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They Pointed Soldiers to God

By Purl A. Stockton

The Baptist Center for Soldiers, Little Rock, closed June 16. That last day was different from all the other days we had spent there. No one seemed to be interested in playing games. All the young people went around as if in a daze. They crowded into the reception room, some talking in hushed tones, others staring out into space as if in deep thought.

The Last Service

When the time for the service came, they filed reverently and prayerfully into their seats and joined in singing the old hymns they had chosen, such as "Amazing Grace," "In the Sweet Bye and Bye," and "Shall We Gather at the River." At the close of the song service we had an old-fashioned testimonial meeting. One by one the young people arose, some sobbing, to thank Arkansas Baptists for providing a place where they could have Christian fellowship, meet the right kind of young people, and have the gospel preached to them. Some told how they had been saved from a drunkard's grave and other vices of life. As they talked I wished all Arkansas Baptists who had made the Center possible could have heard their testimonies.

After the service they went to their various Baptist churches as usual, and then came back after church to talk, sing, pray, and cry some more. At 11:15 p. m. they told us goodbye and went out into the night, some to go overseas and some for more training. We slowly looked toward the door to turn out the neon sign, "Baptist Center for Soldiers," that had shone every night for five years inviting these servicemen and women to gather in and be at home while away from home.

Served Five Years

For five years Mrs. Fiske and I stood at the door greeting them as they came in every day and night. We tried to take care of their wants, such as getting a place for their loved ones to stay, getting a job for their wives, and telling them how to get home, how much it would cost when they would leave and when they would arrive. We tried to answer all their questions whether on politics, marriage, love, or religion. We tried to take care of their physical wants such as fixing their clothes when they needed it.

I think it has been the saddest and happiest five years of my life, and I had perhaps the

greatest opportunity for service to these men who were wearing uniforms for me.

I feel that if we had looked the world over, we could not have found anyone that was better prepared or suited for a housemother than Mrs. Fiske, who was loved by all the boys and girls alike and was very sympathetic and cooperative with me.

Young Ladies Praised

There are no finer young ladies in America than those who came to the Center and assisted us, and I am sure without their help we would have been unable to accomplish as much as we did. Among these young ladies were stenographers, secretaries, bookkeepers, factory workers, telephone operators, and school girls. None of these girls danced or smoked and very few attended shows. It was nothing unusual to see one of them sitting away from the crowd with a Bible in her lap talking to a soldier about his soul, and then bringing him into the preaching service, sitting with him and when the invitation was given encouraging him to give his heart to Christ.

I don't have any worry about these young ladies. Many of them are away from home and home influences, and God only knows how many we kept from going on the rocks by furnishing them with the right kind of entertainment. As one of the young ladies walked out the last night she stopped to thank us and said, "I know this place was furnished for soldiers, but it has meant more to me and helped me more than any soldier who has crossed its threshold."

Evangelistic Program

For 400 Sundays we had evangelistic services. There were 396 conversions. We had them come from every state in the union, and three foreign countries, Russia, Czechoslovakia, and Germany. Five of these young men are now in school training to be ministers or educational directors. Two are in Ouachita, two in Texas, and one in New Orleans. One will be in Portland, Ore., this fall.

An Indian just returned from overseas came by to see us recently. He was in training at Little Rock three-years ago. He was among 500 soldiers we sent out for dinner in the various homes on Christmas Day. A kind lady of First Church, Little Rock, took him to her home and talked to him about Christ. He attended services at the Center that afternoon and then returned to First Church for the

evening service where he found Christ. Joe Henry Hankins, then pastor of the church baptized him as he was leaving to go overseas.

He fought in the first battle with the Germans. Lying in his foxhole asking God to spare his life, he happened to think that the men around him were lost. He crawled out of his foxhole and took the New Testament that I had given him and talked with the boys. After the battle, this Indian was detailed to bury the dead and look after the wounded. He asked a dying German soldier if he were a Christian and finding that he was not led him to Christ before he died. Then he walked over to an American boy who was wounded and asked him if he were a Christian. The American boy said, "Yes, Uncle Purl led me to Christ at the Baptist Center for Soldiers in Little Rock, Ark., and there is no need to worry about me. I am saved and going home."

The Work Is Ended

Another chapter of Arkansas Baptist state missions has been written and we turn away with a heavy heart wondering if we did our best for these men in uniform. We are thankful to you, Arkansas Baptists, for giving us the opportunity of working with these men and women.

I turn away from this work that I have loved so much to take up evangelistic work. My address is 321 South Martin, Little Rock.

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Miracles Achieved Through Our Offerings

The following cablegram from Drs. Rankin and Cauthen, now in China, was received by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board last week:

"Miracles achieved by missionaries and Chinese Christians working under heavy difficulties. Chinese Baptist workers living below minimum health necessities. Help urgently needed. Estimate \$250,000 this purpose. Considerable rehabilitation necessary immediately despite high prices. Estimate \$500,000. Sailing Canton July 11. Anticipate large relief needs Kwangtung famine area. Tell Southern Baptists we can save large opportunities by acting now."

ONE Hungry WORLD

A cableful of gratitude, dated Budapest June 27, brought relief to the Baptist Foreign Mission Board July 1 because it acknowledged the safe arrival of \$10,000, the first remittance to Hungary which was not sent through the State Department. Dr. Imre Somogyi of the Hungarian Baptist Union was instructed to cable his receipt. He said: "Received yours of May and June with enclosed draft. Many thanks and greetings."

World food production in 1946-47 will be somewhat larger than in 1945-46, according to crop prospects in early May as reported by the Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations, U. S. Department of Agriculture. Low carry-over of reserves into the 1946-47 season, however, puts total food supplies below prewar levels and short of world requirements. . . . During the past three months, the majority of countries have had to reduce their official rations and in a few countries the per capita food supply has been reduced to dangerously low levels. The most serious situation exists in Germany, Austria, and Italy, where the reductions in rations were drastic. In China serious famine conditions are being experienced in many of the interior provinces and in Kwangtung.

Church World Service, which is representing a number of evangelical denominations in the United States in the wisest and most effective distribution of food in famine areas, plans to disburse more than a million dollars a month for July, August, and September, in overseas relief and reconstruction. This does not include material gifts of clothing, which are expected to equal cash disbursements in value.

Dr. George W. Sadler, newly-appointed director of the relief committee of the Foreign Mission Board, acknowledging reports of the campaign's success, warns of the danger of overconfidence in the effort to raise \$3,500,000 by September 30. "We must not assume," he says, "that because churches here and there have made generous offerings, the full amount is already assured. Three and a half million dollars is a vast sum. It will require sacrificial giving on the part of all our people. Too little too late for this offering will be a tragedy for our churches as well as for those who die for lack of food we could provide."

Dr. M. Theron Rankin and Dr. Baker James Cauthen of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board reached Shanghai June 30 and are already conducting a survey of relief needs in the Orient. Their reports will be released as fast as they arrive in the States.

RADIO



The Arkansas Baptist Hour speaker for the week of July 21 is Rev. B. H. Duncan. Bro. Duncan is in his eighth year as pastor of the historic First Baptist Church of Hot Springs, having come to this pastorate from Georgia, January 1, 1939.

"A Sensation in Church," is the subject of Bro. Duncan's message. The sensation which the presence of Jesus produced in the synagogue of Capernaum may be duplicated in our churches today by making sure that Jesus is present.

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

- KFPW, Fort Smith, Sunday, July 21, 5:00 to 5:30 p. m.
- KLCN, Blytheville, Sunday, July 21, 5:30 to 6:00 p. m.
- KTHS, Hot Springs, Thursday, July 25, 6:30 to 7:00 p. m.
- KARK, Little Rock, Saturday, July 27, 9:30 to 10:00 a. m.
- KUOA, Siloam Springs, Saturday, July 27, 6:15 to 6:45 a. m.
- KELD, El Dorado, Saturday, July 27, 8:30 to 9:00 p. m.

Education which seeks to know and follow the thoughts of Christ is on the right track.—J. E. Lambdin in Baptist Training Union Magazine.

EXPANDING LIFE

A Devotion by B. H. Duncan, Hot Springs

"No man putteth new wine into old bottles (wine-skins).

The principle which Jesus announced that the moulds and containers of the life which He gives must be co-expansive the new life itself.

Prayer is cast in the mould of communion with the Father. The Sabbath becomes a time of freedom from the daily grind of practical tasks, an opportunity to do a holy work. The tithe takes the form of generosity and is given in the mould of expanding stewardship. Personal sacrifices become the offering of oneself upon the altar of service.

The new life which Jesus gives is spoken of as a fountain in contrast to a stagnant pool. The fountain remains fresh by flowing. The symbol of the fountain calls attention not to what we receive, but to what we give out.

This new life in Christ is likened to a living plant in contrast to a post. It takes root in the life of Christ. The plant must not be bound, nor its branches encased in a shell. It must be left free for growth and fruit bearing.

This new life which Jesus gives is likened to a living organism. It is not a static monument, a pillar. It is a thing alive, the life of God. It is a life that feels, grows and bears fruit. To bind this life is to lose it, to fence it in is to shut it out, to control it for selfish ends is to lose control over it, to undertake to limit its growth and expansion is to cramp one's own growth and throttle one's own spirit.

"No man putteth new wine into old bottles (wine-skins); else the new wine will burst the bottles, and be spilled, and the bottles shall perish. But new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved" Luke 5:37

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No improvement in the European food situation can be expected before September, according to a June survey prepared by the International Red Cross of Geneva, Switzerland. The report estimated the world deficit of rice was three million tons of rice. The worst shortage is in Hungary, where the daily ration per person contains only 800 to 900 calories, and in the capital city, the average is 600.

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Across the Editor's Desk

Christianity Needed

We have just read an article by Walter Davenport in Collier's, popular national magazine published in New York. In this article Mr. Davenport attempts to analyze what he calls "Headache Down South," the turmoil of our economic setup caused by mechanization of the farm and increased industrialization of our cities as a hangover of war plants in this area.

One's first reaction may be, what is a New Yorker doing messing in our affairs down South. We feel however that he is not trying to peddle any pet ideas or offer a cureall for the South's troubles. He simply is seeking to point out an economic unrest that is growing by leaps and bounds in all the South, especially in those states along the Gulf.

A Plague of Unrest

Mr. Davenport sees the downfall of the small farmer and of the entire system of sharecropping, with wealthy owners of huge plantations emerging as the victors: "The one-man-and-mule farm produced one bale of cotton in from 160 to 200 man hours. Mechanized, the time is cut to less than 30 man hours. . . . Within a year, certainly no more than two years, these labor saving devices will have taken the place of a million human hands. The machine can pick a bale of cotton (500 pounds) for \$10. It costs \$40 and more by hand. And the machine will do it in half the time. A mechanical picker will cost about \$5,000 and this sum alone announces the passing of the sharecropper and the small tenant farmer."

According to Mr. Davenport, the industrial picture is not too bright either: "Billions of dollars built immense war emergency industries in the South. To man these plants, to populate government-financed, jerry-built under towns that sprang up like mushrooms, a million men and women—perhaps more—deserted Southern farms and villages. They received wages which seemed fabulous to them at first—\$38, \$45, and \$55 a week. . . . Some of this Southern emergency labor saved money but not a majority of them. Those who did are living on it now, unemployed, earning lower pay while waiting for new jobs in new industries—at war wages. Those who did not save are drifting from job to job, working only when the need for a few dollars is imperative."

Concern to Churches

The whole situation is promoting grave unrest and evidences of it are strong among us. It is an unrest that welcomes Christlessness in such forms as communism, klanism and other radical "religions." "It's the story

of the salvation of an unknown number of human beings," Mr. Davenport says. "The number may be as high as ten million. No one knows."

The whole matter is of extreme concern to the churches. We believe Christ would have us interested in the whole welfare of man: his health, his education, his economic and social status, as well as his moral and his spiritual being. We know too that unrest from any cause tests the core of one's spiritual self, and that church activity prospers along with the security of its members.

The post-war unrest facing America, felt especially keen in the South, demands the thinking of our churchmen. Lord grant that the solution may be Christian!

No Place to Look Back

Baptists have made marvelous strides in numerical numbers, in new church houses, in hospital equipment, in mission activities, in caring for the sick, the old and the destitute.

Here are a few cold facts that will make you wonder how we have done so much with so little. In a recent issue of Everyone, a Presbyterian Quarterly, it was stated that Southern Baptists gave less per capita than any of the 18 leading Protestant (so-called) denominations in the U. S. Figures showed the Nazarenes led with \$55.79 per person in 1945. The average for all 18 was \$24.70 per capita. Southern Baptists in 1945 gave only \$14.18 for each member.

Friends, there is no place where we can stop and rest on past laurels. Our people must be so impressed with the need that they will give systematically and generously. It is beyond the comprehension of man to realize what could be accomplished to relieve suffering and starvation if Baptists would give unstintingly of self and material possessions to God's work. There is a Century for Christ ahead.

—Baptist New Mexican.

Let Us Share

The current campaign for Relief and Rehabilitation is one which touches all of our hearts. All of us are happy to "give that they may live." Early returns on the offering are extremely encouraging as reports come of really sacrificial gifts.

We are hoping that all our churches will take this appeal to their people. We know of some churches which have voted a few hundred or even a thousand dollars from their surplus funds for the campaign, but while commending this gift, we say boldly we hope

that the pastors will let the people share from their own pockets as well.

This should be a campaign of personal gifts. The appeal is one that is real to individuals. Individuals want to give from their own earnings to share their plenty with those who have none. Whenever the appeal is presented, and everytime it is presented, we will find our people giving generously.

We say this further word, too. Let us not quit in our churches after one big offering. Let us receive money each and every Sunday: special offering envelopes left continually in the pews will bring additional contributions throughout the summer. Even if a church gives ten times its quota, it will not be doing too much to help heal a broken world. Treasurers should forward to state headquarters this relief money as regularly as it is received.

Shop Talk

Every once in a while the Editor likes to talk shop with his readers. This is your paper, and the Editor feels a sense of stewardship to all of you that you should know of our progress and of our handicaps.

We all rejoice that our circulation is in excess of 28,000 subscribers. New names are added to the list every week, and with every addition the denomination's message to its people reaches more homes. The traveler to any section of the state now finds the paper in one of every two Baptist homes he may visit.

Discomfort comes to your paper staff however in constantly rising expenses. Our basic operational costs have increased 20 per cent the past two years. Overall production costs now run \$805.76 per issue, or \$50.36 per page. A new 20 per cent increase in newsprint cost will be reflected in our next shipment of paper and again boost our overall cost. It costs us \$1.55 annually to serve each subscription, and except for advertising and allocation income it would be impossible to publish at our nominal club and budget rates.

Many national magazines have been forced to increase their subscription rates recently, and it will be remembered they also generally showed an increase at the beginning of the war. "Life" has increased from 10 to 15 cents a copy, "Time" from 15 to 20 cents, "Ladies Home Journal" from 15 to 25 cents, and "Pathfinder" has altered its publication dates to a fortnightly rather than a weekly schedule. We are happy that the Arkansas Baptist has not been forced to take similar action.

Arkansas' Governor Ben Laney told a meeting at Christ Episcopal Church, Little Rock, that full enjoyment of the freedom of this country requires the practice and employment of religion. "Great accomplishments of the ages come from men who have had a great belief in God," he said. "No man can rise to the full extent of his capabilities without God."

NOTES OF ADVANCE

West Helena Church had 27 additions in exangelistic services led by Pastor W. M. Pratt, First Church, Lonoke. Clyde Parris, Arkadelphia, directed the singing. D. D. Smothers is pastor.

Owensville Church, Central Association, Ernest Moseley, pastor, had six additions, four for baptism, in the third consecutive revival led by Evangelist O. C. Robinson, Jr., Fort Worth, Tex. Pastor Ernest Moseley was singer and Miss Martha Canterbury was pianist. A Vacation Bible School was held in connection with the revival. The entire Sunday School membership enrolled.

Missionary Marvin Jaggars, Harmony Association, rented a tent and set it up on lots owned by First Church, Pine Bluff, at Dew Drop. Preaching services were held each night for two weeks with different ministers of the association bringing the messages. A Sunday School was organized with 52 present. Plans are under way to build a tabernacle for use until more material is available. Prayer meeting will be held each Thursday night.

Reports from White River Association show that Missionary Claude Crigler is on the job. He sends in a relief offering check from Antioch Church, No. 1, which has been inactive but has recently organized a Sunday School, repaired its building, purchased new seats, and is planning a revival. He has led in evangelistic services at Norfork, assisted by Denison Yates, which resulted in eight professions of faith, six candidates for baptism, and 12 dedications for special service. He has served as principal and taught in Vacation Bible Schools at Whiteville, Pilgrim's Rest, Flippin and Cotter.

College Hill Church, Texarkana, has received 78 additions since Pastor Roger M. Baxter came on the field as pastor six months ago. In the last month it has sent out 45 members to help in the establishment of two new churches in needy sections of the city. One was a mission of the College Hill Church, started in March, and the other a mission sponsored by Beech Street Church.

Pastor W. M. Pratt, First Church, Lonoke, writes of a recent revival in his church led by Evangelist H. E. Kirkpatrick, Hot Springs, which resulted in more than 50 additions. He says: "We have had four additions for baptism since the meeting. Last Sunday one of our fine young girls surrendered for definite service to the Lord. Bro. Kirkpatrick is a great evangelist, sane in every way. He is not one of those high pressure fellows but one who does the church and community good."

All eight of the missions sponsored by Immanuel Church, Little Rock, have full time pastors. They are W. C. Halsell, Bethany; Billy Fred Deaton, Highway; W. C. Rowe, Capitol Hill; Al Majors, Riverside; Robert Parr, Alexander; K. E. McKneely, Davis Chapel; Oscar Rhodes, Kerr; and W. W. Ivory, Tuxedo. These men preach every Sunday morning and evening. Each mission has Sunday School and Training Union. All but two of these missions have had a Vacation Bible School and plans are made for those two.

Going Dry

The church-supported Anti-Saloon League of Arkansas reviewed its records last week to count 29 bone-dry counties out of 34 tries in county-wide local option elections. Only beer and wine are allowed in four other counties and only wine in two others, making a total of 35 counties—almost half of Arkansas' 75—where the sale of liquor is outlawed. Latest counties to vote dry were Pope, with Russellville the county seat, and Nevada, with Prescott the county seat.

First Church, Plumerville, L. L. Jordan, pastor, began a revival July 14 with Pastor J. F. Queen, Baptist Hospital, Little Rock, doing the preaching. Paul Owens, Lake City, conducted the song services.

Sixteen professions of faith, with 15 joining the church for baptism, were witnessed at First Church, Marshall, in evangelistic services led by Pastor E. E. Griever, First Church, Harrison. C. E. Stephenson led the singing. W. L. Leach is pastor.

Evangelist W. J. Morris, Pine Bluff, led revival services at Victory Church, Little Rock, which resulted in eight professions of faith, six additions by baptism, and three by letter. The church has no pastor.

Pastor Will H. Travis, First Church, Hardin, Mo., assisted Missionary Claude Crigler, White River Association, in evangelistic services at Antioch Church, near Flippin. He formerly was pastor at Cotter.

President Ellis A. Fuller, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., was in Vancouver July 4-8 for a series of five addresses before the annual meeting of the Baptist Convention of West Canada. Upon his return from Canada he went to Laurens, S. C., for an open-air revival sponsored by the 34 churches of the Laurens Baptist Association.

Arkansas gave \$15,939.87 to Southwide causes in June according to the monthly report of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. Of this amount, \$10,327.82 went to the Cooperative Program, \$1,506.65 to designated causes and \$4,105.40 to World Relief. The Southwide total was \$466,850.40.

Immanuel Church, Little Rock, had 100 additions during June. Thirty-five of this number joined for baptism. Thus far this year the church has received 312 additions, 122 for baptism. Total contributions to all causes for the six months amounted to \$62,467.51, not including large designated amounts for the Ouachita College Campaign. W. O. Vaught, Jr., is pastor.

PASTORAL CHANGES

Charles Robertson from Douglasville Church, Little Rock.

L. A. Tribble to Holly Springs Church, Pulaski County Association.

Central Church, Hot Springs, has completed June Sunday School records for the last years. This is what they found: In 1943 enrolment was 406, average attendance 260, and offering \$846.62; June, 1944, enrolment was 487, average attendance 296, offering \$1,147.85; June, 1945, enrolment 461, average attendance 268, and offering \$348.96; and June, 1946, enrolment was average attendance 422, and offering \$2,212.01. Pastor Clyde Hart explains: "secret of the progress of our work is found in the great corps of church, S. S. Schools, Training Union and WMU of teachers and leaders, supported by a pr working membership." Jack Rowe is director of music and pastor's assistant.

Almyra Church observed the first anniversary of the pastorship of Boyd Eldridge giving \$419.50 to World Relief. The church with a total membership of 219, had a offering of \$132. During the last year there have been 71 additions to the church, 52 by baptism, a ratio of one baptism to every four members.

Congratulations to Pastor and Mrs. J. Ingram, Woodlawn Church, Little Rock, on the birth of a baby girl.

A young people's rally was held at Church, Curtis, with 57 present. Pastor Cothran, First Church, Arkadelphia, was inspirational speaker. An offering of \$100 was given to World Relief.

Mrs. W. L. Standley, First Church, Cotter, reports that the district WMU meeting with their church recently was most successful. Mrs. W. B. O'Neal, the district president, was in charge of the program. Speakers were Mrs. Clyde V. Hickerson, State wide stewardship chairman, Mrs. C. H. state executive secretary, Mrs. C. R. P. the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage, and a representative each from the Baptist Book and Central College.

Pastor H. H. Bridges, Second Church, Bluff, is preaching two services of sermons for July and August. Morning sermons inspire are on "The Extent of God's Love," "The Excellency of God's Love," "The Progressive Revelation of God's Love," "The Certainty of God's Love," "The Effect of God's Love," "The Five Wonders of God's Love," "The Basic Facts About God's Love," "The Character of God's Love." Evening sermons to console are on God's remedy for sin, blues, worry, sleeplessness, indifference, restlessness, and sin.

Worrells Memorial Church, North Little Rock, had 11 additions, 10 for baptism in a revival with Pastor H. R. Boyd doing the preaching and J. Hubert Young leading the singing.

WANTED: Organist-choir director. Located in one of the best sections of Little Rock. We have a membership of something like 700 with great possibilities and an opportunity for someone qualified as an organist-director, either young man or young woman to build a monumental work. If interested please get in touch with us, giving qualifications, training, etc.—Rev. William M. Burns, First Baptist Church, Madison.

Taylor Stanfill, superintendent of churches, Little Rock, will lead Plainview Church, Little Rock, in evangelistic services, July 28. Homecoming Day will be observed August 5. C. O. Abbott is pastor.

Motion Picture on Life of Dr. Truett, Filmed by Arkansas Pastor, Released

"The Greatest Achievement," a 20-minute 16 mm sound motion picture in color on the life of the late Dr. George W. Truett, has been produced by the Baptist Sunday School Board with photography and direction by W. O. Vaught, Jr., pastor of Immanuel Church, Little Rock.

Except for a screening at the Sunday School Board, the first showing of the picture was Sunday, July 7, at the First Baptist Church in Dallas, where Dr. Truett was pastor 47 years. It was shown for the second time Sunday, July 14, at Rev. Mr. Vaught's church in Little Rock, with Dr. Homer L. Grice, of the Sunday School Board, as guest.

Built on the theme, "To do the will of God is the greatest achievement," the story is told of the early days of George Truett in Western North Carolina. His school teaching experiences, his famous address at the Marietta, Ga., courthouse, his campaign to free Baylor University from debt, and his entrance into Baylor as a student form the first section of the film.

The story continues with his marriage to Josephine Jenkins of Waco, his call to the Dallas church, and his early ministry to the cowboys of West Texas, a ministry which was to continue for a period of more than 30 years.

But George Truett was not only the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dallas. He became a national and international figure when he went to France during the first World War as personal representative for President Wilson and preached to more than two million men in uniform. The picture next tells the story of his famous address on the steps of the national capitol in Washington.

The emphasis of George Truett's influence in the progress of the Baptist World Alliance is beautifully depicted, being climaxed with the world congress in Atlanta.

His death on July 7, 1944, is announced, and the scenes of his funeral service in the church and at the grave are shown. The empty chair, the pulpit from which he spoke for 47 years, and the memorials being built to his memory

at Southwestern Seminary and at Baylor Hospital bring the film to a mighty climax. The closing benediction in the ringing voice of the great preacher against the musical background of Handel's "Largo" lifts the auditor into the spiritual triumph of his victorious life.

The voice of Truett termed the best loved Baptist voice in the whole world—is heard six times in the picture. Handel's "Largo" is used as the main musical theme throughout the film. The following hymns also are heard: "Have Thine Own Way, Lord," "Home Sweet Home," "Onward Christian Soldiers," "The Church's One Foundation," and "Rock of Ages."

Immediately after the Immanuel showing, the film was sent to the Calvin Company at Kansas City, who did technical work on the picture, for copying for distribution. The copies will be distributed to Baptist Book Stores throughout the South for rental to churches. Full announcement about rentals will be made by the Sunday School Board.

Bible for Stalin

A Russian Bible bearing the engraved name of Joseph Stalin is among the baggage Dr. Louie D. Newton took with him as he boarded a Russia-bound transport plane last week. The Bible, along with a choice selection of pipes, will be presented to the Russian premier by Dr. Newton, president of the Southern Baptist Convention and pastor of a Baptist church in Atlanta, Ga.

The Bible was especially prepared for Stalin by the American Bible Society which has just published a set of Russian scriptures. Dr. Newton has underlined certain highly significant passages in the little book, and has inscribed the flyleaf "From one Georgian to another"—Stalin having been born in the section of the Soviet Union known as Georgia.

Dr. Newton is one of seven Americans who will visit Russia to view results of the wartime "Kits for Russia" relief campaign.

Children's Banks Encourage Giving

Immanuel Church, Little Rock, W. O. Vaught, Jr., pastor, has furnished every child from its Intermediate Department down to Cradle Roll with a cardboard bank for their day-to-day contributions to the world relief campaign.

Pastor Vaught says that 1,000 of the little banks were given out to the children Sunday, July 7, each bank inscribed "Give that they may live." It is hoped that all members of the family will contribute loose change donations into the banks.

All banks will be returned to the church Sunday, July 28, and the youngsters will march to the front to deposit their collections in a big tub in front of the pulpit.

Immanuel gave approximately \$3,000 in a cash collection Sunday, July 7. It is hoped that the children's banks and other gifts will push the total to \$5,000 by the end of July.

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Service Men Stress Need of World Relief

A naval lieutenant at Key West, Fla., challenged Dr. John Maguire, Florida state secretary, with the assertion that Baptists are not telling half the truth in their plea for world relief funds.

During the invitation at the First Church, Key West, Fla., a naval officer came forward to say that he did not want to joint the church but wanted to give Dr. John Maguire \$10 for World Relief.

Another naval officer interrupted the service to say that he had just returned from Japan and the far East and that the need was twice as great as presented. Thereupon he emptied his pocketbook of \$25 to be used to feed the starving. Immediately five other service men came forward with their offerings, making a total of almost \$100.

Service men who have seen the situation with their own eyes are the most ardent supporters of the Southern Baptist appeal for \$3,500,000 for World Relief.

Siloam Springs Is Arkansas Baptist Opportunity

By M. RAY MCKAY
Pastor, Second Church, Little Rock

The 40th annual Baptist encampment at Siloam Springs was the crowning evidence of the value of this assembly program to the Baptists of Arkansas. The attendance went close to 1,200. By far the greatest number of these were young people. For them these ten days were days of decision. Without outside interruption of any kind they gave themselves to study and devotion.

Many young men and women surrendered their lives for full time Christian service: some as ministers, others as medical missionaries, others as musicians and secretaries. Many accepted Christ for the first time. Hundreds rededicated their lives to Christ. Many of the future missionaries and ministers of our denomina-

tion will point to their experience in Siloam as the decisive hour in their lives.

This project is one of the most important in our whole denominational program. It is being expertly guided. Dr. Edgar Williamson, with far vision, unexcelled organizing ability, and tireless attention to details, handles a thousand young people under circumstances in which lesser men would fall utterly.

With the resources and leadership we now possess, Arkansas Baptists are in position to multiply the usefulness of these assembly grounds. We own 160 acres of beautiful hills and valleys in a part of our state where blankets are always in order at night. The grounds will be in use most of the summer by our own or other denominational groups.

However, the work is severely handicapped by inadequate facilities. Not only

do we need improved dormitories, but we require, for both safety and convenience, greatly improved sanitary facilities. If our state board could provide the capital investment necessary to install suitable plumbing, it would go a very long way toward multiplying the usefulness of these valuable grounds. With suitable toilets and bath houses, some improvement in dormitories, and enlargement and improvement of the swimming pool, these grounds could be in use during a long season each year. Probably two or more assembly periods should be held, one in the early and one in the late summer. A great school for ministers and lay workers could be conducted.

The possibilities are unlimited. Investment here is investment in the youth and leadership of our denomination.

Hospital Auxiliary Honors Founder And Reviews 25 Years Achievements

By MRS. W. D. PYE

The Woman's Auxiliary to the Baptist State Hospital met in the chapel of the hospital on Friday, July 5, the occasion being the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization. The president, Mrs. J. M. Flenniken, presided over the meeting. The devotional service was led by Rev. Roy Pasley, assistant pastor of the Second Baptist Church. Mr. Pasley also brought a message from Dr. M. Ray McKay, pastor of the Second Church, who was unavoidably absent.

Regular reports were made by the following chairmen: Mrs. W. I. Moody, house furnishings; Mrs. R. B. Cash, social committee; Mrs. C. E. Lawrence, library; Mrs. R. L. White, sewing; Mrs. C. R. Barnette, nursery; Mrs. Gus Bush, crippled children, and Miss Elma Cobb, Student Nurses Loan Fund.

Mrs. Mary T. Wright, new Superintendent of Nurses at the hospital, was introduced, and a new class of sixty student nurses was presented. Dr. Fred Harris, Chief of Staff at the hospital, brought greetings from the doctors who are on the staff.

It was announced that the Hospital Charity Fund, recently named in honor of Mrs. Flenniken by the Executive Board of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of Arkansas, had also been established 25 years ago, just one year after the hospital began to operate. Gifts to the hospital through the efforts of the auxiliary and other missionary societies over the state total \$125,125 for the quarter of a century. Other activities of the Auxiliary and achievements of the hospital during that period were reviewed by Mrs. C. H. Brough. The Auxiliary activities included large gifts of linen and canned fruit, rooms furnished in the hospital and nurses' home, the establishment of the Student Nurses Loan Fund and the fostering of various other projects.

There were 152 present at the meeting and the attendance banner was awarded to the Hebron Church.

At the close of the business session, Mrs. Brough presented a large picture of Mrs. Flenniken to the hospital, the picture being a gift of Miss Emma Riley. In her presentation remarks Mrs. Brough, in reviewing Mrs. Flenniken's activities, stated that she had been one of the main organizers of the Auxiliary, had served three years as State Chairman of Hospital Supplies and three years as president of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of Arkansas, and that she had been president of the Auxiliary twice, the last term extending over a period of fifteen years. Her devotion to the interests of the hospital during that era were stressed. The picture was unveiled by Mrs. R. B. Cash, a niece of Mrs. Flenniken and was accepted on behalf of the hospital by Mr. John G. Dudley, administrator. The picture will be hung in the entrance foyer of the building.

Mrs. William F. Clements, another niece of Mrs. Flenniken's, sang "The Lord's Prayer," accompanied by Mrs. Conrad Farrell.

The customary birthday cake was served by representatives of the Girls' Auxiliaries of the various Baptist churches of the county, who are always special guests at the annual birthday meetings.

Mrs. J. E. Short of Gould, State WMU president, voiced the closing prayer.



Mrs. Flenniken

Dr. Douglas Hudgins Baptist Hour Speaker

As unusual as it may seem, the subject, "The Church in Our Day," will be discussed on the Baptist Hour next Sunday, July 21, as announced by the Radio Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The speaker is Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, popular pastor of the First Baptist Church of Jackson, Miss., having recently come to this important responsibility from the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Houston. A graduate of Carson-Newman College of Tennessee and of the Southern Baptist Seminary he has won distinction in the discussion of this timely subject.

It was disclosed in the announcement that the next Sunday, July 28, is Junior Breakfast Day in the Baptist Hour schedule, when Juniors boys and girls in 18 states will meet in groups for breakfast to hear the Baptist Hour with Dr. H. H. Hobbs of Mobile, Ala., as the speaker.

The BAPTIST HOUR may be heard in ARKANSAS over radio Stations:

KUOA, Siloam Springs at 7:30 a. m. CST.

WREC, Memphis at 8:30 a. m. CST.

WFAA, Dallas at 7:30 a. m. CST.

WSM, Nashville at 7:30 a. m. CST.

KTHS, Hot Springs at 4:30 p. m. CST Saturday.

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For Baptists there is only one authoritative creed. It is very short but very clear and very comprehensive, namely: Christ is Lord. Paul says, "At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord."—J. E. Dillard in Baptist Student.

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By T. L. HOLCOMB, Executive Secretary
Baptist Sunday School Board

Appreciating fully the power of the printed page, the Sunday School Board frankly acknowledges its stewardship and accepts responsibility as a publisher and as a distributor of books. Our ministry in this is guided by the following general principles:

1. We accept without modification the Bible as the inspired Word of God; to us the Bible is not on trial, for it has stood every test through the centuries. We are unequivocally committed to the doctrinal position of the Southern Baptists and are determined to do that is possible to interpret, support, and defend this position.

2. We specialize in offering to our people books by authors whose views concerning the Bible are in harmony with ours; at the same time we do not feel that it is in accord with Baptist principles for us to constitute ourselves censors of the reading of Southern Baptists. We will endeavor to feature in our advertising and sales the books that are worthy of the confidence of our people.

3. We desire that our book reviews and descriptions will present the author's position. The appearance of reviews in our publications does not necessarily signify approval of anything in a book and reflects only the appraisal of the reviewer. It will not be our policy, however, to advertise or offer for sale any book which tends to undermine the confidence of readers in the inspirational teachings of the Bible.

4. We believe that popular books of fiction, mystery, and so on have their place in general inspiration and wholesome entertainment shall continue to make such books available, seeking always to eliminate those which done impurity in speech and thought or unworthy characters and ideals.

5. We shall continue to emphasize the history, biography, and autobiography, especially those books dealing with the lives and tributes of those who have made valuable contributions to the life and work of our denomination, and those who have served contentively the spiritual, cultural, and physical welfare of the race.

6. We shall endeavor as publisher and contributor to meet adequately the book needs of our constituency. It will be our constant aim to magnify books which will contribute to the spiritual faith, moral conviction, missionary passion, world outlook, and social conduct of the reading public.

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Southern Baptists' campaign to send 500,000 to famine fields this summer is in response to a similar appeal to all American Christians. Northern Baptists have a projective of \$1,000,000 additional; Disciples \$1,500,000 covering a period of three years; Presbyterian U. S. A. (Northern), \$27,000,000 in a five-year program, but to be raised in two convention years; Methodists have already raised \$28,000,000.

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A Series on Doctrine . . .

Baptism of the Holy Spirit and How Obtained

The first fact that confronts us in this discussion is the number of terms that are used to express the work of the Holy Spirit on the individual. It is referred to as baptism, endowment, infillment, clothed, poured out, and also the gift of the Spirit.

Some claim that all of these terms are synonymous, which is not likely. Others claim that an individual may be baptized with the Holy Spirit but once, and that he may be endued, filled, clothed, and the like from time to time afterwards. It is a fact that when a person is baptized with the Holy Spirit or filled with the Holy Spirit that he needs to be refilled from time to time. We must keep in mind the personality of the Holy Spirit and His power in the lives of Christian people.

The baptism and the infilling of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost does not seem to be discontinued thereafter, for Acts 10:44 f reads: "While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And they of the circumcision which believed were astounded, as many as came with Peter, because on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Spirit." Peter confirmed this by asking a question: "Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?"

It is evident, therefore, that the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the house of Cornelius was of the same nature as that on the Jews at Pentecost. In Acts 8 and also in Acts 19:6, we note that the Holy Spirit was poured out after the laying on of hands by the apostles. At Caesarea and at Corinth this was followed by speaking with foreign tongues as in Jerusalem. The facts are that the outpouring of the Holy Spirit was not limited to Pentecost in Jerusalem but was afterwards repeated in a modified form.

Would anyone deny that there is an outpouring of the Holy Spirit among our Christian people? Without it there would be no regeneration or salvation. Yet the Pentecost signs are lacking, for there is no more speaking with tongues.

We need to recognize clearly that according to the New Testament the baptism of the Holy Spirit first came upon the Jews at Pentecost, then on other occasions He came upon the Gentiles. The early church consisted of two parts sharply defined—the Jew and the Gentile world. Yet both are to constitute one body, one people, one church, and are to live one life under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. On Pentecost He was poured out to empower the Jews for a great missionary task. Later the apostles and the evangelists were sent out from Jerusalem and preached the gospel unto the Gentiles. The hour came for the stream of the Holy Spirit to pour forth upon the non-Jewish world, and the whole body was refreshed and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

I. What Is the Baptism of the Holy Spirit?

The baptism of the Holy Spirit is a definite experience of which one may know whether or not he has received it. Acts 1:4, 5; Acts 19:2; 1 John 5:13. If one could have this experience and not know it, he could fail to receive or lose it and never find it out.

The baptism of the Holy Spirit is distinct and additional to regeneration. The apostles were Christians when they received the bap-

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tism, and no account is given where anyone but Christians received this baptism. Acts 1:5; John 15:3; 1 Peter 1:23; Acts 8:12-16.

So far as the sinners are concerned, they have the Holy Spirit to convince them of sin and to lead them to Christ. John 16:7-10. Every Christian has the Holy Spirit in some sense. He warns him when he is thinking of some sin; rebukes him when the sin is committed; or encourages him when a righteous act is contemplated; and ministers unto him when the righteous deed is completed. Rom. 8:9; Acts 10:43. Baptism of the Holy Spirit is the privilege of every Christian. Doubtless there are those who are saved but never have been baptized and never will be. John 14:15-17; Acts 2:33; 1 Cor. 12:7-13; John 7:37-39; 1 John 5:13.

The primary purpose in the baptism of the Holy Spirit is to empower for service, for witnessing, or for testimony. Acts 1:8. We do not find in the Scripture where this experience is to make one happy or to work tricks, but it is always to empower for service and usefulness.

II. Results of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

There are certain errors and misunderstandings which have crept in as people have thought of the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Not all of those who have received the gift of the Holy Spirit are made to be evangelists. There are prophets and teachers who bear the marks of those who have been thus baptized.

There are those who think that all they need to be an evangelist is a baptism of the Holy Spirit, but the Holy Spirit himself decides what the particular gift shall be. 1 Cor. 12:7-11. Whatever the person feels to be the will of God for his life is the field where he is prepared better to serve after he has had such an experience. Psalms 62:11; Acts 1:8.

Certainly it is a serious error to think that the baptism of the Holy Spirit would lead one to be indifferent toward moral living and toward active service of the Lord Jesus. Those who enjoyed such an experience in the New Testament were not those who followed the paths of indifference and careless living. In Acts 1:8 the disciples were assured that they should receive power (the word is "dynamis" from which we get our word "dynamic") when the Holy Spirit is come upon them. As a result of this newly acquired power they were expected to bear witness at home and abroad.

III. Who Needs to Be Baptized With the Holy Spirit? Luke 24:29, Acts 8:12-17; Luke 11:13.

All Christians need to be baptized with the Holy Spirit and then filled again and again. When a Christian engages in the things of the world, the power of the Spirit, so to speak,

"leaks out"; and therefore we need to get close to God and be refilled again. Acts 4:8; Acts 10:38. In connection with the apostles' work among the new church members, they inquired if they were baptized with the Spirit. They understood that this baptism would do something for them that they needed.

In Acts 8:13-17 we find Peter and John praying for the young Christians that they might receive the Holy Spirit. After they had laid their hands on them, they received Him. Furthermore, in Acts 19:1-6, Paul at Ephesus found certain disciples and asked them if they received the Holy Spirit when they believed. They affirmed that they did not know whether there was a Holy Spirit. Paul then baptized them; and having laid his hands upon them, they received the Holy Spirit. Therefore, all Christians need to be baptized with the Holy Spirit; and there is no substitute for His power.

IV. Who Can Be Baptized With the Holy Spirit?

The Scriptures indicate that everyone whom God calls has this exalted privilege. Acts 2:39; Acts 1:4, 5; Eph. 2:13. Furthermore, every one is obligated to be baptized with the Holy Spirit. It is not enough simply to be a Christian, but every Christian should realize the possibility of having this divine power to enable him to be a better witness. 1 Cor. 2:4; Acts 10:43. Since any Christian can be baptized with the Holy Spirit, then the responsibility is upon the Christian if he goes limping through life and deprives himself of the blessings that accompany the infilling of the Spirit.

V. How May We Be Baptized With the Holy Spirit? Acts 2:38.

There is no record where a person is baptized who did not first repent of his sins and accept Jesus as his Saviour. The convicting power of the Spirit in the sinner is not the same and is not intended for the same purpose as the baptism of the Spirit in the hearer of the Christian. Rom. 3:20; Gal. 3:2, 3:13; 1 Cor. 5:21; Rom. 4:11.

The Christian who expects to be baptized with the Holy Spirit must have a change of mind concerning sin and a change of attitude toward the Spirit. A disobedient Christian is not in a position to enjoy the privilege of this experience. There is scarcely a record where a Christian has spiritual power in this way who has refused to follow his Lord in baptism. The first act of obedience following salvation is Scriptural baptism. When one refuses to obey, he then puts himself out of the range of the power that comes through the baptism of the Spirit. Acts 5:32 and 2:38.

Therefore if one may be baptized with the Holy Spirit, he must first of all surrender his life fully to God. A selfish, unforgiving, disobedient Christian whose life is dedicated to worldliness and sin may not consider himself as a fit subject for the unusual witnessing power that the Spirit brings.

VI. How May We Obtain Baptism of the Holy Spirit Now?

There are so many people who feel that they would like to have the power and the usefulness in service without complying with the Scriptural demand now. First of all we

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Soldier Says . . .

America Has Task of Building "One World"

Lt. Harvey H. Walters, son of Mrs. Lee White Walters, Little Rock, believes that God made America a land of plenty so that her people may have time to study world problems and offer solutions. On the eve of his departure from an assignment in Japan he wrote:

"It is ironical to me that the United States is not a starving nation. She's just lucky, very often as ignorant as the others, but so very lucky! If we have a destiny to lead the world it is surely God-given. Our stomachs are always full of food, our hands always pushing buttons, our hearts always 'young and gay' and our minds always, always, on the mighty dollar.

"Surely we have been given all of these luxuries so that we might turn our minds to uninterrupted thought on the solution of the world problems. All others must spend the next decade in manual labor—or starve. Only Americans have time to think, conclude and act upon a changing world, a very small world, I think.

"I also hope Russia may prove herself to be a tolerant nation; that we will be able to incorporate some of her principles of government with ours, and that the two of us will make the first step towards the advanced dream of 'One World,' without national boundaries, national flags, national anthems and national greed. Surely we can blend some of her realism with some of our idealism and both be better for it."

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must thirst for the things of God. "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." The thirst for God and His will in our lives is the first step in preparation for this experience. John 7:37-39; Isaiah 44:3.

When we have thirsted for this extraordinary experience we must then ask for it. The Bible encourages us to ask for spiritual things; and if the asking is aright, we are assured of the giving. Luke 11:13; Acts 8:15; Rom. 8:9. Therefore, this gift of the Holy Spirit is given on the ground of our belief in God. If we conform fully to the laws of God in giving this blessing, we may be sure that the promise will be fulfilled. James 1:5, Mark 11:24. This baptism of the Holy Spirit is actively received from God. It is not necessary that we should beg the Holy Spirit to come upon us, but the Spirit stands ready to fill our lives as rapidly as we conform to His will. John 20:22.

*"Seal us, O Holy Spirit,
Make us thine own from this hour;
Let me be useful, dear Master,
Seal us with witnessing power."*

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Expansion of the International Lutheran Hour to include 800 radio stations in this country and abroad has put the Sunday program into the million-dollar enterprise bracket. It now costs approximately \$20,000 weekly to operate. Twenty-eight territories and foreign countries carry the program, which is sponsored by the Laymen's League of the Lutheran Missouri Synod. Additional negotiations are under way to procure time on stations in Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Finland, Holland, Iceland, Luxembourg, Norway, Portugal, Rumania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and Turkey.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY



Pastor and Mrs. D. W. Bolton, Wilton, observed their golden wedding anniversary in June. Both were born in Alabama. They were married June 18, 1896, after which they moved to Oklahoma. Seven children were born to them, two dying in infancy. The children are J. C. Bolton, Mrs. D. A. Owens, and H. L. Eakin, Texarkana; A. G. Bolton, Huttig; and Rev. O. T. Bolton, Haughton, La. There are 14 grandchildren.

Pastor Bolton attended Bacone University, Muskogee, Okla., Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, and Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans. He has served a number of churches in Arkansas, Missouri, Louisiana, and Oklahoma. He served as state evangelist in Arkansas and still does much evangelistic work in connection with his pastoral duties.

Fifty years of togetherness inspired Pastor Bolton to write the following poem::

*Fifty years through sun and rain,
Fifty years of joy and pain,
Two souls have traveled hand in hand
O'er all the paths of wedded land.*

*Troubled zones of storm and stress
They've passed and met again to bless
The power of love that holds them ever
In a bond of truth e'n death won't sever.*

*Fifty years of true love have brought
To them a tie that's scarcely wrought
By the consanguinity of earth;
For love's kinship is of heaven's birth.*

*And now, sunset trail goes on
With peace and hope to heaven's dawn.
For passed the last sunset's pale light
There's another dawn—glorious, bright,
Where life begins again.*

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At Charlotte, N. C., the Committee on Bible Teaching in the public schools has solicited testimonials as to the value of their Bible classes begun in 1925. Response was altogether heartening, with many pupils proudly claiming greatly increased appreciation for the Scriptures and others saying that the religious instruction had prompted careers in Christian work.

NOTES of ADVANCE

Pastor Leroy Smith, Temple Church, Baton Rouge, La., until recently pastor of Second Church, El Dorado, has been on the field two weeks during which time there have been 13 additions to the church, 13 for baptism. June 30 the church received \$1,750 for maintenance and rehabilitation.

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There have been 16 additions to the church, Greenwood, since George H. Smith became pastor April 1.

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Dr. R. Houston Smith, who recently returned from First Church, Arkadelphia, to Second Church, Pineville, La., has just completed his first four months of the new pastorate. During that time 200 new members have been received into the fellowship of the church and more than \$36,000 has been contributed for all purposes. A Vacation Bible School was held with 437 enrolled.

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First Church, Helena, has granted a two-months' sick leave to Pastor J. T. McNew and has called Joe Shaver as supply pastor during his absence.

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Three states are calling special sessions of their conventions to attend to urgent matters. The Alabama State Convention met in special session at First Church, Montgomery, June 25, to consider recommendations for Christian education and launch final campaign for their colleges. Illinois Baptists will meet to study the World Emergency Relief program. The General Board of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina called a special session of their Convention July 30 to consider the \$10,500,000 offer of the Reynolds Foundation to Wake Forest College.

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Bellevue Church, Memphis, Tenn., during the first six months of 1946, received a total of 513 members, 189 for baptism. The average attendance of the Sunday School was 2,230, that of the Training Union was 2,230 and the WMU monthly average was 2,230. Total offerings were \$129,660.78. De George J. Burnette of the Bellevue Church reports that in 1945 with one and one-half percent of all the Baptists in the state the church gave seven per cent of all money given to denominational causes; that in the Shelby County Association, Bellevue had 18 per cent of the membership and gave 40 per cent of the money given to denominational causes. Dr. R. G. Lee has been pastor for 18 and one-half years.

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First Church, Lake Providence, La., Pastors, had a 15-day revival meeting with Evangelist H. E. Kirkpatrick, Lake Springs, doing the preaching. Fifty-six people were added to the church. Of the 26 who came on profession of faith, 15 were men.

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A Presbyterian missionary and educator, 70-year-old John Leighton Stuart, has been nominated as the United States' new ambassador to China. Succeeding Maj. Gen. Joseph J. Hurley, Dr. Stuart will take to the Orient an embassy a thoroughly Christian understanding of the Chinese and their problems.

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First Church, Bauxite, under the leadership of Pastor Henry Rutledge is giving \$4,000 for foreign relief and rehabilitation. The church has new furniture, including new pews, and is free of debt.

THE OUACHITA CAMPAIGN

Otto Whittington, Director

Here is a list of those who will speak for the Ouachita Campaign as the list now stands. There may be others later. There are some who have indicated their willingness but did not sign and send in the cards. This list is published in order that you may select speakers when needed.

If you need a speaker at your church or association meeting ask one of these men.

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Thank God for these loyal men. If this campaign succeeds it will be because of these men and others who are faithfully working in various ways and their churches. Many churches are accepting their quotas.

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WORK OF MISS HUTCHINSON LAUDED

Miss Margaret Hutchison, for 17 years Young People's Secretary of Arkansas WMU, has resigned. It is with deep regret that we have accepted her decision. During these years, her work of devotion to her Lord and the young people of Arkansas has endeared her to the hundreds that have come under her influence. Always she has striven to attain the highest standards as she has directed the missionary activities of our youth. Under her leadership and inspiration the work has expanded into a well-rounded missionary program for all the auxiliaries. Recently, through her efforts, a secretary for Royal Ambassadors has been added to the office personnel.

Words cannot adequately express the love and appreciation of the constituency of Arkansas WMU to Miss Hutchison for her untiring devotion of time, talents, and means to the missionary education of Arkansas young people. She has given her best and has served well. The influence of her consecrated, vivacious Christian life will live on through the years in the lives she has touched. We pray God's richest blessings on her in whatever field of service He shall lead in the days ahead.—Mrs. J. E. Short, president, Arkansas WMU.

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I do regret to see Miss Hutchison leave us.—Mrs. Edgar A. Peterson, Jonesboro.

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Miss Margaret has been of inestimable worth to the work and I grieve at losing her from it.—Mrs. E. P. J. Garrott, Batesville.

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I love Miss Hutchison. She has meant so much to the youth of our



Miss Hutchison

state as well as to adults.—Mrs. L. M. Keeling, Judsonia.

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It is with deepest sorrow that we see Miss Hutchison leave our WMU work. God surely endowed her with great talents which she has used unstintingly for His honor and glory.—Mrs. H. C. Fox, Pine Bluff.

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I greatly appreciate the work and time that Miss Hutchison has given to our WMU during these years. I join with other friends in regret that she feels called elsewhere.—Mrs. J. H. Crawford, Arkadelphia.

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Miss Hutchison has done splendid work with the young people of our state (also the older ones) and the seeds sown will bear fruit

through the years to come.—Mrs. R. E. Crump, Monticello.

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I believe that no one in the history of Arkansas WMU has made a greater contribution to the advancement of Christ's Kingdom than has Miss Hutchison in her 17 years as Young People's Secretary. Her vision, her ability, her untiring efforts to implant the missionary spirit in the hearts of our young people will bear fruit throughout eternity. I feel a great personal loss in her going.—Mrs. F. E. Goodbar, Russellville.

Ridgecrest YWA Camp Great Givers

A total of \$4,180 was given for World Relief by the approximately 1400 young women present at the Southwide YWA Camp at Ridgecrest recently. The Arkansas group of 66 gave \$308 toward this amount. In the Arkansas group were six volunteers for mission work and one young woman, Lorene Jackson of Second Church, Little Rock, surrendered to do foreign mission service. She will enter Ouachita College this fall.

Associational Young People's Rallies

Caroline Association held its summer rally for young people at Lonoke, in June, with a total attendance of 90 from three auxiliaries and several societies. Mrs. J. Y. Lewis, associational counselor, planned the meeting. Lunch was served by the Lonoke WMS.

Pulaski County YWA Council met at the Baptist State Hospital for its third meeting of 1946 with 49 present from six auxiliaries. Reports were brought by several girls who attended the WYA Camp at Ridgecrest. Miss Cathrine Jordan, summer young people's field

worker for WMU, brought the votional. The members of Grace McBride YWA as hosts served refreshments.

White County Association a young people's rally at S with Mrs. W. H. Schaefer, associational counselor, in charge. Total of 93 attended from 15 auxiliaries. Their program on "E Building" was presented by young people except for the mission talk by Rev. R. F. Ricketts, China. An offering of \$11.94 given for World Relief.

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Fort Roots Chaplain Highly Commended

By W. M. WRIGHT

First Church, Lancaster, Tex.

Rev. (Major) C. O. Hitt, former pastor of First Church, Lancaster, Tex., has recently been appointed chaplain at Fort Roots, the veterans' hospital in North Little Rock. He served our armed forces as chaplain since August 1941, overseas and at home, with his last assignment as post chaplain of Randolph Field, San Antonio, Tex.

Rev. Hitt is in his forties, has his A. B. Degree from Baylor University, his Th. M. Degree from Southwestern Seminary, and his A. M. from Austin College. It affords me pleasure to send a word of introduction to my Arkansas Baptist friends. He has a personality, is an excellent preacher, doctrinally sound and denominationally loyal. If any of our Little Rock churches can use in any way as a supply pastor for an occasional revival, he would be glad to serve the brethren of the Lord and will render satisfactory service.

I am writing without his knowledge, but I know he will be of the opportunity to get acquainted with our Arkansas Baptist brethren. They will find in him a true yokefellow.

STATE GIRLS AUXILIARY CAMP PERSONNEL ANNOUNCED



Miss Jordan

Director: Miss Cathrine Jordan, Young People's WMU Field Worker.
Missionary Teacher: Mrs. Alpha McDill, Southwestern Seminary.
Missionary Speaker: Miss Mildred Matthews, Cuba.
Nationals: Miss Giovanna Arbanasich, Italy.
Mr. Walter Jacobi, Brazil.
Miss Josefina Silva, Cuba.

Junior GA Camp Mother: Mrs. Emmitt Cross.
Intermediate GA Camp Mother: Mrs. Don Dawley.
Song Leader (both camps): Miss Berta Sue Copeland.
Handicraft Leader (both camps): Mrs. Albert Hope.
Recreational Leader (both camps): Mrs. Charlie V. Crain.
Life Guards (both camps): Bob McPherson, Robert Carnes, Jack Elliott and Bobbie Ready.
Bugler (both camps): Bobbie Ready.
Jr. GA Camp Nurses: Misses Jean McLaughlin and Sue Smith.
Int. GA Camp Nurses: Miss Louise Bradbury and Mrs. Marilyn Howlett.
Int. GA Camp Cabin Leaders: Miss Janet Allen, Miss Esther Dixon, Mrs. Reuben Franks, Miss Duley Haggard, Miss Louise Layton, Miss Lola Prince, Mrs. W. E. Pugsley, Mrs. Virgil Rose, Miss Virginia Webster.
Jr. GA Camp Cabin Leaders: Miss Janet Allen, Mrs. L. C. Carter, Mrs. Vestal Dean, Mrs. Shirley DeBall, Mrs. A. J. Hyatt, Mrs. Clyde Ledford, Mrs. George McElmurry, Mrs. Lois Maurer, Mrs. Ray Rhyne, Miss Stella Tate, and Mrs. Ira Vance.



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peak heights in inspiration and brought home loads of helpful information about BSU technique and objectives.

Some significant results of the retreat were 539 dedications for Christian service, (several of these were from the Arkansas group) and volunteer offerings totaling \$1785.05 and one for world relief and rehabilitation amounting \$1592.05. Two thousand dollars was pledged to furnish the BSU room at Shanghai University, Shanghai, China.

Arkansas students and student leaders made a fine contribution to the programs in the way of speakers, special music and singing in the choir. Congressman Brooks Hays won the hearts of everyone with his humor and message on "Christian Citizenship." Arkansas students enjoyed fellowship with him and were very proud of his contribution to the program.

"Think On These Things" . . .

AN ARKANSAS BAPTIST NEED

By RAYMOND B. HIGGINS

Pres., BSU, University of Arkansas

The University of Arkansas needs a Baptist Student Center. Generations have come and gone while through the years many a Baptist student has desired and even prayed for a Student Center. Hundreds upon hundreds have graduated from the University of Arkansas without having had the privilege of daily entering a building where they might grow spiritually as they grew intellectually. Having passed on to the fields of their choosing they cannot draw back the curtains of time and have the galleries of their memories beautified by the influence of a student center.

There is a great need for a student center near the campus of the University of Arkansas. More than 700 Baptist and Baptist preference students on the campus this past semester should reveal the necessity for such a building. Who knows how much a life may be changed for the better, a purpose made stronger, and a vision made higher and nobler if there is a place where one may meditate, pray and have fellowship in a building dedicated to the purpose of making Christianity manifest itself on a state campus.

Other state universities such as the University of Tennessee have a Baptist Student Center. The Baptist people of that state realized that such a building would be a good investment in the character building of students. That Student Center has paid dividends beyond any estimate of man. Many a student's life has been enriched and while on the campus he has chosen that good part which time shall not take away.

The First Baptist Church of Fayetteville has interested itself in the welfare of the students. It helps to maintain a full-time Student Secretary to guide the Baptist Student Union work on the campus. This year the same church chartered a bus to send some 30 students to Ridgecrest, N. C., for the Southwide Baptist Student Retreat. But it would seem that the Baptist people over the state of Arkansas would be interested in the life of students

Embittered Minds

Former President Herbert Hoover, who has just returned from a world wide food survey, calls upon Americans to contribute millions of dollars for feeding starving children "to prevent a legacy of stunted bodies, distorted and embittered minds."

Can you imagine a complete nation of children plagued with "stunted bodies and distorted and embittered minds?" Could anything be more conducive to world unrest in the generation just ahead?

It is our obligation to world security—not to mention our obligation as Christians feeding our brethren—to divide our plenty with the world's starving. Let us give and encourage generous giving in Southern Baptists' current campaign for relief and rehabilitation.

on a state campus. All will agree that Christ's work is everywhere and the state campus needs more and more attention.

Several Baptist leaders have begun to consider the establishing of a Student Center near the campus of the University of Arkansas. While Jesus was on earth he stated that he had no place to lay his head. Today many a student has no place to go where he may daily receive the benefits of Christian fellowship. It is hoped that soon the students on the campus of the University of Arkansas may seek and find and have the door always open at a Baptist Student Center where he may enter and "let his mind aspire to higher things, grow rich in that which never taketh rust." May the reader give much thought and consideration that a great student need may soon be fulfilled.

BSU Retreat at Ridgecrest

Baptist students from Maryland to California, numbering 2,950, heard Ridgecrest's call to training, inspiration, and relaxation and rallied together June 5-12 for their

greatest Southwide Student Union Retreat.

They were instructed and inspired by the following outstanding Baptist leaders:

Dr. T. F. Adams, pastor, First Church, Richmond, Va., Miss Frances Barbour, associate secretary, Student Department, Sunday School Board; Dr. Floy Barnard, professor, Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth; Dr. O. T. Binkley, professor, Southern Seminary, Louisville; Dr. W. Marshall Craig, pastor, Gaston Avenue Church, Dallas; Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Dawson, First Church, Waco, Tex.; Congressman Brooks Hays, Little Rock; Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary, Sunday School Board; Dr. Frank H. Leavell, secretary, Student Department, Sunday School Board; Dr. Duke K. McCall, Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. J. W. Bill Marshall, secretary, Missionary Personnel of the Foreign Mission Board; Senator Claude Pepper, Florida; William Hall Preston, associate secretary, Student Department, Sunday School Board; Dr. M. T. Rankin, secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.; Dr. Courts Redford, assistant to general secretary, Home Mission Board; Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, president, Baptist World Alliance, London, England; Dr. Chester E. Swor, "Ambassador at Large," Jackson, Miss.; Dr. Harold W. Tribble, professor, Southern Seminary, Louisville; and Dr. J. O. Williams, secretary, Division of Education and Promotion, Sunday School Board.

Sixty-five students from Arkansas campuses traveled in two chartered buses under the leadership of T. D. McCulloch, State BSU Secretary, Mrs. Rosalea Webster Cox, retiring State Secretary, and Miss Mary Jane Redwine, BSU Secretary at the University of Arkansas. They soared to mountain

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Shall We Have . . .

Another Ridgecrest?

By O. L. GIBSON,
Arkansas Member
Baptist Sunday School Board

For sometime there has been considerable agitation for a second Ridgecrest located west of the Mississippi River and at least one conference has been held during the last year with the possibilities of certain locations discussed. At the recent meeting of the Sunday School Board, the committee on Ridgecrest Assembly adopted and presented to the full meeting of the Board a resolution in which it pledged the Sunday School Board to assist such a project if and when it should become a reality. The Board, which owns and operates Ridgecrest, promises to place its personnel at the disposal of the new assembly as it is providing special workers for the Ridgecrest Assembly.

It was my privilege to move the adoption of this resolution and to speak to the motion. I was surprised to note that when the vote was taken it was unanimous. It seemed to me that this resolution is especially timely. There are several reasons why such a project will contribute immeasurably to the progress of our work.

1. Ridgecrest is being overrun with a patronage it cannot adequately care for without considerable enlargement. In course of time we could have two assemblies with twice the attendance as at present. Thus a larger constituency would be served and greater results achieved.

2. Such a move would effect great economy and add to the convenience of multitudes. For instance, the First Church of Fayetteville chartered a bus to transport 29 young people to the BSU Conference at Ridgecrest last month at an expense of \$556. While none of us regret the spending of this sum of money it might just as well be going into Foreign Missions or Relief and Rehabilitation. Multiply the expense over and over again among schools and colleges of the west and you have a sizeable sum which might be conserved for other purposes.

3. It is our belief that a suitable location west of the Mississippi can be found. Such a place must be well watered, must have comfort and scenic surroundings. Such a place might be found in the Ozarks or possibly in west Texas. We doubt if the Ozarks could be

surpassed and should the assembly go very far west it would not greatly improve the situation in Arkansas and other central states.

4. Furthermore it is our firm belief that there is a strong demand for an assembly west of the Mississippi and that the Sunday School Board is acting wisely in proffering its aid and support to such a project. Some years ago it was this writer's privilege to watch a demonstration of bloodhounds at the State Prison Farm for Negroes on the Red River near Clarksville. The superintendent called a young trusty and sent him on a circuit some four miles. When he had covered about half the distance the bloodhounds were set on his trail and the race was on in earnest. It was a thrilling, hair-raising experience. The young Negro barely beat the hounds to a gate post which he climbed with great eagerness as the hounds were leaping and snapping at his heels. It is our deliberate opinion that increasing demand constitutes a call for definite action in the near future and failure to heed such a demand will eventually "set the hounds of criticism on our trail." The Sunday School Board is doing a great work at Ridgecrest and it can do a similar work west of the Mississippi.

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Highland Heights Church, Memphis, Tenn., observed the fourth anniversary of the pastorate of Dr. Slater A. Murphy July 14. The church has made great gains in all departments and all phases of the work under the leadership of Dr. Murphy. Membership has grown from 1,733 in 1942 to 2,409 at the present time with 656 coming by letter and statement and 489 for baptism. Sunday School enrolment has more than doubled; from an average attendance of 575 in 1942 it has grown to an average attendance of 856. Other organizations have grown in proportion. Yearly contributions have grown from \$17,000 in 1942 to a total of \$75,000 this year. Under the leadership of Dr. Murphy about 40 young people have dedicated their lives to definite service for the Saviour.

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The book is published by Central Seminary Press, Kansas City, Kans. The price is \$1.50.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

In club meetings and social functions of various types there is a game played in which the players use grains of corn and a small white card with black figures. A leader calls out certain numbers and the players lay a grain of corn on that number; the leader calls another number, they lay the corn on that number. The player who gets a straight row of corn across his card first is the winner. That person gets a prize.

In a Training Union rally recently held in our association a group of intermediates were lined up and given a Bible, each. A leader called out a passage of Scripture, the boys and girls raced to see who could find the passage and read it to the audience first. Another passage was called out and a hurried search again and so on. The one who found the most passages and read them best was the winner. So far, so good; but he, too, received a prize, a trip to the Siloam Springs Assembly or the equivalent (\$35 check).

Now, can we teach our boys and girls that one of these is wrong and the other right?

If I am wrong in saying there is just too much resemblance in these two things, will someone please inform me?

Mrs. H. M. Robertson,
Dyess, Ark.

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We appreciate Mrs. Robertson's letter in which she attempted to

compare the game of bingo with the Bible sword drill. We note the following differences in the two.

In bingo the player pays for privilege of playing. He thus gambles his money for the price of each game. The game is played one of chance and not of skill. More skill is required in bingo than in watching a roulette wheel spin. Thus in bingo a man gambles money in a game of chance.

In the Bible sword drill the participant does not gamble a money for the privilege of participating. The drill is not one of chance but one of skill, testing participant's knowledge of Scriptures and his ability to find references quickly. The drill encourages Bible study and increases familiarity with all the Scriptures. There is no money gambled and there is no game of chance.

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During the absence from Southern Seminary next year of Professor Edward A. McDowell, of the Department of New Testament Interpretation, who will be on sabbatic leave, teaching at Union Theological Seminary, New York City, and studying at Columbia University, J. Estill Johnson of Oklahoma City, Okla., who received his Th. M. degree from Southern Seminary in 1945, will be an assistant in the seminary's Greek department.

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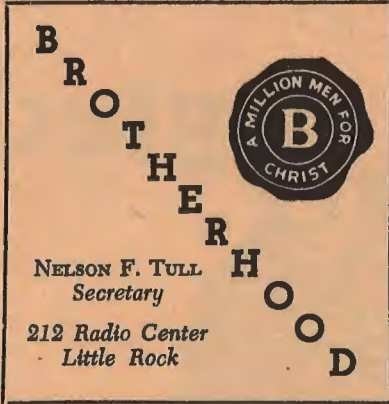


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1. Winning souls to Christ.
2. Cottage prayer meetings.
3. Outdoor mission meetings.
4. Services in prisons, hospitals, and other institutions.
5. Distribution of good literature.
6. Foster building and furnishing church libraries.
7. Keep up repairs on local churches; look after church grounds.
8. Support revival in local church by:
 - (a) Holding Brotherhood prayer services.
 - (b) Organizing to transport people to services, especially the feeble ones.
 - (c) Leading in personal soul-winning.
 - (d) Acting as ushers and providing parking service.
 - (e) Helping with music. Give specials at request of musical director.
 - (f) Supporting the special offerings.
 - (g) Seeking to enlist new members during and after revivals.
9. Assist families who have serious illness and death; organize to render needed help.
10. Assume leadership of R. A. organizations.
11. Support Father-Son banquets; adopt a son for the occasion if you don't have one.
12. Help other churches to organize Brotherhoods.
13. Offer services to supply pulpits for pastors who must be away. Many laymen can preach.
14. Furnish workers for Sunday School, Training Union, and other church activities.
15. Provide signs for the highways leading to your church to advertise services. By all means place a prominent one at the church—a big painted one—better still a neon.
16. Stand by and behind your pastor as he faces a critical and lost world; defend him, and support him in every constructive move he makes. He needs you.
17. Be on the look-out for members or neighbors who are in need; refer matter to church. If there is no program for meeting these opportunities, institute one.
18. Support efforts to do nice things for your pastor and his family, such as: showers, gifts on anniversaries, etc. Churches should send their pastors to conventions. The Brotherhood can assist in establishing, encouraging, and supporting this practice.
19. Suitable socials, providing a relaxed fellowship for men and boys, under wholesome conditions should be planned and supported by every Brotherhood.
20. Promote program to get our denominational paper in all our Baptist homes. If church does not have paper in budget, seek to get it included.
21. Get behind the movement to endow Ouachita College. The raising of \$1,000,000, the ultimate goal, is a challenge to our men to give their best for a great cause.
22. Contribute to and support Southwide offering for relief and rehabilitation.
23. Pay expenses of R. A.'s to summer camps and thus demonstrate interest in our boys.
24. Seek to help Negroes in their work. Hold services for them. Solve our race problem by giving the whole human race the Gospel. Organize Brotherhoods in Negro churches.
25. Help our rural evangelists, missionaries, and all other state workers.

This is by no means a complete list. You will find many other worthy objectives to undertake, but all of these are surely worthwhile. Tackle and take your objective. We believe in **Training for Service**, but such training has a meaning only when activity results. We trained a great military force, and won a world war, but this resulted only because trained men went after objectives, and took them. Let's apply this lesson learned to Brotherhood work.

Register Your Brotherhood With the State Department!

If there is a Brotherhood in your church it should be registered with the Baptist Brotherhood of Arkansas, 212 Radio Center, Little Rock. In order to have an accurate and complete picture of Brotherhood work throughout the state, the following information is needed:

- Name of church.
- Address of church.
- Date Brotherhood was organized.
- Number of charter members.
- Present membership.
- Name and address of president, membership vice president, program vice president, activities vice president, secretary, treasurer.
- Remarks about the present state of Brotherhood in your church.

The first Quarterly Bulletin of the Baptist Brotherhood of Arkansas is in the mails. The bulletin contains much information that is helpful in Brotherhood organization work. Although our mailing list is at present somewhat limited, we recognize that every pastor and interested layman should receive the bulletin regularly. If you do not receive your copy of the bulletin and you desire to be placed on the permanent mailing list, just drop us a card.

Figures to Inspire

July 7, 1946

Church	Addns.	S.S.
Arkadelphia, First	11	336
Conway, First	5	318
Cullendale, First	1	246
El Dorado Churches:		
First	11	688
Second		383
Fort Smith Churches:		
First		873
Immanuel	1	508
Hamburg, First	2	111
Harrison, First	3	313
Hot Springs Churches:		
Central	6	440
Park Place		456
Second		448
Including Mission		494
Jacksonville, First	2	160
Little Rock Churches:		
Baptist Tabernacle		423
Immanuel		747
Including Mission		1141
Plainview		109
South Highland	3	216
Magnolia, Central	2	322
Malvern, First		276
Monticello Churches:		
North Side		55
Second		93
Mena, First	4	247
Mt. Ida, First	2	97
North Little Rock,		
Baring Cross		474
Including Mission		514
Paris, First	5	343
Pine Bluff Churches:		
First	1	630
Including Mission		676
Second	7	200
South Side		362
Including Mission		414
White Sulphur Spgs.		71
Springdale, First		299
Including Mission		363
Stamps, First		162
Stuttgart, First		324
Warren, Second		91
West Memphis, First	3	281
Including Mission		368

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Love for God and for Others Would Transform the World

By R. PAUL CAUDILL

Jesus sought constantly to call men to true worship. Men, in His day, had often permitted their fellowship with God to degenerate into empty ritual and meaningless form. It was worship of the heart that He desired and not of the lip. "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24).

The Peril of Plenty

Few are able to enjoy financial success without losing ground spiritually. That is why the ringing admonition of God comes to us with such appeal in the eighth chapter of Deuteronomy as He warns men of the peril of plenty. "Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, in not keeping His commandments, and His judgments, and His statutes, which I command thee this day: lest when thou hast eaten and are full and hast built godly houses, and dwelt therein; and when thy herds and flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied; then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the Lord thy God, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage" (8:11-14).

It is true that it is difficult for one to be at his best spiritually when he is suffering constantly from the pinch of hunger or when he is in the throes of other material needs. Likewise, it is equally difficult for him to be at his best spiritually when he dwells too long in the land of plenty.

When our desires for material things are gratified to the full, often a sort of weariness sets in which sooner or later is reflected in our attitude toward moral and spiritual things. At times the moral nature is all but paralyzed by the presence of plenty. The sense of achievement and bounty develops a false pride and a vain feeling of well-being which unfits one for normal growth and development in the mind and soul life.

The majority of people do not deliberately plan to be forgetful of God. The state of forgetfulness comes upon them like a sort of creeping paralysis. One day prayer is left off; the next day the Bible goes unread. Finally, one finds himself utterly forgetful of divine blessings.

The thoughtful child of God does not become unmindful of past blessings. Day by day there is a heart of thanksgiving and appreciation of His providential care.

Power for a Purpose

"But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant

Sunday School Lesson For July 21

Deuteronomy 8:11-14, 18-20;
Isaiah 40:30-31; Mark 12:28-34

which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day" (Deut. 8:18).

Whatever power or ability to achieve financial success the Father gives to His children is for holy and righteous ends. Jesus said, "I can of myself do nothing: . . . I seek not mine own will, but the will of him that sent me" (John 5:30).

The intimate relationship that existed between Jesus and the Father is to form the pattern for our own lives. Whatever we do we must constantly seek to reflect the Father's will. However great our achievement may be in the realm of material things, we are not to drift away from Him and His will for our lives.

It is said of Dr. Carver, the great Negro scientist, that he worked as though he felt himself in partnership with the divine, that he gave God credit for his day by day achievements in the scientific laboratory. Those of us who knew him would certainly bear witness to his humility and his apparent regard for the leadership of the divine spirit.

"For who maketh thee to differ? And what hast thou that didst not receive?" (1 Cor. 4:7). Our talents, such as they are, come from God; they were not chosen by us but rather planted within us by Him who doeth all things well. We are to receive them as trustworthy stewards of the manifold grace of God.

God reminds us of the fearful doom that awaits those who misuse their God-given powers and pervert the resources that come to them from the divine hand. "As the nations which the Lord destroyeth before your face, so shall ye perish; because ye would not be obedient unto the voice of the Lord your God" (Deut. 8:20).

The Blessings of True Worship

"Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: but they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up

with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint" (Isa. 40:30-31).

Isaiah strikes a note in these bold words that everyone might well heed. Unfortunately the very age in which we live does not make for "waiting" on anything. We do not like to wait for trains or for busses or for the postman or for a telephone line that is in use. The nervous tempo of our age demands immediate gratification in whatever way we turn.

In true worship, however, there must be some "waiting." God can speak to us in the daily rush of common things but He is not quit so apt to reveal Himself to us in the fullness of His glory unless we are surrounded by a certain quiet—unless there is an element of "waiting."

Isaiah had his vision in the temple; Samuel heard the small voice of God in the watches of the night; Jacob had a glimpse of angels as he slept under the open skies with a stone for a pillow. Paul met Jesus face to face as he paused on the Damascus road.

The First and Second Commandment

Love for God and love for one's neighbor—these constitute the greatest safeguards of moral and spiritual progress that man can erect. This love for God, however, is not to be regarded as something sentimental and vapid. It is to engage "all" the heart and "all" the soul and "all" the mind and "all" the strength. This first commandment is the most inclusive one ever given to man. It embraces all of one's natural powers and all of his infinite possibilities of growth and development.

Few perhaps have ever stopped to inquire what it would mean to the world today if man were suddenly to begin to love his neighbor as himself. Radical indeed would be the transformation of society. Graft would go. Jealousy would be unheard of. Selfishness would vanish. Kindness and consideration would characterize all human relations. And, yet, just these qualities of character are not only necessary but are also imperative, and on an ever-increasing scale, if we are to have a world order in which there is any semblance of brotherhood and peace.

TESTIMONY

By EDDIE WAGNER
Evangelist, Little Rock

Six months ago the Lord led me into the evangelistic field, and I praise God for the wonderful way that the Spirit of God has worked as the Lord has honored His precious Word. In seven meetings since last December there have been 347 professions of faith in Christ and hundreds more that have been brought to a closer walk with Christ as they endeavor to serve Him.

I do not believe in making a big difference in a pastor and an evangelist. Every pastor should be an evangelist in his own church with his aim two-fold: (1) To win the lost in his community to Christ; and (2) to strengthen the Christians as he enables them to "grow in grace and in the knowledge of Christ Jesus our Lord."

"The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad" Psalms 126:3. I covet the prayers of every Baptist preacher in Arkansas.

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A booklet entitled "The Boone Family and Kentucky Baptists," by Dr. Leo T. Crimson, associate librarian of Southern Seminary, has recently been published by the Kentucky Baptist Historical Society. It contains sketches of all members of the Boone family who have been Baptist preachers in Kentucky from Squire Boone II (brother of Daniel Boone) to Dr. W. C. Boone, present general secretary of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky.

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Three Kinds of Christians

1. Rowboat Christians—have to be propelled wherever they go.
2. Sailboat Christians—always go with the wind.
3. Steamboat Christians—make up their minds where they ought to go, and go there regardless of wind and weather.

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The Last Call

We are herewith making the last public call for preachers to enter the Widows Supplemental Plan. If you will send in your application and one month's dues when you read this announcement it will not be too late. We have been granted the entire month of July to work on this plan, and we trust that we will have enough applications to qualify before July 31.

Brethren, we have put forth every effort to promote this plan. We do not yet have a sufficient number of applicants to set the plan going. We have repeatedly publicized the proposition in the Arkansas Baptist, and we trust that every

pastor reads the paper. Not only that, but we have repeated written every eligible preacher. We have asked for their replies. We have even sent application blanks to our eligible men, and have sent them pamphlets giving them full information about the plan. We have done everything we can do to enlist our eligible men except to employ a paid agent to visit the men personally.

So, we are making this final call and appeal to our men. If you want to come into the plan, please act at once.

LET'S REACH OUR GOAL FOR RELIEF

Arkansas Baptists are making a fine start on the offering for Relief and Rehabilitation. At this writing we have received more than one-third of our state's quota. Let us go on unto perfection. Let every church have a part in this worthy undertaking. Our sacrificial missionaries and our dependable pastors will see to it that this appeal is made in every church.

Are You Pastor of a Part-Time Church?

Many of our preachers are pastors of part-time churches. They could not be in all of their churches on June 30. They could not take the collection, therefore, in every church on that date. Brethren, make every Sunday in July count. If you are pastor of a church whose meeting day is on the third Sunday, won't you try to take a collection on that day if it has not already been taken? **ON YOUR VERY NEXT PREACHING DAY, WON'T YOU PLEASE TAKE THIS COLLECTION?** Let us hear from you. Read the Arkansas Baptist. Read all the issues of the months of June and July, and you will have nearly complete information which will enable you to make the appeal to the people.

Hold Your Breath!

Rector has been spoken of as a conservative town. The Baptist Church has been classified in that realm also, but this item will show you that this idea is wrong. Pastor Polk made his urgent appeal to his congregation July 7. At the close of his message, he asked the people to put their money on the altar to help the starving millions of the world. When the offering was counted the figure was \$1,184.95. This is heroic leadership, and is closely akin to sacrificial giving. This is far beyond the things that are usually done by the Rector church, but it is a great people and this shows what it can do. Thank you, Brother Polk.

Revivals! Revivals!

Many, many revivals are in progress at the present time and many more will begin soon. Arkansas is an agricultural state, primarily, and there are certain seasons in the year in which our people do not usually have revivals except in the cities. July, August and September constitute the Golden Harvest Season in the rural districts in this entire state. Help us, please, to see to it that every community has a revival during these summer months. Our missionaries are on the alert, and are doing a splendid work along this line. All of us should be on the firing line in revivals throughout the summer.

Pastor Sparkman Celebrates Ninth Anniversary

The Southside Baptist Church in Pine Bluff is 29 years old. The first permanent house was built on Thanksgiving Day in 1915, and in 1917 it was organized into a church with 42 members. In 1923 Pastor Victor Coffman led in the erection of its permanent house of worship.

Brother Sparkman became pastor June 30, 1937. During these nine years he has baptized 417 people, and has received 559 by letter and statement. The church has given more than \$15,000 to missions during this period. Its total contributions have been more than \$132,000. Sparkman enjoys the confidence and fellowship of his people. He has indeed done a splendid work with Southside.

Present Tense Christianity

It's not what you'd do with a million,

If riches should e'er be your lot;

But what are you doing at present

With the dollar and a quarter you've got?

W. O. Taylor and Clear Creek Association

Missionary Taylor is going strong in Clear Creek Association. He has led in the establishment of a Baptist Church in Ozone they have completed a splendid building some Sunday School rooms. Ozone is a splendid community. Several hundred prospective Baptists are there, and there is no church located there.

Taylor is also helping in the problem of building a church house at Coal Hill. He is doing many other things. He is a hard working man, always on the job. The moderator of his Association is Mr. Faber Tyler of Ozark and he is worth his weight in gold for the causes of Christ. He is a business man.

New Hope Church and Pastor (Delayed)

New Hope Church in Boone Carroll Association is a current example of the possibility of our rural districts.

When Pastor E. F. Cox was our state missionary he took seriously our suggestions for building strong fields in rural districts. He saw a possibility in the area east of Ozark. He got some men together and held a meeting. Some people were saved. They were faced with the necessity of having a building. In more or less the center of the territory they finally procured a site and up a building.

Today they have a beautiful, common truly decorative church building completely paid for. It has a basement and Sunday School rooms. The cost of the building was \$6,735. If this group had been told that with that a building would cost that much the chances are they would not have built it. They did not count the cost. They saw the need and answered the call of this indomitable leader, and now they have a building.

Cox is a mighty preacher of the word and is a leader of men. He has done a good work and is still doing it. God is blessing him and his people are happy. It was our privilege to help dedicate this church recently.