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**The love of money -
the root of all evil**

AGAIN, we have learned that the average individual is selfish.



DR. DOUGLAS

We have been reading the book, **How To Gain Security and Financial Independence.** Sure, it will help the young man or woman with an eye to the future, but the author remembers the greed and covetousness in the human heart; therefore, his book sells.

Another book, **How to Win Friends and Influence People**, will show the average individual how to exploit friendship.

The age old problem of using others to "get on," or selfishness, is not new. We learn in the study of life the truth of the statement—"The love of money is the root of all evil." At the heart of most moral problems is a money base. Why do men gamble? Obviously, in the hope of getting something for nothing. Why do saloons exist? To make money. Why do lawmakers try to pass unjust laws? It will help some group or class make money.

But the temptation to love money is not just with those associated with questionable undertakings. Judas was a church man, and Judas sold himself for thirty pieces of silver. Judas was just plain selfish. He wanted to do the right thing. He followed Jesus when it was unpopular to follow Him. But Judas was greedy and that side of him won over his best self.

There is an ugly picture among Southern Baptists. The average church member gives about two and one-half cents out of every dollar that he earns through his church. The average church gives about ten cents out of every dollar that it receives through the Cooperative Program, and the average State Convention gives about 25 cents out of every dollar that it receives through the Cooperative Program to World Missions.

We think that it is an ugly, selfish picture. If this could be changed and every Baptist give as he has been prospered, with a tithe as the minimum, through his church and then the church give as it has been prospered, and then each State Convention keep just enough money to carry on an efficient program—us alone as Christians would make an impact that would shock the Devil.

Since becoming a denominational worker, I have been challenged beyond measure at what Southern Baptists could do if we really put into practice what we preach and teach on the matter of Stewardship.

We are in business for God, and some of us believe that it is high time to put first things first.—Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary

LIFE COMMITMENT SUNDAY

April 8, 1962



Churches confronting Christians to meet human need through vocational commitment

BSSB Photo by J. Carey Wood

MANY Southern Baptist churches will observe Life Commitment Sunday Apr. 8 to emphasize "calling out the called."

Basic plans for the day are given in the Youth Week pamphlets (available from state Training Union secretaries) and in the article, "Tools for Life Commitment Sunday," in the March issue of *Church Administration Magazine*.

A preacher's prayer

Three things I need, yea, four;
Just these, Dear Lord, no more:
Wisdom, to answer as men plead,
To follow daily as You lead.

Humility, to live and preach
The Way of Life, just as You
teach.

Power, to preach that God may
save.


Yes, this, Dear Lord, and not
dismay.

And Love, that I may lead and win
Someone each day to leave their
sin.

Three things I need, yea, four!
Just these, Dear Lord, no more.

—Dale Maddux

Materials concerning Life Commitment Sunday are not being supplied to pastors and other church leaders by direct mail. Rather, suggestions and resource materials are given in various state and Convention-wide publications. The April issue of *The Baptist Program* gives a listing of all publications carrying articles on vocational guidance.



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BBETTER reading for personal enrichment as achieved through greater use of libraries will be highlighted in over 5,000 communities in all fifty states during National Library Week, April 8-14.

Keyed to the theme, "Read—and Watch Your World Grow!" the week marks the fifth annual observance and inaugurates year-round programs designed to bring about a "better-read, better-informed America."

The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is using various approaches to relate this opportunity to an appeal for more and better reading, and to greater use of church libraries.

Davis to edit Ohio's MESSENGER

LYNN M. Davis, Jr., public relations assistant at New Orleans Seminary, has been elected editor of the semi-monthly *Ohio Baptist Messenger*.

Davis, who has completed requirements for the bachelor of divinity degree at the Louisiana seminary, will receive his diploma in May. He assumed his new editorial duties April 1, succeeding R. Gene Puckett, who resigned to accept the pastorate of First Church, Dunedin, Fla.

The Ohio Baptist Messenger is the official organ of Ohio Southern Baptists and has a circulation of 6,500.



MR. DAVIS

Letters to the Editor

THE PEOPLE SPEAK

A layman's view

IT IS with keen interest that I have read the articles in the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* concerning the controversy over Dr. Elliot's book. The letters, articles, and editorials have been written by some of our leading pastors and editors—able leaders of our Convention. I am wondering if it would be permissible for an insignificant layman to speak out on this issue.

There seems to be some doubt and disagreement as to what the real issues are in this matter. If there is confusion among the leaders of our Convention, how much greater the confusion among the lay people of our denomination.

If this book in question is so at variance with Baptist beliefs I believe it will come to naught with a little time if the matter is ignored, but if it has real merit it will stand on its merit.

Maybe I am wrong, but I don't believe it is good for us lay people to be exposed to all this confusion and I don't believe it is good for our children to read about it in our paper.

I even hear it said that within ten years the Convention will split over this liberalism—conservatism issue. God forbid that any such thing should ever happen, but if it does happen it will be preachers leading confused lay people into one camp or the other—that is, the people that are left after many have dropped out of it all or joined some other church.

It is difficult to measure the magnitude of heartache that such a cleavage would cause. This I know from bitter experience.

In 1950 my wife and I were members of a Landmark church, both having been reared in staunch Landmark homes. When the schism came about in the denomination and the smoke was lifted, my family was in one camp and my wife's family was in the other, with untold bitterness and hatred—completely foreign to the Spirit of Christ—toward each other. About that time we moved to Rogers and joined the First Baptist Church, which certainly didn't improve family relations! For several years the church was a closed subject for conversation when we were with relatives, though the life of each family involved was built around the church.

In addition to divided families there were divided local churches. Many struggling churches that were having hard enough time to keep going split right down the middle, creating bitterness and animosity that will take a generation or two to heal.

Brother McDonald, I am tired and getting old and I just don't want to go through something like that again. I would sacrifice almost anything if it would "head off" a split in our South-

ern Baptist Convention, my adopted family that I have come to love so dearly.

Another thing—I don't imagine Southern Baptists in California are thrilled at the possibility of a family hair-pulling in their living-room in June.

We lay people say let's you preachers kick this thing around in the "caucus rooms" of the hotels of San Francisco all you want to and maybe by convention time next year it will be a dead issue.

We enjoy the *Arkansas Baptist* each week. Keep it coming—Cecil C. Evans, Box 228, Rogers

REPLY: I certainly feel we have had enough in the papers about this issue. We can trust the Lord and Southern Baptists for the right course of action.—ELM

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Talent show set at Ouachita College

EIGHT colleges have indicated they will enter contestants in the third annual Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference Talent Show at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 12, at Ouachita College.

Those sending two acts each are: Henderson State Teachers College, Arkansas State Teachers College, College of the Ozarks, Hendrix, Harding, and Ouachita. Southern State and A&M will have single entries.

The first-place winner will receive \$75 and a 42-inch roving trophy which the school may engrave and keep for one year. Second-place winner will receive \$50, while the third-place winner gets \$25.

Sgt. Don Moffat, ROTC instructor at Ouachita, will act as master of ceremonies. Judging will be based on poise, presentation, and audience appeal, with the judges to be a representative from each participating school.

Harding's boys quartet won first place last year, while Henderson's stage band won the previous year.

Scholarship winner

THE "Jeannie" scholarship, a full scholarship to Inspiration Point Opera Workshop at Eureka Springs for the six weeks summer session in 1962, has been awarded to Mary Evelyn Oglesby, a Ouachita College sophomore music major from McGehee.

Our bottleneck

IF OUR first and main business as Christians is winning lost souls, nothing else is our main business—not even raising money through our churches. There must be money. But fund raising and everything else we do must contribute to getting our main job done. It is not the whole truth to say, as it has been said in many a church-budget drive, that our Lord speaks more about money, in the New Testament, than about salvation. When the Lord talks about money his purpose is not raising funds, but raising men and women to eternal and abundant life.

Surely the Lord would not expect us to undertake a world conquest for him without the very best advance preparation. We must not only have the right attitudes of heart—we must have methods of organization, finance, and operation that are in harmony with the spirit and purpose of our Lord.

We Baptists believe the Bible is our guidebook on all things necessary for us to accomplish our task. We are pretty well agreed that, for the Christian, the tithe is the minimum giving for the support of the churches and the denomination, with over-and-above gifts as they are possible. But our total gifts, now running over \$400,000,000 a year, represent not much more than a fourth of what we would be giving if we averaged a tithe.

Fund-raising channel

FOR many years we Southern Baptists have had the Cooperative Program—a plan whereby we apportion our mission money to all areas of our world mission program, starting at home and going out to the farthest lands. The Cooperative Program, which is true to all the principles of Bible stewardship, is the best plan ever devised for the financing of our great world crusade for Christ. If we could lead our people to tithe, with the local church treasury as the storehouse, and then if we would be realistic in the division of our church dollars to reach all the world, we would have the money needed for our operation without having to spend a big part of our time and energy as pastors and people raising money for the churches. This

would leave us free to give ourselves to the first thing, winning souls.

As has been said here from time to time, this editor is against special offerings for anything but unforeseeable emergencies. In case of fire, famine, flood, pestilence, etc., there are likely to be needs that can be met only by special appeals. But we should not depend, as we do now, upon annual offerings to raise nearly half of the budgets of Home Missions and Foreign Missions.

An article by Miss Alma Hunt, in *The Baptist Program* for November, 1961, has helped this editor to see that the thing that threatens the life of the Cooperative Program is not the special missions offerings, but the failure of churches and the denomination to make a fair division of our money, starting at the local church, to meet the needs not only on the local church field, but around the world.

A mere trickle

MISS Hunt reports that, in 1960, the per capita giving of Southern Baptists was \$49.39. Of this, only \$2.98 went to Southern Baptist Convention causes. And this \$2.98 included the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and the Annie Armstrong Offering. The per capita gift through the Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative Program, exclusive of the mission offerings, was only \$1.80.

In 1960, as Miss Hunt reports, the Annie Armstrong Offering totaled \$2,050,127 and the Lottie Moon Offering, \$7,593,776, for a total of \$9,643,903. This represented 42.6 percent of the total funds provided by the denomination for Home and Foreign Missions.

How can there be any excuse for Southern Baptists giving so little, out of more than \$400,000,000, for Home and Foreign Missions? How long will we live sumptuously on the home fields while we send out a mere corporal's guard to win a world?

Here is a startling fact: Southern Baptist churches give, on an average, not more than 10 percent of their total budgets to causes beyond their local fields. Here, not the special offerings, is our real ailment. Until we do something about this, we will have no choice but to go on having our special missions offerings.

If we are going to reach the world for Christ in our generation, we're going to have to give more than a fourth of a tithe, and apportion far more than a mere tithe of the total church offerings, for the destitute millions of people beyond our own church fields.—ELM

Stopping all leaks

YOU get so used to having hot water and plenty of it that you get to feeling, the way most of our homes are equipped



EDWIN L.

these days, that it's unconstitutional not to have it. One young woman bewailed the fact that she didn't have a 40-gallon tank, instead of the customary 30. When asked why she and her husband and little girl needed the larger tank, she replied: "With a 30-gallon tank, if you do two washers of clothes, one right after the other, you have to wait several minutes before there's enough hot water to wash your hair!"

The sad news that fell upon my ears from my wife and daughter the other morning, just as I was thinking about coming up, was: "There's no hot water!"

That was the first time I had heard such unkind words in the five years we have been in our present domicile. Realizing that others who had occupied our house three years before we took over the payments had used this same tank, I had a pretty good idea what had happened.

No sooner than I had my head through the door leading down the steps and into the basement there was the sound of "noisy waters." The bottom of our hot tank had suddenly become a giant shower nozzle and the water was spewing at full force. Already there was a sizeable stream tumbling across the basement floor and in the general direction of Lake No. 1, here in Lakewood.

My immediate decision was whether to cut the water off and order a new tank, or leave the water running and check the new stream with bream, bass and crayfish. Realizing that if put to a family vote I would lose by a vote of two to one, I decided for the new tank.

When a tank springs a leak, the only thing to do is to cut the water off until you have a tank that'll hold water. And when a life is so leaky that it is morally untenable, even God must cut off the water of his greatest blessings until the holes in that life can be mended.

Let us not push our analogy too far. But you can no more stop the leaks in an empty life with good resolves and high purpose than you can mend a leaking hot-water tank with chewing gum.

When a hot-water tank springs a leak there is no use trying to repair it. The only thing to do is to get a new tank. And the only hope for a person with a cold, unregenerate heart, is a new heart. And we must get that through repentance and faith in Jesus Christ.

Edwin L. McDonald

Letters

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Pastor available

(Professor Carl A. Clark, of the faculty of Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., sends the following information about an Arkansan who is soon to graduate from the seminary and desires to return to Arkansas as a pastor.—ELM)

"BROTHER Carter Tucker is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Weinert, Texas. He was born in Monticello, Ark. He is 30 years old, married, with two children: a boy, five, and a girl, three. He attended Drew Central High School near Monticello, then served in submarine service during the Korean War. He is a graduate of Hardin Simmons University, Abilene, Texas in 1958 (Magna Cum Laude). He will finish the B.D. language degree here in May.

"His present pastorate is his only one, [he] having served there for five and one-half years or since October, 1956. It is a church of 250 members.

"He has served as chairman of the Church Development Program for his association for two years, and was the association and District No. 17 winner about three years ago. As such he was recognized on the platform of the state convention. He has been youth director for two years; music director, one year; vice moderator, one year; and is now moderator for Haskell-Knox Association.

"I have been acquainted with Brother Tucker in one of my classes and feel he is a very capable man. References include Dr. Virtus E. Gideon, SWBTS, Fort Worth, Texas; L. L. Trott, District 17 Missions Secretary, Abilene, Texas; Sterling Price, Third Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo.; Robert Boston, Monticello, Ark.; Earl Willis, Drew Central High School, College Heights, Ark.

"If you desire additional information please let me know."—Carl A. Clark

Magazines needed

I AM a volunteer hostess at Baptist Hospital. I place the magazines in the waiting rooms. The only way we have of getting magazines is for friends to bring them to the Hospital.

News magazines must be current, and we like the others to be reasonably current. We like Christian magazines, and people like Home Life.

My idea is that the churches carry the request in their church bulletins, announce it if there is no bulletin. Have some place at the church to put the magazines and let the people bring them to the church when they come. And it seems to me it would be a good project to let the GA and RA girls and boys gather magazines. Teach them what they are doing for sick people and for people who have to sit sometimes for hours in the waiting rooms.

The magazines will have to be brought to the Hospital. Take the magazines to the Information Desk in the Lobby.

I just wondered if you could help me put it across to the people how sorely these magazines are needed. How I do thank you in advance for anything you can do for this very worthy cause.—Mrs. Mable W. Schweizerhof, Route 2, Box 272, North Little Rock

Correction, please

ON PAGE 11, of March 22 issue, there is a mistake. Dardanelle-Russellville news — under the heading, NEW PASTORS: is, "Ernest Baker is new pastor of Calvary Church, Gravelly." Brother Woodson was misinformed about this matter. I am not pastor of Calvary Church, Gravelly. Please make correction in the Arkansas Baptist. Thank you so much. — Ernest Baker, Mansfield.

Hawaii mission

IN YOUR March 22 issue of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine you have a letter to the editor from the pastor of the Pali View Baptist Church in Hawaii, attempting to straighten the record concerning a news release from our University published by you on March 1, 1962.

Please be assured that it was not our intention in this release concerning my evangelistic tour to "mislead" anyone by referring to other than Southern Baptist churches or institutions in which I spoke. The news release was not a report of my ministry among Southern Baptists in Hawaii, but it was a report of this Southern Baptist preacher doing evangelistic work in Hawaii among several different groups.

The news release that was sent to your paper was also used in our local papers and in other papers around the state.

I am honestly sorry if the release left the impression that my total ministry was only among Southern Baptists or if it seemed that I was guilty of trying to link Jackson College or Baptist churches of other conventions to our Southern Baptist Convention. However, you can easily see why I make no apology for taking every opportunity to preach the gospel to all men everywhere, regardless of denominational affiliation. I think we should rejoice in the fact that God gives a Southern Baptist an opportunity to witness before all groups.

I was converted, baptized, and ordained to the ministry in the Grand Avenue Baptist Church in Fort Smith, Arkansas. I have pastored Southern Baptist churches for a total of 12 years. I attended Southwestern Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. I am a member of the First Baptist Church of Siloam Springs. I tithe to my church, helping to support our Southern Baptist work through the Cooperative Program. My wife is superintendent of the Young Married People's department in our church. I do not think that anyone

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COURTSHIP MARRIAGE and the HOME...

By Mrs. J. H. STREET

Teenage marriage

"YOUNG people and group leaders alike testify that some of the most memorable and significant of their shared experiences have taken place in intimate chats when they have talked seriously about things that really matter."—C. Eugene Morris

QUESTION: We are concerned about the increasing number of early teenage marriages among the young people of our church.

We are not residents of your state, but we have access to *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* and read your page from time to time.

As directors of the youth program in a large city church, my husband and I are distressed about these immature matings.

I use the word immature advisedly, because already a number of these quickie marriages have gone on the rocks. Nearly all of the couples have dropped out of our church and they seem unresponsive and cool toward any efforts to re-enlist them.

Have you any helpful word for us?

ANSWER: Yours is a helpful word, concerned youth leader. Honest facing of a problem is always the first step toward solution.

While yours is the first question concerning this matter directed to our column, you have touched upon an area of widespread concern to leaders everywhere.

You will recall that a few years ago marriage counseling trends moved toward approval of younger marriages. Especially was this true for college students.

Arrangements on the part of parents to finance the education of couples became rather general practice.

In fair percentage, success of

this procedure, approved in large measure by counselors abreast of changing times, supported the trend.

But, alas, the popular tendency toward early marriages pushed on past college campus boundaries to invade high school patterns of conduct.

Other factors have contributed to spread of the *epidemic* in high schools across our country.

There is the changing home situation. Both parents working out of the home, and busy schedules of school and social activities, make difficult closely knit family units, lack of parental understanding and guidance of teenage growing-up periods.

Leisurely meals with all the family gathered around the table, and family altars, both anchor points for stable home life and the weaving of concepts and standards, have been practically ruled out for lack of time.

Current mores in our society that push sub-teens and teens too rapidly into adult ways of life produce illusions of maturity.

Even commendable courses of instruction in biological and sexual facts often place in students' hands reading materials that, without careful guidance, arouse within them urges which they lack the maturity to control. Consequence: frightened teenagers, over their depth in passionate situations, sometimes in serious trouble, hurried up weddings, forced marriages . . .

But the situation is not hopeless!

There are sturdy teenagers who have the intelligence and wise purpose to wait until preparation and emotional maturity provide a better foundation for life's great adventure.

What can be done to help?

(1) Parents must be awakened to the priority of their duty to furnish sound home backgrounds for their sons and daughters. Sermons, organizational studies, (Sunday School teaching, Training Union instruction, etc.), and planned seminars will help parents to break through the barriers to successful parent-adolescent relationships.

(2) Adequate, wholesome social programs and youth activities, keyed, not to adult moods, but to the needs of juniors, intermediates, and young people are a *must* in every church alert to the demands of our day. Continuing seminars on dating and preparation for marriage, and good teacher-pupil, leader-member relationships help steer in the right direction.

(3) Ample selective reading material, beamed to the needs of youth and very-young marrieds will aid the cause.

(4) Well-balanced married couples who will work with teenagers and open their homes to them will instill higher ideals for marriage and implant wayside teachings about the value of deciding against early indulgence for later and lasting satisfactions.

(5) We must not give up those too-young marriages, already afloat. Some of them will stem the tide and succeed in the venture. A mature couple willing to work long, patiently, and lovingly to re-enlist them will render immeasurable service.

We must not panic over the tangled, perplexing marital problems of our day.

We are called to be faithful, never deterred by the unremitting knowledge that some of our efforts will fail, while others will succeed.

Be courageous!

Rosalind Street

[Mail should be addressed to Mrs. Street at 2309 South Fillmore, Little Rock, Ark.]

GLORIFICATION

By HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

President, Southern Baptist Convention

First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

THE term "glorification" refers to the ultimate and complete salvation which shall be realized in heaven. This does not mean that one is not saved in the sense of redemption until he gets to heaven. Redemption or regeneration occurs the second one trusts in Jesus as Saviour (John 1:12; 3:3). Sanctification is the process by which the redeemed grows in grace, knowledge, and service of and for Christ (II Peter 3:18, Eph. 4:13). Glorification is the culmination of this process in heaven (Heb. 9:28).

Paul speaks of Christians as being "heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us" (Rom. 8:17-18).

Through His sanctification or dedication to the cross Jesus received the glory which was His before the world was (John 17:5, 19; Phil. 2:5-11). While His sufferings are not comparable to those of Jesus

on the cross, the Christian is to suffer in finite degree in his service as did Jesus infinitely in his earthly life (Col. 1:24). This suffering is involved in the Christian's sanctification. He, then, is not only heir to Christ's glory, but to His suffering as well (Rom. 8:17). And his degree of glory will be in proportion to his degree of dedication. The Bible teaches degrees of reward in heaven (Matt. 25:14-30; Luke 19:12-27).

All the redeemed will be saved in heaven. Some will be saved "as by fire" (I Cor. 3:14-15); their works will be burned. Each will enjoy heaven to the full degree of his capacity. But the reward of one will be greater than that of another, according to his fruitbearing while on earth.

All Christians will share in the glory of Christ in heaven (Rev. 4:11; 5:5-14; 20-21). Mortal man cannot conceive of this glory. "But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him" (I Cor. 2:7-9; II Tim. 4:6-8).



A ministry for all

MINISTERING is what the preacher does. Or, so everybody assumes. At least he is supposed to. That is what a minister is for. Of course, sometimes he is too busy administering to find time for ministering.

In fact, that's why we have deacons—to help out with the administering so the pastor can be about his ministering (Acts 6:1-4). However, there is a sense in which the deacon is a minister too. For the Greek word transliterated

deacon could be translated minister.

As for that matter, there is a ministry for all. For ministry means service. Especially does it mean service that is designed to meet a need. The Christian renders a variety of ministries, even as the pastor and the deacons do. Not least among the ministries of the Christian is the ministry of his material resources to meet the needs of others. Paul called the mission gift of the Christians in

Corinth a "ministry." This particular mission offering was to be sent to famine-starved Jewish Christians in Jerusalem. No wonder Paul could refer to it as "ministering to the saints" (II Cor. 8:4).

So, you see, every Christian is a minister. At any rate, he ought to be.

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New Orleans Seminary

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would accuse me of trying to mislead Southern Baptists in any matter, for I would be fooling only myself.

I trust that this letter can be used to keep anyone from misunderstanding or misinterpreting my ministry. I write to you, Dr. McDonald, because I want you to clearly understand that I am not a "renegade." Thank you so much for your good work on the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine. — Jerry W. Hopkins, Assistant to the President and Staff Evangelist, John Brown University, Siloam Springs

Arkansas All Over

Progress at Clinton

RUPERT Church, Rt. 3, Clinton, which was organized in September, 1960, after having been a mission of First Church, Clinton, reports 18 additions to the church since last Oct. 1, an increase in Sunday School enrollment from 49 to 82 and in Training Union from 40 to 56.

Rev. Thomas Simmons was called as pastor Oct. 1. The membership at organization was 33.

The church, which presently meets in a one-room community building, is in a building program to which the state Missions Department will contribute \$1,500. The department also supplements the pastor's salary.

Zane Chesser at Wynne chapel

REV. Zane Chesser has accepted the pastorate of the Wynne Chapel, moving on the field Feb. 25.



MR. CHESSE

Mr. Chesser is a native Arkansan, having grown up in Monticello, and a graduate of Ouachita College and Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City, Mo. While attending Midwestern Seminary he was pastor of Flag Springs Baptist Church, California, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Chesser have three children.

Deacons ordained

TWO new deacons, J. L. Surguine and Zack Mashburn, were ordained by Lonoke Church, Mar. 18. Two other deacons, Dale Carr and Carl Stuart, were taken into active service by the church.

The message was brought by Rev. R. H. Dorris, pastor of Pike Avenue Church, North Little Rock, and the charge given by Caroline Association Missionary, J. M. James. Rev. Eugene A. Ryan, pastor of the Lonoke Church, gave the ordination prayer.

Dinner for athletes tomorrow at OBC

MEMBERS of the basketball teams of 1948-51 will be special guests at the annual athletic banquet in Birkett Williams Dining Hall at 8 p.m., April 6, honoring all athletes of Ouachita College.

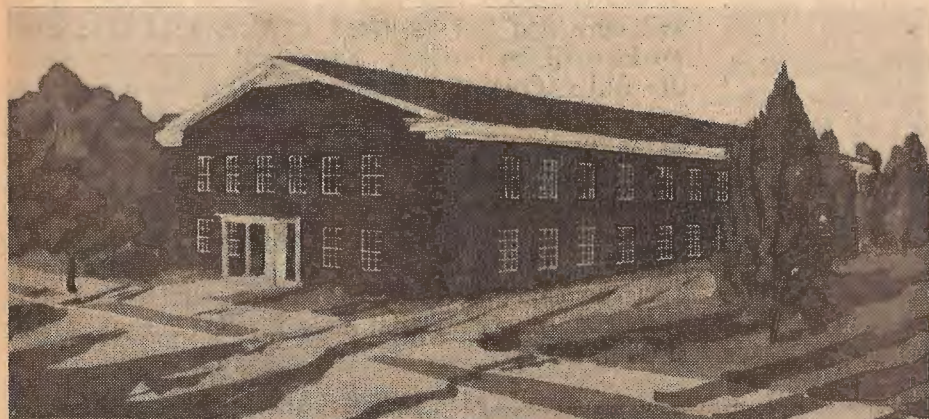
Members of the 1948-51 teams were teammates of Bill Vining, now head coach of the NAIA district playoff champion Tiger cagers.

Bill Hicks, Little Rock, an All-Southwest Conference center last year for Baylor University, will be the featured speaker. He is scheduled to play professional football in the Canadian League next year.

About 200 are expected at the affair, according to Dr. Bob Riley, chairman of the Athletic Council. Entertainment will be furnished by the Ouachita stage band, directed by Francis McBeth and by the "Brothers Jake," a male quartet consisting of Hubert Dungan, El Dorado; Danny Light, St. Albans, W. Va.; Carl Kell, Rogers; and Mike Huckabay, Clarksville.

The menu will consist of T-bone steak, baked potato, salad, strawberry shortcake, tea or coffee. Tickets are on sale in Arkadelphia for \$2 each at the various civic and service clubs and at the Chamber of Commerce.

TOLTEC Church at Scott conducted a rural survey the week of Mar. 25 under the direction of Pastor D. M. Black.



First, Crossett, dedication

FIRST Church, Crossett, Rev. Bill Hickem, pastor, will dedicate its newly completed Elementary Building in special services Sunday.

Taking part in the 10:45 a.m. worship service, carried by Radio Station KAGH, will be the new building's architect, Norris Sparks, Little Rock; Eugene Sullivan, Warren, representing the builders, Simmons and Son; Robert Ragland, chairman of the church building committee; John Anders, chairman of deacons; Dr. Erwin L. McDonald, editor of *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine*, representing the Arkansas Baptist State Convention; and representatives of the Crossett Company.

The dedicatory sermon, "Dedicating the People while Dedicating the Building," will be preached by

Pastor Hickem.

As guest minister for the 6 p.m. worship service, Editor McDonald will speak on "A Rich Church."

The new building, which cost \$120,000 including furnishings; increases the value of the total church plant, consisting of a sanctuary and two other educational buildings, to more than \$500,000.

The two-story brick building houses seven nursery departments, five primary departments and four beginner departments, with accommodations for 423 children. It has central heat and central air-conditioning and new furnishings throughout.

A restricted area for children from birth to age 2 is equipped on hospital specifications, including steel beds, hygienic sinks and stainless steel kitchen ensemble.

Kensett church reports progress

"GIANT" strides toward progress are reported for First Church, Kensett, pastor, Curtis Bryant.

Beginning with installation of a deacon-rotation system in 1957, the church has since completed a new educational building (1959), the auditorium (1961), and, since the beginning of 1962, has called a music and education director and attained a Standard Sunday School with over 70 percent of the teachers and officers receiving the required training in the first quarter. The church has also adopted a weekly deacon-led visitation program which is proving highly successful.

Since adopting the Forward Program of Church Finance in 1958, contributions have increased from \$12,022.24 (an increase of \$3,255.35 from the previous year) to \$20,417.08 in 1961. The figures do not include building fund contributions.

First Church is a member of Calvary Association, E. E. Boone, missionary.

Ground breaking held

FIRST Church, Plumerville, recently held a ground breaking ceremony in which one of the participants was Mrs. W. F. Kirkland, at 101 the oldest member of the church.

The new building will be an educational unit with an assembly room, five classrooms, an office and two rest rooms. Estimated cost is \$7,500.

Rev. Andy O'Kelley is pastor.

Alcoholism seminar

THE ANNUAL Clergy seminar on alcoholism, sponsored each year by the Arkansas Commission on Alcoholism, will be held May 8-9 at the Albert Pike Hotel, Allison C. Brown, Executive Director of ACA, has announced. Leaders will include Dr. John N. DeFoore, pastor of Highland Baptist Church, Waco, Tex., and Dr. Edward J. Delehanty, a psychiatrist of Denver, Col.



Ouachita Baptist Photo

'Tiger Day' Queen

MISS Carol Waltz, of Ferguson, Mo., as she was crowned queen of "Tiger Day" recently at Ouachita College by Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., president. Miss Waltz, escorted by James Carney of Bono won over 25 other contestants.

Lonoke coronation

A CORONATION service for the Lonoke Church Girls Auxiliary was held Mar. 21 with Miss Mary Hutson, state director of Youth Organizations for Woman's Missionary Union, as the principal speaker.

Mrs. R. E. Haygood, of the state WMU office, reviewed the work done by the 25 girls who took part in the coronation ceremony. Of these, six were recognized as Queen Regents: Cindy Hicks, Janice Bain, Shirley Nelson, Jeanetta Brown, Dixie Carr and Jerri Sue Hairston.

'One for one'

IN A recent "One-for-One" campaign in Elaine Church, under the direction of Lawson Hatfield, state Sunday School secretary, and Jack Gullidge, pastor of First Church, Brinkley, the church added 65 new members to its Sunday School enrollment.

The church is now making plans for a youth program, with Miss Vivian Bynum, youth director of First Church, Dallas, Tex., and Cecil McGee, of the recreation department of the Southern Baptist Convention Sunday School Board, Nashville, assisting.

David M. Tate, Jr. at First, Camden

DAVID M. Tate, Jr., has been called as minister of music and education for First Church, Camden.

He had served Calvary Church, Beaumont, Tex., as minister of music for the past 10 years.

Under Mr. Tate's leadership, the music ministry of the Beau-

mont church was greatly expanded. The church now has seven choirs, as well as several ensembles, both instrumental and vocal. Mr. Tate also served as youth director.

He is a graduate of Ouachita College and Southwestern Seminary. Mrs. Tate is the former Miss Hazel Cain of Heber Springs. They have five children, David, 12; Debbie, 11; Becky, 9; Danny, 6, and Amy, 3.

Dr. John R. Maddox is pastor of the First Church, Camden.

Interim pastor

REV. Waif Hamilton is serving First Church, Trumann, as interim pastor, following the resignation of Rev. H. T. Brown.

Mr. Hamilton, an ordained minister for 30 years, has held pastorates in Oklahoma, Jackson, Tenn.; Cardwell, Mo., and, in Arkansas, at Rector and Jonesboro. He attended Southwestern Seminary and holds the B. S. degree from the University of Oklahoma.

GERALD Goodier, a deacon of First Church, Dardanelle, and church treasurer for seven years, was recently presented a 14-year Sunday School attendance pin. First Church pastor is Rev. O. Damon Shook.

NORTHSIDE Church at Charleston, Rev. Warren E. Butler, pastor, will begin April 7 broadcasting a radio program, "Moments of Devotions," over Station KCCL, Paris. Broadcast time will be 9:30 to 10 a.m.

Arkansas' 'adopted son' honored for chapel work

AN ADOPTED son of Arkansas, whose wife is a native Arkansan, was singularly honored recently.

Technical Sergeant James R. Dickerson, now stationed at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, was awarded a certificate from the General Commission on Chaplains and Armed Forces Personnel for setting up full time Protestant chapel activities while he was stationed in Turkey.

The award to Sgt. Dickerson, who was licensed as a Southern Baptist minister by Bayou Meto Church, Jacksonville, stated in part:

"... to the Protestant who has made the most outstanding contribution for the year to the religious program at his installation. . . . It represents the desire of the commission to rec-

ognize laymen and laywomen who, by their creative service and devoted loyalty, make possible an effective religious program in our armed forces."

While stationed at the base in Turkey, Sgt. Dickerson presided at two Sunday services, a Wednesday night service and two weekly choir practice sessions in addition to his military duties as the only commercial transportation person on the base, operation of the motor pool and part-time duties at the bowling alley.

The sergeant, a native of Coshocton, Ohio, is now working with a Baptist mission in Texas. Mrs. Dickerson's home is in Crossett and she and their three children, Steven, Randy and David, lived there while Sgt. Dickerson was in Turkey.

Revivals

REV. Glenn Williams, of Shirley, was the evangelist at Rupert Church, Rt. 3, Clinton, where there were 12 additions by baptism, two by letter and two rededications. The pastor is Thomas Simmons.

FIRST Church, Cove, Dick Goodrum, pastor; youth revival Mar. 16-18; Ron Fortner, evangelist; Doyal Combs and Linda Day, music; one for baptism, several rededications.

TOLTEC Church, D. M. Black, pastor; youth revival April 7-8 with Jimmy Garner, evangelist. Sunday, April 8, will be Youth Day with young people in all places of leadership.

ARKANSAS City Church, Reese S. Howard, pastor; Pastor Howard, evangelist; Frank Adams, Sikeston, Mo., music; 10 professions of faith, two additions by letter, many rededications.

CANEY Creek Church, England, W. Joe Barbour, pastor; Mar. 19-25 with Rev. Eugene Ryan, Lonoke, evangelist; Pastor Barbour, music; six additions, five for baptism, one by letter.

HARMONY Church, Rt. 2, Perryville, Raymond Strickland, pastor; Mar. 11-18 with Rev. Jesse Reed, evangelist, LeRoy McClard, music; eight additions, three by letter, three by baptism, two by statement; 50 rededications. The church has had 15 additions since Oct. 1, nine by baptism.

FIRST Church, Newport, Dr. W. W. Dishongh, pastor; April 15-22 with Dr. Dishongh, evangelist, and LeRoy McClard, music.

CENTRAL Church, Hot Springs, James E. Hill, Jr., pastor; layman's revival April 6-8, with R. G. LeTourneau, Dr. James F. Sawyer and Jimmy Karam speakers.

NORTHSIDE Church, Charleston, Warren E. Butler, pastor, will celebrate its 10th anniversary in a revival May 25-27 with Angel Martinez as evangelist.

RIDGEVIEW Church, Fayetteville, Jamie Coleman, pastor; Mar. 4-11 led by the Brotherhood of First Church, Ft. Smith, Joe Potts, chairman; 10 additions by baptism, two by letter, one profession of faith.



MR. TATE

Concord Association

By Jay W. C. Moore

START third building: The newest church in Ft. Smith, Oak Cliff, located at the corner of Greenwood and Gary, broke ground March 18 for its third building in less than two years.

Organized June 16, 1960, with 16 charter members, the church called as pastor Rev. Murl Walker, who had led in the establishing of the church. In October, 1960, the church broke ground for its first unit, 50 x 108 ft. It housed a temporary auditorium, primary, beginner and adult departments, offices and rest rooms.

Last year the church constructed another educational unit as large as the first. The unit that is under construction now is another educational unit.

The church started with 27 in Sunday School and 17 church members. The church membership has grown to 238 with a Sunday School enrollment of 240 and an average attendance for February of 169. The initial investment for the block of property was \$55,000 and the valuation of the property has increased to \$150,000.

The church hopes to break ground for a new auditorium sometime in 1963 or 1964, which will cost \$100,000 and seat 800 people.

Before organizing the Oak Cliff Church, Brother Walker served the Kelley Height Church, Ft. Smith, for nearly four years, which he also had helped in the organizing. He also has served as pastor of the Temple Church, Ft. Smith.

FIRST, Paris, has moved their pastor, Brother Harold White, into a new, \$25,000 brick home. The house was built on the west side of an entire block owned by the church. It has four bedrooms and two and one-half baths.

FIRST, Barling, David Land, pastor, has voted to build a new auditorium of block and brick construction.

The building will have a seating capacity of 450 with central heat and air conditioning. There will be church offices, including

'Outstanding young farmer'

In partnership with God

JIMMY L. Buford, of Route 1, McGehee, who recently won the McGehee Junior Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Young Farmer Award and then went on to finish second in the state, is an outstanding leader, as is his wife, in the Chickasaw Baptist Church, in his home community.

Unlike so many young people born and reared on the farm, Jimmy has never had a desire to leave and seek his fortune elsewhere. From his high school days in McGehee, where he was a member of the Future Farmers of America for five years and where he participated in 4-H Club work for two years, winning a State Farmer Degree, he has wanted nothing more than to be a farmer.

He actually had his start while a student, renting 15 acres of land for a cotton project. He has increased his acreage from year to year and has increased the yield from 480 pounds of ginned cotton per acre and 15 bushels of beans to 683 pounds of cotton and 25 bushels of beans, per acre of each.

Buford's experimentation with different bedding, cultivating, picking and other cultural practices has set a good example for other farmers.

He has established his own shop where he does all but a few major jobs of servicing and repairing his farm equipment.

pastor's study, secretary's office and conference room in the new building.

The old auditorium will be converted into Sunday School space, which will enable the church to care for 300 in Sunday School.

The construction will be financed by the A. B. Culbertson bonds. Bill Turner is the campaign chairman and Buddy Coleman, co-chairman.

They hope to enter the building by July 1 of this year.



JIMMY L. BUFORD

Mrs. Buford is the former Miss Patricia Johnson of Dumas. There are two children, Linda Lee, 4, and Charles Alan, 1½.

In their church, Jimmy is deacon, Sunday School superintendent, and a member of the pulpit committee, and Patricia is church treasurer, teacher of a Sunday School class of junior girls, and leader of the intermediate Girls' Auxiliary.

"We don't know what we'd do without them," a fellow church member said of the young couple. "They are always on the job here at the church, and their tithe is a substantial part of our regular church collections."

Revivals

JACK Holcomb, Houston, Tex., will conduct a revival meeting at First Church, Bearden, April 11-15. Sam T. Cathey is pastor.

FIRST Church, Osceola, Harry G. Jacobs, pastor; April 8-15 with Dr. A. D. Foreman, Jr., pastor of Temple Church, Memphis, Tenn., as evangelist.

Baptist beginnings in theological education

By EDWARD A. MCDOWELL

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TO BASIL Manly, Sr., father of one of the original four professors of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, belongs the honor of first publicly proposing a southwide Baptist theological seminary.* Writing in "The Southern Baptist" of March 13, 1835, on the subject of such an institution he

respectfully proposed that measures be taken to have a convention of the friends of this cause from the Carolinas and Georgia, and such other of the Southern and Western states as may be disposed to unite with them, to assemble at some central point to deliberate and form some united plan for the accomplishment of this great object.¹

At this time Dr. Manly was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Charleston, S. C. His son, Basil, was nine years of age. This boy and another lad, James Petigru Boyce, one year his junior, were members of the same Sunday School class in the First Baptist Church and early came under the influence of the life and preaching of the elder Manly.

The class was taught by Charles H. Lanneau, Sr., grandfather of Miss Sophie Lanneau, longtime missionary to China and now a resident of Wake Forest. Boyce was to become the founder and first chairman of the faculty of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Young Manly was to become one of the four original professors.

Nothing came at the time of the elder Manly's proposal of the establishment of a southwide seminary. The Southern Baptist Convention was not to be organized until ten years later and there was no organized support for such an institution. Indeed, the general attitude of Baptists in the South in 1835 and for years later was opposed to the education of their ministers. At the time there were three Baptist theological Seminaries in the United States: Newton in New England; the institution opened by the Triennial Convention in Philadelphia in 1818, later merged with Columbian College in Washington when it was organized in 1822; and a seminary at Covington, Ky.

But Manly's proposal was the expression of a movement which arose in the Charleston Association in 1755 when, under the leadership of Oliver Hart, pastor of the Baptist Church in Charleston, the Association took the first steps toward the provision of educational facilities for young ministers.²

'Religious society'

A collection was taken amounting to 133 pounds

*The first suggestion of a general seminary for Baptists was actually made by Richard Furman in 1817 at the meeting of the Triennial Convention of which he was president. "His own view contemplated a central institution at Washington." (Two Centuries of the First Baptist Church of South Carolina, edited by H. A. Tupper, Baltimore; R. H. Woodward & Co., 1889, p. 150).

and "The Religious Society" was organized to promote the education of young ministers. The first beneficiary of the fund thus instituted was Evan Pugh. Two others were Samuel Stillman and Edmund Botsford. These young men studied under the direction of Oliver Hart and other ministers.

Stillman later became one of the leading Baptist ministers of America, serving at his death in 1807 as pastor of the first Baptist Church of Boston.

After Oliver Hart was driven out of South Carolina by the British in 1780, Richard Furman, who himself had been forced by the British to flee the State, became with his return the leader in the educational movement among Baptists. Converted under the preaching of Rev. Joseph Reece at High Hills of Santee, Furman was now 25 years of age.

McGlothlin says: "For the next 45 years he was the acknowledged leader of South Carolina Baptists, and the Baptists of the South."³

In 1787 Furman became pastor of the Baptist Church at Charleston and from this vantage point he rose to a position of eminence in Baptist affairs, particularly in the educational movement, which he held until his death in 1825.

Ministerial aid

In 1790 a committee was authorized by the Charleston Association for the collection and administering of funds to be applied to the education of young ministers. Members of the original committee were Richard Furman; Silas Mercer, who was attending the Association as a fraternal messenger from the Georgia Association; Benjamin Moseley; and Henry Holcombe. This committee was later enlarged and Richard Furman was made president, a position he held for 35 years.

Jesse Mercer of Georgia became a beneficiary of the fund administered by the General Committee, as it was now called. Up to 1851 about 60 young men studying for the ministry were aided by this fund, according to Dr. J. C. Furman.

"Up to 1800 the young ministers who were receiving assistance were placed with some capable minister, who took them in his home, gave them instruction and admitted them to the use of his books. Dr. Furman and others served the denomination in this way at considerable sacrifice to themselves, since they received no compensation for this work.

"The young minister who was fortunate enough to be placed in the home of an able man received a great blessing from the intimate personal contact. But naturally it was a temporary educational method which must soon give way to institutions."⁴

In 1794 John M. Roberts and Joseph Cook were sent to Rhode Island College, now Brown University, by the General Committee. After his return to South Carolina, Mr. Roberts established in 1800 Roberts Academy at High Hills of Santee, this becoming the first educational institution under Baptist auspices in South Carolina.⁵ Young men studying for the ministry were now sent by the General Committee to this academy.

Seminary lacking

At this time the Baptists of America had no theological seminary. At the meeting of the Triennial Convention of which Richard Furman was president, in 1817, action was taken leading to the establishment of a theological institution in Philadelphia in 1818. It was merged with Columbian College in Washington with the founding of that institution in 1822. The action leading to the establishment of these institutions was greatly inspired by the foreign mission movement under the leadership of Luther Rice, and as Dr. McGlothlin states, "had the full sanction of the Charleston Association."⁶

The Furman Academy and Theological Institution, an academy designed primarily to train young ministers, was opened in Edgefield, S. C., Jan. 15, 1827. This institution had a rather precarious existence until 1851, when it was firmly established as Furman University in Greenville, S. C.

Georgia drops out

The hope that Georgia Baptists would cooperate in support of the original institution was never realized. However, after the removal of the institution to Fairfield District and the election in 1844 of James C. Furman, son of Richard Furman, as senior professor, the institution took on new life.

According to McGlothlin, "The institution was

recognized as the leading theological school of the South, and there was talk of making it a central theological school for the entire South."⁷ "In 1841, writes McGlothlin, "there had been a somewhat informal but actual agreement between the conventions of North and South Carolina that South Carolina should recommend her students to Wake Forest for academic training⁸ while North Carolina would recommend her ministerial students to Furman for theological training."

With the opening of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Greenville in 1859, Furman literally gave of its life blood to the new institution and suffered a blow from which it did not recover for many years.

South Carolina Baptists, under the agency of James P. Boyce, then professor at Furman, gave \$74,000 to the new institution, Furman gave all of its endowment for theological education, amounting to \$26,000, and its theological library. In addition, the new seminary took from Furman its professor of theology, Boyce, and made great inroads into its resources of funds available to Furman because of its emphasis upon theological education. All praise to Furman and South Carolina Baptists for their unselfish dedication to the cause which brought the first Southern Baptist seminary into existence

(To be continued)

FOOTNOTES

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⁸ A South Carolina student who came to Wake Forest in this period was Archibald McDowell my great-uncle, first principal of Chowan College. Another was Washington Manly Wingate, long-time president of Wake Forest.

Pastors to hear 16 sermons at conference

A FORMER Scottish Baptist pastor and well-known Southern Baptist pulpитеers headline the preachers appearing on the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference at San Francisco June 4-5.

The program, released by Conference President Carl E. Bates of Charlotte, N. C., will have the theme, "Missions: Our Mission." The pastors meet in the Masonic Memorial Temple on Nob Hill.

The former pastor of a large church in Edinburgh, Scotland, J. Sidlow Baxter appears on the conference program several times. His Bible studies deal with "Pentecost" each time.

The well-known Southern Baptist pulpитеers include former Convention President R. G. Lee of Memphis, who addresses the conference almost every year. His message will close the 1962 conference on Tuesday afternoon.

H. H. Hobbs of Oklahoma City, current president of the Convention, speaks on "The Lordship of Christ" at the Monday morning session. Roy O. McClain of Atlanta, former Pastors' Conference president, uses the subject "Making Disciples" in his Monday afternoon appearance.

Another former Convention president, C. C. Warren of Char-

lotte, will preach on "The Pastor—The Key" at the Monday night gathering. He shares the billing that night with C. Oscar Johnson of Berkeley, Calif., former president of the Baptist World Alliance.

C. E. Autrey, Dallas, secretary of evangelism for the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, ends the Tuesday morning meeting with his topic, "For Such a Time as This."

In the five sessions, the 5,000 pastors expected for the conference will hear a total of 16 sermons or messages in addition to a Bible study period, devotional and worship in song at each session.

[Detailed program on page 15.]

By THE BAPTIST PRESS

212 libraries added in four-month period

NASHVILLE—The Church Library Service of the Baptist Sunday School Board added 212 Southern Baptist church libraries to its files in the four-month period ending Feb. 28. It also announces that 24 established libraries have reported revitalizations in this period.

Texas led all other states in new libraries reporting, with 41 added. Tennessee was second, with 23; Virginia next, 17; Florida, 17; North Carolina, 14; and Georgia was close behind, with 13. Kentucky, next, had nine new libraries reporting.

Arkansas had the following six new libraries established during this time:

Lake Hamilton, B. D. Smith, pastor; Mrs. Emma Jean Bates, librarian.

Little Rock, Central, G. Gordon Bayless, pastor.

Little Rock, Highway, Bunyan A. Wallace, pastor, Mrs. Noel R. Wood, librarian.

Little Rock, University, J. H. Street, pastor, Mrs. Hugh Baker, librarian.

North Little Rock, Bethany, A. T. Suskey, pastor; Miss Margaret Suskey, librarian.

West Memphis, First, Tommie Hinson, pastor; Mrs. L. A. King, librarian.

New child's book

A BAPTIST book store manager has written a book for 3-6-year-olds which Grosset and Dunlap is releasing this month.

"My Book About God's World," by Miss Blanche Mays, of the Louisville, Ky., store, contains two, three, and four-line verses telling the story of the creation.

Miss Mays, a native Arkansan, is a former manager of the Little Rock Baptist Book Store.

Two to assist at Carver conference

A VIRGINIA Baptist associational leader and a Washington, D. C., minister have accepted places on the program of the Church and Social Work Conference at Louisville, Ky.

The conference will meet at Carver School of Missions and Social Work, an agency of the Southern Baptist Convention, April 9-11.

Paul E. Crandall, executive secretary

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retary, Richmond Baptist Association, will speak on "The Changing Profile of City Missions." S. Lewis Morgan Jr., pastor of Petworth-Montgomery Hills Baptist Church in Washington, D. C., will lead a conference of pastors.

Theme of the conference is "New Dimensions in Christian Service."

Hymn writing contest

A SOUTHERN Baptist Hymn Writing Competition will be in effect Apr. 1-Sept. 30, 1962, W. Hines Sims, spokesman for the sponsoring organization, has announced.

The competition is open to all

members of Southern Baptist churches and purposes to stimulate creative hymn writing among the denomination's constituency. The sponsoring Church Music Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board will award a \$200 first prize, \$100 second prize and \$25 each to eight persons receiving honorable mention.

A printed folder, outlining requirements of the competition, and other information, is available by writing: Hymn Writing Competition, c/o Dr. Loren R. Williams, editor of Church Music Materials, Hymn Writing Competition, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tenn.

Wayne E. Todd, 'library-dedicated'

NASHVILLE—The peace that comes from conviction in doing the Lord's will could hardly be more certain than it is already to Wayne E. Todd, secretary, Church Library Service, Baptist Sunday School Board.

But Todd said that this certainty grew over a period of time. He loved the pastorate wholeheartedly and reveled in the fellowship of the



MR. TODD

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Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference

Masonic Memorial Temple, San Francisco, California

June 4-5, 1962

Carl E. Bates, North Carolina, president; W. Morris Ford, Texas, vice president; Ray McCollum, California, secretary-treasurer.

Theme: "Missions: Our Mission"

Monday Morning Session

- 8:45-9:00 Choral Concert
- 9:00 Devotional—R. Earl Allen, Texas
- 9:15 Welcome to California—Grady C. Cothen, California
- Welcome to San Francisco—Harold K. Graves, California
- 9:30 Response—W. Morris Ford, Texas
- 9:35 Bible Study—"Pentecost and the Present Hour"—J. Sidlow Baxter, Scotland
- 10:10 Music
- 10:15 "Christianity Among the Forces Making History"—Kyle M. Yates, Jr., California
- 10:45 Music
- 10:50 Sermon—Landrum P. Leavell, Mississippi
- 11:20 Special Music—J. Robert Bradley, Tennessee
- 11:30 "The Lordship of Christ"—H. H. Hobbs, Oklahoma
- 12:05 Meditation and Prayer

- 7:50 "Christianity Redefining Its Functions"—Allen W. Graves, Kentucky
- 8:20 Election of Officers
- 8:30 Sermon—Paul Roberts, Arkansas
- 9:00 Music
- 9:05 "The Pastor—The Key"—C. C. Warren, North Carolina
- 9:25 Special Music—J. Robert Bradley
- 9:30 Message—C. Oscar Johnson, California

Tuesday Morning Session

- 8:45 Choral Concert
- 9:00 Devotional—J. T. Ford, Georgia
- 9:15 "Pentecost and Personal Witness"—J. Sidlow Baxter
- 9:50 Announcements and Offering
- 10:00 Music
- "The Church, the World, and the Kingdom of God"—Charles A. Trentham, Tennessee
- 10:30 Music
- 10:35 Sermon—Dan H. C. Kong, Hawaii
- 11:05 Special Music—J. Robert Bradley
- 11:10 "For Such a Time As This"—C. E. Autrey, Texas
- 12:00 Meditation and Prayer

Monday Afternoon Session

- 1:45 Choral Concert
- 2:00 Devotional—James L. Pleitz, Florida
- 2:15 "Pentecost and the Local Church"—Baxter
- 2:30 Announcements and Offering
- 2:45 "Christian Missions Facing Today's World"—R. Cal Guy, Texas
- 3:45 Sermon—John Scott Trent, Alabama
- 4:15 Music—J. Robert Bradley
- 4:20 "Making Disciples"—Roy O. McClain, Georgia
- Meditation and Prayer

- 1:45 Choral Concert
- 2:00 Devotional—W. D. Wyatt, New Mexico
- 2:15 "Pentecost and Inner Experience"—J. Sidlow Baxter
- 2:50 Announcements and Offering
- 3:00 "The Witness of the Gospel to a Pagan World"—B. Elmo Scoggin, North Carolina
- 3:30 Music
- 3:35 Sermon—"Look Unto the Rock"—Ray E. Roberts, Ohio
- 4:05 Special Music—J. Robert Bradley
- 4:10 Message—R. G. Lee, Tennessee
- Meditation and Prayer

Monday Evening Session

- 6:45 Choral Concert
- 7:00 Devotional—Charles G. Fuller, Virginia
- 7:15 "Pentecost and the Pulpit"—J. Sidlow Baxter
- 7:45 Music and Offering

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thriving First Baptist Church of Brookhaven, Miss. His tenure there had been brief and he felt an obligation.

"Once, after I had said 'No' three times," he declared, "I could again feel God's leading as I communed with Him. The next morning I couldn't wait to call Dr. H. E. Ingraham, Service Division director of the Sunday School Board, and tell him of my experience.

"Dr. Ingraham said that—at the same hour the night before when I was asking God's leadership—he was also praying about the matter.

"All this happened in May. It was in January, following a trip I had made to Nashville, that I became aware that I could wait no longer to accept this responsibility under God's direction. This had been the conviction of Dr. Ingraham and Dr. James L. Sullivan, Board executive secretary-treasurer, all along."

During his senior college year—and while at New Orleans Seminary one year—Todd served his first full-time church, Thirty-Eighth Avenue Baptist, Hattiesburg, Miss. It was here that he first led a church to organize and use a church library.

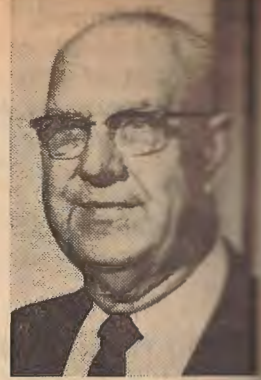
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MR. COSSEY

DUTIES OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL. There are so many church officers that have no idea of their duties. I plan to make a brief review of the duties of church officers.

Sunday School General Superintendents have certain duties that must be performed or failure is expected:

1. Master the book, "Building a Standard Sunday School," by Arthur Flake.
2. Pray much. There is no substitute for prayer.
3. Keep general organization in good shape. Every worker should function.
4. Superintend all units of the school alike, having no pets.
5. Get along with all the workers or you'll fail.
6. Counsel with every officer and teacher about the work.
7. Conduct a continuous enlargement campaign.
8. Adopt the teacher-training policy and have trained teachers and officers ready when needed.
9. Maintain a weekly or monthly teachers and officers' meeting.
10. Be constantly on the lookout for lost people. Soul-winning is our main business.
11. Make an occasional check-up to see if progress is being made. How many unsaved people are in the classes or how many people are not supporting the church budget?
12. Be a denominational man and see that the Sunday School gives full support to all missionary and Stewardship projects.
13. By all means work in perfect harmony with your pastor.
14. Resign when you quit. Someone else might be successful.

SCARECROW. A figure of a man dressed in old clothes, set in the garden to keep the birds away from the crops. A scarecrow could be anything that fools people into being frightened. A scarecrow is designed to terrify people without being dangerous.

Psalms 56:3, "What time I am afraid, I will trust in the Lord."


The man who hid his talents gave as his reason, "I was afraid." Afraid of what? Criticism, ability, finances, education, getting tied up and not being able to go places, not liking the teacher, talking too much about money, and clothes not being good enough. Is fear your scarecrow? Do you have an inferiority complex because of some failure? We may use our failures as stepping stones to success. If you are afraid of doing a thing, you can't. My old school teacher once said, "I can't is a sluggard too lazy to work." Is your scarecrow a fear that people will talk about you? Is your scarecrow, "It can't be done"?

All the spies said the Promised Land could not be taken, but two said it could, and it was.

People said Columbus could not discover a new country, but he did.

Are you a moral coward? Why not swing out on a full dependence upon God? Remove all scarecrows and success will come to stay. May we knock all the scarecrows out of the way. Christian progress has always been made by two-talented people.

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The Bookshelf

Horizon, Vol. IV, No. 4, March 1963,
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One of the leading articles in the latest issue of this magazine-book is "The Coming Generation of Genius," by John Eader Platt. The author, currently serving as visiting professor of biology at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, speculates on three kinds of mental differences: between men and women, between genius and stupidity, and between creative talents. He warns that an I.Q. index may overlook valuable qualities of emotional sensitivity and imagination.

Loren Eisely, in "The Time of Man," presents a new theory on the origin of man. Recent fossil finds, he says, suggest that both man and ape "must have evolved independently from some rudimentary common ancestor." That's a new twist, to say the least.

A 25-page article, lavishly illustrated with pictures of remarkable artistic achievements of Pompeii, reveals what life was like in this ancient city at the time of its destruction, or burial, by Vesuvius in 79 A.D.

God Is Real, an autobiography, by Dallas F. Billington, McKay, 1962, \$4.50

This is the life story of the founder and pastor of Baptist Temple, Akron, Ohio. Starting with 80 charter members, in 1935, the Temple now has nearly 16,000 members, claiming to be

the world's largest Baptist congregation.

On the occasion of the celebration of the church's 25th anniversary, Pastor Billington preached to a congregation of 50,000 people who traveled to Akron for the special occasion.

Beacon Lights of Baptist History

By BERNES K. SELPH, Th.D.
Pastor, 1st Baptist Church, Benton

R. J. Coleman

ARKANSAS Baptists thought enough of R. J. Coleman's work to ask him to write his autobiography and printed it in 1894.



DR. SELPH

This pioneer preacher spent more than 40 years preaching, debating, and building churches in the central part of the state.

He was born on a farm in Mecklinburg County, Virginia, Dec. 6, 1817. Because his father did not believe a boy needed much education, R. J.'s principal studies were arithmetic and the dictionary.

The young man was converted during a camp meeting, August, 1834, and had an impression to preach. His mother's influence was strong in his life at this time. He moved with the family to Brownsville, Tenn., 1836. One year later he married Martha Tanner.

Because of ill health and financial conditions, young Coleman and his family left Tennessee for Arkansas, Feb. 24, 1853. He had a wife, three children, one feather bed, one horse which he sold on the way, and fifty dollars, more than half of which was used on steamboat passage.

He settled a few miles southeast of Arkadelphia on the Ouachita river in Dallas county. He worked on a farm during the spring and summer. Their eleven-month-old baby died of a snake bite that summer. He moved to Princeton that fall.

The young father was interested in his Christian life but the county boasted only one Baptist church. In 1845 a church was organized at Tulip, a few miles south of Princeton. Here he attended the organization of the Baptist State

Convention three years later.

During the conventional meeting the young farmer was again impressed to preach. But he faced three difficulties—ignorance on his part, poverty, and his wife's opposition. The preachers she had known paid little attention to their families. She thought this was characteristic of the ministry.

This heart battle went on for the next four years. Impressions deepened; and in 1852, wife or no wife, husband Coleman entered the ministry. He delivered his first sermon to a Negro congregation at Princeton, April 1, of that year.

Diligent study became his obsession. He subscribed to the *Arkansas Gazette* and the *Tennessee Baptist*, and bought books he thought would be helpful.

His first pastorate was at Holly Springs in Dallas County. He lived in Jefferson and Saline counties during the Civil War, and during its last year moved to Columbia County. After the war, he moved to White County and worked in Caroline Association. He moved to Cabot in 1880 and was pastor there when he wrote his memoirs.

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DR. CALDWELL

What has your church done about it? No place to start one? Now, wait a minute! Have you considered a Home Fellowship? You know what a Home Fellowship is, don't you? It is a regular service in a home where a group of neighbors come to-

gether for prayer and devotional message by one sent out of the church. Isn't there a group of people in certain sections of your town or community where such services are needed?

No place to sponsor a mission? Maybe you haven't looked far enough. Two pastors in Texarkana have visited in the Ozark Mountains to select places for their churches to sponsor missions.

No place to start a new church? Park Hill Church of North Little Rock has sponsored three churches in the west. Several Louisiana churches have sponsored new churches in Colorado and Utah. A place can be found if your church wants one.—C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent.

"By all means win some"

'Pack-a-pew'

REVIVAL SEASON is here and in our evangelism clinics there has been quite a bit of discussion about the idea of "pack-a-pew."



MR. REED

Many of the brethren have misgivings about using this promotional idea in revivals. One of my good friends said several years ago, "All you have to do is just preach the Gospel and the people will come." This sounds good but is just not true. He is now us-

ing ways and means to get people to come. One may preach the Gospel with power and in its fullness and still many people will not hear about it. Some will hear about it and still not come.

In the New Testament there doesn't seem to be any direct command for the unsaved person to go to church. But, there are many places that tell us Christians to "go."

The main motive for the "pack-a-pew" idea is to put the people in the churches to work. When a cold and indifferent Christian packs a pew and some lost

friend or loved one is saved, it helps to warm him up. When he walks to the front and shakes hands with the new convert he is greatly moved and usually is revived.

The next motive of the "pack-a-pew" idea is to get people under the preaching of the Gospel. The more people we get to church to hear the Gospel, the more people will be saved. One of our most difficult tasks in revivals today is to get the unsaved into our preaching services.

In revivals in the past I have seen many people saved as the result of "pack-a-pew." There are certain weaknesses to the plan but the strong points far out-weigh the weak points.

Some churches use the plan very effectively every night. Others use it only two or three times a week. Personally, I like to start the revival with an average crowd and gradually build up to a larger attendance. The sermons are planned step by step leading towards the main messages on the Plan of Salvation on the big attendance nights. It is not good for the meeting when you have a large attendance and then the crowds drop off.

If you haven't tried this plan, give it a chance. Don't close your mind to it. The results may surprise you. Use the Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union, and Brotherhood to help "pack-a-pew."

The Evangelism Plan Book explains it.

If the plan helps people come to God for salvation, then it is legitimate and our slogan "By All Means Win Some" can be carried out.—Jesse S. Reed, Director



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Sunday School

Piggy back

THERE IS a new, growing concept in Baptist denominational life—that of "channels." It is thought, and it seems wise, that there are so many services, boards and institutions of our denomination, and it would require too many telephones on the pastor's desk for each to have a "direct line" to him.



MR. HATFIELD

There are not enough hours in a day, days in a week, weeks in a month or months in a year for all services offered to have a separate organization, telephone, associational representative and so on to reach the pastors and churches.

It is thought that many services could reach the churches through the established organizations or channels.

It is a lot like the truck-trailers and new automobiles riding piggy-back on a freight train to a distant destination.

The Sunday School Department is the established channel in Arkansas for the Sunday School Board's Church Architecture Department to offer its services to the churches in the state. Your state Sunday School secretary represents the Sunday School Department and also the Church Architecture Department.

I have asked Ralph Davis if the Church Architecture could ride piggy-back on his State Training Union Youth Convention, April 13, in Little Rock. He graciously said, "Sure."

Rowland Crowder, from the Church Architecture Department, Nashville, Tenn., will be in Little Rock for consultation with any pastors or building committees desiring the free services of the Board, April 13. Write me for an appointment with him for that day.—Lawson Hatfield, Secretary



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STATISTICS: Little Rock University is a four-year college located in Little Rock. Out of the 1,540 students enrolled, 379 are Baptist.



DR. LOGUE

BSU Director: Darrel Coleman has been serving as city-wide director for Little Rock since last summer. Before coming to Little Rock, he served as Baptist Student director at Arkansas A. & M. College for three years.

BSU Center: At the present time the students use the Baptist Student Center at the Medical School for some of their activities. Pu-ward Association has purchased property adjacent to the campus which is being paid for by the rental of the house that is now on the property.

BSU Activities: The primary activity of the Baptist Student Union at Little Rock University is the noon devotional period held each day in a classroom. Social activities and mission projects are held periodically. A large percentage of the students who are active in the BSU hold responsible positions in one of the churches in the Little Rock area. Some are pastors, others Sunday School teachers and choir directors. The BSU on the campus at LRU seeks to train and educate students for more effective leadership.—Tom J. Logue, Director.

(This is the tenth in a series of articles on the fifteen Baptist Student Unions in Arkansas.)



Baptist Press Photo

FOUNDATION OFFICERS—Settlement of a \$400,000 estate with the Southern Baptist Foundation as beneficiary may be a surprise windfall to students seeking graduate degrees before teaching in Baptist colleges. Discussing the conditional scholarship program likely to result are Stirton Oman, Nashville contractor (center, seated) and J. W. Storer (right) of Nashville. Oman is president of the Foundation, Storer, executive secretary. Looking on are Mrs. Christine M. Bess of Nashville, administrative assistant of the Baptist agency, and Walton N. Smith, Clarksville, Tenn., vice president.

Training Union

Last call!

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For Whom?: For all Baptist Intermediates and Young People of Arkansas—Ralph W. Davis, Secretary



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Brotherhood

State RA Congress

MAY 4-5 is the date for the State Royal Ambassador Congress, at First Church, Little Rock.



MR. SEATON

There will be three sessions. The first will begin at 3:45 on Friday afternoon, May 4. The second, at 6:55 Friday night; and the concluding session, at 9:00 a.m., Saturday, closing at noon. Registration for the Congress will begin at 2:30 p.m. Friday.

Rev. Harrison Pike, missionary to Brazil, will be one of the featured speakers. Bro. Pike is a native of Texarkana and a graduate of Ouachita College. Every Baptist boy and man will be blessed by hearing him.

There will be other missionary and inspirational messages by outstanding Christian workers.

The program will also include demonstration of Royal Ambassador work, a clinical period for leaders, camping information, and a display of campercraft projects.

More information regarding the Congress will be mailed to each pastor and counselor in a few days. Make plans now to have your chapter and church represented at the Congress.

STATE RA CAMPS

Now is a good time to make plans to attend one of the State Royal Ambassador Camps planned for this summer.

Plans are being made for six weeks of camps this year. The camps will be graded according to the new Royal Ambassador program. There will be two weeks for Crusaders, boys 9-11; two weeks for Pioneers, boys 12-14; and two weeks for Ambassadors, boys 15-17.

Every church and chapter should encourage every boy to attend one of the weeks for his age group. Camp offers one of the best opportunities for a boy to learn more about the Royal Ambassador activities, to study about missions, and have experiences that will enrich his spiritual life. He will return to his church and chapter a new person and be a better follower of Christ and worker in his church.

More information regarding the camps will be mailed to all pastors and counselors soon. Immediate information may be obtained from the Brotherhood Department.—C. H. Seaton, Associate Secretary

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Pencil points

By MABLE MILLER

DO YOU know that over a billion and a half lead pencils are made every year? That is an average of nine for each person in this country. School children use most of them. Yet for many boys and girls in the world a lead pencil is an undreamed of luxury.

The modern pencil can draw a line thirty-five miles long or write forty-three thousand words. But don't start to count them.

The first pencils were round, but today many are six-sided. Do you know why? It is so they won't roll away.

A pencil is an international item. Graphite, which is the name for the lead but which is not lead at all, comes from Mexico and Ceylon. Clay comes from Bavaria and England. Flint stone grinders are from Belgium. Rubber comes from Malaya, and sometimes the gold leaf used to imprint the maker's name is from South Africa.

A pencil today is a stick of graphite sandwiched between two pieces of wood, just as the first one was made two hundred years ago. The best are made from cedar, but only the heart of the tree can be used. A pencil must be free from knots and made with the precision of a fine watch, because a pencil that is off-center cannot be sharpened. What good is a broken pencil?

For some strange reason people buy more yellow pencils than any other color.

Before trees were planted especially for pencil making, manufacturers often bought weathered cedar fence posts from farmers in the South. Like weathered timbers of a ship, this wood proved stout and firm in grain. Farmers thought it strange people would buy old fence posts, but they were glad to sell.

Pencils use a great deal of lacquer, over 600,000 gallons or enough to fill eighty-six swimming pools of standard depth measuring forty by twenty feet. Some of the better pencils have a finish like that on a fine piano or automobile. An unusual finish is a secret and may even be the trade-mark of the manufacturer.

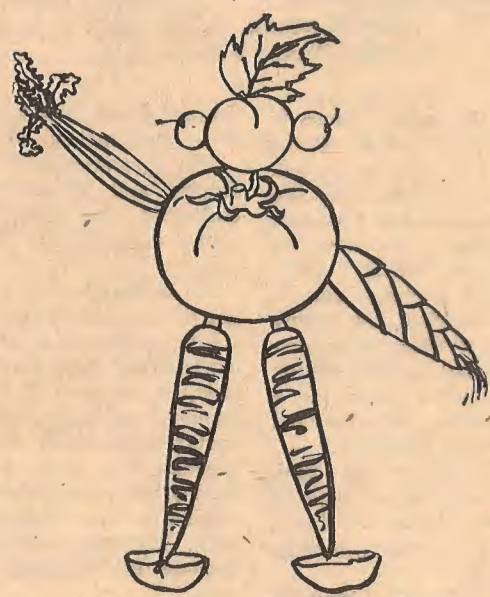
Here's a tip about sharpening a pencil. Gentle does it when using a mechanical sharpener. Pressing the tip in too hard wastes more wood than is necessary to get a point.

Small children do better with an oversized, soft lead pencil. A No. 1 or No. 2 is soft. As the number goes higher, the lead gets harder. There are six degrees of hardness. The number is usually printed next to the manufacturer's name.

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Clowns that grow

By RUTH E. WHITNAH



YOU can make unusual paper clowns with the pictures of fruits and vegetables you find in old magazines or catalogs. Paste these together in any way you think you will make them look like people.

You might have a tomato for the body, a plum for the head, and grapes for the ears. The arms can be stalks of celery

or ears of corn. The legs may be carrots with halves of apples for feet. And how about a big green leaf for a hat?

Try putting together such things as bananas, onions, flowers, or anything else that grows. You will never get tired of these clowns, because each one is different.

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God's Wondrous World

Clean Food

By THELMA C. CARTER

RACCOONS are among the strangest of all the wild animals that make their homes along lakes and streams and in marshes. They are night-time animals, hunting for food in the moonlight. Their hunt usually is for crawfish and frogs in ponds and streams. Their favorite foods also include wild berries, nuts, seed, and fruits.

Raccoons are really tree animals. They make their homes in the hollows of trees, sleeping in the forks of tree branches during the daytime.

These animals have clownlike faces. Because of the black patch of fur across their faces, which surrounds the eyes, they look as if they wear goggles. Their heads and faces are shaped like those of a fox.

When they walk, their hind feet are

placed flat on the ground like those of a bear. The tracks of raccoons are easily recognized by hunters. The front toes are long and separated, looking like tiny human hands. The feet are used much as a monkey uses its forepaws.

Baby raccoons learn early the odd habit of their parents, that of washing each morsel of food before eating it. If raccoons are given a tidbit of food from a paper container, they will seek water in which they can wash it before they eat it. It's an odd sight to watch them, washing their food with great care.

Sometimes people play tricks on raccoons by giving them hard sugar. The sugar dissolves and disappears when the animals dip it in water. The ways of Nature's wild creatures are often strange and interesting.

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Toward a mature faith

By LEHMAN F. WEBB

Pastor, Second Baptist Church, El Dorado

April 8, 1962

Devotional Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8-14

Bible Material: 2 Timothy

Golden Text: 2 Peter 3:18

RUFUS M. Jones has said, "There is no great future for any people whose faith has burned out or congealed.



MR. WEBB

History records the ominous fact that national degeneration takes place when faith or vision fail or wane just as surely as it does when economic assets shrink or when there is a dearth of sound money currency."

Another has said, "Strike from mankind the principle of faith,

and men would have no more history than a flock of sheep."

There is probably no nobler example of a maturing faith than the one we sense in the heart of the Apostle Paul as he composes his last will and testament to Timothy. Let us insist on one little detail and that is the use of the term "a maturing faith" or "toward a mature faith" rather than simply "a mature faith." For certainly the apostle never felt he "had arrived" or had developed in spiritual maturity to the fullest.

Many of us have found that the most inspiring and spiritually productive church members are those who are still growing in "grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." On the other hand, how disappointing it is to encounter one who has "arrived," who has learned all there is to learn about the Christian graces. He feels he is "mature" and often is like the "mature apple" in the barrel of good apples, which if left alone will blemish the whole barrel.

The Apostle is facing death, is deserted, lonely, deeply concerned about the work of the churches, away from which he is forced to remain in prison, yet this letter is full of encouragement to young Timothy who is to take up a greater ministry the Apostle is leaving.

I. Importance of a Godly home, 2 Tim. 1:3-7

ONE can readily notice the emphasis the Apostle places on early Christian training in the home. He rejoices with prayers of thanksgiving for the un-

feigned faith that he knew dwelt in all three generations of Timothy's family.

His grandmother Lois, his mother Eunice and Timothy himself have all embraced the Christian religion. To Paul's delight their faith is unhypocritical.

An interesting note is in the Apostle's use of the expression "I thank God whom I serve from my forefathers with a pure conscience." The Christian religion has now, at the time of Paul's writing, been declared an illegal religion; it has been declared unlawful. Yet Paul's faith has reached the place where he still embraces the religion of Christ and has no qualms of conscience about the laws of man. What a glowing example he has become of "obeying God rather than men."

A maturing faith tenders and mellows the heart and will to the extent that strong men are able to weep unashamedly on occasions. Such an occasion arose as, the Apostle was returning to Jerusalem on one of his missionary tours and called for the elders from Ephesus to meet him at Miletus. After a glorious prayer meeting there were "loud cries of sorrow" from the people as in the midst of their tears Paul takes his leave for what he is sure to be his arrest and resultant imprisonment (Acts 20:19-38).

Timothy is admonished to revive or fan into flame the "gift of God" which he has received. This further suggests that the person of a maturing faith realizes that the "gift of God" is never to be held selfishly, never to be bottled up for "peace of mind," or to be enjoyed for enjoyment's sake. The "gift of God" is to be used in service of others to the glory of God.

Paul quickly reminds Timothy that timidity or cowardice has no part in his work and must be overcome. To enable him to accomplish this, God has given the spirit of power. To Paul this meant power to work on, to hold out, to endure all things, to suffer, to die—victorious, triumphant power, an unquenched flame of living fire.

We have been given the spirit of love, that love of full understanding coupled with a mighty corresponding purpose. This love sees all the sin and woe, but its one purpose is that of Jesus, to seek and to save.

The spirit of a sound mind is that quality of sober judgment in guiding

this power and love especially needed in dangerous times like Paul was experiencing.

II. God's word

2 Tim. 3:10-17

IN THIS passage the Apostle lists the various experiences in his own life and assures Timothy that they are in accord with the things Timothy has learned from the Scriptures. It is significant that Timothy has been taught the Scriptures from his childhood and in verse 16 Paul states the fact of the inspiration of the Scriptures.

In his "Great Texts of the Bible," Hastings has this to say about inspiration: "Every true and noble thought of man is indeed in a sense inspired of God; but with Biblical writers the purifying and illuminating Spirit must have been present in some special and exceptional measure. Nevertheless, in words of the prophet or other inspired writer there is a human element, not less than a Divine element, and neither of these must be ignored."

In his Sermons on Old Testament, S. R. Driver states: "Without pretending to define inspiration or determine the mystery of its operation we may, I suppose, say that what we mean by it is an influence which gave those who received it a unique and extraordinary spiritual insight, enabling them thereby without superseding or suppressing the human faculties, but rather using them as its instruments, to declare in different degrees and in accordance with the needs or circumstances of particular ages or particular occasions, the mind and purpose of God."

The Apostle assures Timothy that Bible study is essential as it is the source of our doctrine, it is our instrument of reproof and correction and our guidebook for righteous living. Real Bible study is necessary if ours would be a maturing faith.

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Attendance Report

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Camden			
Centennial, First	507	227	1
First	538	225	5
Crosscut, First	559	192	2
El Dorado, First	1018	280	1
Northside Chapel	56	53	
England, Casey Creek	96	34	6
Fayetteville, Providence	118	55	
Fisher, First	133	68	3
Fort Smith			
Calvary	373	184	2
East Side	71	42	
First	1564	591	23
Grand Avenue	669	256	2
Mission	23		
Kelley Height	174	95	2
Oak Cliff	181	132	2
Temple	296	135	1
Townson Avenue	180	61	
Trinity	292	125	
Gravel Ridge, First	158	90	1
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A Smile or Two

No home run

A FAMOUS high school baseball player was baby sitting when he ran into a crisis. He frantically phoned home and asked his mother for advice. She told him:

"First, place the diaper in the position of a baseball diamond with you at bat. Fold second base over home plate. Place baby on pitcher's mound. Then pin first and third to home plate."

The hard way

THE television salesman gave a convincing home demonstration when selling the remote-controlled television set. He installed the set in the home, then took the remote control a block down the street, and switched channels without difficulty.

A week after the sale had been concluded, the owner complained about the remote control.

"Doesn't it work?" asked the salesman.

"Oh, yes," the customer said, "it works just fine. But it's getting to be quite a nuisance going down the street every time I want to change the channel."

Gapes or gasps?

THE talkative lady was telling her husband about the bad manners of a recent visitor. "If that woman yawned once, Albert, while I was talking, she yawned a dozen times!"

"Maybe she wasn't yawning, dear," said the husband; "maybe she was trying to say something."

Watch it!

MAGICIAN: Now, sir, you placed your watch inside that box yourself, yet you can hear it ticking inside this handkerchief. Listen! Are you satisfied?

Owner of Watch: Entirely! That's the first time it's been running in six months.

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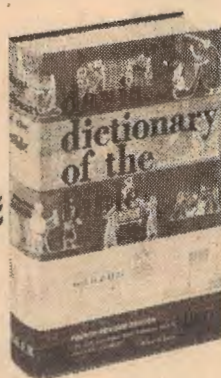
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Race issue described as reaching all areas

THE race issue in the United States today touches most areas of life—religious, social, political and economic, Fay Valentine, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Christian Life Commission, declared recently. Its political effect may still be seen in the campaigns for office throughout the South, where candidates are outspoken on the segregation issue in order to gain votes, he added.

Speaking to the Advisory Council on Southern Baptist Work with Negroes, Valentine continued, community leaders in Dallas and Atlanta last year "did not intend to let the die-hard segregationists spoil their plans for continued economic growth."

Reviewing racial developments nationwide for the past year, Valentine said racial issues were not confined to the South. He mentioned areas of New York City and two other cities—Chicago and New Rochelle, N. Y.—as examples in the North.

"Perhaps it is in the religious life of the land that the magnitude of the race problem is most clearly reflected," he said. "The conflict in the churches is not just philosophical. There is a clash of convictions between pastors and people, between denominations, between churches within the same denomination, and between official church pronouncements or Convention resolutions and rank and file prejudices . . ."

He said the Southern Baptist Convention has been reluctant to give attention to this matter in recent years.

Valentine reviewed the admission of Negroes to Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, N. C., Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Ark., and University of Corpus Christi, Tex., during the past year. All are Southern Baptist-related.

He also recounted actions of state Baptist conventions last October and November on the race issue. A policy statement of the SBC Sunday School Board for allowing Negroes to attend its summer assemblies in North Carolina and New Mexico was reviewed.

In questioning after Valentine's address, one councilman told of a Southern state in which Negroes enrolled at the segregated Negro state college. They observed Baptists in the forefront of denying rights to Negroes, he said.

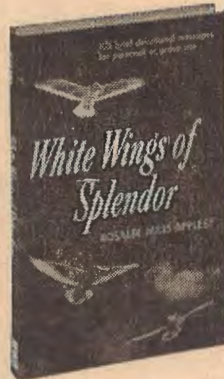
"They told me," this councilman continued, "they intended to go back to their countries and do everything they could to keep Southern Baptist missionaries out of our country."

The Advisory Council, an unofficial group, has representatives from many SBC agencies and state Baptist conventions. It seeks ways in which Southern Baptists may better cooperate with Negro Baptists.

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