churches “unto the uttermost part of the earth.”

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Dr. Tribble Is Baptist Speaker All of August

Dr. Harold W. Tribble of Louisville, Ky., author, popular assembly speaker, as well as effective radio speaker, is the Baptist Hour speaker for the four Sunday mornings in August, as announced by the Southern Radio Committee. This is a return engagement on the Baptist Hour, his former engagement being on January 23, 1944.

His four subjects announced for August are:

- August 4: “Man's Enemy—Sin.”
- August 11: “Getting Christ's Viewpoint—Repentance.”
- August 18: “Life's Anchorage—Faith.”
- August 25: “Answering Christ's Prayer—Sanctification.”

The messages of Dr. Tribble are coached in popular languages and will be of interest to laymen and women both in and out of the churches.

These messages are to originate from beautiful Ridgecrest Assembly Grounds in North Carolina through the facilities of WWNC of Asheville. The music will be by the Baptist Hour Choir and the programs, other than the talks, will originate through the facilities of WSB of Atlanta.

The Baptist Hour is heard in Arkansas over radio stations KTHS, Hot Springs, 4:30 p. m. Saturday, and over KUOA, Sloom Springs, 7:30 a. m., Sunday morning. Also over WREC, Memphis, 8:30 a. m.; WSM, Nashville, 7:30 a. m., and WFAA, Dallas, 7:30 a. m.

1946 ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS LISTED

A list of scheduled 1946 meetings of Arkansas Baptists' district associations is given below. These are important meetings, when reports of all the denominational work are brought to central meeting places in every section of the state so that every Baptist may attend, learn of the kingdom work, and be inspired.

There is a possibility of errors in this list, and if so we shall be glad to make corrections. Some data is incomplete, but this is the best information received to date in the State Secretary's office.

White River—Aug. 29-30, Rehobeth Church, Flippin; D. W. Stark, Mtn. Home, moderator; W. B. O'Neal, Yellville, vice-moderator; H. D. Morton, Mtn. Home clerk.

Stone-Van Buren — Sept. 5-6, Mountain View; Claude Jenkins, Clinton, moderator; Gus Poole, Mountain View, vice-moderator; Mrs. May Roberts, Timbo, clerk.

Clear Creek—Sept. 10-11, Union Grove Church, Rt. 1, Clarksville; Faber Tyler, Ozark, moderator; T. H. Jordan, Van Buren, vice-moderator; Sibley Wallis, Clarksville, clerk.

Boone-Carroll—Sept. 17-18, C. R. McCollum, Harrison, moderator; W. A. Odell, Omaha, clerk.

Buckville—Sept. 21, Rock Springs Church, Cedar Glades; Laborn Sharp, Mountain Pine, moderator; J. D. Bradley, Buckville, clerk.

Concord—Sept. 26, Branch; Arthur L. Hart, Charleston, moderator; B. V. Ferguson, Ft. Smith, vice-moderator; W. A. Crow, 3313 Neis St., Ft. Smith, clerk.

Ouachita—Sept. 26-28, Salem Church, Rt. 1, Mena; J. M. Holman, Gillham, moderator; H. V. Wilson, Gillham, vice-moderator; M. L. Wallis, Grannis, clerk.

Perry County—Sept. 27, Perryville; Curtis Hall, Perryville, moderator; Mrs. R. E. Dismukes, Bigelow, clerk.

Big Creek—Oct. 2-3, Salem; A. J. Scott, moderator; Ernest Baker, Salem, vice-moderator; Roy Roby, Viola, clerk.

Buckner—Oct. 3-4, Parks; Karl McClendon, Mansfield, moderator; C. G. Davis, Waldron, vice-moderator; W. A. Bishop, Rt. 3, Waldron, clerk.

Dardanelle-Russellville—Oct. 3-4, Danville; James Brewer, Morrilton, moderator; L. L. Jordan, Plumerville, vice-moderator; Fritz E. Goodbar, Russellville, clerk.

Caddo River—Oct. 4-5, Mt. Ida; Carl H. Stone, Norman, moderator; Roy Wright, Mt. Ida, clerk.

Benton County—Oct. 8-9, Decatur; Carl Nelson, Gentry, moderator; Rel Gray, Rogers, vice-moderator; Jno. B. Stephen, Gravette, clerk.

Little River—Oct. 8, DeQueen; W. E. Perry, Nashville, moderator; Lenox Medford, Wilton, clerk.

Carey—Oct. 9, Shady Grove Church, Manning; C. W. Caldwell, Fordyce, moderator; Chas. B. Luck, Tinsman, vice-moderator; H. S. Coleman, Bearden, clerk.

Centennial—Oct. 10, Stuttgart; B. E. Eldridge, Almyra, moderator;

Arthur Danner, DeWitt, vice-moderator; P. C. Greer, Stuttgart, clerk.

Central — Oct. 10, Central Church, Hot Springs; B. H. Duncan, Hot Springs, moderator; T. K. Rucker, Malvern, vice-moderator; H. A. Kelly, Benton, clerk.

Current River—Oct. 10-11, Biggers; W. Harry Hunt, Pocahontas, moderator; C. F. Gwinup, Pocahontas, vice-moderator; E. Clark Secoy, Biggers, clerk.

Mississippi County—Oct. 10-11, First Church, Blytheville; C. J. Rushing, Manila, moderator; P. H. Jernigan, Blytheville, vice-moderator; L. G. Scott, Rt. 2, Blytheville, clerk.

Pulaski County—Oct. 14-15; W. H. Hicks, 610 N. Oak, Little Rock, moderator; W. O. Vaught, 1000 Bishop, Little Rock, vice-moderator; John Collier, 1604 Maple, N. Little Rock, clerk.

Bartholomew—Oct. 15-16, Fountain Hill; Paul Aiken, Warren, moderator; R. D. Washington, Monticello, vice-moderator; H. C. Barnes, Monticello, clerk.

Mt. Zion—Oct. 15-16, Caraway; C. C. Duncan, Jonesboro, moderator; M. M. Hinesley, Brookland, vice-moderator; Frank Waite, Jonesboro, clerk.

Red River—Oct. 15-16, Prescott; O. C. Harvey, Arkadelphia, moderator; Fred A. White, Prescott, vice-moderator; Kenneth R. Grant, Gurdon, clerk.

Tri County—Oct. 15-16, Wynne; Wilson Wood, Parkin moderator; H. L. Lipford, Earle, vice-moderator; W. E. Woodell, Wynne, clerk.

Harmony—Oct. 16-17, Lee Memorial Church, Pine Bluff; Luther Dorsey, Star City, moderator; Paul Fox, Pine Bluff, vice-moderator; R. E. Baucum, 1904 W. 28th, Pine Bluff, clerk.

Liberty — Oct. 16-17, Union Church Rt. 3, El Dorado; Hugh Cantrell, Stephens, vice-moderator; Garland Anderson, Rt. 4, El Dorado, clerk.

Arkansas Valley — Oct. 17, Hughes; Reese S. Howard, Brinkley, moderator; D. D. Smothers, West Helena, vice-moderator; B. F. McDonald, West Helena, clerk.

Hope — Oct. 17-18, Central Church, Magnolia, Oct. 17, Genoa, Oct. 18; Bruce H. Price, Texarkana, moderator; Delbert McAtee, Texarkana, vice-moderator; L. B. Burnside, Texarkana, clerk.

Rocky Bayou—Oct. 17-18, Finley Creek Church, Battles; W. G. Wil-

ey, Violet Hill, vice-moderator; Herman Dover, Melbourne, clerk.

Washington-Madison—Oct. 17-18, Lincoln; O. E. Williams, 515 Forest Ave., Fayetteville, moderator; Glenn Steele, West Fork, vice-moderator; J. W. Webb, 347 Rollston St., Fayetteville, clerk.

White County — Oct. 17-18, Searcy; L. M. Keeling, Judsonia, moderator; L. C. Langley, Kensett, vice-moderator; C. S. Maynard, Bald Knob, clerk.

Newton County—Oct. 21-22, Jasper; R. M. Abell, Jasper, moderator; Mrs. E. R. Casey, Parthenon, clerk.

Black River—Oct. 22, Walnut Ridge; Ray Rhyne, Tuckerman, moderator; C. F. Wilkins, Newport, vice-moderator; Mrs. O. T. Richardson, Newport, clerk.

Caroline — Oct. 22-23, First Church, England; W. M. Pratt, Lonoke, moderator; Tom Graves, Ward, vice-moderator; Dale McCoy, Cabot, clerk.

Delta—Oct. 22, Bellair Church, Dermott; J. T. Elliff, Lake Village, moderator.

Trinity—Oct. 22-23, R. L. Franklin, Marked Tree, moderator; Rus-

sell J. Clubb, Tyronza, vice-moderator.

Faulkner County—Oct. 24-25, Pickles Gap Church, near Conway; Hugh Owen, Conway, moderator; H. B. Tillman, Conway, vice-moderator; T. W. Hayes, Conway, clerk.

Independence—Oct. 24-25, Hobeth Church, Moorefield; E. J. Garrott, Batesville, moderator; Byron King, Batesville, vice-moderator; S. A. Wiles, Batesville, Clerk.

Woodruff County—Oct. 24-25, Tupelo; J. O. Young, Augustin, moderator; Charles Nash, Iredell, vice-moderator; Miss M. Dred Stephenson, Augusta, clerk.

Greene County—Oct. 29-30, Friendship Church, Rt. 4, Paragould; J. Ed Thompson, Paragould, moderator; J. Harold G. fin, Paragould, vice-moderator; Mrs. J. W. Roney, Paragould, clerk.

Gainesville—Oct. 30-31, N. Hope Church, Pollard; E. C. Polk, Rector, moderator; E. Ward, Piggott, vice-moderator; Frank Carpenter, Rt. 1, Piggott, clerk.

Little Red River—Othar Smith, Heber Springs, acting moderator; Delbert Garrott, Floral, clerk; tem.

Notes of Advance

C. B. Teasley was ordained as deacon of Halley Church July 14. Those who assisted with the service were Otto Walker, McGehee, moderator; Pastor Dallas Roscoe, Halley, clerk; Missionary J. V. Chandler; A. C. Pharis, McGehee, Pastor Theo T. James, First Church, McGehee, J. B. Hill, V. A. Waldorf, and J. C. Burchfield. Missionary Chandler did the questioning and Pastor James preached the ordination sermon.

The annual Ridgecrest conference of the Relief and Annuity Board will be held August 23-26. The program personnel includes Thomas J. Watts, Executive Secretary; Walter R. Alexander, Associate Executive Secretary; Robert S. Jones, Associate Secretary; Mrs. J. M. Dawson, Washington, D. C., Forrest Feezor, Fort Worth, Tex., J. D. Riddle, Secretary of Music, Texas Baptist State Convention; and Mrs. Frank Cheek, soloist, Chattanooga, Tenn.

New Liberty Church, Blytheville, began a revival July 21 with Pastor Harold B. Tillman, First Church, doing the preaching and Roy Morgan, Dell, leading the singing. L. G. Miller is pastor.

Pastor Leroy Smith, Temple Church, Ruston, La., former pastor of Second Church, El Dorado, recently assisted First Church, Atkins, in a revival which resulted

in several additions and a large number of rededications. Pastor C. E. Archer led the music. At time both pastors worked together in Second Church, El Dorado. First Church has accepted a quota for the Ouachita Campaign and will take its Relief offering first Sunday in August.

Anderson Union Church, which will seek admittance into Hope Association this fall, had 16 additions, 12 for baptism, in evangelistic services led by Missionary Denney, evangelist, and Rev. J. Harvell, singer. Sid White is pastor. A Sunday School was organized and the Arkansas Baptist placed in all the homes of the membership. A Training Union will be organized in August by a team of Summer Field workers under the direction of the Religious Education Department of State Convention. The church organized last November, has a new building, is free of debt, and now has a membership of 36.

First Church, Bentonville, J. Maxwell, pastor, has a building fund of more than \$25,000. A plan to replace the present building which was erected in 1884 will be started as soon as conditions will permit. A recent revival held at the church with Pastor Bruce H. Price, Beech Street Church, Texarkana, preaching, Mr. J. Millby singing.

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MANY DECISIONS MADE AT GA CAMPS

By CATHERINE JORDAN,
Director of Camps

There were 308 junior and intermediate girls attending the Girls' Auxiliary Camps at Ferncliff Springs, July 15-27. Of this number, 20 accepted Christ as their Savior and 80 surrendered for special Christian service.

The missionary messages for both camps were brought by Miss Mildred Matthews and Josefina Silva, of Havana, Cuba, Mr. Walter Jacob, of Porto Alegre, Brazil, and Miss Giovanna Arbanasich of Rome, Italy.

The mission study classes were conducted by Mrs. Alpha McDill, of Southwestern Training School, Fort Worth, Texas. The Junior GA's gave an offering of \$107.35, and the Intermediate GA's \$94.65, a total of \$202 for World Relief.

Mrs. Albert Hope of Little Rock supervised the handicraft for both camps. World Friendship Boxes were made and are to be filled with soap, shoe laces, razor blades, needles, pins, pencils, penholders, pen points, erasers, small pad or notebooks, nail files, socks, mittens preferably of wool, tooth brush, tooth powder in strong container, bandaids, etc., and sent for Italian Relief.

We would express our gratitude for the helpful services rendered by all those who assisted in promoting each camp.

Reports of Rallies For Second Quarter

Ouachita Association—Our rally was held at Grannis in July with a splendid program and a representative group present. We had our election of officers as follows: superintendent, Mrs. L. A. Thompson, Mena, and Miss Bernice Cook, young people's counselor. They will be taking the work over now.—Mrs. A. C. Daniel, superintendent.

Faulkner County Association—We had a wonderful meeting with six of our eight societies represented and a total of 50 present. We have two churches interested in organizing a WMS. Pray for us and them that we might do this.—Mrs. Harold Johnson, superintendent.

Delta Association—The rally was held at Montrose with over 50 present and eight societies represented. Mrs. C. D. Wood was re-elected superintendent, the young people's counselor to be elected

later. Mrs. Dick Cantrell, former counselor but recently elected District Counselor, will have charge of the young people's rally and YWA houseparty in August since she has them already planned.—Mrs. L. R. Prickett, president, Southeast District.

A Message and Appeal For More Tithers

By MRS. H. B. TILLMAN,
State Stewardship Chairman

We must "lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes." The year is half gone and our opportunity for helping Arkansas WMU to secure 13,065 new tithers is still ahead of us.

You recall that Southern Baptists have as a goal this year one million tithers. Woman's Missionary Union auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, has set a goal of one-third that number, or 333,334. With a reported membership of 739,360, this means 45 per cent of our entire constituency.

Arkansas WMU has a total estimated membership of 41,677 with 5,690 tithers reported last year. A 45 per cent increase in Arkansas would mean 13,065 new tithers. Mrs. Ray and I have been in conference concerning this matter and we feel that each district, association, and local WMU should have a definite number to reach. Therefore, we are suggesting to each district president and young people's counselor that they set a goal for each association in their district, then request the associational superintendents and young people's counselors to set a goal for each WMS and young people's organization in their association. Letters have been prepared and sent for this purpose.

Let us "put our hands to the plow and not look back" until we have accomplished this task for our Lord.

Mission Study Institute

A mission study institute was held in Hope Association recently using the series of books on the race problem. We had a woman from one of the Negro Baptist churches to give several piano and voice numbers, and Mrs. Bruce Price, associational mission study chairman, showed crayon pictures made by some Negro pupils. We had Mrs. H. M. Keck, State Mission

These Chaplains are CIVILIANS AGAIN

The following chaplains from the Southwest have been discharged from military service and are available for pastorates, according to the Department of Camp Work of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board. Complete information may be obtained from the paper office.

Ray A. Truitt, 1113 Seldom St., El Paso, Tex.

Melvin R. Rice, Gould, Ark.

William W. Allen, Jay, Okla.

Joe F. Luck, Magnolia, Ark.

Sam Groover Shepard, 1224 4th St., New Orleans, La.

Robert E. Poerschke, Box 594, Groves, Tex.

Tuttle J. Gamble, 124 N. Iron Deming, N. Mex.

Douglas Crow, P. O. Box 62, merhea, Tex.

Solomon L. Carpenter, Box 67, perment, Tex.

Jack William Hayes, 201 W. land, Shawnee, Okla.

Charles R. Bell, 108 S. Washin Place, Marshall, Tex.

Michael E. Reynolds, 514 S. Ave., Compton, Calif.

William M. Stringfellow, 3530 strand St., Dallas, Tex.

Clifford Ingle, 2242 Tyler, Fr Calif.

Gordon R. Bell, 108 S. Washin Place, Marshall, Tex.

Melvin E. Hatchett, 1608 N. 36th St., Oklahoma City, O

Roy M. Lee, 310 78th Ave., Worth, Tex.

John P. Neal, 2124 Homan Waco, Tex.

Goodwin K. Cobb, Box 234, rock, Okla.

Vincent E. Lambert, 2201 Oak New Orleans, La.

Andrew J. Pate, 1230 3rd Ave Texas City, Tex.

Taylor C. Smith, Longleaf, La Lowell S. Thompson, Howe, T

George H. Lee, 565 Ave. H, M gulf, Tex.

David W. Ray, 702 E. 15th Bonham, Tex.

John R. Stephens, P. O. Box Iola, Tex.

William E. Norman, 3509 Van ren St., Amarillo, Tex.

Claude B. Gooch, 1831 Main Vernon, Tex.

William V. Philliber, 321 S. W ing, Tulsa, Okla.

H. R. Earley, Fordyce, Ark.

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Craighead County

Study Chairman, with us from Fort Smith. Eight missionary societies were represented with 50 present. It was a good day.—Mrs. W. H. House, superintendent.

Fifteen Cents A Day

Fifteen cents a day will keep a starving man alive. A dollar and a nickel will keep him alive a week, and \$4.50 will keep him alive a month.

"Give that they might live" is the appeal that comes to all Southern Baptists for relief and rehabilitation this summer.

See that the campaign appeal is presented to all your women and to all the church. Every Baptist should have a part in this drive where Christian America, blessed by God, shares with her less fortunate neighbors.

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The **Cyrus Field** which left Baltimore with 330 helpers donated by Christian farmers and church groups for relief has delivered 349 head of cattle in Italy. Nineteen calves were born on the high seas. Southern Baptists have recently sent \$5,000 to Church World Service, of which Dr. George W. Sadler is a director, designated for the purchase of young milk cows for overseas relief.

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1947 Assembly Date, Speaker Are Announced

We are happy to announce that Dr. Harry Rimmer has promised to be the inspirational speaker for the 1947 session of the Arkansas Baptist Assembly. He was scheduled for the 1946 session but due to illness had to cancel out. We are confidently expecting him to keep the 1947 engagement.

The date for the 1947 session of the Assembly will be July 1 to inclusive. The first service will be on Tuesday night, July 1 and the last on Wednesday night, July 3.

No reservations will be accepted until after the first of the year. Definite announcement will be made on this page when the Assembly will receive reservation for the 1947 session.

(MORE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ON
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Challenging Program Offered in Summer Music Schools Proves Worth to Churches

Several associate church music workers have been working in Vacation Bible Schools using a challenging program of music training. Reports of their success have been sent in by pastors and principals of the schools served. Classes were held each morning for every age group in notation, directing and singing. The evening sessions were devoted to work with Young People and Adults. Congregational singing, hymn-playing and choir training received attention in these classes.

Schools were held in June at Springdale, Corning and Lepanto with Miss Odessa Holt, Miss Jean Prince and Mrs. S. L. Adams doing the teaching. The following letter from the V. B. S. principal at Springdale, Mrs. W. C. Haden, indicates the value of this church music program:

"We had the greatest school in the First Baptist Church, Springdale, that we have ever had—in numbers as well as interest. Our enrollment was 200 including the Nursery Department. Our average attendance of 145 was very good. The high point of our school was the music, which was taught by Miss Odessa Holt, with 30 minutes in both Beginner and Primary departments and 45 minutes in Junior and Intermediate departments.

"The Juniors took the honors for the best attendance as a group, and they learned to sing hymns in parts. The parents all expressed their deep appreciation for the music. Not only did the boys and girls learn more about good music, but we grown-ups who worked in the school learned, too. We feel that we were wonderfully blessed and we are so thankful."

Mrs. Ben Lincoln has just completed a school of church music at the Baptist Church in Bradley. She also directed the music for the revival which was held simultaneously. Pastor G. W. Smith joins Mrs. Lincoln in warm praise of the results of the school. Classes in singing, hymn-playing and notation were taught to each age group and the singing at the evening services reflected the fine spirit of devotion generated during the lesson periods.

Miss Odessa Holt will conduct a

two-weeks' Vacation Music School with Curtis Church, Ned L. White, pastor, August 18-31. This school will begin with an associational hymn-sing in which all the churches of Red River Association will participate. They will also be invited to send delegations each day to the school, where morning sessions are planned for Juniors and Intermediates and evening sessions for Young People and Adults.

Miss Jean Prince is scheduled to commence a two-weeks' Vacation Music School at Grace Church, North Little Rock, August 4. Pastor E. S. Ray realizes the value to the entire church constituency of a school of church music, since he saw it demonstrated in a former pastorate last summer. A full report of this school will follow at a later date. The field of usefulness for church music is broadening daily. Pastors and leaders of young people are asked to write for further information and help in this work to Mrs. B. W. Nininger, 203 Radio Center, Little Rock.

Attending Third Training Union Week, Ridgecrest

Among those attending the third Training Union week at Ridgecrest, July 25-31, were Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Davis, Joy V. Davis and Roy Paslay, Jr. of Little Rock; Mr. and Mrs. William Perkinson and Mr. and Mrs. Idus Owensby, Fort Smith; Dr. and Mrs. Carl A. Clark, El Dorado; Rev. and Mrs. Del Hames and Floy Jones of Junction City; Robert Graham, Conway; Mrs. George Stuart, Paragould; Miss Ruth Wilson, Granite; Miss Joyce Franks, Earle and Miss Mary Ruth Wise, Dewitt.

First Week of Summer Field Work

Thirty-one summer field workers worked in Benton County association during the week of July 12-20. A great rally was held at the First Church, Rogers, on Sunday afternoon, July 14, with over 300 in attendance. During the week there was 570 enrolled in the courses with an average attendance of 404. Nine unions and one Sunday School were organized. The report shows 11 conversions,

58 re-dedications, 12 additions to the church and 294 Training Union awards earned.

On July 20, the workers began their second week in Faulkner County association with Conway as the central point. On Sunday afternoon, July 21, there were 317 present at the First Church, Conway, for the Summer Work Rally. Please pray for these summer field workers as they do the Lord's work in the rural churches of Arkansas this summer.



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Golden Gate Seminary

By B. O. HERRING
President, Golden Gate Seminary

The Baptists of California as organized to cooperate with Southern Baptists have officially adopted the Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary as a denominational institution. It is interesting to some of us, at least, to look at a map of the United States and note thereon the distribution of our theological schools. The places read as follows: Louisville, Fort Worth, New Orleans, Oakland. Three of them have become south-wide institutions, and are well established. We rejoice every day in their marvelous history, phenomenal progress, and glorious achievements.

The Oakland Seminary is, of course, the baby in the family, and is a state institution. Ordinarily a baby requires and receives lots of attention and care. He is not customarily overlooked and forgotten. He is nurtured and provided for so that he may normally and speedily attain the stature of manhood.

Seminary Greatly Needed

Every indication points to at least a hundred students in our Seminary when we open on September 2. They are coming from nearly every Southern state. Especially promising are the prospects for students from Tennessee, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Missouri.

The Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary is greatly needed. The people are here in the West by the million. Sin everywhere abounds. Workers are needed by the hundreds and thousands. The nature of the field—modern and prosperous in every wordly way—demands trained workers. The immediacy of the need requires that they train here, so that they may work while they study and train.

Our Baptist friends in all other sections should try to cultivate a prayerful interest in this western field and in the Seminary here. This institution and this host of people stand in imperative need of prayer in their behalf. Lost people by the million need to be saved. Unenlisted Baptists here from other states by the thousands need to be reclaimed for the Lord and His cause.

Call For Students

This western field and Seminary is most sensitively in need of some of the college graduates from the other states. We can understand the pull upon these young men and women made by our older and better established Seminaries. The facilities of these grand and glorious schools are taxed to the utmost to supply the needs of the

aspiring youths who crowd their halls.

Surely there are some, say a hundred or more, whose feet turned into divinely chosen paths would lead them to this needy field. There is a call here for a combination of work and study that should appeal to a few intrepid souls in each state. To all such, California calls. Conviction, courage and compassion will be demanded. We sincerely solicit the attention of our Baptist people everywhere for this struggling child in the Golden West that it may have some of the choicest youths in the fellowship of sacrifice.

Contributions Solicited

Then, too, this school for the prophets in the great West needs to be remembered in the exercise of our stewardship obligations. We rejoice in the great financial gains which have come to the other Seminaries. We have humbly shared in some of them as far as abilities would allow. The Golden Gate Seminary urges consideration for gifts of money that will enable her to go on. Her classes meet in the rooms of the Golden Gate Baptist Church. May the Lord richly bless the church for its unselfishness and liberality. Fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars would perhaps purchase for us a 20-acre campus. Buildings must soon be provided. Endowment for continued progress must come.

Where could a hundred dollars, a thousand dollars, ten thousand dollars, a hundred thousand dollars bring greater spiritual returns than in the Golden Gate Seminary? There ought to be a hundred churches in the South that could place here a thousand dollars each as a real gift to missions. There ought to be a thousand churches and individuals who would each be wonderfully blessed of the Lord if they would place here a hundred dollars each for His glory. Yes, the Golden Gate Seminary needs the gifts of our Baptist people in this great day of their financial prosperity in order that its divine mission may be carried out.

As official spokesman for the Seminary, addressing my plea to my Baptist people throughout the grand and glorious territory of the Southern Baptist Convention, may I bring to you California's call for a share in your prayers, your students, and your gifts.

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Guernsey Mission of First Church, Hope, had 19 professions of faith during one week of evangelistic services led by Missionary Ottis Denney, Hope Association, preaching, and Rev. J. T. Harvell, singing. Graham Fowler is pastor.

Christian Nurse Education Program Offered at Louisiana Baptist Hospital

By H. O. BARKER
Administrator, Baptist Hospital
Alexandria, La.

Louisiana College, in connection with the Baptist Hospital, Alexandria, La., has established a department of nurse education. The department has been set up under the direction of the American Association of Collegiate Schools of Nursing and the Louisiana State Board of Nurse Examiners. It operates and comes up to the standards set by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

The school is a basic professional school of nursing on the collegiate level with two calendar years of straight academic work in residence at the college and two years of clinical experience and teaching in residence at the Baptist Hospital.

Graduates will receive a B. S. degree in nursing as well as an R. N.

The purpose of this school is to prepare a selected group of nurses for positions of responsibility and leadership in the nursing profession. The great strides made in the medical profession, the general advance in scientific knowledge in the case and treatment of the sick and injured have all increased the responsibilities and obligations of the professional nurse. Nurses of today and tomorrow must be

educated as well as trained in certain skills.

A deep spiritual background also considered of tremendous value both in understanding and remedying the ailments of the people of the world today. Both Louisiana College and its sister institution, the Baptist Hospital, are committed to the translation of the teachings of the Sermon on the Mount into the actual living and thinking of the world today.

Students who enroll in the school of nursing will receive a good basic college education; they will receive their professional education on the college level; they will have the protected atmosphere of Christian college and hospital. They will be in a student body small enough that they will not be lost.

The result hoped to be obtained is nurses who can render a more adequate service in the chaotic world of today, nurses who because of education and experience will understand why they are doing what they are doing. This school in Louisiana has placed all of this into four solid calendar years with a 21-day vacation per year.

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"ALL THINGS TO ALL MEN!"

To his beloved Corinthian brethren Paul the Apostle wrote the sublime words, "I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some" I Cor. 9:22. Paul's declared reason for thus submitting himself was that out of all people he might win some of them to Christ. This noble spirit ties up perfectly with Jesus' call to discipleship, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men" Matt. 4:19. Paul became a master preacher and winner of souls because he was willing to be made into a vessel of service after the Master's own will. It was Jesus who made Paul what he was!

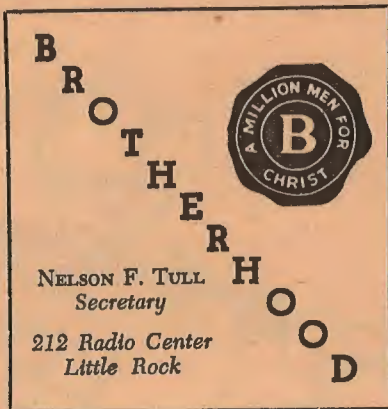
Paul's methods were varied. He preached in the synagogues, by the sea-side, on the streets. He took the Gospel to the people in their homes. He taught publicly, and from house to house. He dealt with individuals. He faithfully proclaimed the truth in jails, on shipboard — everywhere! Paul simply witnessed for the Lord wherever he was, under all conditions and at every opportunity.

Paul's ministry was to all men! He tried literally to preach the Gospel to every creature. One of the greatest declarations of his life is found in the statement, "I am pure from the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God" Acts 20:26-27.

Paul's spirit was that of a true missionary. Enduring hardships, and facing dangers from the elements, from men and from false brethren, he went on his victorious way to a martyr's death. Wherever he went he started a revival, and the devil started a riot. Thank God for a ministry so positive and so filled with the Holy Spirit's presence and power that the emissaries of hell were always stirred up.

The spirit of Paul will set any church on fire, even in this present day! The men of any church can lift the church off the level of common place effort to the heights of victorious life and service, when these men are willing to "be made all things to all men." The missionary committee of the church Brotherhood can lead men into a full program of missionary endeavor, a program designed to reach out for every creature! Men can go to anybody, anywhere, at any time!

Men can go singly or by two's to do personal soul-winning. Some days ago two men (both were laymen) went to visit a lost man. Sitting in his own living room with his Christian wife by his side, the man heard the story of Jesus. He accepted Christ! On another recent occasion two laymen went after a lost intermediate boy. One of the men was the intermediate Sunday School superintendent.



The boy was won to Christ! On still another occasion, two laymen, one a Sunday School teacher, went to talk with a junior boy about his need of the Saviour. The boy trusted Jesus! A beautiful girl accepted Christ week before last when two men talked with her in the office where she was employed!

Men can emulate Paul and take the Gospel to people in their homes. One of the most fruitful of all missionary enterprises is what is often called the cottage prayer-meeting. A better name, perhaps, is a home evangelistic service. Taking the Gospel to a family group has great advantages, and provides unparalleled soul-winning opportunities! We do well to remember that many people will never get to church until the church first gets to them.

On a recent Sunday afternoon three men stood before an iron door. Behind the door eight young girls were locked up. The place, of course, was a jail; and the girls had been placed behind the bars for the safety of the community. Standing before the iron door, the three men pressed the claims of Christ. Then, one by one, five of the girls surrendered to Jesus. And another girl, one of God's strayed children, came back to the foot of the cross in humble rededication of heart and life to the Master.

Does this kind of work pay? God's eternity will reveal that it does! People who have faith enough to go to those whose lives have been blighted by sin discover the meaning of three wonderful truths: (1) that "where sin abounded grace did much more abound;" (2) that the command to "preach the Gospel to every creature" includes every creature; (3) that the promise of the Saviour, "Lo, I am with you always," is graciously and wonderfully fulfilled!

May God so move upon the hearts of our Baptist laymen that they, like Paul, shall yield themselves to the power of Christ, that they, too, shall be able to say, "I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some!"

Church Built to Serve War Workers Has 2,000 Prospects in Housing Area

Two-year old Plainview Church, Harmony Association, with its membership of 117 has enormous opportunities and responsibilities. Begun as a project of the State Mission Board in 1944 for the purpose of ministering to the people living in the Plainview Housing Courts at the Pine Bluff Arsenal, it did a splendid piece of work during the war years. Its greatest possibilities lie in what it is now doing and can do in the future.

The population of the housing area where the church is located is approximately 2,000. The War Dads of Pine Bluff have taken over one section of the project and are operating it as the Pine Bluff Housing Project. In this section there are 285 family units. People are moving in every day. The

great majority of them are Baptists or people who will respond to the Baptist message.

Forty additions to the church, for baptism, were received in a recent revival led by Pastor R. D. Dodd, First Church, Stuttgart. G. E. Nethercut, Ouachita College ministerial student, was recently called as pastor of the church. Sunday School attendance rose from 82 to 110.

The church building stands the gate to the Arsenal within walking distance of the residential section. The entire expense of building, auditorium and five Sunday School rooms, was met by the State Mission Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. State Secretary B. L. Bridges supervised the construction and much of the actual work with his own hands.

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For explanation of what has been done with various problems growing out of the Semitic background on one hand and the Greek and Roman environment on the other hand, read chapters III and IV.

Ministers and New Testament scholars will be interested in chapter V and VI on the Greek text and the vocabulary and grammar of the New Testament Greek.

The spirit and motive of the work is set forth in chapter IX.

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Associational Church Music Plans

At the invitation of the Associational Missionary M. S. Lloyd, Mrs. B. W. Nininger, State Church Music Secretary, met with the Mt. Zion Workers' Meeting held in Nettleton, Friday, July 19. Mrs. Nininger spoke on "Making the Most of Church Music."

It was agreed to sponsor an Associational School of Church Music in Mt. Zion Association. Pastor J. I. Cossey, Central Church, Jonesboro, invited the school to be held in his church. The date will be announced later. Classes in notation, elementary conducting, hymn-playing and choir training will be available.

Because of its wider field of usefulness, the associational school of church music will receive increasing emphasis. Through this medium, the director's ministry of music can reach more and more churches and music leaders. It is recommended that other associational leaders investigate the plan for developing the music program within in each church.

Story Hour Quarterly Reports

Each unit of the Story Hour should make a quarterly report, which should be sent to the State Training Union Director immediately after the last Sunday in each quarter. This report form can be found on page 49 of the Story Hour Leader.

Each Story Hour department (two or more units organized with a department director) should make a quarterly report. The report forms for this will be sent from the State Training Union office. Churches which have only one unit of the Story Hour should not use this department report blank.

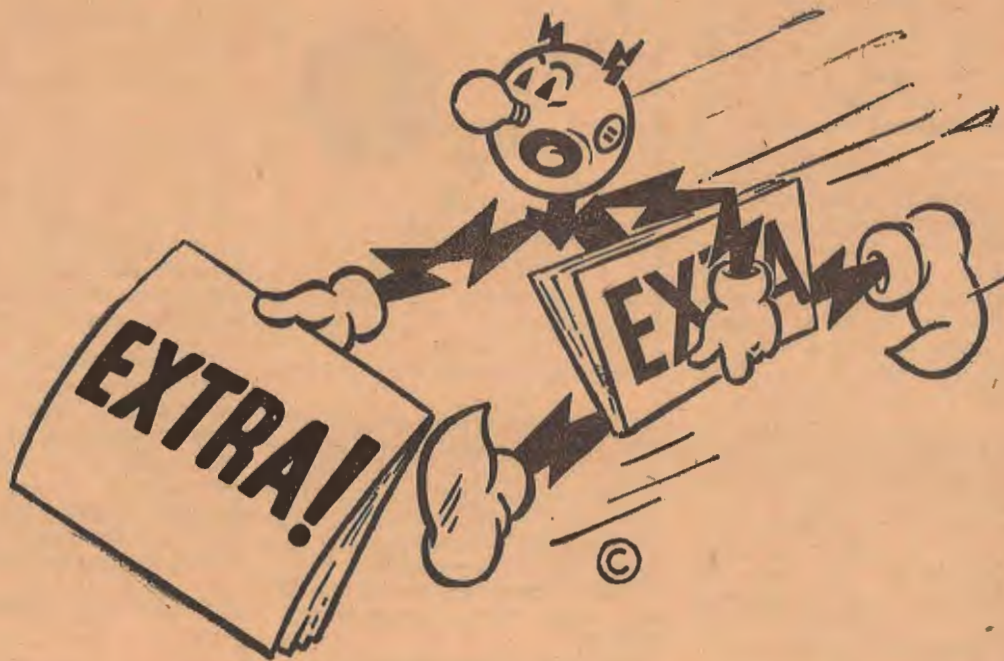
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There will be chicken again in Poland soon. A cargo of 55,800 hatching eggs left Dayton, Ohio, by air for Warsaw, Poland, the gift of the congregations of the Church of the Brethren in Ohio and Indiana. The Church of the Brethren is also sponsoring a heifer project. More than 1,500 heifers have been shipped to families in Poland, France, Belgium, and Czechoslovakia.

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Long Life and Divine Blessing Promised for Filial Obedience

By R. PAUL CAUDILL

"Although the family is the smallest of all essential social institutions it occupies first rank in importance" (Gillette-Reinhardt). The family is the most numerous of all social institutions—there being an estimated more than thirty million in the United States in 1930.

The primal importance of the family or home lies not in numbers but in the fact that the home is "the most important" instrument for the early years of the personal development of the child.

The Fifth Commandment

The Fifth Commandment (Ex. 20:12) stands in a unique place in the Decalogue. As we have observed in our studies of the previous lessons, the first four commandments relate to man's duty to God. The Fifth Commandment, along with the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth, have to do with man's relationship to his fellow man.

"The human father, as the head of the family and of the wife in official relation, though her companion in life's duties, privileges, and responsibilities, takes his name directly from the Father in heaven. He draws also from Him his obligations and responsibilities. Food, clothing, shelter, care and protection for the children come from the father, as these things with all our benefits come from God to man.

"So, as God is the source of life to man by creation, the father and the mother are the source of life to the child by procreation. As all men draw sustenance from God, so the child draws sustenance in a very vital and real way from the mother and the father. Therefore, the attitude which God requires of the child to the parent is identical in kind, though not in degree, with that in which man is required to have toward God himself. He is required to show obedience, reverence, and love" (Massee).

The importance of safeguarding the home as the basic unit of the structure of society cannot be overemphasized. Without the right kind of home relationships there can be no foundation for other social virtues.

Obedience

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right" (Eph. 6:1). Right relationships in the home start with filial obedience. Apart from the recognition of authority on the part of those who are subject to authority, we can have no moral order in the universe. Every child born into the world needs to be taught very early the principle of obedience to prop-

Sunday School Lesson For August 11

Exodus 20:12; Mark 7:9-13;
Luke 2:51-52; Ephesians 6:1-4

erly constituted authority. In these words of the apostle Paul (Eph. 6:1) "The whole distinctive duty of the child is summed up, in the Old Testament as well as in the New."

In Proverbs we are told that "the eye that mocketh at his father, and despiseth to obey his mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it" (Prov. 30:17).

In Romans 1:30 Paul names disobedience to parents as among the dark sins of the heathens who are of reprobate minds. Again, in his second letter to Timothy (3:2), he lists among the evils of the "grievous times" in "the last days" disobedience to parents.

The kind of obedience referred to by Paul moves in a sphere that is distinctly Christian—an obedience that is fulfilled "in communion with Christ." This Christian relation of children to their parents is not merely something that is "befitting" but rather something that is necessary if the child is to live in that righteous relation that is required by the law.

This obedient relationship that is to obtain between the child and the parent forms the foundation for life of stable moral integrity. "The very foundation of all social virtue lies in this command: honor thy father and mother. "Disobedience to this law opens a stream of evil influences, corrupting and degrading practices, and leads ultimately to disaster and to death" (Massee).

Long Life

This is the first commandment with a promise. "It is a perfectly correct interpretation to put upon the commandment to make it mean length of national existence in Palestine for the Jew. A nation reverencing and honoring parents will be a nation of homebuilders, a nation in which the essential virtues and integrities will have high

rank. Without doubt the honor in which parents are held among Italian people is sufficient ground for their long tenure of their national territory" (Massee).

In the new Revised Standard Version of the New Testament (1946) the Ephesians (6:1f) passage reads: "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 'Honor your father and mother' (this is the first commandment with a promise), 'that it may be well with you and that you may live long on the earth.'"

I once asked a man in his eighties what he regarded to be the secret of his longevity. He replied, "I always tried to honor my father and mother."

Divine Favor

God's Word assures us that in honoring our fathers and mothers we not only have the promise of "long life" but also of divine blessing. "That it may be well with you." Here the promise has to do with "temporal good generally" (W. Robertson Nicoll). Paul makes no attempt to enumerate the respects in which divine blessing will be enjoyed by dutiful children, but those of us who have lived and observed homes in which this filial regard was evident understand something of what he has in mind. The significance and beauty of such relationships cannot be escaped.

We have seen homes in which parents, though frail with years, were not visibly honored and respected as the Fifth Commandment would enjoin. Those homes invariably lacked the presence of the indwelling Christ. Our parents constitute one of our most glorious opportunities for carrying out God's command. In the words of another, therefore, we would say, "Tenderly care for your parents if they have become a burden upon your resources. If they are with you now, provide them the sunniest room in your house. Put the sweetest songbird you can buy into their room. Visit them; talk to them. Tell them your troubles, your anxieties, your hopes, your rewards now as you did when a little child. Bring your friends in to see them. Sit down by them once in a while and together read from the Old Book they taught you to love. If you are far away from them, perchance they have

not heard from you for years. Write home tonight. Tell them you love them, and, more, tell them that you love their Christ—their God."

Above all things remember that you can honor your parents best by honoring God—the God who gave parents to children and children to parents.

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M. E. Wiles Accepts New Joiner Church

Mississippi County Association has adopted a resolution expressing appreciation of Missionary M. E. Wiles who has resigned to accept the pastorship of Joiner Church. He has served as associational missionary for two years. The resolution says:

"Rev. Wiles has been faithful at his post of duty. He has been constructive in his efforts to plan and promote the Kingdom work among the churches. It has been an untiring service he has rendered. Forgetful of self, eager to carry forward, he has planned and promoted a worthy program in our midst. He has manifested the kindest spirit and interest in all the denominational work. There have been some difficult undertakings, but he has been ready to look at the task with keen insight and rely on the Lord's leadership in the work at hand. Study courses, Bible schools, revival meetings, conferences and other types of work have been used to develop the churches."

Joiner Church was organized under the leadership of Missionary Wiles. Though one of the youngest churches in the state, it has gone to full-time services, is paying the pastor a nice salary, is progressive in outlook, faithful in gifts to missions and the Cooperative Program, and is finishing a new house of worship with Sunday School and educational facilities.

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SEVENTY-FIVE - GOING ON EIGHTY-FIVE

Dr. J. S. Rogers of Conway has celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday. He is grateful to his Lord for the blessings that have come to him during these 75 years. He says that he wants to live to be 85. We prayerfully hope that the Lord will fulfil his desires.

Dr. Rogers has been one of the most successful preachers that we have ever had in Arkansas. He was born in Kentucky, but came with his parents later to this good state. After his conversion and call to the ministry he dedicated his life and his ministry to the work of the Lord for the people of Arkansas. He attended college and seminaries, and served as pastor of some important churches in the state before he went into general denominational work.

He occupied the position as head of the Bible department in Ouachita College, and took post-graduate work in Southwestern Seminary. He was General Secretary two or three times. He served more years in this position than any other man has ever served. If he left the employ of the Board, and the Board got into a tight spot it would call him back.

When he finally resigned as General Secretary in 1929 he became the president of Central College, and operated the institution through the depression against many adverse circumstances, keeping the school's head above the water, running on a cash basis.

When Dr. Rogers left Central College he was pastor of some country churches, but was drafted by the Executive Board to write a history of Arkansas Baptists. He is finishing up the manuscript of this work now.

Dr. Rogers was most successful as General Secretary in raising funds to support the denominational work. Who among us could ever hope to lead Arkansas Baptists into such a liberal support of all the work as Dr. Rogers has been able to do? One of the outstanding

Hart And Charleston

It was our privilege to be with a group of associational leaders who met in Charleston recently. We were greatly impressed with the progress being made not only in the association, but also in the local church at Charleston. Arthur Hart has been the beloved pastor there for several years and the growth of the church in spirit and in numbers, and along all lines, in fact, has been noticeable, indeed. Hart is a good preacher and a wise leader.

Davis And Waldron

Have you noticed the progress that has been made by the Baptists in Waldron? Rev. C. G. Davis has been pastor there for about two years or more. He and the leaders in the Waldron Church have really advanced the cause of the Lord greatly. Davis is a valuable man in the association, also.



Dr. Rogers

accomplishments was to lead us to provide a \$400,000 endowment for Ouachita College. It would be impossible to relate in detail all the marvelous victories which God gave to him as he has led Arkansas Baptists. And none of us are better fitted to write a good history of Arkansas Baptists than is this honored servant of the Lord.

Dr. and Mrs. Rogers have had a blessed life together. They now live in the suburbs of Conway in a quiet home, and both are working on the history of Arkansas Baptists. Few men have been loved, and honored, and trusted more than this good servant of Christ. May his eighty-fifth birthday be as happy as his seventy-fifth.

Brinkley And Howard

We asked Reece Howard of Brinkley if his church could give \$250 for the Relief offering. They actually gave \$437.79. The Brinkley Church is running in high. They had a great Vacation Bible School in June under the leadership of Miss Sara St. Clair who is a full time employee of the church. Brother Howard is expecting a great revival under the leadership of Alfred Carpenter in the near future.

Paris Trying For \$594

First Church, Paris, Rev. H. C. Seefeldt, pastor, has set for its goal \$594 for the Relief and Rehabilitation offering. They already have nearly \$500 and are hoping to reach their goal. Pastor Seefeldt reports that they have recently enjoyed a great revival with Rev. Martinez doing the preaching. Pastor and church are happy in the progress they are making.

Missionary Defreese Plans Busy Program

State Missionary V. E. Defreese, North Central District, has a busy schedule of meetings for the remainder of this year. He will be in a meeting with Banner Church, Little River Association, August 11-18, with Pleasant Ridge Church, same association, August 19-25; Guion Church, Rocky Bay Association, September 1; Gaither, Little River Association, September 2-15; Carroll Association, September 16-29. In the call of the Home Mission Board he will be in charge of a school of missions in Lawrence County, Missouri, October 6-13. From October 20 to November 3 he expects to be with Grand Church, Boone-Carroll Association; from November 18 to December 1 he will be at Floral Church, Little Red River Association; and from December 3-15 he will hold evangelistic services at Alpena Pass, Boone-Carroll Association. In addition to this schedule he will attend every associational meeting in his district.

Look At Nashville

Have you noticed the unusual progress being made by First Church Nashville under the leadership of Pastor Perry? The progress being made by some of our churches is unbelievable, and this is especially true of Nashville Church. In the Sunday School there has been a 35 per cent increase in a year. We asked Brother Perry if his church could give \$420 for the Relief and Rehabilitation offering. They laughed at us, but actually gave \$1,087.43. Another thing, the July Cooperative Missionary Program was \$187.41. Perry is a substantial builder and a fine group follow his leadership.

Basinger And Sparkman

It was our privilege to be in Sparkman a few days recently and enjoy the fellowship of Pastor Basinger and the members of Sparkman Church. Basinger is one of the most lovable and gentle characters that we have in the ministry, and he has a fine fellowship. You already know about the character of Basinger among the laity in the Sparkman church. It would be difficult to find a church of this size with more men and women of splendid character. It was a joy, indeed, to visit them and help them a few days. Basinger is also pastor at Ouachita. Our church is about five miles from Sparkman. He is doing a splendid work there.

Correction

By error we reported that First Church of Crossett, was trying for \$2500 for relief and rehabilitation offering. The figure should have been \$1500. This is a splendid goal and First Church of Crossett Church is going forward under the splendid leadership of Pastor Lee.