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*The World's Starving Beg for Food*

—ACME

# ONE Hungry WORLD

General Dwight D. Eisenhower said recently: "Without food there will be no peace."

Until the people can stop bending every effort toward mere existence, they will not be able to produce the right kind of leaders. The conquered countries lack leaders because their leaders were liquidated. If we had a real conception of what mere existence means in these countries we would appreciate that our greatest contribution now, and an individual one, is food . . . If you ever tried a 1,000-calorie balanced diet you may think it's not so bad. But these people have no reserve to go on, and the calories they get each day are neither "filling" nor nutritionally adequate. How would you like this menu: a hunk of bread and weak coffee for breakfast; thin soup with a potato base and another hunk of bread for your main meal, and soup and bread, same kind but less of it, for your evening meal? The entire menu is less than many a housewife wastes in a day.—Ida Jean Kain, newspaper columnist, May 29.

No day is ever without its opportunity for ministry in Christ's name. Yet opportunity comes most surely to the church when man's need is greatest. Then we recall Isaiah's question as to what service is acceptable to the Lord: "Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? When thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?" Truly this is a day when we do not lack opportunity or incentive to express our faith in service and to translate our ideals into deeds of love and mercy.—Hermann N. Morse, in "Our Times and National Missions."

Missionary Agnes Graham of Chile writes: "Chilean Baptist churches have been taking a collection for Asia's and Europe's hungry millions. The First Church, Temuco, with the school and outstations, raised over 4,000 pesos (\$140)—excellent for people who are poor themselves, isn't it? All of the Chilean churches will probably contribute between \$2,500 and \$3,000."

July 21 has been designated by Virginia Baptists as a day of fasting and prayer; the money for food not eaten to be given through the church to relief, the time to be spent in sharing the suffering so common to the people of Asia and Europe today. The goal is a dollar from each member of each Baptist church in the state.

# RADIO



Dr. Hugo Culpepper is the Arkansas Baptist Hour speaker for the week of June 23. Dr. Culpepper was a missionary to China when the war broke out and was interned by the Japanese. After being released and returning to this country, he immediately began making preparations to return to China. He is now taking a medical course to better prepare himself for his mission to China.

"The Missionary Motive" is the subject of Dr. Culpepper's message. He speaks on the subject nearest his heart and brings this vital message out of his own experiences as a missionary.

This program may be heard over the following radio stations on the days and hours listed below:

- KFPW, Fort Smith, Sunday, June 23, 5:00 to 5:30 p. m.
- KLCN, Blytheville, Sunday, June 23, 5:30 to 6 p. m.
- KTHS, Hot Springs, Thursday, June 27, 6:30 to 7:00 p. m.
- KARK, Little Rock, Saturday, June 29, 9:30 to 10:00 a. m.
- KUOA, Siloam Springs, Saturday June 29, 6:15 to 6:45 p. m.
- KELD, El Dorado, Saturday, June 29, 8:30 to 9:00 p. m.

On Saturday of this week you may hear Dr. Edgar Williamson.

# UNHAPPY CHRISTIANS

A Devotion by B. H. Duncan, Hot Springs

"But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart."

Of all the contradictions of life, an unhappy Christian is the greatest. Christians, of people, should be happy. Jesus expects them to be happy, full of joy. They have every reason to be happy; they should be ashamed to be unhappy.

In the case of the disciples we come up to the strangest phenomenon—their unhappiness grew out of their relation to Jesus. They had their minds made up beforehand when they wanted Jesus to be and to do. Jesus did not quite fit into their picture of Him. They were strongly attached to their person of Jesus, but they were not reconciled to His program. They were not quite willing to follow Jesus where He wanted to lead them; they wanted Him to follow them where they chose.

Are we unhappy Christians? If so, what is the cause of our unhappiness? A close examination might reveal the fact that Jesus won't do what we want Him to do, and that we won't do what Jesus wants us to do.

Does not much of our unhappiness as Christians grow out of the fact that we are conscious of the demands of Jesus, but don't want to meet those demands? Christian opportunities and challenges make us glad, or do they make us sad? Are we happy at every opportunity to serve our Lord or do we run away from His service?

"But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away; for if I go not away, the comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart; I will send Him unto you." John 16:6, 7.

The Foreign Mission Board's mail June 19 contained a check for \$1,000 from a dentist. Pinned to it was a clipping from his Southern Baptist paper, reporting the action of the Southern Baptist Convention at Miami to raise \$3,500,000 for world relief and rehabilitation.

The Texas state board in session June 19 adopted \$459,000 as Texas' share of the Southern Baptist goal for relief and rehabilitation, and urged the churches to reach it in July.

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# Across the Editor's Desk...

## We Must Feed the World's Starving

The Editor is writing these lines from Nashville, Tenn., where he has been sitting in a special meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention's Executive Committee for discussion of the current campaign for World Relief. We have heard several things that make us most anxious to do our maximum to feed starving people around the world.

Every time your heart beats, some one of these 800,000,000 hungry people die of starvation," Dr. George W. Sadler of the Foreign Mission Board told us. He also related that on his last trip to Belgrade he saw people in the streets trying to sell their clothes and even their bedding for 10 or 15 cents worth of food. Many, he said, have sold every piece of their clothes excepting a single suit to find money to buy food.

The picture of worldwide starving is already sharply focused in our minds from photographs which have reached us and some of which we hope to publish in next week's paper. The story is the same in Asia and India and Europe where wars and crop failure have

caused famine. How can we afford to not give when the situation is so acute!

Members of the Executive Committee voted that all states and all churches should take collections for the relief program at the earliest possible time consistent with good preparation and good organization. We need to speed food NOW, not waiting until September.

We are pleased also to know that almost every penny given to relief will go for relief. The Foreign Mission Board has already set aside money to finance the campaign. Representatives of several states tell us here that their respective state boards are financing the campaign in their state from regular promotion funds. The money we give to this campaign will go abroad to feed the starving!

In every place possible the food our money buys will be dispensed under the personal direction of our own Southern Baptist mission workers. We already have missionaries at work setting up relief stations in many sections. Dr. M. T. Rankin and Dr. Baker James Cauthen of the Mission Board will leave San Francisco by clipper June 24, flying, to help



—Acme  
*Tiny, spindly limbs and a famine-bloated belly make up the child this mother begs to keep alive. The woman has little hope and the child doesn't understand its own unrelieved suffering.*

distribute the relief in the Orient. Dr. W. O. Lewis, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, is en route to Germany to handle relief there. Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, a Virginia pastor and native of Norway, is returning to his native land to help feed the starving there. In the places, like India, where Southern Baptists do not have an established work, the relief will be handled by reputable agents known well to our Mission Board.

This "personal delivery" assures the giver that his contributions are being handled with minimum waste. Our money will go to feed the starving rather than pay the salary of executive campaign directors. And this "personal delivery" also means that the recipients will know that a great Christian people in America believe in "brotherly kindness, one to another" and that the Christian religion is more than a creed. Surely these gifts for nourishment of the body will prepare minds and hearts for feeding of the soul.

Throughout the discussion there were notes of extreme optimism that the Southwide goal of \$3,500,000 will be exceeded; that perhaps \$5,000,000 will be raised. We hope so. But the wiser heads of the Committee cautioned against over-optimism and warned that we will not do our part unless everything possible is done in behalf of the campaign. Leaders in the sectional areas and in the churches must work hard and everyone must give liberally—yes, sacrificially, even to missing a few meals—to do what we should.

Let us prick our consciences so that it may not be said of Arkansas Baptists: "Half the world doesn't know how the other half dies" (Baker James Cauthen).

### "DON'T YOU READ THE PAPERS, SON?"



## Great Mission Spirit Leads Church To Program of Community Evangelism

Baring Cross Church, North Little Rock, already mission minded with several new church organizations and mission stations to its credit, plans to combat the summer slump this year with a really dynamic evangelistic crusade to the by-ways and hedges of its era.

Pastor Harvey Elledge has announced that open air services will be held on vacant lots throughout the Baring Cross community. Lights will be strung up and benches placed on some vacant lot for services every night for a week; then the set-up will be moved to another lot and the crusade continued.

### Begin July 1

"It is certainly evident that we are not reaching many of our lost people with our regular services," Pastor Elledge explains. "Somehow we must reach for them; they are our responsibility. We do not know a better method. Instead of a summer slump we can have a real summer evangelistic campaign that will honor our Lord, build our church, and fire our own hearts."

Members of Baring Cross Church will help to enlist and win those in the neighborhood of each revival site. Many will render special services such as providing lights, moving benches, pianos, and doing the many other tasks necessary for an outdoor revival.

The crusade will begin the first of July and will continue throughout the summer. Pastor Elledge will be the evangelist and Johnnie Gilbreath, church choir director, will lead the singing.

### Unique Visitation Plan

Baring Cross Church has an usual plan of visitation for its own Sunday School. Results of a census taken in March were tabulated and the names of each Sunday School class' prospects and absentees are typed and placed on hooks in the hall outside the church office. These cards remain on the hook until the individuals are contacted.

Cards with visitation notes are turned in to the church office and a careful check is made to determine results of the visitation. If the prospect or absentee does not come within three Sundays, the card goes back on the hook. The Sunday School attendance has increased considerably as a result of this special campaign. There have been 74 additions to the church since this program began.

Prayer and hard work are backed by fi-

## Recipients Are Grateful

By GRAHAM R. HODGES

Exactly 120 letters from overseas arrived today at the United Church Service Center at New Windsor, Md. These letters, most of which came from Holland, expressed the gratitude of recipients of relief goods given by Americans. Some of the writers even included drawings and embroidery work in their letters. A surprisingly large number were in English, even some which were written by children. One 14-year-old Dutch boy asked for some dresses for his mother. "She has three old ones which is full of holes."

This Center, receiving and shipping depot for most of the Protestant churches in the United States, receives many such letters almost every day. Donors who are anxious about the final disposition of their relief gifts would be set at ease by reading these letters.

financial giving to the mission program. During 1945 the church gave 20 per cent of its income to missions. This represents a per capita gift of \$3.60 as compared with a \$3.20 per capita average for the entire state.

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Thirteen young men of Liberty Association have answered God's call to the ministry during the last year according to the Crusader, associational bulletin. Missionary Carl Clark says, "Let us give God all the credit and praise for these great things. These are destiny determining days."

Arkansas gave \$28,043.11 to the Southwide Cooperative Program during May according to the monthly report of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. Of this amount \$11,882.14 went to the Cooperative Program and \$16,160.97 to designated causes. Southwide total was \$793,190.60.

Second Church, Conway, had 126 enrolled in Vacation Bible School with an average attendance of 106. Thirty of these did not attend Sunday School regularly. Love offering for relief and rehabilitation work in war torn areas totaled \$12.32. Paster Hugh Owen says: "It has been our experience that the Vacation Bible School is one of the best means of Sunday School enlargement available. It gives excellent opportunity to acquaint the pupils with the building, other pupils and the teachers. Each year following our Vacation Bible School our Sunday School enrolment has been increased through the activities of the Bible School."

Second Church, Hot Springs, celebrated the 17th anniversary of the pastorship of Dr. W. J. Hinsley, June 2. The church, which had one of the smallest congregations in the city, has grown to one of the largest. Church membership has increased three-fold; the Sunday School is more than three times as large as it was when Pastor Hinsley arrived 17 years ago. Offerings have been more than quadrupled. Dr. Hinsley, president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, has been active in the work of Arkansas Baptists for 48 years.

Cradle Roll and Nursery Department Day was observed at First Church, McGehee, June 2. There were 63 present in the Nursery Department for the Sunday School period. At 11 o'clock there was a processional of Cradle Roll and Nursery children and their mothers. Pastor Theo T. James spoke on "What Manner of Child Shall This Be." There were seven additions to the church, three by baptism, and three rededications. At the evening service there were two more additions for baptism. Sunday School attendance for the day was 477; Training Union attendance was 106.

Ruddell Hill Church, Batesville, recently held a Training Union Study Course with 30 receiving awards for completion of books. The adults studied "Growing a Church," the young people and intermediates, "Deepening the Spiritual Life," and the juniors, "Living for Jesus." Kermit S. Earley is pastor.

Dr. L. C. Bauer, formerly pastor in Arkansas, died at his home in Wichita, Kans., June 7. Dr. Bauer had been in the ministry over 50 years and had been engaged in evangelistic work for a number of years.

A mission of College Hill Church, Tarkenton, was organized into the Arbella H. Baptist Church with 32 charters members June 9. The pastors and representatives of Beech Street and College Hill Churches, Tarkenton, and First Church, Arkadelphia, posed the organization council. Miss Ottis Denney, Hope Association, acted as secretary. Mrs. W. D. More was elected treasurer and Mrs. J. G. Vann, clerk. Roger Terrell is pastor of College Hill Church.

Park Place Church, Hot Springs, had Pastor Jesse Reed on his first anniversary with the church. During the past year day School enrolment has increased from 700 to 802 with an average attendance of 650. The Training Union has grown for the period from an average attendance of 153. There have been 259 additions to the church, 135 for baptism. The church budget has been increased from \$15,000 to \$18,000.

First Church, Dierks, enrolled 96 boys and girls in its first Vacation Bible School. Attendance averaged 78 with 61 certificates being awarded. Sidney Oxendine is pastor.

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## Christian Homes And Delinquency

By RALPH D. DODD

Pastor, First Church, Stuttgart  
(In Stuttgart Daily Leader)

Just recently a very young boy got into serious trouble; the kind of trouble brought shame and humiliation to his father. Upon visiting the boy's father, the pastor found him in a very bitter state of mind. Even then he was preparing to move to another vicinity in order to avoid meeting his friends after what had happened.

Who was to blame for this tragedy? The boy? I don't think so. Had that home been built with the Lord Jesus Christ as the cornerstone; had that father taken his son to Sunday School on Sunday; had he taken time to study God's Word to his son and to pray for blessings to abide on his home it is most probable he never would have had to endure such an experience. For years he had worked hard days a week and had no time to devote to the spiritual needs of his son.

No, that boy was not to be condemned for the crime which he had committed. The greatest crime had been committed by the parent. For it is a crime, in this land of liberty and Bibles, for any parent to allow a child to grow up without the benefit of spiritual instruction.

It is my conviction that the problem of juvenile delinquency will never be solved in this country of ours until men and women meet the Lord Jesus Christ at the altar and prayerfully seek His guidance. They begin life together. Marriages that are entered into are not very likely to be annulled in the divorce courts. And children brought into a home centered around Christ will learn that the abundant life is not found in "night spots" but at the feet of Jesus.

Children have a right to expect this abundant life to be given them by their parents today they are not so receiving it. We are told that in the South now, there are millions of boys and girls who will never receive any spiritual instruction whatever unless some agency outside the home provides it. What a tragedy!



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*Come to This Meeting — Be On Time*

# Patients Need Physician Before Being Admitted to Hospital, Pastor Explains

By J. F. QUEEN  
Hospital Pastor

On account of the number of letters and calls received concerning the admission of patients into the hospital I am writing this article. We do not mind receiving and answering these inquiries but in order that it may save time for those who want information I am taking this method to help. If pastors and others would file this article for future reference it might save time, suffering and misunderstanding.

FIRST, preachers and their families receive free hospitalization. This applies to all denominations except such as consider all their members as preachers. It does not include preachers who do not give all their time to the ministry. When we say hospitalization is free, that has nothing to do with what the doctor may charge. The charges of the hospital and the charges of the doctor are entirely separate.

Some of the doctors do not charge preachers and some do. Sometimes the doctor must use an anesthetist who has no connection with the hospital except when called to put a patient to sleep for an operation. The charges for that would be separate from the hospital the same as charges by the doctor would be.

SECOND, how to get in the hospital is an important matter. There is one regular way which is the best way for all concerned, but of course there must be some exceptions in emergencies. When one is admitted, he must be admitted under the care of some doctor.

It may be the patient was unconscious when brought to the hospital and no relatives present to select a doctor. He is admitted under the care of some doctor, but when he becomes conscious he has the privilege of changing doctors if he wishes to make a change.

The regular way would be to select a doctor before coming to the hospital. If one is under the care of a home doctor that doctor should suggest to the patient the doctor to call to take his case at the hospital. Many times the home doctor calls the doctor here and tells him of the patient's condition and asks him to take his case. Then the doctor here secures a bed for the patient in the hospital and tells him when to come.

If the patient is not under the care of any doctor but wants to come here for treatment he should select a doctor before applying for admittance to the hospital. How to do that is the next question. If you do not know the doctors, we are always glad to name a number who would be suitable. It would not be ethical for me to give you the name of only one doctor to the exclusion of the others who may be just as good or better than the one I would suggest. No doctor is allowed on the staff who is not qualified to serve.

If the patient is still up and going it would be better for him to see the doctor in his office before the bed in the hospital is secured.

There is not need for a hospital without doctors, therefore the doctor must have a very important consideration when one comes for hospitalization.

THIRD, when a patient wants to come to the Baptist State Hospital for treatment he should select a member of this hospital staff if he believes we have as good doctors as the staff of other hospitals. Doctors can take care of their patients with more attention and less time if they are grouped in one hospital. That explains why some Baptists go to the

Catholic hospital and some Catholics come to the Baptist hospital. Doctors on staff at various hospitals will go where the patient insists, but it is reasonable that they should have their patients in the hospital where they work the most.

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Congressman Brooks Hays will appear on Southern Baptist Radio Hour Sunday evening, September 1 to discuss "When Management and Labor Disagree" as part of the theme for September which is "Faith is Life's Test." "Faith is the Victory" is the theme of the second series of the year beginning July 1. The theme for July is "Catholic Faith for Today" and that for August is "A Faith for Every Man."

## TRAGEDY

A PROMINENT LAYMAN IN THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION HAS SAID:

"It would be indeed a tragedy beyond description if we did not receive the application blanks for 66-2/3 per cent of our preachers who are eligible for the Widows Supplemental Annuity Plan by July 1st.

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## A Series on Doctrine—

# Baptism By Immersion — Right or Wrong?

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The New Testament churches had two ordinances, baptism and the Lord's Supper. Baptism was always observed first and the Lord's Supper followed it. By ordinances we mean "those outward rites which Christ has appointed to be ministered in his churches as visible signs of the saving truth of the gospel. They are signs in that they vividly express this truth and confirm it to the believer."

Foot-washing is not considered one of the New Testament ordinances for two good and sufficient reasons. First, an ordinance is a visible sign of the saving truth of the gospel. There is no sign of this saving truth in foot-washing. Second, foot-washing was not observed in the first century as a New Testament ordinance. In the many times which the records show baptism and the Lord's Supper, foot-washing is never mentioned.

### Approved By Jesus

I. New Testament baptism by immersion was begun by John the Baptist as a forerunner of our Lord, and Christ showed His approval of it by presenting Himself to be baptized. Then this ordinance was commanded in the great commission, Matt. 28:19; it was enjoined to the apostles; the New Testament church members were baptized believers; and it was the practice in all New Testament churches to immerse those who presented themselves to the local church.

The external rite of baptism by immersion was intended by Christ to be universal and perpetual. It is self-evident that Christ recognized John's baptism as being from Heaven, Matt. 21:25. Also, when Christ submitted Himself to be baptized of John it was to fulfill all righteousness, Matt. 3:13, 17; Acts 19:4.

The continual practice of baptism by immersion by the disciples, as given in John 4:1-2 and Matt. 28:19, shows that the disciples recognized that it was to be observed perpetually. In the writings of the New Testament, as well as those by the religious leaders following the first century, there is no intimation that the command to baptize has been repealed or limited in territory.

### Evidence of Regeneration

II. A New Testament subject is one who gives credible evidence of his regeneration, Acts 2:41. In all the teachings of Christ regeneration precedes baptism, and the very nature of a New Testament Church warrants that an individual be a believer before the church considers him as a fit subject for baptism, Matt. 28:19; 3:2, 3, 6; John 3:5; Rom. 6:13. It is absolutely necessary that we have a qualified subject before the ordinance of New Testament baptism can be given.

### The Mode Is Immersion

III. The only mode of New Testament baptism is immersion. The Christians practiced nothing but immersion before 250 A. D. and then only on rare occasions. For several hundred years even the early Catholic church immersed the adults and sprinkled the babies. In fact, the command to baptize is the command to immerse, Mark 1:10; John 3:23; Acts 8:38, 39; Rom. 6:4.

The word "baptizo," which is the only word used in the New Testament for baptize, means to "dip, immerge, submerge, or to bury." "Rantizo" is "to sprinkle." "Baptizo" is never

used when sprinkling is meant, and "rantizo" is never used when immersion is meant.

When the King James Version was being prepared prior to 1611, the bishops appointed by the King of England, belonging to the English church faced the responsibility of interpreting baptizo. This church had not been separated from the Catholic Church but a short while and practiced sprinkling as the Mother church did before and since. They were unwilling to invite a break with their church by agreeing with well-known scholarship that baptizo meant to bury. Neither were they willing to bring upon their heads the criticism of the scholars of the world by saying that it meant to sprinkle. Therefore, they compromised by bringing the word over from the Greek into the English by way of transliteration rather than to interpret it to immerse. Therefore, we have in our King James Version the word baptize instead of immerse.

### Symbolism of the Service

IV. A New Testament baptismal service symbolizes to the world (1) That the proper New Testament subject, by faith in Jesus Christ, is buried to this world and raised to the newness of life, Rom. 6:3-5; Gal. 6:26-27. (2) We symbolize in a baptismal service our belief in the death, burial, and resurrection of our Lord, Rom. 6:3; Matt. 3:13; Mark 10:38; Mark 1:9. (3) We furthermore in our baptismal service by immersion proclaim to the world our belief in our own death, burial, and resurrection, Gal. 3:27. (4) In a New Testament baptismal service we also proclaim our belief in the atoning work of Jesus Christ for our sins, Rom. 6:4. Nothing but immersion in water of a believer could symbolize these fundamental New Testament truths.

### No Baptismal Regeneration

V. Since a proper subject for baptism must be a regenerated individual, there can be no baptismal regeneration, Matt. 3:11; Mark 1:4; 16:16; John 3:5, Rom. 6:3. Baptismal regeneration ignores the qualifications of the subject for baptism and reverses the New Testament order. While the New Testament teaches regeneration and then baptism, the man-made reversal is to baptize and then be regenerated.

Furthermore, the most ardent advocate of baptismal regeneration must admit that the water in baptism can touch only the outside of the individual, while scriptural baptism symbolizes the transforming power of the saving work of Christ in making the individual a new creation on the inside.

To contend for baptismal regeneration is to deny salvation by faith in Christ alone and claim that the work of Christ must be supplemented by the work of some man in order to make his regenerating work complete. We must proclaim Jesus Christ as the absolute Saviour apart from the works of man and baptism only a symbol of that which has taken place on the inside of the qualified subject for baptism.

### Infant Baptism Unwarranted

VI. The practice of infant baptism is unwarranted and condemned in the teaching

of the New Testament. Neither was it practiced by anyone until the heresy of being saved by baptism rather forced it on the parents who had children for whom they were responsible. In the first place, there is positively no scriptural ground for infant baptism. Even those who practice infant baptism do not read any scripture; neither do they claim that it was practiced in the first century as a part of New Testament Christianity. It is weak and inconsistent, because those who practice it claim that it is not for the benefit of the babe but for the benefit of the parent. Since there can be no proxy in religion, who embarrass the infant for the benefit of the parent? Why not deal with the parents directly and not ruin a good New Testament rite?

The scriptural prerequisite of repentance toward God and saving faith in a personal Saviour, Jesus Christ, contradicts the practice of infant baptism. If it takes repentance and faith to qualify an individual for baptism then the infant meets no qualifications for the observance of the ordinance. Rom. 10:10; Eph. 2:8.

The practice of infant baptism was brought about by a sacramental conception of Christianity. When the Catholic church began to set up their system of seven sacraments which simply means that each one had a saving effect, baptism was then changed from a symbol to an essential for salvation. Parents were particularly not willing to risk the danger of not sprinkling their babies for fear that they might die and be lost. By this method, the majority of all Europe in a few centuries was brought under the supervision and claims of the Catholic church, while small groups continued to practice baptism by immersion in water of believers.

The evils of infant baptism are immeasurable since it hinders the child in repentance and faith later and tends to the deception of the individual, making him feel in a measure that he has come under care of the church. As a matter of fact, he has joined the church without regeneration. Ecclesiastical supervision is no substitute for repentance and saving faith in the individual.

Infant baptism, as well as baptismal regeneration, which are twin errors, corrupt the teachings of the scriptures and substitute a specific command of Christ for arrangements and conveniences of man. Any movement that changes the name of Christianity that cannot have "thus saith the Lord" certainly cannot claim to be a New Testament practice. It is a very dangerous thing to go contrary to the teaching of the scripture and teach and practice those things that are thoroughly unwarranted. Wherever baptism is used it is in the active voice, which simply means that the subject being buried and raised again. In infant baptism, it would have to be in the passive voice for the infant is acted upon without any possibility of understanding its meaning. Mark 16:16; Rev. 22:18-19.

### Cannot Change God's Command

VII. For any Christian group to practice anything in the name of an ordinance that does not conform with the teaching of the New Testament is to change the nature of Christian responsibility. Although the ordinances, baptism and the Lord's Supper,

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# SCHEDULE OF CLASSES AND TEACHERS

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**BIBLE HOUR — 8 A. M.**  
Dr. M. Ray McKay, Speaker

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL COURSES — 8:50 - 9:35 A. M.**  
Mr. T. D. McCulloch, Dean

Baptist Distinctives.....Rev. E. C. Brown  
From Bethlehem to Olivet.....Dr. W. J. Hinsley  
Improvement of Teaching in the Sunday School.....Dr. W. L. Howse  
The Church Using Its Sunday School.....Dr. Carl A. Clark  
Library Manual.....Miss Blanche Mays

Meaning of Church Membership (Intermediates):  
13-Year Group.....Mrs. A. C. Kolb  
14-Year Group.....Mrs. L. Y. Lewis

Outlines of Bible History (Intermediates):  
15-Year Group.....Mr. E. Stanley Williamson  
16-Year Group.....Mrs. L. D. Reagan

The Junior and His Church (Juniors):  
9-10-Year Group.....Mrs. Seibert Haley  
11-12-Year Group.....Mrs. W. E. Evans

Elementary Children.....Mrs. Mary C. McNew and Miss Sarah E. McNew

**Special Events:**  
Sunday School Rally.....Saturday, July 6, 9:30 A. M.

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**TRAINING UNION STUDY COURSES — 9:40 — 10:25 A. M.**  
Mr. Ralph Davis, Dean

Growing a Training Union (Administration).....Rev. Ralph Dodd  
Growing a Church (Adult).....Rev. Russell J. Clubb  
Building a Christian Home (Adult).....Dr. T. B. Maston and Rev. L. A. Sparkman  
Young People's Administration (YP).....Mr. Roland Leath  
Our Baptist Heritage (YP).....Rev. M. E. Wiles  
Growing in Bible Knowledge (Int., 13 Yr.).....Mr. George Moseley  
Growing in Bible Knowledge (Int., 14 Yr.).....Mr. George Stuart  
Training in Christian Service (Int., 15 Yr.).....Rev. Seibert Haley  
Training in Christian Service (Int., 16 Yr.).....Mr. Idus V. Owensby  
Bible Heroes (Jr., 9-10 Yr.).....Miss Mary Lou Fair  
Bible Heroes (Jr. 11-12 Yr.).....Miss Goldeen Myers  
Story Hour Children.....Mrs. T. D. McCulloch

**Special Events:**  
Training Union Rally—Thursday, July 4, 9:40 A. M.  
Intermediate Sword Drill and Junior Memory Work  
Better Speakers Tournament—Thursday, July 4, 5:00 P. M.

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**BROTHERHOOD STUDY COURSE — 10:30 - 11:15 A. M.**  
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## SCHEDULE OF CLASSES AND TEACHERS

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### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION STUDY COURSES—10:30-11:15 A.M. Mrs. C. H. Ray, Dean

- The Amazing Chinese (WMS).....Miss Martha Franks
- Baptists Building in Brazil (YWA 1).....Mrs. Clyde Hankins
- Meet the Youth of Cuba (YWA 2).....Miss Mildred Matthews
- Neighbors Half a World Away (Int. GA 1).....Mrs. R. F. Ricketson
- God's World Plan (Int. GA 2).....Miss Catherine Jordon
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- God's World Plan (Int. RA 2).....Rev. Alvin Hatton
- Friends Down Under (Jr. RA).....Rev. Walter Jacobi
- Tia Tells a Story (Jr. GA).....Miss Josefina Silva
- Neighbors We'd Like to Know (Sunbeam).....Mrs. Richard Sowell

#### Special Events:

Woman's Missionary Rally—Tuesday, July 9, 10:30 A. M.

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### SUMMER FIELD WORKERS In Charge of Secretary Ralph Davis

- 8:50 - 9:35 — Mr. Ralph Davis
- 9:40 - 10:25 — Dr. Edgar Williamson
- 10:30 - 11:15 — Mr. Ralph Davis; Mrs. Carl A. Clark

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### PREACHERS SCHOOL Dr. W. J. Hinsley, Dean

- 9:40 - 10:25 — First Conference
- 10:30 - 11:15 — Second Conference

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### GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN TABERNACLE—11:30 - 12:45 Noon

- Song Service.....Mr. Roland Leath
- Announcements.....Mr. Ralph Davis
- Message.....Dr. Harry Rimmer

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### BAPTIST STUDENT UNION CONFERENCE — 7:00 - 7:40 P. M.

In Charge of Secretary T. D. McCulloch  
Miss Frances Barbour, Conference Leader

#### Special Events:

- Student Union Rally—Saturday, July 6, 7:00 P. M.
- Youth Conferences—Monday through Thursday, July 8-11, 7:00 P. M. — Dr. T. B. Maston, Leader

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### EVENING SERVICE — 7:45 P. M.

Dr. Harry Rimmer, Speaker

## ATTENTION: Associational Winners

Several associations are having the Better Speakers' Tournament, Intermediate Sword Drill Contest, and Junior Memory Work this month. All associational winners are to enter the State Contest at the Arkansas Baptist Assembly at Siloam Springs, July 4th. *If the winners in your association do not have reservations for the assembly, you should write Dr. Edgar Williamson, in care of the Arkansas Baptist Assembly, Siloam Springs, Ark., immediately, so that provision can be made for the winners.*



Miss Mary Wright

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### Wanted! 2,000 New Subscribers to AMBASSADOR LIFE

Arkansas has accepted a goal of 2,000 subscribers to the new Royal Ambassador magazine, *Ambassador Life*. The first issue of *Ambassador Life* was presented to Southern Baptists at the convention in Miami, and is now being mailed to subscribers. No doubt many will miss the first issue because they failed to transfer their subscription from *World Comrades* in time or because their new subscription was not sent in early enough.

This is a boy's magazine. Every Baptist boy should receive it. Some churches are making this possible by putting *Ambassador Life* in the budget. Here is a good project for the Brotherhood. Boys are being encouraged to subscribe for themselves by offering a free week at one of the state RA camps to the boy who sends in the most subscriptions by June 15, 1946. The time is short. One boy has already sent in six subscriptions.

Pastors should subscribe to *Ambassador Life*. Certainly RA Counselors, WMU presidents, young people's directors, and all district and associational WMU officers should subscribe. Send your name and \$1.00 for one year's subscription to *Ambassador Life*, 1111 Comer Bldg. Birmingham 3, Ala. If you are not more than entirely satisfied, then something is wrong with you for this magazine is tops.

### Ridgecrest YWA Campers From Arkansas

A party of 66 Young Women's Auxiliary members and counselors are attending the Southwide YWA Camp at Ridgecrest this week. Miss Margaret Hutchison, chapteron, arranged for two chartered Arkansas Motor Coaches to take the group with two cars. This nine day camp from June 12 through 19, provides recreation in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina along with days full of missionary inspiration. Those attending are:

Arkadelphia—Mary Margaret Warren, Faye Maddux and Freida Millsapps; Camden—Josephine Byrd, Betty Byars and Betty Ann Patterson; Central College—Mary Hardcastle; Dumas—Frances Cox, Frances Brown, Mary Frances Dillon, Norma Jean Peterson and Mrs. R. E. Hagood; Fayetteville—Marilyn Shirmer and Cornelia Phillips; Fort Smith Calvary—Edna Anderson and Betty Jean Kimes; Fort Smith First—Maryruth Hill, Betty Mae Kellar, Jean Ferguson and Mrs. George Warmack; Fort Smith Grand Avenue—Gwendolyn Holland; Ft. Smith Immanuel—Jo Ann Crouch; Gurdon—Mary Baber; Heber Springs—Hazel Cain; Helena—Wanda Wilson,

Claire Billingsley, June Vawters and Patsy Benthall; Little Rock Baptist State Hospital—Billie Jean Cole, Clara Mae Cloyce, Gloria Fowler, Margaret Stephens, Juanita Irby, Kathryn Doss and Miss Elma Cobb; Little Rock First—Jeanette Moyer, Betty Garton and Mrs. C. A. Riley; Little Rock Plainview—Helen Long and Dorothy Jean Townsend; Little Rock Pulaski Heights—Betty Hatcher; Little Rock Second—Dorothy Allen, Lorene Jackson, Wanda Lee Mabrey and Miss Marion Anders; Ouachita College—Eleanor Biggs; Pine Bluff Immanuel—Velda Mae Shults; Pine Bluff Second—Margaret Atchison; Pine Bluff Southside—Lillie Cason; Stephens—Carmen Spooner and Shelda Davis; Texarkana Beech Street—Mary Simmons; El Dorado First—Bettie Ann Williams and Helen Jelks; El Dorado Immanuel—Betty Address, Gladys Thurmon and Mrs. Charlie V. Crain; El Dorado Second—Jacqueline Click and Sarah McLarty; El Dorado Westside—Margaret Swofford and Bernice Weeks; Springdale—Flora Jo Little, Wilma Keeling and Martha Jo Scroggins; Russellville—Marilyn Webb.

### Associational Young People's Rally

At Leslie, young people of Stone-Van Buren Association under the direction of their WMU Young People's Counselor, Mrs. George McElmurry, met for a missionary rally. From three churches there came 91, most of whom were young people. The program on "Bridges" was presented by young people, members of Sunbeam Bands, and Junior and Intermediate Girls' Auxiliaries.

Mrs. R. A. Ricketson, missionary to China, brought the special missionary message. In response these young people gave \$15 to World Emergency, thus helping along Arkansas' part in the great Southwide goal of \$3,500,000 for World Relief to be raised by September 1. Mrs. Ricketson's sons attended this rally, too. The meeting started off with a picnic supper served at tables decorated with green cedar sprays dotted with pink roses on white cloths.

### Inter-Racial Institute

The fifth Annual Methods Institute held for the Negro Baptist Women of Arkansas at the Baptist College, June 5-6 was a great success. This meeting made possible by the Southern WMU and Arkansas WMU and supervised by Mrs. C. H. Ray, proved to be one of the best institutes of its kind to be held in the state of Arkansas.

The meeting was filled with information, inspiration and a fine fellowship from the opening session Wednesday morning through the final session Thursday afternoon. We were blessed with the services of Miss Mary Christian of Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. J. C. Fuller, Little Rock; Mrs. H. M. Keck, Ft. Smith; Mrs. Emmitt Cross, Os-

ceola, and Mrs. R. F. Ricketson, Little Rock. Many of the women in attendance also made contributions toward the success of the institute.

The general theme of the meeting was "Maintaining Good Works." Well-planned Bible study periods carried out the theme very effectively. Other main topics were: Methods on Missionary Societies, Methods on Young People's work, and Making Your Community Christian.

With the information given through the Methods Study and the inspiration received from the Bible lessons, prayers, songs, and special messages brought by Miss Mary Christian, the out-of-state guest, the 85 women who registered could truthfully say surely, surely God was with us. We wish to thank Mrs. C. H. Ray and others who made this institute possible and we pray to God for the continuation of these inter-racial institutes. —Reported by Mable L. Johnson, Smackover.

### Tentative Plans For WMU Week at Ridgecrest August 8-14

A very helpful meeting for members of missionary societies including the Business Woman's Circles, young people's counselors, and all state chairmen will be held at Ridgecrest the week of August 8-14. We want many from Arkansas to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to gain inspiration and information. The following tentative plans should interest you:

The first session will be held on the night of August 8. Each day's session will open with a devotional by Miss Margaret Applegarth of the Northern Baptist Convention, followed by three separate conferences: BWS led by Miss Mary Christian, young people's counselors by Miss Juliette Mather, all other women led by Miss Kathleen Mallory. After a brief intermission study classes will be conducted by outstanding leaders on such subjects as stewardship, prayer, community missions, new home and foreign mission books, parliamentary procedure, visual education, missionary teachings of the Bible, etc. The missionary addresses will be by both home and foreign missionaries. Write now to Mr. Perry Morgan, Business Manager, Ridgecrest, N. C., for room reservation and plan to spend your vacation at Ridgecrest. Write your state WMU secretary for further information.

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The preacher in the pulpit a message to deliver. He is responsible for that message and for the manner in which he delivers it. Never shall the truths of a message be shown in words or mannerism in order to make the message entertaining. Yet, the message should not be made dull or monotonous by personal mannerism or PREACHERISMS.

We knew a preacher who had the habit of twirling his watch chain the whole time he was speaking. Another got hold of a lock of hair and continuously twirled it while speaking. Still another plunged his hand, and sometimes both hands, so deep into his trousers pockets that the people wondered if he were hunting for something. These little habits detracted from the message. A flashy necktie or some other prominent part of the dress may do the same.

We knew one young man who was told so often about the time his wife was given up for dead, and the treatment she had undergone, that his congregation had learned the story by memory. Another preacher very often referred to the "worm in the pit of my stomach," and he had undergone an appendectomy. Another pastor frequently tells of his mother's home spinning and the homespun clothing he wore until he was almost grown. His congregation knows the story so well it does not need repeating.

But on the other hand there are those who have developed special mannerisms to make their messages attractive, or as we commonly say, "make them stick." A fine old rural preacher in the days of Arkansas would say at the close of his message "Now let us go out to the service." He impressed his people that service was outside the church house. Another young man has a quaint way of making his statements so personal that his listeners feel that he is speaking to them as individuals.

Christ has left a message for His preachers. He has not made them rules by which they must be delivered. But we feel that He is well pleased when His message is presented so that it "will stick."

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# Let's Take the Long Look

"For by grace are ye saved . . . unto good works" (Eph. 2:8-10).

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord" (1 Cor. 15:58).

"This is the work of God, that ye believe on Him whom He hath sent" (John 6:29).

"Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

Brethren, let's take the long look! Long as regards time; long as regards distance; long as regards faith.


For nearly 6000 years God has had in operation His plan of the ages for the salvation of a lost world. The promise of a Savior goes back to the very time when sin first entered the bloodstream of the race, back to the very place where Adam and Eve disobeyed God and ate of the forbidden fruit; back to the Garden of Eden. Adam and Eve had been made by God; made like God; made for God. On the very day they rebelled against God's commandment and disobeyed Him, their souls died; their bodies became mortal bodies. It was on that black day that God promised a Savior, "The Seed of Woman," WHO should some day give Satan his deathblow, but WHO should suffer in so doing (Gen. 3:15).

About 4000 years later, the Savior came into the world; born of woman, exactly as God had promised. The Savior had no earthly father. God was His Father! The Savior did not inherit the sinful strain of the race. Although He "was in all points tempted like as we are" (Heb. 4:15), He was "holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners" (Heb. 7:26). After living a perfect life He was nailed to a Roman cross and there He died! But death could not hold Him WHO knew no sin. He was raised from the dead by the power of God! He WHO dead was put into the tomb came forth alive! Physically, visibly, audibly alive!

During the forty days following His resurrection, Jesus appeared on numerous occasions to His disciples and to others. Then after commissioning His little church to continue the work which He had begun, promising them His power and presence, He ascended back to be with His Father.

Almost 2000 years have passed since Jesus returned to Heaven. And God's faithful churches are still at work preaching the Gospel which is "the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth" (Rom. 1:16): "How that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; and that He was buried, and that He rose again the

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third day according to the scriptures" (1 Cor. 15:3, 4).

God's plan of redemption takes in the whole span of human life on the earth. Almost 6000 years have passed since mankind became a race of sinners, and since the Savior was promised. Time still moves on. The Gospel still saves! Jesus is alive! God's work moves on!

You and I are serving the Lord in the Twentieth Century, A. D. Let's take the long look! The long look backward, and long look forward to the time when God will put down sin forever. You and I are looking into a future that is as bright as the promises of God. Our duty is to continue the very work which God began and empowered, and has blessed ever since that fatal day in the Garden of Eden.

Every day is a fatal day for multitudes who are dying without God and without hope. Although the time has been long and may stretch out far ahead into the future, the day of salvation is NOW for a world of lost people! The obligation to be faithful to the Commission of the Resurrected Lord is as binding upon us who live today as it has been binding upon God's people of any age and every age of human history. Let's take the long look as regards time, that we may be able to comprehend the magnitude of God's redemptive program. And from a very short NOW which comprises our span of life and service, let us look forward to the time when our Christ shall be Crowned King of Kings and Lord of Lords!

Let's take the long look as regards distance. Christ commands that we be witnesses unto Him both in Jerusalem (the home town and community), and in all Judea (that is State Missions!), and in

Samaria (that is Home Missions!), and to the uttermost part of the earth (and that is Foreign Missions!). These various phases of missionary endeavor are to be carried on simultaneously and with the utmost zeal everywhere.

If every Baptist church would wholeheartedly and to the best of its ability carry out the whole Commission of the Lord, there would be millions of crossing lines of missionary endeavor which would in effect make a gigantic net with which to fish for all the people of the world for Christ! A Christian is near-sighted unless he can see around the world in every direction! Let's take the long look as regards distance!

And let's take the long look as regards faith! While the word "long" is rarely used to describe faith, it will be well for us to take knowledge of the fact that you and I are engaged in a work which shall continue after God calls us

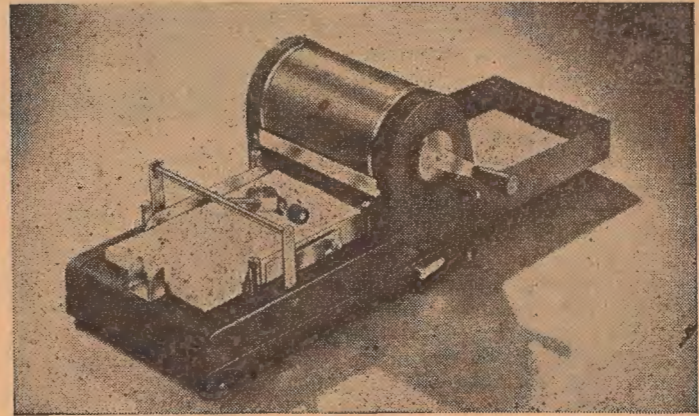
home. If we would give our utmost to the work for which Christ died, you and I must exercise a faith which must one day leave all in the hands of God a life work which we have only begun. Ours is a work of faith! It is a faith which must not only be big and broad and deep and high; it is a faith which extends from now out into God's eternity!

Brethren, let's take the long look!

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Rev. John Matthews Waters, 95, veteran Baptist minister, died June 11 at his home near Paducah, Ky. Bro. Waters served many churches in Northwest Arkansas and Southeast Missouri.

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## Southern Baptists May Pick Arkansas Site for Location of "Ridgecrest West of the Mississippi;" Convention Date Changed

A special committee to study selection of a summer assembly site west of the Mississippi River was named by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention last week in a forward step to provide a "Ridgecrest of the West."

It is likely that the new assembly, if brought to reality, will be located either in Arkansas, Oklahoma or Texas. Much unofficial discussion expressed preference for selection of a site in the Arkansas Ozarks, possible at the present Arkansas assembly ground at Siloam Springs.

The Executive Committee's action was prompted by Dr. T. L. Holcomb's announcement that the Sunday School Board has voted to operate the western assembly when a location can be agreed upon by all interested parties and adequate capital investment for a beginning be donated for Southern Baptist use.

Arkansas' chances of having this assembly located in our state will depend largely on the energy we exercise to make our offerings attractive to the Southwide Committee. The committee which is to investigate the possibilities and report to the December meeting of the Executive group consists of C. A. Bolton, Florida, Guy Oakes, Louisiana, and W. Perry Crouch, North Carolina.

### Dr. Buchanan Elected

Dr. John H. Buchanan, formerly pastor at First Church, El Dorado, and now at Southside Church, Birmingham, Ala., was elected president of Executive Committee at the opening of the Nashville meeting. It was the group's first session since the Miami convention. Arkansas' representative on the committee, Brig. Gen. E. L. Compere, was named to the Opdyke Scholarship committee.

### New Seminary?

The Committee also looked forward to a new theological seminary in the south by appointing a committee to "consider establishment of a seminary on the eastern seaboard." It was pointed out that the present seminaries, at Louisville, New Orleans and Fort Worth, are filled to capacity and too, that 1000 students is the maximum that can be accommodated in such an institution because of limited field work in any single locality.

Dr. Perry Crouch, pastor at Asheville, N. C., pointed out that the present campus of Wake Forest College at Wake Forest, N. C., would be an excellent location for the new school provided the college is moved to Winston Salem in accordance with terms of a \$10,-500,000 offer from the Reynolds Foundation. It is likely that North Carolina Baptists will vote soon to



New officers of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee are, left to right, standing, Dr. John H. Buchanan, formerly of El Dorado and now of Birmingham, president; George B. Fraser, Washington lawyer, vice-president; sitting, Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary; Dr. Walter M. Gilmore, recording and publicity secretary; and Dr. J. E. Dillard, promotion secretary. Dr. Dillard, who is recovering from a serious illness, was voted a three-months vacation.

accept this gift and move the school.

### Convention Date Changed

It was voted that the 1947 meeting of the convention shall be held May 7-11 in Saint Louis instead of the May 14-18 date as originally planned. The change was deemed absolutely necessary when Saint Louis hotels advised that the convention could not be accommodated on the original date. It is regretted exceedingly that the new date falls on Mothers Day Sunday, but it was the only course left open to the Committee. It is presumed that the annual meeting of the WMU will be held May 4-6, preceding the general convention.

### Dr. Dawson Accepts

Dr. J. M. Dawson, pastor of First Church, Waco, Texas, for 31 years, announced to the Committee he will accept his election to the new post of a Baptist public relations secretary at Washington, D. C. He was named to the job two weeks ago by the Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations, representing all Baptists groups of the United States, following vote of both Northern and Southern Conventions to establish a permanent office in Washington to represent Baptists on all broad issues such as religious liberty. He will begin work about September 1.

### Gratitude to Truman

Resolutions of appreciation for the years of service given by Dr.

Hight C. Moore and Dr. J. Henry Burnett as secretaries of the Convention were voted, and sterling silver vases memorializing their work were presented. Dr. Moore, who served 31 years, was present to accept the trophy, and Dr. Burnett, who served 27 years, will receive his by mail. Both retired at the last session of the Convention.

Dr. Louie D. Newton, president of the Convention, told dramatically of his recent visit with 10 other national religious leaders to President Truman's office asking for termination of the U. S. embassy at the Vatican. The Executive Committee voted that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr. Truman, thanking him for his promise to terminate the embassy not later than the signing of the peace treaties. It also was voted to invite the President to speak at the Saint Louis session of the Convention.

The Little Rock Kiwanis Club sponsors a "Go To Church Sunday" each year as an expression of interest in the churches of the city. This year Father's Day, June 16, was set for the special emphasis.

Dr. J. D. Grey, First Baptist Church, New Orleans, La., will be preacher in evangelistic services beginning at First Church, North Little Rock, June 23. Dr. Grey will speak over Radio Station KXLR at 6:30 each morning.

## Why the Ouachita College Campaign Should Succeed

Christian education is imperative to kingdom progress. Ouachita College is the training camp for Christian workers in our state. Arkansas Baptists owe their progress more to Ouachita College than any other institution. If we are to continue to grow then we must enlarge Ouachita.

1. We are well able to make Ouachita Million Dollar Campaign a success.

2. The desperate need for more buildings to take care of the enlarged enrollment this fall demands that we do something about it.

3. Gratitude for the sacrifice of those who have made the present Ouachita possible, calls upon us to make a like sacrifice to enlarge the beloved college.

4. The future growth of Arkansas Baptists depends upon an enlarged Ouachita.

5. Our interest in and concern for the Baptist boys and girls of our state who want to attend Ouachita, compel us to get behind the Campaign wholeheartedly.

—T. H. JORDAN  
Pastor, Van Buren

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## Figures to Inspire

June 9, 1948

Church	Addns.	S.S.
<b>Arkadelphia Churches:</b>		
First	29	334
Second	1	200
Atkins, First	1	173
Benton, First	3	410
Blytheville, Liberty	—	152
Conway, First	—	351
Cullendale, First	—	254
Dyess, Central	—	157
<b>El Dorado Churches:</b>		
First	7	800
Immanuel	4	598
Fountain Hill, First	—	94
Gentry	2	213
Hamburg, First	2	295
Harrison, First	2	312
<b>Hot Springs Churches:</b>		
Central	3	395
Park Place	4	402
Second	1	447
Including Mission	—	538
<b>Little Rock Churches:</b>		
Baptist Tabernacle	5	420
Calvary	2	149
First	18	1133
South Highland	5	243
Woodlawn	1	85
McGehee, First	—	427
Magnolia, Central	1	339
<b>Malvern Churches:</b>		
First	1	254
Third	—	141
Marmaduke, First	1	108
Mena, First	1	214
<b>Monticello Churches:</b>		
First	1	216
North Side	—	49
Second	—	87
Mt. Ida, First	—	110
Norphlet, First	—	220
<b>N. Little Rock Churches:</b>		
Baring Cross	3	516
Including Mission	—	550
Pike Avenue	—	124
Ozark	—	205
Including Mission	—	248
Paragould, First	7	517
Paris, First	45	384
<b>Pine Bluff Churches:</b>		
First	11	759
Matthews Memorial	9	208
Second	1	225
Southside	4	421
Including Mission	—	470
Rogers, First	3	275
Springdale, First	3	317
Including Mission	—	389
Stamps, First	—	190
Tuckerman, First	—	112
<b>Warren Churches:</b>		
First	—	433
Second	—	86
West Helena, First	—	399
West Memphis, First	1	353
Including Mission	—	424

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# Baptism by Immersion—

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definitely committed to the local church, this does not give the church grounds to become a legislative body but only an executive body carrying out the ordinances of the Lord Jesus as found in the New Testament, and observed under the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

We cannot change the command of God. Therefore we dare not substitute the preferences of man for convenience, then that group must do some circuitous thinking in order to make themselves believe that they are carrying out the will of God.

Since the ordinance of baptism is committed to the local church, then the administrator must be one designated by the local church. The character of the administrator does not validate or invalidate the ordinance any more than our salvation is invalidated because of the character of the one who led us to Christ. It is a church ordinance and any New Testament church is responsible for the protection and observance of the ordinance.

## Alien Immersion Unscriptural

VII. The practice of alien immersion seems to be in many sections on the increase, which simply means a falling away from the teaching of the scriptures and the decline of importance placed on the observance of this scriptural rite.

When Baptist churches accept into their membership people who have not been scripturally baptized they are known as alien-immersionists. This is an announcement that this church, or the ones in the church responsible for the infraction, belittles the direct commands and practices of the first century and breaks down the barriers for other violations of the New Testament teachings. If an individual is not prepared at heart to accept scriptural baptism, it would be better for him and the church to remain where he is. On the other hand, when he is right at heart he is anxious to be baptized as his Lord was.

If a church practices scriptural baptism and individuals are baptized in the scriptural way, then the ordinance must have the proper subject, salvation by grace through faith; the proper authority, the local church; the proper administrator, one designated by the local church; the proper mode, immersion in water; and the proper purpose, not to be saved but to proclaim to the world that he is saved.

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Forty-seven certificates were granted at the close of a Vacation Bible School at Hoxie Church. Miss Ruthel Gipson and Mrs. G. W. Boyd served as principals.

# Start a Church Library

## How to Start a Library

1. Pastor leads church to vote to have a library. This assures church control.
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3. Library Committee selects librarian and Church elects.
4. Study THE CHURCH LIBRARY MANUAL by Althoff.
5. Select the best and most attractive place for library.
6. Plan equipment and furnishings—especially shelves.
7. Select the books. Let your Baptist Book Store help you in this.
8. Request your Baptist Book Store for the services of your State Librarian.
9. Prepare books for shelves. Order from your Book Store the leaflet, "Preparing the Books for the Shelves" and follow instructions in detail.
10. Plan a program for the opening date of the Library. Advertise the opening.
11. Plan and execute a promotional program for using the library.
12. Send a representative from your church to the class in Church Library Work at the Arkansas Baptist Assembly. This class will be taught by Miss Blanche Mays, manager of your Baptist Book Store.

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For Better, Not For Worse .. 2.50	Worship Programs and Stories For Young People .. 2.00	Lantern In Her Hand .. 1.00
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Prayer .. 1.00	See Those Banners Go .. .60	Papa Was A Preacher .. 1.75
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Cruden's Complete Concordance .. 3.00	The Book Of Holidays .. 2.00	The Little Baptist .. .75
Peloubet's Bible Dictionary .. 3.00	Etiquette .. 4.00	Prayer For a Child .. 1.50
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Greatest Men of the Bible .. 1.50	The Fun Encyclopedia .. 2.75	Bible Picture, ABC Book .. 1.25
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# What I Saw in Cuba

By ALVIN HATTON  
State RA Secretary

The week I spent in Cuba (May 3-10) was a wonderful experience for me. I saw many things that week, but three things that stand out in my mind are the beauty, the Baptists, and the boys of Cuba. This cross-roads of the Americas has its drab and ugly side, but the beauty of Cuba is outstanding. In the cities of Cuba can be seen many flat-top, stucco buildings with large open doorways and windows. There are no screens in Cuba and very few flies. The floors are generally made of beautifully colored tile. Three of the cities we visited in Cuba—Havana, Matanzas and Cardenas—are built on the seashore. The Cubans claim that the most beautiful beach in the world is at Varadero, near Cardenas. I am sure it must rank close to the top.

A drive through the countryside is delightful. Here one can see fields of sugar cane, tobacco, pineapple, and many fruits. The beauty is enhanced by palm trees of many varieties, the most beautiful of which are the Royal Palms, which stand high and erect. Most of the houses in the country are constructed with palm-thatched roofs.

## Baptist Work

The main thing I went to see in Cuba was the Baptists and their work. Southern Baptists, through the Home Mission Board, have work in four of the six provinces of Cuba. The center of this work is the three-story Baptist Temple in Havana. It is in a good location—only a block from the capitol. There is much noise from street cars, buses and cars (Havana is not the quietest city in the world), but Cubans seem to be used to noise.

One thing that is outstanding about the Baptist Temple is the Sunday night congregation. The auditorium is always filled for the evening services and at the service I attended two people made decisions for Christ. However, the Baptist Temple is more than a church. It is also a school for 179 boys and girls through the week. The children are taught from the first through seventh grades. Also at the Baptist Temple ten young preachers and eight young women in the training school eat, sleep, and attend classes taught by the missionaries. Dr. and Mrs. M. N. McCall; Mrs. H. R. Moseley, Miss Mildred Matthews, Miss Jewell Smith, Mrs. Poole and her daughter Emily are the American missionaries who live at the Baptist Temple.

Dr. McCall is pastor at the Baptist Temple. Rev. Herbert Caudill is pastor of the Baptist church at Regla, across the bay from Havana. These two are the only American pastors of Baptist churches in the four provinces in



A New RA Chapter Is Organized in Cuba

Cuba where Southern Baptists are working. Most of the other pastors throughout these four provinces are native Cubans and received their training at the Baptist Temple.

As we visited many of the 60 Baptist churches we were convinced that Baptists have done a great work in Cuba and that it is the type that is permanent. This was indicated by the type of native leadership being trained and also shown in the kind of buildings being erected for churches. Many of the buildings are small, but most of them are being constructed to stand for years to come.

## Still Not Enough

While one is impressed with the great work being done by Baptists in Cuba, the impression is clear that Baptists are doing only a fraction of what they should do in Cuba. Southern Baptists have not invested enough money or enough missionaries in Cuba. Perhaps one of the biggest needs for money now is the construction of an adequate Baptist school in Cuba. Nothing is provided for the students after they finish the seventh grade, except the Seminary for only a few. The Home Mission Board owns lots in the residential section of Havana, overlooking the sea, and Dr. McCall hopes that before long a school can be erected at this place.

The veteran missionaries of Cuba have done a great job. Now new missionaries are needed to help carry on that work and enlarge it. Dr. McCall has been in Cuba for over 40 years. So has Mrs. Moseley. Miss Matthews and Miss Christene Garrett have both served over 25 years as missionaries in Cuba. It is time for recruits.

## The Boys in Cuba

Let me tell you about the boys I saw in Cuba. One of the most enjoyable parts of the trip was the

fellowship which we had with the Seminary students at the Baptist Temple. (By "we" I mean A. T. Greene, Royal Ambassador Secretary from South Carolina, Glendon McCullough, RA Secretary from Georgia, and myself.) Some of these Seminary students spoke a little English and went with us on sightseeing trips over the city. We had lots of fun and real Christian fellowship.

Then we visited the Junior and Intermediate boys in their Sunday School, their regular school, and the meetings of their Royal Ambassador chapters. The Cuban boys we met were polite, cooperative and responsive. We three Royal Ambassador secretaries had the privilege of organizing a Royal Ambassador chapter for older Intermediate boys. When we told them about our work in the states they seemed interested and were really enthused about their new organization.

## Park Service

The thing that really touched my heart was the day we went with Federico Rodriguez who works with the boys on the streets of Havana. He holds four or five services every day in different parks of the city. He started out with sacks of refreshments (sticks of bread). One boy joined the march to the park and started blowing a horn as we walked

along. Other boys came. At the park the meeting started with a horn-blowing contest. Then a rope-jumping contest was held. Winners were given prizes.

After the contests all the boys sat down on the sidewalk and we handed a gospel of St. Luke. They looked on as the story of the prodigal son was read. A story was told in which the boys were urged not to use bad language. Then the boys were taught a gospel chorus and sang it under the excellent directing of a 14-year-old boy. A scripture verse was quoted and the boys were given a chance to repeat it. Then Mr. Rodriguez brought the message, speaking primarily to the large crowd of adults who were standing nearby.

The boys, yes, and the girls and the men and the women, in Cuba need to know about Jesus. Because of what I saw that week in Cuba I want to pray more earnestly for the missionaries and give more liberally of my money to help send others there to carry on this great work for the Master.

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The Foreign Mission Board reports that it can no longer provide more than one or two missionaries for each school of missions. During the past seven years 200 missionaries were detained in America because of the war. A good number of these people have already returned to the fields and most of the others are making preparations to return. In all there will be only a few missionaries who will be available for such work. Many of the missionaries who come home on regular furlough spend part of their time in study. Secretary M. T. Rank says the Board is grateful for the far-reaching achievements which have been accomplished through these schools and will give every possible assistance, but it wants the people to know that the Board is now limited in the number of missionaries it can provide.

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# Unity in Christ Is Only Basis For Enduring World Fellowship

By R. PAUL CAUDILL

The psychology of brute force hands condemned on every side at the bar of judgment, both human and divine. It has brought us only sorrow and tribulation. Twice within three decades we have been hurled ruthlessly into the maelstrom of global war. If we hope to survive at all; we must turn from the psychology of brute force to the psychology of moral and spiritual power.

Now as never before we need to recognize the values that inhere in the spiritual unity of Christians and in the blessing that flow from fraternal Christian fellowship.

## Strengthening the Bonds

In the institution of the Lord's Supper, Jesus gave to His disciples a glorious instrument for the strengthening of the bonds of Christian fellowship. In observing this ordinance which was given to the church, we bring Jesus to mind, thus associating ourselves more intimately with the atonement.

No one can dwell for long on the sacrificial death of our Lord without being awakened to greater kindness for his fellow man. In thinking on the suffering Christ and the price paid for our redemption, we are moved to greater generosity and to greater concern for the salvation of others.

Nothing in the world is so effective in deepening the wells of friendship and love as a passionate concern for the salvation of the lost.

It is interesting to note that in Luke, as in Mark (14:25) and Matthew (26:29), we have "the fruit of the vine" instead of the word "wine." The language, of course, as Dr. A. T. Robertson suggests, flows "anything that is 'the fruit of the vine.'" The drinking of the cup corresponds with the ratification of the covenant which was commonly associated with the shedding of blood. That which was written in blood was believed to be indelible (Plummer).

Jesus enjoined His disciples to keep on doing this." He realized the continuous need of their bringing Him "to mind." Not only the disciples but others also would need to be reminded of the redemption made possible by His death.

Notwithstanding Jesus' exhortation to keep on observing this memorial, many church members rarely are present when the Supper is observed. Some of them go for years without observing the memorial. It is little wonder that lives appear so cold and unconcerned with regard to kingdom matters. They do not dwell often enough upon the sacrifice which

## Sunday School Lesson

For June 23

Luke 22:14-20; John 17:6-8; 20-21

Christ made in behalf of the sinful world.

### Loyalty to Christ

"I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; they have kept thy word." With the one exception of Judas Iscariot (v. 12), Jesus claims loyalty and fidelity on the part of His disciples. "He does not claim perfection for them, but they have at least held on to the message of the Father in spite of doubt and wavering" (Robertson). See Matthew 6:67-71; 16:15-20.

The apostles were regarded by Jesus as a gift from the Father. Their selection for their important posts of service was of such import that Jesus spent a whole night in prayer before their choice (Luke 6:12).

Christian fellowship can have no "bonds" apart from loyalty to Christ. He is the goal of our fellowship and the end of all our endeavor. "All things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist" (Col. 1:16-17).

In being true to Christ we can be false to none. Loyalty to Him demands faithfulness to others. Love for Him rules out hate for others.

What Jesus Christ wants on the part of His disciples is loyalty. His concern is that the slant of their lives, morally and spiritually, shall ever be upward. It is not the occasional failure on the part of the struggling disciple that grieves the heart of God but the constant state of infidelity, of faithlessness, which characterizes so many of His nominal followers.

### The Key to Unity

"The only possible way to have unity among believers is for all of them to find unity first with God in Christ" (Robertson). Dr. Robertson has sounded a note in these incisive words that ought to be heard throughout the realms of Christendom. There have been so many during the last decade who apparently have come to believe that if we could only have a form of outward unity along organizational lines, the basic problems of Christianity would be solved. How far from the truth is such an assumption!

Of course doubt, wrangling, strife, divisions, are ever stumbling

blocks to the outside world, but these elements of stumbling will of necessity continue until believers in general find a spiritual unity with God in Christ Jesus.

The unity that believers have in Christ should manifest itself in an external way to the world so that it may affect those without the church (Wescott). In this way the world will come to have a better understanding of Christ in relation to His mission as Redeemer and Lord. Moreover, the testimony of believers ever stands as a herald of God's love for humanity through the suffering Christ. The fellowship of believers in Christ Jesus will ever have a salutary effect upon the unbelieving world and will, by so much, lead men to know the true meaning of Jesus Christ at work in human hearts.

For those who have fellowship in Christ, God is the essential center of unity. He becomes the goal of life and the answer to the riddle of the universe.

All believers have the opportunity through conversation and preaching to share in the winning of men to Christ. Often, however, the type of lives lived by believers limits the power of their testimony. Realizing this, Jesus said that we are to let our light so shine before men that they may see our good works and glorify the Father who is in heaven.

The ground around the cross is level; there is no difference in the blessings of salvation which come to rich and poor alike by faith in Christ. This faith in Jesus Christ, and the full acceptance of His teachings relating to every area of life, is the one and the only basis for enduring friendship and fellowship.

## Sunday School Board In Annual Meeting

Full-hearted approval and support of Southern Baptists' campaign for \$3,500,000 for relief and rehabilitation was voiced by Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board at the fifty-fifth annual meeting of the board.

Dr. W. F. Powell, pastor of the Nashville, First Baptist Church, completed his twenty-fifth year as president of the board and was re-elected. Dr. Holcomb was re-elected executive secretary.

Harold Ingraham, business manager, reported that periodical circulation reached a new record figure of 26,193,273 for 1945. Approval was voted for completion of the 12-story building as soon as materials and labor are available. The first three stories have already been completed.

Plans for an enlarged visual education program were presented by Dr. J. O. Williams, head of the division of education and promotion. A 16mm sound picture on the life of Dr. George W. Truett is now being prepared. Plans to make other pictures will be considered during the year.

## BACK IN STATE



Dr. Selsus E. Tull, twice pastor of First Church, Pine Bluff, and supply pastor until recently, has sold his home at Jackson, Miss., and has moved to Pine Bluff. He has been active in state Baptist work.

Dr. Tull's ministry now becomes available to the pastors and churches of Arkansas for revivals, pastoral supply, and Bible conferences. He may be addressed at 1212 West 35th St., Pine Bluff.

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The annual meeting of the Southwestern Baptist Religious Education Association will be held at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, August 27-29. All educational directors, educational secretaries, directors of young people's work, ministers of education, teachers of Bible and religious education, field workers of either state or Southwide agencies engaged in religious education are invited to attend.

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WANTED: Neat, middle-aged lady to operate college cafeteria, beginning September 6. Prefer widow with interest in placing daughter or son in college. Pay will be attractive. Write President H. E. Williams, Southern Baptist College, Pocahontas, Ark.

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B. L. Bridges, General Secretary, 200 Radio Center, Little Rock, Ark.

## Churches Are Giving To Feed the Starving

The churches are responding beautifully and sympathetically to the appeal for Relief and Rehabilitation funds. It is hoped that by the end of July every church will have made its offering. Our state quota is \$100,450.

### Women Will Raise \$33,000 Plus

The Woman's Missionary Union of Arkansas voted to raise one third of the amount which has been requested from Arkansas Baptists. The good Baptist women of Arkansas have already done a blessed thing in coming to the relief of suffering humanity. Their Executive Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Ray, announced to our Committee that they had voted to undertake to raise one third of the amount which Arkansas Baptist have been requested to give. They will do it. They will help you in your churches to get all that you have been asked for. Thank you, Baptist women.

## Baptist Center for Soldiers Will Close

The Baptist Soldier Center located in Little Rock will close at the end of this month. The population of Camp Robinson has decreased to such an extent that we do not deem it necessary to continue the Soldier Center. The camp itself, it has been announced, will close July 15. Only a few men will be left after that date, and those will be left for the protection of the property, etc.

Baptist Center for Soldiers during the war was an oasis in the desert of militarism. Thousands of soldiers away from home and their churches received spiritual inspiration and blessings in the services of this Center. They have gone out from this place, many of them, with the love of the Lord in their hearts, and have written their expression of appreciation from various parts of the globe.

P. A. Stockton and Mrs. Fisk have untringly striven to give these soldiers and other young people the best in spiritual and personal advise. They have done a good job of it. We unhesitatingly commend them for their self-sacrificing, and courteous, and earnest efforts on behalf of enlisted men and officers in the army and navy.

We will give you a summary of the results in next week's paper.

Over and above gifts of canned food and used clothing, shipped to the Church World Service Centers (New Windsor, Maryland; St. Louis, Mo.; Modesto, California), will be carefully processed and delivered to Asia and Europe as fast as possible. Southern Baptists are urged to give cash first. It fights famine more effectively this summer. The goal for \$3,500,000 to be raised by September 30 is for cash only.

## SHEPHERD OF ONE FLOCK FOR 30 YEARS

Dr. B. V. Ferguson has been pastor of the First Baptist Church, Fort Smith for 30 years. Think of it. This is one third of the entire life of the church up to date.

On the pastor's thirtieth anniversary the church dedicated tower chimes connected with the pipe organ. The entire city can hear these chimes. The church also installed, and had ready for operation on this anniversary, an air conditioning plant costing several thousand dollars. It is as modern as the air conditioning in other large buildings. The church honored the pastor on this anniversary and presented him with a fine gold watch, and his assistant on behalf of the church presented the pastor's wife with an orchid. Other gifts also were made.

Ferguson is a dynamo. He is versatile and resourceful. He is a great preacher, and during these 30 years has received nearly 8000 people into the fellowship of this great church. He believes and therefore he speaks. There are nearly 4000 members of the church at present; 1500 are enrolled in the Sunday School, and 550 in Training Union. They also have 100 enrolled in a mission. During these 30 years the church has contributed a million dollars for all purposes, and there has been an average of 238 additions per year. There is an accumulated fund now for additional building.

If you have the opportunity to visit this great church you will see the fruits of a pastor staying on the job and faithfully and val-



Pastor Ferguson

aintly leading a church in a constructive industry instead of moving around so often far as we know this is the longest single torate of any man in Arkansas. Ferguson a great evangelist as well as a faithful shepherd of the flock.

The way Norman Ferguson, assistant pastor handled the anniversary service was charming indeed.

## P. A. Stockton Will Be Evangelist

The Baptist Center in Little Rock will close at the end of June. Rev. P. A. Stockton has untiringly given his services to the causes of Christ for the welfare, both spiritual and physical, of the men in uniform. He responded to services at the call of the Executive Board after Camp Robinson was established several years ago.

Since the camp will not be needed longer Brother Stockton will go back into evangelistic work. He is a regularly ordained preacher and is in revival meetings. He is clean, and religious, and a hard worker. He is thoroughly a Christian. He will help you in your meeting if you want him and can make the date of your meeting to come at a time when he is available. You can write him at 321 So. Martin, Little Rock, Ark.

Former President Herbert Hoover reports that neither China, Japan, nor India have enough food to last six weeks. He reported that 200,000,000 in India were affected by the food crisis and that 60,000,000 were in "bad shape."

## Widows Supplemental Plan

It is hoped that we can begin the Widows Supplemental Retirement Plan in Arkansas July 1, but we do not have enough men enlisted yet to begin the Plan. We have application blanks to every man who has expressed his desire to join. Let us hear you brethren at once if you expect to get this Plan. You can do it only once a June is passing fast away, your application and payment should be made before July.

**MAKE YOUR FIRST PAYMENT WITH CHECK OR MONEY ORDER SEPARATE FROM ANY OTHER CONTRIBUTION.** Enter the first month maybe this will not be necessary. Please act at once.

Relief and Rehabilitation campaign for 500,000 by September 30: Relief means fuel, clothing, and medical supplies for immediate aid. Rehabilitation means tools, fertilizers, machines and machine-parts materials—the necessities for making a living. Relief is needed to keep human beings alive. Rehabilitation is needed to get and gardens planted, to restore family to get bombed-out churches, schools, hospitals to functioning again, so that peoples of the devastated countries can construct and produce for their own and minister to their own peoples.