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On being sick

A FEW days of being on the ailing list has brought to mind the many differences between being sick now and forty or fifty years ago.

Most of us old timers swigged enough "fever medicine" and quinine tonic to float the proverbial battleship, as we paid for the privilege of living in mosquito country. Some of us still can't stand chocolate flavor because of the "chocolate quinine" we swallered. And the highly touted Coca-Cola is more than "refreshing" when your earliest recollection of it was using it to take the taste of bitter medicine out of your mouth.

Fever thermometers were nonexistent down on Bunker. Mama used to determine whether one of us had fever by laying a hand on the head of the droopy one and comparing this with the way the normal-acting ones felt.

Once it was determined that you had fever, you were put to bed (or pallet) and a wet cloth laid across your head. Every few minutes, Mama, Papa, brother or sister—whichever one was the nurse in charge—would dip the brow cloth into cool water and lay it back on your head.

If the sick one's fever didn't "go down" pretty soon, a runner would be sent to London—three miles away—to summon the doctor. The doctor, fortified by his big pillbag that had about every kind of medicine then available, would come as soon as he could. If he already had several cases of pneumonia, malarial fever, and typhoid, he might be late arriving. But he would get there eventually.

If you got sick in winter, care was taken to keep you well wrapped. But if you came down with something in summer, whoever was tending you would fan you with a big palm leaf fan.

The value of having a family that really loved you was never more obvious than when you were sick. And one of the highlights of disability was just lying up and thinking of things you wanted or things you wanted the folks to do for you and seeing how they would jump to please you. (This petered out pretty fast once you were well on the way to convalescence. There was always the day of rude awakening when someone would tell you point-blank that if you wanted something you could get it for yourself.)

Now we don't send for the doctor, we go to him. And if the fever won't go down, they put us in airconditioned hospital rooms equipped with telephones, radios, television, and trained nurses, and "doctor" us with miracle drugs.

A lot more of us get well than in the old days. But us old timers miss the coddling we had when we were "doctored" at our own firesides and nursed by our own families.

Eswin L. In Donald

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BAPTIST officials are less than enthusiastic about a new religious liberty law adopted by the Spanish Cortes (parliament.) Read the views of Jose Cardona, Spanish Baptist pastor and Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, page 12.

OUACHITA will again host a special institute financed by the Office of Education to train school personnel to deal with school desegregation problems. Deptails, page 13.

SOUTHERN Baptist Convention gifts to world missions during the first six months of 1967, slightly exceeded the halfway mark in the convention budget. Porter W. Routh, executive secretary of the SBC Executive Committee is encouraged but states that "Christians should seriously consider readjusting upward our giving to the causes of Christ through our church," page 13.

SUMMER means Vacation Bible School. Harriet Hall, in "Feminine Intuition," reports on the joys of working with six-year-olds in VBS, page 14. Sundayi School secretary Lawson Hatfield commends a "mother-of-infant twins-plus-one" for her work in VBS in "Twiced the Trouble, Twice the Fun," page 15.

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FIRST Church, Stuttgart, recently dedicated a new auditorium. Read about it in the cover story, page 4.

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How 'free' are we?

IFARE we as local churches free to do as we please, provided only that we have a majority vote to back our action?

No, says Chevis F. Horne of Martinsville, Va., in an article entitled "Local Autonomy: Democracy or Christocracy?" in the July issue of Home Missions, organ of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Here are a few block busters from the Horne article:

"The decisions of the local church on crucial matters are often made more with the ear of the church turned toward the community than with sincere searching for the will of Jesus Christ [emphasis ours].

Turning to church action on "what may be the most crucial problem confronting our churches: racial segregation," Horne observes:

1 "In many of the communities of our Convention, the institutions remaining 100 percent segregated are the churches and private clubs. Schools, motels, restaurants, businesses, industries, and the police force have been like a club than a church of Jesus Christ-is not without "running" the church single-handedly. a basis."

Continues Mr. Horne:

w "It is now obvious that desegregation is taking place more slowly among Southern Baptist churches than most of the other major Protestant denominations. In so doing, Southern Baptists reflect strongly the prejudices and false values of the culture and this they do knowing that the New Testament gives a very definite and lucid answer to the problem of segregation [emphasis ours]. The answer given and often repeated is: all barriers that divide men have been broken down in Jesus Christ and have therefore been broken down in the church of Jesus Christ. There is not one verse to be found in the entire New Testament that will support the segregated life of our churches."

Actions of typical Baptist churches often reflect "political power" more than "freedom of New Testament churches," writes Mr. Horne. "We make a verbal acknowledgement of the Lordship of Jesus Christ but it is obvious that often we look to the collective will of our members as the source of our authority \... But this is not the New Testament concept. The authority is always the will of Jesus Christ as Lord. Where there is a conflict between the will of the church and the will of Jesus Christ, there can be no question as to whom deference is shown ... There is no justification for our paying lip service to the Lordship of Jesus Christ and then proceeding to find our authority in the collective will of our members. There is no excuse for our churches to

use their freedom to circumvent the will of Jesus Christ as all too frequently they most obviously do."

We agree with Mr. Horne that "it is time that Southern Baptist churches take a new look at the autonomy of the local church in the light of the New Testament."

Church abdication

A CORRESPONDENT has informed us of an unusual action said to have been taken recently by one of our Arkansas churches. According to the report, the church voted "by a majority present at a business meeting" to give the pastor "the sole authority to ask any church member to resign his or her position in the church and/or to ask any church member to withdraw his or her church membership."

The church, in the same action, is said to have given the Church Property committee the authority "to decide any matter regarding any church property, without a consultation and vote from the church."

These are strange procedures both from the standpoint of the church as an autonomous (self-governing) body and of the pastor as the "shepherd of the flock" and minister to the whole church membership.

We cannot imagine a Baptist church deliberately givdesegregated. When one looks at a situation like that ing up its privilege and responsibility of conducting its he realizes that one of the most devastating criticisms own business affairs or of a pastor who would be willing levelled [against the church]-namely, that it is more to take on the thankless and self-condemning job of

"I'D HELP, BUT --- "



The Cover



Stuttgart First Church moves into new building

Special corner-stone laying and dedication services were conducted at Stutt-gart First Church Sunday afternoon July 9, with Dr. S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention as guest speaker. Preaching at the Sunday night service was Gerald T. Smith, a former pastor of the church.

The new building is located in a new section of Stuttgart on approximately five acres of ground, with off-street parking for 130 cars. The auditorium will seat 800, including the balcony and choir, with space for 600 in Sunday School. Another wing will be added in the future for additional growth of 200 when needed.

Built in Colonial style with towering white pillars and soaring steeple, the new building creates a new skyline for southwest Stuttgart. The red brick building is composed of a central two-story section making a 24-foot ceiling in the sanctuary, flanked by single-story wings to the north and the south.

The first phase, just completed, provides 31,428 square feet of space, consisting of the auditorium and classroom space. Wall-to-wall carpeting of deep aztec blue with matching gross point upholstery in the seats accents the pews'

with white end pieces and mahogany backs. White woodwork and pale blue walls with white pilasters between the long multicolored windows, predominately blue, complete the color scheme of the sanctuary.

Two main aisles lead down to the carpeted white wood pulpit area and choir loft. Raised above the choir loft, furnished with individual upholstered chairs, is the open baptistry. A balcony seating 150 runs across the back of the auditorium.

Eighteen departments will furnish space for 57 Sunday School classes for all ages from infancy to senior citizens. Five Nurseries are being provided now, with three additional ones to be added later.

A Fellowship Hall with a seating capacity of approximately 300 is located in the north wing, which will be used by an Adult Sunday School Department, social events for young people as well as adults, and for church dinners and church and social events. Constructed with an A-beam ceiling, the room has a stage at one end and two shuffle-board inserts in the floor. Badminton, table tennis and other similar games will be provided.

Adjoining the fellowship hall is a large modern kitchen with an anteroom for controlling the traffic pattern when dinners are served at fellowship meetings.

Library facilities for almost 4,000 books, exclusive of church study course books, are provided in a large room, with an adjacent work and repair room for the librarians. A staff of five ladies care for the checking in and out of the books.

Church offices are located in a north wing in a complex constructed around a central reception room and secretarial office with a glass wall looking out into the hallway of a front entrance. Off the main office is the walnut-paneled pastor's study carpeted in Grecian olive green. Other offices will accommodate a minister of education, a minister of music and minister of youth. Plans are to add these staff members as the need arises in the near future.

Also in the north wing, in addition to classrooms, will be the ladies' lounge, carpeted in a blue-green tweed and furnished with appropriate parlor furniture.

Walls throughout the building are concrete block painted pale green, buff or blue,

The south wing consists of classrooms for smaller children. It is onto the south wing that Phase II of the building program will later add a chapel and more classroom space for nursery and Intermediate ages.

A master plan for landscaping is being prepared by a landscape specialist at the University of Arkansas, with the Building and Grounds Committee in charge of putting it into effect.

The overall cost of the space now being provided, including grounds, pavement, curbs and furnishings is approximately \$600,000. The wing to be added later will cost another \$125,000.

Present membership is 1,300 with almost 900 resident members. One hundred fifty members withdrew a few years ago to form Southside Church.

Rev. D. B. Bledsoe is beginning his ninth year as pastor, having come here in 1959 from First Church, Booneville.

Special services are planned for July 18-22 at 7:30 each night, with former pastors and leaders of the church preaching and leading. Among them are: Rev. Walter Hill, pastor of First Church, Heber Springs; Rev. A. E. Webb, pastor of First Church, Aurora, Mo.; Rev. Charlie Belknap, pastor of First Church, Dermott; and Rev. Ralph Dodd, Midwest City, Okla. The combined choirs will sing at all these services.

A revival is planned for July 23-30, with Dr. Bill Pinson, Ft. Worth, doing the preaching.

The people speak—

Wisconsin BSU

We of the Baptist Student Union at the University of Wisconsin are having a little difficulty in forming a firm dore of Southern Baptist students with which to build our BSU.

If any of the readers of your publication know of Southern Baptist students attending the University of Wisdonsin in Madison this fall, would you ask them to please forward the name and present address of such students to Ed Gaskill, 468 Hilton Dr., Madison, Wisconsin. Any help in this direction would be greatly appreciated. —Barbara Lalacona BSU Secretary, 521 West Main Street, Madison, Wis.

Expresses appreciation

This note is to express appreciation for the article entitled "Commencement Reverie" that you and John Roberts shared with us through your column "Personally Speaking." It struck a very responsive chord as our son is graduating from college and facing the possibilities of Vietnam.

We deeply appreciate all that you're doing through the Arkansas Baptist to promote the causes of Christ.—T. D. McCulloch, Minister of Education, First Church, Texarkana, Tex.

Our place in the world

I do not believe that Southern Baptists have fully realized their place in the Evangelical world. It is true that we have made our own unique contribution to evangelical Christianity, but we have provided little or no leadership to evangelical life as a whole, and the frigid fact is that the evangelical voice no flonger sounds from centers of national life, from Washington, Wall Street, and Hollywood.

My motion, at the Southern Baptist Convention, evisaged cooperation with other Evangelical denominations in a missionary and evangelistic thrust to reach America for Christ. This does not mean that we will "live in the same house", but it will call for cooperation in projects in which we agree, and this is exactly where Southern Baptists can provide concrete leadership.

With 40 million non-Catholics in America, who do not wish to identify

NEXT WEEK

"The Longest Week"—By Mrs. J. Wayne Fuller, one of the Southern Baptist missionaries who was evacuated from Jordan to Iran on June 11.

with the present ecumenical structures, and who would gladly involve themselves with us in a loosely knit fellowship of cooperation, I see tremendous possibilities. We have seen it work in the Billy Graham crusades. We have witnessed its impact in the World Congress on Evangelism in Berlin. Why not extend its effectiveness into other areas of cooperation? Particularly in evangelistic outreach.

The motion was referred to the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention for more detailed study. A report will be given at the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The motion reads as follows:

"That a study committee be appointed by the President to report at the next Annual Convention.

"The purpose of this committee is to discover possible areas of cooperation between the Southern Baptist Convention and other Evangelical groups, with particular reference to witness and evan-

gelism.

"The committee should be instructed that no thought shall be given to organic union".

A substitute motion by Dr. Herschel Hobbs prevailed which referred this motion to the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention for detailed study. A full report is to be presented at the next annual session.—Alastair C. Walker, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Griffin, Ga.

The preacher poet

A plea to God

O, Lord, our God, give to us Another Joshua. One for whom Thou can'st stay the sun and Prolong the day till the battle's

Then, Lord, let thy servant sleep. W. B. O'Neal

-The bookshelf

Pioneers and Makers of Arkansas, by Josiah H. Shinn, originally published in Little Rock in 1908, reprinted by Genealogical Publishing Company, Baltimore, 1967, 425 pages, \$12.50

This valuable collection of materials about Arkansas and her early families long out of print, is now back in circulation, thanks to Genealogical Publishing Company. The book deals with the settlement of Arkansas from its formation as a territory in 1819 down to the latter half of the 19th century.

In addition to numerous biographical sketches containing extensive geneological data, the book contains extensive genealogies of the following families: Coffman, Cuffman, Desha, Fletcher, Garland, Hall, Johnson, Kaufman, Lafferty, Lindsey, Martin, Newton, Rector (Rechtor, Richter), Watkins, and Wilson,

Also included are several pages devoted to lists of Revolutionary pensioners still living in 1833 and 1834, with their ages, arranged by county; some marriages of 1822 and 1823; a general list of Arkansas marriages, 1820-1830; and Arkansas deaths, 1820-1839. The index contains hundreds of names.

The Ecumenical Revolution, by Robert McAfee Brown, Doubleday, 1967, \$5.95

The author, who was a Protestant observer at the Vatican Council in Rome, is a professor at Stanford University.

He deals here with the Protestant search for unity and with the Vatican Council and Pope John XXIII. He shows how new movements within both Protestantism and Catholicism, traced the start of the 20th century, have altered the climate of contemporary Christianity. He sketches a map of the entire ecumenical terrain, including his view of what constitutes the true meaning of ecumenism, the ground rules for "dialogue"; the varying ideas of unity; and the Protestant and Catholic concepts of religious freedom; and of continuing Church reformation.

God's Doing, Man's Undoing, by Ralph Elliott and others, Judson Press, 1967, \$4.95

Dr. Elliott, the compiler of this volume and writer of the first article, was formerly a member of the faculty (professor of Old Testament) at Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City, and the author of The Message of Genesis. He is currently pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Albany, N. Y.

The writers of this book contend that God purposefully enters the affairs of mankind. In the Exodus Event and again in the Christ Event, they emphasize, he has acted to form a people of God where no such people previously existed. But man is fickle, they continue, and time and time again mistakes, waters down, and forsakes the full and pure revelation of God, causing temporary failure and frustration of God's plans and hopes for humanity.

Arkansas all over-

Home conference set

Dr. John W., Drakeford, Baptist minister and psychologist, will lead a "Christian Home Conference" at Trinity Church, El Dorado, July 14-16.

Dr. Drakeford is a native of Sydney, Australia, where he served as a Baptist pastor and chaplain of the largest army psychiatric hospital in the country. Before coming to America, he earned degrees from the University of Sydney, Sydney Teacher's College and New South Wales Baptist Theological Seminary.

In 1954 he migrated to the United States in order to continue his education. Since then he has graduated from Texas Christian University, Brite Divinity School and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Dr. Drakeford presently serves as professor of Psychology and Counseling, Southwestern Seminary, and director of the Baptist Marriage and Family Counseling Center in Ft. Worth.

Rev. William C. Huddleston, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, extends a welcome to anyone desiring to attend these meetings.

Leads Leachville youth



Gary Morris of Las Vegas, Nev., has been serving as summer youth director at First Church, Leachville. He has been part-time music director since March and is now serving as full-time music and youth director. He is a sophomore music major at Ar-

GARY MORRIS kansas State University.

Nashville homecoming set for July 16

Dr. Robert Naylor, president of Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., and a former pastor of First Church, Nashville, Ark., will be the featured speaker at both worship services of the Nashville church on July 16 as the church observes homecoming.

Minister of Music Rettstatt reports that other former pastors will be teaching Sunday School classes and taking part in the worship services. W. E. Perry will teach a men's Bible Class.

Dinner will be served at the church following the morning worship service.

The written and pictorial history of the church will be on display in the sanctuary.

All former members are urged to attend.



JOE A. THOMPSON

Bellaire calls Thompson

Joe A. Thompson has accepted the pastorate of Bellaire Church, Dermott, where he began his duties June 18.

He has been pastor of Thomastown Church, Thomastown, Miss., since 1964. Under his leadership Thomastown Church completely renovated the sanc-

The educational building exterior has been completed, and building funds are on hand for the completion of the plant.

Mission giving was increased from 10. to 15 per cent. There were 18 additions for baptism and 20 by letter.

Mr. Thompson attended Mississippi College, and will graduate from New Orleans Seminary next January.

He is married to the former, Miss Elizabeth Adams of Eupora, Miss. They have two children, Durwood, 17, and Beverly 10.

Arkansans serve

Fourteen Arkansans are serving on the summer staff of Glorieta (N. M.) Assembly during the first six-week session June 8 through July 19.

Staffers include Jerry Beth Jamison, Nashville; Betty Whaley, Little Rock; Margery Goodson, Arkadelphia; Becky Hale, Ft. Smith; Sarah Jane Jacks, Sparkman; Sandra Terwilliger, Ft. Smith; Mary Zies, Ft. Smith; and Irene Huffman, Malvern.

Others are Paul Bates, Van Buren; Tommy Cain, Malvern; Jim Coker, Fayetteville; Joe Michalls, Little Rock; and Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Cain, Hot Springs.

Capped at Memphis

Forty-nine young women wear new caps today at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis. The new headdress symbolizes the completion of their first school year in nursing training.

Arkansans receiving their caps were: Miss Diane Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Rex Brown, Helena; Miss Mary Ann Buck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Church, Leachville; Miss Carolyn Sue Cloyes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert A. Cloyes, Paragould; Miss Mary Leder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Leder, Stuttgart; Miss Judy Singleton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Singleton, Jones Mill; Miss Linda Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, West Memphis.

Springdale parsonage

First Church, Springdale, will build a new parsonage on the site of its present parsonage.

Contract for construction of the storyand-half structure was signed with Original Homes, Inc. of Springdale. The four-bedroom residence will contain 3,-394 feet of living space plus a porch and garage. Construction will be started as soon as the present parsonage is removed from the lot.

Rev. Burton A. Miley is pastor of the Springdale church.

Takes Missouri Pastorate

Ray Kesner has been called to the pastorate of Mount Washington Church, Independence, Mo.



RAY KESNER Jeff. five.

A native of Arkansas, Mr. Kesner was reared in Green-wood. In 1958 he was graduated from Ouachita College. On May 6 of this year he received the bachelor of divinity degree from Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City, Mo. The Kesners have two sons, Max, ten, and

Mr. Kesner has been in the ministry for 12 years, during which time he has served as pastor of the following: Faith Chapel, a mission of First Church, Arkadelphia; assistant pastor of Bluff Avenue Church, Fort Smith; pastor, Glendale Church, Booneville; Brushcreek Church, Springdale; and First Church, Braymer, Mo.

Evangelistic campaign

Independence Association is planning a special summer evangelistic campaign.



GERALD MARTIN

The first phase will be an associational evangelistic conference July 16, 4 p.m. at Arkansas College, Batesville. The major speaker is Gerald Martin, pastor, Poplar Avenue Church, Memphis, and president-elect of the Pastor's Conference of the Southern Baptist Conven-

tion. The program will also feature Coy D. Sims, founder of the Personal Evangelism Association and Dr. E. Fred Savage Jr., professor of religion, Southern Baptist College.

The second part of the evangelistic activities will be an associational soul-winning workshop taught by Mr. Sims.' The four sessions will be held in four churches centrally located in the assogation. Mrs. Sims will teach class for children ages 9 through 14.

The final part of the program will be simultaneous pastor-led revivals.

The Evangelism Committee is composed of Dr. T. R. Coulter Jr., pastor, West Church, Batesville, chairman; J. R. Hull, pastor, Floral Church; Charles Jones, pastor, Sulphur Rock Church; James Knight, Southside layman; Gerald Brown, Floral layman.

Journeymen return

Jim C. Dillard and Sue Thresher, Southern Baptist missionary journeymen, have completed their two-year assignments in Nigeria, and returned to the States.

Jim, who taught in a Baptist high school in Igede, may be addressed, Rtc. 1, Box 101 B, Tyronza. A native of Tyronza and graduate of Arkansas State College, Jonesboro, he formerly taught school in Casa Grande, Ariz.

Sue may be addressed at her home at 1922 N. Seventh St., Ft. Smith, 72901. Formerly a teacher in Farmington, Mich., she taught in Baptist College, Iwo, while overseas. She is a graduate of Ouachita University.

Linda Phillips, journeyman who has spent the past two years as librarian at Ricks Institute, Baptist school near Monrovia, Liberia, has also returned. She may be addressed at 3711 E. 14th St., Amarillo, Tex. Born in San Bernardino, Calif., she graduated from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, in 1964 and then worked as a librarian in Westminister, Colo.



Wynne Intermediates organize Bible study for children

The Intermediate department of Wynne Church was looking for a worthwhile project for their Vacation Bible School. In our town they discovered a group of underprivileged children who had never gone to Bible School or attended any church in the city. A survey was taken and some

Central Ass'n Camp

Central Association reports 36 professions of faith, 23 volunteering for full-time religious service, and 61 rededications during a camp at Spring-lake Assembly, Lonsdale, June 26-30. Registration totaled 354.

Missionary speaker for the evening services was Rev. James Wilson, Southern Baptist missionary on furlough from Brazil.

Pastor Garland Morrison of Ridgeview Church, Fayetteville, was the speaker for the Intermediate morning worship services, and Pastor Damon Shook of Park Place Church, Hot Springs, was the speaker for the Junior morning worship.

Pastor Clarence Shell Jr., of Piney Church, Hot Springs, was program director, and Missionary Hugh Owen, of the Central Association, served as camp director.

Director Shell reports: "The teachers and counselors were outstanding in their classroom and other work. The camp was permeated with an atmosphere of spiritual reverence that was refreshing and encouraging to all who were there."

35 children were found who would come to a Bible School.

Our church responded to the opportunity, and under the supervision of three adults a Bible School was held at the same time as the church school.

The results were astounding. We had an enrollment of 56 with an average attendance of 40 per day. The school was held in the back yard of an old home. The school ran ten days with a picnic on the last day.

The blessing our Intermediates experienced was overwhelming. They are making plans for another school next year. Our church responded by having an Extension school every Sunday morning. There are 19 enrolled in the Sunday School.—Gerald Lewis, Minister of Music-education, Wynne Baptist Church.

Hall at conference

Two 1967 convention-wide Bible conferences are scheduled for August at Glorieta (N. M.) and Ridgecrest (N. C.) assemblies.

The Glorieta conference, featuring William Lawrence Hendricks as preacher, will be held Aug. 10-16. John R. Claypool will be the evening preaher at the Ridgecrest conference Aug. 24-30.

Hendricks is professor of theology at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, and Claypool is pastor of Crescent Hill Church, Louisville,

Bible and life instructors at Glorireta include Andrew M. Hall, pastor, First Church, Fayetteville.

About people-

Pastor writes article

The pastor of First Church, El Dorado, has written an article for the July issue of Church Administration magazine, calling for understanding of the character of cities.

Don B. Harbuck says in "Lost in the City" men can be saved from the lostness of the city by understanding its strategic character. He suggests men divorce the gospel of Christ from an outworn culture and discover where Christ is already acting in the dramas of city life.

Newspaper award

Betty Rowe, a 'senior' journalism major at Ouachita University, has been awarded a \$535 Baptist Standard scholarship. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Rowe of Hot Springs.

The scholarship, which is given by the Baptist Standard, the state Baptist newsmagazine of Texas, is to assist students particularly interested in religious journalism.

Miss Rowe has served as editor of the Signal, the student newspaper, and is 1968 editor of the Ouachitonian yearbook.

Spanns in Brazil

Rev. and Mrs. J. Frederick Spann, Southern Baptist missionaries on furlough from Brazil, left the States June 20 for Recife, where he teaches music in the North Brazil Baptist Theological Seminary (their address: Caixa Postal 221, Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil). An Arkansan, he was born in Levy, and grew up in North Little Rock; she, the former Bettye Brawner, was born in Colt, Ark., and lived in Greenfield, Calif., and Wynne, while growing up. At the time of their appointment by the Foreign Mission Board in 1962 he was minister of music and education for First Church, Mexico, Mo.

Attends institute

Kenneth Sandifer, associate professor of biology at Ouachita University, is attending a six-week summer institute in general parasitology at the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine.

Journeyman returns

Miss Berta Seitz, Southern Baptist missionary journeyman, has returned to the States from Nigeria, where she taught in a Baptist school in Owerri for two years. Her address is Rte. 5, Berryville, Ark., 72616. A native of Berryville, she graduated from the University of Arkansas in 1965.



BSU workers at children's home

Miss Marilyn Bullock and Miss Donna St. Clair, summer field workers for the B.S.U., are shown above as they work with the children of the Arkansas Baptist Home for Children.

The workers are at the home for a ten-week period. They will sponsor camping trips, bowling parties, classes in handicraft and horseback riding. The focal point is the early evening vesper services.

Miss Bullock will be a senior nursing student at Sparks Memorial Hospital

Seek missionary

The committee to secure an associational missionary for Concord Association consists of Rick Ingle, Oak Cliff, Ft. Smith, chairman; J. Harold Smith, Windsor Park; and Harry Wilson, music Director, First Greenwood.

All recommendations should be addressed to Mr. Ingle, Oak Cliff Baptist Church, 3444 Hendricks Blvd., Ft. Smith, Ark.

Available for supply

Charles Thompson, formerly of Marvell and recently of Parker, Ariz., has returned to Arkansas and is now available for supply.

Mr. Parker makes his home at 1721 Lilac Circle, Little Rock. His telephone number is MO 3-5168. School of Nursing this fall. She is the daughter of Mrs. Artela Bullock, Mansfield

Miss St. Clair, the daughter of Mrs. Maggie St. Clair, Parkin, plans to enter Arkansas State University this fall.

Ordain Brazilian

Ary Velloso da Silva of Belo Horizonte, Brazil, was ordained to the ministry June 11 by First Church; Stamps, where a friend, W. L. Probasco, is pastor.

Mr. Silva has been in the United States for five years, attending Southwestern Seminary. He is a member of First Church, Dallas. He has returned to Brazil where he will work with his people. The Stamps church plans to offer support through the Women's Missionary Society and individual contributions.

According to Mr. Probasco, Mr. Silva was converted by Mrs. Rosalee Appebly, former Southern Baptist missionary in Brazil, who now lives in Canton, Miss,

Baumgardner in Kansas

R. Preston Baumgardner of Hope has accepted the pastorate of First Church, Newton, Kans.

ARKANSAS BAPTIST

Hopkins at Marianna

Mr. and Mrs. C. Turner Hopkins, Southern Baptist missionaries on furlough from Nigeria, may now be addressed at Marianna. Born in Memphis, he grew up in Marianna; she, the former Carlene Densford, was also born in Memphis, and lived there and in Marianna while growing up. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1962.

Fulbright-Hays scholar

Miss Jeanne Reddick, who recently graduated from State College of Arkansas, has received a Fulbright-Hays grant for study abroad next year. She is the daughter of Mrs. Ruby Reddick, secretary of Calvary Church, Ft. Smith.

Miss Reddick will study comparative literature at the University of Lyon, France.

Licensed to preach

Ronald Sanders, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tobe Sanders, was licensed to preach June 18 by Witt's Chapel Church, Maynard. Presentation of the certificate was made by Ira Hubbard, chairman of the board of deacons. Ronald surrendered to preach in 1964 at the age of 13.

Shepards plan furlough

Dr. and Mrs. John 'W. Shepard Jr., Southern Baptist missionaries to Japan, plan to arrive in the States July 14 for, furlough (their address: School of Religion, Baylor University, Waco, Tex.). Son of Southern Baptist missionaries, he was born in Brazil, and lived there and in New Orleans, La., while growing up; she, the former Jean Prince, was born in Chicago, Ill., and lived in Illinois, Arkansas, and Kentucky while growing up. They were appointed missionaries in 1948.

Diaz calls Carney

Tommy Carney has accepted the call as pastor of Diaz Church, Black River Association. He goes to Diaz from Payneville Church, Trinity Association.

Mr. Carney succeeds Sedric Wesson, who is serving as pastor of Westview Church, Paragould.

Raines to Leslie

Ralph Raines has resigned as pastor of Crystal Hill Church, Little Rock, to accept the pastorate of First Church, Leslie. He has served the Little Rock Church for seven years.

Ridgecrest Loses Weeks

NASHVILLE—Willard K. Weeks, manager of Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly in Ridgecrest, N. C., will retire after 17 years in the position, Hubert Smothers, director of the services division of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board here, has announced.

Known as "Daddy Weeks" to almost 7,000 summer staff members who have worked with him since 1950, Weeks has a reputation for continuing interest in the staffers and for carrying candy bars which he gives away at almost any excuse.

Allison resigns

ALANTA—Directors of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board here have accepted the resignation of B. Gray Allison, an associate director in the division of evangelism. Effective July 15, Allison plans to give full time to conducting revivals, conferences and other work related to evangelism. (BP)

West at Portland

- Billy G. West has resigned Omega Church, Eudora, to become the pastor of Portland Church, Portland. During his two years at Omega, the church has air conditioned the auditorium, and has had 18 additions.

The Wests have three children, Billy Gene, 9, LaWanda, 4, and Lillian, 19 months.

Moores to Uganda

Rev. and Mrs. Billy Bob Moore, Southern Baptist missionary appointees, have left the States for Uganda (address: P. O. Box 20191, Kampala, Uganda, East Africa). Born in El Dorado, he grew up in Texas (he moved to Port Arthur when he was 12); she, the former Aletha Lane, was born and reared in Glen Rose, Tex. At the time of their missionary appointment in 1966 he was pastor of Rosedale Baptist Church, Beaumont, Tex.

Baker in PR

THOMASVILLE, N. C.—Eugene W. Baker, minister of education at Handley Church, in Ft. Worth, has been named director of public relations for the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

Baker is a former news director for Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, where he received the master of religious education degree and two years toward a doctor-of-education degree.



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... Most people are paying more in interest than they realize, according to Andrew J. Biemiller, testifying before a Senate Banking subcommittee in support of a federal truth-in-lending bill. Biemiller contended that the only institution which would be hurt by complete clarity in credit would be those with something to hide. He cited a survey showing borrowers who knew the true interests of their loans paid an average of 12.1 percent on loans under \$500 while those who don't paid an average of 37 percent.

. . . Congress is concerned about the increasing dominance of broadcasting fare by economic interests which are often incompatible with the public interest, according to Rep. Harley Staggers (D-W. Va.), chairman of the powerful House Commerce Committee. Addressing the West Virginia Broadcasters Association, Stag-gers pointed out that "Television fare seems to be doing an efficient job in selling mouth washes. But is this what television intended to do? I hope not. I, for one, cannot believe that sane, mature men conceivably could wish to take credit for much of the broadcasting fare that is currently on the air . . . unless under pressure from huge forces that have grown beyond reasonable controls."

Bumpass to Midland

DALLAS—William R. Bumpas, secretary of the Sunday School department for the Baptist General Convention of Texas for the past seven years, has been named minister of activities for First Church, Midland, Tex., effective Aug. 1.

Bumpas, 59, will return to the same position he held seven years ago at the 5,500-member Midland church before accepting the state-wide Sunday School position.

-Deaths

ORVAL BRADLEY COURTNEY SR., 64, Little Rock; public accountant, June

He was a native of Conway. Mr. Courtney was a member of Gaines Street Church, Gideons International and National Society of Public Accountants and was treasurer of the Union Rescue Mission.

From the churches—

Hopewell homecoming

Hopewell Church followed its annual homecoming ceremonies June 25 with ordination of two deacons, J. H. Shackleford and John H. Tyson, Dr. T. K. Rucker, Little Rock, delivered the sermons.

Arkadelphia GA's crowned

Vicki Bratton was crowned Queen with a Scepter in Girls' Auxiliary coronation services recently at Third Street Church, Arkadelphia.

Others receiving awards from Mrs. Bobby Toland were: Veda Smith and Pat Todd, Queens; Lois Rogers, Sandy Webb, Snoda Faulkner and Regina Burton, maidens. Mrs. Clayburn Bratton recognized and questioned the girls.

Greenland mission open

Opening services were conducted June 25 at Greenland Mission, sponsored by First Church, Favetteville, An

Military prayer lift

A special military prayer lift service was held at Pine Bluff South Side July 2 in behalf of military personnel now serving in America and in foreign countries. Dr. Tal Bonham is pastor of the church.

The service began with the presentation and pledges of allegiance to the American and Christian flags. Judge Carleton Harris, chief justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court, brought a special Independence Day message. Dr. Sturgis Miller, a member of the Arkansas House of Representatives, lead in prayer. Sen. Knox Nelson lead the prayer for military personnel. Harris, Miller and Nelson are all active members of the church.

Blue Eye pastorless

First Church, Blue Eye has been without a pastor since May 28. Quentin Middleton resigned on that date.

Mt. Zion changes

Several changes are reported in the pastorates of Mt. Zion Association: Cyril Miller from Alsup to Sedgwick; John Collier to Alsup; Elbert Ragsdale from Wood Springs to Mt. Pisgah; P. H. Jernigan from Needham to Ridgecrest, Blytheville; Bob Hartness from Red to Monticello. (AB)

Join Blytheville staff

Miss Jane Harp has joined the staff of First Church, Blytheville, as summer youth director. Miss Harp is a senior at Baylor University.

The church has also announced that Raymond Johnson is serving as interim pastor of Memorial Chapel, following the resignation of W. G. Warren. Mr. Johnson, formerly a Holland, Mo., pastor, is teaching in the Holland school system. (CB)

Vacation Bible School

Ward First, 101 enrollment; 16 decisions; 7 professions; 2 for baptism; 2 by letter; 5 rededications; O. E. Castleberry, pastor.

Emmet church ordains

First Church, Emmet, ordained John Thomas Hicks as deacon June 26. Participating were J. M. Watson, Pastor Ronald Munn, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Ward and J. R. Snell.

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Beacon lights of Baptist history

Presiding officers

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

Presiding over deliberating bodies is never an envious position. The larger the body, the greater the possibility of discussion, the more difficult to direct to desired ends. Because Baptists are self-governing bodies they have faced possible and actual issues.

Thrice blessed is the assembly whose presiding officer is skilled in parliamentary procedure. His ability in this field, no doubt, largely determined the election of Patrick Hues Mell as president of the Southern Baptist Convention open house was held during the after -- in 1863. Richard Fuller who preceded him was much loved but was no parliamentarian. In such trying days as the Civil War such knowledge was needed.

> President Mell was no novice in his new position. He was 30 years old when he attended the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845. He was professor of ancient languages at Mercer University from 1841 to 1855. He moved to the University of Georgia in 1855, and was vice-chancellor of this school from 1860 to 1862, and chancellor from 1878 to 1888.

> He was ordained to the ministry Nov. 19, 1842, at Panfield, Ga. He combined preaching with his teaching. He was a country preacher. He served Bairdstown church as pastor 23 years, and Antioch church for 28 years. Proof of his ability to preside is further evidenced in the fact that his brethren elected him as president of the state convention during the years 1857 to 1864. He served as moderator of the Georgia Baptist Association 31 years.

> "President Mell," as he was affectionately called, became one of the greatest parliamentarians of all time. So efficiently and fairly did he preside that he was re-elected for eight successive years. Dr. James P. Boyce was elected president of the convention from 1872 to 1879. Dr. Mell was then elected for the next seven terms. He served 15 years as president of the Southern Baptist Convention, longer than any other president in the history of the convention.

> At the request of the convention in 1867, Dr. Mell wrote A Manual of Parliamentary Practice. The next year it was adopted as its rules of order, and so remained until 1900 when Kerfoot's Parliamentary Law was adopted.

> He was an able writer on religious and educational subjects. Besides his book on parliamentary procedures he wrote books on prayer, church, discipline, and baptism. Several smaller books on various religious topics flowed from his pen.

> Convention sessions in recent years have recognized someone as parliamentarian to guide in debate. This has proven helpful in moments of tension. Our own state convention has used a parliamentarian at its annual sessions since 1950 at the request of the president. Rev. Carl Overton has served in this capacity.

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Vera, Okla. First Church; May 22-28; Theo Cook, Sardis, evangelist; 11 professions of faith; 2 for special service; E. A. Wilson, pastor.

Sardis Pleasant Hill Church; May 29-June 4; Theo Cook, Sardis, pastor, evangelist; C. H. "Pop" Stone, Gulf-port, Miss., singer; 2 by letter; 5 pro-fessions of faith, 3 for baptism.

Summersville, Mo., First, May 21-28; Jamie Coleman, Fayetteville, evangelist; 17 professions of faith; 17 for baptism; 7 family altar committments; 10 rededications; Bill Carter, pastor.

Hot Springs Fairdale, June 11-18; Oscar Huston, Owensville, evangelist; Alton Bush, Park Place Church, Hot Springs, music director; 8 for baptism; 1 by letter; 12 rededications; Lewis Newcomb, pastor.

Wilton First, in progress through July 16: Donald Bowman, evangelist; James Gunter, music director; Eugene Jewell, pastor.

Plainview First, Jesse S. Reed, director of Evangelism; Arkansas State Convention, evangelist; Mark Short, song director; 18 for baptism; 4 by letter; 2 other professions of faith; pastorless.

Heber Springs Southside, in progress through July 16; Russ Burbank, evangelist; James Fowler, song leader and pastor.

Sage Church, July 23-30; Vernon Bradley, evangelist; Helen Clark, music director; Hal Gallop, pastor.

News about missionaries

Rev. and Mrs. William C. Warmath, Southern Baptist missionaries to Japan, expect to arrive in the States on July 8 for a four-month furlough. They may be addressed, c/o C. T. Warmath, Star Rte., Mayfeld, Ky. Born in Durant, Miss., William Warmath grew up in Graves County, Kentucky; Mrs. Warmath, the former Mary Cox, was born in Omaha, Ark., and lived in Arkansas and Kentucky while growing up (she is the daughter of a Baptist minister). When they were appointed missionaries in 1959 he was a social worker in Louisville, Ky.

Goatchers reach home

Rev. and Mrs. Earl G. Goatcher, Southern Baptist missionaries to Thailand, have arrived in the States for furlough. Their address is Fairhaven Drive, Little Rock. He is a native of Formosa, Ark.; she, the former Joann

Blessed the meek

BY HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

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

"Blessed ... the meek: for they shall inherit the earth" (Matthew 5:5).

Words like people can fall in with bad companions. Such a word is "meek." To the average person "meek" connotes "weak." "As meek as a mouse" suggests one who is shy, frightened, and afraid of his own shadow. Or like Dickens' Uriah Heep who said that he was a very meek man, it envisions one who hides a very ugly self under the cloak of meekness.

But such is not the meaning of the Greek word for "meek" (praus). It means "gentle, kind, mild, or gracious." But does any one of these fit Jesus' use in this verse? Perhaps so, if we think of such a person as one who with such a characteristic couples the strength of steel. This is true of the Greek meaning.

However, another meaning seems to fit the context better. A praus or "meek" man was one who was under perfect control, or of strength under control. It is used of a wild horse that has been tamed so as to bring its great strength under the control of its master. So in the spiritual sense a "meek" man is a God-controlled man.

In this sense also a "meek" man is a teachable man. He is willing to submit himself to a teacher. So a meek man is a God-molded or God-taught man, one who has submitted to God's will and purpose. As a wild horse is caught and tamed, so a wild (sinful) man is caught and tamed by God.

So in another sense the meek man is one who has committed himself to God. "Commit" is one meaning of the Greek word pisteuo, rendered "believe" (cf. Jn. 2:24; 3:16). So in this context in Matthew 5:5 this seems to be the sense of "meek." One who is "poor in spirit" (conviction, possessing nothing spiritual to commend himself to God) mourns (repents of sin), and turns to God through faith in Jesus Christ. He is teachable; he enrols in Christ's school as His disciple. He commits himself to the Teacher, comes under His control and submits to His divine will and purpose. In short, through faith he becomes a Christian.

Now Jesus says that such "will inherit the earth" or "the land." Some see this as the earth literally. Robertson suggests "the Land of Promise" or God's heavenly rest. Since Jesus is talking about the Kingdom of heaven, may this not more likely be the sense? So through conviction (v. 3) and repentance (v. 4), he comes to exercise faith (v. 5). Thus he inherits the Kingdom and its blessed glory (cf. Rom. 8:16-17).

Such a person, says Jesus, is "blessed." He possesses within Himself through Christ all that is necessary for the abundant life. This is true of every one who is meek: God-controlled, God-molded, and dedicated to God's divine will and purpose.

Horton, was born in Carlsbad, Tex., and lived in several Texas towns while growing up. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1962.

Walkers at Memphis

Rev. and Mrs. Richard E. Walker, Southern Baptist missionaries to Brazil, have returned to the states for furlough. Their address is 1408 Fox St., Memphis, Tenn., 38111. Born in Texas City, Tex., he lived there and in Arkansas and Missouri while growing up; she is the former Beatrice Rogers, of Bauxite. He was pastor of Northwest Church, Atlanta, Ga., when they were appointed missionaries in 1964.

Lindwalls to Guatemala

Rev. and Mrs. Hubert N. (Ted) Lindwall, Southern Baptist missionaries, expect to resume their evangelistic work in Guatemala in mid-July, following furlough in the States. They may be addressed at Apartado 25-A, Coban, Alta Verapaz, Guatemala. Born in Kansas City, Mo., Mr. Lindwall spent much of his childhood in southern California; Mrs. Lindwall, the former Sue Francis, was born in Morrilton, Ark., and moved to San Francisco, Calif., as a child. Lindwall was pastor of First Church, Novato, Calif., when he and Mrs. Lindwall were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1960.

New religious liberty law in Spain

BY C. E. BRYANT

MADRID-The Spanish Cortes (parliament) has adopted a new relgious liberty law about which Baptist officials are less than enthusiastic.

Although news reports indicate that the law gives non-Catholics in Spain equal rights with Catholics, Baptist leaders here say the new law is more restrictive than the Vatican Council's statement on religious freedom.

The opening article of the law, however, was commended by two Baptist leaders as "a good statement on the basis-of religious liberty."

Both Spanish Baptist Pastor Jose Cardona of Madrid and Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance who was here recently while visiting in Europe, commended the new law for an opening article which states:

"The Spanish state recognizes the right of religious liberty as founded on the dignity of the human person, and ensures the necessary protection in providing immunity against any coercion in the legitimate exercise of this right."

Nordenhaug, who has been visiting Europe since mid-May, said however that the 40 articles which follow whittle down this right by limitations, restrictions, and regulations which apply only to non-Catholic religious groups.

"I am very disillusioned," said Cardona, who had praised the original draft of the law before it was subjected to amendments by committees of the cabinet and of the national Cortes.

Cordona said that because the new law is more restrictive than the Vatican Council II statement on religous freedom, it actually conflicts with existing Spanish law which states: "the doctrine of the Catholic Church will inspire its (the Spanish government's) legisla-

Cordona said that "the Spanish bishops have done nothing to promote the cause of genuine religious freedom."

Both Cardona and Nordenhaug listed specific points in the new law which they felt were restrictive. The limitations, said Nordenhaug, include:

*Non-Catholics must submit annually a complete list of members to the Minister of Justice. The financial records of each non-Catholic church must rather than having the property regbe open at any time to the inspection of government authorities.

*Places of worship must be approved by the state and permission to hold religious services anywhere else must be secured from the authorities "in ample time." Signs on non-Catholic churches and advertising of services must be only on "a scale adequate for their needs."

*The Spanish Ministry of Justice will establish a register of non-Catholic ministers and of non-Catholic confessional associations. Evangelical ministers will be subject to draft into military service.

Cardona further pointed out that there is a provision which makes it compulsory for non-Catholics in the armed forces to attend church parades "as an act of service." The original law, he said, exempted them from this on grounds of conscience.

Nordenhaug said that the "liberty" advertised for non-Catholics is severely limited by these and other regulations. The proposed law merely grants to non-Catholics the right to apply for permission to exercise their religion within these limits, he declared.

Other spokesmen for Protestant organizations in Spain have said the effect of the law will depend largely on the way in which it is interpreted and enforced.

While they welcome such things as the law's recognition of Protestant marriages as valid, they, too, question whether some requirements can be described as promoting true religious free-

Under the new law, among the rights which Protestants will enjoy for the first time are those of worshipping publicly, putting signs on their churches and listing the time of services, conducting schools and seminaries for their own members, distributing books to their members and having their own cemeteries.

Also, Spanish Protestants will now be able to hold commissions in the armed forces and public offices, below that of Chief of State, which must be held by a Catholic.

Protestant organizations also will be able to own property for the first time, istered in the name of one of their members, as in the past.

Protestant hopes have been raised by several events, beginning with the second Vatican Council's assertion that religious liberty is a God-given right of every person and that such liberty 'cannot be either granted or denied by human authority.

Even Spain's Chief of State, Generalissimo Franco, broadcast a message last New Year's eve announcing a new day for religious liberty of all the people of Spain.

But Spanish Baptist leaders fear that adoption of the new law will make it mandatory upon the authorities to enforce the projected restrictions, thereby actually making conditions more difficult than at present. (BP)

Seen as great need

SAN ANONIO, Tex .- The 57th annual Mexican Baptist Department Convention ended here with a plea for a strong missionary thrust into Texas Latin-American communities with a major emphasis on personal involvement.

Nearly 1,000 messengers attending the four-day meeting were urged to pray for and participate in a 850-mile Rio Grande River ministry which is already underway in South and West Texas. It is estimated two million Latins live along the border between Texas and Mexico.

Rudy Camacho, a layman from Ft. Worth, emphasized his own need to minister in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area and urged other laymen to give serious consideration to becoming personally involved in their own communities.

Mountain Minister

PINEVILLE, Ky .- L. G. Herndon, Honaker, Va., received the A. S. Petrey award as "Mountain Minister of the Year" at Clear Creek Baptist School

Herndon, pastor of First Church, Honaker, was presented a plaque and citation by D. M. Aldridge, Clear Creek president. (BP)

Desegregation institute

WASHINGTON—Ouachita University, Arkadelphia, Ark., will conduct a special institute agan this summer to train school personnel to deal with school desegregation problems, according to announcement by the U.S. Office of Education here.

The institute will be one of 21 throughout the country financed by the Office of Education to train 1,200 teachers, counselors and supervisors in elementary and secondary education. The grants, totaling \$1,300,000 are authorized in Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

In 1966 Ouachita University received \$35,599 for a similar institute.

The special study will focus on specific educational problems likely to arise as schools desegregate in accordance with congressional and court requirements.

Since the Title IV training program began in the spring semester of 1965, a total of 7,650 persons have attended the desegregation institutes. The 1967 program will bring the total receiving training to 8,850.

Participants are selected by the institutes, usually in cooperation with local school officials. Each participant will receive a stipend of \$75 a week plus travel expenses. Most of the institutes will last from four to six weeks.

Ouachita is one of 14 church-related schools to conduct the institutes this summer. Last year Stetson University, a Baptist school in Deland, Fla., and Ouachita were included in a group of 10 church-related schools where institutes were held.

The program at Ouachita will be sponsored jointly with Henderson State Teachers College, also in Arkadelphia. (BP)

Conference scheduled at New Orleans

The sixth annual Pastors Conference at New Orleans Seminary will be held on the seminary campus July 17-21.

The conference is designed to aid the pastor in his ministry through providing lectures in the Old and New Testaments, discussions, sermons, library study, and fellowship with other pastors. While the majority of those who attend are from the Southern states, pastors come from all sections of the country.

Program personalities include: Dr. H. Franklin Paschall, president of South-

Gifts reach half-way point

NASHVILLE—Southern Baptist Convention contributions to world missions during the first six months of the year exceeded slightly the half-way mark in the convention's budget, an end-of-the-month financial report indicated here.

For the six-month period, a total of \$12,595,955 was contributed through the SBC Cooperative Program, the unified budget plan of the denomination which supports SBC programs of work.

In addition to the \$124 million through the Cooperative Program, designated contributions to specific missions causes reached \$18,246,891.

The combined designated gifts and Cooperative Program contributions brought total world missions gifts in the SBC to \$30.8 million for the half-year period, an increase of more than \$1.7 over total contributions for the same six-month period in 1966.

It was an increase of \$1 million in Cooperative Program contributions in comparing the 1966 and 1967 figures, and an increase of \$754,042 in designated gifts.

"Cooperative Program receipts for SBC causes during the first six months of 1967 show a 8.7 per cent increase, compared with a 4.3 per cent increase for designated causes for the same period," said Porter W. Routh, executive secretary of the SBC Executive Committee which prepared the financial report.

"This is encouraging," Routh said, "but we must also face the fact that this represents 52 per cent of the annual budget, compared with 54½ per cent of the budget at the same period last year.

"In the light of the growing world need and continued inflation, all of us as Christians should seriously consider readjusting upward our giving to the causes of Christ through our church," Routh said. (BP)

ern Baptist Convention and pastor of the First Church, Nashville, Tenn.; Dr. Albert McClellan, program planning secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. J. Leo Green, professor of Old Testament, Southeastern Seminary; Dr. Joe H. Cothen, pastor of Alta Woods Church, Jackson, Miss.; and Mrs. J. D. Grey, wife of the pastor of the First Church, New Orleans, La.

New Orleans Seminary faculty members on the program include: Dr. J. Hardee Kennedy, dean of the School of Theology; Dr. Claude L. Howe, associate professor of Church History; and Dr. Ray Frank Robbins, professor of New Testament and Greek.

Further information may be secured from Dr. J. Hardee Kennedy, 3939 Gentilly Blvd., New Orleans, La. 70126.

Architecture scheduled

NASHVILLE—The annual Church Architecture Conferences are scheduled for August this year at Glorieta (N. M.) and Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Assemblies to help church workers planning building programs. The third annual Glorieta conference will meet Aug. 10-16, and the fourth such conference at Ridgecrest will be held Aug. 24-30. (BP)

Baptist schools receive National Science funds

WASHINGTON — Twelve Baptist schools are among 142 church-related colleges and universities awarded funds to help strengthen their science programs, according to announcement by the National Science Foundation (NSF) here.

A spokesman for NSF said institutional grants, totaling \$15,152,000, were made to a total of 517 schools.

The grants are intended to help maintain a strong academic base for American science by permitting the colleges and universities to follow their own plans and priorities in using the funds for direct costs of their science activities, according to NSF officials.

Of the 12 Baptist schools receiving the grants, five are affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention, six are American Baptist Convention institutions, and one is affiliated with both the American and Southern Baptist Conventions.

The Southern Baptist schools are Baylor University, Waco, Tex.; Furman University, Greenville, S. C.; Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee; Stetson University, DeLand, Fla.; and Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N. C.

William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., is the school affiliated with both conventions. (BP)

Baptist schools get grants

WASHINGTON—The libraries of 38 Baptist schools are being strengthened through the purchase of books and other educational materials made possible by federal grants, according to announcement by the U.S. Office of education here.

The Baptist schools are among 562 church-related schools in a list of nearly 2,000 colleges and universities to receive funds for library materials.

The grants, totaling more than \$24.5 million for the year ending June 30, are administered by the U.S. Office of Education under Title II-A of the Higher Education Act of 1965.

Brotherhood expands

RIDGECREST, N. C.—Directors of the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission voted unanimously here to expand its missionary education program to include Baptist boys ages six to eight, and approved a record operating budget of \$559,440 for 1967-68.

Taylor O'Hearn, attorney of Shreveport, La., was elected chairman of the 35-member group representing 25 states and the District of Columbia. He replaced Hugh Cantrell of Arkadelphia, Ark., who had served the maximum of two one-year terms.

Fred Worrill, an advertising executive of Atlanta, Ga., was re-elected vice chairman, and C. A. Dabney, pastor of Applewood Church, Denver, Colo., was chosen recording secretary.

George W. Shroeder, executive seretary of the Brotherhood Commission at Memphis, called the decision to provide guidance materials in missionary education for boys 6-8 "a progressive move" in men and boys' work in the Southern Bartist Convention.

At an annual meeting a month earlier in Miami Beach, the Executive Board of SBC Woman's Missionary Union voted to ask the Brotherhood Commission to assume this responsibility, making the first curriculum materials available for use in the churches, Oct. 1, 1970.

Involving an estimated 75,000 boys, the transfer of responsibility permits one agency to provide the missionary education guidance materials for all boys in the children's division (ages 6-11) of the new grading-grouping plan Southern Baptist churches will begin using in 1970, Schroeder expl

At the present time the Brotherhood Commission offers guidance materials in missionary education for boys 9-17 and men 18 and older in 15,000 churches. (BP) Fifteen of the 38 Baptist schools are Southern Baptist, 16 are American Baptist and one school is related to both the Southern and American Baptist Convention.

In addition, there is one each General Baptist, Baptist General Conference, Free Will and Seventh Day Baptist. The remaining two are Independent Baptist schools affiliated with groups of local churches.

All but one of the Baptist colleges received the basic grant of \$5,000, awarded on a dollar-for-dollar matching fund basis. In addition, most of the schools received supplemental funds of \$10 for each full-time student. The supplemental grants did not require matching funds.

All grants require the institutions to maintain their expenditures for library resources while using federal funds for additional purchases.

The Southern Baptist colleges and

universities receiving the library grants are:

Ouachita University, Arkadelphia, Ark.; Southern College, Walnut Ridge, Ark.; Stetson University, DeLand, Fla.; and Stetson University College of Law, St. Petersburg, Fla;

Mercer University, Macon, Ga.; Norman College, Norman Park, Ga.; Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Miss.; William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N. C.; Furman University, Greenville, S. C.; North Greenville Junior College, Tigerville, S. C.;

Houston College, Houston, Tex.; Howard Payne College, Brownwood, Tex.; Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton, Tex.; and the University of Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Tex.

William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., is affiliated with both Southern and American Baptist Conventions.

Of the 562 church-related schools receiving the funds for library materials, 260 are Roman Catholic, 79 are Methodist, 59 are Presbyterian and 37 are Lutheran. (BP)



Feminine intuition

by Harriet Hall

The wonderful world of six-year-olds

We have just finished a very successful Vacation Bible School and it was my happy privilege to work with six-year-old Primary children this year. For a number of years I have worked with the older groups, so this was a revealing and refreshing experience. Believe me, the world of the first grader is a far more advanced world than "See Dick; see Jane!"

There is something new each day with the six-year-old. During "sharing time" we learned many interesting things, such as whose little brother has the mumps, who went fishing and got mad at his daddy because he had to throw his little five-inch fish back in the water, and many other exciting things. One little fellow got so wound up with his stories that we would have been there yet listening to his vivid details, had the teacher not known how to tactfully side-step and shift into another direction. Another little boy brought something to show his classmates. When the teacher reached her hand into the sack to get the surprise she jumped with fright as she felt something warm and furry. You can imagine the children's enjoyment of the joke on the teacher as the warm, furry creature turned out to be a Daniel Boone coonskin cap. One little girl answered the roll-call in a different manner every day—nothing so boring as a plain "here" for her! When someone asked what her father did for a living, she answered, "He's a surgeon." When asked by another what a surgeon is, she promptly replied, "He handles emergencies."

A world of "I see Dick. I see Jane?" Oh, no. These six-year-olds of 1967 are sharp little cookies. Their responses to the Bible stories I told each day were thrilling to witness. My prayer for them and all of our children of today is that we who are older will work harder to give them love and secure foundations in their growing-up time.

Comments, suggestions, or questions, may be addressed to Mrs. Andrew Hall, Mt. Sequoyah Drive, Fayetteville, Ark. 72701

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Twice the trouble,

twice the fun

One might expect a negative answer from Mrs. Pat Humphrey to an invitation to be on the faculty of a Vacation Bible School.

Why?-

Because she quit a job as office secretary to rear her three children, threeyear-old Steven and three-months-old identical twin sons Kevin and Keith.

Now, with more time at home, she served on the Vacation Bible School faculty of her church in Beaumont, Tex., where her husband, Charles Humphrey, is an insurance salesman.

It is said that twins are twice the trouble and twice the fun. With three children under three Pat probably could multiply her trouble and fun by three instead of two.

The above picture reveals the twins on their typical schedule. One sleeps while the other is awake.

It was that way one morning when Pastor W. O. Vaught "showed off" the



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twins to his congregation when they visited in their parents' home church, Immanuel, Little Rock.

Again one slept while the other was awake when the Sunday School Secretary visited the twins at their grandparents' home a few days ago.

Furthermore, one was wide awake and the other was peacefully asleep on an hour long tour of Baptist Building when this picture was snapped.

Three floors later and after dozens of people had "oh'ed, ah'ed and ou'ed", Keith was awake and Kevin asleep. Do you think he was crying when this picture was made?-No. He was yawning. I think it was about time for them to change the guard. Three-year-old Steven said, "It's time to be awake K, K, Ki'er-you there asleep! Wake up!"

Would you believe these three are the grandsons of Mary Emma (and Jim) Humphrey?-

Sorry about that, grandpaw!

Mary Emma is elementary director in the Sunday School Department.

Well, congratulations Pat, Charles and Steven.

Welcome (yawn) Keith and Kevin .-May your tribe increase!

Oops, sorry about that, Charles .--Lawson Hatfield, State Sunday School Secretary

Area Evangelism Conferences set

Sept. 10-15 we shall have six areawide Evangelism Conferences at the following locations: Sunday afternoon, Sept. 10, First Church, Warren; Sept. 11, First Church, Jonesboro; Sept. 12, First Church, Forrest City; Sept. 13, First Church, Mt. Home; Sept. 14, First Church, Ft. Smith; Sept. 15, First Church, Hope. The meetings through the week will be at night.

Sometime ago a survey was taken concerning pastors and supplementary occupations. At that time there were 1,025 pastors and 522 of them had extra jobs. It stands to reason that many of those men are not able to attend the state-wide Evangelism Conference with any degree of regularity. Therefore, we have had many requests for area-wide Evangelism Conferences. These meetings will reach many pastors and members who are deprived of the privilege of attending the regular conference. Our conference is really a "revival" for the leaders of our churches. It is one of the outstanding meetings of the year for our convention.

A great team of speakers has been secured for the conferences. John Bisagno, pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, Okla., will be our main speaker. Last year this church led all Southern Baptist churches in the number of baptisms. He is a forceful and dynamic speaker.

Mark your calendar for these conferences and attend the one most convenient for you.-Jesse S. Reed, Director of Evangelism

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RANDY LEE, U of A, TRINIDAD



JAMES LOCKHART, ALASKA

Missionaries write

Randy Lee of Pine Bluff is a senior at the University of Arkansas. He is serving as a BSU summer missionary in Trinidad this summer. Following is a letter which he wrote concerning his work:

"Trinidad is a fascinating and exciting place. It is a land of bays and beaches, palms and tropical fruits, and a melting pot of cultures." "But the beauty which the tourists see is deceiving. Already I have seen areas where one small house may be inhabited by three or four families. On the streets at night you see boys who are forced to stay out on the street corners because they have no beds."

"While at BSU Week at Ridgecrest I learned that we must witness by meeting people on their own level. I never realized how important this is. I have received a new insight into witnessing. We walk the streets telling people about our church. Bro. Lewis has had us singing a capella in streets, roads, shops, restaurants, and anywhere else to help draw people to services. And you know what—it works. Pray for us."

Jim Lockhart is a student at Arkansas A. & M. and lives in Washington, Mo. He is serving as a BSU summer missionary to Alaska. Following is a report of his work:

"I arrived in Anchorage, Alaska, on June 9. All of the summer workers were given churches to go to on Sunday ZIP CODE HELPS KEEP POSTAL COSTS D

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of that weekend. The orientation period started on the following Monday. This was a week long and consisted of vacation Bible school in the mornings and survey work in the afternoons. Then at night we would all get together for supper and a program. The program consisted of different people in the area all trying to give us an idea of what to expect this summer."

"On Saturday, June 17, I flew to Juneau to work at Glacier Valley Baptist Church. Then I will go to Juneau First Baptist Church and spend a week. Both of these churches are small, and they are under conditions that I am not used to. They seem harsh because the people are on the go and don't have time for spiritual matters. There is a frontier spirit here and the people have to concern themselves with physical matters."

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I'm tired!

"I'm tired of getting fussed at for not coming to Training Union when I am there!" Those are the words of a faithful Training worker after reading my article in the June 22 issue of the Arkansas Baptist, page 15, on "Let's quit, let's start."

I agree with her! It is disgusting to hear these little "pep" talks (I almost said, pep pills) during the Sunday morning and Sunday night assemblies. They are always the same! They never get results! They lambast the absentees who can't hear them (which might explain why they are not there!). They never use the Sunday School Builder or Training Union Magazine to present worthwhile assemblies programs. They don't take time to read a passage of scripture and explain its application. They are too busy fussing at "us" because "they" are not there.

I can just hear Jesus saying to the woman at the well, "Let's wait until we get in the village to talk when we can get a big enough crowd together to make it 'worth while' for me to make my speech!" No, instead, Jesus "wasted" his talk on just one person. And he didn't fuss at her because other people were not present.

Get the point?—Ralph W. Davis

Missionary prisoner reports from Cuba

ATLANTA-Southern Baptist Missionary Herbert Caudill, under house arrest in Havana, Cuba, is gradually recuperating from major eye surgery and hopes to be reading again soon.

Caudill reported on his health in a letter to Dick H. Hall Jr., vice president of Atlanta College here and former pastor of First Church, Decatur, Ga.

Caudill is under house arrest after more than two years in Cuba prisons for alleged currency exchange violations.

"I see fairly well with the eye recently operated on, but cannot read very well," Caudill wrote to Hall. "I suppose that will be remedied when new glasses are prescribed ... probably some time in June."

An Emory University eye surgeon, Dr. William Hagler, went to Havana in March to perform the delicate surgery on Caudill.

Caudill's son-in-law, David Fite, is still in a Cuban prison under the same charges. Both their wives are also in Havana. (BP)





HELP SMOKEY BEAR PREVENT IN THE SOUTH

GA Camp Corner .

Thailand and Brazil will be represented by three missionaries and a national at Girls' Auxiliary Camp, Paron, July 31-Aug. 5.

Dr. Joann H. Goatcher works in a small Baptist Hospital in Bankla, Thailand, where her husband, Rev. Earl G. Goatcher, is hospital administrator.

In addition to her medical work, Dr. Goatcher teaches a Bible Class on Saturday nights from which have come several converts about whom she wrote, "When there are professions of faith in Christ, it is like a booster shot in the heart." She also directs the choir of the Baptist Church in Bangkla.



MRS. QUALLS



MRS. GOATCHER

Representing Brazil will be missionaries, Mrs. Sam Qualls, Rio de Janeiro, and Mrs. V. E. Sydow, Jaguaquara. During her more than fifteen years in Brazil, Mrs. Qualls' biggest responsibility has been rearing a family of five children. Her husband has been treasurer of the three Southern Baptist missions in Brazil. Upon their return they hope to devote full time to evangelistic work

This is the first furlough Mrs. V. E. Sydow has had since appointment by the Foreign Mission Board in 1963. After a year's language study they went to Jaguaquara in North Brazil to do field evangelism in an area where Southern Baptists have a secondary school.

Miss Olivia Daniel, a native of Porto Alegre, Brazil, a senior at Southwestern Seminary, a visitor at 1961 GA Camps in Arkansas, is serving on the permanent GA camp staff. In addition to these, the camp staff will include the director, Miss Delores Barber, a nurse, life guards, cabin counselors (college students), assistants to director (high school graduates), Bible teachers, missionary appointee.

Training institutes aid

WASHINGTON-Nine church-related schools are among 39 institutions receiving grants totaling \$361,650 to provide In-Service Institutes for secondary school science and mathematics teachers, according to announcement by the National Science Foundation (NSF).

These grants, which provide training

opportunities for 1,457 secondary school teachers, are in addition to 230 awards made earlier this spring. The 1967-68 In-Service Institutes program now includes approximately 13,000 teachers.

Of the nine church-related schools to receive the new grants, there are five Roman Catholic, two Presbyterian and one each Evangelical United Brethren and Free Methodist. (BP)

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WAYNE GREEN First, Arkadelphia

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Winners



Piano
KENNETH MERRILL
Sunnyside, Rogers



Organ WAYNE PRATHER First, Smackover



Song Leading EDGAR LEE COX Park Hill, NLR

(All tournament and talent winners receive a full scholarship to the 1968 Quachita Music Conference)

Jerden on staff

NASIIVILLE—Larry Jerden of College Station, Tex., has joined the office of public relations of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board as a news writer.

Jerden will write news and features for release to all news media and will have other press relations responsibilities. He is a graduate of Texas A&M University, College Station, and was a newsman for United Press International in Little Rock, before joining the board.

Jerden and his wife Kathy will live in Nashville.

Giddens to teach

MACON, Ga.—Howard P. Giddens, pastor of the First Church, Athens, Ga., for almost 18 years, has been named professor of religion at Mercer University (Baptist) here, effective Aug. 6.

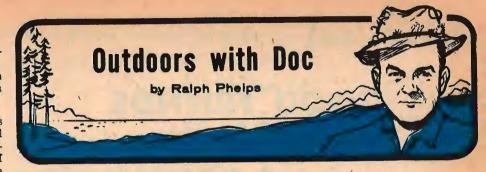
Giddens, a former president of the Georgia Baptist Convention, is a member of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, and former member of the SBC Foreign Mission Board. He is a graduate of Mercer and Southern Seminary, Louisville, where he received a doctor-of-theology degree.

Allens complete study

Rev. and Mrs. Bobby E. Allen, Southern Baptist missionaries to Indonesia, are completing initial language study in Bandung, and plan to begin an evangelistic assignment in Djakarta in July (their address: Tromolpos 77/DKT, Djakarta, Java, Indonesia). An Arkansan, he was born in Prescott, and grew up in Lawrence County; she is the former Barbara Fleeman, of Manila, Ark. He was pastor of Eastern Hills Church, Garland, Tex., when they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1965.

Cheynes in Alabama

Rev. and Mrs. John R. Cheyne, furloughing Southern Baptist missionaries, may now be addressed at Box 235, Ft. Deposit, Ala., 36032. Formerly missionaries to Rhodesia, they expect to begin a new assignment in Ethiopia this summer. She is the former Marie Golson, of Ft. Deposit; he was born in Chicago, Ill., and lived there and in Little Rock, Ark., and Anniston, Ala., as a boy. He was associate pastor of North Side Church, Weatherford, Tex., at the time of their missionary appointment in 1954.



The highlight of his year --- a visit to the oxbow lakes

For the person who has never tried it, there is nothing quite like a fishing trip to the oxbow lakes of the lower White River country. For the person who has tried it many times, there is still nothing quite like such an outing.

During the third week in June, Doc made his eleventh annual junket to this unique area. As usual, home base was a 136-foot-long houseboat on Bayou La Grue, at White River cutoff. The boat, built on an old oil barge which was retired from service on the mighty Mississippi, is clubhouse of the Dewitt-St. Charles Hunting Club, a fabulous 1700-acre hunting territory surrounded on three sides by the White River Fish and Wildlife Refuge.

Companions on this trip were Chief Justice Carleton Harris of the Arkansas Supreme Court; Thadys Smith, DeWitt businessman; and Joe Tom Hibbard, merchant from Van. The fifth spoke in the wheel, lawyer Wilbur Botts of DeWitt, missed this year for the first time but for a very good reason: he was in Alaska on a fishing trip.

Our cook, fish cleaner, and man of all services for the eleventh round was Walter Gibson of DeWitt. His moment of glory was on Tuesday night when several men from DeWitt, including Pastor Homer Bradley of the First Baptist Church and Municipal Judge James Colvert, a former Ouachita trustee, joined us for a sumptuous meal of catfish, potatoes, hush puppies, tossed salad, fresh tomatoes, onions, and Walter's fresh-baked pies.

Another of the guests was Raymond McMasters, manager of the refuge. A veteran of wildlife management, he was an extremely interesting discussant of various outdoor problems, including why we now catch fewer catfish in this country than we did a few years ago. But that must be a subject for another column.

Our fishing results were somewhat less than sensational—compared to other years, that is—but would probably be considered outstanding by people on the sun-baked Texas prairie where I grew up. The results of our crappie fishing in "T" Lake and trotlining in La Grue added up to 28 catfish, 15 crappie, 8 drum, 2 bream, 1 buffalo, 1 bass, and at least 50 spike-bill gar. Needless to say, the gar were not programmed by the computer which planned this trip.

Probably the most exciting part of a jaunt like this is the wild jeep-riding over woods roads and across boggy sloughs. When the roads—and I use the term loosely—are impassable because a windstorm has blown a tree across a trail, we simply head out through the brush and blaze a new path. It's like catastrophe at Indianapolis.

This country is much like it was when Columbus landed, the trees are majestic, and wildlife abounds. We saw deer, turkey, squirrels, and birds of many kinds and colors. Just above the houseboat we noticed the fresh tracks of an adult bear which had crossed the bayou. At night the frogs sing their songs in all keys, ranging from bull-frog bass to tree-frog tenor. An occasional passing boat rocks the clubhouse gently, and even an insomniac sleeps soundly.

About the only record set on this trip was one Joe and I established playing moon. We went set worse than anyone had before and wound up 51 in the hole. What we lacked in skill we made up for in conversation about our opponents' luck, though.

As usual, the junket was the highlight of Doc's whole outdoor year. Camping and fishing with great guys for companions in the midst of a natural wonderland makes a man say from the depths of his soul, "Thanks, Lord!" The psalmist was right when he said, "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament showeth his handiwork,"

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GOOD FRIENDS

BY GRAYCE KROGH BOLLER



When Chris saw Randy coming to play, he was glad. His new picture book was interesting. He wanted to share it.

"Hi, Randy!" he greeted happily. "Come and see my new book."

"Another new book?" Chris could see that Randy was cross today. "You get a lot of books, don't you?"

"I haven't had any since Christmas," Chris explained patiently. "Aunt Laura sent this one. It is a delayed birthday present. Come and look at the pictures."

Randy sat beside his friend on the step. He turned the pages quickly, as if he wanted to go through it in a hurry. He wasn't really enjoying the book. Swish! Another page! Swish! Swish! The pages flew by like leaves in the wind.

Then an ugly sound cut through the air. Randy had turned the page too fast. It was torn!

"Now your book isn't new anymore," he told Chris with satisfaction. "Now it is torn."

"Mother will help me mend it with tape," Chris planned kindly. "I'm sure you didn't mean to do it, Randy. Don't feel badly about an accident that you couldn't help."

Chris sounded kind and Randy felt strange. Was it an accident that he couldn't help? Hadn't he meant to spoil the book if he could? He hadn't even said he was sorry.

"I'm tired of the book. Let's ride your trike," he pushed the book away, while Chris closed it sadly.

"I'm a fireman, going to a fire!" Randy shouted, pedaling the tricycle down the walk.

He did not offer to let Chris ride on the back bar. He did not offer Chris the first ride, even though the trike belonged to Chris. He was not even careful of the shining, red paint. Bump! Scratch! The gleaming trike had an ugly scratch across it, like the scratches on Randy's knee.

Randy paid no attention to the scratch. He acted as if it hadn't happened at all. But he looked to see if Chris noticed.

"My daddy can paint the trike as good as new, so don't feel badly about the scratch, Randy," Chris patted him kindly on the back. "You don't mean to be so rough, I know."

Randy did not answer. He did not feel very good. Chris was never rough with Randy's things. Randy hopped onto the swing. Back and forth he went. Back and forth.

"Push me, Chris," he commanded, and Chris pushed him higher and higher until his arms ached with pushing.

"Whee, this is fun!" Randy shouted as he soared to the treetops. "I'm a bird! I'm flying!"

Chris stopped pushing because Randy was swinging high enough. He rested as he watched the other boy having fun. As the swing began to dip and go more slowly, Randy shouted again. "Push me, Chris! I want to go higher!"

"It is my turn now," said Chris slowly.

"No, it isn't," Randy laughed. "All the turns are my turns."

Chris walked over to the seat by the grape arbor. He sat down to rest. He was tired from all the pushing. He felt sorry for Randy, who was often cross. He wished Randy was not so rough.

"Randy would be happier if he shared," thought Chris. "He is too selfish to be happy. Even if I don't get my turn on the swing, it pleases God for me to share and to be unselfish with my things."

By and by, Randy came over and sat beside Chris. Everything was quiet for a minute or two.

"I'm sorry, Chris," Randy said then, and his voice didn't sound cross anymore. "Please forgive me for tearing your book and spoiling your trike and being selfish with your swing. I guess I'm not a very nice playmate. I want to be like you, Chris. You are so kind and patient, sharing, forgiving."

"Of course I forgive you," Chris smiled gladly at his friend. "We will be good friends, Randy. That is the way God wants us to be."

Familiar sayings

BY MILDRED ANN MCCORMACK

Below are listed ten familiar sayings and the ten men who made them famous. See if you can match the sayings with the men.

- 1. Speak softly and carry a big stick.
- 2. Iron curtain.
- 3. Go West, young man.
- 4. I have not yet begun to fight.
- 5. The only thing we have to fear is fear itself.
- 6. There never was a good war or bad peace.
- 7. There's a sucker born every minute.
- 8. America first.
- 9. I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country.
- 10. If this be treason, make the most of it.
- a. Patrick Henry
- b. Woodrow Wilson
- c. Theodore Roosevelt
- d. Benjamin Franklin
- e. Winston Churchill
- f. Phineas T. Barnum
- g. Nathan Hale
- h. John Paul Jones
- i. Horace Greeley j. Franklin D. Roosevelt

ANSWERS: 1. c; 2. e; 3. i; 4. h; 5. j; 6. d; 7. f; 8. b; 9. g; 10. a.

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Life and Work

Harmony among church members

BY C. W. BROCKWELL JR., PASTOR

GRAVES MEMORIAL CHURCH, NORTH LITTLE ROCK

Someone passed by two churches just after the evening worship services were over. The people were standing in front of the churches talking. At the first church, they were gathered in clusters of three or four. A few were just standing around looking on: At the next church, all sounds were mingled as the people stood jammed together in animated conversation. What do you think the passerby learned about the harmony of those churches from what he

Let's face it; God's people are very human. Some are more attractive and winsome than others. Some want to mix and mingle while others are frankly loners. We must not be prejudiced against a shy person and condemn him for being that way nor must we isolate someone simply because he questions a popular practice or opposes an important program. There is room for disagreement without disagreeablenessif there is harmony.

But what is harmony? How are Christians supposed to act toward each other? Let us examine our text and

Remember who you are (I Cor. 1:10-13)

Verse 10. Do you recall the TV commercials about a certain character named Sugar Pop Pete? He was always shooting sugar at bad guys to make them good. Paul practiced this kind of philosophy by tossing soft words at angry people. Into the division at Corinth he hurled the word "brethren." He meant it as a rebuke backed by love and as a reminder of their true relationship to each other. Then he challenged them to do two things. (1) Get together. Resolve the differences face to face, not back to back. (2) Stay together. They were now like a broken bone, God couldn't depend upon them as an effective witness in a wicked city. But if they were bound to each other by a common love for Christ, the break would soon heal. They were already in union with Christ but they were not practicing it. And the world only pays attention to what we say after it observes what we do.

Note the phrase, "speak the same thing." This can be done only if all begin at the same point. Every Christian can say the same thing about his being a sinner saved by the grace of God. Whenever you begin to drift apart, go back and reaffirm this basic belief. You will then see why all things cohere or stick together in Christ.

Verse II. Bad news travels fast-to everyone. Paul heard about the Corinthian divisions through the house of Chloe (her slaves?). Why did Paul believe this report so readily? We can only guess that he knew and respected this dear lady. At least Paul wasn't afraid to identify his source of information. You nearly always add fuel to a fire by saying "they" for "they" are usually just one or two people at the

12. The New Testament churches always did things in a big way. This church had four parties or factions vying for attention. Most churches today just have two. Whenever preachers or deacons or other members are exalted above Christ, there is always trouble. The situation was so bad that even the name of Christ was used to destroy the very thing for which He died. Self-righteousness cannot be toleratel under any circumstance.

Verse 13. Paul wisely used himself as an illustration to defuse the bomb of disunity. He never tried to decorate the cross with super words nor annex people to himself. In fact, he was so busy preaching that he had little time to baptize many of them. Even those he did baptize he did so into the name of Christ. They were converts of Christ and belonged only to Him.

Remember who God is (I Cor. 3:4-9) Verse 4. Paul looked at the Corinthians and laid a serious charge at their door. In doing so, he exposed an important truth: "You can tell what a man's relations with God are by looking at his relations with his fellow men" (Barclay).

Verse 5. The Corinthians got all mixed up, as overgrown children often do. They kept emphasizing who Paul and Apollos and Peter were, not what they were. Attachment to men is always dangerous. Do you find it difficult to accept and follow your present pastor or do you insist upon comparing him unfavorably to the former one? Each leader makes his own unique contribution to the work of Christ.

Verse 6. Paul established the church at Corinth but he wasn't any better than those who followed him. There came a time when his work was done there but God's work is never done so He keeps on giving the increases. We don't know, of course, which pastor saw the most additions to the church but we do know that God was responsible for all of them.

I Corinthians 1:4-17; 3:1-9 This lesson treatment is based on the Life and

Verses 7-8. These verses teach a significant truth: God rewards on the basis of whether we have been true to the task assigned us. He takes care of the results. We are to take care of the work.

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Verse 9. J. B. Phillips' translation clarifies the meaning of this verse. "In this work, we work with God, and that means that you are a field under God's cultivation, or, if you like, a house being built to his plan."

Ask yourself-

- 1. Do I express interest in just a few members to the exclusion of others?
- 2. Do I insist upon my way of doing things in church?
- 3. Do I cooperate and work just as enthusiastically when my suggestions are not followed as I do when they are?
- 4. Am I supporting my present pastor as much as I have others?
- 5. Am I seeking my own interests instead of Christ's?
- 6. Am I an agent of discord or an agent of harmony?

The best antidote for disunity is to believe John 3:30!



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BOONEVILLE, ARKANSAS

The council at Jerusalem

By RALPH A. PHELPS JR.
PRESIDENT, OUACHITA UNIVERSITY

International
July 16
Acts 15:1-11

ILIX

The teachings of the New Testament on many subjects, including salvation, have had difficulty through the centuries in being accepted in their original condition without addition or deletion. the trouble is not of recent origin, having started as early as the first century A. D.

Today's lesson deals with the attempt of a group of Judaizers to add Jewish religious requirements to conditions of salvation as laid down by Jesus and the apostles. In Galatians 2:1-10, which should be read as a parallel passage, Paul says, "The suggestion would never have arisen but for the presence of some pseudo-Christians, who wormed their way into our meeting to spy on the liberty we enjoy in Jesus Christ, and then attempted to tie us up with rules and regulations. We did not give those men an inch, for the truth of the gospel for you and all gentiles was at stake" (2:4, 5-Phillips' Translation).

I. A crisis precipitated, 15:1-5.

Frequently when the Lord's work seems to be prospering, something comes up to hurt the cause. So it was at Antioch. Many had been added to the church and were growing in grace when some men came down from Judea and started teaching the brethren that to be saved they must be circumcised according to Jewish custom and must keep the law of Moses. This created great confusion among the new converts who had been taught that salvation depended on faith, not works or becoming a follower of Judaism.

Paul and Barnabas did not knuckle under to these intruders, however, but "had no small dissension and debate with them."

The result of the turmoil in the church was that "Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and the elders about this question." The statement does not say who "appointed" them, but from the Galatian letter we know that Paul says emphatically that he recognized no jurisdiction of the Jerusalem group over him. This would leave the Antioch church as the logical designating body.

When the representatives from Antioch reached Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and Christian leaders who apparently listened attentively to reports of missionary work

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done by Paul and Barnabas. But the enemies of sharing Christianity with, the gentiles were present in the meeting and stood up to repeat their contention that circumcision and keeping the law of Moses were necessary for Christians.

II. A crisis resolved, 15:6-11.

From Galatians 2:2 we know that a private conference was held on the subject, and some think that this occurred between Acts 15:5 and 15:6. The private meeting may have been held between two open meetings of the church.

At any rate, after much debate Peter rose and stated his own position emphatically. "Men and brothers, you know that from the earliest days God chose me as the one from whom the gentiles should hear the Word and should believe it. Moreover, God who knows men's inmost thoughts had plainty shown that this is so, for when he had cleansed their hearts through their faith he gave the Holy Spirit to the gentiles exactly as he did to us. Why then must you now strain the patience of God by trying to put on the shouldders of these disciples a burden which neither our fathers or we were able to bear? Surely the fact is that it is by the grace of the Lord Jesus that we are saved by faith, just as they are!" (Phillips' Tr.)

Although Peter does not specifically

mention his experience with Cornelius, this is obviously in the background of his remarks. Since the event had occurred "in the early days," i. e., several years before, a number of people had apparently forgotten its implications, but not so Peter. He had never forgotten the lesson that in the eyes of God there are not first-class and second-class candidates for salvation.

Dr. Frank Stagg in his THE BOOK OF ACTS writes, "The emphasis given by Peter is important; God made 'no distinction' between Jew and non-Jew (15:9), the hearts of the Gentiles were cleansed by faith (15:9), and Jews were saved by faith just as Gentiles were (15:11). Peter was not only affirming that Gentiles were saved by faith, but that Jews were saved in the same way Gentiles were."

After the testimony of Peter had quieted the assembly, Barnabas and Paul related recent evidence to substantiate the principle which Peter had voiced. The Cornelius experience had been repeated wherever the gospel had been preached among the Gentiles. Then James spoke and added his clear cut endorsement of salvation without circumcision. Said he, "I am firmly of the opinion that we should not put any additional obstacles before any Gentiles who are turning toward God."

This lesson is important not only for



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its strong emphasis on salvation without legalistic requirements but also because it marks a milestone in the expansion of Christianity. Had Paul, Barnabas, Peter and James not convinced the majority, the whole course of Christian history might have been different.

Attendance Report

	June	25, 1967 Sunday	Trainin	g C
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	Atkins First	122	40	
	Berryville Freeman H		46	
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	Camden Cullendale First	376	110	
	First	452	106	
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	Dumas First	246	63	
	El Dorado ·			
	Caledonia	47	27	
	Ebenezer First	159 682	75	
	Forrest City First	451	431 120	1
	Ft. Smith Towson Ave.	. 148	75	2
	Greenwood First	270	1:16	
	Gurdon Beech St. Harrison	150	5-3	1
	Eagle Hgts.	182	61.	
	Northvale	138	58	
	Hope First	439	125	
	Jacksonville			
	Bayou Meto First	138	86	1
	Marshall Road	440 274	122 150	10
	Jonesboro	214	100,	10
	Central	492	230	
	Nettleton Little Rock	243	111	1
	Geyer Springs First	367	117	
	Immanuel.	1027	338	5
	Life Line	415	108	-
	Rosedale	250	90	2
	McGehee South Magnolia Central	138	88	2
۰	Manila First	567 161	186 73	1
	Monticello		10	- 4
	First	276	100	
	Second North Little Rock	200	96	
	Baring Cross	541	138	1
	Southside	16	23	
	Calvary	897	152	1
	Harmony Indian Hills	64	48	
	Levy	105 448	100	1
	Park Hill	759	128 204	5
	Sixteenth St *	35	27	U
	Sylvan Hills First	257	72	
	Pine Bluff First	720	140	
	Green Meadows	80	146 30	6
	South Side	646	172	2
	Tucker	28	16	_
	East Side Watson Chapel	35		
	Springdale	211	119	3
	Berry St.	98	64	
	Elmdale,	190	92	
	First Oak Grove	315	75	
	Texarkana Beech St.	67 461	34	
	Community Mission	15	127	
	Van Buren			
	First	388	170	
	Oak Grove Second	162	123	
	Vandervoort First	65 57	48 28	
	Walnut Ridge First	258	85	
	Ward Cocklebur	30	31	
	Warren First	801		
	Southside	381 84	105	
	Immanuel	200	63 63	

Night 'howl'

"How the new baby must brighten up your home!"

"I'll say! All the lights in the house are on all night."

A Smile or Two

Whose isn't?

Our June 15 "Smile" about the yacht named, "The \$77,550.00," brought this forth from Manager Ted Rand, KDRS, Paragould:

"My brother, who lives in Delmar, N. Y., has a modest yacht. Across the stern is the name he chose: Floated Loan."

Can't read the license

"Daddy, don't drive so fast."

"Why not?"

"The policeman on the motorcycle can't get by."

Work horse

Boss: Why are you going to quit? Are your wages too low?

Employee: No, the wages are all right, but I'm keeping a horse out of a job.

Two on the floor

"How did you come out of that fight you had with your wife last night?"

"Oh, she came to me crawling on her hands and knees."

"Really? What did she say?"

"Come out from under that bed, you coward.' "

A wheeler-dealer

She was 16, he was 17, and the parents opposed the wedding.

When the officiating clergyman asked the youthful bridegroom to repeat after him, "With all my wordly goods I thee endow," the mother nudged her husband and whispered, "There goes his motor scooter." -

At the wedding

Usher: (To sour-faced matron) Are you a friend of the groom?

Guest: I should say not! I'm the bride's mother!

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Camden First	391	120	
Crossett		100	
Magnolia	144	129	1
Mt. Olive	163	105	1
Dumas First	245	71	
El Dorado	0.0	0.0	
Caledonia	30	33	
Ebenezer	146	76	
El Dorado	561	337	1
Forrest City First	408	108	3
Ft. Smith Towson Avenue	147	64	2
Gentry First	187	82	
Greenwood First	281	113	
Hope First	457	104	
Jacksonville			
First	448	148	4
Marshall Road	224	123	1
Jonesboro		,	
Central	421	160	1
Nettleton	283	100	4
Little Rock			
Geyer Springs First	336	106	8
Immanuel	1,040	445	4
Life Line	379	125	3
Magnolia Central	500	191	U
Manila First	150	65	2
Marked Tree Neiswander	111	72	-
Monticello	111	12	
First	233	101	
Second	171	75	2
North Little Rock	111	10	2
Baring Cross	531	136	8
Southside	19	100	٥
	378	138	
Calvary Indian Hills		42	8 2
	96		Z
Sylvan Hills	198	51	
Pine Bluff Centennial	193	85	4
Springdale			
Berry Street	117	52	
First	346	84	
Texarkana Beech St.	375	94	1
Community Mission	. 16		
Van Buren	4		
First	391	172	4
Oak Grove	158	91	1
Vandervoort First	50	20	
Walnut Ridge First	244	71	2
Ward Cocklebur	53	26	
Warren			
First	320	102	
Southside Mission	62	53	
Immanuel	214	. 73	
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In the world of religion-

Tomb of Jonah?

SIDON, Lebanon—A fact relatively little known to Christians and Jews is that the Prophet Jonah has a prominent place in the Mohammedan religion.

In fact, a Mohammedan mosque in the village of Nabi Younis near this Lebanese seaport claims to contain the prophet's tomb. The village's name means "Prophet Jonah" in Arabic.

Any native of Nabi Younis will tell visitors that 10,000 years ago Jonah was left on the beach, about 100 yards from the mosque, by a sea monster (called a "huge fish" in the Bible, a whale in the Koran).

Haj Mohammad Al-Koujouk, the 84-year-old guardian of the mosque, proudly bears the office of custodian of the prophet's tomb. It is a hereditary position which has been in his family, he says, for 618 years. And since he has 18 children and 47 grand-children, it will probably remain in the family for some time to come.—(EP)

In-depth evangelism

LIMA, Peru—Following three months of spiritual and biblical preparation, the evangelical churches of Peru have marshalled their personnel resources and launched the visitation phase of Evangelism-in-Depth—the all-member witnessing technique developed by the Latin America Mission in San Jose, Costa Rica.

A report after the first day by Rafael Baltodano, head of LAM's advisory team for the Peru thrust, said, "The remaining job is immense, but judging from the first day we can easily see that evangelicals are fully decided to continue week after week in the glorious task of reaching every home in Peru with the message of Christ." (EP)

Congressional ethics

BOSTON—Rep.-elect Adam Clayton Powell and Sen. Thomas H. Dodd were not mentioned by name, but it was clear that the General Board of the National Council of Churches was referring to them when it passed a resolution calling for a uniform code of Congressional ethics.

The action was one of several on the domestic scene, and the policy-making body also raked federal rent supplements. Social Security reforms, counseling for men entering the armed services, and public television legislation.

Admitting it was not "a tribunal

Graham preaches to millions

LONDON (Special) July 2, 1967—Dr. Billy Graham closed his all Britain Crusade here Saturday night but not before it became the most penetrating evangelistic thrust in his 20 years of crusading.

In only nine days, he spoke to more than a million people throughout the British Isles. He touched 45 cities from one end of the United Kingdom to the other.

Nearly 40,000 people made their decision for Christ during his crusade, which was beamed from London's Earls Court Arena to 25 major cities by closed-circuit television. Also, many joined the Crusade through sound hook-up in 19 smaller towns, along with patients in 150 hospitals, homes for the elderly and institutions for the blind.

"This has been the most exciting and most dramatic crusade we have ever held," Dr. Graham said. "I think the Crusade may have had a greater impact on Britain than any we have ever conducted. the vast majority of people attending from throughout the country were young people."

The evangelist pointed out that even the troubles of the Rolling Stones (two charged with dope violations by a London court) contributed to the crusade effort by causing young people to realize that you can be at the top of show business and not have inward satisfaction.

He said that even the tragic death of American movie actress Jayne Mansfield caused many teenagers to realize how brief life really is.

competent" to determine the truth of charges against two unnamed members of Congress, the General Board expressed doubt that "justice has been realized in either case."

The resolution noted "contrasts" in the handling of each case, which it said "may be attributable" to differences between the House and Senate, "or to differences in the reputation, personality, race, or private conduct of the two men."—(EP)

Liquor law dropped

DALLAS—A liquor-by-the-drink bill has been abandoned in the Texas state legislature by its supporters.

Gov. John B. Connally has promised, however, that he will bring the proposal up in the future.

The decision to drop the bill was made after a meeting of the governor and the bill's two sponsors in the legislature, Rep. John Field and Rep. Dick McKissack. They conceded that chances of passage were slim.

The possibility of bringing up the bill for the 1968 special session were termed "remote" by Mr. McKissack. But he said that "we are going to have it here for the longer (regular) session (in 1969)."

The 1.8 million-member Baptist General Convention of Texas has strongly opposed the bill, terming it "special interest legislation." The bill would have legalized cocktails with dinner on a local option basis.—(EP)

Baptists greet nuns

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Members of the Shawnee Baptist Church here "warmly received" two Catholic nuns when they spoke here about a Catholic ministry to Baptists attending a school, for juvenile delinquent girls.

The pastor, Don Whitehouse, called it "one of the most impressive Wednesday night prayer services we've had at the church."

For one of the nuns it was "an experience I'll never forget."

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