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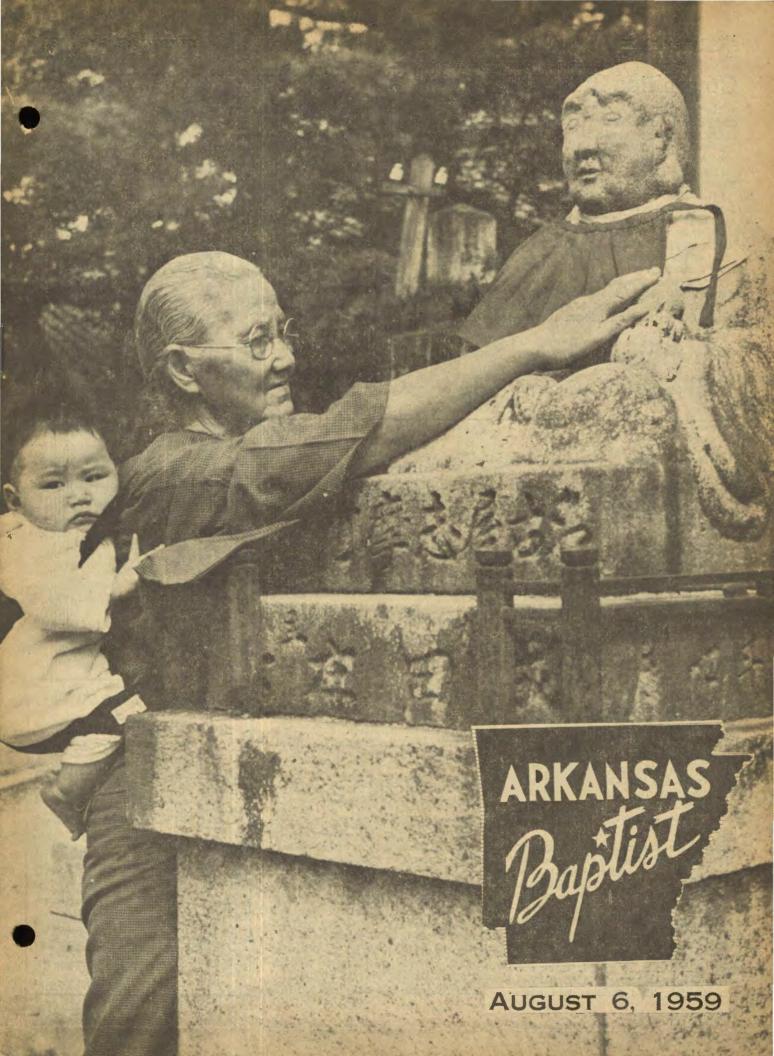
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# Committee Surveys Camps

The special Survey Committee on Camps and Assembly, Dr. S. W. Eubanks, chairman, made its report to the Executive Board at its July 14th meeting. A three-fold recommendation by this committee was approved by the Executive Board as follows:

(1) "That we make Siloam Springs Assembly adequate to accommodate an attendance of 600. To take care of a conference group of this size will require additional adult and family deluxe units, and a children's building with a nursery.

(2) "That a tract of land of sufficient acreage be purchased in the central section of our state to accommodate the needs of an adequate camping program.

(3) "That our Executive Board work out a financial plan for the construction of the additional buildings and equipment at Siloam Springs Assembly; provide for the purchase of the new tract of land, and make provisions for the building of the first unit of the youth camp on the new site."

We think this committee has done an excellent work, and we also believe the Executive Board has acted wisely in approving this program. I want to discuss the recommendations in the order as they appear above.

First, the improving of the Assembly facilities to adequately care for an attendance of 600 envisions the use of the Assembly for a number of weeks each year rather than having a large assembly for a week or two. This year we had more than 1,000 in attendance for Training Union week. Next year we plan for two weeks for the Training Union. One thousand over-taxes our facilities and we do not do the high quality of work that we believe is possible by providing adequately for a smaller number over a period of more weeks. Adults who attend our camps and assemblies are requiring more modern facilities. The deluxe type of building proposed will satisfy this need. An individual has given us \$2,000 recently to be applied on the construction of a children's building and nursery. This building is needed, not only to be able to care for the groups involved, but t enable our departments of work to do a more effective teaching and demonstration work for the workers in these departments. We plan to begin construction on this building as soon as the camping season is over this summer.

We already have a sizable investment in our Siloam Assembly but we feel with this expanded program we shall be able to render a much greater service to our people. The Assembly at Siloam is definitely a permanent program in our thinking and in our judgment we are able to meet a need through the Assembly program that cannot be met through any other agency now at the disposal of our Convention. We shall continue our discussion in the next issue of the Arkansas Baptist .- S. A. Whitlow, Executive Secretary

# Order Forward Program Material

IN A few days, we will mail to each pastor, associational missionary, associational moderators, and associational. clerks, a package of material. In this package will be an order blank for all of the Forward Program of Church Finance material. These order blanks are to remind all of the leaders that now is the time to order the Forward Program of Church Finance material. It will also help to simplify the order, and at the same time help save money. This is possible because each item in the Program is numbered and suggestions are made as to the number of items a church will need.

Now is the time for the churches that have already adopted the Forward Program to order the material. It is also time for the churches that have not adopted the Program to order at least one package of the material for study so the Program can be discussed. Then, if the church leaders feel after study and discussion that the church can use the Program, they can recommend it to the church and if adopted there will be time to conduct a campaign this vear.

Some are under the impression that they do not need to order a new guide book this year, because they bought one last year. The 1959 guide book has been revised and made more usable. We say more usable, advisedly, because each phase of the Program is explained more fully. In fact, the "fool-proof." is almost church worker can study the book and understand the job that is to be done and then gain enough information to do the job. This revision was neces-

sary, because of the new knowledge and information gained through actual experience. The Program has been used in many churches and our leaders wanted to give as much "up to date" help as possible.

Remember! Send all orders for the Forward Program of Church Finance material to Southern Baptist Stewardship Services, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee. We would like to keep enough in our state office to supply the needs of our churches, but our budget will not allow that. So, please order from Nashville. When we get an order, for the material, we usually send it on to Nashville, so we can all save time and money if each church will order direct. The address, again, is Southern Baptist Stewardship Services, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee.—Ralph Douglas, Associate Secretary

### **Baptist Professors** Plan Ridgecrest Meet

The Association of Baptist Professors of Religion is an organization composed of the religion faculties of our Southern Baptist Colleges and Academies, and of the faculties of our Seminaries and Bible Schools.

The purpose of the organization is to promote better teaching and more correlation between the seminary and college curricula in Bible teaching.

The annual meeting of the organization will be held at Ridgecrest Wednesday and Thursday, August 26 and 27.

The program will be presented in a

series of three panel discussions. One will deal with the general problems of ministerial education; another will discuss the progress which a committee of college and seminary teachers are making on correlation in Old Testament studies; and the other will discuss the progress being made by a like committee in New Testament studies.

The officers are: president, J. W. Angell, Wake Forest College; vice president, Lindell O. Harris, Hardin-Simmons University; secretary-treasurer, Roy A. Helton, Belmont College.

We will appreciate any use you may be able to make of this information in announcing the meeting .- Roy A. Helton, Secretary-Treasurer

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Sunday School superintendents, W.M.U. and Brotherhood presidents all over Arkansas are being asked to take the initiative to encourage their congregation to include the protection plan for their pastor in the church budget. More than 2,000 letters have been mailed to these leaders outlining the merits of this program for both the church and pastor. College students are helping the public relations department of the Relief and Annuity Board in this mammoth mailing to all Southern Baptist Convention states.

#### Church Music

# September - Church Music Month

LAUNCHING THE Music Ministry for another year can best be accomplished with the observance of September as Church Music Month, or at least this is the composite thinking of church musicians over our convention. In large, small, and medium situations there are activities that can be scheduled in September that will improve the music ministry.

Why September? September is the logical and ideal month for such an emphasis. It follows a period of well-planned and carefully directed summer activities for the graded choirs. There have been summer concerts, choir retreats, youth music camps, music schools and other related activities. Music leadership in many churches have received new and exciting suggestions, training, and helps at Ouachita and Siloam Music Conferences as well as Glorieta and Ridgecrest Music Conferences.

In addition to the usual activities of

choir enrollment days, visitation programs, choir retreats, organizations of new choirs, choir dedication service, Sunday by Sunday emphasis in Sunday School opening assemblies, there is a wonderful new emphasis for this September. The new emphasis is in the area of training. Six new basic training course texts are available in the Study Course for Teaching and Training.

It is hoped that churches that have qualified teachers offer the six basic books this year and make preparation for the progressing series next year. Of course, these basic books could be offered in October or November if the time is available on the church calendar. Please write today for pamphlet and poster relative to September Is Church Music Month. The new poster has all six of the Basic Training Courses pictured.—Write Church Music Department, 312 Baptist Building, 401 West Capitol, Little Rock, Arkansas.—LeRoy McClard.

#### Church Discipline

Thanks for your editorial, "Revival of Church Discipline?", for it coincides with my convictions on this subject which, although delicate, should be dealt with. I appreciate the Arkansas Baptist very much and, also, your work of editing it...—Chas. W. Horner, State Secretary, The Student Department, South Carolina Baptist Convention, Columbia, S. C.

THIS IS just a note of appreciation for the fine paper you are consistently producing. This last week was of special interest because it branched out in numerous directions.—Alfred Carpenter, Director, Division of Chaplaincy, Home Mission Board.

#### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Location is an index to character. Where you go tells one what you are."

DR. CLIFFORD LEWIS, president of Kansas City Bible College, was guest speaker at Providence Church, Fayetteville, July 19. He was accompanied by his son, David, and Leonard Rogers, who directed the music. Walter Jesser is pastor. (CB)



#### Cover Story

JAPANESE GRANDMOTHER puts a bib on a Jizo idol and makes a prayer for a sick child. Jizo in Japan is considered a being who through many existences has acquired enough merit to readily become a Buddha and enter into nirvana (release from repeated existence), but out of love and pity for suffering humanity he has postponed this achievement and transfers this merit to those who call upon him in prayer. Jizo is the favorite of Japanese soldiers, but also the beloved friend of little children.

### Questions and Answers

[This editorial is in reply to the letter headed "Honest Questions," in Letters to Editor, page 5.]

BAPTISTS WHO insist on accepting as members only those baptized "by a Baptist minister" would constitute only a small fraction of all Baptists. Most Southern Baptists accept the ordinance of baptism as a church ordinance and would hold that since it was given to the local church in the beginning of the Christian era by Christ Himself, that the church itself decides who will do the baptizing. Of course, most baptizing is done by pastors, but not necessarily so. Any member of a church might be asked by the church to baptize proper candidates.

Your description of the American Baptist church you knew in your home community could not be taken, we believe, as being typical of all American Baptist churches. No doubt the great majority of American Baptists agree with our Southern Baptist viewpoint on the inspiration of the Scriptures, the virgin birth, miracles, etc. But you have touched on an inconsistency among us in that candidates coming from churches called Baptist are customarily accepted by us for membership with no inquiry into the beliefs and practices of the candidate or the letter-granting church. Certainly, if a given Baptist church has as its policy not accepting alien immersion—immersion on the authority of a church not of the same faith—a candidate for transfer of membership whose alien immersion has been accepted by a church calling itself "Baptist" should not be received by letter.

"Close" or "closed communion" roots in the commonly accepted concept among Baptists that communion, or, as we more frequently call it, the Lord's Supper, is a church ordinance and that the responsibility for its observance is with the church and according to the teachings of the Scriptures. It might more properly be called "close baptism," for it hinges more on one having met the Scriptural conditions for baptism, including repentance from sin, faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior and surrender to Him as Lord and Master. Churches may admit to the ordinance of the Lord's Supper only the members of the local congregation, as a few Baptist churches do; or, members of any church of like faith and order, as most Southern Baptist churches do; or all self-examined disciples of Jesus Christ of any Christian fold, as most of our Southern Baptist churches actually do in passing the elements to all who happen to be present when the Supper is observed.

The word *church* in the New Testament is used most often to refer to a local body or organization of those who profess to be disciples of Christ, who have been baptized upon profession of their faith. But the word is also used to mean all who are in Christ, regardless of local church affiliation, as in the epistles of Paul where the word is used in an ideal sense, as the body of which Christ is the head (Eph. 1.22f; Col. 1:18, 24). It is here referred to as the medium through which God's manifold wisdom and eternal purpose are to be made known not only to all men, but to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places (Eph. 3:9-11).

Paul uses church also in a universal sense, as in the contrast he draws between Jews and Greeks on the one hand and the church of God on the other (1 Cor. 10:32), and by the declaration that God has set in the church apostles, prophets, and teachers (1 Cor. 12:28).

It is God who adds to his church, in the universal sense, for only those who have experienced God's saving power through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are in the church when taken in this meaning. But God gives his work to local churches, organized bodies of professed belivers. The voting in of members was practiced from the beginning. One notable example was the action of the church in Jerusalem in determining whether or not to receive Paul. Although we human beings cannot know whether one who comes on profession of faith has actually repented, trusted in Christ and been saved, human beings must determine who will make up human organizations. If a church does not vote on receiving a candidate for membership, then how is it to be determined that such a one has even made a public profession of faith? In churches of denominations making much over not voting on members, the minister or the one in charge of the service, by receiving a new member, actually casts the deciding (See Editorial, page 5)

# Rail-splitting Mother

A MONG MY most treasured possessions is a red-and-gold embossed book, The Ladies of the White House, "Or in the Home of the Presidents," by Laura C. Holloway, published by Bradley, Garretson & Co., Philadelphia, in 1861. Here are found some of the finest tributes to America's womanhood and her first ladies.

One of the heroines presented is Eliza Ballou Garfield, mother of James A. Garfield, who was elected 20th presented to the United States in 1880, when his mother was in her 80th year, but still quite alert and interested in the career of her famous son.

Mrs. Garfield had been left a widow with four small children when her husband died in his youth. States the author of The Ladies of the White House:

"Many incidents are related of her sterling worth and integrity of character. Few women of today have known such rugged experiences with povery as she had for long years after she lost her young husband. She must have been possessed of intense force of will, or she would have failed in the work she accomplished. All her children were blessings to her, and honored her absolutely.

"She lived for years a life of toil, and in the neighborhood of the old home are told many circumstances creditable to her. Her eldest son was a little boy when his father died, and was not able to wield an axe. She wanted fences made, and her neighbors offered to do the job for her, as they did for each other.

"The custom was a common one, and all that was expected in return was a supply of whiskey. She refused to furnish liquor to them — she the widow with fatherless boys about her, watched ing her example and knowing no other guide.

"She wielded her maul and split her own rails, without subjecting her boys to temptation or perilling their future by any act of hers. Widow Garfield would not open her door to an enemy too strong for women to cope with in strangers and the bitterest of foes to encounter in the home circle, and wisely decided to save her young at whatever sacrifice."

A scene at the inauguration of President Garfield emblazoned itself on the hearts of all America. Standing in the presence of the most distinguished men and women of the land, he turned from them to kiss his dear mother first, and then his wife.

Erwin L. The Donald

#### THE PEOPLE SPEAK

#### **Honest Questions**

I HAVE BEEN enjoying the Arkansas Baptist very much recently. I thank God for your stand on the racial issue and I am glad to see some space given to controversial topics. I was especially interested in the comments concerning Dr. Blake Smith's statements — as I am trying to formulate conclusions of my own on some of these matters of church doctrine.

Mr. Havlik ends his article [issue of July 16] with, "Where in the New Testament can we find justification for alien immersion, open communion ...?" I would like to ask, "Where in the New Testament we can find justification for accepting only those baptized by a Baptist minister?" In my home town there were no Southern Baptist churches, and the American Baptist church was the most modern, liberal church around. They didn't believe in the inspiration of the Scriptures, in the virgin birth, in miracles, etc. Yet, the Southern Baptist church of which I became a member would have taken some one from such a church (because it was Baptist) without a question while I who came from a church which believed in the necessity of the new birth and had had believer's baptism must be rebaptized. Also accepted by this Southern Baptist church were members of American Baptist churches who had entered the American Baptist church by letter and had never been baptized by a Baptist. That scarcely seems logical to me.

Then I would like to ask where in the New Testament can we find justification for "closed communion." only Scripture I know of which would seem to justify such is 1 Cor. 5:11 if the eating there refers to the Lord's table. But I never heard a Southern Baptist say, "If you are covetous, or a railer, etc. you may not partake." But they say, "If you are not a member of this church, you may not partake." Yet it seems evident that there are members immersed by Baptists into our local churches who have never really been born again - who were never baptized by the Spirit into His body. It seems to me the condition should be, "Let a man examine himself" (1 Cor. 11:27, 28) and the important question is. "Are you a member of His Church, His Body?" And I would like to see the Scripture that teaches that membership in His Body comes through immersion by a Baptist minister or by being voted in by a church. We are baptized by one Spirit into one Body (1 Cor. 12:13). "We being many are one bread, and one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread" (1 Cor. 10:17). It would seem then that all who partake of Christ (the Bread of Life). who accept His atonement and find life 9, Gotin Gonea,
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OVER 30,000 PROMISES IN GOD'S WORD

WEALTHY DEPOSITS FOR THE TAKING

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vote. We Baptists believe it is better for democratic practices to prevail and the congregations to vote on this as on other matters of decision involving the church as an organization.

Baptists as a denomination do not condemn people of other faiths nor do we as a people say one must be a Baptist to be a Christian. Furthermore, we are brothers in Christ with all true believers.

through faith in Him, are members of His Body and that they enter that Body through the ministry (baptism) of the Holy Spirit. Isn't it God who adds to the Church day by day such as are being saved, so that membership in His Church is a work of God at salvation and our little ceremony has no effect on who really belongs? It seems the Baptist "hand" is saying, "Because you are not of the hand, you are not of the Body," or perhaps they are saying, "Christ has many bodies and you don't belong to this one." But Eph. 4:4 says, "There is one body," and Christ's last intercessary prayer was that all who should believe on Him might "be one, as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee" (John 17:20, 21). If Christ indwells believers outside of the Baptist church, then in denving them the Lord's Supper, we are denying the Lord His own table - and it breaks my heart!

... GOD THAT CANNOT LIE ... TITUS 1:2

If you wish to print any of this please leave out my name and city. Although I haven't been able to agree with our pastor on this question, I know he loves and magnifies the Lord, and I wouldn't want to do anything

which might hurt the cause of Christ in the local church.

[See editorial reply, page 4]

#### 'Baptist' Blessing

THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST has been a real pleasure for us again this year. We especially appreciate your fine editorial stand on the Little Rock school situation (I am a native of Little Rock) and your excellent coverage of Convention-wide news (this is particularly important to us since we live so far away).

The Snowland paper is indeed attractive, but I am much more interested in the news than in that on which it is printed; so cast my vote for the larger Arkansas Baptist. As for the paper stock — just be sure it is strong enough so that my copy will survive the trip to Michigan each week and I'll be satisfied!—Mrs. Ray (Virginia Webster) Gardner, Southgate, Mich.

CORINTH CHURCH, Wilmar, has included the Arkansas Baptist in its budget after receiving the one month free trial offer. The pastor is Bob Meggs, who is a seminary student.

# Arkansas All Over

#### Chester Swor Leads Revival

DR. CHESTER SWOR, Christian laylecturer and conference leader, is the featured speaker during Spiritual Emphasis Week, August 2-9, at Immanuel Church, Little Rock.

During this week, special fellowships and seminars are being held for young people after the services. A youth rally is scheduled Saturday night, Supper will be served at the church and then Dr. Swor will lead a seminar.

Carl Gray Vaught is general chairman of the youth revival, and Amon Baker is leading music for the services.

Committee chairmen include Dell Christy, Joan Thornhill, Doug Hardin, Bob Brown, Sydney Phillips, George Knight, Kay Donham, Joetta Boyce, and Tommy Johnson.

W. O. Vaught, Jr., is pastor.

ROSEDALE CHURCH, Little Rock, will open a kindergarten September 8. Children reaching their fifth birthday by the date used by public schools will be eligible. It will be an excellent opportunity for children to learn not only about the three "R's," but about our Lord Jesus, according to Pastor J. C. Myers. Mrs. Ann Ridings will serve as superintendent, and enrollment is now being received in the church office.

AL STRINGFELLOW, educational director of 1st Church, Texarkana, led the Sunday School Enlargement Campaign at Parkview Church, El Dorado, during the week of July 20. Forty-five members attended the week of work that enlarged the Sunday School from 10 to 18 departments. Mrs. George Hink, Little Rock; Mrs. Frank Shamburger, Little Rock; and Mrs. P. C. Greer, Stuttgart, were other faculty members. William L. Stone is pastor.

#### Summer Pastor

JAMES B. DAVIS of Quinton, Ala., is serving Wynne Church as assistant pastor and youth director for the sum-



MK. DAVIS

mer months. Mr. Davis is a graduate of Birmingham Souern College, Birmingham, Ala., and has completed one year at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He will be with Wynne Church through the month of August.

ADDITIONS TO Lake Village Church in its recent revival included three by letter and three rededications, reports Pastor C. R. Pierce, Jr. He highly recommends the evangelistic team of the youth-led revival. Charles Long, Chatham, Ala., was the evangelist; Billy M. Baker, Ouachita College, led singing; Sue Haire, Marianna, was organist; and Sandy Young, Parkin, was the pianist.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Pastor Andy Heskett, or 1st Unuren, Dewatt; Dr. S. a. Whitlow, executive secretary of the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist Convention; and Missionary Hugh Owen, of Central Association, in front of the new dining hall at Springlake Baptist Assembly, Lonsdale.

# Springlake Assembly Sets Attendance Record

NEW ATTENDANCE records were set this year at the annual Springlake Baptist assemblies, Lonsdale, the weeks of June 22-26 and July 20-24. A total of 220, representing churches in eight associations, attended the first assembly, according to Missionary Hugh Owen, of Central Association, who served as director for the top assemblies. Attendance the second week totaled 178.

This is the fifth year the Baptist assemblies have been held at Springlake.

New buildings added to the assembly facilities in recent months include a dining hall with seating accommodations for 160 diners; and two dormitories, one erected by Centennial Baptist Association and one by 2nd Baptist Church; Hot Springs.

The assembly grounds total a little less than 200 acres, on which is located a lake stocked with fish.

Pastor Don Hook of 1st Church, Malvern, served as business manager for the assemblies this year. Program personalities included: Dr. B. K. Selph,

pastor of 1st Church, Benton, Bible teacher; Pastor Loyd Hunnicutt of Central Church, Magnolia, inspirational speaker for the first assembly; Dr. James Coats, pastor of Tyler Street Church, Little Rock, evangelistic speaker for first assembly; Pastor Bob Tucker of Mt. Pine Church, recreational director:

Missionary L. D. Eppinette of Trinity Association, night fellowship; Pastor Roy Lambert, South Side Church, Pine Bluff, inspirational speaker for second assembly; Pastor Andy Heskett, 1st Church, DeWitt, evangelistic speaker, second assembly; Jeff Peckham, youth director, 2nd Church, Hot Springs, music director for first assembly; LeRoy McClard, secretary of the Church Music department of Arkansas Baptist Convention, music director for the second assembly; Dr. Sam Reeves, pastor of 1st Church, Arkadelphia adult Bible teacher; and Carl Overton, pastor of 1st Church, Clinton, oasis keeper.

# Attendance Report

	Sunday	Training	Addi-
Church	School	Union	tions
El Dorardo, 1st	681	247	
Mission	35		
Fort Smith, Immanuel	312	115	
Fort Smith, Calvary	245	90	
Hot Springs, Park Pl.	395	148	1
Jacksonville, 1st	559	240	3
Jonesboro, Walnut St.	347	134	
Magnolia, Central	644	289	
Mission	:65	38	
Mena, 1st	277	105	1
Mission	44	13	
Springdale, 1st	440	.175	2
Warren, 1st	507	174	
W. Memphis, Calvary	190	121	1

CLYDE HANKINS, missionary to Brazil and associate pastor of Calvary Church, Benton, was the evangelist in a recent revival at Calvary Church, Harris Flanagin of Arkadelphia, music and youth director for the church, led the music. There were 11 additions for baptism and 11 by letter. Mr. Hankins is on leave from Jardian, Brazil, with his wife and three children, Necia, Jerry, and Louie.

STATE EVANGELIST Jesse Reed led a recent revival at Corner's Chapel Church. M. Clynard Phillips, member of the church, led the singing. There were 13 additions for baptism, four by letter, and two other professions of faith.

# Tri-County Youth Meet At Wynne

TRI-COUNTY Baptist Youth Organization held its final meeting of the year, July 17, at Wynne Church with Boyd Baker serving as host pastor.

Highlight of the afternoon session was the seating of delegates and nominations of new officers for recommendation to the association.

Immediately following, the young people were divided into three groups for one-hour conferences. Conferences were led by Dean Butler, Carolyn Clayton, and Allen Tyson, and each had charge of the program for this period of time. Many young people from the various churches had opportunity to participate.

Fred E. Sudduth, Tri-County missionary, explained to each group the working of the association in detail.

The night session began with election of officers for next year. They include Mickey Jones, Vandale Church, president; James Flannigan, Burnt Cove Church, vice-president; Donna Parchman, Forrest City 2nd Church, secretary; Ronnie Stone, Harris Chapel, publicity director; Sue Vaughan, West Memphis 1st Church, pianist; and Dean Butler, West Memphis 1st Church, song leader.

These will become officers after the association approves them as such.

Rev. Lynn Langston climaxed the day with his sermon, "Clipped by the Devit."

Twenty-five churches were represented: attendance totaled 325.

Under the leadership of Parnell Hammons, the youth organization has had a successful year. Average attendance for the four associational youth rallies held every three months has been 323.

A youth paper, De Vos, was begun and will be continued during the coming year with Carolyn Clayton as editor. Eleven youth groups have been established in the individual churches for young people to obtain greater Caristian growth.—Mrs. O. P. Hammons, Forrest City, Reporter.

OZARK CHURCH, Highway 63 near Hardy, closed a week of revival services July 26. Stanley Cooper, pastor of Park Hill Church, Arkadelphia, led the revival. There were five additions to the church, four by baptism and one by statement. John Hamilton is pastor.

EVANGELIST PAUL E. Wilhelm, Lamar, recently conducted a revival at Arkansas Street Church, Ft. Smith. Luther Robinson was the singer. Mr. Wilhelm reports six additions for baptism, two by letter, 9 dedications, and one other conversion. The pastor is Robert Morrison.

#### Camden Opposes Surplus Proposal

ACCORDING TO press reports, the Camden Chamber of Commerce is protesting a proposal that 4,700 acres at the Naval Ammunition Depot at Shumaker be turned over to Ouachita College.

The college is reported to have proposed to take over the land, which has been declared surplus, for use as a forestry experiment tract. The Chamber of Commerce has written the secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare that the forestry school proposal "is a subterfuge" to acquire land to develop an annual revenue for Ouachita.

Dr. Ralph A. Phelps Jr., president of the college, was out of the state and could not be reached for a statement.

The Chamber said it thought rules which permit schools first choice on government property declared surplus were intended to apply "to such things as tools, machinery, and equipment useful in the school for its operation and not meant to include lands and properties that could only be considered to be endowment properties."

AFTER RECEIVING the Arkansas Baptist on the one month free trial plan, Mt. Bethel Church, Arkadelphia, has included it in the church budget, reports Mrs. Eula Dell Fulmer, treasurer. Mt. Bethel Church is presently without a pastor.

#### **ANTIGONE Modernized**

DENNIS HOLT, director of theater at Ouachita College, has been notified that his adaptation of the classic Greek play "Antigone" will soon be published by the Alcone Company of New York.

Holt wrote his adaptation of this ancient tragedy as a thesis for his master-of-arts degree in speech and drama at the University of Arkansas during the summer of 1957. The original "Antigone" was written by Sophocles in 441 B. C. Holt's purpose in adapting the play was to set it in a modern style without destroying the classic Greek temper.

Holt's adaptation of "Antigone" was presented in the Ouachita Theater in the spring of 1958 and also at Malvern High School, Hendrix College, Harding College, Henderson State Teachers College, and the University of Arkansas.

Then the Ouachita cast traveled to Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana, where "Antigone" was one of two educational theater productions invited to be presented at the National Thespian Society's Dramatic Arts Conference in June, 1958. The Alcone publisher saw the performance at Purdue.

Since that time the play has been given test performances by high school theaters in Texas, Minnesota, and Indiana whose directors saw the Purdue production.

Holt's adaptation will be available for production on a royalty basis for educational theaters throughout the country this fall.



LEROY C. TEDFORD

#### Death Takes NLR Pastor

LEROY C. TEDFORD, pastor of Grace Church, North Little Rock, died July 25 in a Little Rock hospital. He was 61.

Mr. Tedford was a graduate of Ouachita College and Southern Seminary and had been professor of Bible and dean of men at Ouachita. Mr. Tedford had held pastorates at Clarendon, Clarksville, Bentonville, Marion, and Corning. He was a representative of the Southern Baptist Historical Commission, chairman of Arkansas Baptist Historical Society, recording secretary of the Arkansas Baptist Convention, and clerk of Pulaski County Baptist Association.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Leila Thomas Tedford; two sons, Dr. Thomas Lee Tedford, Arkadelphia, of the faculty of Ouachita College; and Harold Calvin Tedford, L.S.U. student, Baton Rouge, and one grandchild. The family requested that no flow-

The family requested that no flowers be sent, but that memorial gifts be sent to Ouachita College for a proposed Bible building.

#### Mixed-Race Church Service

PATTERSON, N. J. (EP)—As some 100 demonstrators milled about his church shouting "white ministers shouldn't preach to negroes," Rev. Charles Osborn just called on his 12-member choir to "sing a little louder."

The service, attended by some 50 whites and Negroes, was the first in new and larger quarters for the local group of the Pentecostal Gospel Holiness Church of America. The crowd dispersed after the service with no physical violence.

CLAUDE A. HILL has resigned 1st Church, Monroe, and accepted the call of North Maple Church, Stuttgart. Mr. Hill is a graduate of Texas Wesleyan College, Ft. Worth, and Southwestern Seminary, also in Ft. Worth. He had served at the Monroe church two years, eight months.



**Anglicans Propose Change** 

LONDON (EP) - Bold plans to change traditional baptism and confirmation rites of Anglicans were set forth recently by the Church of England Liturgical Commission. The proposal calls for a complete revision of the rites to make them conform to both the Primitive and Reformed tradition. Two main principles guided the commission's decision: that adult baptism is normal New Testament procedure, and that infant baptism should merely be a modification of adult baptism is normal New Testament procethat new services should replace the opening exhortation with an introduction similar to that of holy communion, followed by Scripture readings and a sermon. This would be in line with both the Primitive and Reformed tradition, the commission said.

Kerala Demonstration

BOMBAY, India (EP) — Catholics in Communist-ruled Kerala who are agitating for freedom of education received support recently from their coreligionists in Bombay. Ten thousand Catholics here staged an 11-mile crosscity pilgrimage to hear the city Archbishop, Valerian Cardinal Gracias, decry Kerala's tyranny versus freedom and the state's intrusion into areas of oulture and private life where, he said, it did not belong.

Graham's Crusade Analysis

SYDNEY, Australia (EP) - "The quality of its organization, its interdenominational character and the reassurance many church leaders had from the Archbishop of Canterbury's support of Graham's crusade in Britain" these are the main reasons Evangelist Billy Graham's Australian Crusade was his "most successful," according to an 8,000-word analysis of the meetings in the July Current Affairs Bulletin of the University of Sydney. The report states that although Graham "doubtless regretted that Protestants were not unanimously in favor of the crusade," the support seems to have been widespread, and more intense, than in any other country. Baptists, it said, gave most support, with Churches of Christ next, then Methodists, Presbyterians and Anglicans.

Congress Urged To Return Property

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) — Congress has been urged by several religious spokesmen to return nearly \$500,000,000 in private property seized from private Japanese and German citizens during World War II.

The House Foreign Commerce Subcommittee heard retired Methodist Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker declare: "After the fighting ceases, the rule of goodwill should resume its functioning if real peace is to come among foreign enemy nations. It seems anomalous that the aliens of two nations, Germany and Japan, should not have been treated the same as those of Italy, Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria and Romania, whose seized properties have already been returned."

Dr. John A. Schwerzer, pastor of St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Washington, D. C., testified: 'I am fully in favor of paying just war claims of American citizens, but object to seeing it done at the expense of thousands who are just as much entitled to moral or legal consideration even though they may be Japanese or German. They are neighbors of ours in this shrinking world . . ."

Another speaker, Miss Sarah Cope Swan of the Friends (Quaker) Committee of National Legislation, cited the case of a Japanese missionary who for 18 years has had the income of a trust fund set up for her by the will of a Philadelphian seized and placed in the "enemy assets" fund.

'Flying Parson'

The Old Southwest, even in its wildest and wooliest days, never saw a cattle drive like this.

There were only 20 cattle — both beef and dairy calves — but they rode safety-belted in aluminum stalls, attended by a veterinarian dispensing tranquilizers as needed.

The occasion: the shipping of the beginning of a beef and dairy herd for the Korean orphanage organized by Air Force Colonel Dean Hess.

Col. Hess, who won fame through his book Battle Hymn (later filmed by Universal-International), now serves as Air Force Public Information Officer in Los Angeles. In 1944 he inadvertently bombed a German church orphanage when bomb release mechanism failed to function properly. The accident claimed 37 lives. The memory of this tragedy stayed with him, and during the Korean War he was instrumental in saving the lives of more than 1,000 children waiting for evacuation from the docks of Inchon.

The Colonel, an ordained minister, is accompanying the cattle on this unique drive. His orphanage is now being operated by the Koreans themselves, but he maintains an active interest. (EP)

#### A New Magazine is Born

MINNEAPOLIS (EP) — The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association has launched a monthly magazine devoted entirely to the work of evangelism. It is a tabloid-size periodical called World Evangelism which will carry news and pictures of evangelistic activities around the world. Each issue will have a strong evangelistic and missionary emphasis including articles designed to strengthen the faith of every Christian.

World Evangelism will be edited by Dr. Sherwood E. Wirt, formerly a newspaperman and more recently pastor of the Hillside Presbyterian Church of Oakland, Calif. Dr. Wirt assumed his new duties May 1. He is the author of "Crusade at the Golden Gate" recently published by Harpers, describing the San Francisco Crusade.

#### THE BOOKSHELF

With Wings As Eagles, by Helen Chappell White, Rinehart & Co., Inc., 1959, \$2.75.

Says Dr. Ralph W. Sockman in the introduction to this book: "I cannot recall a book that has moved me so deeply... I could call it a testament of faith... it strengthened my own faith immeasureably. It gives wings to my spirit." The loss of a son in World War II was the crisis that caused Mrs. White to search her heart for what she really believed. In this book she shares her great experience of faith.

Alcoholism, the Nutritional Approach, by Roger J. Williams, University of Texas Press, 1959, \$2,50.

Although many will not agree with the viewpoint, the author writes on the premise that alcoholism is a physical and usually a curable disease, "not a sin or even primarily the manifestation of psychological weakness." Susceptibility to alcoholism Dr. Williams asserts, exists in many persons who do not develop the disease. They are never out of danger, however, and could become alcoholics if they started frequent drinking. Such susceptibility is usually caused by a deranged cellular metabolism, the result of some unsatisfied nutritional need, he believes.

Facing the Field, The Foreign Missionary and His Problems, by T. Stanley Soltau, Baker, 1959, \$2.00.

Mr. Soltau takes as his assignment acquainting new missionaries and prospective missionaries with some of the problems which face the missionary on the foreign field, and he indicates how they may prepare for and deal with these problems. The author is himself a missionary, who was born on the foreign field and who has spent most of his life in the foreign mission work.

Bigger Than Little Rock, by Robert R. Brown, Seabury, 1958, \$3.50.

This book is an account of the incidents which led up to Monday, September 23, 1957, when Little Rock's race crisis suddenly flashed across the front pages of the newspapers of the world. It is a book of real interest and value for both segregationists and integrationists and, especially, for those who have yet to face the task of integration.

Studies in the Epistle of James, by A. T. Robertson, revised and edited by Heber F. Peacock, Broadman Press, \$2.75.

When this book was first published in 1915, under the title, Practical and Social Aspects of Christianity, Dr. Robertson wrote, "It is the old gospel in the new age that we need." The book is based on lectures delivered by Dr. Robertson at Northfield, Chautautuand Winona Lake conferences. The words of James, as pointed out by the author, strike a peculiarly modern note in their emphasis on social problem and reality and religion.

# Church Use of Government Property

A predominantly Protestant group which includes members of all faiths, has challenged legislation before the armed Services Committee that would make surplus military buildings available sent-free for church schools.

Protestants and other Americans United for Separation of Church and State charges that a proposal to turn such installations over for use by public schools had been amended in a subcommittee to include "non-profit" institutions.

"This would, of course, open the door wide to the use of government-owned facilities by church groups," said Glenn L. Archer, executive director of POAU.

"The original proposal appeared to be sound," the POAU director said. "It provided for a public use of public facilities and was quite in harmony with our Constitution and our tradition. The amendment proposed by the Pentagon injects an entirely new principle into this legislation.

"It is lamentable that this proposal was made without prior announcement and accepted in subcommittee without opportunity for interested groups to discuss it the Congress."

The Archer statement asserted that the Defense Department was already proceeding to develop questionable agreements with church groups in the matter of the latter's use of military buildings and equipment and urged that such policies should not be extended further.

He charged that in Memphis, Tenn., the Marine Corps had actually proposed to construct new buildings which could be declared "surplus" within 30 days and turned over to a church institution that would have complete daytime use of them meanwhile.

"It is reported that Christian Brothers College, Memphis, Tenn., an agency of the Roman Catholic Church, is to have buildings constructed on its campus by the Federal Government according to such terms," he said.

"We believe that agreements of this kind and the legislation which encourages them tend to place the church in a position where it can be dictated to by the State. We do not believe religious groups want to place themselves in such a position, or that the government wants them to be in such a position."

these undermining forces.

The Foundation plans to hold a number of workshops or coaching conferences on alcohol-narcotic education throughout the state, and we are requesting the county organizations to secure at least thirty qualified volunteer teachers who will prepare for and teach the children and youth throughout the State. It is further suggested that county organizations arrange with superintendents and principals of schools for an opportunity to offer a four-period course, beginning with grades three and continuing through high schools.

The state organization will endeavor to work out programs with institutions of higher learning for the presentation of this matter.

Our purpose will be to help schools implement a law that appears on the Statutes of Arkansas, Act 168, passed in 1937, and which requires that facts of alcohol and narcotics be taught in grades three to eight.—Christian Civic Foundation of Arkansas, Inc., Dr. Wm. E. Brown, Executive Director, Little Rock.

FIFTEEN DAILY newspapers and 55 weekly newspapers in Oklahoma will refuse whiskey advertising as liquor sales become legal in the state, according to Oklahoma Press Service, an agency of Oklahoma Press Association.—Oklahoma Baptist Messenger.

PHILLIP SIMS, music and education director of 1st Church, Helena, reports an extra bedroll brought back from Training Union Assembly at Siloam Springs. While there, his group stayed in the dormitory of 1st Church, Fort Smith. If your equipment has strayed, contact Mr. Sims,

# Foundation Plans State Education

Why is it necessary to have alcoholnarcotics education in the schools?

Because alcoholism is increasing at an alarming rate.

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According to the

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most recent release

the Yale School of

Alcoholic Studies

statistics

there are 5,000,000 alcoholics in this country. Over 1,-750,000 of them are women. The world membership in Alcoholics Anonymous is only 200,000.

There are more alcoholics in the name today than there are cancer, policy.

There are more alcoholics in the nation today than there are cancer, polio and tubercular patients combined. The Christian Civic Foundation will be concerned with the rehabilitation of alcoholics just as all citizens are concerned with the cure of those afflicted with cancer, polio and tuberculosis. The emphasis in medicine today is on disease control and preventive medicine occupies the attention of the entire medical profession.

It is the conviction of the Foundation that these problems must be dealt with at the "grass roots." Therefore, we call upon ministers, church officials, church school workers, women's organizations and youth organizations of the churches, the Parent-Teacher Associations, women's clubs, public school officials and other interested persons to form a Foundation organization in each county. It should be the purpose of these county organizations, through education and legal means, to remove

#### COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

#### Sinner Takes The Lord's Supper

QUESTION: A man in our community had a wife who broke her leg. He hired a young woman to stay with her



and then when she got well he would not let the young woman go. Now she has a baby by him.

Last Sunday he came to church and took the Lord's Supper. Do you think it was right? Looks like it is okay for people to do most anything today.

DR. HUDSON ANSWER: I am glad the man came to church. If the Lord's Supper did him any good I am glad for that too. If it did not, that is between him and his God.

What he did to his wife, if you are correct, was wrong. There is no excusing that, of course.

Now that it has happened, what is the Christian attitude? Jesus met such sinners in His day and never threw one stone at them.

There were other sinners taking the Lord's Supper that day, that no one glared at. They were sinners who had never been caught. The Lord have mercy on all of us!

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 West 47th Street, Kansas City, 12,, Missouri.

MY NEIGHBOR tells me there is no God; I give him his dinner; this much I owe him. I keep my eye on my spoons; this much I owe myself.—Ivan Panin.

#### 'I Had To Go And Get Him Down'

GRINDELWALD, Switzerland (EP) — Two years ago, an Italian mountaineer named Stefano Longhi tried to scale the north face of 13,000-foot Mt. Eiger but froze to death on one of its steepest inclines. Several attempts to rescue the lost climber were foiled by blizzards and the hazards of the precipitous slopes. And when rescuers saw through telescopes that Longhi had died on the mountain, they abandoned efforts to rescue his body and left it hanging on the ropes.

The sight of the body became a source of agony for a guide named Adolf Jaun living nearby. "Despite the snow and ice which cover the face in winter, I never failed to pick out the exact spot whenever I looked at the exact spot whenever I looked at the mountain," Jaun said. "Every time my eyes turned toward the Eiger, I had the terrible vision of this abandoned body. It became kind of an obsession with me. As a guide and a Christian, I had to go and get him down . . ."

And so he did. In July, Jaun successfully made the perilous descent on a steel cable and made the recovery in a shower of brittle granite. Longhi's body, the courageous guide discovered, had been perfectly preserved by the cold.

### Competence

BAPTISTS PROCLAIM the competence of the individual and the way of confidence.



DR. TRIBBLE

Here is the axiom: The individual is competent to deal directly with God in matters of faith and faithful living.

And here is the corollary: The Christian achieves true fellowship through confidence in other Christians in the exercise of their competence.

Man made in the image of God has the right to think and act for himself in matters pertaining to religion. We accept the principle that the word of God is our authority; we also accept the principle that the individual has the right to interpret the Bible for himself.

The doctrinal expression of this principle is the priesthood of believers. This is the root of our philosophy of non-conformity.

Parents generally rejoice in seeing the younger generation profess faith in Jesus Christ and begin the Christian life, but sometimes it is a different matter when young people dare to express their own interpretations of the Word of God and the Christian life.

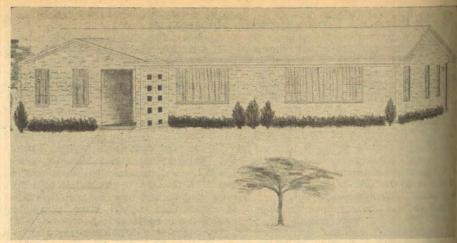
Pastors rejoice in the decisions of young people to dedicate their lives to Christ, but sometimes they show a desire to supervise the thinking of those same young people when they pursue learning.

Deacons rejoice in the zeal and eloquence of their pastors in preaching and teaching the Gospel message, but sometimes when that message impinges upon contemporary issues and practices the deacons undertake to supervise the thinking that finds expression in the pulpit.

Convention leaders rejoice in the acceptance and application of our denominational program and literature, but sometimes they show something less than pleasure when a church or a pastor or layman offers a substitute for the conventional pattern.

Institutional heads rejoice in large student bodies and learned faculties, but sometimes they violate basic Baptist axioms in seeking to enforce conventional conformity on faculty and students.

It is a great privilege to be a Baptist, but it is also a fearsome responsibility. We need to learn to place more confidence in each other. The theological basis of this confidence is the doctrine that the Holy Spirit deals in His own way with individuals. The Holy Spirit speaks to churches through individuals. And that leads me to the third statement.—Dr. Harold W. Tribble, President, Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N. C.



Architectural sketch of the Southern State BSU which will serve the more than 400 Baptist students on campus as a result of efforts by Carey, Hope, and Liberty Association churches. It will join the Methodist and Missionary Baptist student centers adjacent to the campus. Dale Taylor, pastor of 1st Church, Smackett Harold Bennett, Beech Street Church, Texarkana; and Lawson Hatfield, former pastor of 1st Church, Fordyce served as leaders of the fund-raising drive.

Brotherhood

Regional Encampment

Three Regional Brotherhood Encampments will be held this week:

Thursday, August 6: Southeast Arkansas Regional Encampment, at Wolf Creek Camp, near Collins. There will be an afternoon of recreation, beginning at 2:00, supper begins at 5:00 p. m. and will be served until 6:30. The night service begins at 7:00 with a good, well-rounded program in prospect. The speaker for the evening will be Wayne Smith, pastor of Baring Cross Church, North Little Rock.

The South-East Regional Brother-hood is made up of Ashley County, Bartholomew, and Delta Associations. Larry Thomas of Crossett, is regional president.

Friday, August 7: Northwest Arkansas Regional Encampment at Lake Weddington, northwest of Fayetteville. The recreational program begins that afternoon at 2:00. There will be a State

DR. J. D. GREY

Brotherhood Executive Committee
Meeting at 4 p. m. A catfish dinner
(at \$1 per plate) will be served at 6:00.
A program of singing will begin at 7:00.
followed by a period of testimon and
praise. The speaker for the evening is
Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor of 1st Church
New Orleans, La.

The North West Regional Brotherhood is made up of Benton County and Washington-Madison Associations. Mr. G. C. Hilton of Fayetteville is Regional President.

Saturday, August 8: The Harmony Regional Brotherhood Encampment at Central Church. The recreational period begins at 4:00. Supper will be served from 6:00 to 6:45. The sons service begins at 6:50. The program will feature Brotherhood work, special music, testimony, and an inspirational message brought by Roy Hilton pattern of 1st Church, North Little Rock.

The Harmony Regional Brothshood is made up of Harmony, Centernal and Carey Associations. Carl Goolshoof Pine Bluff, is Regional President.

Other Regional Encampments in the near future are: Pineland, August 20 Cottonland, August 21; and Arkansa Valley, August 27. More about these meetings in this column next week.

Bills Would Ban Liquor

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP)——hour it is doubtful that any of them will be heard during the present session of congress, no less than ten measures have been introduced to ban the serving dalcohol on commercial planes.

The most recent bill, sponsed of Rep. Edward H. Rees, (R., Kans.) and for a flat ban on any serving of alcohole beverages on planes. It joins nine other previously introduced by Reps. Thomation (D., Miss.), Carl Elliott (D., Ala.) Walker (D., Miss.), Carl Elliott (D., Ala.) Walker (D., Miss.), Kenneth Hechler (D., Miss.), Kenneth Hechler (D., Miss.) Kenneth Hechler (D., Miss.) Kenneth Hechler (D., Miss.) Walker (D., Miss.) Kenneth Hechler (D., Miss.)

#### Innocence

By W. B. O'NEAL

Innocence was in the dewdrop
When the day its course begun,
Int twas lost in unseen vapor
With the progress of the sun.

It was also in the dimple On a baby's smiling face But it lost its charm ere noontide,— Selfishness was in its place.

Ah, but dew returns at sunset!
And, indeed, the dimple, too;
When we enter heaven's portals.
Where no evils ever brew.

RICHARD BEAM, pastor of Ft. Smith's Temple Church, held a revival recently in 1st Church, Mountainburg. There were 11 conversions, and six of them were baptized into the church. The pastor is Walter Ayers.

PASTOR AND Mrs. J. W. Royal, Calvary Church, Benton, are in Hamilton, Bermuda at Emanuel Baptist Church in a revival effort. Mr. Royal has been pastor of Calvary Church for five years.



Training Union

Over 90 Arkansans attended the third Training Union Week at Ridgecrest. Black River Association was well represented with 39 in attendance. A number of churches including 1st Church, Sheridan were well represented. Total attendance reached 3.500.

Sunday School

# Planning For Preparation

THREE OUTSTANDING Sunday School administration books are being recommended for use in the churches during Sunday School Preparation Week, September 20-27, 1959. They are: Building a Standard Sunday School, Arthur Flake; A Church Using its Sunday School, J. N. Barnette; and The Pull of the People, J. N. Barnette. It is suggested that pastors, superintendents, and ministers of education select one of these three books for use with the Sunday School workers during the five nights of Preparation Week.

The desired quantity of the selected book should be ordered from the Baptist Book Store several weeks before Preparation Week. This will allow time for the shipment of the books, and also for distribution of the books to Sunday School workers at least one week in advance of the actual study. Since it is

impossible to determine the number of churches that will select any one of the three recommended books, it will be wise for those churches which order late to list a second preference. This will avoid delay in shipment of the books to the churches, since it would be necessary for the book store to contact the church about a second choice if the churches ordering early should have exhausted the supply of the requested book.

The study course book will provide basic material for the week of study by Sunday School workers. "Sunday School Planning Booklet, 1959-60" contains some helpful guidance material that should be used in getting ready for and in conducting Preparation Week. Suggestions for building a program of work for the Sunday School are outlined in the booklet.

Preparation Week is an ideal time

for launching the Sunday School program for the new year. It is also an excellent time for all workers to study together a general Sunday School administration book, which gives sound direction for enlarging and improving the Sunday School.

Awards for the study of a book during Preparation Week will be granted in the Sunday School Training Course provided the award request reaches the state Sunday School secretary's office prior to September 30, 1959. All awards for the study of the books will be applicable after October 1, 1959, in category 17, Sunday School Principles and Methods, of the Church Study Course for Teaching and Training.—A. V. Washburn.

# Doctor Blames Pornography

PHILADELPHIA (EP)—"Filthy ideas" implanted in the "immature minds" of children have "impelled them to crime" and are largely responsible for the increase in sex crimes committed by young people.

This was the charge of Dr. Nicholas G. Frignito, psychiatrist and medical director of the Municipal Court here, at the first Congressional field hearing into the use of the mails to distribute pornographic literature. He said that the judiciary has case histories showing how obscene literature has led to crimes ranging from assault to actual homicide.

Dr. Frignito testified that half of the children sent to Municipal Court have purchased or have had access to pornographic literature. Children from ages 9 to 14 are, he said, "most affected by this indecent material."

the CORNERCARD

# IF YOU CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT OPPOSE IT

-Cupples-Hesse Corporation, St. Louis

#### Law Change Affects Florida Churches

MIAMIA, Fla. — (BP) — Unsuspecting churches in Greater Miami are in for an estimated \$60,000 tax jolt in the coming year. Apparently unnoticed by practically everyone, the recent Florida state legislature knocked out provisions of the law on the state sales tax that gave churches a break on the cost of construction of new buildings.

Since churches in the area have averaged more than \$2,000,000 worth of construction annually, an estimated \$60,000 will be tacked on to cost of construction in the coming year because of the sales tax on materials used.

#### Schroeder on Military Program

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — (BP) — George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission here, represented the denomination at the four-day Protestant men's convention which opened July 28 at Estes Park, Colo.

Hundreds of Army men from throughout the country attended the event, sponsored by the Protestant Men' of the Chapel, an organization for Protestant military men.

Schroeder shared the podium with such nationally-known leaders as Gov.

Theodore R. McKeldin of Maryland, the keynote speaker; Lt.-Gen. Charles E. Hart of the Army Air Defense Command; Samuel J. Patterson, Jr., director of United Church Men, a department of the National Council of Churches; Maj.-Gen. Harvey H. Fischer, commanding general of the First Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kans, and Marshall Dendy, executive secretary of the board of Christian education, Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (South).

Schroeder gave the devotional message at the opening session, and led a discussion period daily on how to get men interested in evangelism.

Letters to Editor

### Church Discipline?

HAVE YOU read Dr. McDonald's editorial in July 16 issue of Arkansas Baptist, entitled: "Revival of Church Discipline?" If not, won't you read it carefully and prayerfully? Your pastor has a conviction that Dr. McDonald is God's man, in God's place, for such a time as this. We urge you to read and heed his editorials and pray that God will continue to lead him as he endeavors to inform, indoctrinate and inspire us to be more consistently Christian in all of our ways.—Bulletin, 1st Baptist Church, Piggott, E. Clay Polk, Pastor

# Oregon-Washington Votes State Survey

Portland, Ore. — (BP) — The excutive board of the Baptist General Convention of Oregon-Washington here to undertake a survey of the work of the convention.

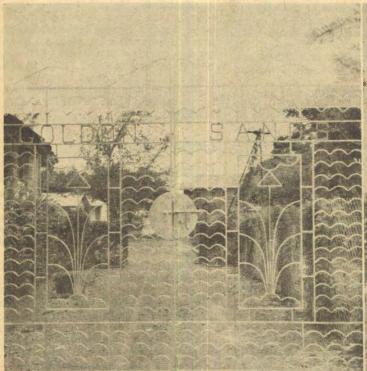
The convention president appointed a committee of five to formulat suggestions for long-range planning. Committee members are Herman E. Wooten, Richland, Wash.; Cecil C. Sims Wenatchee, Wash.; George Friezen. Seattle, Wash.; Roy Shahan, Salem, Oreand Mrs. Lester P. Stone, Kelso, Wash.

The executive board further voted to appoint a three-member committee to study the separation of church and state. The convention president will appoint this committee later.

A tentative proposed 1960 convention budget of \$151,000, with an additional \$8,000 for advance goals, was discussed. The final budget proposal will be drafted by the board at its pre-conjection meeting this fall. Then the convention in annual session must approve it.

Austin Lovin, Tacoma, Wash, pastor, was called to fill the vacancy in the convention's position of missionary in southern Oregon. Lovin took the call under consideration.

# Golden Sands Assembly Made Possible Through Lottie



LOTTIE MOON: These photographs from the Foreign Mission Board show some of the things made possible through the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Left to right: entrance to Golden Sands Baptist Assembly in Malaya, located on the Strait of Malacca; chapel, Golden Sands Baptist As-



sembly; the eight people who joined the 1st Baptist of Petaling Jaya, Malaya, on the first day the church met new building, made possible by Lottie Moon funds; new ing for the English-language 1st Baptist Church, Petaling Malaya.

Music For America'

Another large-scale sacred music production, to be held August 21 under the sars at the world-famous Red Rocks amplificator, Denver, Colo., has been appointed by "Music for America."

Last summer's premier presentation stracted an over-flow crowd of 10,500 persons, the second largest in the twenty-year history of the awe-inspiring cutdoor theater, and resulted in Music for America's being invited to return this year as one of the feature attractions during the Colorado "Rush To The Rockies" Centennial celebration.

Again this year Ralph Carmichael will direct the production with the Starlight concert orchestra under his baton.

Vocal artists Bill Carle, Frank Boggs, Beth Farnam, J. T. Adams and Evangeline Carmichael; pianists Charles Magauson and Kurt Kaiser; and a more than 200-voice choir under the direction of Jack Coleman and coordinated by Bob Ashton are scheduled for the program produced by Cy Jackson.

An added feature will be a "Salute to Chorado" — a unique musical extravaganza spotlighting the entire company in a Centennial tribute to Colorado

Following Red Rocks, productions will be presented at the Colorado State

Fair, Pueblo, Colo., August 23; at the Clay County Fair, Spencer, Ia., Sunday, September 13; and at the Civic Auditorium, Omaha, Neb., October 31.

The grandstand programs at Pueblo and Spencer will be the first production-type sacred music events of its kind ever presented as official Fair attractions, says Producer Jackson, expressing the opinion that this "will open up an entirely new realm in the field of sacred music." (EP)

#### Window Features 'Gospel Wagon'

LOS ANGELES (EP) — Something unusual in stained glass church windows has just been completed with the old Gay 90's Gospel Wagon of the Union Rescue Mission featured in one at Immanuel Presbyterian Church here.

The wagon, which on June 8th carried county officials up and down the downtown streets in special ceremonies hailing the 68th anniversary of the Union Rescue Mission, is a feature image in one of four new stained glass windows in the narthex of the church.

The window shows a patient in Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital and an early form of the medical symbol, the Caduceus. The other three windows symbolize social education and action, the "evangelistic spirit of Immanuel Presbyterian" and the teaching of a Sunday School class.

#### YFC Names Officers

WINONA LAKE, Ind. (EP) — Dr. Ted W. Engstrom, Wheaton, Ill., has been re-elected to his third term as President of Youth for Christ International. Also re-elected were Rev. Carl Bihl of Wheaton as Vice President; and Rev. Dave Breese, Grand Rapids, Mich., as Secretary. Rev. Paul Hartford, St. Petersburg, Fla., was elected Treasurer.

These men guide the program of over 300 local Youth for Christ groups and 2,400 Youth for Christ high school Clubs in 45 nations of the world. It is estimated that over 100,000 teen-agers a month are involved.

The first layman to serve as President, Engstrom came to Youth for Christ in 1951 as Executive Director. Prior to that time he was for 11 years Editorial Director and Book Editor for the Zondervan Publishing House in Grand Rapids, Mich. He has worked with teen-agers on four continents and is the author of over 20 books.

Bihl also serves as staff evangelist and Organizing Director of the organization. Breese is Director of Grand Rapids, Mich., Youth for Christ and also serves as Vice President for the Great Lakes Area. Hartford is Youth for Christ Vice President for the Caribbean and Central America area.

Offering



The Golden Sands Baptist Assembly is used for missionary stings and for church conferences and camps.

The chapel building of the Golden Sands Assembly includes, addition to an auditorium with accommodations for 150, dingular and kitchen. Other buildings of the assembly include



a dormitory and several bedroom buildings.

The new auditorium for 1st Baptist Church, Petaling Jaya, has an auditorium with tiered floor and seats for 250 people. In addition to the auditorium, the building includes classrooms and a recreation room.



# Yearbys Move To Oklahoma City

DR. I. L. YEARBY, formerly secretary of evangelism for the Arkansas State Convention, with Mrs. Yearby, is leaving Arkansas to return to Oklahoma City, where he was a pastor before coming to Arkansas.

The Yearbys have sold their home in Little Rock and their address for the next few months will be 2723 N. W. 19th street, Oklahoma City. They are building a home on the newly established Golden Age Home Grounds, adjacent to the grounds of the new Baptist Memorial Hospital, in Oklahoma City, and hope to be in the new home by Jan. 1.

The Golden Age Home Grounds is for those people 65 years of age or older. Building sites are available free for those who are willing to build their own homes with the stipulation that upon the death of the home owners, the property goes to the Golden Age Home Grounds establishment.

Dr. and Mrs. Yearby had the distinction of being the first to sign up with the Oklahoma Baptist General tack.

Convention, owners of the building sites, several months ago. They plan to erect a home consisting of two bedrooms, den, living room, kitchen, two baths and garage, at a cost of from evangelism."

\$17,000 to \$20,000.

Dr. Yearby offers the following goodbye to his many friends among Arkansas Baptists:

"As we return to Oklahoma City to live, we wish to express our deepest gratitude to our many friends in Arkansas for every courtesy and kindness shown us since we came here in 1953.

. "Especially do we thank Dr. B. L. Bridges and Dr. S. A. Whitlow, secretaries of the Convention under whom I served as secretary of evangelism for six years. Also, all department workers at Baptist Headquarters with whom I was associated; all pastors and churches throughout the State with whom we labored in promoting evangelism and in revivals. The cooperation of the missionaries is greatly appreciated.

"Am especially grateful for ministry of the Baptist Hospital during my illness last year.

"Am humbly and deeply thankful for the prayers of friends here, and everywhere at the time of the heart attack.

"Shall ever love and pray for the Baptist cause in this great state. Shall always thank God for the privilege of laboring with you in the blessed work of evangelism."

### Africa 'Receptive'

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (BP) — Nationalism will not hinder the 1960 Billy Graham Evangelistic Crusade in Africa, predicted V. Lavell Seats, upon returning here from an extensive six-week survey of Africa for the noted American evangelist.

Seats, a missionary to Africa for 16 years, is professor of missions at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here.

Reporting to Graham immediately following his trip, Seats stated that African nationals are ready and eager to assume the majority of responsibility in promoting the forthcoming preaching mission.

In company with two members of the Billy Graham Association, Seats's survey covered about 20,000 miles and included stops in Liberia, the Gold Coast, Nigeria, the Cameroons, French Equatorial Africa, Belgian Congo, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Northern Rhodesia, Nyasaland, Tanganyika, Kenya, Sudan, and Egypt.

"Our reception was quite favorable," he commented. "We were accorded fine treatment from the African press."

Nationalist newspapers have led the African's struggle for independence, which has caused many observers to fear for the growth of Christian missions. However, reported Seats, nationals have volunteered to take the lead in working for success of the Graham Crusade.

Charged with the specific task of meeting with representatives in most of the African countries to survey in advance of Billy Graham's brief Crusade, Seats teamed with Lawrence Love, who is overseas director of the Billy Graham Association, and Howard Jones, a Negro minister and former Cleveland pastor who is now conducting Graham association radio work for Monrovia, Liberia.

Each of them was enthusiastic at the possibilities of Christian evangelism led by Billy Graham in Africa.

Graham's work is not unfamiliar to Africans. His weekly radio program is beamed across their continent and reports of his preaching have been carried in African newspapers. In general, Africans are "wholly sympathetic with the work of Billy Graham," said Seats.

The survey was Seats's first work with the evangelist, although the two have been friends for several years.

The Graham evangelistic team will begin preaching in Africa in January, 1960, and will continue for three months.

Several difficulties peculiar to Africa face the Graham team, said Seats. First, huge expenses will necessitate a smaller number of team members. Graham does plan to use several Associate Evangelists, however. Because of the great number of places to be visited, no prolonged preaching engagement in one place is planned.

# **Encouraging Telephone Calls**

I. have just received two long disance calls which were encouraging from the standpoint of Evangelism and Missions. Brother Loyd Patterson, pastor of the Baptist Church, Calico, called to state that he was engaged in a mission revival in the Dolph Community where he had 50 enrolled in a Vacation Bible School and from 60 to 100 in preaching services each night. Already he had 17 Professions of Faith and 3 rededications.

He called to inquire if there would be any possibility of getting any help on a mission building. They can secure an acre of ground and then one man stated that he would give the timber, a saw-mill man said he would saw the lumber, another man with a truck said he would haul it and the people are willing to do most of the work, if mission funds can be made available to help complete the building. The pastor stated that there are over 200 people in the community where the mission is being opened.

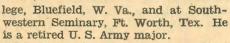
Another call came from Simon Norris, pastor of the New Hope Church in Black River Association. He has been serving the New Hope Church for two or three years with the Mission Department giving a small supplement. Just recently the church decided that they would like to have full time preaching and we have made it possible for Brother Norris to give full time to the

church. He has conducted a revival meeting and had 25 for baptism and 12 by letter. He stated that 20 of the 25 for baptism were adults. He also said that there were over 40 adults in the Sunday School Class last Sunday and they had no room in which to meet. He was inquiring if help could be granted out of mission funds to put up an Educational Building to accommodate the church in its growth.

My reply to both of these calls was, that the committee would likely grant aid on their building programs provided that the churches show a generous response themselves. It is in places like these that our committee is more willing to help; places where a harvest may be reaped.

I cannot help but recall that when I became Superintendent of Missions, 12 years ago, that Calico Rock was a little weak struggling church with half time preaching and part of the salary being paid out of mission funds. The church has responded to our help and now they have a new building, a full time pastor, and the church is doing mission work itself. What a thrill it is to see the results of our Mission Program

We wonder if many other churches cannot find a Mission point where a Vacation Bible School, a revival meeting, and possibly regular services might be established?-C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent.



Mr. Dance is assistant pastor of 1st Church, Amarillo,

Former pastorates include: associate pastor of Beech Street Church, Texarkana, three years; pastor of Central Baptist Church, Mineral Springs, one year.

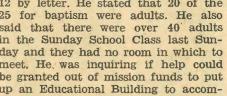
Mrs. Dance is the former Miss Noma Lillian Leach, of Johnson City, Tenn. They have a son, Tommy, 16.

The missionary post here has been vacant since the resignation several weeks ago of O. C. Robinson to accept a pastorate in Dallas, Tex.

The board voted to co-operate with the Arkansas Baptist Convention in the erection of a Baptist Student Center at the University Medical Center. Construction of the facility is expected to begin in about six weeks.

#### League Advances

EAST LANSING, Mich. (EP)-Meeting here for their 67th annual convention, members of the Walther League (youth group of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod) heard that their ranks were augmented by 200 new local societies last year. The Rev. Elmer N. Witt. executive director, reported that the League now has 4.513 groups and a total of over 110,000 individual members.



of Missouri Baptist Convention. Final decision on the recommendation will be made by the convention in its annual

College in St. Louis?

meeting, Oct. 27-29, in Kansas City.
The action followed two years of study by the convention's education committee and a special institutional committee, assisted by R. Orin Cornett, special educational consultant, U.S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. —(BP)— The recommendation of two special

committees to establish a Baptist college in the Greater St. Louis area was approved here by the executive board

According to Ralph Smith, Kirksville, Mo., chairman of the special committee, the survey showed a "critical shortage" of college facilities in the St. Louis area in view of the expected increase of college-age youth in the late 1960's. The study also revealed that 7,500 youths now enrolled in St. Louis Baptist Sunday schools will be ready for college by 1968.



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#### Golf Tournament Scheduled

FRESNO, Calif. — (BP) — A statewide golf tournament will be sponsored for ministers and laymen at the 1960 Brotherhood convention which will be held here, June 2-4. This was the decision reached by the organization of California Southern Baptist men at their 1959 convention in Long Beach. The convention, which was held simultaneously with the annual Royal Ambassador Congress, drew 430 men and boys.

MR. DANCE

### Pulaski Association alls Missionary

LEE J. DANCE, Amarillo, Tex., has become missionary of the association, and will begin his new duties Aug. 17.

Mr. Dance, a native of Scottsburg, Va., received his education at Bluefield Col-

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CURRENT HISTORY—Unveiling the portrait of the late Dr. W. O. Carver of Louisville, Ky., are officers of the Southern Baptist Historical Commission. Left to right are J. P. Edmunds of Nashville, re-elected chairman; W. Fred Kendall, Nashville, vice-chairman, and the Commission's executive secretary-elect, Davis C. Woolley. Dr. Carver, professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, was largely responsible for the founding of the Historical Commission. His portrait will be hung in a library in Nashville which bears his name.—(BP) Photo.

High Membership Standard

ELIZABETH, N. J. (EP) — "People have gotten to the point where they need know little, believe little, and do little to join the church. We hope to change all that." So says Albert Fay, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church here.

To join the Rev. Mr. Fay's church, prospective members must attend ten instruction sessions . . . read "almost the entire Bible and pledge themselves to a life-long study of it" . . . promise some useful labor to the church . . . attend regular worship services . . . pray regularly for the church . . . contribute financially . . . and pledge themselves to ethical and moral behavior and to love and respect all persons regardless of race, social status or past life.

#### Communication Lines

A FOREIGNER was met at the docks in a Western city by an American citizen who indicated that in behalf of a mutual friend he wanted to offer his services to the visitor just arriving. "If I can ever be of any help to you, here is my card and you may wire me collect."

Less than a year later, the foreigner telegraphed his new American friend as follows: "Have been de-jobbed. Being wived and childrenized, am in great need. Would you please re-jobulate me?"

Though expressed in "creative English," the meaning is evident to anyone. The hapless foreigner got his message across. Some of us preachers do not.—Dr. H. Leo Eddleman

#### **Small Prayer**

By RAY ROMINE

God, who protects the sparrow's flight, Watch over me, I ask, tonight. And in all things I say and do, Watch over me tomorrow, too. (Sunday School Board Syndicate, all rights reserved) TWO SOUTHERN Baptist missionaries from Arkansas who have been in the States on furlough are returning to Nigeria, their field of service. They are Dr. O. W. Taylor, native of Union County, and Mrs. Russell L. Locke, the former Veda Williams of Shirley.

Dr. Taylor and his wife return to Iwo, where their address is Baptist College, Iwo, Nigeria, West Africa. Mrs. Locke and her husband may be addressed, Baptist Mission, Port Harcourt, Nigeria, West Africa. Conference To Aid Christian Citizens

RIDGECREST, N. C. — (BP) — By attending a conference here, Christians may find ways in which they can help meet moral and social problems in their home communities.

Four types of current problems will be discussed during the Christian Life Commission conference at the Southern Baptist Convention assembly grounds Aug. 21-25.

Subjects to be considered are: traffic in obscene literature, alcohol and the alcoholic, racial tensions, and church-state relations. Five special speakers will lead the discussions.

Ralph A. Cannon, pastor, St. James Methodist Church, Spartanburg, S. C., and a leader in the Churchmen's Commission for Decent Publications, will lead discussions on publication and sale of obscene literature.

Wayne E. Oates, professor of psychology of religion, and Samuel Southard, associate professor in the same field, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., will lead in the study of alcohol and the alcoholic.

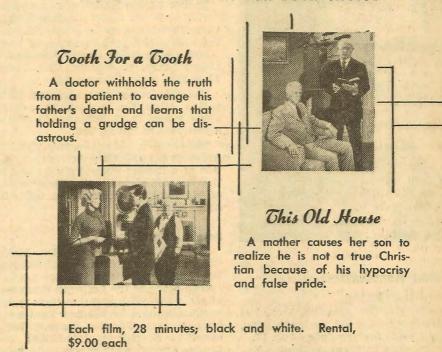
Racial tensions in the community will be the topic for which T. B. Maston, professor of Christian ethics, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., will be discussion leader.

W. Barry Garrett, Washington, associate director, Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, will describe ways the Christian citizen can tackle church-state problems in his community.

Conference participants must choose one of the four special subject areas.

Adiel J. Moncrief, St. Joseph, Mo., Commission chairman, will preside at the general discussion conferences.

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# Off Bounds

THE FOLLOWING quotation was printed in The Nashville Tennessean, June 3, 1959: BERLIN - (AP) - The U. S. Army's Berlin command has declared war on short shorts, blue jeans and other casual attire for American dependents of the garrison. Officers and enlisted men were told in a special directive that their wives and children should wear appropriate dress while in pub-

Many members of the church, if they could have read this without its identifying military marks, would have said: "That is some narrow-minded preacher talking, giving his opinion. Doesn't he know that everybody is doing it, and that when I wear shorts or men's trousers in public, I am more comfortable, that I mean nothing evil, and that no one thinks any evil of it except the fellow whose mind runs in evil channels?

"Doesn't he know that I am not responsible for what evil men think when they look at me, and that they would think evil even if I had on a dress? I don't care what anyone says I'll wear what I please, and wish preachers would quit meddling."

But, this was the U.S. Army.

Evidently, these hard-boiled, practical army officers know how shallow all of those excuses are, that people are responsible for their influence.-Jack Meyer, in Firm Foundation

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# Bright Future Envisioned For Baptist Historians

NASHVILLE -(BP)- "It's only 4:30 in the morning as far as our opportunity is concerned," Dr. Norman W. Cox said in predicting the future for Southern Baptist historical groups.

Dr. Cox. 70. will retire Aug. 31 as executive secretary of the Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, a post he has held for 81/2 vears here.

At the final meeting of the Historical Commission and its affiliate, the Southern Baptist Historical Society, during Dr. Cox's active leadership, he was presented with many tributes to his work.

The Commission presented Dr. and Mrs. Cox with a high-fidelity record player, radio, and tape recorder at a banquet in their honor. Dr. Cox came to the Historical Commission in from pastorate of 1st Baptist Church, Meridian, Miss.

Harold E. Ingraham, director of the service division, Baptist Sunday School Board here, noted that "Dr. Cox, after a full life and contribution in the pastorate, entered a new field and made another major contribution - one of the few men who is able to do so.

"As executive secretary." Ingraham continued, "he had made Southern Baptists conscious of their history."

Dr. Cox declared, "I have stood in the midst of a continuing miracle these 8½ years. Only one thing has bothered me, success. It has about run me to death."

During his tenure, the Historical Commission has gathered menographs for, and the Sunday School Board has published, the two-volume Encyclopedia of Southern Baptists. It was a task that many predicted would be impossible when it was first announced.

The Commission has microfilmed millions of pages of Baptist history data. This has included "every recoverable set of minutes of every association in every state which has had an organized convention for 15 years, except for the states of North Carolina and Virginia," according to Dr. Cox.

In addition, the Commission has launched Operation Baptist Biography, to be a "book of remembrance" for tens of thousands of Baptists - laymen and women as well as pastors and denominational workers.

Dr. Cox has been untiring in efforts to secure either original manuscripts or microfilm records of Baptist history matter in the United States and even abroad.

These are on file in the Dargan-Carver Library in the Baptist Sunday

#### Wingate Builds Chapel

WINGATE, N. C. —(BP)— Wingate College here will begin construction immediately on a new chapel-auditorium to seat 1,000. The apparent low bid on the project was \$194,885. Furnishings will increase the cost to above \$225,000. The junior college is operated School Board's administration building The library is jointly in Nashville. maintained by the board and the Historical Commission.

Charles H. Stone, librarian at Mercer University, Macon, Ga., presented Dr. Cox with a resolution of tribute to him adopted by the historical society of Georgia Baptist Convention recently. Dr. Cox is a native of South Georgia:

Dr. Cox will live in Mobile, Ala., where he was formerly a pastor, during retirement. His book, "God and Ourselves," based on Luke 15, will be published in January by the Sunday School Board. He said he was planning to write two other books.

He said that in the last decade Southern Baptists have developed a history awareness, but added that this awareness will need further stimulation.

The Commission voted to secure a portrait of Dr. Cox which will be hung in the offices here. The Historical Commission bestowed upon Dr. Cox the title, executive secretary emeritus, effective after his retirement.



FISH FRY, ANYONE?-The "genius at work" chef's hat and apron together with the rod and reel make it appear that retiring Baptist leader Dr. Norman W. Cox of Nashville is planning a fish fry. Well might he be! The executive secretary of the Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention has a reputation as a cook, and with a home in Mobile, Ala., waiting after his Aug. 31 retirement he will be in fisherman's country. Hat is being carefully adjusted by Mrs. Cox, who except for her husband's "specialties," does the cooking in the family. Chef's rig was a gag played on Dr. Cox by appreciative friends in Baptist historical circles, who later presented Mrs. Cox and him with a high fidelity tape recorder, radio, and record player-(BP) Photo.

by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

COLLEGE STATION, Tex. - (BP) Clifton Freudenberg, pastor of the Orange Grove and Tynan Evangelical and Reform Church, United Church of Christ, has been named Texas rural minister of the year here.



Ingle Midwestern Seminary Teacher

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (BP) — Clifford Ingle, chair of Bible professor at Southwest Missouri State College, Springfield, Mo., has been elected professor of religious education and church administration at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here, Millard J. Berquist, seminary president, announced.

A native of Kansas, Ingle has taught at Southwest Missouri for the past 10 years, under the employ of Missouri Baptist Convention. He instructed courses in Bible, religious education, philosophy, and counseling.

The new Midwestern Seminary professor is a graduate of William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. He holds the B. D. and D. R. E. degrees from Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex.

#### Virginia President

NASHVILLE — (BP) — The Southern Association of Baptist Colleges and Schools elected a Virginia college executive as its president for the coming year.

Charles L. Harman, president of Blufield College, Bluefield, Va., succeeds H. Leo Eddleman, president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, La.

Harman was vice president of the association last year. The new vice president is Evan A. Reiff, president of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Tex.

Re-elected executive secretary was H.

I. Hester of Liberty, Mo. Hester is vice president of William Jewell College and chairman of the trustees of Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City.

#### **Immunity Bill**

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — (BP) — A bill giving Florida ministers protection on the witness stand became law when Gov. LeRoy Collins signed the new act.

The measure, introduced early in Florida's 1959 legislative session by Rep. Mack Cleveland of Seminole County, prohibits a cleryman over 21 years of age from disclosing as a witness in any litigation, information confidentially communicated to him for spiritual purposes,

The only exception is when the communicating party waives the right in open court or by affidavit. (BP)

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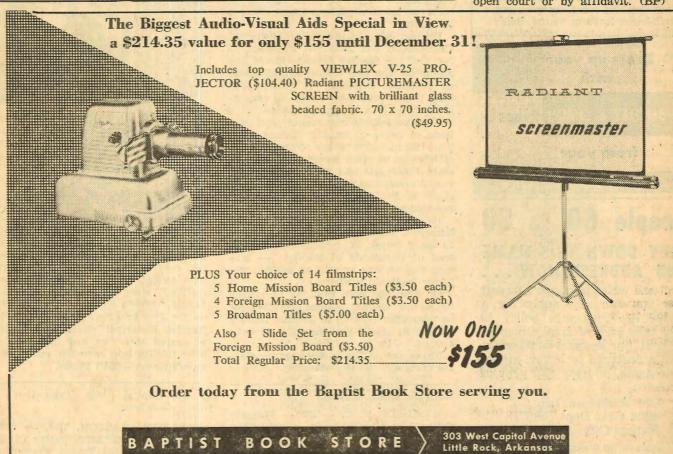
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#### Church Leaders Attack Race Bias

Two church groups joined the attack on race bias June 25 in separate statements.

rom Atlanta, North Georgia Methousts approved a resolution dealing with possible school closings. The resolution stated their opposition to closing of public schools, but recognized the possibility of such. It also recognized the "sacred responsibility of pastors and people in each local church to minister to its constituency and families of the congregation in times of emergency."

And from San Francisco, church leaders of the Southern District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, spoke up against racial discrimination in the United States.

The Lutheran resolution stated Genesis "ascribes a common ancestry to all men."

"It is a violation of God's will for any man to treat his fellowmen with contempt or to despise any particular race of man," the resolution declared. "... We possess no evidence to prove the alleged superiority or inferiority of any race of people."

There were no speeches in opposition.

SEVEN GRADUATES from Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, representing classes from 1904 to 1909, met recently at a luncheon at the Albert Pike Hotel, Little Rock, to reminisce about the good old days. Present were Jefferson Davis Atwood, 75, a Roswell, N. M., lawyer; and C. Hamilton Moses, 72, lawyer; Dr. John D. Jordan, 77, dentist; Marcus A. Matlock, 81, income tax consultant; W. P. Wilson, 79, author and builder; John L. Carter, 80, former assistant attorney general; and Arthur B. Hill, 79, former state superintendent of education, all of Little Rock.

#### GAMBLING

THIS IS written especially about racing, but is true of gambling in all its phases.

Suppose the community consists of only ten families, and one of them lives entirely off of gambling with the others. Then they are supported entirely from the labor and economy of the other nine.

The morals and good citizenship of all the others are hurt too, because "gambling is a mutual consent to a fraud."

Multiply the ration above by any numeral, and the result is the same, or you change the numerals, and the percentage of harm and loss is still the same.

Gambling has no defense among honest people.

Horses that eat hay, but raise one; dogs that are not allowed to atch rabbits and cars that run around fast in circles, but go nowhere; all three, are a menace to any true economy.—Baptist and Reflector

### The Bible Says



For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little.

ISAIAH 28:10

PAUL L. MORGAN, pastor, Ballast Point Church, Tampa, Fla., has been elected missionary of district V, Louisiana Baptist Convention. The district covers the Minden-Ruston area in extreme north central Louisiana. Morgan is a native of Coushatta, La., and graduate of Louisiana College.

GAINER E. BRYAN, SR., secretary of the Training Union Department of the Georgia Baptist Convention, was awarded the honorary Poctor of Laws Degree by Mercer University, Macon, Georgia, in ceremonies Monday, June 1. Bryan, senior Georgia department secretary, was honored by the Atlanta Law school similarly several years ago.—The Survey Bulletin.

BILLY WALKER, Walnut Ridge, recently led El Dorado's Union Church in a revival. Pastor Henry M. Evans reports seven additions to the church on profession of faith and baptism, two by statement, and one by letter, and recommends Brother Walker's work.

PATRICIA ANN Gilbert, six-year-old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. James P. Gilbert, Southern Baptist missionaries to Ecuador, has been stricken with what doctors have diagnosed as polio. Mrs. Gilbert, Patricia, and the other two children will return to the states as soon as feasible.

#### Gezork, Tuller Convention Leaders

DES MOINES, Ia. — (BP) — A seminary president has been elected president of the American Baptist Convention, and the Convention has also elected a new general secretary.

Herbert J. Gezork, president of Andover-Newton Theological School, Newton Centre, Mass., succeeds Mrs. Maurice B. Hodge of Portland, Ore., as president of the Convention. Elections took place at the annual session here.

The new general secretary, top fulltime executive staff officer for the Convention, is Edwin H. Tuller of New York City. Tuller has been serving the Convention as associate general secre-

# Patterson Named College President

Phoenix, Ariz.—(BP)— Eugene N. Patterson, professor of homiletics at New Orleans Baptist Seminary, has been elected president of Grand Canyon College here.

He will succeed Loyed R. Simmons, who resigned last year to accept the presidency of California Baptist College. Glenn Eason, dean, has been acting president.

Patterson will assume administrative duties Sept. 1. Grand Canyon College is owned by the Baptist General Convention of Arizona and is the state's only church-related college.

Patterson, a graduate of Howard College, Birmingham, Ala., holds the Th.D. degree from New Orleans Seminary. He has been professor at the Louisiana seminary since 1945. He has studied at Union Theological Seminary. New York, and at Oxford University, in England. He has been pastor of churches in Alabama and Mississippi.

#### Gambling Gains

In the recent balloting, Nebraska voters approved a constitutional amendment to legalize bingo games operated by non-profit groups. In Colorado, an amendment was approved which will legalize raffles and bingo when sponsored by religious fraternal organizations.

In New York, where bingo is on a local option basis, 14 cities voted to have bingo while the measure was rejected in three smaller cities.

Gambling was defeated in one state, however. A proposal to legalize horse race betting in Utah was defeated.

Furman University, Greenville, S. C., was elected president of the Southern University Conference for 1959-60 at its 22nd annual meeting at St. Petersburg, Fla. He succeeds President A. Hollis Edens of Duke University, Durham, N. C.

Made up of a selected group of 53 leading institutions in the South, the Conference considers matters pertaining to the upper division of college work, to graduate work, and to all common interests of its members.

tary and general director of the council on missionary cooperation.

Tuller succeeds Reuben E, Nelson, New York City, who did not seek reelection.

Gezork is a native of Germany, who left that country in 1936 when the Hitler regime was coming to power. He became a United States citizen in 1943. He previously was vice president of the American Convention.

The new president has been head of the theological school since 1950. From 1939-1950, he was professor of social ethics at the seminary.

He was a fraternal messenger to the 1955 session of Southern Baptist Convention at Miami, Fla.

# **Baptist Challenge in Population**

The "frontiers of population" will challenge Baptist historians of today and tomorrow because an increase in population will bring with it a need to declare afresh the heritage and distinctives held by Baptists.

This was proclaimed by Davis C. Woolley, executive secretary-elect of the Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention here. He addressed the annual meeting of the Commission, the first since his election.

Woolley, who succeeds retiring Dr. Norman W. Cox on Aug. 31, said that as Baptist historians "we are in this business as pioneers and there are frontiers yet we must face and overcome.

"The frontiers of truth and the frontiers of ideas are still ours. This age demands that we do pioneer work in all areas that are our heritage. We must keep repeating the distinctives have made us what we are," he con-

Woolley commented that "Baptists have made good pioneers because of their faith, the truth they hold, and the fact that they were non-conformists. Non-conformists make good pioneers."

He said that the expanding Southern Baptist missionary enterprise presents a challenge to Baptist historians. "Every missionary's work needs to be recorded. You remember the thrill of reading your first missionary biography," he reminded them.

The work of the Historical Commission, according to Woolley, is to gather materials so that agencies of the Convention may have them for reference

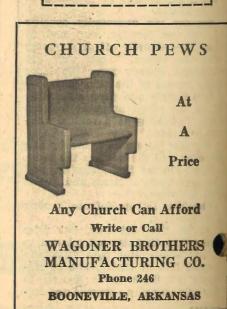
He spoke of the contributions made by two pioneers in developing Baptist historical collections — the late Dr. W. O. Carver of Louisville, seminary professor and one of the founders of present Baptist historical groups, and Dr. Cox, retiring executive secre-/tary.

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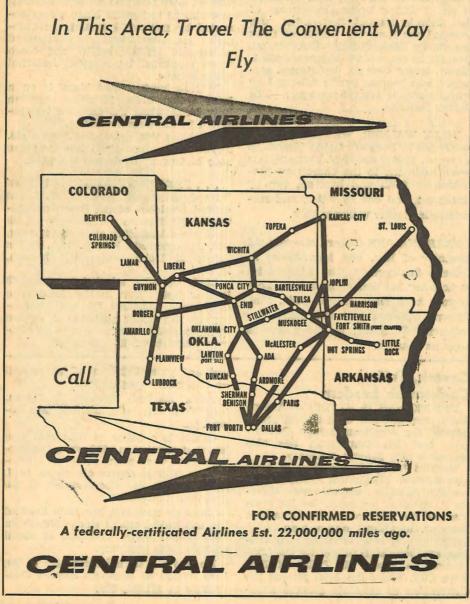
BALTIMORE - (BP) - The Maryland Baptist State Mission Board voted here to authorize a survey of the work of Maryland Baptists by a committee of six appointed by the president of the board.

The committee's assignment is try to anticipate the needed progress and development of Maryland Baptists and to endeavor to balance their progress with the purposes, best interests. and resources of our state"



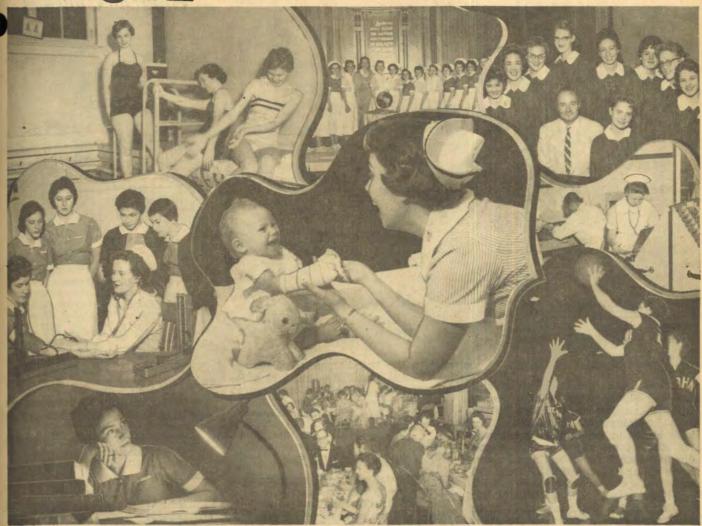


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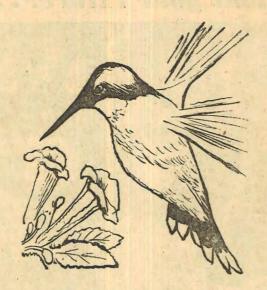


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#### God's Wondrous World

#### The Tiny Helicopter Bird

By THELMA C. CARTER

If you see a midget, jewellike bird hovering like a tiny helicopter over a tree blossom, you are probably looking at a hummingbird. If you see a long beak buried in the funnel-shaped nectar cups of the blossoms and if you discover such a rapid beating of wings as to be almost unbelievable, you will know it is a hummingbird.

The humming sound produced by the beating of the tiny wings gives these little birds their name.

Hummingbirds are our smallest birds - some no longer than a finger. Yet they are so swift in flight that one can scarcely see them. A moment after a hummingbird has left a flower, it is out of sight.

Once you have seen hummingbirds with streaks of emerald green, ruby red, and sapphire blue in their feathers, you will never forget them. God intended for us to remember his wondrous world, "He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered" (Psalm 111:4).

These amazing little birds are able to swivel their feathers and turn their wings literally upside down without slowing down. They can also fly straight up or backward. No other bird can do all of these things.

Baby hummingbirds, looking like tiny black bugs, are taught early to fly. Sitting on the edge of the nest, they beat their wings until they lift themselves into the air.

A hummingbird's nest is about the size of a silver dollar and very soft. The eggs are about as big as beans. Usually there are two, and they are as white as pearls.

What a wonderful creature God cre-

ated in the tiny hummingbird! Imagine! it can travel five hundred miles without stopping for food or water, to reach its warm, winter home. (Sunday School Board Syndicate, all rights reserved)

#### **Thankfulness**

By Laura Alice Boyd

As Christ walked on the road one day. He saw ten lepers by the way. They called to him and begged that he Would heal them of their leprosy. He healed them all. They went away. And only one came back to say Thank you to Christ for what he'd done:

He was the truly thankful one. God still helps each of us each day. Do we remember thanks to say? (Sunday School Board Syndicate, all rights reserved)

#### On The Inside

While walking down the street one day I passed a store when the proprietor was washing the large plate glass window. There was one soiled spot which defied all efforts to remove it. After rubbing hard at it using much soap and water, he found the trouble. "It's on the inside," he called to someone in the store.

Many are striving to cleanse the soul from its stains. They wash it with tears of sorrow; they scrub it with the soap of good resolves; but still the consciousness of it is not removed. The trouble is: "It's on the inside." It is the heart that is bad. If the fountain is bitter the stream will not be sweet.

Nothing but the blood of Jesus, applied by the mighty hand of the Holy Spirit, can cleanse the inside.—Selected.

# Church Chuckles



"Please don't awaken him. Sunday morning's his only chance to sleep late!"

Of all the reasons church members have 'invented' to explain their absence from worship service, the one quot-ed above comes close to being the most popular of all. And to which the average minister would be very apt to reply: "Get to bed EAR-

WIFE: Oh, John, the woman next door has a hat exactly like my new one.

HUBBY: And I suppose you want me to buy you another?

WIFE: Well, it would be cheaper than moving.-Ex.

NEAL: Why are there so few women lawvers?

JACK: Because women would rather lay down the law than take it up.-Ex.

"I'LL HAVE to have a raise, sir," said the young bookkeeper. "There are three companies after me."

"What three?" demanded the boss. "Light, telephone and water:"

A CITY MAN crawled over a fence, only to find himself in a pasture with a vicious-looking bull.

"Hey, there!" he called to a farmer. "Is this bull safe?"

"He sure is," answered the farmer. "A lot safer than you are."

SUE: "Don't you think a cookbook is fascinating reading?"

LOU: "Yes, it has so many stirring events in it."-Clipped.



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# Life - Vanity or Victory

By Don Hook
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Larger Lesson—All of Ecclesiastes; Emphasized Lesson—Ecclesiastes 5:1-2; 4-6; 8-12

Because of the opening verse of Ecclesiastes, Solomon was for centuries



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universally accepted as the author. About the time of Luther the authorship of the book began to be seriously questioned so that today there is considerable opinion that some anonymous writer assumed the role of Solomon. Whether we can definitely identify the writer or not, there that Solomon is the

can be no doubt that Solomon is the "Preacher," either personally or portrayed by another.

The time of writing cannot be definitely established. However, the date and human author are not nearly as important as the purpose of God as it is revealed in the content of the book. Dr. J. B. Tidwell, long-time professor of Bible at Baylor University, says of Ecclesiastes: "The purpose is not to express the doubts or skepticism of the writer, not to record the complaining of a bitter spirit. It is not the story of a pessimist or of an evil man turned moralist. But it is intended to show that, if one should realize all the aims, hopes and aspirations of life, they would not bring satisfaction to the heart. His (the writer's) experience is used to show the result of successful worldliness and self-gratification in contrast with the outcome of the higher wisdom of the Godly life."

What is life? When does one really live the "full life"? Just what elements must go into the cup of life to make it literally overflow with soul satisfaction, heart happiness, and spiritual stability? There are some ingredients which are absolutely essential to a full and overflowing life. Without them all else that one might add to his cup of life will be mere vanity, leaving in the end only the dregs of bitterness and gall.

First, there must be a sincere fellowship with God and a sincere worship of God. (Ecc. 5:1-6) Mere "mouth religion" is worse than worthless. One has to admit that Solomon's was not the only day characterized by rashly made and wantonly disregarded religious vows. Too many today are blithely making professions of faith, promising to take up their crosses and follow Jesus, and rededicating their lives in every revival meeting, whose vows of love, loyalty, and service are so soon forgotten. How we need to heed the in-

junction and admonition of the "Preacher" to be sincere and whole-hearted in all our relationships with God. No vow to God ought ever be expressed publicly until it has been sincerely made with all of one's heart. Once made, the same sincerity in which the vow originated should characterize the fulfillment of it in daily life. Without this element of sincerity in worship only vanity, not victory, can be the end result of one's life.

The second element in a victorious life is the patient, submissive, yet aggressive faith that God is not blind to, nor is He in harmony with injustices, oppressions, or iniquitous discriminations. (Ecc. 5:8) The bitterness of cynicism and fatalism inevitably takes over the life which fails to recognize that "there be higher than they" who ultimately dispenses just judgment upon all the activities of men. How restraining, and yet how comforting, is the knowledge that One Who is perfect in holiness, just in judgment, and righteous in all His acts, watches with purposefulness over all the affairs of men. Unless one has a keen sense of the presence of the providence of God working constantly in the affairs of: men and, unless one has the patient perception to see that men are unable to reach definite conclusions about the seeming inequities and inequalities of life until God has passed final judgment upon such, life will indeed be "vanity of vanities and vexation of

A third element in victorious living is the ability to properly evaluate this life and the "things" of this life. (Ecc. 5:9-12) Shall money and all the things it will provide become the highest good in life? Or shall the labor of a man who works the work of love that he might make some contribution to his day and time, as well as receive the personal material benefits which may accrue to him, take precedence over the "things" of life? Perhaps life's greatest errors are made in the realm of evaluation. Not only the question of which qualities are best, but also the question of proportion is involved. Blessed is the man who early discovers that life can be neither measured or enjoyed only on the basis of material possessions. It is the God-given privilege, and also responsibility, of every man to work with his hands, his intelligence, and his time, and be gratefully content with the returns. This is not to say that God puts any premium on indolence or lackadaisical mediocrity. Sweet indeed is the sleep of the man who has given a full day's work for a full day's pay and who sleeps with the conscience of a good steward of God's. It is also this man's God-given right to enjoy the fruits of his labors. However, he should always remember that fuller enjoyment of the fruits of one's labors comes only to the man who is mindful of the needs of others. No man can claim victory as God's steward who is oblivious to others.

To summarize the lesson, at least three things must be said: First, it is relatively easy, and entirely as the devil wants it, to let life become nothing more than vanity and vexation of spirit, All one needs to do is to adopt the philosophy of life "eat, drink, and be merry for tomorrow you die" and live by it. Regardless of how feverishly and abundantly one may eat, drink, and be merry, only a vacuum can result.

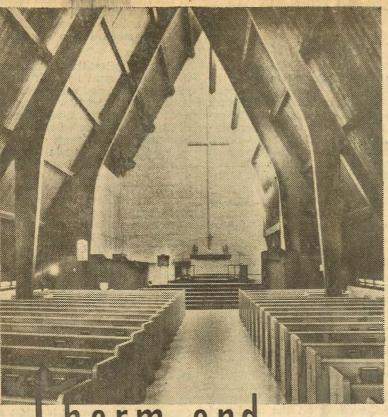
The second conclusion is that life is more than meat and raiment. It is more than an inexplicable riddle. It is infinitely more than sound and fury and a continuous battle with so-called fate. Life is sacred, a trust from God to be invested for His glory. All the sincerity and earnestness of one's being should be given to dignifying life. If God is ruled out, or if He is given only a minor place, life eventually becomes exceedingly "tedious and tasteless" and terribly emoty.

The third conclusion is that life with God, in His fellowship and will, is the abundant life regardless of how little or how much else one may have. The question, "What would it profit a man if he should gain the whole world and lose his own soul?", should be honestly faced and answered by every man. No man is rich who is not rich toward God. No one has real peace of mind and soul satisfaction who does not have God. But rich and victorious indeed is the man who can sing, "Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee." (Psm. 73:25) This is the song of victory of the man who remembers His Creator in the days of his youth, walks with Him, talks with Him. loves and serves Him, and finally goes home with Him to stay with Him for-

#### Drug Addiction

THE NUMBER of drug addicts in the United States is declining. The most recent total is 45,692, two-thirds of whom are in New York, Illinois, and California. The Federal Commissioner of Narcotics attributes the decline to the Narcotics Control Act passed by Congress in 1956 which increased the federal penalties for selling narcotics and centralized the reporting of addicts. An authority on the Far East has said that the Communist Government of China is suppressing the use of opium in that country but is actively promoting the smuggling of the dope into the United States and other free countries in order to weaken the western world.

PETER NORTIER, pastor of Van Avenue Church, Bastrop, La., recently led DeGray Church, Prescott, in a revival. Edward Turner, pastor of DeGray, baptized 14 at the close of the revival. There were two rededications.



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Arizona College Raises \$150,000

PHOENIX, Ari. -(PB) - "It's the biggest shot in the arm the college has ever had," an Arizona Baptist leader declared joyously after reporting success of the Fleming Challenge Campaign to benefit Grand Canyon Col lege here.

Charles L. McKay, Phoenix, Baptist General Convention of Arizona executive secretary, announced that the campaign had brought in \$52,476 in contributions for the college. He also said that a nine-month check of baptisms by convention churches disclosed a total of 3.634.

William Fleming, wealthy Ft. Worth, Tex., Baptist layman and benefactor to many Baptist causes in the West, had promised to donate \$100,000 to the college if Arizona Baptists secured \$50,000 and if conversions over the period reached 3,583.

Grand Canyon College is operated by the general convention and is the only church-supported four-year college in the state.

McKay said that his announced figures represented incomplete totals, because several churches have still to report. He said the \$100,000, plus the convention-raised \$50,000 will be used to build a women's dormitory to house 100 students.

Funds received above \$150,000 will be used later to build an infirmary at the college.

McKay was director of the Fleming Challenge Campaign, launched after Fleming made his offer of \$100,000 if the convention could raise half the amount.

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