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Why Not a Layman's Revival?

The idea of a Layman's revival is taking root in the thinking of many Christian leaders as a means of enlisting men in the greatest and the most sublime task of all: the winning of lost people to Christ!

Just what is a Layman's revival?

A Layman's revival is exactly what its name implies. It is a revival led by the laymen of a church; a revival during which the laymen accept the responsibility for the **visiting, the witnessing, and the personal soul-winning**. A layman of ability may well be used to do the preaching. A Layman's revival endeavors to go all the way back to the first principles of Christianity and to use the methods first used to spread the Gospel; depending solely upon God to bless the **GOING, the WITNESSING, the PRAYING, and the WINNING** of those who obey the command of Christ: "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Emphasis on Men

In principle a Layman's revival is exactly like any other real revival. The difference is only in emphasis; the major emphasis of a Layman's revival being to get the men of the church to do the work involved, leading out in a simple, Scriptural effort to build the Kingdom and the church. There is no difference in method, for the methods used in a Layman's revival are exactly the methods which ought to be used in any revival.

Here are some of the principal outcomes and values of a Layman's revival:

1. Laymen are enlisted in the supreme task of winning the lost to Christ. This meets one of the greatest needs of our churches today!
2. Laymen bear witness for Christ throughout every section of the life and work of the community. This is what every community needs!
3. Laymen get on the inside of God's redemptive program for a lost race. Laymen belong there!
4. Laymen discover that God will bless their going, their praying, their witnessing, their efforts to win the lost! Laymen come to perceive that they have a place of vital worth and responsibility in the Lord's work.
5. Laymen grow in grace, in power, in experience.
6. Laymen develop their Christian abilities and discover their Christian specialties.
7. Lost people are won to Christ!

Planning the Revival

And here are some things to remember in planning a Layman's revival:

1. The revival must be led by a pastor who is willing to remain in the background and

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By **NELSON TULL,**
Brotherhood Secretary

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to push his men forward into the work. The pastor should be advisor to every committee set up to plan the various phases of the revival effort.

2. During the revival, sustained effort should be made to reach people of all ages for Christ and the church.

3. All the willing men of the church (young, old, middle-aged) should be put to work at the task.

How have a Layman's Revival?

1. Block out the church territory in sections small enough to be worked thoroughly by men going in two's. Pair the men off, and assign a section to each pair of men.

2. Lead each pair of men to agree to carry out the following plan of action within their section:

(a) **Visit** every home during the opening days of the revival; tell about the revival, and earnestly invite every member of the household to attend.

(b) **Bear witness** in every home as to Christ's saving power.

(c) **Pray** in every home for God's blessings upon the home, for God's salvation upon every member of the home; and that God will make the home in every sense a Christian home. At each home pray for the revival!

(d) **Make earnest effort** to win the lost in each home, as the Lord leads.

(e) **Leave** in each home a suitable tract, and a printed card or handbill advertising the revival.

(f) After the initial visitation is completed within the section, **return** to those homes where there is special need, to witness further to individuals to get them to do the will of God.

Proved at West Memphis

Is the Layman's revival just an idea, or is it an experience? Last week (June 9-16) your Brotherhood Secretary worked in a Layman's revival at the Bethel Mission of the First Baptist Church of West Memphis. Bethel Mission is on Highway 70, between West Memphis and Forest City. Brother Aubrey C. Halsell, pastor of the sponsoring church, lent every possible assistance both in the preparation for and the conduct of the revival. Be-

fore the revival started Brother Halsell led in the taking and tabulation of a census, and in the distribution of handbills announcing the revival.

Visitation began on the first Monday morning. A sincere effort was made to visit every home in the tens of square miles of territory. The people were invited, and urged to attend the revival. Witness was given as to the saving grace of Jesus. Prayer was offered in practically every home.

Preaching was done in the mission building each evening. People came from miles around in the First Baptist bus.

After the initial visitation was completed work with individuals was begun in an effort to win them personally to Christ.

And the Lord blessed! (The Lord will bless this kind of work anywhere!) At home and at church, 35 people accepted Christ. Twenty-one of these joined the church by baptism. Some of the others plan to join other churches; some were hindered by parents and others some will join later. Four came by letter.

Friends, we are in a fight which as soldiers of the Cross we must take to the enemy to the very "gates of hell" that we may win lost people to the Savior. Laymen, witnessing for Christ to people **where they live and work** are wonderful instruments in the hands of God to bring His will to pass in the hearts and lives of men and women, boys and girls.

Why not a Layman's revival in your church?

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Roving Reporter

A roving reporter with ability to write the popular human interest style of Ernie Pyle in the Baptist Brotherhood of the South's suggestion to the Foreign Mission Board.

"Such a reporter roving the mission field of the world and syndicating to our denominational publications human interest stories of the things he actually sees and senses would lift the level of mission interest of our entire Southern Baptist constituency," Lawson H. Cooke, wrote in an editorial in the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Journal.

"Our Foreign Mission Board," continued Mr. Cooke's editorial, "could not make a better investment that to find such a writer as Ernie Pyle, and pay him the salary he could command commercially, a salary commensurate with the service he could render the denomination . . . Such a writer with great devotion to his task could give an immeasurable impetus to the world mission program of Southern Baptists."

Across the Editor's Desk

The Ouachita Campaign

The Ouachita College campaign is getting off to a good start. A state-wide rally to be held in Little Rock before this issue reaches our readers will give added impetus to the Christian education emphasis underway with the direction of Dr. Otto Whittington and the Ouachita trustees, on authority of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

We have said over and over that Ouachita needs new buildings and more endowment. The million dollar goal of the campaign is not a penny less than is needed. When quotas are put out in the next few weeks to the churches, we urge that every church pledge itself to diligently seek and secure the necessary funds. Quotas likely will seem high to many of the churches receiving them, but all churches will be asked for a proportionate share. We must do our best for Christian education at Ouachita College.

The Editor visited in Texas a few weeks ago and was pleasantly surprised to find Baylor University, the largest of the Baptist schools of that state, ready to go, or already started, on four new buildings to cost almost two millions dollars. Baylor has a graduate school and is a full university of eight colleges. Annual enrolment exceeds 3,000. It is a great school because Texas Baptists have supported it well. And this is only one of many Baptist educational institutions in that state, all of which are supported proportionately well. We say that Ouachita College also can become a great university, boosting graduate work and training in all professions, when Arkansas Baptists get solidly behind their educational institutions. Now is our privileged opportunity to do our best for Ouachita.

Dr. Whipple

Have you met Dr. Robert L. Whipple, the new president of Central College? If you haven't, you likely will, soon, for he is literally covering the state in interest of the college and to acquaint himself with all our Baptist work. We hear that on the basis of advance reservations, there may be a record number of students in Central this fall.

We liked Dr. Whipple the moment he came to visit in our office. He has a pleasing personality and a vision of a growing Arkansas and an expanding Central College. We know also that he has a good Baptist background and a good educational background. We believe he will be an extremely uplifting and energizing influence to all Arkansas Baptist work. We are glad he has come to be with us and to work with us.

The Assembly

Arkansas Baptists will meet next week on their lovely summer assembly grounds near Siloam Springs, in the Land of a Million Smiles. The ten days, July 2-11, will be high days of spiritual uplift and study and recreation for all who attend. Let all of us be in prayer that God will use these days in the mountains to bring our people to new and ever greater spiritual victories.

New Mexico Editor

The New Mexico Baptist State Board has appointed Dr. G. Ward Fenley editor of the Baptist New Mexican, state Baptist paper, to succeed Harold E. Dye who resigned to accept the pastorate of the Central Baptist Church in Clovis. A native of Texas, the new editor took his undergraduate work at Baylor and his doctorate in modern languages at the University of North Carolina in 1929. After spending two years of study in Europe, Dr. Fenley was professor at Baylor, Mississippi Women's College (Baptist), Mississippi College (Baptist), University of North Carolina, University of Arizona.

For the past several years Dr. Fenley has owned and edited a weekly at Seagoville, Tex., where he was also educational director of the First Baptist Church. Since coming to Albuquerque two years ago he has been educational director at the Fruit Avenue Baptist Church and also active over the state as evangelistic singer.

The Baptist New Mexican goes into the homes of 30,000 Baptists of New Mexico, with every full-time church in the state including it in its budget.

Chaplain William C. Taggart of the U. S. Army Air Corps preached the other Sunday on the subject of "Prayer." On Monday morning he laid before his commanding officer a tough problem and asked his advice. Said the C. O.: "Chaplain, didn't you preach on prayer yesterday? My recommendation is that you try some of that."

Central Baptist Church, one of the largest churches in Hartford, Conn., has appointed high school and college age members of the church to serve as non-voting members on all major boards and committees. This step was taken, according to Dr. J. Melvin Prior, pastor, "in recognition of the importance of young people to the church and to train them in the functions of the church."

Garrotts in Hawaii

Dr. and Mrs. Maxfield Garrott, who served as missionaries to Japan before the war, write of an interesting experiment of advertising the Gospel in the local paper in Hawaii where they are now working. Twice a week they run a display ad featuring some Christian truth. He says: "We are not advertising the church, except incidentally, as each ad is identified with the church's name, but are trying to get the Truth across in ads that will strike both the eye and some vital spot in the reader's heart."

Dr. and Mrs. Garrott will work in Hawaii until the way opens for them to return to Japan. They report that about one-third of the population of the islands is Japanese by birth or ancestry. Of the 54 members of the one-year-old church where Dr. Garrott is pastor, 41 are of Japanese origin. They are all American citizens, born in the islands, and not one of them is from a Christian home. Their parents are mostly Buddhists and few of them speak or read English very well.

Because Japanese Testaments and Gospels are the only ones these people can understand, the junior boys of Lepanto Church, led by Mrs. H. H. Howington, sent \$6.50 to Dr. Garrott to be used in purchasing Japanese Bibles.

Long Sermon

Pastor Reuben K. Youngdahl of Mount Olivet Lutheran Church, fastest-growing Protestant congregation in Minneapolis, Minn., is a firm believer in short, forceful sermons.

On a recent Sunday, according to a story Mr. Youngdahl told his church's father-son dinner, one of the ushers commented about the unusually long sermon.

Mr. Youngdahl offered this explanation: "He usually places a cough drop in his mouth upon entering the pulpit, and when it has dissolved he knows his time is up. However, on this particular Sunday, he mistakenly took a loose button in his pocket instead of the customary cough drop, thus extending the sermon far beyond the usual length."

President Truman has accepted an invitation to address the Southern Baptist Convention at its 1947 meeting in St. Louis "if official duties will at all permit," Dr. Louie D. Newton, Convention president, has announced. The Convention will meet May 7-11.

Pure religion and undefiled before our God and Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world."—James.

No Paper Next Week

In accordance with the custom of the paper through the years, there will be no issue on the week of July 4, Independence Day. Our next issue will be that of July 11.

NOTES OF ADVANCE

Trinity Church, Lake Charles, La., where E. Butler Abington, formerly of Arkansas, is pastor, ranked sixth in the entire state of Louisiana in denominational gifts in April. Besides denominational gifts, the church has a local mission program that calls for a 30-minute broadcast period every week. A full-time mission preacher is employed. Two school busses bring people to the services. Too, the church pays half of a weekly French Radio broadcast and the other churches in the association pay the other half.

Four young people publicly dedicated their lives to special Christian work at services at West Helena Church June 9.

First Church, Alpena Pass, has had 13 additions, nine for baptism, during the past three months. The church has just closed a study course in which the faculty was made up of W. K. Wharton, Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Bow and Pastor B. L. Dorman.

The Kansas Convention of Southern Baptist Churches held its first annual state evangelistic conference at Airline Church, Wichita, Kans., June 17-19.

Twenty-six additions to the church, 14 for baptism, resulted from evangelistic services at First Church, Norphlet, in which Pastor C. W. Caldwell, First Church, Fordyce, did the preaching and Frank Adams, Little Rock, directed the music. Seven of those baptized were adults. Pastor Loyal Prior says, "Shouting is not a thing of the past at Norphlet for in the service Sunday there were shouts of rejoicing as some for whom we had been praying for many months found their way to Christ. Bro. Adams is one of the best congregational song leaders we know and Bro. Caldwell's messages were of the highest type and deeply spiritual."

Evangelist C. A. Ticer has moved from Prague, Okla., to 309 North Louisa St., Shawnee, Okla. He has the following open dates this year: September 15-29, October 13-27, and December 1-15.

First Church, Paris, had 59 additions, 44 for baptism, and nine other professions of faith and a large number of rededications in a revival led by Evangelist Angel Martinez. Youth meetings each evening were attended by more than 100 young people above the junior age. Between 75 and 90 people rode the church bus each night. Pastor H. C. Seefeldt says the bus transportation was responsible for half the visible results.

Ridgecrest conference on Home Missions will begin August 1 with evening services led by Evangelist Fred C. Eastham of the Home Mission Board and Dr. Ralph A. Herring, pastor, First Church, Winston-Salem, N. C. The superintendents of the departments of Home Mission Board work will speak and conduct conferences during the week, and Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary, will speak. Among visiting speakers will be Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Dr. W. H. Knight, state

Despite the fact that we cancelled considerable advertising space ordered for last week and this, we still have been forced to omit a large quantity of news from our columns this time. If you fail to see an item you expected in this issue, know that it is lack of space and not ill will that forces its omission. Maybe sometime in the future we can print a bigger paper.

secretary of Louisiana, Dr. Duke K. McCall, Secretary Lawson H. Cooke, Dr. T. L. Holcomb, R. G. LeTourneau, and Dr. Louie D. Newton.

Rev. C. H. Dunaway, 4020 W. 11th, Little Rock, is available for revival meetings. His telephone number is 3-3459.

Evangelist McKinley Norman led First Church, Little Rock, Charles E. Lawrence, pastor, in evangelistic services which resulted in 56 additions, 38 for baptism. Evangelist Norman has just completed two years in the general field of evangelism and has conducted revivals in five states of the Southern Baptist Convention. He has two or three open dates for this fall and may be contacted at 6511 Gaston Ave., Dallas, 14, Tex.

Matthews Memorial Church, Pine Bluff, had 31 additions, 18 for baptism, in evangelistic services led by Pastor Clyde Cutrell, Harmony Church, Pine Bluff, preaching and Cloyes Cutrell, his brother, directing the singing. There were there profession of faith made by people who did not join the church and a number rededicated their lives. L. G. Whitehorn is pastor.

Hoxie Church, G. W. Boyd, pastor, baptized several candidates in its new baptistry June 19. The baptistry is unique in its structure, resembling an Old Testament well. It is made of choice cobble stones, many of which sparkle when the colored lights are turned on them. Water flows over the back stone wall during baptismal services.

Calvary Church, Fort Smith, is in need of a director of education and music and is anxious to contact any interested individual. The church is located in a fast growing section of the city, is free of debt, and has great possibilities. It is an opportunity for a qualified man to build a monumental work. If interested, contact Pastor L. H. Davis.

Evangelist H. E. Kirkpatrick, Hot Springs, reports: "We have just had a gracious meet-

PASTORAL CHANGES

T. T. Newton from Plano, Tex., to Rison Church.

Raymond Crotse, Ouachita College student and World War II veteran, to Arbella Heights Church, Texarkana.

W. L. Pepers to Pisgah Church, Hope Association, as supply pastor.

Wallace Ely to East Ninth Street Mission, Texarkana, as supply pastor.

V. H. Coffman, Jr., to Antioch Church, Hermitage.

ing at Lonoke. There were more than 38 by baptism. The day of the service was excellent and the night crowd on the skating rink were very large. The nearly 300 people forward the last \$100,000 in a great consecration service. W. M. Pratt made excellent preparation for a great pastor. My next revival will be at the First Baptist Church of Lake Providence, La., June 23-July 7, Paul Elledge, past-

Five of Arkansas' nine members of the National Congress are Baptists. The Baptists include Senator John L. McClellan and Representatives E. C. Gathings, Brooks Hays, F. Norrell and Oren Harris. Senator William Fulbright and Representative Cravens are Christians, and Representative Wilbur D. Mills and James W. Trimble are Methodists.

Pastor Lloyd A. Sparkman, South Church, Pine Bluff, will begin his term with the church on July 7.

Pastor and Mrs. V. H. Coffman, Jr., of Church, Hermitage, are parents of a daughter born at Baptist State Hospital, Little Rock, June 17.

WANTED: Educational director by a church with about 1400 members. Man or woman. Good salary. Answer in care of the Arkansas Baptist.

George H. Moseley, who for the past year has served as educational director of Church, El Dorado, has resigned to accept the position of assistant pastor of Church, Ruston, La.

The Truett-Scarborough-Fleming Memorial Building Fund Campaign for Southern Baptist Seminary, Ft. Worth, has been completed. A goal of \$750,000 was set for this project. A total of \$755,848 has been secured in contributions and pledges, it was reported at the annual western Alumni banquet in Miami during the Southern Baptist Convention.

According to Religious News Service, Congressman Brooks Hays, Little Rock, is one of the best-read members of Congress, comparable to his colleagues in a recent speech he subscribed to "at least seven regular publications on religion."

A unique service in which the Home Mission Board and the Radio Commission will operate is projected in the preparation of daily devotional records to be used in the Army, and Veterans hospitals and on ships. The Radio Commission will provide the records at the expense of the Home Mission Board, and will distribute the records.

Erwin McDonald, Russellville, who was senior this year at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., was the inspirational speaker at evening sessions of the annual camp for Christ's Ambassadors. The Girls' Auxiliary held at Camp Kava, Crestwood, Ky., June 17-21, under auspices of the Sulphur Fork and the Nelson Baptist associations. A total of 176 were in attendance. There were four conversions and more dedications.

MOVING TO DALLAS?

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Homer B. Reynolds, Pastor

Letter From China . . .

Peace Has Not Yet Come

By DR. JOHN A. ABERNATHY
Missionary to China

At our mission in Tsinan, Mrs. Abernathy and I are having fine opportunities for service and the Lord is blessing His work. I speak with respect to the work in this city. We have thousands of refugees who have fled from the communists all over the province. The population of greater Tsinan at present is estimated at one million. Nearly all Shantung province is in the hands of communists. In less than one year they have destroyed more property and terrorized the people more than the Japanese did in eight years.

Communists Upset Order

Most people in America don't understand the present trouble we are having in China. The communists here are sponsored by Moscow; leaders are of the lowest strata of society. In situations where they rule everything that is left has been upset. Home life, virtue of manhood, filial piety, religion have all been taken away with as far as the communists are concerned. A person having over two acres of land is branded a "capitalist," is arrested, publicly humiliated. Everything is taken from him and he is sent away to beg. In some places churches have been closed and Christians scattered. I'm glad to say that in spite of the persecution and suspense, not one of our Chinese coworkers has deserted his post.

Communists in China have their own separate government, not recognizing the Central Government. They have their own army, currency, postal system that are responsible only to Peking, their capitol in northwest China, and to Russia. I have not found one good thing in the brand of communism we have in China. The people are fed up with it. There can never be any cooperation between communists and nationalists.

The only way to settle this problem is by the use of armed force, driving communist leaders out of China into Russia, from whence their peace will come. We may have to deal with Russia later, but the sooner communism is eradicated from the earth, the sooner we shall have peace. You may think this sounds un-Christian but it is not. It comes from one who knows and loves every one of China's 450 million souls. The sooner America gets her eyes open to facts and uses her efforts to save China from communism, the sooner she'll have her real interest and friendship for the people here.

Inflation Worsens

Cost of living mounts daily. It costs much more to live in Tsinan than in America. Flour costs C\$20,000 per bag, sugar C\$1,800 per pound, coal C\$80 per pound. Exchange is one pound C\$2000 for US\$1. Other necessities are in proportion. Unless the political situation changes and communications are restored, it is hard to think of conditions in this city a few weeks hence. There is plenty of grain and other supplies in the country, but communists won't let it come in. We are besieged. We have fine congregations at the churches here in Tsinan. More people from the upper and middle official classes are interested in the gospel than ever before. I am often called upon by the governor and military officials for my humble advice. It is encouraging to know that in some matters this advice has been taken. Please continue to pray for us and

Kingdom work in this country. We love you and "thank God for every remembrance of you."

Dr. and Mrs. Abernathy's address is American Baptist Mission, 598 Wei Yi Lu, Tsinan, Shantung, China.—Editor.

Dr. Lewis Also Aims Criticism at Soviet

The Russian government is trying, little by little, to abolish religion, Dr. W. O. Lewis, of Washington, D. C., general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, declared in a Ridgecrest speech which marked the first time in recent years that a major Baptist leader has openly attacked the Soviet regime.

Speaking before the Southside Young Woman's Auxiliary Camp meeting, Dr. Lewis asserted that although the Russian people are permitted to go to church, the government has underhanded methods of demolishing religion. He explained that these range from beating clergymen to arresting ministers as spy suspects on Saturday nights in order to prevent them from attending church services on Sunday.

Dr. Lewis added that in the Baltic states the Russians had collected Bibles from the people and converted them into pulp to relieve the paper shortage.

There are an estimated 4,000,000 Baptists in Russia, the largest evangelical denomination in that country.

An evangelistic Sunday School will attract people like to come to a fire. They are interested in a going concern. Somehow emphasis on the main things grips people. It fills the workers with zeal and makes them willing to visit.—W. R. White in Sunday School Builder.

Arkansans Hear Mission Broadcasts

By S. F. Low, Director
Radio Committee, S.B.C.

In cooperation with the Radio Committee of the Convention, the Baptist Home Mission Board is enlarging its program of evangelizing the South by the use of the radio. Evangelistic messages and music are recorded and broadcast over 26 stations in 14 states of the Convention territory. KELD of El Dorado, KGHI of Little Rock, and KBTM of Jonesboro carry these programs at 8 a. m. each Sunday.

The preacher, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, is preaching as good evangelistic messages as are on the air. They are soundly scriptural. Dr. Lawrence has mastered the technique of radio, which makes his broadcasts most effective.

The music in the programs is by the Good News Hour Choir and consists principally of the old gospel songs. The response to the broadcasts indicates that the audiences are large.

As far as practical these evangelistic broadcasts are interlinked with the City Mission programs. The City Missionary and his Missions Committee engage the station, advertise the broadcasts, follow up the fan mail requests for spiritual help and promote the project generally. All leaders of local missions are urged to use the broadcasts in reaching their evangelistic possibilities.

Some stations broadcasting the programs are in communities which have no City Mission program. In such instances local pastors, or associational committees, promote the project.

KWBU, powerful station at Corpus Christi is broadcasting an evangelistic message by Dr. Fred C. Eastham, Secretary of Evangelism, every Sunday evening. Dr. Eastham has been on this station for a long time and will continue. Baptists will pray God's blessings upon His word preached via radio.

Pastor Cothran, Well Known in State, Returns After Sojourn in Kentucky

J. G. Cothran, formerly pastor of First Church, Benton, has returned to the state to serve First Church, Arkadelphia. He comes from Kentucky where he was pastor of First Church, Princetown, for eight years, and director of a statewide campaign to raise \$1,500,000 for Christian education for three years. He was secretary of a newly created Christian Education Department of Kentucky, which position he resigned to accept pastorate of the Arkadelphia church.

Pastor Cothran is a native of South Carolina. He attended the University of Georgia and was graduated from Furman University and Southern Seminary, Louisville. Mrs. Cothran is the former Miss Mary Louise Riley of El Dorado. They have six children.

There were 29 additions to First Church, Arkadelphia, June 9, the first Sunday with Mr. Cothran as pastor. Five were baptized at the evening service, one being the pastor's youngest son, David.

Pastor Cothran is Arkansas' member of the Committee on Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention.



Pastor Cothran

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in the **BOOK STORE**

As we browse in the Book Store this week, we feel that we would like to take each one of you on a conducted tour of the store. Of course, this is impossible as much as we would like to do it. We do have a way, though, in which you can find the things that you want to order from our store. We have many catalogs and we want to place your name on our mailing list.

Our general catalog is known as the Master Key. Certainly every worker in the church ought to have that. All of these catalogs are free for the asking.

The Library Catalog will direct you as you buy your books for your library. If you are contemplating establishing a library, we would suggest that you order this particular book.

We have a catalog containing children's books called The Young Reader. This will be especially appealing to the ones who work with children. If you are a worker with children, we would suggest that you ask us for this catalog.

Every quarter, we have what is called our Buddings Catalog. This catalog lists all of the newer books and this should appeal to the general reader.

The World In Books catalog is compiled for our Woman's Missionary Union activities. However, any one who cares to read about the various countries of the world will find many fine books listed here. The person who is interested in international affairs will be helped by this catalog.

Contact is a catalog in which is listed books for Intermediates only. All of you who work with Intermediates should order this book.

The Graded Foreign Mission catalog indicates by its name the type of books that will be included in that particular listing.

The Treasure Chest catalog has many items of interest to every one. It would be especially useful in selecting gifts.

The Broadman catalog lists all of the books published by our own press, The Broadman Press.

There are many other pamphlets that come out during the course of a year. We would suggest that you let us send you those that you are especially interested in. We have just had a supplement to the Master Key. You may want this. We also have a catalog describing all of our hymnals and song books. It is possible that you do not have this as yet.

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The Way magazine, a digest of religious news, pictures, and devotional articles, condensed and printed in its June-July issue the article, "A New Vision," by Kyle R. Lawrence, returned chaplain, which appeared in the March 28 issue of the Arkansas Baptist.

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Governor Arnall Is Radio Speaker

Governor Ellis Arnall of Georgia will be heard on the Baptist Hour network Sunday morning July 7, as announced by The Southern Baptist Radio Committee. As the first speaker in this new series on the general theme, "Faith Is the Victory," his subject will be, "Christian Patriotism for the New Day."

Governor Arnall, known for his Christian character, his able leadership in national and state affairs, and his effectiveness as a radio speaker, is a deacon and Sunday School teacher in his home church.

The music will again be by the Baptist Hour

Choir, John D. Hoffman, director and L. Hamrick, organist.

The BAPTIST HOUR may be heard in Arkansas over Radio Stations:

- KUOA, Siloam Springs at 7:30 A. M.
- WREC, Memphis at 8:30 A. M.
- WFAA, Dallas at 7:30 A. M.
- WSM, Nashville at 7:30 A. M.
- KTHS, Hot Springs at 4:30 P. M.

A beautiful poster announcing the Hour programs has been mailed every week. If you have not received yours, or if not already up in your church, please write to The Radio Committee, S. B. C. 427½ Main Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Ga., and a poster will be sent at once. A postal card will do.

Important Announcement

ON THE WIDOWS PLAN

It is evident that more time is necessary in several of the states if the required two-thirds participation in this new plan is secured, enabling us to inaugurate it this year.

In compliance, therefore, with the requests of several state secretaries, the time for such enrollment is extended through the month of July. If the required number is enrolled by August 1, the plan will go into operation, effective as of July 1, provided all dues are paid back to that date.

These days of grace offer the same opportunity on the same terms to the boards, institutions, and agencies seeking to enroll their required two-thirds.

APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SENT TO DR. B. L. BRIDGES, THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION, 200 RADIO CENTER, LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS.

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An Anxious Pastor and a Half-Dead Church

By OTTIS DENNEY
Missionary, Hope Association

Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in an old church building near a large graveyard, an anxious half-time pastor is looking up and down the road, wondering if his crowd is coming. Alas, someone drives up; the preacher grabs his hat to rush out to greet the "early arrivals." They shake his hand and turn toward the graveyard to view the well-kept graves of the deceased.

While others are coming, one by one, some lady picks up the church broom and begins to give the old church a good sweeping. The time is now 10:30. Another woman calls out across the building to have the piano moved upon the stage. The men take hold and help.

The preacher is still anxious—this time about several large crowds he saw at homes on his way to the church. He wonders why they weren't coming to Sunday School. He asks questions, thinking that maybe someone was sick. He learns that this happens to be

"homecoming day" for some of the folks. His heart falls him.

Enough people have at last found their way inside to start, and services finally get under way. The men take one side of the house and the women the other.

"Everybody come up and help sing," cries out another woman from the stage. Two or three more women come to the choir. One woman is at the piano; another is at the pulpit to lead the singing and "take charge" of the Sunday School since the superintendent has not yet arrived.

The time is now 10:45. The preacher is still anxious—now about his message. This is the first Sunday School lesson in a month: "We have been having some great singings over the country!"

With 38 present for Sunday School, the lady in charge continues her apologies for the superintendent's absence and for the short time left for the lesson. She reads the Scripture, makes a few "feeble remarks" and "turns

the services over" to the pastor. The time is now 11:15. The preacher crawls up to the "woman's pulpit" and makes further apologies for his people. With downcast face and a broken heart, the pastor "takes charge" of his part of the services.

The services finally come to a close. The pastor assumes his place near the door to receive "personal gifts" from the hearts of his people. Sometimes he gets 38 cents and at other times he gets as much as \$50. It's those 38-cent offerings that worry him most.

No, the church doesn't have a budget; neither do they make any kind of an offering to missions nor do they have a program to challenge the young people to attend the services or keep the members from backsliding. But this is one of the oldest churches in the country and upon "special occasions," such as funerals and singings, "the house just won't hold them!"

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Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Compere, Corning, observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary June 7. A complete story of their work among Arkansas Baptists will be given in the next issue of the Arkansas Baptist.

★ THESE CHAPLAINS ARE CIVILIANS AGAIN ★

George Truett Blackmon (below), who served as pastor of several churches and as missionary of several associations in Arkansas before entering the chaplaincy in 1942, has been released from military service. A native Texan, he was graduated from Ouachita College in 1930 and from Southwestern Seminary in 1934.

While in the chaplaincy Mr. Blackmon was recommended for the Legend of Merit for service helpful toward race understanding and good will and for athletic duties over and above the call of duty. He was given the American Theater, the European Theater, and the New Victory ribbons.

Mr. Blackmon entered Southwestern Seminary upon his release from service and will return this fall for another semester of work. He desires work accessible to the seminary and not too large for a student pastor. He may be contacted at 203 Gunn St., Benton, Ark.



Chaplain Thomas M. Payne (above), a native of North Little Rock, was discharged from service in January after three and one-half years. He attended Southern Seminary, Louisville, one year and returned to the state where he taught three years while serving churches of Pulaski County. In the spring of 1942 he became pastor of Atkins Church and from there entered the chaplaincy.

Since his discharge, Mr. Payne has been serving as Baptist university pastor at the University of Nebraska and as pastor of the Sheridan Boulevard Baptist Church, Lincoln, Neb. He will enter Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, in September and desires to contact a church within commuting distance of the school. His address is 1440 Q St., Lincoln, Neb.

Kyle R. Lawrence (below) native of Armorel and pastor at Pleasant Grove Church, Faulkner Association, Coy Church, and Caraway Church before entering the service of the country in April 1943, has been discharged and is available for work.

He served for sixteen months in England, France and Germany. Since returning to the states, he has been attending Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth.

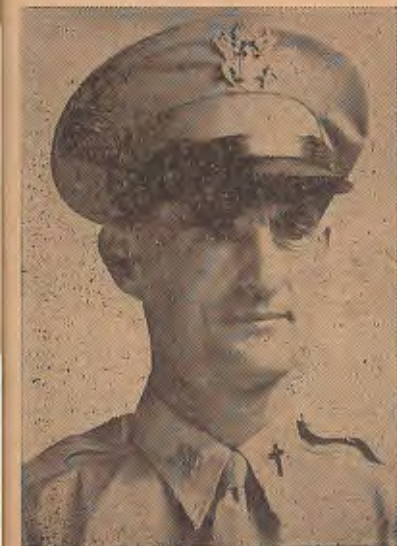
Regarding his ministry in the chaplaincy, Mr. Lawrence says: "There is no way for a minister to describe his service in the armed forces. It challenged all his abilities, demanded all his faithfulness to God and duty, and continually overwhelmed him with duties secular and spiritual that were innumerable. There was, in most places, never a break in this great work."



Chaplain A. J. Hyatt (above) native of Arkansas and pastor in the state for a number of years has been released from service and is attending Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, awaiting the Lord's leadership into permanent work.

Mr. Hyatt is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Hyatt, Monticello. He was graduated from Baylor University, Waco, Tex., and from Southern Seminary, Louisville. His ministerial service in Arkansas included one year as association missionary, five years as pastor of the churches at McCrory and Cotton Plant, and one and one-half years as pastor at Ozark.

He was discharged from the Army last October after three and one-half years service. His address is 1304 Gambrell St., Fort Worth, Tex.



Let Us Give Generously

Fifteen Cents a Day

By LOUIE D. NEWTON

EVERY TIME your heart beats, some person dies from starvation throughout the war-ravaged areas of the world. Fifteen cents would keep that person alive a day, and at the rate of fifteen cents per day, your gift to the Southern Baptist World Relief Offering will bring some man, some woman, some child back to full strength and usefulness.

One-fourth of the world's population is starving to death. This alarming situation is the result of war, crop failures and the upset condition of the world. We are not personally responsible for the causes of this suffering, but we are, as Christians, called upon to meet the unprecedented emergency that now faces humanity.

I am so glad that we are in position to meet this acute situation through personal channels. We make our personal gifts through our own churches, and our gifts are administered through the personal ministry of our own Southern Baptist missionaries in the centers of greatest need. Jesus did not merely give, He administered His blessings.

I love to think that every time my heart beats, it registers my response to the personal cry of some neighbor yonder and yonder across the world. I do not know the neighbor's name, but Christ does, and He will use my gift to bless the receiver, and He will bless my heart because I responded to this poignant suffering of some one precious to Him.

THE PICTURES

The photographs on this page, all by ACME, present a portion of the horror and suffering that stalks the globe when famine threatens the life of more than one-fourth of the world's population.

Upper left — Chinese refugee youngsters, wearing makeshift clothing, devour eagerly their bowl of rice and after finishing look for more.

Left center — Squalid eating conditions mean nothing to India's starving who stuff the free cereal in their mouths

June 30 Is Offering Day

REMEMBER:

1. One-fourth of the world's population is starving to death.
2. America's crops are being destroyed among the nations.
3. The call comes from all over the world for their neighbors (Luke 10:13) to save life.
4. Arkansas Baptists are helping to reach the 1,000,000 Southwide goal.
5. The sending of our missionaries to prepare hearts for our Lord.
6. All contributions are kept for salaries. Relief is given in the name of Southern Baptists.

Give Calmly

with their hands. They are deformed bodies left behind.

Bottom left — 11-year-old lad of Greece who had no food saved Greece were taken seven years ago.

Bottom left center — Children sitting on a church porch and giving them food.

Bottom right — Starving children of Calcutta, India, the world's worst.



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"Complete the Doing"

By R. PAUL CAUDILL

The pledge on the part of Southern Baptists to raise \$3,500,000 for the relief and rehabilitation of the suffering peoples of the world by September 30 is not to be thought of as an easy undertaking. It is a serious task.

The objective, in the light of past giving, is a large one for Southern Baptists. It simply means that to reach it the drive for the funds will have to be carried to the smallest church in the most remote outpost. It was hoped that every church, from the largest to the smallest, might have a part in the offering. Only by sharing can we sympathize with our brothers and friends whose lives and fortunes have been so gravely affected by the vicissitudes of war.

The mere fact that some churches have gone beyond and ahead of others in their effort to do their part in this inescapable obligation on the part of Southern Baptists in no way relieves them from further responsibility. So long as there is a child hungry, whether for physical food or for the message of the gospel of Christ, each one of us stands obligated to share unto the uttermost.

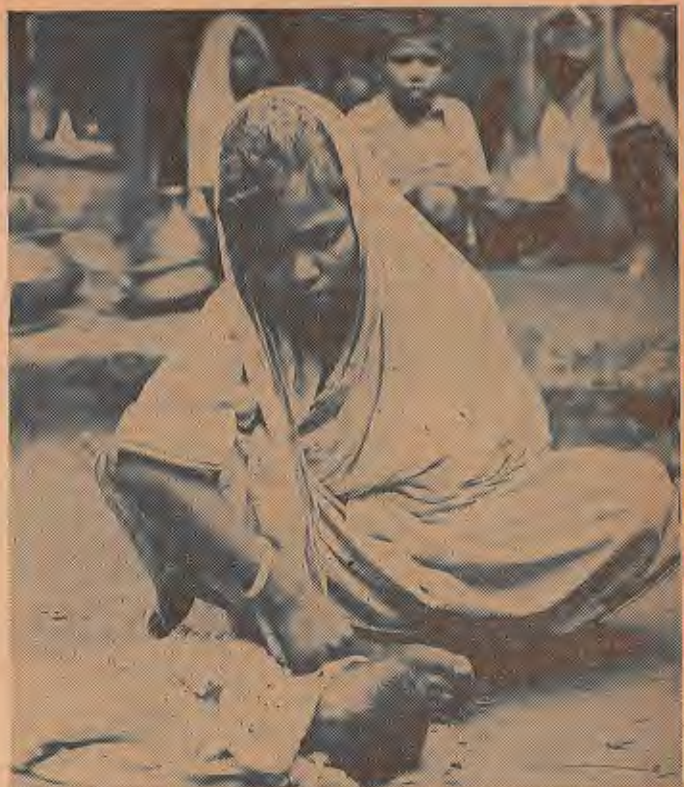
"But whoso hath the world's goods, and beholdeth his brother in need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how doth the love of God abide in him?" (I John 3:17.)

"Now therefore perform the doing of it; that as there was a readiness to will, so there may be a performance also out of that which ye have." (II Cor. 8:11.)

Upper right — A young Italian mother covers the body of her baby who has just drawn a last weak breath. Now the homeless, starving grief-stricken woman must wait for the corpse removal squad that picks up the bodies of children starved to death.

Right center — A two-year-old Chinese boy faces death like millions of others in the Orient. His life is nothing but a vast gnawing hunger, which has already taken its toll of his health and leaves him covered with gaping malnutrition sores and will soon claim his last bit of strength.

Bottom right — Two French youngsters, their faces mirroring delight and wonder, receive a heaping plate of hot dogs and raisin pie from a GI chow line.



WMU ASSEMBLY SPEAKERS LISTED

Miss Martha Linda Franks, Laurens, S. C., missionary to Cuba, will be teacher of the WMS class at the State Assembly, Siloam Springs, July 2-11. Miss Josefina

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Miss Silva

Silva from Havana, Cuba, will teach the Junior Girls' Auxiliary mission study class.

Miss Mildred Matthews, SBC missionary to Cuba, and Mrs. Clyde Hankins, missionary to Brazil, will teach the YWA classes. The two Intermediate Girls' Auxiliary classes will be taught by Mrs. R. F. Ricketson, missionary to China, and Miss Cathrine Jordan, summer YP's field worker for WMU.

The two Intermediate Royal Ambassador mission classes will be taught by Dr. R. F. Ricketson, China, and Mr. Alvin Hatton, state Royal Ambassador Secretary. The Junior Royal Ambassador Mission class will be taught by Mr. Walter Jacobi from Porto Alegre, Brazil. The Sunbeams will be taught by Mrs. Richard Sowell of Ozark.

Sunbeam Sixtieth Anniversary Celebration

The Sunbeam Band of Strong had a birthday party! They carried out the program suggested in World Comrades, having a large cake with 60 candles and "Sunbeams' Sixtieth Anniversary" written in gold. Punch and this cake were served by two little girls wearing long dresses of 60 years ago style. WMS members were guests.

Hospital Says "Thanks"

Dear Friends of the Hospital: Our hearts are full of gratitude to the Baptist Sunday Schools of the State for the generous Mother's Day offerings sent through Dr. Bridges. We appreciate, very much, the splendid Silver Anniversary gifts that have been sent to us at the hospital by churches and our missionary societies, and I

am sure many more, will be coming in soon.

The Auxiliary will have its Silver Anniversary on Friday, July 5, since the fourth of July falls on the first Thursday this year.

This is also the Silver Anniversary of the State Charity Fund and we hope many of our Hospital friends over the state will be with us on this special occasion.

Remember—July 5, 1946.

Mrs. Chas. H. Brough,
State Hospital Chairman.



Miss Franks

Royal Service Subscriptions

Subscriptions to Royal Service from Arkansas totaled 2,901 as of April 30. This is a splendid record for the first four months of 1946. Arkansas WMU has a goal of 4,550 for the year which is a five per cent increase over 1945. Every member of every missionary society should be a subscriber and reader of this missionary magazine. Send all subscriptions to 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham 3, Ala. Price per year is 50 cents.

Miss Eloise Landers of North Little Rock has accepted a position as educational secretary of South Knoxville Church, Knoxville, Tenn. She is a graduate of Central College, Ouachita College, and Southwestern Seminary.

Tomorrow's world is being molded by today's education.—William J. Falls in *The Teacher*.

Dr. Smith Makes Central Address

Dr. Blake Smith, pastor of University Church, Austin, Tex., and former pastor in Arkansas, declared in the commencement address at Central College, Conway, that world peace is a necessity. He said the greatest danger facing the world today is that people will enter the new age unprepared for the new concepts. He quoted one scientist who predicted that humanity has only ten years to live.

"The atom bomb can write the book of Genesis in reverse and assume the role of creator—it can now uncreate the world," he said. "But," he continued, "the bomb is fundamentally good. God doesn't put anything on earth that does not have potential good. It depends on man to use atomic power for good."

He advised the class that Christian religion provides the best influence toward eventual dedication of atomic power to world progress. He reminded them that Christians through the ages have been among the first to adopt new inventions and said that men responsible for the atom bomb are now loudly calling for the world to turn to religion as a means of saving itself from self-destruction.

"As you enter the atomic age," he told the class, "don't be afraid even of the cross, because beyond that cross is the resurrection."

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"Viewing Life's Sun Set From Pike's Peak" is a new book by Evangelist A. D. Muse, Louisville, Ky., giving the life story of the late Evangelist T. T. Martin. Ten chapters of the book were left by Evangelist Martin and Mr. Muse has added three other chapters of materials gathered from various sources. The price of the book is \$2.00. Evangelist Muse may be addressed at Box 505, Louisville 1, Ky.

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A glib answer will not satisfy an honest Christian; he wants to be convinced by the reality of the teacher's own experience with Christian truth.—William J. Falls in *The Teacher*.

Number 1 Criticism

The number one criticism Training Union work is that members attend the union for a night, and never even learn to develop a three-minute oration. The purpose of the qualification is to serve as a basis of the program. From the part that is signed from the quarterly, we should get material which will us prepare our own message that part of the discussion, cannot be done without timor, originality, and respect. This is the Lord's work. should we not be willing to more time and effort.

An Adult union was revisited. At the close of a program the president said that the program would not be assigned for next Sunday, that everybody could read part and be ready for any. The visitor did not return the Sunday, because he knew in advance that there would be no there worthwhile.

The next Sunday night, same visitor entered another union. Written programs handed to all as they entered. Bible Readers' Leader gave a false drill, rather than several sermonettes on the seven verses, and he did not take five minutes. Every person of program told his part, and visitor received a blessing, went away saying to himself would like to be a member of union."

A well planned, well prepared and well presented program be well peopled.

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Evangelist Joe H. Hankins Bluff, was preacher in two meetings in Los Angeles, which resulted in 887 conversions according to H. C. Lull, deacon of First Church, Little Rock. Meetings were sponsored by the Christian Business Men's Committee. Evangelist Hankins is now evangelistic services at Port Huron, Mich., with 22 churches operating. He has three campaigns scheduled in Los Angeles in July, August, and September and one in Pasadena in November.

MEDICAL DOCTOR WANTED

Decatur, Arkansas, is a town of six hundred inhabitants located in the beautiful Ozarks of northwest Arkansas, having a large trade territory and without a medical doctor.

The Decatur Commercial Club is interested in helping some good doctor establish a hospital in this little city.

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Decatur, Arkansas

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Southern has plenty of the finest apartments for college students in the State of Arkansas. They are all modern, semi-fireproof, brick apartments, both furnished and unfurnished. The rate of rent for students runs from \$9.00 to \$15.00 per month.

Dormitory facilities will equal the best by time of opening September 6. No veteran need wait longer to enter college.

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Southern has broad curricula from which to choose courses of training. More than five years of work could be taken at Southern without duplication of courses.

The college combines the cultural, theoretical and the practical in a balanced manner, found in no other college in America. Regardless of what vocation or profession you may plan to enter, you will be able to find what you need at Southern. Courses include Bible, Religious Education, Education, History, English, Mathematics, Chemistry, General Science, Full Commercial College Courses, Vocal and Instrumental Music, Photography, Linotype Operation, Printing,

Sterotyping, Press Operation, Furniture Craft, Carpentry, Physical Education, Rural Church Leadership, Community Leadership, Foreign Languages, Greek, Philosophy, Logic, Christian Doctrine, Church History, Evangelism, and many other fields. Pre-professional training may be had at Southern for all of the professions.

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It actually costs less to go to Southern for a year than to any college in Arkansas, state or private. No Baptist college in America has a lower rate. We keep the rate low so that ANY BAPTIST young person CAN ATTEND COLLEGE HERE. Your fees are only \$15.00 matriculation per term of three months, and tuition of only \$5.00 per month. This admits you to all regular classes. Special fees for priv-

ate music, under one of the best teachers in Arkansas, are only \$8.00 per month. Private instruction in commercial courses is but \$3.00 per month.

Board at Southern is on cafeteria style, running what you wish to make it. Full meals will run from \$0.75 to \$0.90 per day. You pay for meals only when you are here. Weekend leaves will mean a sizeable saving during a year.

Credits Are Good

Work done at Southern is good for transfer to other colleges, universities and seminaries. Students have been admitted to 18 colleges, and graduate schools, without reduction of a single hour of college credit.

Credits earned here may be applied on a teacher's certificate for teaching in the elementary schools of Arkansas and Missouri as well as other Southern states.

The college is accredited by the State Department of Education of Arkansas. It is a member of the North Central Association of Junior Colleges. Application has been filed for membership in the American Association of Junior Colleges at their invitation.

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POCAHONTAS, ARKANSAS

SUMMER FIELD WORK SCHEDULED

For the eighth year organized Summer Field Work will be conducted in six associations of the state. Thirty-two college students from 11 schools have been selected and these young consecrated Christians will receive training while at the Arkansas Baptist Assembly, and will then be formed into teams and go into six associations during the following six weeks. They will serve in approximately 15 churches each week. When a team enters a field, they will visit the members of the churches, enlist these members in the work, teach and train as many as possible, win the lost and lead the Christian people to a re-dedication of life.

The schedule for the summer's work with association, central point and date shown is as follows:

Benton County—First Church, Rogers, July 12-20.

Faulkner County—First Church, Conway, July 20-27.

Dardanelle-Russellville — First Church, Dardanelle, July 27, Aug. 3.

Buckner—First Church, Waldron, Aug. 3-10.

Ouachita — Hatfield Church, Hatfield, Aug. 10-17.

Hope—Shiloh Church, Texarkana, Aug. 17-24.

Please Report Your Study Course

June and December are the low months for Training Union Study Courses in most of the churches of the state. Last year only 298 awards were issued during June. However, it is very likely that a number of other courses were held which were never reported. Write immediately for "request for award blanks," fill out the blanks, and mail to your State Training Union director during this month. From January through May, 1946, 7475 Training Union study course awards were issued compared to 5406 for the same period last year.

Associational Clinic

An associational Training Union clinic was conducted at First Church, Harrison, the week of June 9. Workers from the other churches of Boone-Carroll Association drove in each night to be in the various classes. During the week teams were formed from the churches of the association, and during the week of June 16 simultaneous study courses were conducted in a number of the churches of the association.

Remember October 20-25

During the week of October 20-25, there will be a state Training Union clinic at Immanuel Church, Little Rock. Mr. J. E. Lambdin, with all of his workers from the Training Union Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board will

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conduct a Training Union enlargement campaign during that week at Immanuel Church.

One hundred people will be invited to attend this clinic. Each night these clinicians will observe Mr. Lambdin and his workers as they conduct the campaign. During the day there will be actual laboratory work with Mr. Lambdin's helpers working for Immanuel Church, and these 100 clinicians will have a definite part in this laboratory work. There will also be classes during the day for the clinicians.

The purpose of this clinic is to train 100 people in the techniques of an enlargement campaign. They will be taught, they will observe, and they will have a definite part in the enlargement campaign. It is hoped that they will then return to their church to put what they have learned into practice.

We are asking all those who can attend to make application. Application blanks will be sent out later. From the applications, 100 people will be selected. The only cost for the clinicians will be transportation to and from Little Rock.

On Friday morning and afternoon, October 25, there will be held in connection with this clinic a state meeting for all associational Training Union officers of the state. This meeting will not conflict in any way with the State Training Union Clinic.

Programs For Baptist Youth Rallies

A few copies of a suggested program for Baptist Youth Rallies (for July and August) are available, and may be obtained by writing your State Training Union Director. These programs were prepared by Baptist Sunday School Board workers.

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Layman Tull Demonstrates Worth of Evangelistic Minded Men in Churches

By HUGH CANTRELL, Pastor
First Church, Stephens

Much has been said in recent months about the one-day revival idea. The surest way, that I know, to have a one-day revival is to invite Brotherhood Secretary Nelson Tull to your church and just turn him loose. I have been in more than one two-week meetings that did not do nearly as much for my church as he did in one week-end.

Bro. Tull came to us on Friday afternoon and we had our men together for a banquet in the evening at which he spoke. Saturday he and I visited. Some time during the day he asked me what I wanted him to do Sunday morning. I told him that I wanted him to preach at the morning service and he asked if there were a class that I would like for him to teach at Sunday School. I then suggested that he go to the Junior Department and conduct an evangelistic service. We contacted our junior superintendent and the teaches all of whom readily agreed that it would be a good idea.

Sunday morning the juniors went to their classes for records and came back to the assembly room where Bro. Tull used the remainder of the Sunday School hour. There were nine conversions, seven of whom came into our church at the 11 o'clock service.

Sunday afternoon Mr. Tull went with me to Salem, a rural church, where he preached again. Then we came back home for a meeting of our newly elected officers of our Brotherhood where he talked to them about two hours. Sunday evening he spoke to our intermediate union.

I think that one of our deacons spoke the conviction of our church when I told a young preacher that Bro. Tull would do his church good. I turned to the deacon and asked if he did not think he would. He replied, "That man will do any church good."

West Memphis, Too!

By AUBREY C. HALSELL, Pastor
First Church, West Memphis

Nelson Tull, state Brotherhood secretary, has just concluded a layman's revival at one of the mis-

sions for the First Baptist Church at West Memphis.

Some observations and comments:

1. I observed that New Testament methods of going, "Go ye still produce New Testament results. There were 21 for baptism and four by letter in one brief week's meeting.

2. I observed a layman in action, witnessing from house to house with a Bible and tracts in hand.

3. I observed that resistance to the Gospel is greatly overcome by Spirit-led evangelists.

4. I observed that fervent prayer in homes for people and their needs brings great results.

5. I am convinced that personal witnessing daily will bring a great wave of conviction upon the hearts of mankind.

Nelson Tull demonstrated to many laymen that God can, will and desires to use laymen in going after men.

If you want the men of your church to get a vision, re-emphasize the real values of Kingdom work and vitally step up the tempo of the spirituality of your church, get Nelson Tull for a week and turn him loose. The methods and the messages will greatly bless your church, your people, and yourself.

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The evangelistic teacher will exalt the worship and preaching service. Nothing will so revitalize the preaching services and the prayer meeting as fruitful evangelism made possible when pastors and teachers join hands in continuous evangelistic effort.—G. M. Dobbins in Sunday School Builder.

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Challenges for a New Day in Home Missions

Home Mission Work Among Mexicans

<i>What We Have</i>	
Churches and Missions	204
Kindergartens	27
Missionaries	193
Chapels and Church Buildings	69
Value Church Properties	\$346,400
Total Population	1,750,000
Unevangelized	1,575,000
<i>What We Need</i>	
New Missions	180
New Kindergartens	50
Additional Missionaries	147
Churches and Pastors' Homes	295
Needed for Improvements	\$1,065,000
Operation Budget Needed	\$228,000
Total Missions Proposed	364
Total Workers Needed	340

Indian Missions

<i>What We Have</i>	
Churches and Mission	72
Missionaries	95
Indian Centers	2
Chapels and Churches	18
Value of Properties	\$89,900
Population	250,000
Unevangelized	234,000
<i>What We Need</i>	
New Missions	23
Additional Missionaries	23
Centers and Dormitories	6
Chapels and Churches	31
Pastors' Homes	17
Needed for Improvements	\$301,000
Operation Budget Needed	\$105,000
Total Missions Proposed	101
Total Workers Needed	118

French Hear the Gospel

<i>What We Have</i>	
Churches and Missions	22
Missionaries	23
Chapels and Churches	8
Value of Property	\$52,900
Total Population	600,000
Unevangelized	585,000
<i>What We Need</i>	
New Missions	5
Additional Missionaries	14
New Church Buildings and Pastors' Homes	14
Needed for Improvements	\$65,000
Operation Budget Needed	\$40,000
Total Missions Proposed	27
Total Workers Needed	37

Italians Evangelized

<i>What We Have</i>	
Churches and Missions	4
Missionaries	14
Chapels and Churches	3
Value of Property	\$18,250
Italian Population	650,000
Unevangelized (estimate)	625,000
<i>What We Need</i>	
New Missions	2
Additional Missionaries	5
Chapels and Homes Needed	3
Needed for Improvements	\$56,000
Operation Budget Needed	\$20,000
Total Workers Needed	19

City

(Except Arizona, New Mexico, and California)

<i>What We Have</i>	
Cities now being served by City Superintendents	38
Cooperative Workers Employed	38
Population of 70 Largest Cities	25,900,000
Unchurched in These Cities	8,200,000
<i>What We Need</i>	
There are about 50 cities that need City Mission Programs set up without full-time paid Superintendents.	
Additional Workers to fill existing vacancies	3

Operation Budget Needed	\$90,000
Total Workers Needed	44

Rural

(Except Arizona, New Mexico, and California)

<i>What We Have</i>	
Cooperative Work in Ten States	
Cooperative Workers	47
Rural Churches	19,400
Reporting no Baptisms in 1944	6,440
Rural People to Be Served By Baptists	10,000,000
<i>What We Need</i>	
Cooperative Work in Other States	
Additional Workers	20
Operation Budget Needed	\$100,000
Total Rural Workers Proposed	69

Chinese Work

<i>What We Have</i>	
Churches and Missions	4
Missionaries	8
Chapels and Churches	3
Value of Properties	\$23,000
Chinese Population (estimate)	50,000
Unevangelized (estimate)	45,000
<i>What We Need</i>	
New Mission Stations	2
Additional Missionaries	4
Needed to Improve Properties	\$50,000
Operation Budget Needed	15,000
Total Workers Needed	12

Panama, Costa Rica, Canal Zone

<i>What We Have</i>	
Mission Stations	21
Missionaries	25
Property Value	\$48,290
Population to be Served	1,600,000
<i>What We Need</i>	
Additional Missions	12
Additional Missionaries	14
Church and Mission Buildings	\$262,000
Operation Budget Needed	\$30,000
Total Workers Needed	39

Preaching to the Deaf

<i>What We Have</i>	
Centers of Work	9
Missionaries (including 3 part-time)	7
Number of Deaf	70,000
Number Unreached by Baptists	69,000
<i>What We Need</i>	
New Centers	30
Additional Missionaries	4
Operation Budget Needed	\$15,000
Total Workers Needed	11

Negro Work

<i>What We Have</i>	
Negro Baptist Schools in South	22
Teacher-Missionaries	22
Negro Centers	6
Negro Center Workers	8
Enrolment Negro Institutes	7,543
Total Negro Population in South	11,000,000
<i>What We Need</i>	
Additional Negro Centers	25
Additional Missionaries	25
Negro Institutes, at least	100
Operation Budget Needed	\$150,000
Total Number of Workers	58

Cuban Missions

<i>What We Have</i>	
Mission Stations	191
Missionaries	119
Property Value	\$723,200
Population to be Served	3,000,000
<i>What We Need</i>	
New Missions	25
New Workers	35
Baptist College (1st unit)	\$250,000
Baptist Student Center	\$50,000

New Church and Mission Buildings and Improvements	\$225,000
Operation Budget Needed	\$115,000
Total Workers Needed	

Mission Centers and Rescue Homes

<i>What We Have</i>	
Mission Centers (Good Will Centers)	
Rescue Homes	
Missionaries	
Value Properties	\$85,000
Underprivileged to be Served	2,000
Unevangelized (estimate)	1,600
<i>What We Need</i>	
Additional Centers	
Additional Rescue Homes	
Additional Missionaries	
Needed for Buildings and Improvements	\$292,000
Operation Budget Needed	\$71,000
Total Workers Needed	

Work in Western States

<i>What We Have</i>	
Mission Workers	
Population	10,000,000
Unchurched	7,000,000
Baptist Churches (affiliated Southern Baptist Convention)	
Unaffiliated Southern Baptists	260,000
Ratio Baptists to Population	1 to 38
Ratio S. B. C. Churches to Population	1 to 66
<i>What We Need</i>	
Many Additional Churches	
Many Additional Pastors	
Money for Church Buildings	
Additional Cooperative Missionaries	
Proposed Budget—1946	\$80,000
Proposed Cooperative Workers—1946	
The Needs in These States are Practically Unlimited	

Special Missions

<i>What We Have</i>	
Mission Centers Served	
Missionaries	
People to be Served	500,000
<i>What We Need</i>	
New Fields	
New Workers	
Operation Budget Needed	\$30,000
Total Workers Needed	

Other Mission Work

The Department of Jewish Work is helping to plan and work for the salvation of 1,000,000 Jews in the South.

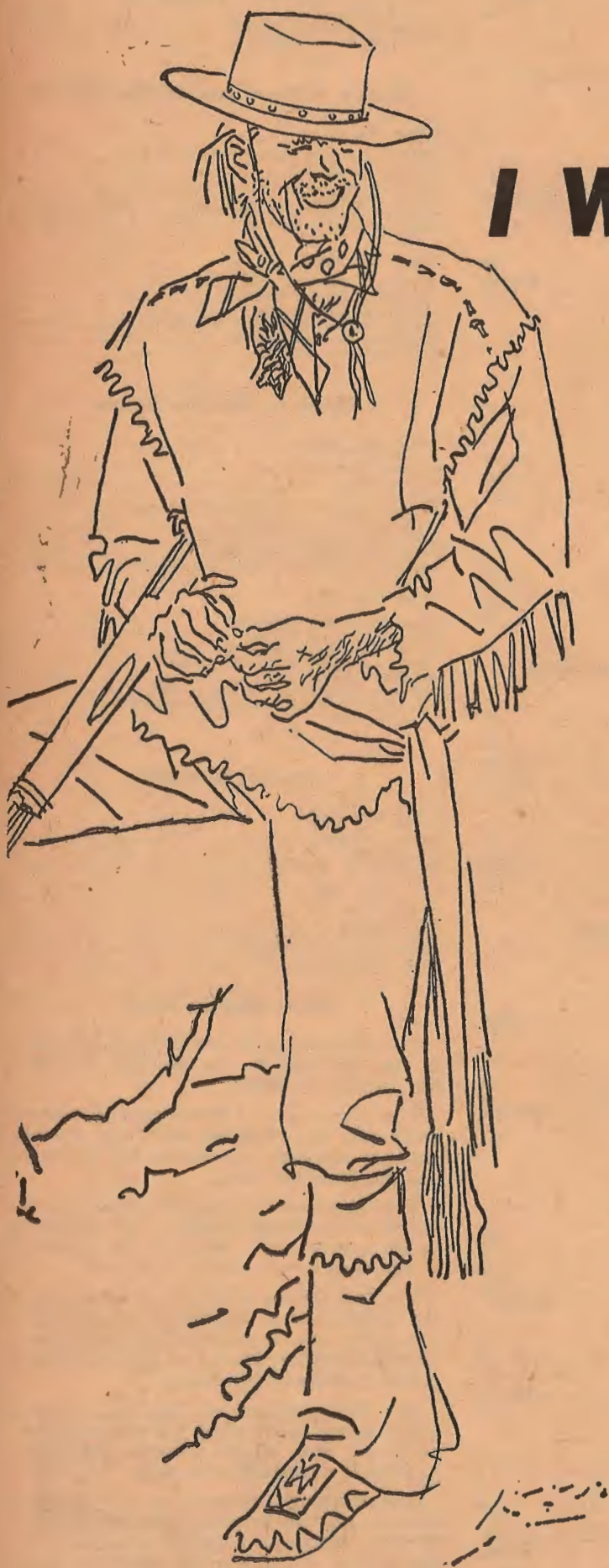
The Department of Evangelism is cooperating with the churches and other denominational agencies in reaching the 20,000,000 unevangelized for Christ.

The Department of Camp Work is cooperating with our Baptist chaplains in ministering to our service men. About 91,750 were won to the Lord by our chaplains in 1945.

The Department of Schools of Missions and the Department of Missionary Education are seeking to give missionary information and stimulate mission interest among our Baptist people throughout the South.

Our Field Workers of the Home Missions Board assist the churches and denominational groups with mission programs and serve in general missionary activities.

The students employed in our Summer Student Mission Program (206 employed in 1945) assist our regularly appointed missionaries in their respective tasks, thus gaining first-hand information and experience in mission work and at the same time rendering splendid service where the work is most needed.



I WOULDN'T KNOW THE OLD PLACE!

You sure wouldn't, pardner, if the last time you saw Arkansas was the days when you roamed the trails between sparse settlements with your eye—and rifle—cocked for rampaging Quapaws and Chickasaws. Because there have been lots of changes made since your day.

Yes, this very weekend—June 15—Arkansas is celebrating its 110th birthday, and we think you would be amazed at the progress. Beautiful, busy—Arkansas has become a great state in these 110 years, and it will add even more to its stature in the years to come. Maybe a lot of the credit should go to you, for the pioneering spirit that began our state is still strong in the blood of many of us today.

The men who founded Arkansas Power & Light Company, and we who carry on their ideals, know that spirit well. We like to think that it is responsible in a small way for Arkansas' growth and prosperity. Certainly we have lived up to our slogan selected in the beginning—"Helping Build Arkansas"—with all our hearts and all our ingenuity.

Happy birthday, Arkansas.

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Repentance and Forgiveness Only Hope for World Order

By R. PAUL CAUDILL

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works." These are the arresting words of the Apostle Paul following his classic utterance on salvation by grace. The business of every follower of Jesus Christ is to work for a Christian world.

It matters not how far out into the future the goal may be, we are to continue to labor and to invest all our resources in behalf of His imperishable kingdom — "always abounding in the work of the Lord"—knowing that our labor in the Lord is not in vain.

Basic Strategy

"And he said unto them, go ye . . . preach . . ." (Mark 16:15-16). In these incisive words of Jesus we find the basic strategy for the transformation of the world. We are to go and to preach the gospel to "every creature" throughout the whole world.

The problem basically is not in the realm of the external; it is not outward, but inward. If Christians were more concerned about the proclamation of the message, they would need be less concerned for the problems raised by the different denominations. Baptists throughout the centuries have held that our principal task is to preach the gospel.

The Word of God has a cutting power all its own when rightly proclaimed. In fact, it is more powerful than any "twain-mouthed" sword (Heb. 4:12). Moreover, we have the assurance of Isaiah 55:11, "So shall my word . . . not return unto me void . . ."

The Content of the Message

The content of the message that Christ's followers are to preach is clearly stated in the Gospel of Luke: "Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures, . . . And ye are witnesses of these things" (Luke 24:45-48).

For three years Jesus had sought to interpret to His disciples the meaning of His incarnation, but the lesson was difficult for them to grasp, so engaged were their minds with thoughts of a material kingdom. Following His resurrection Jesus makes a final desperate effort to acquaint His disciples with their mission in the world and the type of message they are to bear in His name.

What a message for our suffering world! Think what would happen if every pulpit in the land, and every Christian worker, would begin simultaneously to preach the gospel message of repentance and remission of sins! Think of what would happen if that message were to go immediately to all the nations! The world needs to repent and the sins of the world need to be forgiven. Apart from repent-

Sunday School Lesson For June 30

Mark 16:15-16; 19-20; Luke 24:45-49; Acts 2:46-47; 5:42

ance and apart from forgiveness there can be no hope for a world order in which there is even a semblance of brotherhood and peace.

This is the Victory

"And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, praising God, and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved" (Acts 2:46-47).

The ordering of the new life as reported in Acts constitutes a powerful testimony as to the influence of Christ on human life. Some three thousand there were who had received "his word" as the only way of life for them and "were baptized." These early disciples "applied their strength" to the reshaping of their lives according to the teachings of the Scriptures. Spiritual partnership was cultivated and there was a deepening of the unity of spirit. They engaged themselves in prayers, both public and private.

Christians need to refresh themselves by constant reference to this record of the first day of witnessing in the Christian church under the power of the Holy Spirit. No more graphic portrayal of the meaning of the new life in Christ Jesus is to be found in the Bible. To look upon it is to feel that this is the victory that overcometh the world.

A Day By Day Affair

"And every day, in the temple and at home, they ceased not to preach and to teach Jesus as the Christ." The apostles were beaten and charged "not to speak in the name of Jesus." Nevertheless, upon their departure from the council, they rejoiced "that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the Name."

They were now able to understand more fully the words of Jesus when He said, "Blessed are ye when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake" (Matt. 5:11).

Witnessing had become for them a day by day affair. It mattered not where they were—in the Temple, or at home—the same message was proclaimed, the message of the atoning Christ. There was a seven-day religion, a seven-day message. Their testimony was co-extensive with life.

Values of Old Testament Laws Fulfilled in Christ's Coming

By R. PAUL CAUDILL

Sunday School Lesson For July 7

Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Matthew 5:17-19; Mark 10:17-22

In our course of study during July, August, and September we shall examine the Ten Commandments and other basic Old Testament laws in the light of the teachings of Jesus.

With the coming of Jesus into the world, the enduring values that inhere in the basic principles within the Old Testament laws are brought into the fullness of light: "Think not," said Jesus, "that I came to destroy the law, or the prophets: I come not to destroy but to fulfil" (Matt. 5:17).

The Old Testament Standard

"Hear, O Israel; the Lord our God is one Lord. And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart. And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shall talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the doorposts of thy house, and on thy gates" (Deut. 6:4-9).

In these incisive words is a summary statement of the Old Testament standard as to moral law. It constitutes the basis for all moral and spiritual law.

Relation of Christ's Mission To the Law

Beginning with verse 17 in chapter 5 of Matthew, our Lord sets forth the relation of His mission to the law of Moses. He boldly declares that instead of coming "to relax its [the law's] restraint or overthrow its authority, he came to complete it" (Broadus).

The one thing that Jesus wanted to impress upon His followers was the fact that the messianic reign would in many important respects be different from popular expectation. It was necessary, therefore, for Jesus to make it clear to the Jews that His mission is not that of a destroyer but a fulfiller, that His mission in the world was in no wise contrary to the real spirit and design of the Old Testament.

Jesus made it clear that He did not come to set aside any part of the existing Scripture. He came "to fulfil" (make full, complete).

His teachings and work were to be considered as the completion of the law—as "the full reality to which they referred." In Him all previous revelation would find its consummation.

What We Lack

In the closing verses of our lesson we have the graphic presentation of a short-coming that is common to would-be followers of Christ, "One thing thou lackest: Go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up thy cross, and follow me. And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions."

Much as Jesus honored and respected the law for its original purpose as a guide to righteous living, He would in no wise permit its observance to become a substitute for the pure heart and for a living experience with God.

The wealthy young man who came to Jesus desiring to "inherit eternal life" had been strict and zealous in his observance of the law. In his concern for humanity, however, and in the matter of cross bearing, he had fallen far short of the divine ideal. The kind of treasures that he had laid up were of the earth—material treasures; Jesus wanted him to lay up treasures in heaven and to take up the cross and follow him. Jesus did not rebuke him for his previous loyalty to the law. But he wanted him to have a living experience of God and a greater concern for the needs of his fellow man.

It is not difficult to understand the words of John in the light of the experience of the rich young ruler: "But whosoever hath this world's goods, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue: but in deed and in truth."

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Cooperative Program Needs Your Help

Has your church made its contribution (undesignated) for cooperative missions during the second quarter? Several churches have not done so up to June 20.

During May we did not receive enough undesignated money to satisfy the demands of the budget. Won't you help us to make up the deficiency in June? Special offerings are fine and often very much needed. They are always respected and applied according to the wishes of the donor. But let us remember that all the fundamental causes supported by our Baptist churches, from the association through state missions and orphanage work and Christian education and Foreign Missions, are supported by undesignated Cooperative Program contributions. This work is dependent upon the undesignated Cooperative Program money.

If your church has not made an offering for this cause during June, please, come to the rescue of your work during this last week of the quarter. Our books will close July 5.

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Memorial Fund

By **W. E. McLEOD**
Walnut Ridge

Memorials to all kinds of worthy objects have in all times been made. That is so evident that it is unnecessary to take up space to mention any of them. The only things that could cause anyone to hesitate in support of them are lack of belief in memorials or whether the object is worthy of a memorial.

Memorials are for the purpose of calling to mind worthy objects and events of the past which should be remembered because of their significance in the history of the past. They stimulate the living to greater effort to equal or surpass the achievements of the past. To all persons not devoid of sentiment they give genuine pleasure.

A good many years ago, it was suggested that Baptists in Arkansas learn where the first Baptist church in the state was and build there a memorial church building. At that time it was not known where the site of the first church was. Some thought it was the New Hope church organized in Lawrence county in 1828; others thought it was somewhere else. So the matter has rocked along.

In the later 1930's, Rev. W. O. Taylor of Ozark, Ark., was missionary in Current river Association which included Randolph county. There he heard rumors of a very early Baptist church which had been in that country. So he set about learning all about it. To make a long story short, he located the exact site where a Baptist church had been organized of 12 members in 1818. He continued his research until he had collected data which proved it to have been the first Baptist church organized in Arkansas. He then or-

BAPTIST ASSEMBLY WILL OPEN NEXT WEEK

Secretary Edgar Williamson has been at the Siloam Assembly grounds for two or three weeks making necessary repairs and trimming up the cabins and the other buildings for the Assembly session which is to be held July 2-11. Accommodations could not be granted to everyone who wanted to attend. Our Baptist people are numerous and they have a fine spirit; a spirit for action. Dr. Williamson will, doubtless, rearrange his program so that all who care to attend the Assembly session may be accommodated in the future.

Many of us who attend and enjoy the services at the Assembly are unaware of the laborious planning and hard work which Secretary Williamson and his associates are called upon to perform in preparing for the Assembly each year and in carrying through the program. Let us pray for these laborers and give them our utmost cooperation.



Dr. Williamson

ganized another Baptist church of 16 members in 1937 on the spot where the old first church house stood. The church has grown some and has regular services held in a school house.

The matter of erecting a memorial church building where the first one was has been revived and some funds have been collected for the purpose, but not enough. The State Baptist Board last year approved the movement and recommended the collection of a memorial fund of \$5,000 to be taken in the Baptist churches of the state, and that \$4,000 of that amount be used for the proposed Memorial Church building.

The second Sunday in last December was set for the taking of the collections, and some were taken; but the time was not propitious, being the close of the financial year in many churches. Not enough funds were obtained to meet the needs of the purpose; but the opportunity to contribute is still open. If you will, you may still take the collection and send it to Dr. B. L. Bridges, 200 Radio Center, Little Rock. Designate your contribution as "Memorial Fund."

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The Department of Agriculture has announced that use of grain by distillers would continue on a limited basis during June and July. Under present restrictions, distillers are allowed 2,500,000 bushels of grain each month.

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One of the dangers we face in the relief program is that of over-confidence. Every church, large and small, should have a part in feeding starving people. No church can give too much as we hear the cry of starving millions.

Some Results at Soldiers' Center

Attendance at Baptist Soldier's Center the opening August 6, 1941, through 1946—144,538. Contracts made by the rector, Rev. Purl Stockton, at Camp Robinson—127,575. Garments altered for the at camp—36,624, saving the men \$2. Making 2000 curtains for windows at buildings, a saving of \$2,500 to the men. work was done by women from the va churches in Pulaski County. The family more than 3000 service men were assisting locating living quarters and jobs. Men going to the center used its facilities; showers 1,756; shaves 1,669.

The churches and women from over state sent home made cookies for the c jars until the sugar shortage became so then many of them sent money for us to the cookies. One Little Rock woman brought cookies each Saturday since we of amounting to 960 dozen.

Four hundred sermons have been preached at the center, resulting in 394 conversions. Six of our boys have answered the call to Baptist ministry and other special work. are in school in Texas, two at Ouachita College, one will go to school in Portland, Oregon, and one in New Orleans. There perhaps others of whom we do not know. Thousands have been sent from our center to the several Baptist churches in greater Little Rock. Many have become members, and have changed their views regarding Southern Baptists.

Inasmuch as very few men will be leaving Camp Robinson after July the Soldiers' Center will close June 30.