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ARKANSAS

Baptist

JULY 23, 1959



State Convention Proposes Budget for 1960

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD at its July 14 meeting adopted a proposed budget of \$1,650,000 for 1960, which will be presented to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention at its annual meeting, November 17-19. This is divided on a basis of 64% for state causes—current and capital needs—and 36% for missions causes beyond our state. In addition to this a goal of \$75,000 is suggested for the Thanksgiving Offering for our Bottoms Baptist Orphanage at Monticello. This would make a grand total of \$1,725,000.



DR. WHITLOW

The Board will recommend that the Orphanage be placed in the Cooperative Program budget for the amount of their full support in 1961—thus eliminating the special offering at Thanksgiving after the year 1960.

We shall be discussing the items of the budget and other important actions taken by the Executive Board in succeeding issues of the *Arkansas Baptist*.

1960 PROPOSED BUDGET

I. STATE CAUSES

Administration	\$47,500.00
"Arkansas Baptist"	15,000.00
Baptist Student Union	52,000.00
Brotherhood	23,700.00
Camps - Assembly	22,300.00
Reserve	10,000.00
Foundation	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	3,000.00
Missions - Evangelism	75,000.00
Race Relations	10,000.00
Music	17,000.00
Promotion - Convention	30,000.00

Retirement	73,000.00
Sunday School	30,000.00
Training Union	28,000.00
Woman's Missionary Union	36,000.00
Arkansas Baptist Hospital—	
Nursing	40,000.00
Charity	20,000.00
Baptist Memorial Hospital—	
Regular	25,000.00
Charity	10,000.00
Ouachita College	256,905.00
Southern Baptist College	32,670.00
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage	75,000.00

\$ 933,075.00

II. SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION \$ 594,000.00

III. CAPITAL NEEDS

Pulaski County College Property	\$ 7,425.00
Camps - Assembly	20,000.00
Bottoms Baptist Orphanage	5,000.00
Baptist Student Union	18,000.00
Hospitals—	
Little Rock	40,000.00
Memphis	5,000.00
New Mission Sites	20,000.00
Future Office Building	7,500.00

\$ 122,925.00

\$1,650,000.00

IV. BOTTOMS BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

(Thanksgiving Offering) 75,000.00

\$1,725,000.00

—S. A. Whitlow, Executive Secretary ■

God's Organ

AN ORGANIST must read music and words, listen to the organ and choir, and at the same time, work both hands and feet.

While a human being may learn to play an organ, God plays the whole universe. He plays on the keyboard of nature and seasons blow in and out. He plays on the keyboard of science and a formula is the result. He plays on the manual of humanity using human hands, human lips, and human hearts as His controlling stops, and service is the result.

God, the Father, produced his sweetest music through Jesus Christ, because Jesus said, "Not my will, but thine be done." This gave us the cross and the resurrection. Jesus kept his heart, mind, and eyes clear and, therefore, was willing to give himself. This won the hushed listening of the world. When Jesus gave His all, there was no sluggishness, no hesitating, no vacillation.

Such stewardship the world had never seen before because it was the music of love as God the Father played the organ of sacrifice. It was the hymn of Amazing Grace bursting through sin to ring the bells of eternity with new born souls. This is the Hallelujah Chorus of God and has won

the hushed listening of the world.

God is playing on the keyboard of this generation. He has blended the world's ills into an economic harmony that has produced prosperity and plenty in our day. We, as human beings, are the solo stops of the organ. Preachers, deacons, teachers, business men, mothers, fathers — all have a part to play. If we will let God pull out all the stops, there can be the mighty chorus of stewardship echoing far and near until the whole world can hear the good news — Jehovah is God!

Let not, we pray, one stop become unresponsive to the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Let the business man say "Play through me, Thou great organist of the universe, as I put my tithes into the blood stream of my church." Let the teacher say, "Take my influence and play a stewardship tune that will produce tithers in my class." Let the deacon say, "Lift men up through me, even though it be at the tune of a cross." Let all of us say as one Hallelujah Chorus, "Come Thou Almighty King, help us Thy name to sing," as we learn to become better givers so that the music of love can burst forth out of the storm of hate.

Remember it takes good stewards to be responsive keys in God's great or-

gan. It takes surrendered lives to become white keys on God's great keyboard of love. It takes responsive hearts to let God pull out all of the stops and exclaim "I am come that ye might have life and have it more abundantly."—Ralph Douglas, Associate Secretary. ■

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Executive Board in Busy Session

By The Editor

THE EXECUTIVE Board of the Arkansas Baptist Convention, in its annual summer meeting July 14 at the Baptist Building:

Approved a proposed budget of \$1,725,000 for 1960, to be submitted at the annual meeting of the convention here in November for final action;

Empowered a committee to secure a site for a new Baptist Building to be erected in the next four or five years;

Voted to recommend to the convention the borrowing of \$200,000 to cover the purchase of the new site for the Baptist Building and for a state camp site and improvement of Baptist state camp and assembly facilities;

Authorized a committee to study during the coming year the advisability of the trustees of Southern Baptist College, independent Baptist junior college of Walnut Ridge, that this college be given to the convention;

Named two new staff members and created a new field job;

Appropriated \$19,000 from convention funds to match a similar amount from the Pulaski County Baptist Association for erection and equipping of a Baptist student center at University of Arkansas Medical Center, Little Rock.

The proposed budget for 1960 would be an increase of \$25,000 over the convention's current budget and would be divided on the percentage basis of 55.3 per cent for state convention causes; 36 per cent for Southern Baptist Convention causes; and 8.7 percent for state capital needs.

Named to succeed Dr. J. Edgar Williamson as secretary of the Sunday School department of the state convention was Lawson Hatfield, Little Rock native who is now superintendent of

new work for the Southern Baptist Convention, with headquarters in Nashville, Tenn.

Hatfield will begin his new duties Oct. 15, before Dr. Williamson's retirement Jan. 1. He is a graduate of Central High School, Little Rock, Ouachita College, and Southwestern Seminary, and formerly served as pastor of First Baptist Churches of Ashdown, DeQueen, Fordyce, and of Calvary Baptist Church, Little Rock.

Mrs. Hatfield is the former Miss Juanita Gill, of Arkadelphia.

Elected assistant to the editor of the **Arkansas Baptist** was Jerry Tolbert, of Pine Bluff, a journalism major from the University of Texas.

Employment of a full-time field representative to promote relief and annuity was authorized. The board voted to recommend to the convention that the Arkansas Baptist Foundation, which has operated under its own board of directors, be placed under the direction of the convention's executive board.

Of the \$200,000 loan being sought by the board, \$25,000 would be for a suitable state camp site near the center of the state; \$100,000 would be for improvement of the facilities of Arkansas Baptist Assembly, Siloam Springs, and erection of the first permanent unit on the proposed new camp site; and \$75,000 would be for a site for the new Baptist Building, in or near Little Rock.

The board voted to send its executive secretary, Dr. S. A. Whitlow, to the Baptist World Alliance in Rio de Janeiro next June.

Named to fill vacancies on the Executive Board until the annual elections at the meeting of the convention in November were:

of the Cooperative Program budget. The distribution will divide money between state Baptist work and work of the Southern Baptist Convention and its agencies.

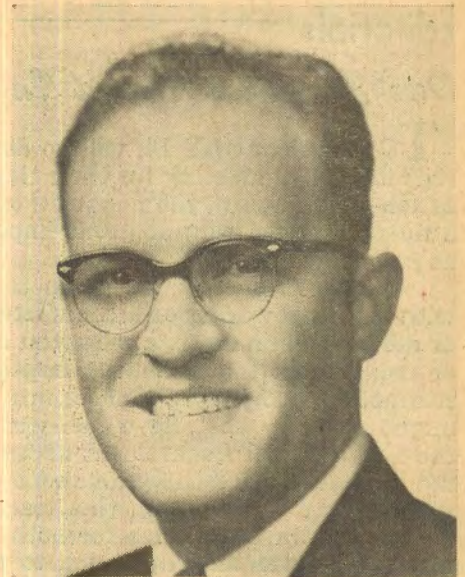
Jewish Census

The Jewish population of the United States, according to the 1959 edition of the **American Jewish Yearbook**, has reached 5,260,000 and still "is not keeping pace with the general population."

Interesting sidelights: The average Jewish wife is bearing fewer children than the average gentile mother; and the age of the average Jew is higher than the gentile average.

Half of the world's estimated 12,000,000 Jews live in the United States. Russia is in second place with approximately 2,000,000; and Israel itself ranks third with 1,780,000. (EP) ■

DR. L. H. DAVIS, who retired from the pastorate recently and moved from Harrisburg to Arkadelphia, is recuperating at Baptist Hospital, Little Rock, from a slight stroke.



LAWSON HATFIELD

Big Creek Association: P. O. Harrington, pastor of Hardy Baptist Church.

Concord Association: A. G. Escott, pastor of Bluff Avenue Baptist Church, Ft. Smith; Thomas A. Hinson, pastor of First Baptist Church, Paris; and Eugene A. Ryan, pastor of First Baptist Church, Charleston.

Current River Association: J. B. Huffmaster, pastor of First Baptist Church, Success.

Harmony Association: Harold Elmore, pastor of Rison Baptist Church.

Mississippi County Association: Dr. C. F. Pitts, pastor of First Baptist Church, Blytheville.

White River Association: James E. Birkhead, pastor of First Baptist Church, Mountain Home.

Caddo River Association: W. O. Miller, pastor of Norman Baptist Church.

Ouachita Party To Visit Palestine

DR. CECIL SUTLEY, professor of Religion at Ouachita College, and a party of 12 will sail July 15 on the SS Atlantic for a six-weeks tour of Europe, Egypt and Palestine. They will return home August 26 by plane.

The members of the party are from Arkansas and four other states and range in age from 23 to 78.

One member has applied for the six hours of academic credit offered by Ouachita Baptist College for the tour.

Dr. Sutley plans to conduct another tour next year.

Ohio Baptists Change Budget

COLUMBUS, O. — (BP) — The 1960 budget of the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio will have no preferred items. The executive board, at its July session here, voted to do away with preferred items, and to adopt a percentage distribution on the full amount



The Cover

Glorieta Record

THROUGH THE courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Vines and daughter Marilyn, we have as our cover picture this week a photograph of the 1,407 who attended the first Sunday School Week at Glorieta, recently. The Vineses, members of Amboy Church, North Little Rock, were among those present.

We understand that the registration for this week set an all time high for the Glorieta Assembly.

Our Executive Board In Action

TUESDAY, JULY 14, will go down in Arkansas Baptist history as a red letter day. Meeting for their first summer session since the reorganization of the board, the members of the Executive Board took action on a number of matters of great importance to the progress of our work as Arkansas Baptists.

A great impetus was given to the camps and assemblies program with the empowering of a committee to secure a site in the central part of the state for a new state Baptist camp and calling for the improvement of facilities at the Arkansas Baptist Assembly, Siloam Springs, to accommodate 600 people. Concerning the site for a new state camp, some might ask why the site which was secured two or three years ago by the Brotherhood Department about 20 miles west of Little Rock would not be suitable for the permanent camp. The committee reported that the 82 acres contained in this tract would not be adequate for a camp that would have facilities for both boys and girls, and that the cost of building an adequate approach to the camp would be at least \$50,000. A further negative factor was that there is no public transportation available from Little Rock or other points in the state to the site. Since only a small amount of money has been invested in the camp, no loss would be entailed in choosing another location.

While the camp and assembly program will have the green light, a definite step has been taken to build a new Baptist headquarters building on a suitable site somewhere in the Little Rock community. A committee has been authorized to take an option on a site with a view to final approval by the convention at its fall meeting and provision of the money for purchase. It is hoped that the building can be erected sometime in the next four or five years. The present headquarters building allows no room for future expansion and has no parking facilities. As matters now stand, many an important meeting is somewhat distracted by the necessity of those attending having to go out at frequent intervals and feed parking meters. In planning for a new building, Arkansas is joining the march of a number of other states in the Southern Baptist Convention as they look forward to a great and expanding future. To finance the new sites for the camp and for the Baptist Building and to provide for certain facilities at the Arkansas Baptist Assembly and at the new camp site, the Executive Board will ask the convention this November to authorize the securing of a \$200,000 loan to be repaid from the capital needs portion of our annual budget.

Another far-reaching action is that authorizing a committee from the Executive Board to study the advisability of accepting Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, as an Arkansas Baptist Convention institution. An independent Baptist junior college, Southern Baptist has been receiving approximately \$30,000 a year from the state convention for several years. Its trustees have now indicated officially their desire to turn this school over to the convention. It is estimated that our committee will need a full year before making a recommendation to the convention.

For the many years it has been in existence, the Arkansas Baptist Foundation has operated under its own board, as our Baptist institutions. Many have felt for some time that the foundation should be a regular department in our state work. The action of the Executive Board in voting to recommend to the convention that the foundation be under the direction of the Executive Board strikes us as being a wise and timely action.

The vote of the board to employ a full-time field representative for the promotion of Ministerial Relief and Annuity is another great step forward. The Relief and Annuity Board has made it clear that Arkansas is lagging far behind what she must do if she is to continue to have the full protection offered through the Relief and Annuity Board. There is an urgent need that the number of participants in this program be doubled in the near future.

Not the least important of the actions taken was the approval of a proposed budget of \$1,725,000 for 1960. This will be an item of business at the November meeting of the Arkansas Baptist Convention.

One could not sit in on the board meeting without feeling the presence of God and the breaking of a great, new day for the Baptists of our great state.

Personally Speaking:

Carnegie in Reverse

MY TOPIC this week is on the theme, "How to Lose Friends and Alienate People." I feel preeminently qualified to write on this topic by many years of not getting along as well with everybody as I might have.



ELM

One of the best ways to lose friends is to become good at arguing. Learning to argue may be a little difficult for you at first, but the more you practice,

the easier it comes for you. You might start by practicing on your husband, or wife, or roommate, or anybody else who cannot get away from you.

Learn never to permit anyone's view or opinion to go unchallenged. You can always start off by saying, "I think you are wrong," or you might be a little more emphatic and declare, "You're all wet!" or "You're crazy!"

Argument is a good weapon. So is a revolver. But as far as getting rid of friends is concerned, argument is just as effective as shooting them between the eyes. Whether you bash a fellow over the head with an unanswerable argument or shoot him, the result is the same — you lose a friend either way. But, of course, they won't hang you for killing nice friendships with argument.

Pick your friends for all the juicy bits of personal and confidential information you can and then spread it. As a gossip you can be the life of the party — for a little while — till folks begin to wonder whom you talk about when they are not present. If people get to where they don't seem to appreciate you and quit baring their hearts to you, you can find other ways of getting the dope you need. Or you can fall back on your imagination. No good gossip will let a lack of facts stop him (or her).

Develop a poor memory for people's names, except when gossiping.

When somebody does you a good turn, forget it. He probably has an axe to grind or he would not have helped you. Don't go out of your way to help anybody. Your thoughtfulness probably would not be appreciated anyhow. Besides, you have yourself to look out for.

This will sound out of context: Learn to help others. Help them to see what miserable failures they are. Point out their weaknesses and mistakes. You can soon have them hating the ground you walk on.

Follow these directions and when you die the undertaker will have no difficulty finding enough chairs to seat the people who come to your funeral.

THE PEOPLE SPEAK

About Carver School

AT LOUISVILLE, Baptists voted favorably on the Survey Committee recommendation that Carver School "be continued as a separate institution of the Convention." Time limitations prevented presentation in the discussion of the reasons for such a course of action. Since the much publicized rejected minority report has raised some questions that still need answering for many people the following information is presented:

1. Carver School enrolled an even 100 students June 1, 1958-May 30, 1959.

2. Accreditation as a professional School of Social Work would be impossible if the school were merged with Southern Seminary. The Southern Association of Schools and Colleges, whose recognition is essential in such accreditation, does not accredit any seminary work. It is out of its field.

3. A major need in Baptist life is for a professional school of Social Work. Children's homes no longer major only on institutional care. Their foster homes and adoption programs cannot operate legally in most states unless there are professional social workers on the staff. Carver School is not just offering introductory social work courses, which can be taught in a seminary, but it is aiming its program at professional accreditation. No other Baptist school is offering such training.

4. Missions courses at Carver are specialized and seek to provide training for missionaries in areas not covered in the usual B. D. course.

5. Per capita costs are admittedly high now. The projected program at Carver calls for reducing those per capita costs by half within 5 years. Travel costs by horseback were much less for pioneer preachers and missionaries than current costs for operating cars and travelling by plane. No one suggests that we save money by having our preachers ride horseback. We afford the additional cost because we believe it worthwhile. Even so, it costs Baptists less in the long run to pay more for Social Work education than for some other types of training and spend less in child care expense by placing a child in a foster home rather than an institution. The trained professional social worker enables the denomination to best meet the child's needs this way.

6. In the interest of economy Carver School is already securing all possible supporting services.

Baptists need to know! Pages 213-216 and 330-332 of the 1959 Convention Book of Reports tell more of the story. If you have any unanswered questions about your Southern Baptist Convention agency, Carver School, write 2801 Lexington Road, Louisville 6, Kentucky, and ask for an answer.—Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., President, Carver School

Serving in Suffering

MRS. CECILE MOORE, of Rt. 2, Box 222A, Malvern, writes:

"I am enclosing a poem written by a dear little crippled lady I met recently while we were both hospitalized—Mrs. Angie Tate, of Lonoke.

"Mrs. Tate was in a serious automobile accident about a year ago and was going through another of a long series of operations. All crippled and misshapen, she was able to get about with a special-built shoe and crutches and managed to make her way from room to room trying to cheer and encourage other patients."

We understand that the following rhyme by Mrs. Tate expresses her own personal experiences:

A Shut-In's Prayer

How dark the night, how drear the day,
When faith in God doeth fade away—
But when we fall upon our knees,
And pray, "Lord, just have your way,
please,

Not my will Lord, but thine be done.
If I must go through life alone
Oh, precious Jesus, make me strong,
Oh, let me sing redemption's song.
Take away the sadness and the fears.
Take away the heartaches and the tears.
Let me be content to walk alone,
And lean upon my Saviour's arm.
Lord, take self pity out of me,
Let me look up and trust in thee
To provide my needs and lead the way
To win lost souls along the way.
Oh, Lord, walk with me every day."

Sunday School Aide

NASHVILLE — (BSSB) — Keener Pharr is now superintendent of administration in the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board. He was minister of education at 1st Church, Charlotte, N. C., since 1951.

Adult Education To Be Reviewed

NASHVILLE — (BP) — Adult religious education in the Southern Baptist Convention needs to be rethought in light of several recent developments.

This opinion was voiced by Lee Gallman of Jackson, Miss., director of the Seminary Extension Department for Southern Baptists' six seminaries. He made his statements in address to the Southern Baptist Association of Extension Educators here, of which he is president.

Recent developments requiring a re-study of adult education include the Bible school movement, the co-ordinated Bible study course program announced by the Baptist Sunday School Board, and national trends in education, Gallman said.

He applied these developments particularly to the field of extension education. This field has to do with the operation of educational programs away from campuses of colleges and other schools.

The Bible Says



DEUT. 6:6, 7

And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children.

Dr. L. L. Carpenter Announces Retirement

RALEIGH, N. C. — (BP) — Dr. L. L. Carpenter, who for almost 17 years has been editor of the weekly **Biblical Recorder** here, said he plans to retire from office Dec. 31.

The **Biblical Recorder**, with 62,000 subscribers, is the publication of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Dr. Carpenter told the paper's board of directors that he had considered retirement for some time and had decided to retire when 68. His 68th birthday will be next Nov. 29.

He added that he was making the announcement early so that a nominating committee could be appointed to find a successor. John W. Kincheloe Jr., of Raleigh, chairman of the board, was expected to appoint this committee.

Dr. Carpenter joined the **Biblical Recorder** as editor in September, 1942. The paper had about 10,000 subscribers at that time.

A native of the Raleigh area, Dr. Carpenter graduated from Wake Forest College when it was located in nearby Wake Forest, N. C. He has master's and doctor's degrees in theology from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and a Ph.D. from Yale University.

He was ordained to the ministry in 1912 and taught at several colleges before becoming editor. He was an instructor at Southern Seminary, 1916-18; at University of Southern Carolina, 1921-26; at Furman University, 1926-27; at Limestone College, 1927-36, and at Baylor University, 1936-42.

He was pastor of churches in North and South Carolina and in Texas.

Dr. Carpenter also has served on several committees in Baptist denominational life and is author or co-author of at least six books.

Western Kentucky Hospital Accredited

PADUCAH, Ky. — (BP) — Western Baptist Hospital here has received full accreditation. The board of commissioners of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals has approved the recommendation that Western Baptist Hospital be accredited for a period of three years or until a subsequent survey is conducted.

Arkansas All Over



MR. McBETH

McBeth Winner Ouachita Award

W. FRANCIS McBETH, associate professor of music at Ouachita College, has received the President's Award for Creativeness for his concert music composition, "Lamentations and Gloria of David." President Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., started the \$50 award this year as an annual one to the faculty member who has made an important contribution to his field.

The selection was chosen for performance at the Southwestern Symposium of Contemporary American Music held this spring at the University of Texas, Austin. This was the third composition McBeth has had included in the Symposiums. A symphony was selected in 1954 and an overture for orchestra was chosen in 1957.

This year's selection, a tenor solo, was written in the summer of 1958 for David Scott, also an associate professor of music at Ouachita College, to sing at a meeting of the Philharmonic Music Club, Arkadelphia.

McBeth joined the Ouachita Faculty in 1957. He is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University and has a master's degree from the University of Texas. He is studying at the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N. Y., this summer.

He has composed several symphonies, other works for brass ensemble, band, piano and vocal music. ■

Censorship Lifted

PHILADELPHIA (EP) — The Pennsylvania Supreme Court, by a 5-2 verdict, has labeled as unconstitutional a provision of the state penal code which had been invoked to prevent the showing of "lascivious, sacrilegious, obscene, indecent or immoral" films.

NOT EVEN a Bible verse can do its work unless it is understood. It is not religion to the child, until it is a message from God for his heart.—Christian Science Magazine

REV. AND MRS. Ottis E. Denney are now living on Rt. 8, Fayetteville. Mr. Denney does evangelistic and supply work, and when in Fayetteville, supplies the Sulphur City Church on Sunday. He has served as associational missionary, and as pioneer missionary for the Home Mission Board in the East.

DURING THE absence of Dr. Andrew Hall from 1st Church, Fayetteville, Chaplain Allen Brickley, former B.S.U. secretary at the University, supplied the pulpit, July 5; Dr. Lofton Hudson, director of Midwest Christian Counseling Center, preached July 12; and Leland Hall, pastor at West Plains, Mo., preached July 19.

Dr. Hall and his family were in Princeton, N. J., where he attended a pastor's institute at Princeton University.

NEW PASTOR at Pleasant Ridge Church, Star Rt. 1, Poughkeepsie, is Jesse W. Hall, a native of Mississippi, who began his new duties recently. He and his wife have a daughter, Mary. Mr. Hall has held pastorates in the Northwest.

DURING THE recent revival at New Hope Church, Rt. 1, Hardy, in Black River Association, Pastor Simon O. Norris served as evangelist. Additions included 24 by baptism, and four by letter and statement. New Hope moved into its new building in 1954 and now plans an enlargement. When Pastor Norris began his ministry there four years ago, there were 29 members. Now there are more than 100. Average Sunday School attendance is better than 70.

THE FREEMAN Heights Church, Berryville, only eight months old, held its first vacation Bible School May 25 through June 5. The total enrollment was 106 and an average daily attendance of 98. The 10-day school met Standard requirements in every respect. Dr. E. A. "Happy" Ingram, interim pastor, was principal of the school.

COACH LENDOL Jackson, Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, attended a basketball coaches school at South Bend, Ind., July 14-17.

OPEN HOUSE was observed July 12 at 1st Church, Van Buren, upon completion of a \$45,000 conversion and enlargement of the building. The pastor, T. H. Jordan, is serving his fifteenth year at the church. (DP)

GERANEY HARRIS, missionary to the Belgian Congo, supplied the pulpit of Crossett's 1st Church, July 12. He and his wife have served the Belgian Congo for 19 years, and will return to Africa at the end of a year's furlough. (CB)

DR. WILLIAM E. BROWN, new executive secretary of Christian Civic Foundation of Arkansas, met with the pastors of Drew County, July 8, to initiate a local organization of the Foundation in the county. This is in prep-

aration of the aim of the Foundation to reach all age groups and all people of the state. The approach will be upon the educational, legal, and rehabilitation levels.

AMONG the 47 candidates for degrees and diplomas at the summer commencement program at New Orleans Seminary July 24 is one student from Arkansas. He is Donald D. Jackson,



MR. JACKSON

son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Jackson, Calion, who will receive the bachelor-of-divinity degree. Dr. George W. Harrison, associate professor of Bible and philosophy at Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky., will deliver the commencement address and Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, president of the seminary, will present the awards. This brings to 220 the number of graduates of the seminary during the 1958-59 school year.



LESLIE BAPTIST CHURCH

Leslie Church Remodels

LESLIE CHURCH has completed remodeling its auditorium at the approximate cost of \$10,000. The building includes a baptistry, new lighting system, lowered ceiling, refinished floors, and new pews and pulpit furniture from Turney Wood Products, Harrison.

Services in the new building began by baptizing four people, and a G.A. presentation followed with five girls becoming Ladies-in-Waiting and one Maiden.

Virgil Blair was chairman of the building committee, F. Guy Mabrey headed the building fund treasury, and Lex Treece was chairman of the finance committee. Don Jones was pastor during the improvement campaign, and is now pastor of Dermott's Belaire Church. ■

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "One who ignores the church is like a man who builds a house without windows and then blames God because he has to live in the dark."—The Survey Bulletin

Baptist Crosscurrents

It Wears a False Face

THE CHRISTIAN citizen in every community should remember that the traffic in alcoholic beverages is not a legitimate business. Its whole existence and operation is by sufferance extended by the government. Webster says that sufferance means "forbearance under provocation." One rarely ever finds a more appropriate definition.

The right of the liquor traffic to exist and to advertise its wares cannot be claimed on an equal basis with similar rights of a business conducted in the interest of the public welfare. Some of the foremost industries of this country have been legally forbidden to use channels of inter-state advertising because the claims they made in their advertising were proven to be false.

The Pure Food and Drug Act of this nation is constantly being invoked against the manufacture, advertising, and sale of food and drugs that are not conducive to good health. This act has in it a whole section on "false advertising" on the basis of which the makers of many a product have been legally forbidden to advertise it. According to this definition, the advertising of a product must reveal the effect the product will have on the one who uses it. The distilleries and distributors of alcoholic beverages would hardly dare to meet this legal requirement in their advertising.—A. C. Miller, Christian Life Commission

A Vanishing Virtue

ONE OF the virtues anciently desired (some years ago) by parents for their daughters was modesty. Modesty refers to many things—but essentially it implies the opposite of self-display.

Popularly, the word modesty refers particularly to freedom from indecency, lewdness, vulgar self-display.

The trend today however, seems to be just the opposite. In visiting a college campus the other day I was amazed at the number of girls on campus and in the buildings attired in shorts. On the same campus a few weeks before a girl had been expelled for "inciting" a "panty" raid. Most of the girls I saw on the campus could have been charged with, to say the least, "impropriety" in dress.

Of course, I know we live in a different age—the age of the "body beautiful"—but when people become exclusively physical culturists, they deteriorate. The ancient Greeks and Romans are classic examples.

One may have a beautiful body without putting it on public display. There are places and occasions where slacks and shorts and swim suits are common sense attire. Public streets and college campuses seem hardly the place. Let's not throw modesty to the winds.—L. H. Moore, Illinois Baptist

Hungarian Escapees Become Missionaries

ATLANTA — (BP) — Dr. and Mrs. Alexander S. Haraszti, who escaped with their children from Hungary during the 1956 rebellion against Russian persecution, arrived at Georgia Baptist Hospital, Atlanta, July 1 for the final step of medical training before going to Africa as medical missionaries.

Dr. Haraszti, a general surgeon, was surgeon at Budapest's largest hospital, pastor of 1st Baptist Church of Budapest, and vice-president of the Budapest Baptist Theological Seminary when he decided to flee Hungary in November, 1956.

Mrs. Haraszti, an M. D. in pathology, is the daughter of Garbor Ban, one of Hungary's pioneer Baptist

preachers. Their children are Joseph, 15; Rose, 14; Stella, 12; Benedict, 6, and Pamela, 4.

The Haraszti parents have been interned at Missouri Baptist Hospital, St. Louis, since December, 1956. They will be at Georgia Baptist Hospital for two or three years.

Sunday School

Convention Planned

FORT WORTH, Tex. — (BP) — Plans are being made to accommodate the more than 15,000 persons who are expected to attend the first Southern Baptist-wide Sunday School Convention here March 29-31 next year.

Charles McLaughlin, chairman of the local steering committee, said that many motels and hotels are already being besieged for reservations.

TV Profanity Hit

MCKINNEY, Tex. — (BP) — Increased use of profanity in dramatic network television productions has been attacked as a "total disregard for decency and a violation of the sanctity of our homes" by the McKinney Ministerial Alliance.

A letter mailed to several denominational groups in the U. S. urged viewers to protest the use of profanity on television by writing the networks.

The protest particularly labelled the Columbia Broadcasting System's "Playhouse 90" presentation of "The Rank and File," a drama on corrupt labor union practices.

"During the presentation," the Alliance said, "there were instances where profanity was used and the Lord's name taken in vain once. It is our firm conviction the network is violating the sanctity of our homes and undermining the high moral standards of our people."

Texas Baptist Brotherhood secretary L. H. Tapscott joined in asking Christian laymen to register complaints with the Federal Communications Commission.

Seminary Head Retires

JACKSON, Miss. — (BP) — W. A. Keel, Jackson, president of Mississippi (Negro) Baptist Seminary, has retired, according to announcement by N. F. Greer, Morton, Miss., chairman of the trustees. A committee was appointed to draw up resolutions of appreciation for Keel's two years of service.

Queen Donates Organ

CAPETOWN, South Africa (EP) — Queen Mary of England, grandmother of Queen Elizabeth II, long ago gave an organ to the Anglican parish on the island of Tristan da Cunha in the South Atlantic. Word got to England recently that the organ is worn out beyond repair. In response to this news, Queen Elizabeth II is sending a new organ to Tristan's 261 inhabitants. All but 25 of them are Anglicans. Discovered in 1506 by a Portuguese admiral, the island has been a British possession since 1816.

Confirmation Disapproved

The Communist governments of Rumania and Hungary recently pressured parents in a move to keep youth out of church confirmation ceremonies. According to reports from Vienna, Rumanian parents of school children preparing for confirmation in the Lutheran Church in Kronstadt received a letter from the principal of their school one week before graduation, warning that any child allowed to be confirmed could not graduate. As a result, the report said, "very few" of the parents allowed their sons and daughters to participate in the confirmation ceremonies. Instead, the youth were required to visit a Socialist Party memorial and museum at Dofana on the day scheduled for the confirmation ceremony. (EP)

**Anti-smoking Move**

THE AMERICAN Cancer Society with headquarters at Boston has voted to wage a massive anti-smoking campaign aimed mostly at teen-agers.

Meeting at Boston the Society's board of directors called for more vigorous efforts to "bring to the attention of physicians and the public, and particularly teen-agers, facts about cancer and smoking."

Bible Reader Theme

"THE EVERLASTING Light" is the theme that has been chosen for the Worldwide Bible Reading program, sponsored each year by the American Bible Society from Thanksgiving to Christmas, according to Dr. James Z. Nettinga, director of the program. This is the 16th consecutive year for the reading program.

Australia Crusade

SYDNEY, Australia (EP) — Critics of Billy Graham's Australian Crusade were incorrect in claiming that "the same old church-goers were warmed over again," according to Associate Evangelist Jerry Beavan. He told a large crowd here recently that 76 per cent of the 56,000 Sydney people reported as making "decisions for Christ" did so for the first time. Moreover, converts in the month-long Sydney campaign included persons "among groups notably difficult to reach." Among these, Beavan said, were 1,454 college and university students, 491 teachers, 433 business executives, 306 professional engineers, 115 members of the entertainment world, 1,046 nurses, 50 doctors and 28 lawyers. Crusade officials reported a total of 142,000 decisions for Christ.

India Churchmen Protest

TRIVANDRUM, Kerala (EP) — New and scattered violence erupted in various parts of the Communist-ruled state of Kerala, India, as Roman Catholics and Hindu Nairs refused to reopen their schools. The schools had been closed in protest against the government's attempts to seize control of teaching personnel in private as well as public schools. Political groups and Moslem leaders joined with the school sympathizers in mass demonstrations aimed at unseating the Communist government, but their demonstrations only drew fire from the police. Eleven were killed, 59 injured, and many arrested.

Barbarian Era

BERLIN (EP) — Bishop Otto Dibelius, president of the Evangelical Church of Germany, warned at the outset of World Refugee Year on July 1 that the callous lack of concern by most people for the welfare of the world's estimated 45,000,000 refugees may be the beginning of an "era of barbarity and an age of inhumanity in the making."

Alaska Baptists in Assembly

WASILLA, Alaska — (BP) — William Hall Preston, student department worker of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville was principal speaker at the first state Assembly of the Alaska Baptist Convention. His theme was, "Never Hit a Low Note."

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sherer, foreign missionaries to Japan, were on leave and passing through Alaska. They visited the assembly and related their experiences and the history of Baptist work in Japan.

Baptist Lake here — site of the assembly — is a primitive wilderness, hidden among the hills on the western edge of the Matanuska valley. The lake is nearly a mile long and about one-half mile wide. Sixty-four persons enrolled at this first state assembly.

Those attending camped in tents, and cooked, studied, and prayed together. Sleeping bags and air mattresses were loaned and arranged to make everyone as comfortable as possible.

Felton Griffin, pastor of 1st Baptist Church, Anchorage, 100 miles away, flew back and forth in his small plane, landing on the lake.

Miss Benita Brothers, Baptist student summer missionary from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill., helped lead the campfire service at the close of each day.

Ben N. Hill, general missionary of Alaska Baptist Convention, was organizer and director of the state assembly. Attendance goal next year is 200, and dates are July 4-8.

Reds Dislike Paul

BERLIN (EP) — Representatives of East Germany's Communist regime recently demanded that candidates for the Lutheran ministry alter papers on the theology of Paul to make the apostle's teaching "harmonize" with current Soviet Zone policies. The news was disclosed at a conference of the East German Lutheran Bishops presided over by Bishop Otto Dibelius of Berlin, chairman of the Council of the Evangelical Church in Germany (EKID). Conference speakers cited this censorship as one of the latest examples of the Reds' "increasing and systematic interference with Church literature."

Churches Merge

GENEVA, Switzerland (EP) — Two new churches have been added to the roster of the World Presbyterian Alliance. They are the Presbytery of Liberia, West Africa, and the Synod of the Christian Churches of Central Java, Indonesia. The 1,400-member Liberian body of nine congregations began as a mission of the former Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. The Javanese body has 30,000 baptized members. It is a product of the missionary activity of the Reformed Churches of the Netherlands. The Synod is unique in that most of its members stem from conversions made among Moslems.

THE BOOKSHELF

The Praying Christ, by James G. S. S. Tomson, William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1959, \$3.00.

The focus of this new book on prayer is located where the Life of all prayers is to be found — in Christ himself. Avoiding general and vague notions about prayer and its effectiveness, the author goes directly to the Gospel accounts of our Lord's doctrine and practice of prayer. From these he sets forth the divine pattern of prayer, its nature, aim, and method.

The Life Beyond, by Ray Summerall, an interpretation of New Testament teachings on death, the resurrection, the second coming, eternal destiny, Broadman Press, 1959, \$3.25.

Some Christians assume that they have all knowledge and can answer all questions about God's plan for the consummation of his purpose. Speculating with verses here and there, they set up a detailed schedule for Christ's second coming and the day of judgment. Other Christians think those things are best left entirely in the hands of God and are little concerned about what is to come at the end of this life. Still others seek the truth through a thorough study of the Bible. Dr. Summerall writes his book on the belief that the third approach is the sound one.

The Acts of the Apostles, by E. M. Blaiklock, a Tyndale New Testament Commentary, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1959, \$3.

"All who are interested in the teaching and the study of the New Testament today cannot fail to be concerned with the lack of commentaries which avoid the extremes of being unduly technical or unhelpfully brief. It is the hope of the editor and publisher that this present series will do something toward the supply of this deficiency. . . . The commentaries are primarily exegetical and only secondarily homiletic, though it is hoped that both student and preacher will find them informative and suggestive. . ."—From general preface.

The Businessman's Guide to Practical Politics, by J. J. Wuerthner, Jr., Henry Regnery Co., Chicago, 1959, \$3.75.

Not a discussion of politics in broad sweeping generalities, this book is a down-to-earth practical how-to-do-it guide for the businessman, who is now confronted with a massive movement of labor leaders into the political and legislative fields, and seeks an intelligent and dynamic approach to the problem.

How to Study Your Bible, by Lloyd M. Perry and Waldon Howard, Fleming H. Revell Co., 1957, \$4.

We may think of the Bible, the authors say, as a road map — the road map to real life. In it we find answers to such questions as "Where am I going?" "Where did I come from?" "What am I doing here?" This book tells how to read the map.

A Pastor Speaks... Concerning Preparation Week

THIS TESTIMONY is by Rev. W. T. Byrum, pastor, First Baptist Church, Hazen, Arkansas.

"This past year our church baptized according to the ratio, one to eight. For this I am deeply grateful. We expect this ratio in young churches, but we are an old church. The First Baptist Church of Hazen was organized in 1882. How did it happen? WE OBSERVED PREPARATION WEEK IN OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL.

"Preparation Week gave us the following things:

1. It initiated the taking of a thorough religious census of our community. (A real eye opener to the opportunities for our Sunday School and church.) Forty workers participated and took this census in 45 minutes.
2. It gave us three new departments in our Sunday School: Extension department, Cradle Roll department, and Young People's department.
3. It gave us ten new teaching units (classes).
4. It gave us a regular Monthly Workers' Conference.
5. It gave us trained workers. (One-half of our teachers hold Worker's Diplomas.)
6. It gave us a place among the top 50 churches in training awards in our state.
7. It gave us a Standard Sunday School.
8. We feel that it contributed more to giving us 58 additions to our church than any other factor.

"We will observe Preparation Week again this year."



W. T. BYRUM

Attendance Report

(July 12)

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Crossett, 1st	597	193	
El Dorado, 1st	832	220	
North Side Mission	52		
Fort Smith Immanuel	357	131	
Fort Smith, Rye Hill	104	53	1
Hot Springs, Park Pl.	393	147	
Jonesboro, Walnut St.	343	144	5
Little Rock, Life Line	217	113	1
Little Rock, Tyler St.	257	103	
Magnolia, Central	702	267	3
Mission	64	38	
Springdale, 1st	472	138	1
Warren, 1st	524	154	3
West Memphis, Calvary	181	129	1

Indians Baptize 20,485

CUTTACK, India — (BWA) — India, where William Carey first brought the Baptist message in 1793, now has 3,375 Baptist churches with a membership of 401,022 baptized believers.

These figures, announced by Rev. B. R. Moses, secretary of the Baptist Union of India, became available when Indian Baptists came together at Cuttack for their third Baptist Assembly.

Representatives from ten affiliated Baptist bodies in 12 states were present.

Argentina Jubilee

ROSARIA, Argentina — (BWA) — Four hundred delegates, representing 125 churches, attended jubilee sessions of the Baptist Convention of Argentina.

Convention history dates back to 1909 with organization of the River Plate Baptist Convention, which included churches of Paraguay and Uruguay, as well as Argentina. The churches of Paraguay and Uruguay later established separate conventions as a result of the missionary enterprise of the Argentines.



MISS CUNNINGHAM

Missionaries Featured

MISS TROY CUNNINGHAM of Tampa, Fla., will be the featured home missionary at three Girls' Auxiliary camps to be held at Ferncliff July 27-31, August 3-7, and August 10-14. She is a native of East Tennessee and has worked with the French-speaking people in South Louisiana, with language groups in East St. Louis, and since September, 1957, she has been serving at the good will center in Tampa, Fla.

Other missionaries who will be at the girls' camps will be Mrs. Victor Kaneubbe, missionary to Indians at Philadelphia, Miss.; Miss Annie Hoover and Miss Rosemary Lambert of Japan; Mrs. Roy McGlamory, formerly of Colombia, and Miss Irene Chambers, field representative with the Home Mission Board.

Among nationals who will attend are Miss Mamie Mei Lee of Hong Kong, now a student at Georgetown College in Kentucky, and Mrs. Louise Tsui of

Taiwan in teacher training at the Arkansas School for the deaf.

Missionary teaching and training will be offered by a score of local leaders. Miss Johnnie Coleman of Fort Smith will direct all camps and will be assisted by Mrs. R. E. Hagood, state WMU assistant.

Reservations should be sent to the State WMU Office, 310 Baptist Bldg., Little Rock, accompanied by \$2.00 reservation fee. Camps for junior girls for July 27-31 and August 3-7 are closed, but reservations may still be received for others. ■

Australian Tour

MELBOURNE, Australia — (BWA) — An 18-week tour itinerary has been projected for Australian Baptists going to the Tenth Baptist World Congress in Rio de Janeiro in June 1960.

Rev. P. J. Hayes, an Australian Baptist leader and tour organizer, said that the lengthy routing will include eight weeks travel in North America, including the United States and Canada.

Pacific Ocean travel in both directions will be by steamer. The traveler will have his choice of steamer (two weeks) or plane (two days) from New York to Rio.

Congo Joins in BJA

LEOPOLDVILLE, Belgian Congo — (BWA) — Baptists of the Belgian Congo will join with their North American brethren and others around the world in carrying out the Baptist Jubilee Advance.

Emphasis during the first year, 1959, is being placed on strengthening witness in the schools and hospitals, in the second year, on strengthening the witness of the local church. The third year will see a strengthening of evangelistic witness through widespread campaigns.

Editors Air Opinions On Southern 'Invasion'

MINISTERS OF the American Baptist Convention, at a nationwide conference in Des Moines, Ia., in June, debated the topic, "The Southern Baptist Invasion: Right or Wrong?"

Three speakers — two pastors of the American Convention, and one from the Southern Baptist Convention — presented various phases of the question, and the topic then was open to floor discussion.

Blake Smith, pastor of University Baptist Church, Austin, Tex., was invited as the Southern Baptist participant. In his address, he said establishment of Southern Baptist churches had "gotten out of hand" in what American Baptists have considered their territory.

But Smith also pointed out reasons why Southern Baptist people now in non-Southern states do not feel at home in American Baptist churches, and laid a share of the blame at the feet of American Baptists. He also reported that Southern Baptists were "there to stay" as far as any work in non-Southern states is concerned.

Since this ministers' conference debate, editors of Southern Baptist state papers have spoken their minds. Most references to Smith's address have been critical, but not all.

What has been the reaction? Seen from the editors' desks, it is:

First, that Smith spoke for himself and did not represent Southern Baptists. One said he sounded more like an American Baptist pastor. Still others, though a definite minority, viewed his arguments as having merit and deserving consideration by Southern Baptists.

Second, that Southern Baptists indeed are "there to stay." There are enough differences in doctrinal interpretation and church practice to create a need for separate churches.

Third, that Southern Baptists should not establish churches in non-Southern states in a spirit of competition, but neither should they neglect an opportunity to implant a Baptist witness in an area without a Baptist church. Several agreed that a few individual Southern Baptists had erred in competitive church extension, but declared these were exceptions and not common practice.

Fourth, that Southern Baptists should not resent the issue being brought into the open.

Fifth, that it is no "invasion" of someone else's exclusive territory but an "expansion" brought on to meet an evident need and resulting also from population shifts in which Southern Baptist church members have moved into non-Southern states.

Sixth, that both American and Southern Baptists are guilty of "false charges" against one another, some Southerners claiming American Baptists "are not Christian" and some American Baptists charging that Southern Baptists are interested "only

in statistics."

Seventh, that it's time to quit quibbling and get back to the main task of evangelism.

James O. Duncan, Washington, acting editor of the weekly **Capital Baptist**, serves a local convention which supports both the American and Southern Baptist Conventions. Thus, his appraisal — from a first-hand view of both groups — carries added weight.

His points: Both conventions have made "distinctive" contributions. Both have engaged in false accusations. Charges of "liberalism" against American Baptists, he said, can be answered with the statement that some Southern Baptists could also be so accused.

Claims that Southern Baptists are an "uneducated, irresponsible group" were met with the reply that Southern Baptists own and operate 70 educational institutions above high school level, Duncan went on.

In addition, he cited organization of American Baptist churches in Missouri — with subsequent formation of an American-related state convention — as evidence that the northern group is at work in a predominantly Southern Baptist state.

Duncan declared: "One of the tragedies of our day is that there is not a way in which the pastors of the two Conventions can get to know one another."

C. R. Daley of the **Western Recorder**, Middletown, Ky., said Southern Baptists should not resent this discussion by American Baptists. "With the shoe on the other foot, we would have been discussing them long ago," he continued.

Erwin McDonald, of the **Arkansas Baptist** and Richard N. Owen of Tennessee's **Baptist and Reflector** agreed that Southern Baptist expansion should not be in a spirit of competition.

"Southern Baptists have a pretty clean record insofar as any effort to alienate churches from the American Baptist Convention is concerned," added Floyd Looney of **The California Southern Baptist**, who lives in a state where both Conventions have churches and state organizations.

Looney; John J. Hurt of Georgia's **Christia Index**, and Jack Gritz of Oklahoma's **Baptist Messenger** urged an end to "foolish bickering," replaced by greater evangelism and church extension for all concerned.

Gritz and L. H. Moore of the **Illinois Baptist** emphasized that Smith spoke only for himself "and in no sense could be thought of as representing Southern Baptists."

E. S. James, editor of the largest Baptist newspaper, Texas' **Baptist Standard**, said Smith consulted "a

number of prominent Southern Baptists about the advisability of accepting the invitation, and was encouraged to go and address our brethren of that convention."

He said both Smith and his audience were aware that he "was speaking for himself and not for the Southern Baptist Convention." The use of the word "invasion" was not Smith's own selection but was a subject assigned to him, James reported.

James concluded by saying that, "in no sense whatever can a friendly and brotherly gesture of help be called an 'invasion.'"

Horace F. Burns of the **Baptist New Mexican**, speaking from previous experience in an area where both groups have churches, asked this question: "What are we to do? Shall we say the Great Commission doesn't apply to the people who live [in a certain community] because there is some kind of Baptist church over in the next county?"

He said "invasion" charges had been leveled when the newly-organized Southern Baptist mission "was eight miles away and across a toll bridge" from the complaining American Baptist congregation.

Several editors described the Southern Baptist expansion into new areas as being led of the Holy Spirit. These editors included R. G. Puckett of Ohio, McDonald of Arkansas, and Gritz of Oklahoma.

Puckett and Willis J. Ray of the **Rocky Mountain Baptist**, Denver, Colo., expressed similar sentiments. Puckett reported, "Let me clearly state that Southern Baptists did not come to Ohio to jeopardize the programs of the established churches already in the state."

Ray stated it: "Southern Baptists are not in the North to disturb or steal any of the American Baptists, Conservative Baptists, Fundamental Baptists, or Independent Baptist churches."

The Colorado editor mentioned three reasons for "Southerners working in the North" — "69 per cent . . . are unchurched"; thousands of communities have no Baptist church, and Southerners moving North have wanted Southern Baptist churches.

But L. L. Carpenter, of North Carolina's **Biblical Recorder** differed: "We would agree that this practice of sending missionaries and establishing Southern Baptist churches in . . . American Baptist Convention territory has been carried too far." He urged a "reasonable comity agreement."

Another Carolinian, J. Marse Grant, editor of **Charity and Children**, posed the question, "Will the two Baptist conventions merge in the next 15 or 25 years?"

Caution on Mail

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) — "Good progress" in reducing the amount of obscene literature being sent to children

through the mails has been reported by Postmaster General Summerfield.

But he cautions: "Persistent, intensive action on a nation-wide scale will be necessary for a long time to come."

Parenthood for Church Is Blessing

By JOHN J. HURT, JR.
Editor, The Christian Index

PARENTHOOD IS just as fine for a church as it is for husband and wife. There is equal joy in watching the offspring develop.

Parenthood for a church, which means participating in our Southern Baptist 30,000 Movement, can be as great a blessing to the church as a revival. It can and should deepen the spiritual life of the congregation as it gives leadership and money to a mission and sees souls won for Christ and older Christians grow in their devotion to him.

The Southern Baptist crusade to establish 30,000 new missions and churches by 1964 may well be the greatest blessing of the century for the denomination.

All this I know better now because my church, 1st Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga., has just unanimously voted \$200,000 for its mission — \$100,000 as a gift to the building fund and \$100,000 as a loan which the mission will repay as it is able after it becomes a church. We are borrowing the \$200,000, in addition to previous contributions, at the same time we are borrowing \$800,000 for our own million-dollar-plus building expansion.

Let me add quickly that this total debt of \$1,000,000 isn't too big when you realize that we have 6,000 members and an annual budget of \$564,000. Churches our size have no business trifling with lesser things.

We in Atlanta's First Church have a parental pride in our Briarcliff Road Chapel which equals the pride in our own church. Neither is perfect, we know, but you'll run into trouble if you speak unkindly of either.

Now, if we have established our right to boast, let's open the "do-it-yourself-kit" as we see it from experience.

Skip the details about planting the mission in an area where the need exists. That is elementary, and no new residential area, especially in a growing city like Atlanta, is over-churched. The Atlanta Association anticipated the need in this section years ago and purchased a \$20,000 lot. It was for us to be alert and ready as the scores of new homes went up each month.

The second major requirement is two exceptionally fine pastors — one for the sponsoring church and one for the mission. We had the first in Roy O. McClain at 1st Church, who promised from the beginning we would give leadership and money. Credit him with success in a unanimous recommendation from the missions committee, the finance committee, and the deacons that we provide \$200,000 instead of the \$75,000 we were talking about just six months ago.

God led us to the other fine pastor, in Glen G. Waldrop, who saw the need,

the opportunity, and responded to our call. Proof of his leadership is that our mission had 173 members only nine months after the first service, budget receipts of \$500 weekly, and was going forward in all ways. His wife shares equally in the credit, helping in all the accustomed ways of a pastor's wife and doubling as his secretary at home until they get into the new building.

A dozen or more leaders in our church are now leading in the mission. A church our size should have them to spare without too great a sacrifice. Those people couldn't be drafted into returning to the mother church, because of the real joy of service they have at the Briarcliff Chapel.

Others, of course, have joined hands, but the delight is in seeing the progress that has been registered from the start. Our mission will probably become a church about the time it enters the new building a year from now. The members of the mission feel that five or ten years from now they can have their own mission, because our gift of leaders and money eliminated growing pains which would have restricted them at the start.

I wouldn't trade my membership on the missions committee for any other position in the church. I doubt that any of the other committeemen would swap. We can't, as a committee, claim much of the credit, to be sure, but every minute of service has been a delight, and we already boast of "our mission."

Some of us in 1st Church are more thrilled with the money going into our mission than with the six-times-larger amount going into our own desperately needed building. I doubt that any church like ours has any business building for itself without at the same time **BUILDING FOR OTHERS.**

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

How To Get Faith Back?

QUESTION: How does one get his faith back? As a child I believed in Jesus and the Bible and had no doubts.



DR. HUDSON

Now I doubt everything.

I've been emotionally sick for the last few months and have had electrical shock treatments. Now I can't even pray. Please help me.

ANSWER: Emotional illness is a terrific shock to the soul. It may take

you a while to get to praying again. If you are still depressed, don't spend much time praying. It will throw you deeper into your depression.

Jesus said, "If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself." (John 7:17). There it is. Do exactly what you believe Jesus would tell you to do and soon you will find faith growing in your heart. Act "as if" you are a Christian, and your faith may return in spite of your doubts. Christ knows your trouble and loves you.

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

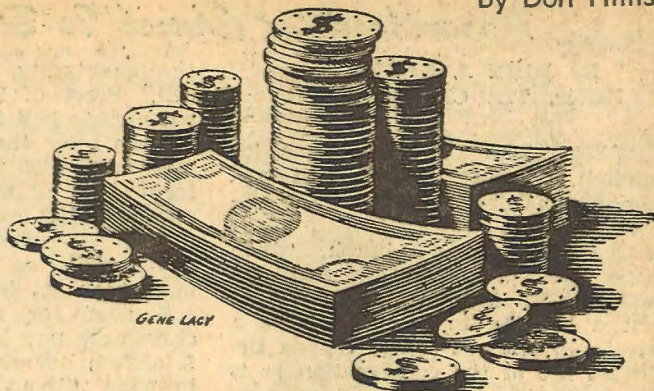
New Radio Station

CHICAGO (EP) — Moody Bible Institute's new AM station WDLM, located near East Moline, Illinois, is expected to be on the air about January 1, 1960, according to Willis Mayfield, manager of the radio division at MBI. Actual construction on studio and transmitter facilities for the new station began during the last week of June.



CONFERRING on plans for new mission are: Roy O. McClain, pastor, 1st Baptist Church, Atlanta; Glen G. Waldrop, pastor, Briarcliff Road Chapel; John J. Hurt, Jr., chairman, missions committee.

All This . . . and Heaven Too?



TEN YEARS FROM now your income will be up twenty per cent. You will have a four-day working week and probably a guaranteed annual wage. You will own two of the 81,000,000 cars on U.S. highways. One of your cars will be jet-propelled. You will be able to fly from New York to London in five hours.

Your house will be heated and lighted by the sun. The built-in cooking units will be cleverly hidden behind sliding doors. Automatic eyes will open and close the windows as the temperature and weather change. Plastic cans, pre-cooked meats, and micro-wave cooking methods will be commonplace. Your color TV set will cost about \$300, while a wrist-watchsize radio can be purchased for \$25 at any corner drug store.

These are not the predictions of a fanatic. They have been made by Mr. Leo Cherne, who is the executive director of the Research Institute of America. He and his organization spend \$6,000,000 annually in the study of such matters. He ought to know!

Material Prosperity

The Bible declares, and history demonstrates, that prosperity is one of the most dangerous friends that any nation can have. It led Israel into idolatry again and again. It ate the foundation from under the Roman Empire. It foreshadows the fall of this great land of ours. Material prosperity has led strong men to destruction. Lot, Samson, Saul, and thousands like them have suffered at its hands.

This growing hurricane of prosperity presents to the earnest Christian an unbelievably subtle temptation. The spirit of a covetous materialism (which is idolatry) can overtake him as quietly and unobservedly as the fall of a shadow across this path. In order to

keep up with the current of social progress, he finds that a bigger and better job is indispensable. This in turn requires a bigger and better office, farm, or factory. A bigger and better car and home naturally follow. Nor is this jig-saw complete without a bigger and better church.

Once upon a time, the story goes, there was a man who decided to build bigger and better barns. Jesus very frankly said that the man was a "fool" for investing in wood, hay, and stubble instead of investing in gold, silver, and precious stones. This analysis makes good sense.

Public Enemy No. 1

The god of materialism is the most popular and best advertised of all pagan gods in America. Newspapers, magazines, billboards, store windows, offices, and homes vie with one another in giving him space. He is incarnate in a thousand shapes and forms. He is ever present. He is attractive to the eye and a thing to be desired. His devotees number in the millions. Even churches succumb to his attractions. Our 97,000,000 American church members are worshiping in more expensive structures, are sitting in more comfortable pews, and singing out of better-bound hymn books than ever before. The church can so easily say, "I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing" (Revelation 3:17).

How very closely this approximates the man who was clothed in purple and fine linen. He fared sumptuously from day to day, while one made of the same flesh and blood sat at his gate, cold, hungry, and sick.

On the mission fields of the world today the "dogs" of a dozen idolatrous religions are licking the sores of a cold, hungry, and sick humanity. We have the God-given "garments" to warm

the heart, the "bread" to feed the soul, and the "balm" to heal the wounds. Woe be unto our Christian experience, if we do not joyfully share these treasures.

God or Mammon?

The deadly scourge of complacency follows in the train of prosperity and faith (the one thing that pleases God) disappears. "When the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" (Luke 18:8) Adversity often proves to be a truer friend than progress, poverty than prosperity, and conflict than peace.

If the task of world evangelism is to be accomplished, it will be done by men who have set their affections on things which are above, who seek first the kingdom of God and who look for the glorious appearing of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ. If we are to save ourselves from this eating and drinking, giving and taking, buying and selling, greedy and grasping generation, then we must look for that "city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God" (Hebrews 11:10).

If we are to win nations for which Christ died, then we must practice the deliberate discipline of consciously and conscientiously walking in the footsteps of Paul, who counted not his life dear unto himself, but looked upon all personal gain as refuse in order that he might win men to Christ.

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth, nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is there will your heart be also" (Matthew 6:19-21).—American Tract Society



MEMORIAL TO Miss Eva Smith, missionary to Cuba 1925-45, designed and erected by Jimmie Russell, Warren.

Missionary Memorial

Miss Eva Smith resigned her missionary post in Cuba in 1945 because of ill health. She died at Sparkman in 1954 from an incurable disease.

Miss Smith was buried in Sardis Cemetery, but her family was not able to erect a memorial. This moved the WMU at 1st Church, Sparkman, to sponsor a campaign to place a memorial on the grave of "Our Missionary" as she was called by her neighbors in Carey Association.

Recently a special service dedicated the memorial to Miss Smith. Participating pastors included A. W. Upchurch, 1st Church, Bearden; Doyle L. Lumpkin, 1st Church, Sparkman; and Fred Knickerbocker, New Hope Church, Sparkman. Dr. S. A. Whitelow, executive secretary of the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist Convention, was guest speaker.

Miss Smith was "Our Missionary" to the many Christian people in Carey Association who helped her achieve her calling. She spent her early life on a farm at Pine Grove, near Sparkman, and at an early age was united with New Hope Church.

Her faithfulness to church services brought admiration, and her wonderful sense of humor made it a joy to be around her.

During a revival at New Hope Church, she surrendered to the mission call, and dreamed of four years at Ouachita, then the mission field. But how?

Women of her church issued a challenge to Carey Association to help her with prayers and financial aid. Many answered the call, especially WMU societies at Fordyce, Sparkman, Bearden, Ouachita, Prosperity, and New Hope.

During her last years at Ouachita College, Miss Smith was given a signed check book by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Porter. Mr. Porter was a deacon in Sparkman Church.

At Ouachita, Miss Smith was active in all religious activities, and graduated with honors. Then she taught English at Pine Grove School, and saved

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Ouachita Library Expansion Begins

WORK WILL begin immediately on an addition to Riley Library at Ouachita College. The board of trustees of the college approved plans for this annex, two temporary dormitory buildings and a new athletic field, in a meeting July 9, Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., president, has announced.

The board also approved a plan to build a Bible Building at the site of the president's home which was torn down recently. This building will contain classrooms, offices and a chapel.

Money for the library addition was donated by Miss Emma Riley, of Little Rock and El Dorado. Reading room space will be doubled and a periodical and reference reading room will be added.

The two temporary dormitories approved by the board, one for women and one for men, will house 40 students each, Dr. Phelps said.

Two permanent dormitories will be built whenever loans are received from the Housing and Home Finance Agency. Estimated cost of the two, one for men and the other for women stu-

money to attend Southern Baptist Convention in 1925 in Memphis. She offered herself to the mission field of Cuba after hearing Dr. M. M. McCall.

Miss Smith left immediately, mastered the Spanish language, and taught in the Cuban-American College for the next 20 years. In addition to teaching, she was active in every phase of Baptist work. She visited homes, gave out tracts, witnessed, led the BYPU, taught the blind, and visited hospitals, jails, and other institutions.

Her life story can be summed up by saying that she gave all to God in service to all.—Reporter

Anti-Red China Stand Is Upheld

DES MOINES, Ia. — (BP) — The American Baptist Convention here voted 245 to 234 to uphold the U. S. State Department's stand against recognizing Communist China.

The vote came on an amendment offered by O. K. Armstrong of Springfield, Mo., former Republican Congressman.

Armstrong, who at last month's Southern Baptist Convention in Louisville helped spearhead passage of a resolution against obscene literature, introduced the amendment to a resolutions committee report in the following words:

"We the delegates to the American Baptist Convention support the policy of our government in denying diplomatic recognition to Communist China and support the policy of our State Department and the United Nations in refusing to seat the regime of Communist China as a member of the UN."

Discussion of the Red China issue came up at the American Baptist Convention as a result of action last year

dents, is \$625,000.

The new athletic field will include a football field, baseball diamond, a field house and track facilities. It will be built on land now owned by the college, north of the present field. Football games this fall will be played on the present A. U. Williams Athletic Field and the new field should be ready for use in the fall of 1960, Dr. Phelps said.

New buildings will be constructed on the present A. U. Williams Field, Dr. Phelps said. It honors Dr. A. U. Williams of Hot Springs, who donated the funds for it in 1912. The field house was built with funds given by Birkett L. Williams, a 1910 graduate of Ouachita College and a son of Dr. Williams.

Dr. Phelps expects work to begin on the new field as soon as plans are received from Robert Rucker, campus planning consultant of Norman, Okla., who is preparing a 25-year expansion plan for the college.

The board adopted a \$1,258,000 expansion program for the next five years for Ouachita, earlier this year.



MR. CAPRA

PROMOTION ASSISTANT — Robert G. Capra has been elected assistant director of Cooperative Program promotion for the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville. Capra, whose new post is effective July 1, has been pastor of Fee Fee Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo., for seven years. His selection was announced by Merrill D. Moore, secretary of stewardship promotion, in whose office Capra will be employed.—(BP)

by the world order study conference of the National Council of Churches, of which the American Convention is a member.

The world order study conference had recommended recognition of the Red regime.



T. K. RUCKER

Honorary Degrees Announced

TWO BAPTIST ministers will receive doctor-of-divinity degrees at the summer commencement at Ouachita College: T. K. Rucker, of Forrest City, and Stanley Jordan, of Shreveport, La.

Mr. Rucker, who is pastor of the 1st Baptist Church, Forrest City, is serving his second term as president of the Arkansas Baptist Convention. He has been pastor of the 1st Church, Searcy, and the 1st Church, Malvern.

Mr. Jordan is pastor of the Queensborough Baptist church at Shreveport, one of the largest in Louisiana. A Lockesburg native, he received an A. B. degree from Ouachita College in 1943. He was secretary of the Ministerial Association and president of the Life Service Band in his senior year.

The commencement speaker will be Dr. Foy Valentine, executive secretary

of the Christian Life Commission of Texas.

Commencement exercises will be held in 1st Baptist Church, Arkadelphia, August 14 at 5 p.m.



STANLEY JORDAN

Capital Punishment

New Jersey has recently been concerned to face again the question of capital punishment. Efforts were made to stay a scheduled execution until the Legislature had had an opportunity to express itself on pending bills to abolish this procedure. The measures have been widely debated in the Legislature and in two public hearings. At the last hearing on one of the bills, law-enforcement officials were alone in advocating capital punishment.

A top official of the New Jersey Department of Institutions and Agencies commented recently that of "all the democracies of the Western World, only France, England and the United States still retain the death penalty."

Michigan abolished the penalty a century ago and Maine in 1870. Nine other states and territories have since eliminated or sharply restricted the use of capital punishment. These are: Minnesota, Delaware, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Wisconsin, Alaska, Hawaii, Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico.

This fall Oregon voters will ballot in a referendum calling for the elimination of the death penalty. Meanwhile, legislation to achieve the same goal is pending in Massachusetts — The Presbyterian Outlook

Self Discipline

"SELF DISCIPLINE is a lost art" declares the instructor of English at Roland High School in Oklahoma. This statement is made in the light of observation of pupils' study and work habits over a period of several years.

Tragically, the statement is equally true among church members. Some are responsible primarily for their own growth in grace. Others have been charged with nurturing the lives of others, from the crib to the crypt.

What an indictment that less than 50

per cent of the Sunday School members attend regularly; that less than 75 per cent of those who attend remain for worship; that less than 50 per cent of officers and teachers attend worker's conference; that less than 20 per cent visit during any given week; that so few maintain family worship, daily devotions, purposeful prayer, serious Scripture study, teacher training, pursuit of proper procedures and meaningful methods. Of course, those figures are just true in "my church." I'm sure yours are better.

Perhaps nothing else is so lacking in present-day Christendom as the determination to do! Could this lost art bear recovering?—Robert L. Hartsell, South Side, Ft. Smith.

Racial Incidents in U. S. Can Hamper African Work

THE BAPTIST Mission of East Africa has received a permit to proceed with the construction of a community center in the Changamwe area of Mombasa, Kenya. Plans call for a smaller community center than the ones in Dar es Salaam, Tanganyika, and Nairobi, Kenya, with a heavy emphasis on a church-type program.

The East Africa Mission has also decided to proceed with the establishment of a teacher-training institute in the South Nyanza District of Kenya. If personnel can be secured, it is hoped that the institution may be opened in 1960.

Dr. Goerner said: "Unfavorable publicity concerning racial incidents in the United States continues to create embarrassing situations for missionaries in Africa. Earnest prayer should be continued that nothing will happen in America which might cause a violent reaction against missionaries in Africa, thus hampering their work or closing doors that now are open."

Baptist Literature Distribution Told

NASHVILLE — (BP) — The Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention distributed 1,154,000 pieces of literature, not including its monthly magazine, last year.

Commission Chairman Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., of Arkadelphia, Ark., said literature included the paper, *Career News*, for young people; tracts and pamphlets about the Commission and about Christian higher education, and material in vacation Bible school packets.

He announced that the Commission still plans to employ an associate secretary who will be in charge of a new teacher-placement service. "This is the field in which the colleges have expressed a great need," Phelps reported.

The teacher-placement secretary would spend "a great deal of time" in field work. He would keep files of persons available for teaching positions in Southern Baptist colleges and of persons in graduate schools who will become available after their schooling.

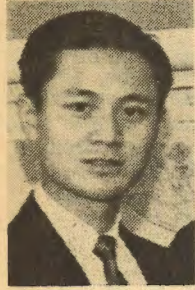
The first announcement of the planned teacher-placement emphasis came from R. Orin Cornett, former executive secretary of the agency, last year. The Commission already has a file of potential Baptist college teachers, but no one assigned on a permanent basis to administer a program.

Phelps said that the Commission, in addition to being a clearing-house for colleges seeking teachers, hopes to be a central point for ideas and materials in the college administrative field.

"You would send in significant documents from your colleges," he told fellow Baptist educators. These would be shared with other Baptist colleges. "This service," according to Phelps, "will be valuable to colleges in seeking and in retaining accreditation."

Chinese Student Becomes Christian

Some months ago the students of the University of Arkansas and friends from other campuses were shocked at the death of Shing-Faan Lee, a fine



SHING-FAAN LEE

Baptist student from Hong Kong attending the University. The life of this fine young Christian is still bearing fruit, however.

Jamie Jones, BSU Director at the University of Arkansas, recently received a letter from the BSU Director at the University of Oklahoma. The letter began, "I'm

happy to report that Mo-Hung Che made his public confession of faith and was baptized Sunday, June 28. I told him that I would share this good news with you."

In a letter to our student office, Jamie Jones continues: "It is impossible for us to know and trace the many ways and means used by God in bringing a lost soul to Himself. However, in this particular case, I am aware of some of the persons and circumstances used by God in this young Chinese man's salvation.

"I will relate them briefly. Shing-Faan Lee, the wonderful Chinese Christian from Hong Kong, who was killed in an automobile accident near Fayetteville in January, 1958, prayed for and witnessed to Luke Lee, another Chinese student. Luke did not accept Christ, but he was very interested. He attended BSU activities and the First Baptist Church regularly. Luke transferred to the University of Wisconsin.

"Last summer Mo-Hung Che arrived on that campus for a few weeks of study and met Luke. When Mo-Hung came to Fayetteville and the U. of A., Luke encouraged him to contact me for help in locating a room, etc. Mo-Hung arrived here the day we were leaving for a pre-school retreat. Unable to help him locate a room before leaving town, I offered him the use of the guest room in our Baptist Student Center.

"Mo-Hung had not attended church since his arrival in the United States, but he accepted my invitation to attend the first Sunday he was in Fayetteville. He attended Sunday School and church regularly for the remainder of the semester. During the semester, it was my privilege to talk to him about Christ, give him a Chinese Bible, some tracts, and have him as a guest in our home.

"Mo-Hung transferred to the University of Oklahoma after one semester here. I wrote to the BSU Director, Art Driscoll, and asked him and his students to visit Mo-Hung as soon as possible. They did. Mo-Hung began attending church regularly in Norman. A BSU member there took an interest in

him and Mo-Hung is now a Christian.

"God alone can save but He has ordained that saved ones share in this glorious task. One who will receive reward for this conversion is Shing-Faan Lee, even though he no longer lives among us in the flesh. If Shing-Faan had not influenced Luke Lee, Luke would not have directed Mo-Hung Che to the Baptist Student Center in Fayetteville. We would not have contacted him as early or as effectively had he not come to us. In fact, we may not have been able to reach him at all because sometimes it is difficult to reach International Students. If we had not known him, we could not have passed the word along to Art Driscoll and the BSU at Oklahoma University.

"May God help all of us to be used of Him more often and more effectively in bringing the lost to salvation."—Tom Logue, Secretary, Baptist Student Department

Missions and Evangelism

New Missions

FROM JANUARY 1 to July 1, 12 Mission Stations have been established and four new churches constituted in Arkansas according to report of the majority of the Associational Missionaries.

THE 1ST Church of Huntsville, Carl Nelson, Pastor, has voted to sponsor a Mission at Kingston in Patterson County.

THE 1ST Church of Morrilton is in the process of establishing a Mission in the town of Morrilton.

THE 1ST Church of Leachville, Harold Presley, Pastor, is interested in beginning a Mission in their town. The Superintendent of Missions visited the church and spoke on Missions, July 15.

SPLENDID REPORTS are being received from the seven student missionaries working in Arkansas during the summer. They tell of some outstanding conversion experiences in Vacation Bible Schools which have been conducted.

1ST CHURCH, Calico Rock, is sponsoring a Mission in Rolph community. They report splendid attendance.

1ST CHURCH, Melbourne, is sponsoring a Mission at Sylcamore. A Sunday School was organized with 22 present. Bobby Stephens has been preaching for them Sunday mornings.

CHAPLAIN CHARLES Finch at the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium reports 12 professions of faith during June, 4 funerals, 2 weddings, and he also states that he has given out over 100 fans to poor patients.

A NEW Baptist Church will be entered by the Baptists of Troy Community in Hope Association, July 26. C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent of Missions will preach the sermon.

HAS ANYTHING been done in your Association about helping the churches which have reported no baptisms to date? It may be that a missionary, moderator, or some pastor could conduct a revival and win some souls to Christ. C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent

Dr. Brown Speaks To State Groups

DR. WILLIAM E. BROWN, executive director of Christian Civic Foundation, spoke on the program of the Foundation to the State Council P.T.A. Workshop in Conway, recently.

He was also invited to speak at Area Workshops throughout the state where many local representatives of the association were present. In group discussions, many P.T.A.'s of local communities scheduled programs dealing with narcotic education, pinball machines, and salacious literature.

Dr. Brown has met with the ministers of Washington, Pope, Drew, Columbia, Miller, Hempstead, Lee, and Craighead counties to organize the Foundation locally and to plan alcohol-narcotic workshops.



DR. TRIBBLE

New Series

BEGINNING NEXT week, the Arkansas Baptist will carry a series of four releases by Dr. Harold W. Tribble, president, Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N. C., dealing with basic Baptist beliefs.

Dr. Tribble is widely known and loved by Southern Baptists. He was for many years a member of the faculty of Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, before going to his present position.

The first of the series will be on "The Authority of the Word and the Way of Obedience."

Second in the series will be, "The Competence of the Individual and the Way of Confidence."

Others in the series, in order, will be: "The Autonomy of the Church and the Way of Democracy," "The Cooperation of Believers and the Way of Sanctification."

Many of our readers may like to clip and preserve these articles.



VACATION BIBLE School was conducted recently by 1st Church, Beebe, under direction of Mrs. J. Deese, principal, and Mrs. M. D. Daniel, associate principal. Enrollment was 89, average attendance was 74, and the offering was used to sponsor a VBS in the Negro church at Beebe.

REESE HOWARD, pastor of 1st Church, Beebe, was featured on "Morning Devotional Hour" from KWCB, Searcy, during the last week of June.

THE ONE-DAY White River Regional Brotherhood encampment was held at the Independence Camp Grounds, northwest of Batesville, July 7.

Brown to Stay With Southwestern

FORT WORTH — H. C. Brown, Jr., professor of preaching at Southwestern Seminary since 1949, will remain at Southwestern rather than accept a similar position at Midwestern Seminary in Kansas City, Mo., as previously announced.

"After due consideration I felt definitely impressed to continue my ministry at Southwestern," Professor Brown said.

"The path and pattern of Southwestern Seminary have become as real and meaningful to me as life itself," he added. "Each passing day has deepened the conviction that my place of service is here. I am confident that my continuing at Southwestern is within the framework of God's intention for my life."

Transplanted - Translated

*We thank thee, Lord, that through
thine eyes
We see thy world, thy universe
And preview scenes from paradise
Where men shall know no more
the curse of sin.
We thank thee, Lord, that through
thine ears
We hear the songs of myriad
choirs,
The hymns of praise by those whose
tears
Were dried by Him who never
tires of men.
We thank thee, Lord, that with thy
heart
We yearn for souls in every land;
With thy perception we've a part
In helping peoples thou hast
planned to win.*

—Vera Holder Newland

Magazine Honors Rural Minister

WILL AUGSBURGER, De Valls Bluff, is named 1959 Rural Minister of the Year from Arkansas. He is among 13 outstanding rural ministers from the South recognized by The Progressive Farmer and Emory University School of Theology his year.

ARKANSAS BAPTIST

SETTING UP the dedication scene in the motion picture, **IN THE CIRCLE OF HIS WILL**, on the sound stage in the headquarters building of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. Seated at left are Rev. and Mrs. Zebedee V. Moss, principal characters in the film; and to their left is Charles Gillespie, assistant cameraman checking light intensity. At right are the directors of the film, Rev. Fon H. Scofield (right), associate secretary for visual education, and Alfred J. Stuart, director of photography.

Mission Call Story Filmed

A sound motion picture telling the story of young men and women finding their places in God's plan of redemption has just been produced by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board and will have its first screening July 9 at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., where a part of it was filmed.

Entitled **In the Circle of His Will**, the picture tells the specific story of Rev. and Mrs. Zebedee V. Moss, of Caroleen, N. C., who were appointed missionaries to Central Africa at the June meeting of the Foreign Mission Board. It tells of their days at Southeastern Seminary, their contacts with

missions and missionaries, their search to find God's will for their lives, their commitment to the missionary vocation, their appointment as missionaries.

The new motion picture production facilities of the Foreign Mission Board were used for the first time in the making of this film. Processing of the picture involved synchronous sound photography on the sound stage in the Board's new headquarters building.

Production of the film was directed by Rev. Fon H. Scofield, the Board's associate secretary for visual education, and Alfred J. Stuart, director of photography.

The picture (color, 29 minutes) will be available through Baptist Book Stores after August 1. Rental charge will be \$5.00.

Universal Characteristic?

Alan Prior, editor of **The Australian Baptist**, passes on the best story he heard at the Assembly of the Baptist Union of Western Australia. It was told there by Sidney Price, who was quoting Dr. A. J. Gossip in his address to a Baptist ministers' retreat at Cambridge.

On being introduced to the assembly, Dr. Gossip reportedly said that he liked coming among Baptists. "You have a clean sheet in matters of religious freedom and toleration. You have never persecuted others." He paused and then went on in a quieter tone: "You have always been too busy persecuting one another."—From **The Irish Baptist**

Communism Losing

QUINCY, Mass. (EP) — "Communism is losing its attraction." So stated E. Stanley Jones, missionary-evangelist just returned from a world tour at an "ashram" (spiritual retreat) here at Eastern Nazarene College.

Jones declared that the peoples of Asia "welcomed Communist doctrine as

the answer to their woes, but now a big question is being raised. The old is dead, the new has not been born, and the Far East faces emptiness."

Communism, he maintains, has "promised material things, but people realize that even after they get these things, there is going to be an emptiness. It is the challenge of Christianity to enter that emptiness with fullness."

Jones reported that on his recent tour through Borneo, India, Japan, Korea and Scandinavia, some 20,000 persons signed cards as an expression of their desire to become Christians. He added that many Communists attended his meetings, which were held in public halls.

RETURNING TO their field of service in South Brazil are Mr. and Mrs. Albert I. Bagby, Southern Baptist missionaries who have been in the U. S. on furlough. Mrs. Bagby, formerly Thelma Frith, is from North Little Rock. Their address is Caixa Postal 118, Porto Alegre, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil.

Alerts Educators on Church-State

NASHVILLE — (BP) — Administrators of church-related colleges must be alert to new laws passed each year by Congress if they are to preserve the principle of church-state separation, a college president reported here.

Walter Pope Binns, president of William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., spoke at a joint session of the Southern Association of Baptist Colleges and Schools and Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Binns, who is also chairman of the SBC public affairs committee, added, "The government is passing new laws all the time in the field of education."

Among the borderline questions mentioned by Binns in his address are government loans to students, use of church-related college campuses for government institutes on science and other subjects, and government loans to colleges for student housing.

Binns said that he did not feel a church-related college violated the church-state separation principle by permitting the government to conduct

an institute on its campus, such as is being done in the field of science this summer at William Jewell and other colleges.

He said the college is loaning its summer school faculty, paid by the college, to the government institute as a public service and also is making its campus available as classrooms.

Industry should be encouraged to make contributions to church and private colleges, he continued, because it will enable the private schools to keep pace with tax-supported state universities.

"We believe that the system of having parallel public and private schools is the best," Binns declared. "We should show industry that if they do not voluntarily support private schools they will pay it in taxes to support state colleges."

Binns said "It is dangerous to base our argument on what we are saving the government. That's exactly what the Roman Catholics are saying."

Front Royal Pastor Takes Northern Post

FRONT ROYAL, Va. — (BP) — Paul Leonard Stagg, pastor of 1st Baptist Church here, has been appointed program associate in the division of evangelism, American Baptist Home Mission Societies.

He assumes that office July 15. The appointment was announced at Des Moines, Ia., where the societies met in connection with the 1959 session of the American Baptist Convention.

Stagg has been pastor of the Front Royal church since 1947. He and 12 other ministers in Front Royal drew up a statement last year opposing a request to use their churches for segregated private schools.

The congregation, however, voted nearly 2-1 to repudiate this statement, and segregated private schools were opened in three Front Royal churches, including 1st Baptist.

In presenting Stagg for appointment, Jitsuo Morikawa, director of the division of evangelism, said: "Stagg has proven himself to be a responsible minister of Jesus Christ, when in the crucially-critical issue of the problem of public school desegregation in Front Royal, Va., he took a forthright and unmistakable Christian stand. To be a real evangelist, a man must witness faithfully to the radical implications of the Christian gospel in whatever context he is."

Stagg's new position will involve the continued creation and administration of a program of evangelism for the churches of the American Baptist Convention.

S. Senator Asks Accelerated Idea War

WASHINGTON — (BP) — The war of ideas between American freedom

and Soviet Communism needs to be stepped up, according to Sen. Alexander Wiley (R., Wis.), in a speech before the Senate here.

"On the ideological front, the Red efforts at selling communism outdo us at about 10 to 1 to 20 to 1 ratio in comparison with our own efforts for spreading the freedom word," the Senator declared. "The war of ideas may well determine the winner of the conflict between communism and freedom."

Wiley then introduced a bill (S. 2188) in which he proposed a Citizens' Council for the Advocacy of Freedom, the purpose of which would be to study the communist global ideological challenge and to launch a larger counter-offensive to show the world the advantages of the American system.

'Learn How' Sessions Slated at Assemblies

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB)—Pastors and ministers of education will be well provided with church administration and public relations "how-to-do-it" information at Ridgecrest and Glorieta Baptist assemblies according to plans now being perfected by Howard B. Foshee.

The church administration department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, with Foshee as secretary, has planned for conferences on working with church committees, personnel supervision, maintaining accurate office and financial records, enlisting and developing church officers, guiding a functioning church council, preparing church news releases, production of the weekly church paper, and understanding Baptist polity.

Conference dates are: Aug. 6-12 at Glorieta Assembly, Glorieta, N. M., and Aug. 20-26 at Ridgecrest Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C.

Peninsula Challenge

BALTIMORE — (BP) — The spiritual and physical needs of over 6,000 Negro migrant workers on the DelMarVa Peninsula are spotlighted in a cover picture and double spread in the July 1 issue of *The Maryland Baptist*.

All of Delaware, the eastern shore of Maryland, and part of the eastern shore of Virginia are located on this peninsula situated between the Atlantic Ocean and Chesapeake Bay. Migrant workers flock there every summer to help harvest the crops.

Pictured on the cover of the semi-monthly *Maryland Baptist* is a typical migrant family. They are shown in front of one of the one-room shanties in which the workers live in 31 labor camps.

The cutline says, "Unwanted by any church, white or Negro, they prick the social conscience and stir the missionary concern of every Christian able to recognize human need in persons of a different race and color."

In an illustrated double spread on pages 2 and 3 Editor Gainer Bryan, Jr., calls the plight of the migrants "A Maryland Mission Challenge."

Robert Atkins, a Maryland layman, has been employed by the Woman's Missionary Union of Maryland to supervise migrant missions on the eastern shore this summer.

Several Baptist churches conduct Sunday afternoon services and vacation Bible schools for the migrants and distribute "health kits" and clothing. The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board used to have a missionary couple working among the itinerant workers of the eastern shore but has none at present.

Gillespie Leads School In Community Project

BOILING SPRINGS, N. C. — (BP) — J. T. Gillespie, retired director of rural church program for the Home Mission Board, has been retained by Gardner-Webb College here as director of church-community development.

Gillespie retired June 1 from his position with the Home Mission Board. He will begin his new duties at Gardner-Webb Sept. 1.

A native of Cleveland County, N. C., Gillespie is a graduate of Gardner-Webb, Wake Forest College, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Prior to his work with the Home Mission Board he taught Bible and Greek at Oklahoma Baptist University and at North Greenville (S. C.) Junior College, held various pastorates in South Carolina and Arkansas, and was director of mission programs in Greenville, S. C., and Miami, Fla. ■

FELLOWSHIP CHURCH, Montrose, has accepted a one-month free trial offer of the *Arkansas Baptist*, and will consider putting the paper in the church budget. Raymond Carpenter is pastor.

Braille Baptist Meets Great Need

NASHVILLE — (BP) — A blind man teaches a Sunday School class every Sunday morning.

A sightless woman, well-informed about Baptist life and doctrine, is one of the most active Sunday School and Training Union members in her church. She also leads a circle in Woman's Missionary Union.

A girl has not let her lack of vision prevent her from enjoying sacred hymn tunes on her home piano.

These are three typical subscribers to the **Braille Baptist**, a monthly magazine of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville. It is provided without cost to the blind.

Uncle Sam even chips in. Free material for the blind may be sent through the U. S. mails without postage charge, and since the **Braille Baptist** has no subscription charge, it is eligible for this mailing privilege.

Features of this monthly periodical, one of several edited under the supervision of Donald F. Ackland, Nashville, are the weekly Sunday School lessons and Training Union programs, the hymn tune of the month, excerpts from the Commission and Home Missions magazines to keep the blind aware of Southern Baptist missionary efforts, and news items of interest about the Southern Baptist Convention.

"The purpose of the **Braille Baptist** is to enable its readers to take part ac-

Modern David Takes on 'Goliath'

THERE'S A new David in our land going out to defeat Goliath.

David Benson, '58 graduate of Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, is launching his attack against Russia single-handedly. His sling is a half-hour radio broadcast entitled "Russia for Christ" being beamed daily over the Voice of Tangiers. His stones are messages taken from the Bible.

By training quietly, Benson has been

tively in their churches, and to have an intelligent understanding of our denominational life," according to the editor.

Ackland, who does not read Braille — the language of the blind — himself, remarks, "It's the one publication I edit which I can't proofread." The American Printing House for the Blind in Louisville, Ky., one of the largest producers of Braille materials in the country, "prints" the raised dot patterns of Braille letters and numbers from copy supplied by Ackland.

The editor adds that while the **Braille Baptist's** circulation (being a specialized magazine) is not nearly as great as that of some other publications he edits, it draws more letters of appreciation — "fan mail," if you will.

As an added evidence that the blind, with the aid of material adapted especially for them, may lead the blind —

warming up for this battle for ten years. He studied Russian four years at the University of California, Los Angeles, and had two years' graduate work in Slavic studies at Harvard University. While earning his bachelor-of-divinity degree at Fuller Theological Seminary, he began testing his sling by preaching in the Russian Baptist Church of Hollywood.

and even the sighted — the **Braille Baptist** is sent on request to a number of blind Baptist ministers.

Several of them have written in to tell the editor how articles in the **Braille** magazine help them prepare their sermons.

Foundation Warns Of Polio Danger

THERE IS increased, mounting danger of a serious polio outbreak in Arkansas, it was announced by the State Office of The National Foundation.

With the polio season near, 58 per cent of the citizens still have not had a single shot of Salk vaccine.

Last year this situation was responsible for a shocking and unnecessary recurrence of polio epidemics and a sharp rise in paralytic polio cases, the Foundation said. This year it is feared that the number of outbreaks and the number of persons stricken will further increase. Sixteen cases of paralytic polio were reported during the first four months of 1959. "The gravest danger," said Glenn Thomas, state representative, Southern Arkansas, "is in the urban 'soft spots', areas occupied by the underprivileged and uneducated where little or no vaccination has taken place."

The foundation said, "Two Americans in three continue needlessly to risk their lives because they have not yet obtained the full protection of the Salk vaccine. The most pressing need exists among the underprivileged groups especially in concentrated population areas, where there has been relatively little vaccination and where polio outbreaks are most likely to flare. Another group of special concern is children below the age of five, one third of whom have not had any vaccine. More than half of all paralytic polio cases in 1958 occurred among these youngsters."

Clerks Conferences

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — J. P. Edmunds, secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board's Research and Statistics Department, will conduct conferences for associational and church clerks at Ridgecrest and Glorieta Baptist assemblies as a part of the Church Administration Conferences. Conference dates are August 6-12 at Glorieta, N. M., and August 20-26 at Ridgecrest, N. C.

THE CUPS



Target: Industry

LONDON (EP) — Large industrial areas are the target of an evangelistic thrust being planned by the Church of England. The plan calls for an industrial mission "that can accept responsibility for the development and extension of work from one area to another, across diocesan boundaries." The proposal will be acted upon by summer sessions of the church's assembly.

University on Formosa

MUENSTER, Germany (EP) — Following his exile from Red China, Roman Catholic Archbishop Paul Yu-Pin of Nanking, China, has been commissioned by the Vatican to erect a Catholic university on Formosa. The institute will be named after the late Clemens August Cardinal von Galen of Munster, Germany, and carried on in the tradition of Nanking University.

Jordan Recognition

AMMAN, Jordan (EP) — Jordan's 1,300-member Evangelical Lutheran Church has received state recognition as a "non-Mohammedan religious community." The church has congregations at Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Beit Jala, Beit Sahur and Ramallah. Jordan also recognizes these Christian bodies: Anglicans, Roman Catholics and Orthodox Churches.

Polygamy Illegal

SINGAPORE (EP) — Menfolk in the multi-racial colony of Singapore may no longer legally take more than one wife. Government officials announced the ban on polygamy following an intensive campaign by religious and women's organizations against the practice. Moslems in Singapore, however, may still legally have up to four wives.

Australian Division

MELBOURNE (EP) — The division of Christian churches in Australia has been described as "a gross offense against Christian charity" resulting in "a waste of money and manpower," says Dr. A. Harold Wood, president general of the Methodist Church. He said he deplored the "scandalous" division of churches in his homeland which was confusing to Christian nationals on the mission fields. "Church unity is necessary in the fight against the increasing perils of Communism and materialism," Dr. Wood asserted. "Opposition to union is stupid in a world where Mohammedanism and Buddhism are gaining more followers than all the Christian Churches put together." The Methodist leader expressed his thoughts at a meeting called to press the union of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational Churches in Australia.

Church Construction

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) — Figures for the first six months of 1959 showed church construction topping last year's totals for the same period by 10 per cent. The actual figure, as reported by the Departments of Commerce and Labor, was \$427,000,000; with \$79,000,000 of this in June.

Darty Stowe Promoted

COLUMBUS, O. — (BP) — Darty F. Stowe, superintendent of missions for the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio, has been promoted to the of-

ice of associate executive secretary. He will assist Executive Sec. Ray E. Roberts and continue to be responsible for duties as superintendent of missions. The Ohio convention has not previously had an associate secretary.



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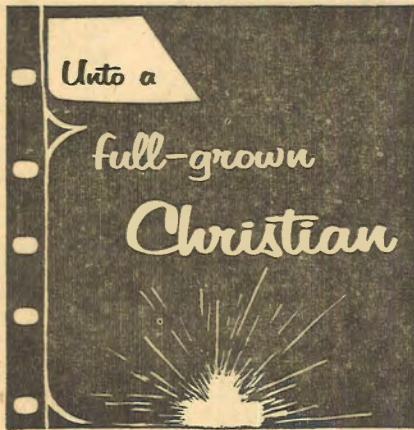
HELPING BUILD ARKANSAS

Boy Scout Information Center to Be Proposed

LOUISVILLE — (BP) — A world "Baptist Scout Information Center" proposal was discussed at a meeting of the Association of Southern Baptists for Scouting here.

The group, which has no official tie with the Southern Baptist Convention, voted to bring the proposal to the attention of the executive committee of the Baptist World Alliance.

The association includes Southern Baptists interested in Boy Scout units



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sponsored by local Baptist churches. Joe C. Carrington, Austin, Tex., layman, is chairman of the association.

"Boys want Scouting and should get it under the sponsorship of our churches," Carrington said.

It was reported that in 15 Southern states there are 4,380 units sponsored by Baptist churches. In these states, the number of Baptist Boy Scouts ranges from one-third to more than 60 per cent of the total number of Boy Scouts belonging to Protestant denominations.

Brooks Hays, then president of the Southern Baptist Convention, recommended a closer tie between Boy Scouting and Baptist churches.

Minister Immunity Sought by Baptists

DES MOINES, Ia. — (BP) — Delegates to the American Baptist Convention's 1959 session here adopted a resolution calling for ministerial immunity privileges in the nation's courts.

Ministers, the delegates said, should be protected by law from having to reveal confidences told them in their positions as pastoral counselors.

The resolution had been endorsed earlier by the General Council, leading administrative organization of the Convention.

Statutes providing ministerial immunity — also referred to as privileged communication — are in effect in Minnesota and Iowa, the General Council reported.

The Tennessee state legislature adopted a law granting ministerial immunity in state courts this year, and Florida, South Carolina, and North Carolina legislatures, among others, have had it under consideration.

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Co-Op Goal Reaches Halfway

NASHVILLE —(BP)— At the halfway mark of the year, the Southern Baptist Convention treasury is almost halfway toward its Cooperative Program goal of \$17½ million for calendar year 1959.

Total received so far through the Cooperative Program amounts to \$8,318,741, according to Treasurer Porter Routh of Nashville. This is 47½ per cent of the year's goal.

With designations added to Cooperative Program receipts, total funds received at the treasurer's office here for the first six months of 1959 come to \$17,793,384.

Total receipts thus are running, \$1,798,453 — or 11.24 per cent — ahead of last year at the mid-year mark.

Cooperative Program income is up \$642,443 over the six-month period, an increase of 8.37 per cent. Designations are \$1,156,010 ahead, for a 13.9 per cent gain.

Percentage gains for 1959 over 1958 are continuing to stay higher than gains for 1958 over 1957.

During the month of June \$1,279,125 was received in undesignated, Cooperative Program funds. Another \$444,063 came in designations, making a monthly total of \$1,723,189.

Cooperative Program funds go for the support of all work of the Southern Baptist Convention. They are divided according to a percentage scale adopted by the Convention. Designations, on the other hand, must go for the specific work indicated by the donors.

More than \$603,000 was disbursed to the Convention's Foreign Mission Board in June, swelling its total disbursements for 1959 to date to \$10,614,548. For the first six months, the Home Mission Board's disbursements have reached \$3,278,304 and those of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, \$1,269,439. No other agency has reached the half-million mark.

Funds reported do not include monies kept by local churches nor by state Baptist groups. Forwardings from state Baptist offices show that, during June, Arkansas sent in \$48,000.00 through the Cooperative Program and \$4,039.78 in designations for a total of \$52,039.78.

Going into the final six months, all states have forwarded more in designations in 1959 than in 1958. Only three have forwarded less in Cooperative Program funds — Arkansas, New Mexico, and South Carolina. However, the total amount from each state is greater this year. ■

MARK B. FERGES, who resigned recently as missionary of the Current River and Gainesville Associations, has accepted the position of interim pastor of 1st Church, Corning. L. E. RAY, Pocahontas, is chairman of the joint boards of the Current River and Gainesville Associations, and E. W. COCHRAN, Corning, is chairman of the Corning Church pulpit committee.

Golden Gate Campus Moved

MILL VALLEY, Calif. — (BP) — Golden Gate Seminary has begun to function officially on its new 126-acre campus at Strawberry Point, according to Harold K. Graves, president of the school.

Upon receipt of an occupancy permit issued by the Marin County board of supervisors July 1 the seminary's last technical hurdle was cleared.

Of the transition from Berkeley, Calif., to the new site just north of San Francisco and the Golden Gate Bridge, President Graves said:

"Our institution will take on entirely different personality as we leave the old facilities and move to the new. The Golden Gate Seminary of 1959 on its new campus at Strawberry Point is a far cry from its days in a church building in Oakland from 1944 to 1947, or even from its early days in Berkeley in a single building, crowded and inadequately equipped.

"As many scores of young people turn this way for the beginning of their theological training this fall, and as others return who have already had the influence of the seminary, we have the opportunity of welding an institution into an atmosphere and environment that will be creative and inspiring, accomplishing God's purpose," Graves continued.

"My joy is increased in the recognition that what we build today is on the work of others. My hat is off to them for their vision, their labors, and their sacrifices that make my day possible."

With heavier allocations from the Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative Program receipts for its capital improvement budget, the seminary has been building its new home across San Francisco Bay from the old site.

The seminary was chartered in Oakland, Calif., July 12, 1944, in the building of the Golden Gate Baptist Church. It moved to adjoining Berkeley in 1947. The first graduates, 17 in number, received degrees in 1949.

The 1950 session of the Southern Baptist Convention voted to accept control and support of the seminary and it was included in the Convention's budget for 1951.

Graves became president in 1952. Starting out with seven students in 1944, the seminary last year enrolled 350. It is the only Southern Baptist Convention institution west of the Rockies although some state Baptist groups have schools in the far western states.

New Baptist Colleges Must Win Confidence

NASHVILLE — (BP) — A Baptist college in new Baptist territory must win the confidence of established state universities, through whom accreditation is based.

It must also win approval of its teacher-training program by the state

department of education if its teacher graduates are to be certified for public school careers.

The school must also win the acceptance of the community and state in which it is located, for the attitude of the public toward a church-affiliated school may be vastly different than that encountered where such schools are common.

While doing all these, the college must win the support of its Baptist constituency, whom it serves and upon whom it relies for financial means.

Each of these problems was faced in establishing a Baptist school in a new Southern Baptist territory, Baptist educators attending a meeting here were told.

Glenn Eason, acting president and dean of Grand Canyon College, said these were vital issues facing the school established in Phoenix by the Baptist General Convention of Arizona.

Grand Canyon College, which opened in 1949, has been located in Phoenix since 1951. Eason reported enrollment nearing 800.

New Mexico Convention Fills Two Positions

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. — (BP) — The state mission board of the Baptist Convention of New Mexico filled two denominational offices at a special meeting here.

W. C. Ribble was elected executive secretary of the state Baptist foundation. He comes from Arkadelphia, where he has been on the faculty of Ouachita College. He formerly taught at Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Tex.

The new Baptist foundation leader takes office Sept. 1.

Joseph B. Underwood, secretary of evangelism for New Mexico Baptists for the past three years, was elected as secretary of stewardship and promotion. He agreed to "transfer" in the board meeting by resigning as secretary of evangelism and accepting the new position.

It is felt that in this new work he will have a broader field of activity and responsibility. This creates a vacancy in the department of evangelism.

Indiana to Publish Monthly State Paper

PLAINFIELD, Ind. — (BP) — Southern Baptists in Indiana will have a state paper of their own, starting in July. The new, four-page **Indiana Baptist** will be published monthly.

The executive board of the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana voted to establish the paper at its June session here. E. Harmon Moore of Plainfield, the convention's executive secretary, will edit the paper.

Indiana Southern Baptists have been without a paper of their own since they left the ranks of general associations in Illinois and Kentucky last fall to form a separate convention.

Convention leaders estimated the new **Indiana Baptist** will have a circulation of from 5,000 to 7,000.

Eddleman Speaks In South America

NEW ORLEANS, La. — (BP) — H. Leo Eddleman, president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary here, was the inspirational speaker for the annual meeting July 6-10 of the Colombia (South America) Baptist Mission.

Eddleman, accompanied by Mrs. Eddleman and their daughter, Evelyn, left New Orleans by plane for Cartagena, Colombia, site of the meeting. The invitation was extended to Eddleman, a former missionary, by Hoke Smith, Jr., Southern Baptist missionary and president of the mission.

During the four-day meeting Eddleman delivered two addresses each day to the missionaries and national pastors.

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The Girl Who Loved Animals

God's Wondrous World

By NELL DUNKIN

"Rosa! Rosa! Come get this rabbit! It's eating the green vegetables!" her father called.

Rosa ran to the little kitchen and picked up her beloved rabbit. She had brought him to the apartment as a model for her drawing. Only last night her father had been teaching her how to draw him.

During the day, Rosa, even though only a young girl, was learning how to be a dressmaker. She would have greatly preferred spending all her time with her father. He was a drawing teacher. Her mother was dead. Her father had a hard time taking care of his four children. Dressmaking would bring some money to the home, besides helping to make clothes for the members of the family.

Rosa took the rabbit and put him back into his cage. This cage usually held some animal that she wanted to learn how to paint.

"How can I learn to paint animals unless I have some here to see?" she asked her father when he first protested because she had brought an animal home. "I want to see them alive, and then paint them so that they will seem to be moving or ready to move.



They must be live animals."

She drew from pictures in books, from animals in the museums of Paris where she lived, and from plaster casts which her father had. However, she liked the live animals best of all.

The rabbit had to go into the cage, at least for a short time, until the green vegetables were eaten by the boys and girls for whom the food was intended.

As Rosa was getting ready for her drawing lesson that night, she tried to find the squirrel she had brought into the house several days before. She searched in the rooms of the home and looked in the cage. At last, she went into her father's room to report

she had lost her model for that evening.

"Listen very quietly, Rosa," he smiled. Rosa stood still and listened. She heard a faint rustle. She looked all around the room. She moved quietly trying to find that faint rustle. At last she stopped in front of a statue. The rustle seemed to come from it. She looked questioningly at her father, who nodded his head.

"Rosa, I think your squirrel is a mother squirrel, who has made a nest for herself and her little ones in the hollow head of that statue," he explained.

That was what had happened. Rosa drew the rabbit that night instead of the squirrel she had planned to use.

"I'm glad Rosa cannot bring a sheep or a goat up to our apartment!" her small sister exclaimed one day.

She did not know what Rosa could do. A short time later Rosa came home with a goat. One of the customers in the dressmaking shop had told her about a man who had one to give away. Rosa was delighted, but her family was not.

She had a wonderful time drawing him and studying his various actions before she had to get rid of him. After he had chewed on one of the draperies, she admitted that he was not quite the right animal to keep in an apartment.

"Rosa!" screamed one of the younger children late one night.

Rosa ran to see what was wrong. She laughed when she saw her otter in the middle of the bed. The other children did not think it funny. Neither did her father.

"You can't keep him in his water tank, and so he'll have to go!" her father decided.

Again Rosa sadly gave away a beloved animal. She dreamed of the day when she could live in the country and have all the animals she wanted.

When she grew up, she made her wonderful dream come true. She lived in the country where she had farm animals and other small creatures. She also had wild animals, which loved her.

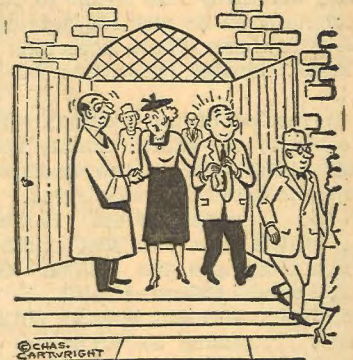
"To be loved by wild animals, you must love them," she explained.

What did Rosa do with all those animals besides love them? She painted them. She was Rosa Bonheur, the great animal painter. In 1894 she was the first woman to receive the French Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor. Accuracy of detail and animated movement mark her paintings, such as **The Horse Fair**.

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PAUL MEERS, a member of the Dardanelle Church, and Dr. Peyton Kolb and son Carl, of Pulaski Heights Church, Little Rock, were among the invited guests at the annual meeting of Religious Heritage, Inc., in Washington, D. C., recently.

A Smile or Two Church Chuckles



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"Do As I Say . . ."

THE BALL TEAM had hit a terrific batting slump and the coach called a special batting-practice session. Grabbing a bat, he charged out to the plate snorting, "Here, you dopes! I'll show you something!"

But the coach, it developed, was sadly out of practice. After seven or eight futile swipes, he flung the bat aside. "See?" he said. "That's the sort of thing you guys have been doing. Now, I want you to get in there and slug the ball!"

No Gift of Gab

AN ADVERSE witness preceded each answer with "I think . . ."

The distraught lawyer demanded for the third time that the witness tell the court and jury "what you know, and not what you think."

The witness quietly replied, "I'm not a lawyer; I can't talk without thinking."

Right Number

IN A CERTAIN restaurant, when wise guys ask a pretty waitress for her telephone number, she whispers a certain number enticingly. When they dial the number, a voice at the other end answers pleasantly: "Pest Control Service."

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THE SECRET of economy is to live as cheaply the first few days after payday as you lived the last few days before.

Courage in a Crisis

By RALPH A. PHELPS, JR.
President, Ouachita Baptist College

LESSON TEXT:
Esther 4:1-16; 9:20-22
July 26

WHEN THE choice lies between keeping quiet and playing it safe or speaking up and risking one's neck, what should the decision be? This is an alternative that everyone faces at one time or another, although perhaps in less dramatic setting than that confronting a Jewish girl in the court of Xerxes.



The place is Shushan, the capital of Persia. The characters in this intense drama are Queen Esther, the Jewish girl; Mordecai, her cousin who had reared the orphan girl; King Ahasuerus, better known in history by his Greek name of Xerxes; and Haman, bootlicker extraordinary and near-master of court intrigue.

As a matter of fact, the central character is neither queen nor called Esther when the story opens (Ch. 1). King Ahasuerus is throwing a real brawl of a banquet for the princes and nobles of the 127 provinces over which he rules. In a drunken gesture, he orders Vashti, his queen, to appear before the visiting dignitaries "to show the people and princes her beauty." Not caring to be thus paraded, Vashti refuses to come, a response which makes the king "very wroth" and results in her being made ex-queen straightway.

I. A High Position

THIS RESULTS in a big talent search to find someone to succeed Vashti as queen, and this is how Hadassah, who is to become known as Esther, enters the picture. The maid is "fair and beautiful," a fact that does not escape the king when he surveys the available queen material. This Esther, who at Mordecai's direction carefully conceals the fact that she is of Jewish descent, becomes queen of Persia.

Shortly after Esther becomes queen, Mordecai picks up information that two of the king's subordinates are plotting the monarch's assassination. He quietly passes this news on to Esther, who tells Ahasuerus, who promptly puts a serious hitch in their plans by hanging them on a high tree. This incident is to prove important later.

This forcible removal of the two defunct chamberlains leaves the way open for Haman, a first-class heel, to be-

come the king's right-hand man. Ahasuerus puts him over all the other princes and orders them to bow to and reverence Haman. Everyone complies with this order — everyone, that is, except Mordecai, who doesn't so much as nod when the big wheel rides by.

Being ignored is too much for Haman, so he decides to get even not only with Mordecai but with all of his fellow Jews also. Lots are cast to find a lucky day for the mass extermination of the Jewish people here and throughout the provinces, to which most had returned after their Babylonian exile. The king's consent is given, and the decree is sent throughout the kingdom fixing the slaughter for the thirteenth day of the twelfth month.

II. A Hard Choice

POSTING OF this notice caused immeasurable anguish on the part of the Jews everywhere. They fast, weep, and wail, and in mourning lie dressed in sackcloth on heaps of ashes. Mordecai stands before the king's gates and cries with a bitter voice over the fate of his people. Hearing his cry Esther sends a messenger to learn what the trouble is. Mordecai tells him and also sends a message to Esther, urging her to make supplication before the king in behalf of her people.

When she receives the message, Esther sends word back to Mordecai that such a course could well cause her death. The inflexible law of the Persians says that if a person approaches the king without having received an invitation for an audience, that person will be put to death unless the king extends his golden scepter.

Mordecai replies that it will be of no use for her to remain quiet at this time, for eventually she and all of her father's house will be liquidated. What's more, he says to her, "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

III. A Heroic Decision

FACED WITH the possibility of losing her throne and perishing with her people if she speaks up in their behalf, Esther is doubtless tempted to keep quiet. But she is motivated by loyalty to her people and devotion to justice, and she makes a courageous choice with the words, "If I perish, I perish!"

Esther asks Mordecai and all the other Jews to join her in three days of prayer and fasting before she seeks an audience with the king, and at the end of this time she bravely approaches the throne. Much to her relief, the king receives her gladly and extends the scepter toward her. She invites him

and Haman to a banquet, at which time, instead of specifying the request she wants to make, she invites them to a second banquet the following day. On his way home, Haman passes Mordecai, who "stood not up nor moved for him." Haman is enraged and discusses the situation with his wife and friends. They advise him to prepare a stake fifty cubits high for Mordecai's impalement and to seek royal decree to permit this before he goes to Esther's second banquet; if Haman does this first, they think he will enjoy his food more. The pointed pole is set up.

But that night the king has insomnia and orders the chronicles of the kingdom read to him. In the course of these he comes to the part about Mordecai's saving his life from the would-be assassins and asks what reward the fellow received. When he learns that he was given nothing, early the next morning he invites Haman in and asks what should be done to a man the king wishes to honor. Haman, thinking the king refers to him, suggests that royal honors be paid him. One can imagine how appalled he was to receive the command to do so to Mordecai.

No sooner has Haman bestowed honors on the hated Jew than it is time to go to Esther's banquet. There, when the king again asks what her request is, she begs for her life and the life of her people. In astonishment the king asks who would dare try to bring harm to the queen or her people, and she points a pretty finger at Haman. After the king returns from a walk in the garden where he ponders what course to take, he discovers that Haman, maddened with fear, has thrown himself on the queen's couch in a bid for mercy. That, as Haman quickly learns, is a fatal mistake; he has had it, and the king has him impaled on the very stake he had prepared for Mordecai.

Steps are immediately taken to stop Haman's plot (chs. 9-10), and the Jews are delivered and honored. They institute the festival of Purim and resolve that it will ever be observed by those of the Jewish faith. The decision is confirmed by letters from Esther and Mordecai, who is now one of the king's top officers. Thus began a feast which is still kept by orthodox Jews.

It is easy to see why Esther is given such a high place in Jewish history, for her courage in time of danger perhaps saved an entire race from extermination. Her courage looms even larger when one recalls the awesome power of a king like Ahasuerus and the absolute insignificance of a woman in this pre-Christian era. Her courage was the equivalent of that of the first astronaut.

Customs have changed greatly from the days of the plush Persian court to this, but the need of self-forgetting courage in an hour of crisis is as great now as it was in Esther's day.

Commission Re-Elects Two

NASHVILLE — (BP) — The Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention has re-elected its chairman, Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., and its vice-chairman, John A. Barry, Jr.

Phelps is president of Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, and Barry is president of Coker College, Hartsville, S. C.

Warren F. Jones, president of Union University, Jackson, Tenn., was elected secretary of the Commission.

The Commission elected officers at its June meeting in Nashville, where its administrative offices are located. The agency helps co-ordinate Southern Baptist educational programs, although not charged with responsibility of operating schools.

Chairman Phelps reported that no decision has been reached on a new executive secretary to succeed R. Orin Cornett. The nominating committee is expected to meet again in July to consider the matter.

American Education Week

WASHINGTON — (BP) — American Education Week, Nov. 8-14, has been proclaimed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Pointing to public education as the "primary instrument of democracy" the President called all citizens to "display to the world and to ourselves our pride" in our schools.

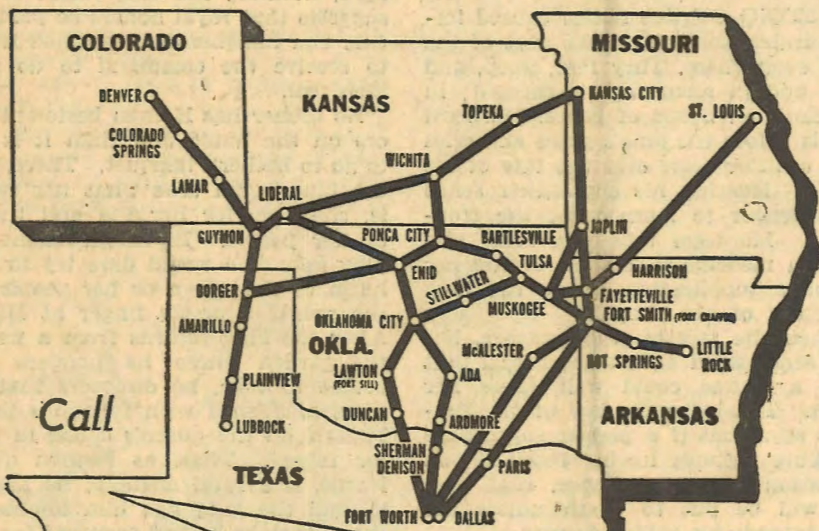
"The lessons of today," he said, "emphasize the fact that individual freedom, responsible democracy, and a rising level of living, demand the full strength of a highly trained and dedicated citizenry." He then asked proper observance of American Education Week by "giving our loyal and intelligent support to our schools and to the teachers who have dedicated their lives to the advancement of their students, the children of America."

In commenting on the President's proclamation, C. Emanuel Carlson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, said that "few if any religious movements have been stauncher friends of public education than the Baptists have been."

"While devoted to a program of religious education through the churches," Carlson continued, "Baptists have uniformly given full support to the cause of general education for the whole community. Rarely, if ever, has a Baptist voice been raised in support of an ecclesiastical power which makes people dependent on the church or the clergy for their knowledge of the three R's; for social competence, or for the skills of leadership."

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