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Where does the money go?

WHEN you put money into the church treasury, have you ever asked yourself this question: Where does this money go?

If you have not, then do it. If you cannot answer the question, then ask someone who knows.

For instance, the pastor can explain to you how much and for what, the church spends. He can show you how a portion of your money pays the bills church spends. He can show you how through different channels of service, money moves. If you do not know what goes and because you have heard that it is not needed, or because you are skeptical of the denominational program, it is your fault.

Find out where your money goes that you put into the church treasury, and we believe that you will give more.—Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary

No Easter Here

By ROBERT M. PARHAM, JR.

Missionary to Nigeria

DEATH stole in quickly and took the old man whose emaciated face bore the tribal marks he had worn from his youth. The amulets hanging from his waist had served him well, thought those who stood by; but amulets could not ward off this last attack from enemy death.

The drummers began stroking slowly, then more rapidly. Musicians with small, seed-filled calabashes took up the beat. Dancers began their rhythmic steps as mourners gathered.

The body was placed on a bed of sticks in the grave and scattered with grains to supply the dead man with corn. As the seed is resurrected, perhaps the body will be, thought the mourners.

In this village, like many others of Nigeria, there will be no Easter sunrise service. These people have not heard the words of Jesus, “I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.”

As we gather for our Easter services, let us join in praying that the lost in the vast pagan areas of the world may come to know and believe in the Saviour, who conquered death and the grave.

SEED SERMONS

. . . measurement of the gift

TEXT: But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ (Eph. 4:7).

INTRODUCTION: Many a life is lived far, far below its possibility because its possessor is unmindful of the great resources of God available to all his children.

I. Consider the measure of the gift of God.

1. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life (John 3:16).

2. Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ,

Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father . . . (Gal. 1:4).

3. . . Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus . . . (Rom. 3:24).

4. He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? (Rom. 8:32).

5. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end (Eph. 3:20-21).

II. God has equipped us for victorious living.

For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind (1 Tim. 1:7).

III. We may go boldly to the throne of grace.

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you . . . (Mt. 7:7).

IV. Let us put first things first.

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you (Mt. 6:33).

V. We cannot afford to be listless before God.

. . . Take heed what ye hear: with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you: and unto you that hear shall more be given ( Mk. 4:24).

CONCLUSION: . . . freely ye have received, freely give ( Mt. 10:8).—Erwin L. McDonald
A call to Arkansas voters

Christians alerted for coming election

By LEE I. DANCE

(Legislative Secretary, Christian Civic Foundation of Arkansas, Inc.)

CANDIDATES are now filing for positions on ballots for local offices and for state offices for the Democratic primary to be held July 31. This is a critical time for Christian people across our state because it will determine to a large degree what type of legislature we have in the next regular biennial meeting of the Arkansas State Legislature, and what type of law enforcement and government we will have at the county and precinct levels.

The field of politics is one in which we have often neglected our privilege and responsibility as American citizens. Ofttimes we have simply stood idly aside while detrimental forces have a free rein in trying to influence our moral standards. The time has long since arrived when we need to realize that clean politics can best be carried on by clean, upright Christian citizens. It is our observation that most of our politicians are of this quality. What we need to do is to see that all of our elected officials meet the high standards which we could expect from these officials.

FILING TIME: The deadline (May 2) for candidates to file for office is rapidly approaching. Please do your utmost to persuade some of our finer men and women to seek elective offices in our local and state government.

SUPPORT TIME: The time to begin supporting worthy candidates is now. There is nothing to be ashamed of when we openly give our support to worthy people for governmental positions as we do for positions of religious leadership. We cannot divorce ourselves from politics; it is the very life in which we live.

LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT:
There are some vital matters pertaining to the morality of our Arkansas citizenry that need to be introduced in the next session of the legislature and followed through to successful enactment. Some of these are:

1. An act to prohibit the possession or use of pinball machines or similar devices.
2. An act to prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages in grocery and drug stores.
3. An act to prohibit the drinking of alcohol in a vehicle, this act to include a provision to prohibit open containers of alcoholic beverages in vehicles.
4. An act to make it unlawful to have in possession or transport at any one time in any county or part thereof in which it is unlawful to manufacture, sell, barter, loan or give away intoxicating liquor, more than one-fifth gallon of spirituous, vineous, or malt liquor, or one case of beer.
5. An act to prescribe methods to determine the alcoholic content of the blood of drivers suspected of driving while intoxicated. This act is known as "implied consent," which would be given by each person applying for a driver's license in the State of Arkansas.

It would be a good idea if each of us would ask each candidate for office in our state what his or her views are on the above proposed legislation. Our responsibility as citizens is to ascertain the position of prospective officials on matters pertaining to the moral wellbeing of our citizenry.

Encourage good people to run.

Support good people who do run.

Make your position clear to elected officials on all moral issues. Our state not only needs responsible officials, but we also need responsible people to discharge their moral and civic responsibility in the field of politics.

MANSIONS

To own mansions on earth
We must take on great tasking
But the mansions in Heaven
May be had for the asking.

—Anna Nash Yarbrough, Benton

The Cover

Arkansas Baptist News Magazine

Photo by Annie Laurie Savage

GOD forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ (Galatians 6:14).

This Easter cover is an Arkansas scene—at Mt. Sequoyah, the Methodist camp overlooking the city of Fayetteville.
The Oaklawn image

OAKLAWN Park is "helping create a positive image of Hot Springs and Arkansas itself," in the opinion of John G. Cella, president of the horse-race track, as quoted in the daily press.

To support his appraisal, Cella reports "more visitors from other states to the track and Hot Springs than at any other time," and his satisfaction with the quality of horses running this year. He describes as "frosting on the cake" the fact there has been keen competition among the jockeys "for riding honors."

Further facts related to the alleged new and favorable "image" include all-time highs for the "mutuel handle" for the year and also for one day, the one-day record for the Arkansas Derby pool totaling $172,033. The whole mutuel total was $24,112,950, with the one-day mark totaling $1,103,219.

In an effort to get a more complete picture of the "image" horse-race gambling brings to Hot Springs and to Arkansas, I have interviewed a man who lived in Hot Springs for many years, Dr. Clyde Hart, now of Little Rock, a man who knows from first-hand experience what the "image" is back of the facade. Let him give his own report:

"Hot Springs, with its beautiful mountains and lakes, is one of the scenic spots of the nation. Many of the citizens of this city are among the best Christians and church members to be found anywhere. These good people did not bring the race track and gambling to Hot Springs. This was done by the vote of the citizens of the entire state of Arkansas. Neither the Hot Springs pastors nor the church members condone or compromise with the race-track, gambling, underworld forces in Hot Springs.

"The image of the racing season begins 30 to 60 days ahead of the opening of racing, when tramps, "touts," hot-check artists, safe-crackers, etc., begin to drift into town. They come by the scores every year. They follow the races like vultures follow the scent of decaying flesh.

"During the racing season, caravans of cars pour daily into Hot Springs from almost every town and hamlet, big and little, in Arkansas. More than half the daily attendance is made up of Arkansans who do not live in Hot Springs. The majority of the others are out-of-state visitors.

"A sad part of the true image is the gambling away of millions of dollars by people the most of whom cannot afford it. Aside from being morally wrong, their gambling and the losses sustained hurt many others. Children go hungry as families are neglected, with bills to doctors, merchants, and others going unpaid.

"Every conceivable kind of gambling dive is flung wide open and crime increases in the city by more than 50 percent.

"Some of the finest young men and women, with the best reputations, succumb to the temptation to take "hot tips" on "sure winners" and embezzle funds, bringing disgrace and dishonor upon themselves and their families and often landing themselves in prison.

"The 'image' must include at least 30 days beyond the last day of the races, for it requires at least that long for the churches and benevolent organizations to help many of the unfortunate victims. These organizations try, at considerable time and expense, to salvage something from the human wreckage left in the wake of the racing season. But, in about 99 percent of the cases, all that can be done is to supply food for bankrupt families and enough gasoline to help them get on the road. Many of these helped will be on their way as soon as possible to other race track openings, in Florida, Kentucky, Chicago or somewhere else."

One of the arguments you will hear for continuing to have race-track gambling is that the state benefits—our "take" for the state was $1,385,613.18 this year. But when you consider the increase in crime, the hardship on homes and business, and the fact that 95 percent of the money goes elsewhere, the most of it to big gambling interests from outside the state, that's hardly anything to crow about.

Those who would try to improve the state's image by joining hands with the gambler might well consider another "image," one that has stood unchanged through the rise and fall of many a nation: "Righteousness exalteth a nation but sin is a reproach to any people." — ELM

Down in Arkansaw

IT WAS amusingly interesting to hear a big-time politician get his tongue twisted while addressing the Little Rock Rotary Club recently and declare with great fervency: "I have great future in the confidence of our country!" Well, about the only future a politician has is in the confidence of the voters.
Letters to the editor

The people speak

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

ERWIN L. MCDONALD, EDITOR THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST NEWS MAGAZINE

GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR EMPHASIS ON CHURCH LIBRARY WEEK IN CURRENT ISSUE. IT'S GOOD TO WORK WITH DENOMINATIONAL LEADERS WHO FEEL THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENCOURAGE SOUTHERN BAPTISTS TO READ MORE AND BETTER BOOKS

JAMES L. SULLIVAN, H. E. INGRAHAM WAYNE E. TODD MRS. AGNES FORD

Preacher's home

WOULD you please give me information as to what a "Baptist preacher's house" is called? I've been taught that it is referred to as Pastorium. The Methodists call theirs the parsonage, the Presbyterians refer to the home of their pastor as the Manse.

Yet from time to time I've noticed that our wonderful Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine nearly always, when speaking of a Baptist Minister's home, will say parsonage. Now I'm confused--Who is right? Who is wrong?--Mrs. Helen Bates, Goodwin

REPLY: The Baptist pastor's home is usually referred to, at least in the South, as parsonage. But it is also frequently designated pastorium. Either is correct. And the Presbyterians have no restricted title to "manse," if any Baptists like that. --ELM

Much encouragement

I AM enclosing my check ... to pay for my subscription to the Arkansas Baptist. It is a good paper and I love to read it and can assure you that its inspiration is not limited to Southern Baptists. Baptists with other groups and Christians of any faith can find much encouragement here.

I have a great love for Southern Baptists and do most sincerely admire and applaud their evangelist zeal and drive. Their defense of religious freedom is manifested in seeking to lead men rather than to compel.

My heart's desire and prayer unto God is that peace and unity may be the "Tie that binds" and the balm that heals every threatening wound within the marching ranks of Southern Baptists.

If the Lord should give you any burden to pray for me I shall be humbly grateful. I try to serve Him and His people both in His church and in the public affairs of the people of Arkansas.--Roy H. Galyean, Pastor, Mayesville Baptist Church of the North American Baptist Association, and Representative in the 63rd General Assembly of the House of Representatives of the State of Arkansas, Route 3, Bentonville.

REPLY: YOUR Christian leadership, in your church and in the State Legislature, are contributing in a great way toward the building of a better state. We appreciate very much your friendship and your support for civic and moral development and righteousness in Arkansas. --ELM

Happy in old age

I AM glad I'm a member of First Baptist, Hot Springs, and wanted to say, God answered our prayers when He gave us Bro. James H. Fairchild and I'm glad to say, we soon plan to move into our new building, perhaps the 17th of May.

I must say also we are happy to have Rev. John Abernathy and his good wife as members of our church. They are an inspiration to us all.

You are giving us a wonderful paper and we thank God for its influence on those who read it.

Hope this does not reach the wastebasket.--Mrs. E. R. Burns, aged 91 (oldest living member of First Church, Hot Springs), 907 Pritchard Street, Hot Springs.

REPLY: Thank you, Mrs. Burns. Throwing away your letter would be like throwing away a ray of sunshine and a breath of fresh air. You are an inspiration to all of us. --ELM

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Church Checkers by CARTWRIGHT

"Now then, if I should happen to oversleep..."

ERWIN L. MCDONALD

ERWIN L. MCDONALD, EDITOR THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST NEWS MAGAZINE

[Image of a checkerboard with the text "Church Checkers by CARTWRIGHT, "Now then, if I should happen to oversleep..." and a signature dated April 19, 1962.]

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Recently, seeking worthy response to your expressed desire for more helpful pointers to mothers, I wrote to Mrs. Billy Walker. Many of you know her husband, Evangelist Billy Walker. If you have had much association with him you are aware of his deep appreciation for "Margaret," his helpmate and inspiration, and of his pride in his children.

Little Lisa received a warm welcome from the ten other Walkers when she arrived fifteen months ago. Who could be better qualified than the mother of the Walkers to supply helpful pointers to modern mothers!

I dared ask Mrs. Walker to take time from her full, busy life to lead out in an interchange of ideas by which we may help each other to become better wives and mothers.

Here is the substance of her reply.

I am reluctant to have any suggestions of mine in print because many Arkansas Baptist readers have seen our house when we had to say, "It doesn't always look like this; sometimes it's even worse."

Billy, Jr., hearing me mention your question about the key to smooth days, said, "Tell her it's the key to the front door, in case anyone should want to come in."

We do love company and enjoy entertaining, but things are not always smooth.

As for systematic habits: my husband is helpful about keeping things on schedule, but when he leaves (and he is away most of the time), there are usually so many activities for all age groups, in school, church, etc., that it is difficult to maintain an orderly schedule of work.

Billy and I had our twenty-first anniversary yesterday. My testimony is that whatever things may have been lacking through "all these years and with all these children," love is not one of them. We have a lot of help and cooperation from our children. In fact, I must give credit to my husband and my children for being content with an abundance of love rather than expecting perfection.

Concerning the balance of time between home and church, our family has always taken it for granted that if meals, housecleaning, or outside activities have to wait, that is a very little sacrifice for all God has done for us. We feel that there is no better place to find and follow His leadership than at the church, through regular attendance and participation.

In reply to your query about my private devotional time and our family altar, I find the best time for my personal Bible study and prayer is early in the morning. I do not mean to sound pious when I say I do not relegate prayer to the dishwashing hour. In fact, it is hard for me to pray at all while washing dishes because that is my pet hate!

We have the family altar in the evening. If at a later date you want me to tell you of some of our family altar experiences, I shall be happy to do so.

Ours is by no means an ordinary household so far as size is concerned; but actually I am not the kind of manager who can offer helpful advice on running any size household. Rather, I would welcome suggestions from others.

Let me add these observations from contacts with the Walker family.

They practice considerate, but firm discipline.

Each child has certain, specific responsibilities in the home.

They are taught resourcefulness and certain of the older children, including the boys, can prepare complete, tasty meals.

Will you share with Mrs. Walker and others something you have found helpful in your home? Often a very simple thing will make work lighter and life more pleasant.

One mother with the perfectionist housekeeping complex had an experience that adjusted her sense of values.

She decided to participate with her children rather than to send them to church.

Consequently she became proficient in prepare-ahead meals for Sunday. She stored bric-a-brac to make housekeeping easier.

I know a young mother of four who is in the process of developing a better-mood-for-church play with her family.

Her first step—begin on Monday preparation for the next Sunday. Then, with earlier-to-bed-on-Saturday-night and earlier-to-rise-on-Sunday habits she hopes to have them ready in time for the family to spend a few minutes relaxed togetherness before the leave.

She believes this will relieve the irritation of last minute tensions and get them off to church in happier mood.

Please share!

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

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The Legend
of the Dogwood Tree
There is an ancient legend
That the dogwood tree once grew
As strong and sturdy as the oak,
As tall and stately too.

This noble monarch, towering high
In majesty and pride,
Was chosen to form the rugged cross
On which our Saviour died.
The tree was bitterly ashamed
That such a thing should be
And Christ sought words of comfort
To console the sorrowing tree...

He promised it should never grow
Large enough again
For such a use, but should become
A symbol among men...

It should be slender, twisted too,
With blossoms that would grow
To form the semblance of the cross
On which He suffered so...

With two short petals and two long,
And each fair petal too
Should bear the imprint of the nails,
Forever fresh and new.

A tiny crown of thorns should form
The center of each flower,
To symbolize the suffering
He knew in that sad hour.

For evermore the dogwood tree
Should be revered, He said,
A true reminder of the cross
On which His blood was shed...

And so—with every new-born spring—
Again the dogwood tree
Reminds us of His Love...
that lives
Through all eternity.
—The Right Hand

Baptist beliefs
REPENTANCE
By HERSCHEL H. HOBBS
President, Southern Baptist Convention
First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

THE ENGLISH word “repent” is of Latin derivation. Its basic idea is to “do penance.” This is an unfortunate translation of the idea which expresses this vital experience leading to regeneration.

In the New Testament there are two Greek words translated “repent.” Metamelomai expresses the emotional element in repentance. It means regret. It may be of a godly sort leading to genuine repentance (II Cor. 7:8-10) but not necessarily so, a change of mind with no reference to sorrow (Matt. 21:29, 32; Heb. 7:21) or merely regret that one got caught in his sinful deeds (Matt. 27:3). These are the only uses of this word in the New Testament. By itself the experience expressed in this word does not lead to regeneration.

Metanoia (the noun for repentance, used 24 times in N.T.), on the other hand, means a change of mind or attitude. It is more than intellectual since it involves the will or the heart (Mark 1:4, 14-15; Luke 17:3; Acts 2:38; Rom. 2:4).

While it may involve remorse or godly sorrow, its basic idea is a change in the direction of one’s life (Acts 9:1-6). It involves a change of attitude toward God and sin: from hating God one loves Him; from loving sin one hates it. It expresses a change of feeling, not simply with regard to what sin does to man but what it does to God.

Generally metamelomai means sorrow after sin, while metanoia (verb, metaneo) means sorrow before sin. In the latter one turns from sin to God, by His power to endeavor to walk no more in sin. Apart from this latter experience there can be no regeneration.

A contrast of these two words may best be seen in II Corinthians 7:10. “For godly sorrow worketh repentance [metanoia] to salvation not to be repented of [metamelomai].”

Jesus said, “... except ye repent [metaneo], ye shall all likewise perish” (Luke 13:3).

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Payment for a motive

HAVE you been paid in full? If so, you should never expect to be paid again.

This was the full implication of the declaration of Jesus twice in rapid succession (Matthew 6:2, 16). Literally, he said, “They are receiving their reward in full.”

His allusion, of course, was to the devotedly religious person who performs the functions of religion out of a wrong motive. If the motive, for example, is to receive the reward of praise, then that is the only reward that is forthcoming. That payment having been made in full, no further payment should be expected.

This is not to deny that there are certain benefits which naturally accompany virtue. It simply points up the very subtle nature and serious significance of this matter of motive.

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Gleanings from the Greek New Testament
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Payment for a motive

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April 19, 1962
Arkansas All Over

Law scholarship for Donald Wood

DONALD Wood, a senior at Ouachita College, has been awarded a $1,000 scholarship to Cornell Law School in Ithaca, N. Y. The award will take the form of partial remission of the amount to be paid for tuition and fees, one-half of the award to be applied to each term.

The scholarship is awarded for not more than one year and may be renewed and re-evaluated as an amount from year to year.

Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wood, Hot Springs, is a member of Alpha Chi, Blue Key, the student senate, and was elected to Who's Who in American Schools and Colleges.

Little Rock church calls new pastor

REV. Garrett Graham, Atlanta, Ga., has accepted a call to be pastor of South Highland Church, Little Rock, effective April 16.

Mr. Graham, who has been an evangelist for the past four years, was previously pastor of First Church, Ammonia, Ala., for nine years.

A native of Oklahoma, he has been in the ministry for 25 years. Mr. and Mrs. Graham have four children and several grandchildren.

EVANGELIST Walter K. Ayers is scheduled for the following revivals: April 23-28, First Church, Perryville; May 13-20, Faulkner County Association (24 churches) on the Court Square, Conway; June 10-17, city-wide revival in DeWitt with all Southern Baptist churches of the city participating.

Mr. Ayers was the evangelist for three additions by baptism. Trent Langeley led the music.

NLR Central honors pastor

DR. C. Gordon Bayless and Mrs. Bayless were honored by Central Church, North Little Rock, with a special issue of an anniversary bulletin April 8, on the eleventh anniversary of Dr. Bayless' pastorate of the church.

The bulletin traces the growth of the church under the leadership of Pastor Bayless: membership increase from 435 to 748; 910 additions, 385 for baptism; Sunday school from seven departments with 434 enrolled to 12 departments with 595 enrolled; Training Union enrollment more than doubled to 228 with average attendance last year of 118; total gifts from $21,080.30 to $51,202.71 last year and a current budget of $54,000. Two floors of the education building were completed in 1952 and the sanctuary completed and occupied in 1956. The sanctuary was air-conditioned in 1958.

During his 11 years at Central, Dr. Bayless has been the evangelist in 58 revival meetings in which there were more than 1,500 conversions. He is to be with the 3,500-member First Church, Pampa, Tex., where he formerly was pastor, for a revival April 29-May 6.

Acklin to Texas

DENNIS Acklin will become assistant to the pastor of First Church, at Dangerfield, Tex., April 22. Dr. Amos Bennett, former pastor of First Church, Morrilton, is pastor.

Mr. Acklin has been youth director of South Highland Church, Little Rock, for the past year.

First, Tyronza has daily radio program

SINCE April 8 First Church, Tyronza, and its pastor, Rev. Horace O. Duke, Jr., have been bringing a daily devotional program to listeners of Radio Station KPCA, Marked Tree.

The radio program is carried Monday through Saturday at 6:30 a.m. and on Sunday at 7:05 a.m. It features devotional songs by the pastor and music "by top religious singers and musicians," the church bulletin reports, with Mrs. Stuart Bodry as the regular organist.

Arkansas Baptist
Arkansan granted Wilson Fellowship

WAKE FOREST, N. C. — Joe Hicks, senior at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary from Little Rock, has become the first Southeastern student to receive a Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship. [Editor's note: Mr. Hicks is the son of Dr. W. H. Hicks, pastor of Pulaski Heights Baptist Church, Little Rock.]

Hicks was one of 1,058 young men and women representing 46 states granted the award. The fellowships are granted with the hope of launching the students into prospective college teaching careers.

At present, 645 of the former fellows of the Foundation are teaching at 293 colleges and universities and another 641 are expected to complete their doctorates by fall.

Though he has not made a final decision, Hicks is tentatively planning to enroll in the Yale Divinity School. His first year of graduate study will be paid by the fellowship. The Foundation encourages the graduate schools in their support of students after one year of study by granting additional funds to them.

The director of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation, Dr. Hans Rosenhaupt, stressed the quality of the students selected. "Out of every 100 college seniors throughout the United States and Canada only one or two are nominated," he reported.

Cage star signs

ARKADELPHIA — Alton Weiner, 6-foot 7-inch star basketball center for Texarkana Junior College, has signed a letter of intent to Ouachita College, George Johnson, Ouachita assistant coach, reports. Weiner, who played for Woodlawn High School near Pine Bluff, last season paced Texarkana College to a 17-7 record, with an average of 20 points and 14 rebounds a game.

Addition of Weiner will make it probable that Coach Bill Vining can field a lineup averaging 6-6 next year if he so desires.

Deacons ordained

FAIR Oaks Church ordained L. D. Immel and Edsel Chapman as deacons on Mar. 25.

Tri-County associational missionary Fred Sudduth brought the message and gave the charges to both the church and the deacons. Fair Oaks pastor, Rev. Max L. Taylor, led the questioning, W. E. Plyler presented the candidates and Oral Ziegenhorn led the ordination prayer.


Vandervoordt church to build

A GROUND-breaking ceremony Sunday afternoon, April 1, marked the start of construction on a new building for First Church, Vandervoord.

On April 2 M. T. Pearce of Mena began work on the 34x62-ft. building of block construction, which will cost approximately $7,000. Completion time is estimated at six weeks.

Rev. Peter L. Petty, pastor, presided at the ground-breaking ceremony. Other participants were Rev. J. M. Holman, pastor of Gillham Church, who brought the message; Rev. A. G. Escott, Ouachita Association missionary, who led the prayer of dedication; Earl Hays, who led the singing, and Carl Bell, chairman of deacons. Mr. Bell has served as Sunday School superintendent for 22 years and has conducted a Sunday School class on radio for 12 years.
Alice Keith wins
Emma Scott Award

ALICE Keith, a sophomore, ‘elementary education major’ at Ouachita College, won the first Emma Scott Memorial Scholarship Award Mar. 30, at a dinner meeting of the Student Arkansas Education Association in Little Rock.

The scholarship of $150 is given annually to a college sophomore preparing to be a teacher. Emma Scott founded the Future Teacher movement in Arkansas.

Miss Keith was also elected by the delegates to attend the state convention as College Board member at large of the Student Arkansas Education Association.

Miss Keith is currently serving as president-elect of Ouachita’s W. S. Johnson Chapter of SNEA and will serve as president during the next school year. She is secretary of her social club, The Hi-Hats.

Miss Keith is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Keith, Hot Springs.

FIRST Church, England, has called Rev. T. R. Coulter as pastor. Mr. Coulter and his family are expected to arrive the middle of April, coming to England from Charleston, Mo.

Deaths

Mrs. E. D. McKnight

MRS. Olive Murphy McKnight, 77, died April 2 at her home in Brinkley.

Until ill health curtailed her activities, Mrs. McKnight was an active member of First Church, Brinkley. A WMU circle bears her name.

She was a charter member of the Arkansas chapter, American Cancer Society, and served as Monroe County director many years. She was also a charter member of the Arkansas PTA, and had held office in the state medical auxiliary and was president of the Monroe County Medical Auxiliary.

Besides her husband, Dr. E. D. McKnight, she is survived by a son, R. L. McKnight, Sr., Memphis; a daughter, Mrs. R. A. Lile, Little Rock; a sister, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

J. C. Fowler

J. C. FOWLER, 49, a trustee and treasurer of First Church, Brinkley, died April 4 at his home in Brinkley.

He was chairman of the church finance committee, and chairman of the building committee that constructed the church new sanctuary and educational units last year.

He was also a member of the board of the Brinkley Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Lions Club.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Helen Fuller Fowler; a son, Steve, Brinkley; a daughter, Mrs. E. B. Duke, Jr., West Memphis; a brother, four sisters and a grandson.

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‘New birth’ sermon preached at funeral

SOUTH Highland Church, Little Rock, lost a charter member in the death, March 26, of Mrs. Teresa Bryant Singley, 89, widow of Alfred F. Singley, who founded Singley Dairy.

The Singleys reared a family of 12 children around a family altar and were active in their church. Mrs. Singley served as a deacon for more than 50 years.

Mrs. Singley was a personal sermon winner. At her own request, the sermon at her funeral was on the text, “Ye must be born again,” directed to the lost.

She has been described as a daughter as “a shouting Baptist who enjoyed praising the Lord.”

Calvary Association

E. E. Boone, Missionary

WEST Point Church has called Leonard Cundiff as temporary pastor. Mr. Cundiff is a member of the armed forces and may be sent overseas in the near future.

MORTON Church has started work on their new church plant. The educational building is being constructed first with plans to add an auditorium at a later date.

MARVIN Hill, pastor of Mount Hebron Church, has resigned to accept a church near Gould.

AKRONAS BaptLst
THE association’s radio program is being broadcast each Sunday morning from 7 to 7:30 a.m. over KWBC, Searcy.

Revivals

FIRST Church, Lockesburg, Andy Kerr, pastor; Mar. 26-April 2 with Pastor Kerr, evangelist; Loel Phillips, music; five additions, two by baptism, three by letter; two rededications.

REV. Earl C. Edwards, pastor of Calvary Church, Harrisburg, reports 50 additions to the church since Nov. 1, 1961. Six new members came on profession of faith during the week of April 1-8 while the church was in a revival with Rev. Loy E. Baird of Quitman, La. Pastor Edwards led the music.

SOUTH Highland Church, Little Rock, Garrett Graham, pastor; April 22-29 with Billy Walker, evangelist; Haskell Lindsey, music.

SPRADLING Church, Ft. Smith, Henry M. Evans, pastor; April 22-29 with Bob Meggs, evangelist.

FIRST Church, DeQueen, Dr. E. Butler Abington, pastor; April 1-8 with Rev. J. D. Cheatham, pastor, First Church, Oak Grove, La., evangelist; Charles Mayo, First Church, Benton, music; 13 additions.

EARL E Church, Homer A. Bradley, pastor; youth-led revival Mar. 21-25 with Larry Taylor, Orachita College, evangelist; Lawson Glover, University of Arkansas, and Wanda Jennings, Henderson State Teachers College, music; 15 additions, many rededications.

HAROLD Boyd, Ft. Smith, was the evangelist at Tanglewood Church, Sand Springs, Okla., April 1-8; nine additions and 85 other decisions. Roy Davis is pastor.

THE CHURCH TREASURER. All the officers of a church are important. However, in my opinion, the church treasurer, is the most important officer in any church. He or she is dealing with people at the most sensitive point in their lives. Most people are sensitive about the handling of their gifts to the church.

The treasurer should pay bills just as soon as a statement is received. Immediately following the last Sunday in each month all payments should be made to the District Association, the Cooperative Program, and all other gifts to denominational causes. Many times it has become necessary for the Executive Mission Board to borrow money on which to operate when church treasurers had on bank deposit sufficient funds to carry the work on a cash basis and save interest.

Some churches are embarrassed when monthly or quarterly reports are published and their church shows a blank. It is not right for money to be kept in banks when the causes need it. Church treasurers are honest, but often inefficient.

Clear and easily understood reports should be made to the church monthly. The pastor and perhaps church families should be given mimeographed copies of the monthly reports. Church members are entitled to have full information about the finances of their church. To make the monthly reports easy to prepare, a large deposit book should be used. A large check book should be used with sufficient room for listing all checks. All monthly reports should be kept filed, making it easy to make the annual report for the annual association.

HARSH WORDS. I am sure no one wants to hear harsh words. No one has ever been helped by harsh words. Why do we use harsh words? Harsh words drag us down, cause us to lose friends, and cause us to become disgusted with ourselves. My heavy voice has caused people to think my words were harsh when I did not mean them to be. However, I know I have used harsh words. I wish I had not. For every harsh word I uttered to my parents, I am sorry. For every harsh word I ever uttered to my wife or children, I regret. For every time I have spoken harshly to any person, I am deeply sorry. I pray that my words and your words shall be spoken softly in all the days ahead. May God help us to be gentle and kind to all people.

"Love never storms or blusters. Love is never harsh. It does not censure. It does not scold."

"Love speaks calmly, in a sweet, low tone of voice with beautiful touches of courtesy."

Harshness is offensive, coarse, rough, grating, discordant, lacking in harmony, smoothness, rashing, raw, and disagreeable.

I want to make a trade with you—let’s leave off harshness.
Mississippi women told 'Go Forward'

A SOUTHERN Baptist Woman's Missionary Union leader told the Mississippi Baptist Woman's Missionary Union Convention to "go forward" and not to be afraid of communism, the race problem, and a thermonuclear war.

"God will act mightily on behalf of those who will do what is in their power to do if they will act in faith, believing," said Mrs. Wm. McMurry of Birmingham, Ala., director of the promotion division for the Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union.

She told the state woman's convention that Americans are being pursued by "the ad men, the heavy tax burden of the government, and the materialists who would substitute science for God."

"In the eyes of the materialist, we have outrun God," she said. "To operate the federal government it cost more from 1956-1960 than in the first 152 years of operation," she said.

Mrs. McMurry cited the race problem as the number one problem in the world today, and said that we are afraid of communism, the race problem, and a thermonuclear war.

Four-fifths of the world will be Communist by 1968 if the trend is not reversed, said Mrs. McMurry, in quoting Frank Laubach. Speaking on the fear of a thermonuclear war, she quoted Edward Teller, father of the H-bomb, as saying "man has never had a decisive weapon he did not eventually use."

McCall on Commission

PRESIDENT John F. Kennedy has named the president of Baylor University in Waco, Tex., Abner V. McCall, as one of nine members of the Commission on International Rules of Judicial Procedure. The commission studies and works out rules of international legal procedures. McCall is a former associate justice of the Texas Supreme Court.

No minister shortage here

MEMBERS of the First Southern Baptist Church in Syracuse, N. Y., may not know of their denomination's declining seminary enrollment (a drop from 5,001 to 4,607 this year), but they seem to be doing something about it.

Four of the members were ordained as ministers April 18 in services which attracted a vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention and an official of the Home Mission Board. Three of them will enroll in Southern Baptist seminaries this fall, and the fourth will attend a college in the South.

The five-year-old church was the second church to become affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention in the Northeast. Since its constitution in 1957, the congregation has sponsored nine missions, and three are now churches with missions of their own.

Paul R. Becker of Elmira, N. Y., now pastor of a mission in that city, was the first pastor of the Syracuse congregation. The present pastor is John Tollison.

Present for the services were W. Herschel Ford of El Paso, Tex., pastor of the First Baptist Church there and a vice president of the Convention; A. B. Cash of Atlanta, secretary of the pioneer missions department for the denomination's Home Mission Board; and Charles Magruder of Buffalo, area missionary for upstate New York for the Ohio State Convention of Baptists.

The four new ministers are:

- Frank Scott, of Syracuse, a member of the parent church, high school honor graduate and Syracuse University student.
- Eddie Husted, a native of Elkland, Pa., who has taught in New York schools and is a member of the Elmira Mission. He has been pastor of a Baptist congregation of another denomination.
- Floyd Baker, a native of Oneonta, N. Y., saw combat duty in Korea and was converted at First Baptist Church, El Paso, Tex., while in the service. Called to the ministry after discharge from the Army, he attended a Baptist seminary in New York state. He has served as pastor of the Ithaca Mission.
- Glen Dick, a native of West Virginia, was converted by the witnessing of one of his employees in Hollywood, Fla. He sold his business, entered college, and later attended a Baptist seminary. He has been a pastor and active in pulpit supply in New York state.

New editor

NEW editor of Upward, weekly magazine for Intermediates in Southern Baptist Sunday schools, is Velma Darbo.

Miss Darbo has been assistant editor of Young People's lesson courses in the Baptist Sunday School Board's Sunday School Department since 1958, and was assistant editor of The Teacher for nine years prior.

Miss Darbo succeeds Miss Josephine Pile, new editor of Intermediate lesson courses in the Board's Sunday School department.

Baylor student group approves desegregation

A RESOLUTION calling for the removal of racial barriers at Baylor University, Waco, Tex., has been overwhelmingly approved by the school's Student Congress.

The student governing body, by a 30-5 vote, urged the Baptist school's administration to take action to integrate the institution.

Both sides of the question were hotly debated by members of the Student Congress during an hour-long session.

Opponents of the resolution said that if Texas Baptists wanted inte-
gration at Baylor, the university would already be desegregated.

Those in favor of desegregation said that it was the duty of the Student Congress to pass the resolution since it is the "voice of the student body."

In a recent campus-wide straw vote on the issue, students favored admission of qualified Negro students and their participation in Southwest Conference athletics. They opposed, however, integration of dormitories.

The opposition also said that passing the resolution would embarrass the administration and endanger the university's receipt of gifts from donors who oppose integration.

Supporters of the resolution replied that if the administration was embarrassed over the straw vote, steps would have been taken to prevent the Student Congress from dealing with the question.

A month earlier, Baylor President Abner McCall told the students at a special panel discussion on Baylor policies that "an emotional change must be made among Texas Baptists before a movement toward integration will be put into action."

President McCall said that Baylor would continue its present admission policies until the school's board of trustees, elected by the Baptist General Convention of Texas, approves a change.

Annuity Board buys

THE Southern Baptist Convention Annuity Board has purchased a new plant near Burlington, N. C., and leased it back to the occupants, Kayser-Roth Corp., a manufacturing concern.

Fred W. Noe, Dallas, treasurer of the Annuity Board, administrators of the pension funds for the Southern Baptist Convention, and Joseph Bird, executive vice-president of Kaysar-Roth Corp., said jointly the purchase price of the property was in excess of $2 million.

Noe said purchase of this property is part of the regular investment program of the Annuity Board. Money used to buy the plant came from dues and premiums paid into the retirement plans which the Annuity Board administers.

Mrs. John W. McCall dies in Memphis

MRS. John W. McCall, mother of a seminary president and a foreign missionary, died at her home in Memphis Mar. 24. She was 73 years old.

Her husband, who survives, is a retired Memphis city judge. They made a tour of world mission fields early in 1961, with a special interest in Indonesia, where their daughter, Mrs. Ralph Bethea, serves. The daughter is the wife of Dr. Bethea, a missionary physician appointed by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

The McCall's celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last October.

At Southern Seminary in Louisville, the Lizette Kimbrough McCall Foundation—its purpose to promote world missions—was established in her honor. Duke K. McCall, seminary president, is her son.

GEORGIA PEACH—Miss Judy Evans from Dalton, Ga., competed in the national Junior Miss pageant at Mobile, Ala., after winning the title "Georgia's Junior Miss." She made an instant hit with teen-agers at Mobile's Cottages Hill Baptist Church, where she demonstrated her musical talent at the invitation of the church's minister of music, Talmadge Butler (standing at left). Judy, who wants to be a full-time minister of music in a Baptist church, was presented a special loose-leaf copy of the Baptist Hymnal. Judy was fourth runner-up in the national finals.
PROGRAM
Woman's Missionary Union
Annual Meeting, June 4-5, 1962
Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, California

Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Texas, President; State W.M.U. Presidents, Vice Presidents; Mrs. Robert Flinn, Oklahoma, Recording Secretary; Miss Alma Hunt, Alabama, Executive Secretary.

Theme: We've a Story to Tell—We've a Message to Give—We've a Song to Be Sung—We've a Saviour to Show—TO THE NATIONS.

TO THE NATIONS

Monday Morning, June 4
Prelude
Call to Worship

Song Service
Devotional Period
"We've a Story to Tell"
"A Song to Be Sung"
Prayer
I Found the Lord in America
To the Nations, Our Charge
Solo
Pageant—Girls' Auxiliary
50th Anniversary
"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"
Adjournment

Tuesday Morning, June 5
Prelude
Call to Worship

Song Service
Devotional Period
"We've a Song to Be Sung" Mrs. Claude H. Rhea Jr.
"A Song to Be Sung"
Prayer
Hymn

TO THE NATIONS

Buddhists and Moslems, USA
E. Jack Combs, Chinese Choir
Chinese Baptist Church, San Francisco
Mr. and Mrs. John Wong, Calif.
The Peter Chen Family

TO THE NATIONS

Latin American Choir
Catholicism USA
1 Found the Lord Who Reigneth Above

Hungarian Choir
"For the Darkness Shall Turn to Dawning"
In Argentina
In Italy
Solo
Adjournment

TO THE NATIONS

Second Spanish Baptist Church, San Francisco
E. Jack Combs, Calif.
Mrs. Josias Robledo, Calif.
Paul Rogasim, Calif.
Los Angeles
Mrs. S. Dan Sprinkle Jr., Missionary
Miss Virginia Wingo, Missionary
Irene Jordan

TO THE NATIONS

Escaping Communism
"For the Darkness Shall Turn to Dawning"
In Southern Rhodesia
Solo
Adjournment

Arkansas Baptist
The blight of war

THE Civil War paralyzed the South. Because of the tremendous loss of life and finances, churches felt its shocking blows.

Pastor R. J. Coleman lived near Pine Bluff when war was declared and in his autobiography gave something of its effects upon the churches. A church he'd organized north of Pine Bluff disbanded during this period.

He moved to Saline County, near Turin Post Office, and pastored Philadelphia Church. Many of the men from the community went to war and never returned. Their widows and children were left in destitute circumstances. The pastor and a few men looked after these families. About a third of his time was spent in this way and another third was spent in preaching. This left another third of his time for his home, most of which was spent in making shoes for women and children.

Each week this little band of people gathered in the afternoon for prayer, and considered ways in which they could help and encourage the soldiers' families. Oftentimes, not more than two or three men would be present, but the women attended.

During those years, Rev. Coleman preached at Shiloh, Philadelph, Providence, Red Bluff and Liberty churches in the Poe Community, about 15 miles east of Benton. In spite of the war, he reported a revival among the young people in 1862.

Preacher Coleman moved to White Bluff on the Arkansas River in 1863. He lived there in 1864 while Gen. Frederick Steele occupied Little Rock and Powell Clayton held Pine Bluff. Caught between the two he suffered from both sides. Occasionally, the Confederates would come by and take what they wanted; then the Union soldiers would come and take what was left. He lost most of his stock. His neighbors died, were killed, or moved away.

Because of these conditions and illness in the family, he decided to move, and went to Columbia County near Magnolia. Here it was quiet. His comment was "We saved our lives but lost nearly everything else."

Only once was the preacher's life endangered. While living near Pine Bluff, he retired one night, and just after he lay down the dog began barking. In a moment he heard the sound of horses' feet, then the tramp of men's feet and a voice called out, "Don't let anyone get out of there."

When called to the door Mr. Coleman recognized the leader, Captain Webb, whom he knew. He was greatly relieved. Many of his neighbors had been imprisoned, and he did not know what might be his fate.

This group of men formed a company of Jayhawkers on the Confederate side. They took about $100 worth of supplies which the preacher had brought from Little Rock that day and gave him a due bill which proved to be worthless.

Georgia reconsiders Federal loan issue

THE Georgia Baptist Convention's executive committee has authorized another of its colleges to borrow dormitory construction funds from a Federal agency. It then ordered a special study of the church-state issue to guide it in future requests.

Truett-McConnell Junior College, Cleveland, was authorized to borrow $400,000 from the Housing and Home Finance Agency, the fifth such institution to receive committee approval.

Members of the committee, questioning whether such involvement with the government violates separation of church and state, won approval of a special committee study before future appeals are received. (BP)
Baptist beginnings in theological education

By Edward A. McDowell
Professor of New Testament Interpretation, Southeastern Seminary,
Wake Forest, N.C.

At the meeting of the final Educational Convention, in Greenville in 1858, Boyce announced he had made arrangements to secure, without rent, the house of worship now vacated by the First Baptist Church of Greenville, for use by the Seminary for classrooms. The interior of the simple brick structure was later partitioned to make two classrooms and a library, and this became the original home of the Seminary.

It should be noted here that Boyce's business acumen is illustrated in his refusal in the early years of the Seminary's life to allow the institution to become involved in building operations. The result proved a blessing when after the collapse of the Southern economy following the War Between the States the Seminary found it necessary to remove from Greenville to Louisville.

The Seminary's plan of instruction, formulated by Broadus and patterned, as we have seen, after the curriculum of the University of Virginia, was an elective system comprising eight distinct departments of instruction, namely: Biblical Introduction, Interpretation of the Old Testament, Interpretation of the New Testament, Systematic Theology, Polemic Theology and Apologetics, Homiletics or Preparation and Delivery of Sermons, Church History, Church Government and Pastoral Duties.

Concerning the plan Broadus explains:

In each of these schools a separate diploma shall be given to those students who exhibit, upon due examination, a satisfactory acquaintance with the studies of that school. In these schools which comprise two classes, a general and a special course, the diploma shall require a competent knowledge of both; while to those whose attainments extend only to a general or English course, there shall be awarded a Certificate of proficiency.

The Seminary's first session began in the fall of 1859 with all four of the young professors ready to launch out on the new adventure. Destitute of doctor's degrees, each of them had been awarded a D.O. by a Baptist college. It is profitable to take a brief look at these four young men.

James P. Boyce, chairman of the Faculty, treasurer of the Seminary, and professor of Systematic and of Polemic Theology, was 32 years of age. He was the son of Ker Boyce, one of the wealthiest men in South Carolina. He was educated at the College of Charleston and Brown University, and graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary.

In his early years he had served as editor of a religious journal in Charleston. After his graduation from Princeton he was for four years pastor of the Baptist Church at Columbia, S. C. From the pastorate he went to be professor of Theology in Furman University, holding this position for four years, two of which were spent in raising funds for the new seminary.

John A. Broadus, professor of New Testament and Homiletics, a native of Virginia, was 32, a few days younger than Boyce. He had been a school teacher in Virginia and was graduated in 1850 with the M.A. degree from the University of Virginia. Following his graduation and another year of teaching, he became pastor of the Baptist Church at Charlotteville, serving in this capacity from 1851 to 1859, except for two years during which he served as chaplain of the University of Virginia.

During the first two years of his pastorate he was assistant instructor in Latin and Greek at the University under the famous teacher, Gessner Harrison, whose daughter became his first wife.

Basil Manly, Jr., 33 years old, was born in Edgefield District, S. C., but lived his boyhood in Charleston, later removing with his father to Tuscaloosa, Ala., when the elder Manly became president of the University of Alabama. Manly graduated from the University of Alabama and later attended Newton, later graduating at Princeton.

After a pastoral experience which included four years as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Richmond, he was for five years principal of the Richmond Female Institute in which institution he also taught. From this position he came to the Seminary to become professor of Biblical Introduction and Old Testament Interpretation.

William Williams, the eldest of the four, was 38. He was a native of Georgia and a graduate of the University of Georgia. Later he graduated from the Law School of Harvard University and for several years practiced law. From 1851 he was a pastor in Georgia, and in 1856 he became professor of Theology in Mercer University, in which position he was serving when he was elected to the faculty of the Seminary. He became professor of Ecclesiastical History and Church Government and Pastoral Duties in the new institution.

By even today's scholastic standards, this was a remarkable quartet. By contemporary standards...
Rev. Thomas Curtis, D.D., had said to the final Educational Convention meeting in Greenville, “The requisites for an institution of learning are three B’s—their education, experience, talents and leadership were extraordinary.

Their educ ation experience, talents. Broadus, books, brains.” The new seminary pos sess ed no bricks, and but two thousand books, which had come from the library of Furman University, but in its four young professors it had acquired brains.

With respect to the administration of the Seminary, Dr. Broadus wrote in his Memoir of Boyce:

As originally organized, the Seminary had no president, but Professor Boyce was made Chairman of the Faculty. In May, 1888, the title was changed to that of President, but with the express provision that the government should remain in the hands of the Faculty. Several colleges have in like manner imitated the University of Virginia by having only a Chairman of the Faculty. This was Mr. Jefferson's democratic reaction against the autocratic power exercised by some presidents of universities or colleges, not only as to discipline, but as to the appointment and renewal of professors. In theological schools, where there are usually but few professors, and very little has to be done in the way of discipline, it is best that the faculty should govern the institution, whatever title may be given the presiding officer.

In his biographical sketch of Boyce (in John R. Sampey's Southern Baptist Theological Seminary 1859-89) William H. Whitsitt writes, “In May 1888, the office of President of the Seminary was created and bestowed upon him.” Boyce died in December of 1888 and was succeeded in the presidency by Broadus. The statement by Broadus given above concerning the administration of the Seminary is significant in that it was written while he was serving as President.

There were 26 students enrolled in the seminary during the first session. Ten of these were from Virginia, three from North Carolina, nine from South Carolina, one from Florida, two from Alabama, and one from Missouri.

Among the students who later achieved prominence were R. B. Boatwright, of Virginia, father of the long-time president of the University of Richmond; J. William Jones, of Virginia, who became a chaplain in Lee's army and father of four preachers; C. H. Ryland, of Virginia, and Crawford H. Toy, of Virginia, later to become a professor in the Seminary, and first member of the faculty to resign under pressure.

At the first commencement, in May, 1860, one of the speakers was the man who had made the first public proposal of a southwide Baptist seminary, 25 years before, Basil Manly, Sr. For the first time was sung the Seminary hymn, written at the request of Boyce by Basil Manly, Jr., and sung at every commencement since: “Soldiers of Christ Arise.”

At the second session the enrollment of the Seminary increased to 36 and the future of the infant institution seemed bright. But the grim shadow of war soon fell across the nation and encompassed the little institution. The second commencement was held on May 27, 1861, but the enrollment fell to 20 during the third session, and there was no formal commencement in 1862. There were no sessions in 1862-63, 1863-64 and 1864-65.

In the summer of 1865, Dr. Boyce called the four professors together in Greenville to discuss the possibility of keeping the Seminary alive. The prospects were dim indeed. In the course of the discussion Broadus said, “Suppose we quietly agree that the Seminary may die, but we’ll die first.” This decided the matter. The Seminary re-opened October 1, 1865. Only seven students were enrolled during the entire session.

There was but one student in Dr. Broadus’ class in Homiletics and he was a blind man. “But we were determined to keep up the instruction in every department,” wrote Dr. Broadus, “and as the student could not read textbooks, the professor tried to lay out a somewhat complete course, and give it to him in lectures, to which the brother listened with manifestations of kindly interest.

“A work which appeared five years later entitled, “Preparation and Delivery of Sermons,” and which a good many persons found useful, quite possibly owed its origin to that year’s lessons with the blind student.”

Dr. Broadus is modest in the estimate of his work. The book referred to become the standard work on homiletics in the United States and went through many printings.

(To be concluded)

20 Op., cit., p. 201.

**VBS report**

IN 1934, 752 Vacation Bible schools were held in Southern Baptist churches. In 1960, 28,088 schools were held, and last year there were 28,824, for 786 more schools in 1961 than the year before.

April 19, 1962

**MARS HILL COLLEGE**

Mars Hill, North Carolina

Baptist senior college . . . Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Music. Bachelor of Music Education; majors in art, biology, business, chemistry, classical languages, elementary education, English, French, German, Spanish, home economics, mathematics, social sciences, physical education, music, religion . . . Modern buildings on beautiful mountain campus . . . 1100 students . . . for illustrated catalog write the registrar.
Pastor and visitation

THE question comes: "Why 'Visit'?

Visitation is an old thing yet in religious work it is a new term. Years ago when I was growing up, several families who were at Sunday School and church visited each other on Sunday. Many times there were two or three families "going home with us for dinner," lunch today. We always enjoyed "having company" or visiting someone else.

However, times have changed and we now have church visitation with a purpose. Too many of our church people are in a hurry. They pop in, pop off and pop out. This may be necessary sometimes and if this is the only kind of visiting one is able to do, it is better than no visit at all. "Nothing gets people like people."

Pastoral visitation helps the pastor to know his people better. It helps him get fresh usable material for his sermons. It keeps his heart warm, and he stays close to his people.

There are three kinds of helpful visits that I mention here:

1. Visiting the sick and shut-ins is a great blessing and comfort to the ones visited. It also makes the pastor conscious of his responsibilities and his privilege to serve others. It should remind him to be thankful for his good health. Every pastor except in our larger churches should visit the extension department members at least once a month and of course he should visit those that are in the hospital.

2. Prospect visitation helps the pastor get acquainted with the new people moving into the community. It lets them know he is concerned about their spiritual welfare. Of course there are many other advantages to this type of visitation.

3. Absentee visitation. Many pastors do not look with favor upon visiting the absentees of their Sunday School. They say they have too much other work to do to fool with this but it pays off in many, many ways. Any pastor except in the larger churches could change the Sunday School attendance in his church by leading the way in seeing the chronic absentees of the Sunday School. It is hard to get teachers, officers and class members to visit if the pastor doesn't lead the way. The same may be said for the educational director.

Each Monday morning the pastor should have before him, by departments and classes, a list of all the absentees of the past Sunday. Wherever and whenever he finds them he should remind them that they were missed in Sunday School the Sunday before. This shows the individual members that the pastor is interested in them. To be interesting one must be interested in others.

Many pastors say they major on their preaching. However, the purpose of the Sunday School is to teach the Word of God. When the pastor visits and shows interest then more people will stay to hear him preach. Brother pastor, if you think you are a popular preacher, stand on the outside of the auditorium on Sunday morning and watch the people leave the building after Sunday School. This will deflate your ego. Brother pastor, if you have not tried this absentee visitation, give it an honest try for three months and see how it helps your attendance.

A good slogan is "When we go they come."—Jesse S. Reed, Director of Evangelism

Student Union

U. of A. Med Center

STATISTICS. At the University of Arkansas Medical Center in Little Rock there are approximately 516 students enrolled in the Schools of Medicine, Pharmacy, Nursing, Medical Technology and X-Ray Technology. Of this enrollment 196 are Baptist.

BSU Director, Darrel Coleman, formerly Baptist student director at Arkansas A & M College, serves as city-wide director for Little Rock.

BSU Cente.

The land on which the center is constructed was purchased in 1953 by the foresight of the Pulaski Baptist Association. Construction was begun in 1960, with Pulaski Association and the Arkansas Baptist State Convention each half of the $30,000 construction costs. The deed to the land was transferred to the convention. The center has 7,800 square feet of floor space.

BSU Activities. The Baptist Student Union activities at the Medical Center include a noon devotional meeting for nursing students. At varying times of the week meetings are held when there are outstanding speakers available. The most recent was held when Dr. Edwin Logan, medical missionary to Nigeria, was the guest speaker. Outings, retreats, and informal fellowships are also a part of the BSU program.—Tom J. Logan, Director.

(This is the seventh in a series of articles on the 16 Baptist Student Unions in Arkansas.)
July 2-7 SILOAM ASSEMBLIES July 9-14

Participating: W.M.U., Brotherhood, Church Music,
Training Union and Sunday School
J. T. Elliff, Director

WHO SHOULD ATTEND
First Week—July 3-8 for everybody from the Western part of the State: Northwest, Southwest, West Central and North Central Districts.

TIME
Each assembly begins on Monday night and closes Saturday at 10:30 a.m. with sack lunches. First meal will be served Monday night.

RECREATION
Everything that is fun for all ages under the expert direction of LEE PORTER, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Dr. Lowell Milburn

WHO SHOULD ATTEND
Second Week—July 10-15 for everybody from the eastern part of the State: Northeast, Southeast, East Central, and Central districts.

MUSIC
CHAS. DOWNEY, music director, Queensboro Baptist, Shreveport, (1st week) and JAMES BURLESON, Ouachita College, (2nd week) will lead the singing and serve as guest soloists.

NEEDS
If you would like to serve as a dormitory counselor with bed and meals, registration and insurance furnished, write the Religious Education Department immediately.

ASSEMBLY SPEAKER
DR. LOWELL MILBURN, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Shawnee, Oklahoma. Dr. Milburn is a native Texan, a graduate of Baylor University and Southwestern Seminary. He is a gifted and very popular speaker. Dr. Milburn will speak each evening for both weeks.

ACCOMMODATION SCHEDULE

1. Cabins—Cot and mattress, per family $ 1.00
   All meals, registration, medical and accident insurance, each 10.50
   Children 5-8 inclusive, all meals, registration and insurance, each 8.00

2. Assembly-owned dormitories—Cot, mattress, all meals, registration, and medical and accident insurance 14.00
   Children 5-8 years inclusive 11.00

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   Children 5-8 years inclusive 10.50

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   Children 5-8 years inclusive 13.50

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   Children 5-8 years inclusive 12.50

6. Children under 5 who eat in dining hall 5.00

Write Melvin Thrash, 111 Baptist Building, Little Rock, Ark., for reservation.
WE have received a paper-back issue of Fred Schwarz's much-publicized book, You Can Trust the Communists (to be Communists). It doesn't take a book to prove the thesis indicated here. The controversy develops over whether or not Author Schwarz has the answer as to "what to do about it?"

Campus Gods on Trial, by Chad Walsh, Macmillan, 1962, $3

"Secular campuses have a way of paying their nominal respects to 'our spiritual heritage' by an annual binge called Religious Emphasis Week. Two or three preachers are summoned to give pep talks about the things of the spirit; the Drama Department presents a pageant on some safely nonsectarian religious theme, and there is a concert of sacred music," said Mr. Walsh in the preface to this popular book which was first published in 1953.

"Such affairs are an insult to the intelligence of students," he continued. "I wonder what a college freshman, interested in chemistry, would say if the dean told him: 'Of course we don't offer any classes in chemistry, but we'll be glad to bring a couple of chemists to the campus for a week every spring to satisfy your curiosity. We'll call it "Chemical Emphasis Week."'"

Declaring the college campuses were far from "godless," having "gods" everywhere, Walsh in the original issue pointed to the gods of Progress, Materialism, Scientism, Humanitarianism, Relativism, and Security. Now, in the revised edition, he covers such new developments as the H-bomb and space flight; blue-chip corporations and the TV networks in headline notoriety; fallout shelters and preparation for war.

A most interesting 154 pages!


"I know of no exceptions to the general proposition that good preachers are great readers," declares Bishop Gerald Kennedy of the Los Angeles Area of the Methodist Church, in the foreword to this volume of sermons. "Reading will occupy many of the minister's 'free' hours day after day. Unless he loves reading he is likely to run dry before he gets far in the pulpit," says Author Butler, in the introduction.

In the eighth volume of a continuing series, Mr. Butler presents 42 individual sermons by outstanding clergymen from all parts of the United States and from several foreign countries. The sermons cover the basic questions of Christian belief and practices. A wide range of interests and emphasis, as well as many denominations are represented.

Growing in the Life of Prayer, by Harold Wiley Freer, Abingdon, 1962, $3

This is a series of prayer lessons by the pastor of First Congregational Church, Crossville, Tenn. They are divided into the following categories: thanksgiving, confession, forgiveness, intercession, adoration, and commitment. Each lesson contains a prayer-meditation and an exercise with illustrative stories and quotations. Practical suggestions are given for daily application of prayer.

Holy Ground, Expositions from Exodus, by Douglas M. White, 1962, $2.50

This is the second volume in Evangelical Pulpit Library, having preceded by Christ in You, by Henry H. Hobbs. It will be followed by Sermons from the Psalms, by Calvin P. Swank.

This book traces the progress of Israel "from the lowest level of licentious Egypt to the highest heights of holy Sinai."
Song of the crusaders

By THEODORE J. KLEINHANS

In a castle in France, a six-year-old boy played at war. He donned a suit of armor and strapped a toy sword around his waist. The armor was real, made for him by his father, who had gone off to the Holy Land as a crusader. The youngster galloped along through the courtyard, lowering a make-believe lance and spurring a make-believe horse. With a sudden thrust he unseated a Saracen and, with make-believe fierceness, drew his sword and cut off the head.

"There, you infidel, take that!"

Lady Aletta watched her son from the balcony. "Why so bloodthirsty, Bernard? Wouldn't you rather play at being a churchman?"

Bernard of Clairvaux was not so easily sidetracked. He wanted to follow the footsteps of his father.

His mother died when he was just starting his schooling. Now he could choose those subjects most useful to a knight. At the University of Paris he studied the arts of war.

As he studied and as he read, Bernard saw his mother was right. What France needed was a man of God, not a man of the sword. He gave away his money. He laid down his swords in the form of a cross, thus showing his new loyalty to Christ.

Even in the beginning, the voice of Bernard was a compelling one. His arguments were so persuasive that four brothers, an uncle, and many friends also became churchmen. With these he was to found a new monastery. In a trackless forest they laid the foundations of Clairvaux. The valley that once had borne the name, "wormwood," now became the "valley of light" or Clairvaux.

Bernard spread his beliefs throughout Europe. He spoke, he wrote, he taught, he debated, he prayed. He wrote hymns and chants for the church. We still have some of them.

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" was probably a hymn of Bernard, though some scholars argue that it existed even earlier. At any rate the troops of crusaders who marched eastward credited it to Bernard of Clairvaux, whether he wrote it or merely popularized it.

All of Bernard's life was devout. Luther loved him for his books of theology and his hymns. David Livingstone, in his African diaries, records this about the hymn: "That hymn of . . . Bernard, on the name of Christ, although in what might be termed dog Latin, pleases me so: it rings in my ears as I wander across the wide, wild wilderness."

In Latin, this famous marching song of the crusaders is Jesu dulcis memoriam. Many translations are known in English, including "O Jesus, King Most Wonderful," "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts," and "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee." These words are found in the Baptist Hymnal:

"Jesus, the very thought of Thee,
With sweetness fills my breast;
But sweeter far Thy face to see,
And in Thy presence rest."

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BIBLICAL ADVENTURE

By MARION F. ASH

Here is a quiz, testing how much you remember about some of the great people of the Bible and their adventures. In one column you will find a list of some of the great biblical characters and in the other column a clue that brings to mind an adventure or experience of each person. How many can you match correctly?

1. Jonah a. lions' den
2. Noah b. Red Sea
3. David c. queen of Sheba
4. Samson d. wealth
5. Daniel e. big fish
6. Moses f. Garden of Eden
7. Adam g. ark
8. Solomon h. sycamore tree
9. prodigal son i. Goliath
10. Zacchaeus j. Damascus road
11. Paul k. visiting Jesus by
12. Nicodemus l. visiting the tomb
13. Mary m. leprosy
14. John n. of Patmos
15. Naaman o. visiting the tomb

ANSWERS

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SPOOLOEROO CHOO-CHOO

By EVELYN PICKERING

To make a spooleroo, you will need a large empty spool, two used matchsticks, a rubber band, and cardboard.

First pull the rubber band through the hole in one end of the spool. Fasten it there with half of a kitchen match slipped through the rubber band.

Next cut a circle from heavy cardboard large enough to cover the other opening in the spool. In the center of the cardboard make a small hole and slip the rubber band through. Now fasten the band as before, but use a whole matchstick this time.

Wind up the larger matchstick until the rubber band is quite tight. Place on the floor, let go, and watch your spooleroo choo-choo really go places.

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God's Wondrous World

Springtime and warblers

By THELMA C. CARTER

April! Lilacs and apple blossoms! Seedtime and rainbow time! Time for the return of cheery, singing warblers to our part of the world.

On rough riverbanks, near ponds and streams where wild things live, we find these small birds. In parks and near our homes, we see members of the warbler family: the yellow warbler, the redbreast, the blue-winged warbler, the black and white warbler, and many others.

Warblers are the second largest bird family in the world. They are usually about an inch shorter than English sparrows. They have short bills and short tails with long, pointed wings. Although they are very small birds, their plumage is colorful and beautiful.

"Their energy appears like that of a steam engine," someone has said of them.

Naturalists tell us some seventy different kinds of warblers visit our country. They nest and feed among trees and willows near water.

In early spring we see and hear the singing warblers, reminding us of the Bible verse: "The time of the singing of birds is come" (Song of Solomon 2:15).

Warblers hop about and look for insects in crevices in the bark of apple, pear, and plum trees. Because insects do not hatch in cold weather, warblers migrate from our cold areas and travel to the warm lands of Panama, Cuba, and the Bahama Islands. On to Central America and South America they travel to jungles and mountain areas in search of insect food.

Yellow is the most common color of warblers. With funny, mincing steps and with tails bobbing, they walk on the ground. Flying up to the branches of a tree, they catch insects and burst into strange songs.

Look for golden warblers when lilacs and apple trees bloom.

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Sunday School Lesson

Christ reigns

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Bible Material: Matthew 28, Hebrews 1

Golden Text: “Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.” Rev. 5:12

Sunday is Easter! Of course to Christians every Sunday ought to be a commemoration of the resurrection of our Lord. Yet to many people Easter has come to speak more loudly of bunny rabbits, new frocks, and egg hunts than it does of the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour. I think the contemporary American poet George W. Wiseman has well expressed the situation in his poem.

EASTER MUST BE RECLAIMED
Easter must be redeemed
From revelry that marks the end of Lent;
And worshippers who yearly are content
To journey to God’s house, and then forget
That Christ still lives when Easter’s sun has set.
The vision fades, the power soon is lost
If Easter does not lead to Pentecost.

Easter must be reclaimed.
Too long the world has missed the Easter glow,
Claimed by the glitter of a fashion show;
A dress parade; a gala holiday,
With church-bound marinikis upon display.
The faith of Easter never will be caught
By making Christ a fleeting afterthought.

At this juncture it helps in the discussion of the lesson passage to remind ourselves again of the aim for this quarter’s lesson: “To help class members find the deeper resources of the Christian faith which can give them courage and stability in a confused and troubled world.”

I. The new order

How appropriate for this Easter Sunday morning that we study this particular passage in Hebrews. It is extremely difficult for the Christian today to fully appreciate the tremendous adjustment the devout Jew of the first century had to make when he embraced Christianity.

Nicoll suggests in his The Expositor’s Greek Testament, “To the Jew, in short, Christ must have created as many problems as He solved. The unquestioning faith that is guided by healthy instincts and can relegate to the future all intellectual explanations and reconciliations is not given to every one; and many a Jewish Christian must have passed those first days in painful unrest, drawn to trust Jesus by all that He knew of His holiness and truth and yet sorely perplexed and hindered from perfect trust by the unexpected spirituality of the new religion, by the contempt of his old co-religionists, by the enforced relinquishment of all outward garnishing and glory, and by the apparent impossibility of fitting the gorgeousness of the old and the bareness of the new into one consistent whole.

“To this miserable and weakening condition of spirit the writer appeals and aims at removing it by giving them a fuller insight into the religion of Christianity to Mosaicism, and especially by illustrating the unique supremacy of Christ and the finality of His work. He makes it his aim to show that every name, every institution, every privilege, which had existed under the old economy survived in the new, but invested with a higher meaning and a truer glory—a meaning and a glory, new indeed in the very foundations of this world and have.

Keeping in mind the aim of the writer to convince his readers that the new Christian order of things is an advance on the old Mosaic order, and is indeed the final and universal form of religion, the course of thought is easily followed.

In the first three verses of this first chapter of Hebrews it is as though a master organist strikes the fundamental chords of his entire composition. Both Jews and Gentiles who had become Christians would give hearty assent that God did speak in content and in a manner so manifold to the Israelites in the person of the prophets of those olden times.

But now something far superior has taken place. “We consult no interpreter of dreams. We seek not the seances of necromancers. Let the peaceful spirits of the dead rest in God! They had their trials and sorrows on earth. Rest hal lowed souls! We do not ask you to break the deep silence of heaven. For God has spoken unto us in His Son who has been made higher than the heavens, and is as great as God.”

This glorious Son has been appointed by the Father as heir of all things and it is by this Son that all things were made. It is this Son who is the express image, or as some Interpret “very God,” and has Himself purged our sin, upholding all things by the word of his power and is set down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.

II. The reigning Christ

To MY mind, a loftier concept of our Reigning Christ would be difficult to find. For here we see, not the helpless “Babe of Bethlehem” or the “Forsaken carpenter of Nazareth,” but the real, the risen, and reigning Christ.

Two suggestions claim our attention in verses 1 through 12. In the first place, the Son our Christ, is seen as exalting in every way the angels and all else in creation. In fact the angels themselves are called to worship Him in verse six. This risen Christ is alive today and is worthy of our supreme trust and our absolute loyalty.

The second suggestion lies in the endlessness of the reign of this Son. Verse eleven, “They shall perish, but thou remainest.” The author is stating that the very foundations of this world and all that is related to it shall perish, but our resurrected Christ is the same and his “years shall not fail.”

If all else, other than this Reigning Christ and His Kingdom, is doomed to “change and decay” and ultimate destruction, isn’t it reasonable to conclude that every investment we make, in terms of time, personality, or talent, outside of Christ and His Kingdom, is doomed to ultimate destruction?

If this be so then, this Easter season, our course is clearly marked. If we would join in the anthem of our Golden Text “Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing,” then we must surrender afresh to Him all that we are and have.
A Smile or Two

Handle with care

A LADY was mailing the old family Bible to her brother. She requested the maximum insurance.

The postal clerk inspected the heavy package skeptically and inquired, "Does it contain anything breakable?"

"Nothing but the Ten Commandments," she replied.

It's all relative

SOME people can stay longer in a few minutes than others can in a day.

The usual thing

MARY: "And if I refuse you, Clarence, will you kill yourself?"

Clarence: "That has been my usual custom.

Way back country

A BACK-COUNTRY musician entertained a tourist with his folk songs done with the aid of a guitar.

You ought to go on the stage," declared the tourist.

Not looking up, the musician asked, between twangs, "What time does the next one leave?"

Inspired leap

"AND as the lion came charging at me," related the famous explorer, "I turned and made a leap for an overhanging branch twenty-five feet above the ground."

"And did you make it?" the listener asked breathlessly.

"Not on the way up," was the reply, "but fortunately I caught it on the way down.

Natural thing to do

A MAN upon seating himself in a theatre noticed in front of him what could only be a large dog. Finding it extremely difficult to see around the animal, and noticing that it appeared to be with the man on his left, he leaned over and tapped the man on the shoulder, whispering: "What on earth possessed you to bring such a large dog to a play?"

"I just had to," the man replied. "He enjoyed the book so much."—First Baptist Builder, Pine Bluff.

Know this tune?

THE young roomer practiced his saxophone all day and finally the landlord poked his head in the door.

"Do you know there's a little old lady sick upstairs?" he asked.

"No," answered the musician, "Hum a little of it."—First Baptist Builder, Pine Bluff.

The Carnegie approach

A MOTHER of a six-year-old daughter was running the vacuum cleaner while the little girl was watching TV. The little girl, trying to be polite in asking her mother to turn the vacuum cleaner off said, "Mother, would you see that the vacuum cleaner is not in greater voice than the TV?"
Protests segregation
CHARLOTTE, N. C. (EP)—In a plea for desegregation of this city's hospitals, a white minister has joined Negroes in picket lines here.

Dr. Sidney Freeman, a Unitarian, charged that hospital facilities for the city's Negroes are "woefully inferior" and that desegregation is "literally a matter of physical life and death."

"I know of no disease or injury where the pigmentation of the skin is a part of the diagnosis," he said.

"The only disease that stands in the way of proper medical care for all of our citizens is non-medical, and that is the disease of segregation," Dr. Freeman added.

He said non-Negroes should be concerned about this situation because "we are all human; we all share the responsibility of allowing every person to fulfill his basic human need."

Boy Scouts sponsored
WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP)—A report from the Boy Scouts of America shows that churches in the United States sponsored 68,509 Boy Scout troops, Explorer posts, and other scouting units—or slightly more than half of all the Boy Scout units in the nation.

Civic groups sponsor 38,249 units, or 28.8 per cent of the total, the report said, and schools and Parent-Teachers Associations, 27,862 or 21 per cent.

Methodist churches lead in the number of Boy Scout units sponsored, with 13,658. Roman Catholic churches are a close second with 11,595. There are also 541 troops associated with Catholic parochial schools.

Baptist churches sponsor 7,428 scouting units; Presbyterian churches 7,154; and the Church of the Latter-day Saints (Mormon) 6,090—by far the highest per capita representation of any religious organization in the U. S.

Redpath resigns
CHICAGO, Illinois (EP)—Dr. Alan Redpath, pastor of this city's famed Moody Church, has announced his resignation. In October he will begin his ministry at Charlotte Chapel, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Dr. Redpath has served Moody Church since 1958, when he came from the Duke Street Baptist Church in London, England. An internationally-known Bible conference speaker, he launched the Mid-America Keswick at Moody Church and has authored several books while in this country.

'62 church building
WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP)—Church construction is off to a good start in 1962, says the U. S. Census Bureau.

The bureau estimated that $76 million worth of new construction was put in place by churches during February, which was $1 million more than recorded in February, 1961. Total construction for the month of January and February this year was estimated at $156 million, about $1 million more than in the same period in 1961.