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Personally
speaking



Believer's security

YOU would think that if there is anything a Baptist editor might choose as noncontroversial to write about, it would be the doctrine of the eternal security of the believer. This is one of our chief Baptist doctrines—that once the Lord saves a person, that person is saved from then on—that there can be no “falling from grace.” Yet, not all who call themselves Baptist believe this.

I know, for once when I had written on this doctrine, one of my staff members got a tongue lashing from a beauty-shop worker who had read it. The antagonist, who said she had been teaching a Bible class for 25 years in one of Little Rock's down-town Baptist churches, said the idea that one who had been saved could never be lost was the most ridiculous thing she had ever heard.

Well, it may be ridiculous, but it's so. And this is on an authority far greater than that of an editor—or of a beautician.

Here let me quote from *Bible Study for Married Young People* (Life and Work Sunday School Quarterly for January, February, March, 1967, p. 29):

“Note that in verse 1 (Romans 6:1) Paul was dealing with a matter with which Baptists are frequently confronted by non-Baptists. Many believe erroneously that we Baptists deliberately condone and practice sinful living because of our belief that once we are saved we can never be lost (see John 10:28-29). Paul threw light on why Christians do not continue to let sin rule their lives. They cannot because of the very nature of what has happened to them in the saving process. They are ‘dead to sin.’

“Notice that the Christian, as symbolized by the ordinance of baptism (v. 4), not only has died to sin but has risen to walk ‘in newness of life.’

“So the baptismal service has nothing whatever to do with saving us but is just a picture of the fact that we have been saved. For one who has not been saved to give himself to be baptized would make no difference at all in his spiritual condition—he would still be lost. . .

“The great concern of Paul was that people everywhere should be led to know and accept Christ, that they might, through him, be changed in their very natures. Is this not to be our concern, too?

No doubt there are Baptists who do live “just as they please,” abiding in sin, but this will never be true of any Baptist (or any other Christian) who has truly repented of his sins, trusted Christ and received the gift of “everlasting life” (John 3:16).

Edwin L. McDonald

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SENATOR Mark Hatfield, former governor of Oregon and himself a Baptist, will deliver an address on peace at the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami Beach May 30-June 2. For more information on the exciting program, turn to page 10.

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A RECENT trip by Harriet Hall to the unforgettable garden of Ted Winter at Fort Worth brings forth a stream of thoughts for her. See “Feminine Intuition” on page 5.

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BACK to our pages after a week's absence comes Carl Overton with more on parliamentary procedure, this time how to obtain the floor, page 7.

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DAILY the sessions of the Arkansas legislature are opened with prayer. Our Capitol reporter, Dr. W. Henry Goodloe, gives us his observations on the practice, page 6.

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IT was an exciting recent Sunday for Barton Church with three couples observing golden anniversaries... a plaque presented to a retiring Sunday School superintendent... and a noteburning. The story is on page 9.

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MEMBERSHIP in Southern Baptist Convention churches neared the 11 million mark last year, but enrollments in most church organizations were on the downward trend. The Baptist Press review is on page 11.

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WINDSOR Park Church, Ft. Smith, led the state in the number of baptisms for 1965-66. See the tabulation of the top 25 on page 12.

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EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

Facing issues

MOBILE, ALA., Feb. 15—Southern Baptist state paper editors have "faced the issues," in their annual meeting here this week at the Admiral Semmes Hotel. As suggested by the program theme, "Baptist Editors Face the Issues," every program participant has dealt with at least one issue of current concern among Baptists.

Arkansas native Wayne E. Ward, for many years now a member of the faculty at Southern Seminary, Louisville, led in a discussion of current theological issues. Space does not permit a full accounting here, but we are happy to report that we have arranged with Mr. Ward for a series on "Current Issues in Baptist Life," to be carried in this magazine, beginning soon.

Theological issues discussed by Mr. Ward at the editors' meeting, issues he will be writing about for our readers, include: The Nature of Salvation, The Nature of the Church, The Christian Ordinances, The Bible, The Problem of Religious Authority, Church and State, The Charismatic Revival, Church Renewal, and Eschatology.

The greater part of one session was devoted to a debate of the question: "Resolved, That Baptist Colleges Should Seek Government Grants." The Arkansas editor took the affirmative, the Maryland editor, Gene Puckett, the negative, and the whole group of editors reacted. (Incidentally, anyone wanting a copy of the Arkansas editor's argument for cooperation of church and state in higher education may have it by requesting it and sending 50 cents to cover the cost of mimeographing and mailing.)

One of the editors made the point that in dealing with controversial issues the Baptist papers should present "three sides"—the pros and cons of each issue as provided by contributors, and the editor's reactions to these. He contended that a paper's readers have a right to expect the editor, by virtue of the editor's position, to give his views in the paper.

One of the highlights of the week was a presentation by Arthur Rutledge, secretary of the Home Mission Board, and members of his staff, of a discussion of "Ministering in Changing America."

Barry Garrett, of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, Washington, led a discussion of "The Ecumenical Movement and the Vatican Council," and Walfred Peterson, also of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, led a discussion of "The Role of Government in American Life."

Meeting in Mobile simultaneously with the editors were the Baptist state executive secretaries. The editors and secretaries were together in a joint meeting Monday night at which time Duke K. McCall, president of

Southern Seminary, Louisville, spoke on "Current Trends in Southern Baptist Life."

Gainer E. Bryan Jr., deputy director of public affairs for the Southeast Region of the Office of Economic Opportunity, told the editors that the "seed idea" for the government's War on Poverty is a biblical concept, and said that churches have a responsibility to start a war on poverty of their own. Bryan, former editor of *The Maryland Baptist*, told the editors: "We (Baptists) remember the poor at Thanksgiving and Christmas when we take them baskets of food or clothing, but we do not do much to deal with the root causes of poverty."

As manuscripts are made available to us through the Southern Baptist Press Association, we hope to cover in more detail the Mobile discussions. The editors and secretaries will hold their next annual meetings a year from now in Honolulu, Hawaii.—ELM

Convention sustained

INSTITUTORS of a lawsuit seeking to set aside an Arkansas Baptist State Convention action releasing the Arkansas Baptist Medical Center as a convention institution lost their case here Monday (Feb. 20) before Chancellor Kay L. Matthews.

Chancellor Matthews held that the Convention had not violated its constitution in determining by majority vote, in its annual meeting here last November, to relinquish the medical center.

This settles the case, unless the plaintiffs decide to appeal to the State Supreme Court. There was no indication immediately as to whether or not they would appeal the case.

Attorneys for the defense cited actions of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention across many years to show that it was the practice of the convention to accept and to dispose of institutions by simple majority vote and without restriction by provisions of the state's constitution. Previous actions included those involving two hospitals—Davis, in Pine Bluff, and Josephine, in Hope—both of which were owned by the convention and then disposed of as convention institutions. Also cited were actions involving the disposition of Central College and a system of mountain mission schools. In no case was the convention's constitution involved, these actions being determined in each instance by a majority vote of the convention in its annual sessions.

The plaintiffs had asserted that that part of the convention's constitution relating to boards of trustees for convention institutions—Article 4 of Section 7—should have been changed prior to the action to dispose of the medical center.

We are happy to see this case resolved and we hope the Baptist image, which has suffered enough already, will not be further besmeared by appealing of the case. Baptists, a democratic people, should be able to determine their own affairs without resort to state courts.

The people speak

Edits 'God-alive' book

Dr. Thomas -Altizer, my next door neighbor, is still writing and broadcasting on radio and TV his "God Is Dead" doctrine, and confusing many. He and his have sown the seed of doubt and uncertainty all across America, for harvest.

I have written many letters asking for testimonies of certainty and assurance from the saints among our people hoping to confront this terrible impact on our youth, especially. I want such stories as that of Ellis Fuller's giving all the \$400 he had saved in 1919 for his seminary expenses, to the 75 million Campaign, and how on arrival in Louisville a friend directed him to Campbellsburg, where he was called and supported the next three years through the Southern Seminary, of which he later became president. I want any testimony of God's personal dealings with our people for this proposed book.—J. L. Baggott, 1227 N. Decatur Rd. N.E. Atlanta, Ga. 30306.

WMU week of prayer

The Week of Prayer for Home Missions is scheduled this year for March 5-12. The goal for the Annie Armstrong Offering has been set at \$4,500,000. Our churches exceeded the goal set for last year. We can do it again—if we pray with deep concern about the needs for the gospel in our land.

There is another phase to the Week of Prayer for Home Missions. This is also vital. As we study, pray, give, we are constrained to go out into our community as witnesses for Christ, binding up the wounds of humanity and showing forth God's love to neighbors, family, friends.

A church so involved in an outgoing, intercessory, healing ministry grows spiritually and becomes involved with all men everywhere in a witness for Christ's kingdom.—Alma Hunt, Executive Secretary, Women's Missionary Union, Birmingham, Ala.

'Uneducated'?

As a newcomer to our state I have noticed an unpleasant friction between our "educated" and "uneducated" pastors. In closed meetings and on the convention floor I have heard such comments as "how about giving those of us without any education time to speak" or "I've never been to seminary but..." or "I don't have my Th.D. or D.D. I'm just a simple preacher"...etc., etc. I have never heard a seminary graduate boast of his B.D. or Th.D. but I have received

The Cover



HOW OLD ARE YOU?—Evangelist Billy Graham, before addressing students and faculty members at Southwestern Seminary, chatted with Derrelynn Watkins, daughter of one of the students. The question of her age came up and the answer is obvious. Her father, Derrell, a native of DeWitt and 1965 graduate of Ouachita University, looks on.

the impression (perhaps mistakenly) that some of our "educated" pastors seem to consider the non-seminary men as "lightweights" and tend to consider themselves as "heavyweights" in our Baptist fellowship.

I feel Satan has led both groups into error. (Can't we recognize his subtle, evil ways?) I resent someone making light of one who has sacrificed to attend seminary in response to God's will. On the other hand it is equally wrong for the seminary graduate to look down his nose at the non-seminary man. If one must make a choice I would belong to the "anti-ignorance" group rather than the "anti-intellectuals." On the other hand an education leading to a B.D. or Th.D. is no guarantee of Holy Spirit wisdom.

When we judge, evaluate, appraise, etc., (pick your own) a man on the basis of his formal education, we are not judging the man but sitting in judgment on God's will for that man. Brother, that's dangerous! God leads some to seminary, others He does not. "Who are you to criticize the servant

of somebody else, especially when that Somebody Else is God?" (Rom. 14:4, Phillips)

If I understand Galatians 5:6 and 6:15 it would read something like this concerning the matter at hand: "Neither the big church pastor or the little church pastor counts for anything, only a new man in Christ Jesus." "Neither the Th.D. or high school diploma count for anything, but faith working through love." Our faith is not in ignorance or in intellectualism but in Jesus Christ. Let's love one another and learn from one another as His co-laborers. When any of us have anything to say, let's remember Paul's word to the Corinthians... "as men of sincerity... in the sight of God WE SPEAK in Christ." II Cor. 2:17.

—H. D. McCarty, Pastor
University Church,
Fayetteville, Ark.

Missions project

Several months ago you ran an announcement, that some of the friends of Rev. Jesse Kidd were buying a Volks Wagon Station Wagon for Bro. Kidd to use in his work in Brazil, also there was a picture of Rev. Kidd and the wagon. I am happy to tell you that enough money has come in \$2,750.00 to pay for the wagon.

I want to thank each one having any part in this project for what you have done. I know Bro. Kidd will love you, and God will bless you.

You will be happy to know that Bro. Jesse preached to four to five hundred every Sunday that would not hear the gospel without this means of transportation. Because of his friends the gospel wagon (Faith) is rolling in Brazil.

—Lonnie Lasater, Pastor First Baptist Church, Greenwood, Arkansas.

As a man thinketh

Of what are you thinking,
You whose sleek hounds are well fed
While poverty's children are crying for bread?

Of what are you thinking,
You in new models of streamlined cars
While dying men moan under Vietnam stars?

Of what are you thinking,
You with your margins of profit penciled in
While forgotten men in prisons sink deeper in sin?

Of what are you thinking,
You in your comfortable, well-cushioned pews



Feminine intuition

by Harriet Hall

Thoughts in a garden

... Cigarette advertising on television will be examined very carefully by the Senate Commerce Committee. Sen. Warren G. Magnuson (D-Wash.) has served notice that the cigarette industry "must either give up television advertising or work with the networks to provide public service time for smoking and health education, so that there will be some counter-balance in this matter."

... An advertising campaign aimed at getting parents to help prevent their children from drinking is being conducted in Pennsylvania. The Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, which owns and operates all of the state's liquor stores, plans advertisements over a four-month period in some 350 newspapers urging parents to sign a pledge which reads, in part: "I don't care what other parents let their children do. I am not going to let my children drink any alcoholic or malt beverage at home or anywhere else before they are 21." Although state law prohibits the consumption of alcoholic beverages by persons under 21, the pledge itself has no legal status.

... The toll of the Vietnam war through January 1967 was: 6,000 dead, 35,000 wounded, more than thirty billion dollars spent.

While carnage and strife make up the day's news?

Of what are you thinking,
You in your pulpit with munificent fee
While before you is need's ever-constant plea?

Of what are we all thinking,
We in our homes, our pews, and pulpits
—all?

Can we not hear the Master's loving call:

"Feed my lambs;
Feed my sheep;
Love one another?"

—Jewell Kirby Fitzhugh, Mabelvale

The prayer amendment

I deeply appreciate the position you have taken in opposition to the adoption of the Dirksen Prayer Amendment. Voluntary prayer has not been prohibited by our Supreme Court. It would be a great tragedy if the First Amendment to our Federal Constitution were

We were in Ft. Worth for a couple of days last fall during which time I was privileged to visit the private garden of Mr. Ted Winter. It was a memorable experience which will not soon be forgotten. Mrs. Paul Stevens invited me to come along as she and Rachel Colvin were going to take Mr. Martin Hoade and Miss Doris Ann, executives of religious programs for NBC, to visit this unusual and scenic spot.

Rachel, photographer for publications of the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission, was out in front of us as she sought out spots for pictures. There were many stopping places as we toured the garden. Each had its own particular appeal to add to the tranquil atmosphere. There were stepping stones across streams and pools; waterfalls which descended on stairways of rocks; beautiful rock formations lending dramatic beauty; patterns of light and shade falling softly through the trees; strong upright shadows of tree-trunks surrounded by the soft-tracery of the branches; Japanesque effects with pebbles and concrete in the pathways which not only gave traffic control but added form, pattern, and materials; green terraces and ivy-covered nooks; evergreens and plant beds, and subtle, soft colors of stone. The collection of sculpture must surely be worth a fortune. As we came to the end of our tour through this lovely garden we saw the beautiful blue-gray sculpture of Pellini's "Judas" standing with bent head in a pose of remorse.

Nearer Mr. Winter's home we saw a sculptured horse with six heads. Finding no name for the piece we each began to give our own to it. "The Unit Manager" said Doris Ann. "The Ulcer Candidate" added another. We were almost ready to leave and had stopped to rest near the swimming pool. Then an interesting thing happened. Mr. Hoade spotted a small creature with long, long legs.

"What is that?" he asked, pointed to the creature.

I laughed. "Why, that's a granddaddy-longlegs," I replied quickly. "Some folks call it a "Daddy longlegs" I said, knowingly. "They are quite harmless, related to the spider family."

Later as I visited New York and again was reminded of the concrete jungle in which Mr. Hoade and others of the gigantic radio and television industry live and work, I was to recall the incident. "No wonder he didn't know about such things as 'daddy longlegs,'" I thought.

A couplet from the poem "Leisure" by W. H. Davies comes to mind: "What is this life, if, full of care, We have no time to stand and stare."

Not many of us could own a garden as large as that lovely one in Texas, but we can all be reminded of the great expanse of beauty that is all around us.

As February slips away we are reminded that spring is around the corner, and gardening time is nearer. When warm weather is here we will enjoy being outside more in God's great garden of nature.

Dorothy Frances Gurney has expressed it for us in her well known verse:

The kiss of the sun for pardon
The song of the birds for mirth
One is nearer God's heart in a garden
Than anywhere else on earth.

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

amended. If this ever occurs, lovers of religious freedom will surely sustain a tremendous loss.

I am also grateful for your editorial in favor of abolishing the death penalty in our state. Christ's Ministry is

redemptive in nature and, therefore, as His disciples we must continue redemptive effort toward everyone in need for all time without exception. —Raymond B. Higgins, Attorney at law, El-Dorado.

Seaton continues RA work

The Executive Board in its January meeting asked C. H. Seaton to continue as associate in the Brotherhood Department with emphasis on the R. A. program. In the meantime, the Board asked its Program Committee to make a study of the future possibilities of men's work in our state and report back at its next meeting in August. A number of our states are engaged in similar studies on this area of our work.

It was deemed wise to make the study at this time in view of the recent retirement of Nelson Tull, secretary of the Department, and in view of the recent assignment the Southern Baptist Convention gave the Brotherhood Commission.

Mission education and activity among the men, young men and boys constitutes the broad assignment of men's work. Among other things, a more effective ways and means shall be sought to expedite this work.

The Program Committee is made up of about 25 pastors and laymen from over the state. The background and experience of this group should enable the study committee to make a practical application of men's work in our churches.—S. A. Whitlow, Executive Secretary.

Piano workshop

New techniques in piano instruction will be demonstrated and discussed in depth in a workshop to be conducted at Ouachita University Feb. 24. Dr. Robert Pace, an internationally recognized authority on piano instruction, will lead the workshop.

Pulaski County buys building



Pulaski County Association has purchased a new office building (above) at 1522 West Tenth St., Little Rock. It is two blocks from the East-West Expressway and three blocks from the Arkansas Baptist Medical Center.

R. V. Haygood, associational missionary, said the building was chosen for its strategic location. The building, a

Christian Civic Foundation

Seek Divine guidance

By W. HENRY GOODLÖE

The prayers of Peter Marshall and of Frederick Brown Harris given as invocations in the Congress of the United States have become classics of devotional literature. This fact is noteworthy.

When Alben Barkley was Vice-President of the United States and President of the Senate, one day the time for opening had arrived and the Chaplain of the day was absent. There was some perplexity as to how they could proceed with business when no one was there to pray. Mr. Barkley, a Christian layman, solved the problem by saying with Kentucky directness:

"I can pray. That's every man's prerogative." He then proceeded to offer the following prayer:

"Lord, in these days of uncertainty, we ask for and thank Thee for the boon of Thy guidance and direction.

"Endow us with wisdom to see the path of our duty and courage to keep our feet within it." Amen.

Here is the profound eloquence of simple devotion. Here, the desired attitude of the Christian lawmaker and statesman.

One of the most interesting and ultimately significant happenings in each day's session of our Arkansas General Assembly is the opening prayer given, generally by some available local minister who has been specifically assigned to the task and invited to voice the prayers of the members as they face

their responsibilities for the day. One is deeply impressed with the respectful attentiveness and reverent sincerity of the members as evidenced by bowed heads and soberly thoughtful faces. This mood is even more evident when the heat of controversy and the tensions generated by honestly held but strongly divergent opinions have set the stage for the really creative work involved in the legislative process of a democracy.

Concerned Christian citizens over the state need to keep always in mind that these chosen lawmakers of ours are themselves Christian men and women. Among them are 46 Baptists, three Catholics, three Christians or Disciples, ten from the Church of Christ, one from the Church of God, nine Episcopalians, 41 Methodists, one Mormon, 19 Presbyterians, and two undesignated. These all desire and seek divine guidance which is not withheld from any earnest soul.

Different groups in our society have certain legitimate interests which they want to see advanced—the milk producers, people involved in insurance, transportation, schools, utilities, rice farming, cotton farming, manufacturing, labor unions, news media, the small merchants, chain stores, etc., etc. Often the special interests of one group are in conflict with those of another group. That is exactly why we have legislative assemblies.

So, with more than seven hundred specific bills and resolutions demanding the attention and decision of each legislator, we can be glad when they join in the prayer—"Endow us with wisdom to see the path of our duty and courage to place our feet within it."

Sermon topics listed

THE BAPTIST HOUR sermon theme for March will be "Portraits of the Passion."

THE BAPTIST HOUR sermon topics for March are: Mar. 5, "The Portrait of Treason", (Matthew 26:14-16); Mar. 12, "The Portrait of Failure", (Matthew 26:74-75); Mar. 19, "The Portrait of Love", (Matthew 27:45-46); Mar. 26, "The Portrait of Power", (Matthew 28:18-20).

Dr. Herschel Hobbs, pastor of First Church, Oklahoma City, is THE BAPTIST HOUR preacher:

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Conduct of business— How to obtain floor

"Before any one can introduce a matter of business in a deliberative assembly, or claim the attention of the body for any purpose, he must first obtain the floor" (Kerfoot, p. 26).

To obtain the floor a member must rise and address the presiding officer by his official title. He rises and says: "Mr. President," or "Mr. Chairman," or "Madam Chairman." " 'Brother Moderator,' or 'Brother Chairman,' implies that the speaker is also a moderator or chairman." (Robert, footnote, p. 27)

The member has not obtained the floor until the presiding officer has recognized him by calling his name. If it is a large body, the presiding officer may indicate his recognition in some other manner. The member then gives his name as the presiding officer indicates his recognition.

Questions on parliamentary procedure are invited. Address to Rev. Carl M. Overton, 109 West-Adam Street, Hamburg, Ark.)

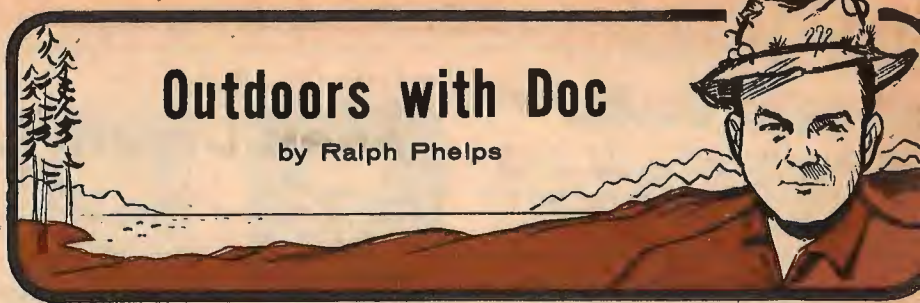
The one first addressing the chair after a speaker has yielded the floor is entitled to recognition. There are situations in which this may not apply, such as:

- a. The maker of the motion if he has not spoken.
- b. The member who has already spoken on the question when someone who has not spoken also desires to speak.
- c. Where a question is highly debatable one who wishes to speak opposite the previous speaker.
- d. The member who does not frequently speak over one who has spoken or does so frequently.

The chair should not recognize the member who has been standing while the previous speaker was speaking. This practice is discourteous to the one speaking and disturbing to the body.

A member who approaches the chair while another is speaking is not entitled to recognition. No member is entitled to recognition unless he rises after the floor has been yielded.

"After a member has been assigned the floor he cannot be interrupted by a member or the chairman, except by (a) a motion to reconsider; (b) a point of order; (c) an objection to the consideration of the question; (d) a call for the orders of the day when they are not be-



Outdoors with Doc

by Ralph Phelps

The Doc CAN teach Amos

Virtue may eventually be rewarded, but this columnist has about become convinced that the reward will not necessarily be in the form of a full game bag.

While conducting three out-of-town Bible studies this year, I have been quail hunting with local nimrods, and the total kill for all hunters participating equaled nine birds—one over a day's limit for one man.

At Smackover, Buddy Young and I tramped the fields until freezing rain finally drove us to shelter. We didn't get a shot. The pastor, Delbert McAtee was smart enough to stay home that day.

In Conway a couple of weeks later, Dr. Bill Flynt, pastor of the First Baptist Church; Charles Acuff, a Ouachita alumnus and superintendent of the Children's Colony, and I met at daylight for breakfast, shivered at the sub-freezing temperature and howling wind, drank coffee until the temperature outside got up to 20 and then headed for an area where Bill had found six coveys the previous week. We found one covey immediately and dropped three birds on the rise, Chuck getting two with one shot. We were off to a great beginning.

Unfortunately, the final curtain dropped just after the opening one rose. A few minutes later while I was on top a mountain looking for a lost dog, I heard what sounded like World War III and assumed that my two buddies had finished out their limits. I forgot the dog, hustled to where I had heard the shooting, and found that the only hearts which had been made happy were those of the ammunition makers. We wandered disconsolately while the four dogs, one of which Chuck had described at breakfast as "the best bird dog in North Arkansas," hunted fruitlessly. We finally got a point on one single, on which Bill and I doubled, leaving the bird a reasonable facsimile of screen wire. That ended our shooting, although our hunting did not terminate for some three hours—unfortunately. When I picked cockle-burrs off a little setter, I noticed she had been frozen on her from crossing creeks. Apparently the quail had more sense than the hunters and were huddled up in some warm, inaccessible place.

In Fayetteville at the tail end of the season (both quail and Bible study) I was shown the hospitality of Northwest Arkansas by Bill Whitfield, Chevrolet dealer and member of Dr. Andy Hall's church. He took me to an area where he had found eight coveys the last time out and where he and his partner had easily gotten their limits. Jack, his old dog, is a good one and performed as well as could in a wind blowing steadily at 35 miles an hour.

No sooner had we crossed a fence to start hunting than I saw what I thought were quail get up wild and fly to some tall grass and blackberry thicket. Bill wasn't sure what they were, but we decided to investigate just in case. It was a good thing we did, for these were the only birds we found all afternoon. He shot four times and got four, I fired once and dropped one. Percentage wise that's good shooting; but I never have developed a taste for percentage gravy.

If my Bible teaching is no more productive than my quail hunting, I would be invited to teach anywhere next year. Anybody want to swap a good fishing trip for a series of lectures on Amos?

ing conformed to; (e) a question of privilege; (f) a request . . . that the question be divided when it consists of more than one independent resolution of different subjects; or (g) a parliamentary inquiry . . . that requires immediate answer" (Robert, p. 32).

(For this discussion I have relied heavily on Robert's *Rules of Order, Revised*, pp. 26-32; F. M. Gregg, *Handbook of Parliamentary Law*, rev. ed. (Boston: Ginn and Co., 1940) —Carl M. Overton.

Use Newsmagazine cover

Arkansas Valley Association will join eleven others Mar. 9 in using the cover of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine as the monthly bulletin.

The Executive Board of the association voted to pay for three months subscriptions to the three smaller churches not now receiving the paper, giving Missionary Carl Fawcett almost complete coverage of the entire association with only three other churches having partial family lists.

Belknap at Dermott

Charlie W. Belknap, pastor of Elaine Church since 1963, has accepted the pastorate of the Dermott Church.

Mr. Belknap is a graduate of Ouachita University and of Southern Seminary. He finished high school at Blytheville.

Before going to Elaine he served as assistant pastor and educational director of First Church, Stuttgart, and later as pastor of Greenlee Memorial Church, Pine Bluff.

Presently he is moderator of the Arkansas Valley Association and is a member of the Executive Board of the Arkansas State Convention.

He and wife, Patsy Ruth, have three children: James Steven, 11; Susan Marie, 6; and David Wayne, 3.

Floyds in Philippines

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Floyd, Southern Baptist missionaries, are now doing evangelistic work in Iligan City (their address: Iligan City, Lanao de Norte, Philippines). He was born in Lockesburg, and grew up in Hot Springs; she, the former Helen Nutt, was born and reared in Mineral Springs. When they were appointed missionaries in 1965 he was pastor of Denman Avenue Church, Lufkin, Tex.



ARKANSAN WINS SCHOLARSHIP—Tommy Bridges (center) is the recipient of one of three Southwestern Seminary scholarships provided through Park Cities Church, Dallas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Bridges, 44 Wesley Dr., North Little Rock, and a 1966 graduate of Ouachita Baptist University. Other recipients of the scholarship, which provides for matriculation, are Arnold Bridges (left), Hialeah, Fla., and Hugh Litchfield, Petersburg, Va.



CHARLIE W. BELKNAP



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New Illinois editor

CARBONDALE, ILL.—Robert J. Hastings, pastor of University Church here, is the newly-elected editor of *The Illinois Baptist*, organ of the Illinois



ROBERT J. HASTINGS

Baptist State Association. Dr. Hastings, who begins his duties about March 1, succeeds L. H. Moore, who resigned to become editor of *The Ohio Baptist*. A native of Marion, Ill., he received the A. B. degree with honors from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale; and the B. D. and the Th.D. degrees from Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas.

For five years Dr. Hastings was associate to Merrill D. Moore, then the Stewardship Promotion Secretary of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, Nashville, Tenn. From 1960 to 1965, he was Secretary of Stewardship Promotion for the Kentucky Baptist Convention, Middletown. (BP)

Takes mission church

R. E. Fowler, pastor of Grace Church, North Little Rock, since December, 1963, has resigned to become pastor of Second Church, Caruthersville, Mo., Feb. 16.

During Mr. Fowler's ministry at Grace, there were 92 additions, 39 through baptism.

The physical plant has increased in value by remodeling and new construction from \$54,000 to \$104,000. The budget has increased from \$11,639 to \$16,828 annually.

Deaths

DWIGHT PHILLIPS, minister of music, First Church, Decatur, Ga., Feb. 7.

Mr. Phillips formerly served First Church, Texarkana. Among his survivors is his wife, Evelyn, a native Arkansan.

Wetherington is winner

Al Wetherington, a Ouachita Baptist University junior from Arkadelphia, has won the second prize of \$50 in the nationwide Sam Houston State College Jazz Composition Contest.

His "Introit e Fugato," a state-band composition, will be published by the KSM Publishing House in Dallas, Tex., along with other winners in the contest. Contest winners were from Arkansas, Louisiana and Ohio.

A theory and composition student of Francis McBeth, Wetherington is a member of the OBU band and stage band, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Musical Fraternity, and the Musicians Guild. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Wetherington of Ouachita Hills.

Payne licensed

Jonathon Edward Payne, junior at Ouachita University, was licensed to the ministry Feb. 19, by Riverside Church, Rt. 1, Donaldson, where he is music director. A religious education major, he is the son of Rev. George Payne, pastor, Batson Mission, Clarksville.

Ordained in England

James R. (Bob) Dickerson was ordained to the ministry Jan. 8 by Sharp-enhoe Southern Baptist Church, Sharp-enhoe, England. His wife is the former Lois Lochala of Crossett.

The ordination council was composed of 17 European Baptist Convention, English language missionaries and ministers. Mr. Dickerson was licensed in 1960 by Bayou Meto Church, Jacksonville, Ark.

The Dickersons are with their three sons in England, while he serves with the Air Force.

Study Portuguese

Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Burnett, Southern Baptist missionary appointees for Equatorial Brazil, left the States Feb. 8 for Campinas, Sao Paulo, where they will study the Portuguese language for a year. They may be addressed at Caixa Postal 679, Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil.

He was born and reared in the Terrel area of east Texas; she, the former Barbara Evans, was born in Hazelvalley, Ark., but grew up in Sedgwick County, Kans. At the time of their missionary appointment in October, 1966, he was minister of music and education at First Church, Dimmitt, Tex.

To aid retarded

New special education classes for educable, trainable retarded children will be sponsored by First Church, Camden, beginning Mar. 5.

Pastor John R. Maddox reports that clearer understanding of specially handicapped children is showing educators that they can be "shown the way" academically through special classes. "The First Baptist Church of Camden," he said, "wants to 'show the way' spiritually."

The class will be open to all retarded children in the community, regardless of denomination.(CB)

Memorial piano given

The children of the late Mrs. Hattie Fowler, Friendship, presented Riverside Church, Donaldson, with a new piano as a memorial. Loyd Fowler, a son, and Mrs. Hortice Garrett, daughter, both members of Riverside, made the presentation.

Mrs. Fowler was the oldest charter member of Riverside, and her Sunday School class was named for her.

Revivals

Pine Bluff Immanuel, Mar. 5-12; Dr. Harold E. Ingraham, Nashville, Tenn., evangelist; L. H. Coleman, pastor.

Mena First, April. 23-30; Dean and Doug Dickens, Booneville students at Ouachita University, evangelists and singers; Dillard S. Miller, pastor.

North Little Rock Calvary, Jan. 29-Feb. 5; Jack Parchman, evangelist; Herbert "Red" Johnson, music director; 2 surrendered to the ministry; 2 young ladies to special service; 1 young man to evangelistic singing; 46 professions of faith; 8 by letter; Bill Kleis, pastor.

Little Rock Second, Mar. 26-Apr. 2; Dale Cowling, pastor, evangelist; Archie Y. McMillan, music director; Cecil McGee, drama consultant of the Church Recreation Department, Sunday School Board, young people director; Nelson Tull, personal work.

Camden First, Mar. 5-12; Joe Shaver, evangelist; Charles Wright, singer; John R. Maddox, pastor.

Texarkana Beech Street, Mar. 19-26; Dr. Robert Naylor evangelist; Fritz Smith Jr., singer; Milton E. DuPriest, pastor.

Star City First, Mar. 12-19; Jerry Don Abernathy, pastor, First Church, Crossett, evangelist; C. Don Cooper, pastor, and W. W. Kelley, music directors.



MR. AND MRS. M. B. McCHESNEY



MR. AND MRS. NOAH WILSON



MR. AND MRS. JIM CARRUTH



PASTOR JIM DAVIS AND JOHN IGOU

Barton Church Jan. 15 honored three couples who had observed their golden wedding anniversary: Mr. and Mrs. M. B. McChesney, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carruth and Mr. and Mrs. Noah Wilson.

At the same service the church presented a plaque to John Igou, who was retiring because of health reasons after 14 years as Sunday School superintendent.

To conclude the special services the congregation burned paid notes totaling \$24,923.40, which had been paid off since 1960. Barton Church paid 13 years of notes in only six years and the church is now free of debt.

A potluck luncheon was served under the leadership of Mrs. Sue Leifer, church hostess. The honorees were seated at the head table.

Jim Davis is pastor.

Five states to meet

A five state area will be represented during the annual conference of the Southwestern Association of Baptist Teachers of Religion meeting at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Mar. 17.

The program, consisting of papers presented by members and open discussions of these papers, will begin at 9:30 a.m. Participating in the program will be Dr. F. M. Warden and Dr. Norman Fromm, both from East Texas Baptist College; Dr. John B. Davidson of Baylor University; Dr. William Pinson of Southwestern Seminary; Dr. Jimmy Allen of the Texas Christian Life Commission, Dr. T. B. Maston, professor emeritus, Southwestern Seminary; Dr. James Woods, Baylor University; Don Coleman of Texas Woman's University; Dr. Arnold Ashburn of the University

of Corpus Christi; and Dr. Milton Ferguson of Southwestern Seminary.

Full membership in the association is extended to all Baptist teachers of religion, including religious education, at Baptist Colleges, seminaries, and Bible chairs in Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. Eligible for associate membership are all persons who are interested in the work of the association.

Pastors resign

Two pastors have resigned recently in Trinity Association. Tommy Farrar Jr. has resigned from Pleasant Hill Church. He is working on his master's degree at Arkansas State University and plans to teach in Southern College next school year.

Roger Criner has left Weiner Church to accept a call as pastor of Orchard Street Church, Memphis.(AB)

Senator on SBC program

NASHVILLE—The program agenda for the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami Beach, Fla., has been confirmed by the SBC Committee on Order of Business, with major addresses scheduled by eight Baptist ministers and a U. S. Senator.

Theme for the convention, to be held May 30-June 2 at the Municipal Auditorium in Miami Beach, will be "Mandate to Minister."

Most prominent speaker on the program will be Sen. Mark Hatfield, former governor of Oregon and himself a Baptist, who will deliver an address on peace following the report of the SBC Christian Life Commission, Thursday morning, June 1.

The convention will open Tuesday night, May 30, with the annual sermon by Landrum P. Leavell, pastor of First Church, Wichita Falls, Tex.

Closing session of the convention, scheduled Friday night, June 2, will feature a youth-night emphasis, with addresses by Jim Voss who works with juvenile delinquents in New York as head of Youth, Inc., and by Carl Bates, pastor of First Church, Charlotte, N. C.

It is the first time in 11 years that the convention has closed with a youth-night service, said H. Cowen Ellis, chairman of the convention's Committee on Order of Business which planned the convention program. Ellis is pastor of First Church, Charlottesville, Va.

Another first on the convention will be a Wednesday night commissioning service for new Southern Baptist Home Mission Board appointees. Never before have newly-appointed SBC home missionaries been "commissioned" during a convention session.

The Wednesday night home missions-emphasis session will also feature an address by Kenneth L. Chafin, professor of evangelism at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

The Thursday night Foreign Mission Board report will feature introduction of new SBC foreign missionaries, and will emphasize the 1969 Crusade of the Americas, an evangelistic campaign involving Baptists of North, Central and South America.

H. Franklin Paschall, president of the convention and pastor of First Church of Nashville, will deliver the annual presidential address on Wednesday morning, May 31.

During a Wednesday afternoon emphasis on theological education, the

president of New Orleans Seminary, H. Leo Eddleman, will address the convention following the reports of six SBC-affiliated seminaries.

Three other Southern Baptist pastors are scheduled to speak on the program. They are Theodore F. Adams, pastor of First Church, Richmond, Va.; J. D. Grey, pastor of First Church, New Orleans, La.; and James Pleitz, pastor, First Church, Pensacola, Fla.

The committee which planned the program sought to carry out the theme, "Mandate to Minister," with sub-themes for each session, said Ellis, the committee chairman.

Themes for the various sessions include: "Mandate to Minister through Preaching," "Mandate to Minister through the Churches," "Mandate to Minister through Education," ". . . to America," ". . . to Person," ". . . to the World," ". . . through Christian Fellowship," ". . . through the Laity," and ". . . to Youth."

Robert L. Snead, minister of music for First Church of Nashville, will be music director for the convention. (BP)

Baptist Briefs

BROWNWOOD, Tex.—Paul Harvey, ABC News analyst, will serve as one of the principal speakers during the 12th Annual Democracy-in-Action Week at Howard Payne College, April 2-7.

The DIA program, which was inspired by Howard Payne's president, Guy D. Newman, works through a faculty committee and a voluntary group of students and is centered around the history, the heritage and the present of America. (BP)

ABILENE, Tex.—Sherwyn McHair, news editor of the Abilene Reporter News, has been named head of the journalism program at Hardin-Simmons University effective with the spring semester. (BP)

New grading system

NASHVILLE—Three agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention have joined in presentation of a new grading system for church program organizations in Baptist churches.

The system, effective Oct. 1, 1970, has been approved by the Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, the SBC Brotherhood Commission, and the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

The new plan of grading will affect persons from birth through age 17 (graduation from high school). Generally, the plan follows grading used by public school systems.

The new plan calls for four essential divisions for each church, no matter how small or how large: preschool division—birth through 5 (entrance into school); children's division—age 6 (grade 1) through age 11 (grade 6); youth division—age 12 (grade 7) through age 17 (grade 12); and persons beyond 17. (BP)

\$100,000 endowments

ABILENE, Tex. — Hardin-Simmons University has received a \$100,000 gift to its current \$2-million endowment campaign. Elwin L. Skiles, president, said the gift, designed for the School of Music, will be known as the Ouida Shepherd Smith Endowment Fund.

The late Mrs. Smith, the former Ouida Shepherd, and her husband, Clyde E. Smith of San Antonio, made the gift with provisions that it be used as endowment for the School of Music.

BROWNWOOD, Tex.—A gift of more than \$100,000 for endowment to Howard Payne College has been announced by Guy D. Newman, president.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Thomas, of Hattiesburg, Miss., have established a trust fund with the Mississippi Baptist Foundation which will benefit the Texas Baptist college.

The college will not benefit from the trust during the lifetime of the couple, but at that time the income from the trust will be used for scholarships for worthy students. The gift is estimated at "more than \$100,000." (BP)

New subscribers

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One month free trial received:		
Shiloh (Clay Co.)	Louis Gustavus	Current River
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New Hope, Black Oak	Ernest Tosh	Mount Zion

SBC membership at 11 million

BY BAPTIST PRESS

NASHVILLE—Membership in Southern Baptist Convention churches pressed toward the 11 million mark during 1966, but enrollments in most church organizations recorded decreases during the year.

A year-end statistical summary from the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board's research and statistics department disclosed that total membership in SBC churches reached 10,952,463 during 1966, an increase of 179,751 members over the 1965 report.

The statistics were based on reports from 33,949 churches affiliated with the nation's largest Protestant denomination. The number of churches was up 152 from the number reported last year.

Only church organization to show increases in enrollment was the music ministry of SBC-affiliated churches. The number of Baptists enrolled in church choirs and other music programs increased 72,818 (8.3 per cent) to a total of 945,004 during 1966.

Decreases were reported in Sunday School enrollment, Training Union enrollment, Men's Brotherhood enrollment, Royal Ambassador enrollment, and Woman's Missionary Union organization enrollment.

The number of baptisms of new converts, considered by some denominational leaders to be a barometer of the denomination's spiritual state, decreased only slightly compared to the previous year.

The convention's churches reported 360,959 baptisms during 1966, a decrease of 675 when compared to the number of new converts in 1965.

Sunday School enrollment was off 55,953, with a total of 7,603,685 reported enrolled in the denomination's weekly Bible classes. It was a decrease of .7 per cent.

Training Union enrollment dropped 58,114 or 2.2 per cent, to a total of 2,552,073. Training Union is the Sunday evening study group program of Baptist churches.

Woman's Missionary Union, a missions organization for women, girls and children, reported an enrollment drop of 9,911 to a total of 1,459,828, with the same .7 per cent decrease reported by Sunday School.

Enrollment in the Baptist Men's (Brotherhood) organizations dropped 14,220, to a total of 282,199, a decrease of 4.8 per cent.

Royal Ambassadors, a mission or-

ganization for boys, reported enrollment decreases of 5,446, to a total of 181,354. It was a 2.9 per cent drop.

Enrollment in Vacation Bible Schools, the weekday Bible ministry of Baptist churches, also recorded a decrease for the first time, dropping 6,029 to a total of 3,388,924.

An all-time record, however, was reported in SBC missions giving and value of church property.

Financially, Southern Baptists gave a total of nearly \$670 million through their churches for all causes during 1966, up \$31.8 million over total gifts last year.

Contributions for missions topped the \$115 million mark, an increase of \$8.4

	1966	1965	Numerical Change	Pct. Change
Associations	1,188	1,184	4	.3
Churches	33,949	33,797	152	.4
Baptisms	360,959	361,634	-675	-.2
Additions by letter	546,427	547,316	-889	-.2
Total membership	10,952,463	10,772,712	179,751	1.7
Sunday School Enrollment	7,603,685	7,659,638	-55,953	-.7
Training Union Enrollment	2,552,073	2,610,187	-58,114	-2.2
W.M.U. Enrollment	1,459,828	1,469,739	-9,911	-.7
Men's Brotherhood Enrollment	282,199	296,419	-14,220	-4.8
R.A. Enrollment	181,354	186,800	-5,446	-2.9
Music Ministry Enrollment	945,004	872,186	72,818	8.3
Vacation Bible School Enrollment	3,388,924	3,394,953	-6,029	-.2
Value Church Property	\$3,273,868,971	\$3,080,663,120	193,205,851	6.3
Total Gifts	669,779,972	637,958,846	31,821,126	5.0
Mission Gifts	115,197,437	106,743,944	8,453,493	7.9

Protect the records!

Thirty-four churches had their records preserved by having them micro-filmed by the Southern Baptist Historical Commission in 1966; one of these was from Arkansas—First Church Gravel Ridge, North Little Rock.

Church records filmed by the Historical Commission are preserved against possible loss or damage by abuse or insects, and become valuable source materials for Baptist history. A total of 443 churches have had their records filmed during the 15 years the Historical Commission has been helping churches preserve their records.

Church minutes may be filmed on strips so that the print can be used

million over missions gifts of 1965.

Property value of churches continued to climb, exceeding the \$3¼ billion mark. Churches reported spending \$168,786,080 for construction during 1966 of new buildings, including a figure of \$5,063,534 for local mission buildings.

On an average, the per-member total gifts were \$61.15 during 1966, while the average gift per member for missions was \$10.52.

Kindergartens were reported by 1,466 churches.

Included in the 33,949 churches reported were 284 classified as "inactive." They are churches which, are still affiliated with the denomination in some way but have not submitted a report within the past three years. The statistics reflected only figures actually reported by the churches, with no adjustments made for incomplete reports.

Following is the tabulated statistical summary as prepared by the SBC research and statistics department:

in a filmstrip projector and viewed by the entire congregation on anniversary occasions. Records kept in a fire-proof safe are not always safe-guarded. Robbers carried away one safe from a church office, and disappointed by not finding cash, the safe was dumped into the river. It was later recovered, but all the priceless records were ruined. A facsimile paper-print copy could have been reproduced from the microfilm had those records been preserved against such disaster by the process of micro-photography.

Arkansas has a record of three churches with minutes on microfilm.

Churches interested in having their records filmed should write to Historical Commission, 127 Ninth Avenue North, Nashville, Tenn. 37203.

Brotherhood convention to be changed in '67

The State Brotherhood Convention customarily held the first week-end in March will not be held. Instead a meeting for Baptist Men and Baptist Young Men will be held on May 5-6, in connection with the State Royal Ambassador Congress. This will bring together all three units of Brotherhood work at one time. All meetings will be held in the facilities of First Church, Little Rock.

The theme for all units will be "Making Missions Live."

The men's meeting will begin at 6:45 p.m. in the old auditorium (Sipes Building). The program will feature good singing, special music, and an inspirational, informative message. The speaker will be Dr. George W. Schroeder, Executive Secretary of the Brotherhood Commission in Memphis. Dr. Schroeder, who has served in his present position for the past 17 years, is a gifted speaker and dedicated layman. Pastors and laymen will be informed and inspired by hearing this man of God with a missionary message.

Following Dr. Schroeder's message the men will move to the main auditorium at 8 p.m. for a joint meeting with Royal Ambassadors. This joint meeting will feature music by a Royal Ambassador chorus and a soloist. The message for the joint meeting will be by Rev. W. D. Lawes of the Home Mission Board in Atlanta. He will be speaking on the subject, "Making Missions Live . . . Here, There and Everywhere." Brother Lawes, before joining the Mission Board was for many years Brotherhood Secretary for the Arizona Baptist Convention. Through his position in that great pioneer area he really did "make missions live." Every pastor and layman and all boys with any interest at all in missions will want to hear Mr. Lawes.

More information regarding the meeting will be mailed to directors, presidents, leaders, counselors and pastors soon. — C. H. Seaton

Gilmores in States

Rev. and Mrs. Billy O. Gilmore, Southern Baptist missionaries on furlough from South Brazil, may now be addressed at 1200 Price St., Henderson, Tex., 75652.

Born in Leverett's Chapel, Tex., he lived there and in Mt. Enterprise, Tex., while growing up; she, the former Lee Ann Cole, was born in Alma, but spent most of her childhood in Raymondville, Tex. When they were appointed missionaries in 1962 he was pastor of First Baptist Church, Hawkins, Tex.

No. Church	Address	Pastor
134 Windsor Park	Fort Smith	(When record was made) Dr. J. Harold Smith
85 First	Fort Smith	Dan Cameron
82 Park Hill	North Little Rock	Dr. Rheubin South
81 Grand Avenue	Fort Smith	Clifford Palmer
82 Second	Hot Springs	Dr. Walter Yeldell
79 Central	Pine Bluff	Andy O'Kelly
(Includes 53, Boy's School)		
71 Second	Conway	William West
67 Life Line	Little Rock	Wm. Philliber
66 South Side	Pine Bluff	Dr. Tal Bonham
62 First Southern	Kingston	Jack Taylor
60 Gosnell	Gosnell	Wm. Kreis
60 Second	Little Rock	Dr. Dale Cowling
58 First	Van Buren	Charles Graves
57 Mtn. Pine	Mtn. Pine	Wayne Davis
56 Levy	North Little Rock	Alfred Sparkman
56 West	Batesville	Dr. T. R. Coulter, Jr.
55 Oak Cliff	Fort Smith	Rick Ingle
54 First (includes 46 South Side Mission)	Warren	Dr. James Draper (deceased)
Lee Lewis, pastor		Minor Cole (Interim)
52 Immanuel	Little Rock	Dr. W. O. Vaught, Jr.
52 Ingram Blvd.	West Memphis	Henry Applegate
52 First	West Memphis	Tommie Henson
51 Oak Grove	Van Buren	Bob Shoemaker
50 Beech Street	Texarkana	Dr. Milton DuPriest
50 Central	Jonesboro	Curtis Mathis
50 First	Little Rock	Dr. Paul Roberts

Congregation in Brookwood



Little Rock's Brookwood First Church occupied its new auditorium and educational Building at 5811 Brookview Drive Feb. 5. C. S. Maynard, pastor, spoke at morning services, and R. V. Haygood, Pulaski County Association missionary, was the evening speaker.

Brookwood First was formerly Capitol Hill Church. The new church, built at a cost of \$100,000, will accommodate 200. The combination auditorium and educational building is the first unit of a two-unit plant. The building is of

red brick and concrete block construction on property that is one block long and one-half block wide. Sanctuary furnishings are new. A public address system includes an inter-communications unit for the educational building.

The congregation was formed in 1948 and Mr. Maynard assumed the pastorate in 1949. Wallace Ferguson, graduate of Ouachita University, has joined the church staff as minister of music and education. He is working on his master's degree in music at Ouachita.

Oops — Chief Red-In-The-Face goofs again!

We are not sure who Chief Red In-The-Face is, but he is responsible for some few errors in copy in a recent issue of this paper.

The particular bit of copy we refer to is a one-page spread of information about Siloam Springs Assembly for 1967.

Naturally every reader is, now saying, who is the buck being passed to right now?

I don't know, perhaps it's like the hot potato—it's being passed around rather rapidly to several of us here in Baptist Building

But, now to corrections.

On page 17 of the issue of Feb. 9, 1967, these corrections should be noted. The lines describing the third week should read:

"Third week July 10-15) Northeast, East central and Southeast (instead of Southwest) districts."

A second important correction is the third line describing the accommodations:

"Church owned dormitories 50c (instead of%) less."

You could find some other places for corrections, but these would not change the basic content like the two above corrections.

Ugh!

Chief Red-In-The-Face
Alias Lawson Hatfield

P.S. If you would like to have a corrected copy of information write to Ralph Douglas, 401 West Capitol, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201, (Not the above mentioned Chief).

Nelsons make move

Rev. and Mrs. Edward W. Nelson, Southern Baptist missionaries to Chile, have moved from Santiago to Temuco, where he will teach music in Baptist Academy and promote religious education. They may be addressed a Ctasilla 50-D, Temuco, Chile.

Born in Davenport, Iowa, he grew up in Houston, Tex.; she, the former Gladys Samp, was born and reared in Ipswich, S. D. When they were appointed missionaries in 1957 he was music director for Immanuel Church, Little Rock.

The crooked tax collector

BY HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

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

"Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for today I must abide at thy house" (Luke 19:5).

Jesus was often a guest in another's home. But this is the only time that He asked to be one. And it was in the home of "the chief among the publicans" (v.2). Luke calls him an *architelones*, a "chief publican." This word appears only here in the New Testament, and has never been found elsewhere. Evidently Luke coined the word on the form of "chief priest" *archiereus*. Jericho was an important trading center which probably had many publicans to collect taxes. So Zacchaeus was over other publicans. We would call him a tax commissioner.

As a lot publicans were notoriously dishonest, and were considered as traitors to their nation. The people resented Jesus' being the guest of this chief publican.

The word "murmured" renders a word (*diegogguzonto*) which means that they murmured much. The very sound of the word resembles the buzzing of bees. They probably would have preferred Jesus picketing his house, carrying a sign "Unfair to taxpayers."

But Jesus did otherwise. He went into his home and won him to Himself. That he was a changed man is seen in verse 8. He said, "If I have taken anything from any man by false accusation." The form of this statement means that he had. So he said that he would restore it fourfold. This was the requirement of the Mosaic law (Ex. 22:1; Num. 5:6f.). But he even went beyond that. He offered to give half of his goods to the poor.

So instead of upbraiding the man Jesus led him to have a changed heart. Thus He found a crooked tax collector and gave to Jericho a transformed tax commissioner. Jesus' way was to change society by changing men. His way should be our way.



SOUTHERN STARTS BUILDING—Ground breaking ceremonies were held at Southern College, for the New Science Complex Feb. 10. It will house the Department of Biological Sciences and the Department of Physical Sciences. The installation will contain twelve separate units arranged in a rectangle. A Botanical garden is planned in the court between the units. Shown from left to right: Victor Wong and Ann Webb, professors of Mathematics; Dr. H. E. Williams, president of the college; Leroy Madden, chairman, Department of Physical Sciences and Professor of Chemistry; Robert Moulton, chairman, Department of Biological Sciences and Professor of Biology; Myrna Holland, professor of Biology; Dr. J. Garber Drushal, dean of the College of Wooster, Wooster, O.; and Dr. Woodrow Behannon, dean of Southern College.

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The bookshelf

The Myth of the Britannica, by Harvey Einbinder, Grove Press, 1964, \$7.50.

The author is a consulting physicist in the field of rockets and space flight, who received a B.S. with highest distinction in mathematics from the University of Connecticut, and the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in physics from Columbia University.

His main contention, in this controversial book, is that the Britannica Encyclopedia, "a once great and respected vehicle of learning," has now "largely decayed and lost its essential purpose by becoming a commercial enterprise."

Dr. Einbinder finds in the 1963 printing of the Britannica obsolete articles taken from editions as ancient as the ninth edition of 1875-1889. The Britannica, he charges, is slow to catch up with recent discoveries in the sciences, and perpetuates outworn attitudes in the humanities and social sciences. He charges that "while limited editorial budgets seriously hamper the elimination of outmoded articles and bibliographies, and encourage the patchy and unsatisfactory revision of entries written three generations ago, money is poured into a flashy advertising and marketing setup."

A Treasury of Humor, by Clyde Murdock, Zondervan, 1967, \$3.95

Here is a cyclopedia of more than 500 jokes, puns, anecdotes and humorous stories, providing a storehouse of materials for after-dinner speakers, salesmen, teachers, ministers and politicians. The colater is from Memphis, Tenn., where he was first a successful businessman before turning preacher.

The Children of the South, by Margaret Anderson, Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1966, \$4.95

Much has been said about the legal actions taken to get Negro children into the public schools, since the historic decision of the Supreme Court in 1954, but comparatively little has been said about what happens to the children themselves. This book is the first account yet written about the impact of the court's decision on the children—both Negro and white—in integrated schools. The author shows how the radically new situation affects the children psychologically, socially, and educationally.

Primary choir festivals

Last year 50 primary choirs in Arkansas participated in the spring festivals sponsored by the Arkansas Convention Church Music Department. The five area festivals for 1967 will be on Mar. 11, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

You and your primaries will want to attend the one nearest you at one of the five locations: Wynne Church, Wynne; Baring Cross, North Little Rock; South Highland, Little Rock; Second, El Dorado; or Calvary, Fort Smith.

Mrs. Amon Baker from First, Walnut Ridge, will be director at the Wynne festival. Mrs. Baker, children's choir director for her church, for nine years directed and coordinated the children's choir program at Immanuel, Little Rock, and is the primary state approved music worker.

Saxe Adams, beginner-primary music consultant from the Church Music Department, Nashville, will direct the Baring Cross festival. Mr. Adams is well-known in Arkansas through graded choir clinics and workshops. He was for 15 years minister of music at Travis Avenue, Ft. Worth, before assuming his present position in 1961.

Mrs. Haskell Boyter, children's choir

consultant from Atlanta, Ga., is the guest conductor for the South Highland festival. For several years Mrs. Boyter was in our state for the primary festivals and many of our directors will want to have another opportunity to work with her.

Miss Rose Marie Barrow, children's choir instructor and music librarian at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., is the El Dorado festival conductor. Miss Barrow is also children's choir director at Tabernacle Church, Louisville, and has been director of the seminary's primary laboratory choir for several years. Mrs. Carroll Lowe, previously announced as the El Dorado festival director, was unable to come.

Mrs. Charles Mayo is children's choir director and wife of the minister of music at First, Benton. She will be leading the Ft. Smith festival. Mrs. Mayo has worked with children's choirs for many years and is also a state approved music worker.

Registration blanks are included in the music ministry pamphlet recently furnished to each church music director, and this blank along with a \$2 registration fee for each choir should be mailed to the Church Music Department, 401 W. Capitol, Little Rock, 72201. Registration for any of these primary festivals will not be accepted after Mar. 1.

Beacon lights of Baptist history

Judson Centennial

BY BERNES K. SELPH, TH.D.
PASTOR, FIRST CHURCH, BENTON

The name "Judson" strikes a responsive chord in the heart of every informed Baptist. Its significance should be understood by every uninformed Baptist.

Adoniram Judson was one of those stirred by the famous "Haystack Prayer Meeting" at Williams College. He went out as a missionary to India in 1812. During the voyage he closely studied the Bible, and by the time he reached his destination had become convinced of the Baptist position doctrinally. A short time later he joined them.

One hundred years later the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention thought it proper to observe a Memorial Centennial (Arkansas Baptists cooperated). Rev. Henry Alford Poeter introduced a resolution at the 1911 session of the Southern Baptist Convention asking for a suitable observance of the 100th anniversary of the Judsons' sailing for India and by this becoming American Baptists' first foreign missionaries.

The Convention voted in 1912 to launch the Judson Centennial movement. The chief aim was to raise a Judson Fund of \$1,250,000 to be used by the Foreign Mission Board for educational missions. Advocates of this movement pointed out that evangelism had outrun teaching, numbers had outstripped equipment, hence the need for strengthening the educational phase of the work.

Dr. T. B. Ray, educational secretary of the Foreign Mission Board was named chairman of the campaign. He was to be assisted by a committee made up of one from each state. Fifteen field representatives were employed. Subscriptions were to be secured for a period of three years, ending not later than 1915.

At the 1914 Convention the committee reported cash and pledges of \$602,874.91. This had increased to \$959,000 by 1915. But World War I loomed on the horizon, crippling the effort. The last report on the effort was made at the Convention in 1917 and actual cash totaled \$483,399.05.

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On the Dean's List are Gary Alverson, Ft Smith, Gary Marvin Arnold and James C Walker, Sheridan, Janada Grady Barnett, Marianna, J. Lynelle Barrow and Barbara Ann Criss, Mena, Camille Bishop, Thomas Goodwin, and Joe King, Nashville, Thomas W. Bolton, Janie Mae Ferguson, Jane C. Hollis, Vicki Jones and Jean Walz, Little Rock.

Also, Mark Coppenger, Paul Douglas, Lorraine Ewing, James McCarty, Norma Robertson, and Cynthia E. Wilson, Arkadelphia, Ronald G. Crouthers England, Mona Rae Davidson and Donna McCoy, Malvern, Margaret Lane Deese, West Helena; Harry Glen Elrod and William Edward Merrell, Benton, Martha Enoch and Lane Strother, Memphis.

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Also, Jim Phelan, Donaldson, Patsy Rankin, Texarkana, Tex., Margaret Smith, Rogers, Patricia Stipek and Carolyn Yeldell, Hot Springs, Michael E. Stubblefield, Ft. Smith, Rich Terry, Tyroneza, Janice Elaine Tucker, Texarkana, Paul Waldron, Sheridan, Guy Whitney Jr., Paragould, and Margaret Woolsey, Mountaintop.

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According to a news release from Nashville, Tenn., from the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Sunday School of the Diaz Church was first in the state during 1966 in total Sunday School awards. G. L. Balch is superintendent and Sedrick Wesson is pastor.

Also in Black River Association, Ellis Stephens is preaching at Pleasant Valley Church near Swifton, and Del-

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bert Callaway has accepted the call to the pastorate of Horseshoe Church. Both are ministerial students at Southern College. (AB)

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Institutions ————— Arkansas Baptist Medical Center

Ward Secretaries Now On Evening Duty



These are the new ward secretaries who were formerly nurses' aides. They are working on the 3 to 11 p.m. shift. From left, front row: Trobia Crabtree, Beverly Brown, Stella Gentry and Rosalind Midkiff. Second row: Levinna Otts, Louella Nusbaum, Ruth Sheridan and Jerry Bush. Not present when the picture was made: Rebecca Jane Cook.

A group of nine nurses' aides have taken a four weeks' training course and have been promoted to ward secretaries for the 3 to 11 p.m. evening shift.

Auxiliary Tasting Luncheon

Mark your calendar now for March 30: that's the date of the Auxiliary tasting luncheon to be held at ABMC in the Student Union Building. Come try out all the favorite delicious recipes of Auxiliary members.

DEPARTMENT HEADS ATTEND SEMINAR

The second group of ABMC department heads will attend a seminar on supervisory development at the University of Arkansas Extension School February 6 through March 27.

The seminar is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. The first group of ABMC department heads attended a similar eight-week course in November and December.

Kindergartens Visit

Children from Forest Highlands and Westover Hills Kindergartens came to ABMC on January 18 for a "Play Hospital" visit. The ABMC Auxiliary sponsors the program for kindergarten children.

Volunteer Awards

Arkansas Baptist Medical Center Auxiliary presented volunteer service awards in January to:

Mrs. W. L. Taylor, 500 hours of service; Mrs. James Lathrop, 400 hours; Mrs. William McWilliams, 200 hours; and Mrs. John Rinehart, 100 hours. Mrs. Joe Chamber, Mrs. Arthur Krablin and Mrs. George Cox received Auxiliary emblems.

Cancer Authority Speaks to Auxiliary

Dr. James O. Gillespie, vice president of the American Cancer Society at New York, spoke to the ABMC Auxiliary on "New and Improved Methods in the Treatment of Cancer" on February 9.

Dr. Gillespie, who is in charge of medical programs for the Society, used slides with his talk.

Auxiliary members heard Frank Warden, Jr., a local attorney and chairman of the Pulaski County Chapter of the National Foundation: March of Dimes, speak on the Foundation's Program on the Solving of Birth Defects on January 12. Warden showed a film on the Birth Defects Center supported by the Arkansas Chapter.

The Auxiliary has its annual tasting luncheon scheduled for 9 a.m. through 3:30 p.m. on March 30.

New volunteers in the Auxiliary Volunteer Program are: Mrs. Joe B. Chambers of Carlisle; Mrs. Warren Wood of Little Rock; and Mrs. Arthur Krablin of Little Rock.

FIRST 1967 BABY

Charles Frederick Plunkett, Jr., was the first baby of the New Year to be born at ABMC. He was born at 5:47 a.m. January 1 and weighed seven pounds, seven ounces. His father is an accountant with the Fred Rogers Company and his parents live at 11724 West 12th Street. The grandfather, Fred A. Plunkett, is an ABMC maintenance employee.

Playtime In New Pediatrics Playroom



Mrs. Joe Chambers of Carlisle, an Auxiliary volunteer, helps small patient, Rhonda Powell, of 2004 South Maple, work a jigsaw puzzle in the new pediatrics playroom which has been completed on fifth floor. The volunteers are staffing the room for an hour each afternoon.



Rev. Dewitt Nix, new chairman of the Safety Committee.



Farrell Henry, a mother who returned to nursing.

Farrell Henry was reading the Buzzer recently and came across the story about Mrs. Ruth Red returning to nursing after being in retirement for several years to rear her family. She decided that, with her own children approaching college age, this might be a good idea for her, too. She came to the Nursing Service office, applied and was immediately hired.

"It was a big step and I'm still wondering if I can catch up," said Mrs. Henry. "I have been out of nursing since 1949." She is now taking an orientation course to bring her up to date and she has been assigned to 3-B.

She said that her family had "mixed emotions" about her return to work but that she thought it would be good for her children to learn added independence. Her children are Davis, 17, Sam, 15; and Matt, 12. Her husband is H. D. Henry, a contractor, and they live at 11440 Southridge Drive. She is a graduate of the ABMC School of Nursing and she was the former Farrell Adams.

Mrs. Henry worked briefly about three years ago at Missouri Pacific but she did not stay for long. Prior to 1949 she worked on Surgery at ABMC and took a postgraduate course at Johns Hopkins. After she married and started her family, she temporarily forgot about nursing.

"Since nurses are needed so badly I felt I should go back to work to help out," she said. "I think I'll really enjoy it—once I learn all the new medicines and procedures."

Four Accident Prevention Certificates, framed for hanging, were presented to four ABMC departments by the Royal Globe Insurance Company for "proven interest and excellent achievement in accident prevention" during 1966.

Receiving the awards, which were presented January 20, were: the physical therapy department, the occupational therapy department, the pastoral care department and the medical records department.

Training Course Held At Memorial

Mrs. Nell Balkman, R.N., Director of Traineeship Program for the League of Nursing, is giving a series of lectures on restorative and rehabilitative nursing for seven weeks to employees of the Extended Care Unit at Memorial Hospital in North Little Rock.

MISS HOLLAND SURPRISED BY SPECIAL PROGRAM



Miss Elva Holland, center, registers real surprise at the program given in her honor recently. Beside her are faculty members Mrs. J. C. Fuller and Mrs. Helen Sansovitch.

Miss Elva Holland was honored at a "This is Your Life" surprise program written and narrated by Ruth Arnold Leveck, ABMC librarian, January 12 at 2 p.m.

Miss Holland, recently appointed associate professor of psychiatric nursing, at Ouachita Baptist University, was executive director of the Arkansas Baptist School of Nursing. She has served as a nurse educator since 1948.

John A. Gilbreath, ABMC administrator, was master of ceremonies. Projections were made on a screen of pictures from different stages in Miss Holland's life by Miss Louise Lynch. Nursing students Irene Spoon and Sharon Miller pantomimed humorous portions of the narration. Background piano music was played by Donald Leveck. Hostesses were: Miss Juanita Straubie, Miss Dollie Hiett, Miss Bett Killian and Miss Donna Wirick.

Gifts were presented to Miss Holland from the student body; from Miss Holland's first class of students at Arkansas Baptist Hospital in 1948; from members of the present faculty of the School of Nursing; and from other friends and relatives.

The committee in charge of the program was: Miss Edith Kincheloe, chairman; Miss Lynch, Mrs. The Storey, Mrs. Iva Lee Suggett, and Mrs. Helen Sansovitch.

Mrs. Brannon Processes New Medicare Forms



Medicare forms are no mystery to Mrs. Carmine Brannon who processes several hundred each week. She handles the paperwork for all Medicare patients.

data processing department which turns out routine charge records on each patient, and she then translates them into Medicare-ese.

Mrs. Brannon also keeps records on patients under Welfare, Vocational Rehabilitation and the Crippled Children state programs.

Mrs. Brannon left the city—she had lived for many years at 3100 Battery—to move to 7907 Mabelvale Pike which she describes as a combination of city and country living. Her husband, J. W., is with the Corps of Engineers, and they belong to the Park Place Baptist Church.

When she began working at ABMC, her youngest child was in the fifth grade and the oldest was in junior high. Now all three are married and she has four grandchildren, who get most of her attention in her time off. Her oldest daughter, Billie Jo, is Mrs. James Dockins, and has three children. The youngest, Rebecca, was born at ABMC shortly after Thanksgiving. Bill, the only son, is employed at Jacuzzi. Betty, the youngest, is Mrs. George Summers and has one 3½ year old daughter. Mrs. Summers works for a local dentist, Dr. Jim Fowler.

Mrs. Brannon is a native of Natchez, Miss., but moved to Little Rock before she started to school. She learned typing and shorthand at Central High School and was secretary to the patients accounts manager for several years before taking over her present work.

All the new Medicare forms require skill in executing and the ABMC expert on Medicare paperwork is Carmine Brannon, who has been in patient accounts for the last 11 years.

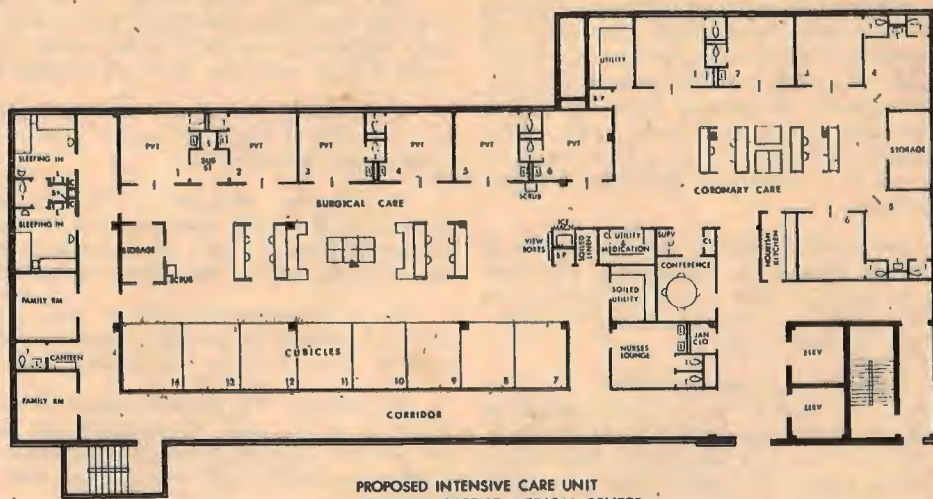
This record-keeping is important so that the accounting department can determine the exact cost of the Medicare program to the hospital for the reimbursable cost formula, she said. She gets her original figures from the

"In the beginning we had nothing to go on," Mrs. Brannon said of the Medicare account-keeping. "We had to learn by trial and error what was needed and how to enter it on the records. The Blue Cross people helped some but we had no formal courses."

Mrs. Brannon, however, has found it very interesting and now gets the necessary information into its proper form routinely. Since Medicare patients account for nearly 24 per cent of the total census, Mrs. Brannon has to process a large number of forms each month.

"Most of the Medicare patients don't stay very long," she said. "Older people like to get out of the hospital as quickly as they can." The hospital receives a set amount per day for all Medicare patients but this does not cover the total cost. She pointed to one bill which had total charges of \$1,552, but Medicare had been able to pay only \$975. She could bill the patient only for the difference in the cost of a private room and for the \$40 which the patient pays as a deductible amount. The remainder of the \$351 was charged off as a hospital loss.

ABMC Plans Intensive Care Unit



PROPOSED INTENSIVE CARE UNIT
ARKANSAS BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER

This is the floor plan for a fifth floor addition to the surgical building which would house a surgical intensive care unit and a coronary intensive care section. All patients would be monitored by highly sensitive equipment which would relay to the nursing station any change in their condition. The estimated cost of the new unit will be \$250,000.

Presidential helpers

BY ENOLA CHAMBERLIN

Memories



BY THELMA C. CARTER

In the wonderful natural world, young wild animals and birds also learn to remember the location of food and water, as well as the location of their enemies. They learn by making trips with their parents. Over and over again, they follow their parents to a berry patch, a pond or a river, and then back to their homes.

Naturalists tell us that the habits of young honeybees are among the best examples of wild creatures learning to remember the things and places important in their lives.

When honeybees are about ten days old, they begin to try their wings in short flights. Sometimes they fly only two or three feet away from their hives. After about two weeks, they are ready to begin longer flights. Sometimes they go several miles away in order to sip from wild flowers, clover, tree blossoms, and shrubs the sweet nectar which they must bring back to their beehive homes.

We think of George Washington mainly as the first President of the United States. Then we think of him as the general in command of the Continental Army. He might not have been either of these had it not been for things which he did earlier in his life.

In March after he was sixteen, Washington was already started on what seemed to be his lifework. When his mother had forbidden his going on an English merchant ship, he became a surveyor. The first task given him was to go from Virginia across the Blue Ridge Mountains into the Shenandoah Valley to survey the vast Fairfax Estates.

Anyone who has seen any uninhabited mountain country will understand the hard life Washington led while doing this work. Few, if any roads existed. He rode horseback, slept out most of the time, and cooked his own meals over a campfire.

During this time, Washington came to the Natural Bridge in Virginia. As a mark of its being surveyed, he cut his initials twenty-three feet up the side of the southeast wall. He also carved them on a rock beneath the bridge.

So well did young George do his job that Lord Fairfax secured for him an appointment as a public surveyor. For three years Washington rode that wild country. As he became acquainted with the new continent, he grew to love it. Later in life, he would fight for it and be its leader.

Surveying was not to be Washington's lifework. At nineteen he became a major in the Virginia militia.

That might not have led anywhere had he not been the man he was. Because he was honest, truthful, brave, fair, and just, men over him had their eyes on him. When Governor Dinwiddie of Virginia needed someone to send on a dangerous and vital mission, he chose Washington, who was still not twenty-two years old.

Accompanied only by Christopher Gist, a bold frontiersman, Washington went into the dense forests of Pennsylvania to warn the French to stay out of English territory. What the young major learned there of French military movements and plans made him aware that war was a grave possibility.

Eager to get back with his news, he and Gist trusted an Indian to guide them. The Indian proved treacherous. He fired on Washington, barely missing him.

Still anxious, Washington would not wait for the Allegheny River to freeze over. He and Gist constructed a raft and set out to cross. Part way across, with ice floes battering the raft, Washington fell overboard. By the time he could pull himself back onto the raft, his clothes were frozen to him.

Fortunately, an island was near. Here Washington walked up and down on a narrow strip of beach all night to keep from freezing. The next morning the men crossed the frozen river.

Washington returned to Virginia with his information. He had proved his ability. He knew the territory and he knew what the French were doing. Because of these things, he was sent out as next in command under a colonel with half the Virginia militia. They were to defend the English outposts on the Ohio River.

In a skirmish the colonel was killed. Washington took over. Although he suffered defeat, he gained experience. He also saw more of this new land and grew to love it more. He gained some idea of its vastness.

In fighting the French for it, which he later did under Braddock, it came truly to be his land, his country, his home. How differently he would have felt had he been allowed to go on an English merchant ship when he was in his teens. England probably then would have been his country.

As it was, when fighting his own people, the English, became necessary for the freedom of the thirteen colonies, Washington did not hesitate. He became in turn the general and then the President whom we honor today.

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God's people empowered

BY TAL D. BONHAM

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Life and Work

February 26

Acts 2:1-4; 29-39

A preacher had, tried in vain on several occasions to witness to an electrical engineer who claimed to be an Agnostic. When the preacher spoke of Christ, the engineer would say, "I can not see, hear, feel, or taste Jesus Christ; therefore, he must not exist."

On a tour of a large room filled with complicated machinery and huge dynamos, the engineer attempted to explain how electricity is produced. The preacher listened attentively and then asked, "How do you know electricity exists? Can you see, hear, feel or taste electricity?" The man replied that he COULD feel electricity but that he was assured of its existence by what it does. It is impossible to understand all that the Bible says about the Holy Spirit. However, we must believe in the Holy Spirit because we can see what he does.

Spirit power defined

What is the power of the Holy Spirit? The Holy Spirit, the third Person of Trinity, is not easily understood. Scientists may understand the mysterious interrelationship of gravity, electricity, and light. But no human genius has ever yet comprehended the mysterious unity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. On the authority of God's word there are some things that we can say about the Holy Spirit. We can say that he is a person—the same as God. Ananias and Sapphira lied to Simon Peter. Peter said, "Why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost" (Acts 5:3). One can lie only to a person.

Every attribute that can be ascribed to God can also be ascribed to the Holy Spirit. God is everywhere; he is omnipresent. Jesus said that the Holy Spirit is like the wind that "bloweth where it listeth" (John 3:8). It is no accident that both the Greek and Hebrew word used for the spirit is also translated, "wind." Just as the wind is everywhere, the Holy Spirit is everywhere. The Psalmist said, "Whither shall I flee from thy presence?" (Psalm 139:7).

God knows everything; he is omniscient. The Holy Spirit knows everything. Paul said, "eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things to God" (I Cor. 2:9-10). With this assurance,

the Christian approaches God's throne of grace in prayer because he knows that "the Spirit himself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered" (Romans 8:26).

God is all-powerful; he is omnipotent. The Holy Spirit is all-powerful. The coming of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost was accompanied by two visible signs—the sound of wind and the tongues of fire. Both are symbolic of power.

The Holy Spirit, therefore, is the visible manifestation of God's presence. The Holy Spirit is God in all his mystery, power, love and knowledge.

Spirit power applied

What can the power of the Holy Spirit mean to a life and to a church? A study of the Holy Spirit reveals that he was associated with the ministry of Jesus Christ. At his birth, the angel told Mary that "the Holy Ghost will come upon thee." (Luke 1:35). The baby Jesus was brought to the temple where he was met by Simeon of whom the scriptures say, "the Holy Ghost was upon him" (Luke 2:25). It was revealed to Simeon "by the Holy Ghost that he should not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ" (Luke 2:26). He came "by the Spirit into the temple" (Luke 2:27); took Jesus in his arms, blessed God, and said that he was ready to die. When Jesus was baptized, the Spirit descended upon him "as a dove" (Luke 3:22). When he was tempted, "he was led by the Spirit into the wilderness" (Luke 4:1). After his temptation, he "returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee" (Luke 4:14). When he stood in the synagogue in Nazareth he said, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he hath anointed me to preach the Gospel" (Luke 4:18). He claimed to perform his miracles by the power of the Spirit (Luke 11:20). He commanded his disciples to baptize "in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:20).

After Jesus left, the Holy Spirit was connected with the ministry of the church. This is the message of Pentecost.

Why no power?

It would be the understatement of the year to say that many of our churches are devoid of the power of the Holy Spirit as was known in the New Testament Church. But why? Could it be that we are not as actively engaged in witnessing as was the early church?

Jesus gave this promise: "But ye shall receive POWER, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you and ye shall be WITNESSING unto me..." (Acts 1:8). It is no accident that the Greek word for power in this verse is *DUNAMIS* from which we get our word "dynamite." It is no accident also that the Greek root for witness is the same as our English word for "martyr." The dynamite of God in our lives and in our church will be evident when we are willing to witness for Christ even if it means martyrdom.

One of the secrets of Pentecost was that there were more lost people hearing the Gospel than there were Christians witnessing. Seldom, in most of our churches, do we ever see this ratio of lost people to Christians. His is the task of convicting of sin, righteousness, and judgment (John 16:7-11). If his main office-work of convicting the lost of sin and bringing them to Christ cannot be done, the Holy Spirit will not be present. The Holy Spirit may be resisted (Acts 7:51), grieved (Eph. 4:30), and quenched (I Thes. 5:19). Like a dove, the Holy Spirit is easily driven away. But if lost people are not being told about Jesus Christ, Holy Spirit power will not be known. When the light shines on nothing, there is no light to be reflected.

When we read where Simon Peter preached only one sermon on the day of Pentecost which resulted in the salvation of three thousand people, we ask, "What is the matter with our preaching today?" Even though the preaching of our day may be much in need of improvement, the main reason for the lack of power in our services on Sunday is the absence of personal evangelism during the week. There were five hundred people gathered in the upper room on the day of Pentecost. Are we to imagine that these Christians did not spend some time on the streets of Jerusalem witnessing prior to the day of Pentecost? Five hundred Christians witnessed to three thousand lost souls. The ratio of Christians to converts, then, was one to six. Before every day of Pentecost, there must be many days of commitment, waiting, and witnessing.

Like electricity, the Holy Spirit will not go in unless he can come out.

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Faithful in little and in much

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Luke 16:10-15; 17:7-10

A man was protesting to his boss that he had not been given the responsibilities which he had envisioned when he was employed. The employer replied, "When you do your first assignment as I had thought you would, I will give you other responsibilities but not until then."

This principle works not only in business but in the spiritual world as well. A lady was complaining that God had never seen fit to give her a post of responsibility on the mission field or in some other great cause. What she did not recognize was that she had never shown any particular interest in the people of her little town and therefore had no particular credentials of service to recommend her to place of big responsibility.

In Luke 16 and 17 Jesus is recorded as having urged faithfulness in small matters as well as great. The teachings follow his relating a story which is obscure in meaning unless taken as a part of the larger passage.

The parable of the dishonest steward in Luke 16:1-9 is the story of a rich man's business manager who had been accused of wasting the owner's investment and was up for a possible firing. The manager, who had been trusted completely and was respected in the community, panicked at the prospect of an investigation and began to wonder how to hedge against the future when his ineptness would come to light. He hit upon the idea of discounting large obligations of certain people who owed his employer, hoping thus to court their favor so that they would provide him a living when he really needed it.

The debtors were as crooked as the manager and gladly accepted the rigging of the accounts in their favor.

When the master learned what his agent had done, he "praised this rascally steward because he had been so careful for his own future" (16:8, Phillips). This is in itself a commentary on the character of the rich man and may suggest that, since he admired a skilled crook, he had himself made a pile of money by cheating others.

Good in THE JESUS OF OUR FATHERS says, "The central teaching of this parable inheres in a single point: this shrewd man of the world foresaw the day of reckoning and prepared for the consequences. That point of his conduct was one which, in a different and far higher sense, Christ desired all men to imitate. It was also a principle of action which the leader of the Jews in that day were far from following."

I. Faithfulness a rightful duty, 16:10-15.

To his hearers, who included a number of critical Pharisees as well as his own followers, Jesus said, "The man who is faithful in the little things will be faithful in the big things, and the man who cheats in the little things will cheat in the big things too. So that if you are not fit to deal with the wicked wealth of this world, who will trust you with the true riches? And if you are not trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own? No servant can serve two masters. He is bound to hate one and love the other, or give his loyalty to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and the power of money at the same time" (16:10-13, Phillips).

Jesus says that these "children of light," as the Jews considered themselves, were through unfaithfulness and misuse of the temporal goodness of God proving themselves entirely unfit for the higher riches of the spirit. They had betrayed the trust of truth and a kingdom which God had put in their hands—betrayed it for selfish purposes.

Good says of the Pharisees, "Their secret trouble was this: with worldly wisdom and with worldly ideals they were serving the world, and yet they were expecting to receive rewards that were spiritual and eternal. They were trying to live as if it were possible to serve both God and Mammon."

Luke reports the reaction to Jesus' words as follows: "Now the Pharisees, who were very fond of money, heard

all this with a sneer. But he said to them: You are the people who advertise your goodness before men, but God knows your hearts. Remember, there are things which men consider perfectly splendid which are detestable in the sight of God" (16:14-15).

The faithfulness which God rewards is not the diligent pursuit of one's own social image or status but dedication to eternal, spiritual principles. If we are not faithful over the small affairs of life, we can hardly expect God's stamp of approval when we are evaluated eternally.

II. Work a matter of course, 17:7-10.

Using another employer-employee illustration, Jesus says, "If any of you have a servant plowing or looking after the sheep, are you likely to say to him when he comes in from the fields, 'Come straight in and sit down to your meal'? Do you feel particularly grateful to your servant for doing what you tell him? I don't think so. It is the same with yourselves—when you have done everything that you are told to do, you can say, 'We are not much good as servants, for we have only done what we ought to do.'" (17:7-10, Phillips).

Jesus seems to be indicating here that work in the kingdom of God must be taken as a matter of course. Just as a servant performs his normal duties without any expectation of a high reward (such as sitting down to eat with his master's family), so a member of the kingdom ought to work as the fulfillment of duty. Duty is duty, but God looks on the heart. It is there that he finds those attitudes and conditions that make it possible or impossible for him to bless the man. God expects not only faithfulness; he expects faith as well. The Pharisees had neither and were therefore the subjects of his contempt and scorn. We need to be sure that we have not inherited their role.

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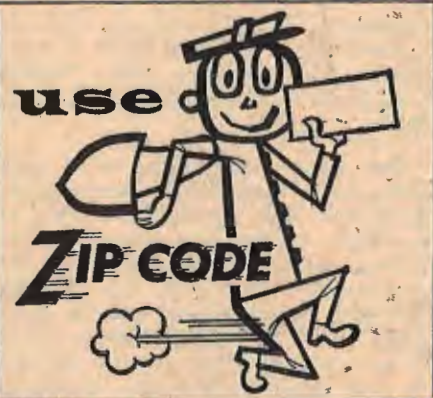


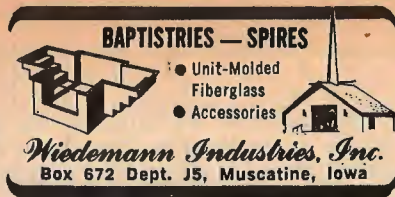
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The modern prophet

Above the roar of the traffic's noise,
 And the sound of hurrying feet,
 The prophet continued to bring
 God's Word
 To the people on the busy street.
 But not one stops to hear his message
 Or to utter a word in reply;
 Their course is set, their aim intense,
 So they passed the prophet by.
 And thus it is all over our land—
 In our cities, on our farms, all about,
 The words of God's prophet cannot penetrate
 Though uttered with a warning shout.

—Ernest D. Justice

Party crashers

Harold—Where are you going, mamma?

Mother—Papa and I are going to a surprise party.

Harold—Can't I go too—and can't we take Bobby and Susie along too?

Mother—No, you weren't invited.

Harold—Well, don't you think they'd be lots more surprised if you took us all?

Salesmanship

A man looked over a car in an auto salesroom and then was given a demonstration, but did not make a decision. The following day he turned up again and stated that he had decided to buy the car.

"That's fine," said the salesman, pleased at having satisfied his customer. "Now tell me, what was the one dominating thing that made you buy this car?"

The man grinned. "My wife."

Po' folks

Said a little boy to his mother: "The people next door must be very poor."

His mother asked why he thought so.

Replied the little boy: "Because they make so much fuss over the baby swallowing a quarter."

Easter bonnet

A woman walked into a millinery shop and pointed out a hat in the window. "That one with the feathers and berries," she said. "Would you take it out of the window for me?"

"Certainly, Madam," the clerk replied, "we'd be glad to."

"Thank you very much," said the woman as she walked out the door, "the horrible thing bothers me every time I pass!"

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In the world of religion

'Preacher, go home'

WASHINGTON, D.C.—An editorial in *Christianity Today* rebukes competing clergy demonstrators here with a "preacher, go home" plea.

The editorial cited a mass demonstration by two opposing factions of clergymen in front of the White House—one group favoring de-escalation and negotiations, with the other group picketing across the street calling for the defeat of communism in Vietnam.

Immediately in front of the White House were more than 2,000 clergymen and 400 seminarians calling for peace in Vietnam under the auspices of the interreligious Ad Hoc Clergy and Laymen Concerned About Vietnam.

Across the street at Lafayette Park were more than 300 clergy and laity picketing under the aegis of the American Council of Churches, conservative Protestant organization.

"Both clergy pressure blocs on the Vietnam issue are sowing to the wind," editor Carl F. H. Henry said. "Both obscure the church's main role in society." (EP)

Publications 'harmful'

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Legislation that would outlaw distribution to minors of printed matter deemed "harmful" to them has been introduced in the Minnesota House of Representatives. The measure does not use the word "obscene" at any point, but all the "harmful" matters it would outlaw concern situations involving sex.

It states, "Any person who intentionally shows, sells or loans to a minor" any of the materials banned shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Banned would be books, pocket books, pamphlets, brochures, magazines, comic books or other materials describing sexual conduct or containing drawings, pictures or other illustrations of nude figures. (EP)

President affirms faith

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Speaking at the 14th annual presidential prayer breakfast here, President Lyndon Johnson publicly affirmed his faith in God. He also told the 1,000 leaders of government, business and labor that in facing tormenting choices, "none of us can ever be certain that we are right."

The event, which was sponsored by Los Angeles businessman W. C. Jones through International Christian Leadership here, was held this year, Jan. 31, at the Shoreham Hotel.

President Johnson was one of many speakers. He said that the mercy of God and the spirit that moves men to compassion and courage "calls forth the best within them in the darkest hours." (EP)

Teaching 'about' religion

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Two panels of clergymen and educators reacted cautiously here to proposals that Minnesota public schools do more teaching about the Bible and religion.

Some of them questioned whether it is possible to teach about religion objectively, neutrally and without indoctrination, as they agreed would have to be done.

The panelists gave their reactions at an institute at the University of Minnesota on the role of religion in public education.

Gordon Lee, former Red Wing, Minn., school board member and one of the panelists, said he wondered if it is possible to present an objective study of the Bible in the public schools "without infringing on someone's beliefs."

Mr. Lee, a school trustee for 15 years, was defeated in 1964 after he led the Red Wing board in developing a policy that eliminated certain religious observances in the schools. (EP)

Arabs evict Israelis?

JERUSALEM—Because Arabs are gaining on the Jews by the population explosion route, observers are wondering if Israel might end up as a binational Jewish-Arab state with Arabs in the majority, in three generations.

The study found that Arabs living in Israel increase three and a half times in one generation, while the Jewish rate of increase is only one and a half times. This could mean that some time in the first half of the 2000's Israel could have some 12 million Arabs and 10 million Jewish inhabitants. At present there are 2.4 million Jews and about 300,000 Arabs.

Ironically, Israel was formed to serve a Jewish majority as a Jewish State. But, as a democratic government, it cannot urge one segment of the population to increase, the other to practice birth control. (EP)

Rebuild Baptist church

JACKSON, Miss.—The Committee of Concern, which has been instrumental in rebuilding 42 burned Negro churches in Mississippi during the past two years, has again responded to a burned Negro Baptist Church.

The committee will allocate the last \$300 in its treasury to the Shady Oak Baptist Church, which was burned to the ground on the night of Jan. 20.

Wm. P. Davis, secretary of the department of Negro work of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board and chairman of the committee during the past two years, said that the extent of damage was \$25,000 to \$30,000, with insurance coverage of only \$8,000. He said the church had an indebtedness of \$6,000.

Bishop John M. Allin of the Episcopal Diocese of Mississippi, a native of Helena, Ark., and new chairman of the committee, issued a plea for more donations, saying that the need was much greater than the \$300 allocation left in their treasury. (EP)

LBJ battles crime

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A message on crime has been drafted by President Lyndon B. Johnson and sent to Congress.

The White House message is filled with wide-sweeping recommendations for government action, including a key program for grants in aid to cities and states the President would like to see carried out. It asks for \$50 million in grants, research and pilot projects in crime control in fiscal 1968. An additional \$300 million would follow in 1969 as programs go from planning to action.

The basic theme of the report is that while crime may be a national problem, its lessening is basically the responsibility of the individual citizen working in his community. (EP)

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