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**NORTH LITTLE ROCK
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Arkansas All Over

● **THE BAPTIST HOUR CHOIR**, a 16-voice professional singing group, directed by R. Paul Green, will sing at First Church, Little Rock, at 8 p. m., May 25. The choir was organized two years ago with singers who have dedicated their lives to sacred music. They make a concert tour each spring and fall appearing primarily in Southern Baptist churches.

The group has also appeared on television networks such as NBC's "Frontiers of Faith," and "Faith in Action;" and CBS' "Church of the Air." The Baptist Radio-TV Commission has produced five albums by the choir and other recordings are released by RCA Victor.

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● **FOUR ARKANSANS** received honorable mention awards in the nationwide TV Script contest for Southern Baptists recently: Marie Morris Rushing, Fayetteville, on two entries; Mildred Lafferty Wells, North Little Rock; Roberta E. Allen, Little Rock, on two entries; and Maxine Miracle Wasson, Fayetteville.

First award of \$200 in the contest went to Mrs. Ray Whetsell, Dallas, Tex., for a story entitled, "All That I Have." Second place, \$100, went to Mrs. Marie Ferguson, Denver, Colo.; third place, \$75, to Lois Shipskie, Miami, Fla.; fourth place, \$50, Brant Bracken, Albuquerque, N. M.; and fifth place, \$25, to Elizabeth Jones, Eldon, Mo.

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● **HARRIS LLOYD**, of Ouachita Baptist College, was recently elected vice president of the Arkansas Academy of Science, and Jim Jimerson, also from Ouachita, was named director of southern colleges, for the academy.

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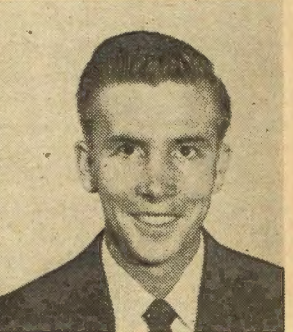
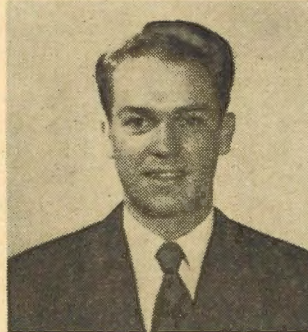
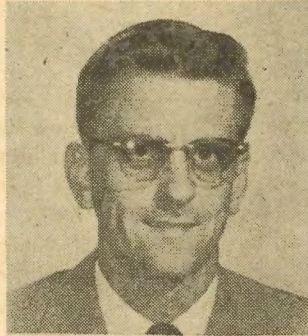
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THREE MEN FROM EL DORADO are among the six Arkansans who are candidates for degrees at the annual spring Commencement tomorrow at Southern Seminary, Louisville. They are, top row, left to right: Earl Goins McCuin, Master of Religious Education degree; Paschal C. Church and Jesse Lamar Nutt, Jr., Bachelor of Divinity degree.

Second row, left to right, are: Conway H. Sawyers, Walnut Ridge, Bachelor of Divinity; James M. Conrad, Cabot, Master of Theology; and J. Frank Spencer, Jr., Fort Smith, Master of Theology.

● **EVANGELIST BILL LEWIS** reports 80 professions of faith and 100 additions to churches during his first month in evangelistic work. He has one date open in June, one in July and another in August. The new address is Lafa, Ark.

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● **FIRST CHURCH, Fort Smith**, ordained Jack Thompson to the ministry May 1. M. E. Wiles served the council as moderator. Paul Cooke was clerk. The pastor, J. Harold Smith, delivered the sermon. Paul Cooke gave the charge and Jack Edmunds presented the Bible. The prayer was led by Kay Mansell. Mr. Thompson was a lay-preacher three years while maintaining an accounting firm in Fort Smith. In March 1955 he became a full-time evangelist. He resides at 1214 North 38th St., Fort Smith.

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● **CLARKSVILLE HAS A** new radio station which features a 15-minute religious news broadcast every Saturday by J. Leland Hall, pastor of First Church. Services of First Church are broadcast each Sunday morning.

Clear Creek Association operates the Baptist Vista camp where 250 are expected to attend August 9-14, according to Pastor Hall. Eleven acres of ground was recently purchased on Mulberry River and more property is being sought for the campsite.

● **DR. GERALD T. SMITH**, for four years the pastor of First Church, Stuttgart, has resigned that position and assumed the pastorate of First Church, Crossett, succeeding Robert L. Smith. Dr. Smith is a native of Oklahoma. He has the Th. D. degree from Southern Seminary. The Smiths have three daughters. (DP)

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● **BILL STONE** has resigned the pastorate of Lake Hamilton Church, Hot Springs, and accepted the work of Park View Church, El Dorado.

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● **ARKANSAS' BROTHERHOOD** Secretary, Nelson Tull, recently served as general chairman of a simultaneous revival in the Charleston (S. C.) Association, where 23 churches and four missions accepted 747 new members, 516 by baptism and 281 by letter and statement. There were 49 other professions of faith and 958 re-dedications. An evangelist of the Holmes Avenue Church during the meeting, Mr. Tull saw 65 new members received, 61 by baptism.

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● **BOBBY COOPWOOD**, from Oaklawn Church, Texarkana, Tex., and David Ray, from Ouachita College, were the guest speakers at First Church Foreman, recently as the church observed Youth Week. Every church office was filled by young people, Wayne Kibler, Training Union director, reports.

"Chaplains In Gray"

"Such . . . was the violence of separation in the years preceding the formation of the Confederacy that when the bugle calls sounded in Dixie, her preachers literally became ministers of flaming fire. It has been said that there is nothing more ferocious than a band of brigands led by vicious cut-throats, except it be a company of Scottish Presbyterians rising from their knees in prayer to do battle with the firm conviction that what they are about to do is the will of God.

"This storied zeal of the Highlander was to find its American counterpart in the inspired devotion of the embattled South. This inspiration cannot be explained with the naive suggestion that the Southerner fought simply for the protection of the institution of slavery. It can be understood only when one grasps the fact that it was the manifestation of a patriotism which found its source in the overwhelming conviction that the defense of hearth and home had the sanction of heaven. Skeptics among their enemies questioned the sincerity of the reported thousands of conversions during the great revival of religion which swept like a forest fire through the Armies of the South. These men could only see the Confederates as the defenders of slavery. They were blind to the existence of patriotism based upon the defense of home."

This quotation from Chapter Two reveals something of the deep insight of the author, Dr. Charles F. Pitts, pastor of First Baptist Church, Blytheville, into the true situation in the South at the beginning of the Civil War.

An autograph party honoring Dr. Pitts will be held at the Baptist Book Store, 303 West Capitol Avenue, Thursday afternoon, May 23, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. The public is invited.

Chaplains in Gray tells of the comments of the Confederate Generals about the Chaplains, their ministers under fire to the sick and wounded, and their part in helping the people during Reconstruction days. It has as a supplement an alphabetical list of all Confederate Chaplains from materials found in various unit records, together with the names of their units.

Dr. Pitts started his research for the book while serving as pastor of the College Avenue Baptist Church in Bryan, Tex.

According to Pitts, the chaplains in gray came early in the war to be known as "the scourge of the Army." They condemned sin but preached forgiveness. They were men of compassion and love. In camp, under fire, in prison and hospital, they shared with the soldiers the gospel of God — they were men of courage and stamina.

In this first book of recent times on the Confederate chaplain, Dr. Pitts as a veteran of World War II skillfully clothes sound research in a lucid style. Using a variety of sources, he portrays the chaplain as a manly minister, ready to share the hard life of a soldier but unwilling to compromise on morality or doctrine. From journals and diaries the chaplain comes alive as he encourages the fighter, comforts the wounded, and ultimately returns home to lead a broken people to their destiny beyond defeat.

A native of Arkansas, Dr. Pitts is a graduate of Ouachita College. He received his theological education at Southern Seminary in Louisville, from which he received the B.D. and Ph.D. degrees.

He treasures stories his Confederate grandfather told him and the three years he served as a chaplain himself in an armoured division in World War II.

Chaplains In Gray is published by Broadman Press, Nashville and is available at the Baptist Book Store at \$2.75.



Dr. Pitts

Convention Notes

Negroes Favor Change

IF THE Southern Baptist Convention, at its meeting in Chicago, May 28-31, agrees, the presidency of American Baptist Theological Seminary, a preacher-training institution for Negroes, located in Nashville, will no longer be restricted to a member of the Negro race. The Southern Baptist Commission on the Seminary will present this recommendation as part of its annual report to the Chicago convention. The proposed change originated with the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., a Negro Baptist convention. L. S. Sedberry, executive secretary of the Commission, reports.

Victor T. Glass, now serving as acting head of the seminary, is the first white man to serve in this capacity.

Big Family Award

THE LARGEST family attending the Chicago meeting of Southern Baptists will be honor guests Thursday night, May 30, at the annual Christian Home service, and will receive an award at that time.

To qualify for recognition, the entire family must be present, according to Joe W. Burton, secretary of the Home Education department and editor of *Home Life*, who is in charge.

Recognition awards will also go to the oldest-married couple and the most recently-married couple.

Conrad Hilton Full

MORE THAN 2,000 rooms in the Conrad Hilton hotel, Chicago, the world's largest hotel and Southern Baptist Convention headquarters for the annual convention, have been reserved by people planning to attend the convention. A number of other hotels of the city are also fully booked.

Clergy Permits Valid

ALL CLERGY permits will be valid for train transportation to the Southern Baptist Convention in Chicago, railroad passenger agents have reported. The suggested period for using them in buying tickets is May 23 to June 1. Normally a lengthy train trip might require more than one permit, since each permit is restricted to a geographical area of the country.

Chicago on Daylight Time

ALL SESSIONS of the Southern Baptist Convention in Chicago will meet on Central Daylight Saving Time, Convention messengers are being advised, since Chicago observes daylight saving time.

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● IMMANUEL CHURCH, Little Rock, has a limited number of reservations left on a chartered bus to Ridgecrest, July 30 to August 8. Interested persons should contact J. W. Cady at Immanuel.

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● BAPTIST WORK is progressing at Hatton, according to Pastor Albert Birge, where ten new members have been received recently with prospects for more.

CHICAGO CONVENTION

BY THE TIME this issue of our paper reaches our readers thousands of Southern Baptists will be traveling from all sections of the country to Chicago for the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention and its organizations and affiliates, May 26-31. But when we consider that our people are now numbered in the millions, we are reminded that the many thousands who will have the privilege of attending the Convention are scarcely a "drop on the bucket" of the denomination.

There is never a time when Christians do not need to pray, but we seem to sense the need of prayer more at some times than at others. Billy Graham and his crusade to win the great metropolis of New York City to Christ has made us all conscious of much being at stake in that part of our world. And, surely, as our Convention is about to convene every Baptist will realize that the prayers of individual Christians constitute the life-line not only of local churches but also of our great denomination.

That our prayers may have some direction, here are five objects which are expected to have major places on the programs and in the deliberations of the messengers:

1. A proposed sixth seminary. The Kansas City session of the Convention last year approved the idea and asked a special committee to consider a site and means of financing it and report back.

2. Survey of Southern Baptist Convention agencies. This committee, working in the interest of coordination and greater efficiency, has indicated it will ask to be given another year.

3. Election of a new Southern Baptist Convention president. C. C. Warren, pastor of First Church, Charlotte, N. C., completes his second year in this office and is not eligible for re-election.

4. A proposed Southern Baptist Convention hospital at Miami, Fla. The 1956 Convention approved location of a hospital in Miami, following the offer of land and part of the money necessary to build it. Opposition has been voiced by many who feel that the hospital, if it is to be established by Baptists,

should be a project of the Baptists of Florida and not of the whole Convention.

5. A pending amendment to the Southern Baptist Convention constitution regarding church autonomy. The amendment was proposed last year for action this year. (See Baptist Crosscurrents on page 7 for fuller details.)

Special emphases underlying the 1957 Convention will be: 1. World missions, since this is "World Missions Year"; 2. The joint session of the Convention and the WMU, for the second time in SBC history; 3. The record budget of 16½ million dollars to be offered for approval for 1958; 4. Development of plans for the Baptist Jubilee Advance and establishment of 30,000 new churches, missions, and preaching points by 1964.

A TRAGIC ACCIDENT

A STRAY pig on an Arkansas highway the night of April 11 is reported to have been the immediate cause of an accident that took the life of Dr. Robert F. Hyatt, Jr., a physician of Monticello and deacon in the Monticello First Baptist Church. Dr. Hyatt was killed near El Dorado.

Fitting memorials have been written by various friends of Dr. Hyatt similar to that of the Board of Deacons of his church which pays tribute to him as one "cherished in the memory of people of every walk and condition in a very wide area . . . one who was wise in his counsel, unsparing in his effort and his consecration, and generous in his giving."

But in addition to memorials many of the friends who knew and loved Dr. Hyatt are demanding that the State begin rigid enforcement of laws designed to keep the hazard of livestock from the roads and highways of the State. We understand that it is no longer lack of proper laws but is purely a matter of enforcement. The announced enlargement of the State Police to make at least one trooper available for every county is expected to bring vast improvement in this regard.

Meanwhile, a stray cow, hog, or sheep on highway right-of-ways should be as much cause for concern as a bridge that is out.

Personally Speaking...

Watch the Oil

One of the best deals I ever made involved the use of a new, Model-T Ford. That was back when the Model-T was modern and you could get it in any color you wanted, if you wanted black.



MR. McDONALD

It is 8 miles from London to Russellville, site of the nearest high school at the time to which I refer, and I was to be a commuter to Russellville High each day. Sounds simple in this day when everybody has a car. But it was not so simple then, for I did not have so much as a bicycle.

Shortly before school was to start in the fall one of my former school teachers at London came to me with a proposition. He had a Model-T and a daughter who needed to get back and forth to school. If I would consent to drive the car, I could have my transportation free.

I never believed in rushing into anything without the most careful consideration. So I thought it all over, in half a second, and said I would do it.

That was a great year. Not the least of the highlights was dropping by the car owner's home each afternoon after putting the car up, and courting an older daughter, who, incidentally, has now been my dear wife for many years.

Something my unsuspecting and future father-in-law said to me the day he turned over to me the key to the Model-T has stayed with me: "Erwin, watch the oil," he said. "It won't run without gas. But you can be driving down the road thinking all is well, and you can be burning out the motor for lack of oil."

Watch the oil! What a parable of life. We won't run without three square meals a day — and, perhaps, refreshments between meals and at bedtime. But we can go right along without much thought of the need for the oil of spiritual nourishment and we can burn out our lives for lack of the things that really count.

If we meet all the material needs of ourselves and our families and even live in the finest homes and drive the longest, sleekest automobiles and provide the latest and biggest-screened TV's, and find no time nor place for Christ in our lives we are like the "certain rich man" Jesus tells about in Luke 12, whose ground "brought forth plentifully" but who is called "rich fool."

Watch the oil!

Erwin L. McDonald

Opposes Federal Aid

IN YOUR APRIL 25 issue of the Arkansas Baptist appeared an editorial on Federal Aid to Education. I would like to point out the fallacy of Federal Aid. The Smith-Hughes Act providing vocational education was passed in 1916. During the period prior to its passage, proponents insisted time and time again that "Federal Aid will not mean Federal control." But the federal regulations that must be met by the states and local school boards have increased year by year until now the listing of the specific requirements fills a book of 108 pages (Administration of Vocational Education, price 30c, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C.). Federal dictation would be assured by one sentence, page 4: "Each state is required to submit a plan which must meet with the approval of the Federal Office of Education."

The proponents of Federal hand-outs are always saying that we will take it from the richer states and give it to the poorer states. This confuses the issue. A child in a wealthier state, to have an educational opportunity, does not need identical federal support. It might be hard to prove that citizens of states like New York, Connecticut, or Illinois are financially unable to provide education of their children. If they were, where would the federal government raise the money?

In the Communist Manifesto, Karl Marx made control of public education one of the ten commandments of communism. Crypto-Communists, fellow travelers, and LeftWing progressives in the field of education have kept their sights fixed upon this objective ever since. Twenty-five years ago a group of "liberal" American educators appointed by the American Historical Society and financed with more than a quarter of a million dollars from the Carnegie and other foundations, went into a long, learned huddle and finally came out with a 15-volume report. In their findings they declared that our form of government was a failure and should give way to a collectivized society, wherein the individual should be made to surrender his liberty in the interest of group welfare. They determined that only the schools of the country could bring about the revolutionary change in our American system, and that it was the duty of every educator to see that the schools did so.

During the last two years you have read various figures as to the need of classrooms and class shortages. Dr. Samuel Brownell, U. S. Commissioner of Education, was quoted as saying that 720,000 classrooms were needed along with 28 billion dollars to build. Next the President on February 8, 1955, called it a shortage of 340,000 classrooms with 7 billion dollars to build. Then, on March 25, 1955, Wel-

fare Secretary Hobby, testifying before House Appropriations Committee, brought the shortage figure down to 176,000 classrooms from what she then stated had been a previous estimate of 407,000 classrooms. However, an official study made by a Congress-appointed Commission in the AP release of February 24, 1955, a full month before Mrs. Hobby's testimony about school construction, the Commission was known as "Federal Commission on Intergovernmental Relation," reported: "We have been unable to find a state that cannot afford to make more money available to its schools, or that is economically unable to support an adequate school system." The report continued, "The general conclusion is that federal aid is not necessary for either current operating expenses for public schools or for capital expenditures for new school facilities."

In the Arkansas Gazette, May 1, 1957, Senator Knowland made the statement that it was his observation that nothing started by Congress terminates in four years. "I have never seen the federal government contribute money without wanting to exercise control," he said. "If anything should be reserved to the states it is control of their educational systems," he concluded. A good indication that we of Arkansas can take care of our own problems is the fact that during the last two years the property assessments have increased 500 million dollars. Two-year revaluation lifts property totals to \$938,429,945. Many parcels of property lost to the assessor have been found. If we let the camel's head of Federal Aid to Education in the tent he soon will take the entire tent and our country will suffer.

—Arthur Mills

Percentage Small

HAVE READ your article published in your paper by the woman who criticized Baptists and their revival attitudes. Also noted your answer and agree with you. However, I would not discredit altogether what she says. I do believe she is justified in her criticism. I've met pastors who would fit the bill of description. She may have some in her association. I do believe, though, that the percentage is small. (Signed by a Baptist preacher)

Note the Number

CHICAGO—(BP)—Here's the telephone number messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention here May 28-31 should leave with home-folks if they need to be contacted. It's FRontier (FR) 6-6905. The telephone will be located in International Amphitheater where all sessions of the Convention will be held.



Mrs. Nininger

● BOTTOMS BAPTIST Orphanage Monticello, will dedicate its new, \$100,000 brick-veneer recreation-and-assembly building on Tuesday, June 18, at 2 p. m., Rev. H. C. Seefeldt, superintendent, has announced. Dr. Rel Gray, pastor of First Church, Helena, president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, will be the principal speaker. The public is invited.

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● MRS. B. W. NININGER, former state director of church music for Arkansas Baptists, will autograph copies of her new book, Church Music Comes of Age, in the music center at the Southern Baptist Convention, May 29. The first copies off the press will arrive in Chicago by air express for the occasion. Mrs. Nininger will conduct a devotional service at the music convention.

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Mrs. Nininger will teach in a music leadership school at Ouachita Baptist College, June 17-21 and in a music camp at Siloam Springs, August 19-24.

● DR. J. D. GREY will be the featured speaker at the New Orleans Seminary luncheon at the Chicago Convention. Dr. Grey is pastor of First Church, New Orleans, and past president of the Southern Baptist Convention. As pastor of the New Orleans church he has served many of the seminary students as pastor, counsellor and friend. The luncheon will be held Wednesday, May 29, at 1 p. m., in the Saddle and Sirloin Club adjacent to the Amphitheater, where the convention will meet. Harold Elmore, pastor of the Portland Baptist Church, is president of the Arkansas Alumni chapter of the seminary.

Practical Pointers in Evangelism

By Andrew M. Hall

LAST WEEK our article dealt with a number of essential items in pre-revival preparation. Just as it is necessary to plow the ground for planting, so is it also required that a revival be carefully planned ahead of time. I spoke a few days ago to a friend who had just returned from a revival in Memphis. His comments were complimentary and he stated, "It was a pleasure to work in a church where every-

Dr. Hall is pastor of First Church, Fayetteville.

thing was so well planned." Conversely, there are few things more discouraging with little or no preparation being evident. Preparation completed for pre-revival planning let's look at—

Plans To Be Used During The Revival

1. Morning Services. If morning services are used, a theme is good to follow. I do one either on **Love, The Holy Spirit**, or some such subject. It is a good plan to sponsor attendance at the morning services and the Circles are excellent for this. Because Sunday is such a strenuous day it often seems advisable to have morning services Tuesday-Friday mornings.

2. Evening Services.

(1) Have plenty of **special music** and plan this ahead of the meeting. Choruses are effective in revivals though some of our "higher" musicians do not smile upon their use.

(2) **Sponsored Attendance.** An excellent plan not usually over worked is the Sunday School class plan. One night all the men's classes sponsor attendance. If cards can be used with names of the teachers on them and if they are held up at recognition time, it spurs the teacher to action. Sometimes these cards are placed around the sanctuary. When the individual classes are called upon to stand, we ask them to remain standing until all others present who were invited by one of these class members stand also. The next night all ladies' classes will do the same. Similarly, Intermediate department, Junior department, etc., even to using Training Unions on the same idea. Pack-the-pew is rather over-worked.

(3) **Saturday Night Service.** This is up to the church and the evangelist. If all people will stay home and prepare prayerfully for Sunday it is good to dispense with service.

(4) **Hamburger Fry.** This can be very successful for Junior and Intermediates. The superintendent and teachers assume the responsibility of fixing hamburgers, potato chips, soft drinks, and ice cream bars. The meeting is one hour prior to revival. After meal, the

pastor and evangelist excuse all who are Christians and they have free time. Un-saved are kept and spoken to briefly on the plan of salvation. This should be done on Monday and Tuesday nights. Sometimes several will make decisions and get the meeting off to a good start. **They really come to this!**

(5) **Prospect Supper.** The ticket to this covered dish supper (Thursday is good time) is an unenlisted Baptist or an unsaved person. The pastor or evangelist speaks on "Meaning of Church Membership."

(6) **Unified Service.** This is the combination plan of Sunday School and morning worship. It should only be used when the teachers and officers vote to support it completely and only after the entire church is aware of it, back of it, and understands it. If it is not used, a special service in Junior and Intermediate departments is a wise plan.

(7) **Special Nights.** Often a plan of Sunday School night, Training Union night, family night, etc., is used. I prefer suggestion under point two above.

(8) **High Attendance Day.** This should be done second Sunday of revival. A goal of at least one above record attendance should be set. Departments and classes must assume goals and achieve the aim.

Prospects File

1. Unsaved Sunday School Pupils. This is absolutely the prime prospect roll! If pastor and evangelist will work this thoroughly people will always be saved. Superintendents should prepare this carefully for pastor two weeks prior to revival. Teachers should help superintendents prepare this and all will be personally interested.

2. A File From Prayer Services. The neighborhood prayer group will jot down prospects of loved ones and friends. We mimeograph a prospect sheet with name, address and age and send to prayer groups.

3. Census List.

Follow Up

1. Superintendents and teachers will visit ones who appeared under conviction.

2. A class in Church Membership.

3. A visit to each new member by Educational Director with envelope of materials.

4. A deacon should be appointed to oversee each new member, call upon him, and offer assistance in any way possible.

Conclusion

1. Everybody come.

2. Everybody pray.

3. Everybody talk it.

4. Everybody bring somebody (visit)

5. Everybody confess his own sins and ask for forgiveness.

Revivals:

Cutbert, Ga., 1st, 28, 18 by baptism, 10 by letter. Dr. Herbert Haney, associate pastor, First Church, Marianna, evangelist; Charles Granade, pastor.

Lepanto, 1st, 30, 25 by baptism, 5 by letter, 1 for special service. J. S. Reed of the Arkansas Baptist State Mission department, evangelist; N. L. Lewis, Fort Worth, Tex., singer; and R. B. Crotts, pastor.

Shreveport, La., Morningside, 76 decisions, 57 for baptism. Billy Walker, Arkansas, evangelist; L. W. McReynolds, pastor.

Lavaca, 1st, 10 professions of faith and many rededications. The revival team of young people, selected by the State BSU Secretary, included Arlene Moore, Ouachita College, pianist; Henry Fudge, University of Arkansas, song director; Kenneth Wheeler, Ouachita College, personal worker; and Bill Bullington, Ouachita, evangelist. W. R. Hull is pastor.

Tyronza, 1st, 31 by baptism, 125 rededications. Bill Lewis, evangelist; Thurman Watson, of Pulaski Heights Church, director of music; Earl C. Edwards, pastor.

In a Coronation Service May 5, the following girls advanced in their work as members of the Girls Auxiliary of the WMU: Judy Alexander, Ann Tatum, Sandra McDaniel, Kathy East, Jennifer Combe, and Veda Raye Wright, Maiden.

Jane Braddock, Martha Sue Williams, Wanda Austin, Judy Young, Kay Carter, and Margie Smith, Lady-in-Waiting.

Anita Vaye Braddock, Princess.

Rebecca Alexander, Queen.

Osceola, 1st, 19, 15 by baptism, 4 by letter. W. F. Couch, El Dorado, evangelist; Ralph Young, Escatawpa, Miss., director of music and youth work; Harry G. Jacobs, pastor.

Dallas, Tex., 1st of Walnut Hill, 33, 22 by baptism, 11 by letter, 3 other conversions. Dr. T. L. Harris, pastor of First Church, Camden, evangelist; Johnny Jackson, pastor.

Pastor Orville Haley, of North Side Church, Fort Smith, and Bible school superintendent of Concord Association, School clinic at Trinity Church, Fort Smith, recently. A total of 235 registered from 23 churches.

Clarksville, 1st, 12 by baptism, 6 by letter, one for special service. D. Wade Armstrong, evangelist; J. Leland Hall, pastor.

Hot Springs, 1st, 15 by baptism, 10 rededications, 5 for special service. Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, evangelist; Dr. John L. Dodge, pastor.

Cavern Church, Carlsbad, N. Mex., 18 by baptism, 4 for special service. Dr. John L. Dodge, evangelist; Henry L. Keahey, pastor.

BWA President Has Heart Attack

Dr. Theodore F. Adams suffered a heart attack on the morning of May 8, in Richmond, Va. Doctors term it a mild attack, a coronary occlusion at the back of the heart.

Dr. Adams is in the Richmond Memorial Hospital and the doctors say that he is expected to remain there for about a month. They expect him to rest throughout the summer and to be back on the job in the fall.

Dr. Adams has cancelled all appointments for the next several months including a commencement address May 13 at Colgate Rochester Divinity School, Rochester, N. Y., speaking engagements at the Southern Baptist Convention in Chicago and the American Baptist Convention in Philadelphia; and he has cancelled a projected trip to Africa.

Dr. Adams has been pastor of the First Baptist Church of Richmond since 1936, and in 1955 was elected president of the Baptist World Alliance at the meeting of the Baptist World Congress in London.

● **THREE NEW PASTORS** in Clear Creek Association are J. E. Stingley, Ozone; D. W. Alderson, Lamar; and Leon Hankins, Concord, according to Missionary S. A. Wiles. Roy Pledger of Coal Hill has entered the ministry and is doing supply work in the association.

● **G. W. MORRISON**, First Church, Huntsville, assisted No. Lewis Ave. Church, Tulsa, in a recent revival which resulted in 29 additions by baptism and four by letter. One surrendered for special service.

● **BUCKNER FANNING** will lead First Church, Batesville, in a revival June 2-9. Dr. Richard Brannon is the pastor.

● **FOURTEEN ADDITIONS** to the church and one for special service was the result of a recent meeting in Columbia, Tenn., led by Arthur Hottel, Star City, and the pastor, Jim Brewer.

● **J. FRANK DAVIS** led Trinity Church, Fort Smith, in a recent revival. Fifteen united with the church by baptism and seven by letter. Mason E. Bondurant is the pastor.

● **RILEY MUNDAY**, Little Rock, recently supplied the pulpit of First Church, McGehee, while Pastor Cline Ellis was away in a revival.

Correction

IT WAS Erroneously reported in May 2 issue of the *Arkansas Baptist* that Calion Church in Liberty Association had no additions during the simultaneous revivals. The church received eight by baptism and three by letter, and there were three rededications, according to Pastor C. R. McCollum. George Fletcher was the evangelist.

Baptist Crosscurrents

Defeat It Quickly

The Southern Baptist Convention needs no part of the constitutional amendment being proposed by Rev. James M. Bullman (North Carolina) which comes up for a vote in Chicago this month.

The amendment reads:

"This Convention does not claim that affiliation with this Convention is in any way necessary for a church to be a missionary Baptist church; nor does this Convention claim that affiliation with any other Baptist body, whether district association or state convention, is in any way necessary for a church to be affiliated with this Convention; nor does this Convention claim that a church's affiliation with this Convention, as conceived by this Convention, is in any degree of such a nature as would prevent a church that once has entered into affiliation with this Convention from discontinuing that affiliation should that church for any reason whatsoever decide to discontinue that affiliation."

Never before in the history of the Southern Baptist Convention have so many words been used to say nothing.

Nobody of sane mind ever said missionary Baptist churches were only those affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention. Nobody of sane mind ever said affiliation with the state convention or district association is necessary. Nobody, sane or insane, ever said affiliation cannot be terminated.

The Southern Baptist Convention does not have any "member churches." It has messengers from churches "in friendly co-operation" who during the year have contributed to the "Convention's work." One cent plus "friendly co-operation" is all that is required for a messenger to the world's greatest religious body, famed for its democracy and loosely knit organization.

Disassociation from the Convention is as easy as affiliation. Churches can quit affiliation any day of any week in any month of any year. It is a rarity for them to quit quietly.

Once every few years some misguided person, self-ordained to save the Convention from its mythical sins, mounts a pulpit and proclaims his righteousness and the righteousness of the few about him. He borrows a typewriter, finds a printer and starts publishing a newspaper. Therein he gives vent to his anger, attacks recognized leaders of the Southern Baptist Convention, and advertises his ignorance. No harm is done to the Southern Baptist Convention.

The history of these tangent groups is interesting. They always divide, divide again, then divide their own divisions, and disappear.

Mr. Bullman discredited himself at the Southern Baptist Convention last year. He tried then three different times to get adoption for some statement similar to this amendment. He failed as often as he tried and then left before the Convention his notice of constitutional amendment which of necessity must come to a vote.

The Convention expressed itself last year. A Bullman resolution went to the committee on resolutions which rejected his proposal and reaffirmed the Convention's historic stand. We see no reason for having 10,000 messengers punished by another effort for lengthy debate.

The Bullman amendment starts defining a church. We don't want that. It tries to write into law what is more powerful now in the spirit of the constitution. It borders on the creedal. The Southern Baptist Convention in all of its 112 years has made it plain that it wants no creed other than that of the New Testament.

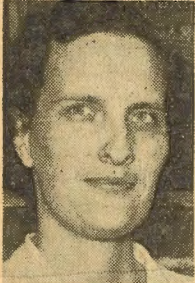
We don't want to be rude to Mr. Bullman but, in view of his persistency in 1956, he should know that the Southern Baptist Convention isn't interested in his proposal.

—Christian Index

Reports To The People

14 New Missionaries Bring Total to 1,154

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board appointed 14 young people for overseas mission service at its May meeting, bringing the total number of active foreign missionaries to 1,154.



MISS OWENS

New appointees and their fields are: Martha Bell, Mississippi, for Indonesia; James E. Giles and Mary Nell Morrison Giles, Texas, for Colombia; Jerry Hobbs and Darline Anderson Hobbs, Oklahoma, for Thailand; Robert L. Lambright, Kentucky, and Ann (Pat) Patrick Lambright, Mississippi, for Indonesia.

Also, Gerald A. McNeely and June Hall McNeely, Kentucky, for Spain; W. Harold Matthews and Clara Lee Matthews, Kentucky, for the Philippines; Nan Owens, Arkansas, for Nigeria; and Elbert H. Walker, Colorado, and Dorothy Mathews Walker, Georgia, for the Philippines.

Appointments to Be Made at Ridgecrest

The June meeting of the Foreign Mission Board will be held in connection with the Foreign Missions Conference at Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Assembly. The full Board will meet in two-day session.

The public sessions of the Board meeting will begin on Thursday evening in the Ridgecrest auditorium with the appointment of missionary candidates. The Board will continue in session throughout Friday with reports from the secretaries and committees. The regular Foreign Missions Conference program will begin on Friday night and continue until Wednesday noon, June 26.

Board's 1956 Income Totaled \$12,806,720

In his May report to the Board, Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, summarized the figures given in the audit of the Board's 1956 income and expenditures. The Board's total income in 1956 was \$12,806,720.34; and its total 1956 expenditures were \$12,060,267.07. The amount spent on foreign fields in 1956 was \$11,080,773.14, or 91.88 per cent of the total expenditures.

Mission Fields Helped By Visiting Baptists

"In recent years much blessing has come to mission fields from visits by numerous Southern Baptist leaders," Dr. Cauthen said in his report. "These visits greatly strengthen the work. It always gives pleasure to the Foreign Mission Board to help make these journeys effective through counsel and planning.

Results of Evangelism Are Spectacular in Some Areas

The reports of the three area secretaries of the Board dealt with evangelism on the mission fields and indicated encouraging results.

Dr. George W. Sadler, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, said that one of the four Baptist hospitals in Nigeria ministered to more than 7,000 outpatients and 1,400 inpatients during 1956. Two hundred and ten of the inpatients professed faith in Christ.

Following a stewardship revival in Ajloun, Jordan, eight young people remained for spiritual guidance, Dr. Sadler said.

Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America, said there was a total of 976 professions of faith at the end of an evangelistic campaign conducted in 24 churches and preaching points in the tri-city area of Torreon, Gomez Palacio, and Lerdo, Mexico, in April.

Dr. J. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient, reported that simultaneous evangelistic services began in the Baptist churches of Taiwan on May 5, and reported 700 professions in the first four days.

The Cover

Pulaski Coronation

THE HIGHEST honor conferred by Girls Auxiliary, and the hope of every GA girl, is the honor of being crowned Queen Regent. That goal is attained only by work and faithfulness in this WMU missionary organization for girls 9 to 15. The girls begin as Maidens and advance one step at a time by memory work, hand work and written work. When they reach their goal they are honored by a coronation service in their churches and associations.

On May 6, the Pulaski County Association, under the direction of Mrs. O. C. Robinson, Jr., associational youth director, held its annual GA Coronation services at Baring Cross Church in North Little Rock. Sixteen girls were crowned Queens and three were capped as Queens Regent. The Queens Regent were Charlotte Ayers and Barbara Jones of Highway Church, North Little Rock, and Betty Kay Jackson of First Church, Douglasville. Two hundred, sixty-five girls, representing most of the churches in Pulaski County, participated in the service.

THE BOOK SHELF

If any man empties his purse into his head, no man can take it away from him.

—Benjamin Franklin

In 1890, there were 4 million women gainfully employed in the United States. Now there are 22 million. This is an increase from one-sixth to more than one-third of all the women and women now constitute nearly one-third of the total labor force as compared to one-sixth in 1890. Two-fifths of the increase in the number of working women has occurred in the last 25 years.

All of these facts are revealed in a new book, **Womanpower**, produced by the National Manpower Council, and published this year by the Columbia University Press at \$5.00.

Further interesting facts included: 70 per cent of all women workers were single in 1890 and the majority of them were under 25 years of age. Today, more than half of the employed women are married, and almost half of them are more than 40 years old.

This valuable book, the latest of the National Manpower Council's continuing studies of our manpower resources, focuses on the role of women in paid employment in the United States.

The Council found that, even though a large percentage of married women now work outside the home, the home continues to be the real center of interest for most of them.

The Wonderful World of Archaeology, by Ronald Jessup, Garden City Books, Garden City, New York, 1956, \$2.95.

No doubt most people think of Archaeology as a rather deep and difficult, if interesting, field.

This large, profusely illustrated book in color presents the exciting and romantic story of how archaeologists, like those piecing together a giant jigsaw puzzle, have helped us to understand the past and our heritage from the past.

Mr. Jessup, a practical excavator, writes with enthusiasm and expert knowledge in showing clearly and simply how people of all ages have tackled this problem, from the amateur collectors of Ur to the highly trained scientist, with his radio-carbon dating of our own time. He shows the connection between atomic science and the ice age, the invention of the aqualung and the wine trade of ancient Greece, air photography and buried Roman villas.

More than 250 full-color paintings, maps, pictographs, and diagrams add to the attractiveness and effectiveness of the book.

PERSONALITIES

C. W. Caldwell

● He Found Three-In-One A Good Beginning

By MRS. HOMER D. MYERS

CLAUDE WILSON CALDWELL was promised to the Lord before his birth when Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Caldwell of Liberty Hill, La., became prayerfully concerned over the fact that too many of their children were daughters. In a family of nine, he is the only one in full time service, though the others are active Christians. He was converted at the age of 14 in a revival conducted by Dr. L. E. Barton. He entered the ministry at 17.

C. W. Caldwell took his first job when he was 14, driving a wagonette, a predecessor of the school bus. The roads were too bad for buses and a covered wagon was provided instead. Later he went to Pineville to attend the Baptist school, Louisiana College. There he dug ditches for the foundations of the present administration building to defray expenses. His next job was waiting tables. After his graduation he taught school one year in order to enter Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth.

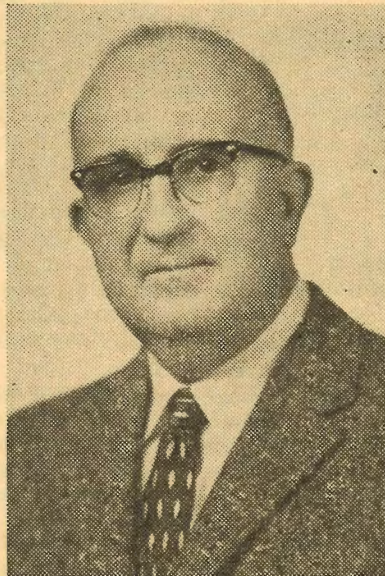
Caldwell was married the day he graduated from the seminary to Miss Lela Jane Armstrong of Sherman, Tex. She is a graduate of Austin College, Sherman, and has the BRE degree from Southwestern Seminary. The young couple moved to Arcadia, La., where they served the pastorate of First Church 14 years.

Dr. Caldwell recalls that his first denominational work was promoting the \$75 million campaign. As a 16-year-old he boarded the back of his faithful horse and went from house to house soliciting funds for the Baptist cause. When he returned to Arcadia he went from church to church speaking for the Cooperative Program, which had been launched while he was in school.

While pastor at Arcadia, Caldwell served as secretary of the Board of Trustees for Louisiana College 12 years, where he assisted in financial campaigns for the school. In 1939 the college honored him with the Doctor of Divinity degree.

Dr. Caldwell's second pastorate was First Church, Fordyce, where he served five years. In both pastorates he emphasized practical mission work by starting mission stations and reviving dead churches. Ten years ago, on February 15, he became superintendent of missions for Arkansas Baptists.

The most amusing occurrence in Caldwell's youth was hearing his mother boast to neighbors that her sons never fought. He admits they did not — in her presence. They took their differences to the field, sometimes tear-



Dr. Caldwell

ing up an acre of corn in reaching a settlement.

The most harrowing experience he can recall was the night he preached his first sermon. He had a Saturday night, Sunday morning-night appointment. He went to the church equipped with three well-prepared sermons. He would begin at Genesis, the first of the Book, for his first sermon. He anticipated getting "the swing" of the situation Saturday night and on Sunday he would really "get up and walk about."

He read the first chapter of Genesis, clutched two corners of the pulpit stand, and froze! As he talked, the perspiration began to ooze down his face. Then it poured. He felt like a drowning man but he could not turn loose the stand to dry his face.

In seven minutes sermon number one was used up. But it was too early to dismiss. So he launched into his Sunday morning sermon. In another two minutes that was exhausted and there remained nothing to do but offer the congregation his Sunday evening message. All three sermons barely used 13 minutes. Then he had to quit.

He went home with a member of the church to spend the night, a discouraged 17-year-old, ready to quit the ministry. After a while the telephone rang. A man wanted to know where his scripture was found. "It was the most interesting one he had ever heard." Caldwell took new courage and decided to continue preaching.

The Caldwells have a son, Carroll, a student at Southern Seminary, and a daughter, Peggy, who graduated this month from Ouachita.

MISSIONS:

Missionaries Retreat

By C. W. Caldwell

The Missionaries' Retreat held at Lonsdale May 6-8 was well attended and filled with a great deal of interest and optimism. Of the 35 Missionaries only 7 were absent. Jay W. C. Moore was moving from Conway to Ft. Smith; Tom Poole was recovering from a heart attack; Fred Sudduth was sick. We hope that the absence of Noel Barlow, A. L. Hart, W. F. Couch and C. E. McDonald was not due to illness.

Among the special features discussed in the conference was Seminary Extension Centers to be set up in cooperation with Ouachita College. Dr. Lee Gallman of Jackson, Miss., and Dr. Albert Fauth, of Kansas City, were present and arrangements have been made for Dr. Fauth to visit in a number of associations where there are possibilities of establishing Seminary Extension Centers.

Another thing which the missionaries discussed with interest was the plan set up for special work among the migrants of the state. Rev. Andrew Foster, of Pollock, La., was present and has offered his assistance in this work. He is presently employed by the Home Mission Board to work among the migrants.

The movement to establish 30,000 preaching places by '64 was discussed and the associational survey material studied and given out to the missionaries looking forward to doing a better job in each association. A number of the Departmental Leaders from the Baptist Building were present to discuss their work. It was an excellent conference and the missionaries seemed to appreciate the privilege of talking together about their work.

Special Message to Leaders

The Deacons, Sunday School Superintendents and other church leaders in the rural churches can render a great service to their churches by encouraging their pastors to attend the Rural Church Conference to be held at Lonsdale, June 10-13. We are anxious to have 150 rural pastors in this conference. It would mean so much to their preaching and their ministry to have the privilege of attending all the sessions of this meeting. Those who have attended in years past state that it means more to them than the Southern Baptist Convention or any other meeting. We would therefore urge that the churches take care of the expenses of the pastors attending this conference. The meal tickets will be only \$7.00 for the entire time and with a little additional traveling expenses a pastor can attend this conference without too much expense. Many of the churches are unable to send their pastors to the Southern Baptist Convention but certainly they can send them to this conference. Brethren, please get your pastor to this conference June 10-13.

Departments

BROTHERHOOD: New Publications

By Nelson Tull

"The Brotherhood Way Sheet" is a new publication of the Brotherhood Department for State and Regional Brotherhood officers. The Way Sheet will be published bimonthly. The first issue is now in the hands of all State and Regional Brotherhood officers. The next issue will be mailed out early in July.



MR. TULL

The purpose of the Way Sheet is to keep our State and Regional Brotherhood leadership informed about Brotherhood work on all levels; also to integrate Brotherhood work in the regions with the full program of the State Brotherhood Convention. The Regional Brotherhood Conventions are projections of the State Brotherhood Convention and the Brotherhood Department into all areas of our state.

Another Regional Convention

With the organization of the Northwest Regional Brotherhood Convention on May 17, there are now fourteen fully organized Regional Brotherhood Conventions in the state. Only one regional organization remains to be set up; and that is the Central Region, comprising Pulaski County, Faulkner County, and Caroline Associations. Northwest Region is made up of Benton County and Washington-Madison Associations. Central Region will be organized as soon as a proper time can be found.

"Brotherhood Guide Sheet"

Beginning in June, the "Brotherhood Guide Sheet" for associational and church Brotherhood Officers will be published by the Brotherhood Department. The present plan is for the Guide Sheet to be a bi-monthly publication, alternating with the Way Sheet.

The Guide Sheet will help church and associational Brotherhood officers, with their problems, tell something of what other Brotherhoods are doing; and give suggestions for timely Brotherhood programs.

"Royal Hunt for Prospects"

A new plan for locating prospects for a revival or for any type of church enlargement campaign is set out in a pamphlet recently prepared by the Brotherhood Department. The pamphlet is entitled, "A Royal Hunt for Prospects." The methods set out in the pamphlet come out of the crucible of experience; and the pamphlet has recently found effective use in a variety of churches, with very good results. A copy of the pamphlet can be secured from the Brotherhood Department, 302 Baptist Building, Little Rock. It is free!

MUSIC: Malvern Out Front

By LeRoy McClard

Congratulations to First Church of Malvern upon being the first to reach The Standard of Excellence for the Music Ministry for two consecutive quarters in 1957. The Music Ministry of this church is under the direction of Mrs. Allison Yeager. The pastor is Rev. Don Hook. Five Graded Choirs and an Orchestra are included in the Music Ministry with a total enrollment of 167.



MR. McCLARD

Standard recognition is granted for a quarter when the department maintains Standard efficiency for three consecutive calendar months, and when the application is made on a form provided by the Church Music Department, endorsed by the State Music Secretary, and approved by the Church Music Department of the Sunday School Board.

Make requests for the Standard of Excellence Wall Achievement Charts and the Standard of Excellence pamphlets from the Church Music Office, 312 Baptist Building, Little Rock.

● AMONG THE May Foreign Missions appointments is an Arkansan, Nan Owens, native of Three Creeks, who will go to Nigeria. Miss Owens is a graduate of Henderson State Teachers College and of the Southwestern Seminary. She taught school in Dierks, Grapevine, Altheimer and Huttig and served for some time as Girl's Auxiliary camp worker.

Counselor's Corner

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson

DIVORCED DEACON

QUESTION: We have a man who in earlier life was married and separated because of her committing adultery. At that time the man and his wife were neither one saved. Now the man and his second wife have both become Christians. His life has been without question to the point that the church has selected him to be one of the deacons. Should the church ordain him as a deacon, or embarrass both themselves and this couple by bringing up the issue of his first marriage?

ANSWER: It would be very easy for me to become legalistic and point out the letter of the law. In the Revised Standard Version of 1 Timothy 3:12 we read "Let deacons be married only once." Williams translates it: "A deacon too must have only one wife."

Looking at either of these translations, such a case as you present may be condemned. Some would say that a deacon should never be a divorced man. But does this scripture say as much? Actually, your deacon-to-be has been married only once, since he has been made alive in Christ. Shall we hold his buried sins against him? If Christ has saved him, shall we hold this divorce against him.

Or following the Williams translation, he has only one wife, his present one. We must remember that the New Testament was written in a day of polygamy.

Aside from these considerations, we must trust the church (your own local church) to find the mind of Christ in this matter. Personally I would vote for the ordination of the man if he were in my church. This would not violate the high standards for deacons, to my way of thinking.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo.)

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TRAINING UNION: State Sword Drill

By Ralph W. Davis

IN THE INTERMEDIATE Sword Drill, there are five types of drills: scripture searching, book drill, unfinished quotations, character drill, doctrinal drill. All Intermediates can be working now on the scripture-searching drill and the book drill. In the Scripture searching drill, the leader announces the scripture reference to be found. Scripture-searching drills may be taken from any part of the Bible. In the book drill, the name of some book in the Bible is called by the leader. The Intermediates must be ready to tell which book comes before this book and which book follows it before they step forward as having found the book.

Book drills may be taken from any part of the Bible. The first thing that an Intermediate sword-driller needs to do is learn the books of the Bible in order. The unfinished quotations, the character drill, and the doctrinal drill contain materials that will be found in the Intermediate quarterlies from July 1, 1957, through March 31, 1958. All the materials from July 1, 1957, to December 31, 1957, will be printed again. In every case, the Bible to be used is B100 which may be purchased from the Baptist Book Stores for \$1.75.

Each church will select one Intermediate sword-driller during the first half of February, 1958. Too, each association will have one Sword Drill elimination during the first part of March. This should be held as late as possible but before the district conventions which will begin during the week of March 10. Each district will have one Sword Drill during the District Training Union Convention. These eight conventions will be held during the weeks of March 10 and March 17.

One winner and one alternate from each district will be selected. The finals for the eight sword drillers from the eight districts will be held at the Youth Convention which will meet in Little Rock on April 25, 1958. In the finals, the first, second, and third-place winners will be selected. The first and second-place winners will represent Arkansas at Ridgecrest and Glorieta. The first-place winner may choose the assembly he wishes to attend. The third place winner will be the alternate.

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If you place your nose on the grindstone rough

And keep it down there long enough,
You'll soon forget there are such things
As brooks that babble and birds that sing;

And for you, your whole world will
compose

Just you, and the stone, and your
grounddown nose.

—Rotary Letter

WMU: Study Institute

By Nancy Cooper

ACTIVATING A recommendation adopted at the recent Annual Meeting of Arkansas Woman's Missionary Union, there will be a state-wide Mission Study Institute held at the Immanuel Church, Little Rock, August 20. Methods of teaching the 1957 series of mission study books on Baptist mission work in Africa will be featured.



MISS COOPER

The plans call for the attendance of five carefully chosen from each association, one for each of the classes (Adult, Young People, Intermediate, Junior, Primary). Then it is the hope those five will return to the association and in turn hold an institute for local teachers within the association. This should be scheduled for the latter part of September.

Representation from 100 percent of the associations will assure the best record of study our state has ever known! Plan now for your representation.

Important Date! Important Offering!

June 9 is the important date set for the taking of the important offering for the Arkansas Baptist College for Negroes. This school has worthily served the denomination, race, state and nation as it has trained many Negro leaders during the nearly four scores of years it has existed. And now financial assistance is necessary if it is to continue.

Buildings and equipment are in a deplorable and regrettable state, and the Arkansas Baptist State Convention voted at its last meeting to raise \$100,000 for restoration and replacement at the college. This amount is to be matched by churches of the two Negro Baptist conventions of the state.

Offering envelopes are being mailed to all pastors in sufficient quantity for the church membership, and we urge every member of Woman's Missionary Union to encourage generous gifts to this worthy cause and to have a personal part in it.

Prayer Chairman Resigns

It is with deep regret that announcement is made of the resignation of Mrs. J. H. Street as State Prayer chairman. She has admirably pioneered in this new office created only last year and has laid a firm foundation for her successors. Because of the illness of her mother it became necessary for her to give up this responsibility and we release her with regret and gratitude.

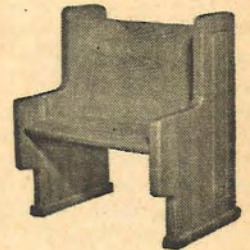
● THE YOUTH of Calvary Church, 1901 North Pierce Street, Little Rock, recently observed Youth Week, having charge of all church services. Presiding at prayer meeting was Dale Kennedy, Jr., who served as chairman of the deacons and presented Jimmie Hickman, a young minister of the church, as the speaker. The week's program included special seminars led by Jim Maxwell, Ouachita student from Shreveport, La., and by Interim Pastor Wayne Smith, also of Ouachita. Preacher for both services on the closing Sunday was Reuben Setliff, of Magnolia, a student at Ouachita.

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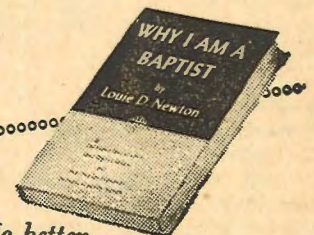
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Convention Notes

Arkansans on Program

ARKANSANS giving addresses at the Southern Baptist Convention in Chicago include:

Miss Josephine Scaggs, Fayetteville, missionary to Nigeria, who will speak at 9:30 a. m., Tuesday, May 28, to the Woman's Missionary Union on, "Building Christian Homes in Nigeria," and, at 6:45 p. m., the same day to the same group on, "God's Grace Reaches Into All the World."

Congressman Brooks Hays, of the 5th District, Arkansas, who will speak Tuesday, May 28, at 2:15 p. m., to the Pastors' Conference on, "God's Man and His National Responsibility."

Editor Erwin L. McDonald, of the Arkansas Baptist, who will speak Tuesday, May 28, at 9:30 a. m., to the Pastors' Conference on, "God's Man at the Grass Roots."

City Transportation

MESSENGERS to the Southern Baptist Convention, Chicago, who have their automobiles are being advised to leave their cars parked and travel to and from, the Convention sessions by public transportation, to avoid the traffic congestion. Approximately 20 minutes will be required to commute between the Conrad Hilton hotel and the International Amphitheatre, where Convention sessions will be held.

Those traveling from the Conrad Hilton should board the State Street subway, about two blocks from the hotel, taking any train southbound. They should get off this train at the Indiana Station and transfer to the Stockyards "El" and get off at Halsted Station, only a few steps from the Amphitheatre.

Convention Dates

Woman's Missionary Union, Medinah Temple, May 26-28.

Pastors' Conference, Conrad Hilton Hotel, May 27-28.

Southern Baptist Convention, International Amphitheatre, May 28-31.

● NEW PASTOR at Lakeview Church, Cave Springs, Benton County Association, is Vernon C. Wickliffe, a former pastor of Emmanuel Southern Baptist Church in Vallejo, Calif. Pastor Wickliffe received his education at Central and Ouachita colleges and at Golden Gate Seminary. His family includes Mrs. Wickliffe and three children, Anne, Alice, and Verne Alan.

● SOUTHERN COLLEGE BSU officers for next school year are: Cooper Reid, Steele, Mo., president; Bob Adams, Minnith, Mo., first vice president; Charlene McPherson, Bald Knob, second vice president; Margaret Sterling, Wiseman, third vice president; Jean Phelps, Hardy, secretary; Ferol Sherman, Ellismore, Mo., treasurer; Lillian Cole, Harrison, mission chairman; Dale Kinder, Malden, Mo., publicity chairman; and Darrell Gilmore, Paragould, reporter.



Miss Scaggs

Hudgins Is Proposed

W. DOUGLAS Hudgins, pastor of First Church, Jackson, Miss., is being proposed by *The Baptist Record*, weekly newspaper of Mississippi Baptists, for the presidency of the Southern Baptist Convention.

C. C. Warren, a former pastor of Immanuel Church, Little Rock, and now pastor of First Church, Charlotte, N. C., is retiring from the Convention presidency after two one-year terms and is not eligible for re-election.

Seminary Alumni Meetings

CHICAGO CONVENTION alumni meetings will include:

Southwestern Seminary, May 29, 1 p. m., at the Conrad Hilton Hotel.

New Orleans Seminary, May 29, 1 p. m., at the Saddle and Sirloin Club of The Stock Yard Inn, adjacent to International Amphitheatre.

Southern Seminary, May 30, 1 p. m., at the Conrad Hilton Hotel.

Golden Gate Seminary, May 29, 7:15 a. m., Stock Yard Inn.

● RAYMOND LEEK, of Little Rock, is resigning as minister of music at First Church, Cabot, to accept a similar position with First Church, Jacksonville, effective May 28. Mr. Leek is a graduate of Drury College, Springfield, Mo., with a major in public school music. He has served as minister of music in a number of churches in Missouri and Arkansas.

First Church, Jacksonville, recently ordained the following as deacons; Claudie Holland, Bill Nix, and Trozy Barker.

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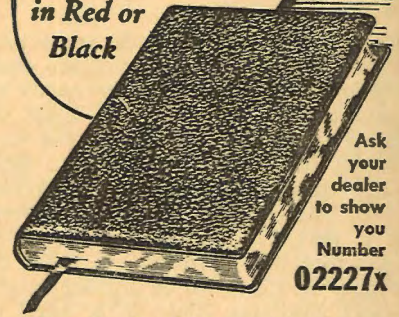
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By I. L. Yearby

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"We have been sold the idea that if we can possess a washing machine, a television set, electric razor, electric refrigerator, automobile, and the gadgets we have developed, we will have a happy and abundant life. So, we set up to buy ourselves into happiness. Many people have swapped God for gadgets; we have failed to develop ourselves inside. But one day some crisis develops.

"You can't meet a crisis with a Cadillac. You can't heal a broken heart with a refrigerator or clean a guilty conscience with a vacuum cleaner. When vast numbers of people come face to face with deep human need they have nothing with which to face it. It is then that we go to pieces. In our rush to get things money can buy we have failed to build within our lives the things that money can't buy. And this lack of inner resources is one of our many worries today."

The above pungent paragraphs concern every preacher. There is no substitute for the Gospel. Christ is the answer and only answer to every problem to human and soul need.

Reports

We are grateful for the response pastors throughout the state are making in returning postal cards with report of additions to their churches by baptism and by letter.

We are most anxious to get reports from all the churches as soon as possible. Will greatly appreciate it if pastors will just take a moment to fill in this report and put the card in the mail. We are encouraged by the reports we have had. Let us hear from every pastor and church throughout the state.

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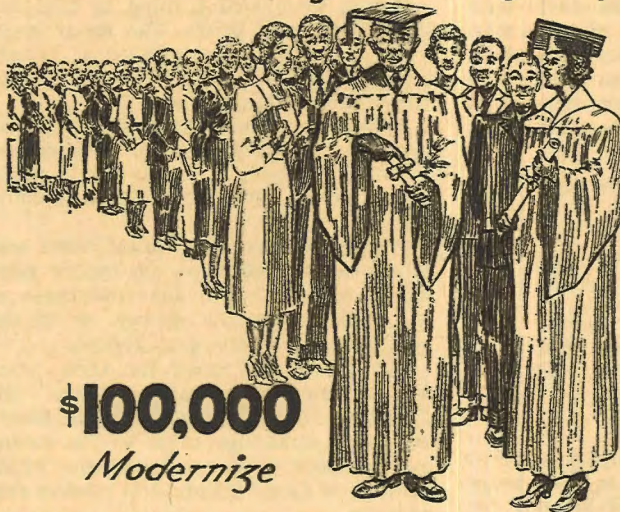
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Sparks From The Field

By DR. CLYDE HART

ENCOURAGING REPORTS are coming in from every section of the state showing, very definitely, that our people want to help save our Negro Baptist college.

Gainesville Quota

Gainesville Association, E. Clay Polk, moderator, and Mark Ferges, associational missionary, have adopted a quota of \$1,082.70. They based their church quotas upon 70 percent of the average offering reported by the churches last year. Their suggested quota was \$835.

Independence County

Independence County Association, Leslie Riherd, moderator, and Dr. E. P. J. Garrott, chairman of the Offering Committee, adopted a quota of \$2,000. Their suggested quota was \$1,641.

Pulaski County

Pulaski County Association, W. Harry Hunt, moderator, and O. C. Robinson, Jr., missionary, set their quota at \$19,155. Their suggested quota was \$18,711.

Liberty Association

Liberty Association is going all out for this offering and will, without doubt, exceed their goal of \$11,353.

Not only are the associations setting their goals higher than the

amount requested but many of the churches are also, realizing you must aim high if you are to reach your goal. First Church, El Dorado, W. W. Warmath, pastor, adopted a goal of \$4,000. Their suggested quota was about \$3,000. First Church, West Memphis, Walter Yeldell, pastor, adopted a quota of \$1,000. Their suggested quota was \$405. First Church, Piggott, E. Clay Polk, pastor, adopted a quota of \$500. Their quota was \$405. Calvary Church, Benton, J. W. Royal, pastor, is the first church to raise and send in its full quota.

These are the sparks of spiritual fervor and sacrificial giving that we earnestly pray will kindle a conflagration of sacrificial giving that will sweep the length and breadth of our state, touching the heart of each member of each church. If our leaders will lay the urgent need of this offering on the hearts of our people and then give them an opportunity to give we will reach our over-all goal of \$100,000.

Remember, all checks are to be made out and sent to B. L. Bridges, executive secretary, and designated for the College Offering, and all funds received will be spent under the supervision of the Executive Board of our Convention.

For further information write or call CLYDE HART, Director of Negro Work, 209 Baptist Building, Little Rock.

God's Wonderous World

By Thelma C. Carter

IF YOU HAD lived in the early days of our country and come upon a man wearing a buckskin shirt, leggings, moccasins and a coonskin cap, a knife in his belt, and a rifle in his hand, you might have guessed he was a pioneer scout.

A quick look at his left hand and you would have been sure — if there were ugly rows of scars! Not little buckshot holes as many pioneers had, but scars of wild animal teeth!

Your pioneer training would have told you whether the scars were made by a wolf or a bear. The wolf bite left smaller scars than the red mouth of the bear.

Bears were so plentiful that they stalked their prey. Four or five bears would follow the scent of a man for miles!

Scouts were well trained in the tactics of different bears. One never knew when he would meet up with a "boxer" bear, "biter," "hugger," or the rough-and-tumble "fighter" bear.

A cinnamon bear hugged his victim to death. A black bear bit like a lion — to the bone! A grizzly bear would knock a man down faster than he could get up!

Pioneer scouts were quick, alert and courageous! Today, we no longer need scouts to search out the wilderness of our country for the enemy, or to cut new paths for others to follow.

But there is a need for their wonderful kind of courage! Living the Christian life is no small matter. Meeting God's challenge to us to "be strong in the Lord," to "put on the whole armour of God," (Eph. 6:11) takes real courage.

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Dear Tooth Fairy—

By KAY CAMMER

My story is queer—but it's the truth,

Today at school I lost my tooth. I'm sadder than a weeping willow, 'Cause I have no tooth beneath my pillow,—

And I thought, maybe if I wrote, You'd leave a dime, and accept this note.

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Things I Never Do

By LUCRETIA PENNY

I never pet wild porcupines.

I never spank a bee.

I never bite a cactus plant

Or climb a thorn tree.

I do, of course, some silly things;

These are just some I don't.

I'll never, ever spank a bee.

At least I hope I won't.

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Concord Association Notes

THREE MEN were ordained as deacons recently in the East Side Baptist Church, Ft. Smith, Lynwood Henderson, pastor. The men were Charley Pitts, Gale Doshier and Glen Puckett. Pastor Henderson served as moderator; Elva Adams, pastor of Temple church, questioned the three men; Murl Walker, Kelley Heights church, preached the ordination sermon; Missionary Jay W. C. Moore led the ordination prayer.

BILL BULLINGTON, a Senior in Ouachita College and associate pastor of First Church, Bearden, was ordained to the gospel ministry in First Church, Charleston, recently. Rev. Gus Poole, pastor of First Church, Bearden,

preached the ordination sermon. A. L. Hart, missionary in Benton Association, led the ordination prayer. Bullington will enter Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, soon.

MAY 10 marked the annual Girls' Coronation-Recognition Service for Concord Association. The service was conducted in Immanuel Church, Ft. Smith, with Mrs. S. W. Eubanks presiding. One hundred and thirty-five girls from Maiden to Queen Regent in Service were honored. Miss Sara Ann Hobbs, State W. M. U. Youth Secretary, presented the awards. Sue Link, of the Grand Avenue Church, was the first girl in the state to be crowned Queen Regent in Service. Mrs. R. E. Snow is the Associational Youth Leader.

BARLING CHURCH in Concord Association has called Louie Travis as pastor. He succeeds L. B. Gustavus. Travis was ordained by the Freer church in 1951. He is a graduate of the Arkansas State College, Jonesboro. The Traveses spent four years in Japan where Travis was attached to the military government of General Douglas MacArthur. Following this Mr. Travis was a member of the faculty of Arkansas State College where he taught military administration. Their children are Gary, age seven and George Douglas, age four.

Jay W. C. Moore

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS held their first regularly scheduled preaching services in New York City on May 5. Ray Roberts, executive secretary for Ohio Baptists was the preacher in the YMCA chapel in downtown Manhattan. Plans were made to organize a Sunday school. A church in Niagara Falls, N. Y. cooperates with the Ohio Baptist Convention. (BP)

A Smile or Two

A recruit was asked if he had ever been troubled with athlete's foot. He replied, "Yes, once, when a halfback caught me kissing his best girl."

In a small hotel in Ontario, so a traveler relates, there is a yellowing sign tacked to the dingy wall behind the desk by which the proprietor proclaims his fixed inbred skepticism of all humanity. The sign reads:

"No checks cashed! Not even good ones!"

Mother: What makes you think your young man has matrimonial intentions?

Daughter: Well, when we were looking at Easter hats, he tried to convince me I'd look better in a \$2.98 model than in one that cost \$15.00.

At dinner one evening my 6-yr-old granddaughter overheard a child refuse bacon with words, "I'm Catholic and don't eat meat on Friday."

She went back to her meal without saying anything, but the following Monday she pushed away her spinach. "I'm Methodist," she said firmly, "and don't eat spinach on Monday."

A lady with a young boy drove into a service station and asked that her tires be checked, but before the attendant could get around to his chore, her son leaped out of the auto and said he would check the tires.

"You get back into the car and let the man do it," the woman told him. "What do you think we pay taxes for?" —Quote

Prosperity is something we feel, fold, and send to Washington.

—Quote

A lady went to Altman's the other day, and ordered a gift for a cousin in Jonesville, S. C. In order to check the postal charges, the sales-girl studied a rate book for a while, frowning, and then said, "I can't seem to find South Carolina on this list. Does it go by any other name?"

—Quote

Inquired the Sunday school teacher of her class: "Who was the first man?" "George Washington," promptly announced a restless boy.

"Oh, no," corrected the instructor, with an amused smile.

"Well, then, I suppose it was Adam," muttered the boy, "if you're counting them foreigners."

—Quote

Give a woman a yard — and she'll make you mow it.

—Quote

Harry: "I wonder who invented that superstition about Friday being an unlucky day?"

Larry: "Oh, some poor fish."

MAN OF PEACE IN WORLD OF STRIFE

By BURTON A. MILEY

May 26, 1957

Genesis 26:17-29

Do elderly people make good parents? Were Abraham and Sarah so fond of Isaac that they cramped his initiative by doing too many things for him? Can one have such illustrious parents that his own life is dimmed by their prominence?

Isaac was the son of Abram's old age. The record of his life is not fully given. One chapter (Genesis 24) is devoted to his wedding to Rebekah. He neither courted nor chose Rebekah personally. His father, Abraham, took the initiative and sent his trusted servant to choose a woman for his forty-year-old son. Isaac walked in the fields in meditation while the quest for his wife was on. (vs 63) Another man might have meditated and then gone in search for his wife. Isaac was pleased for Rebekah was a beautiful wife and presented him with two sons, Esau and Jacob. Abraham died and Isaac and Ishmael came together to bury him in the family burying grounds at Ephron.

God blessed Isaac after the death of Abraham and what little we know of Isaac's conquest and initiative is given in chapters 25 and 26. After Jacob's blessing all that is known of Isaac is that he lived to see Jacob's return with a large and prosperous family. (35:27) He died at age of 180.

CIRCUMSTANCE AND DECEIT

A famine coursed through the land where Isaac dwelt. Isaac found lodging and pasture in the area of Abimelech, king of the Philistines. God revealed that he was not to go into Egypt to escape the famine but was to dwell in the land of Gerar. God renewed his covenant with Abraham to Isaac and promised that he would bless him and multiply his seed as the stars.

It was in Gerar that Isaac followed the practice of deceit which Abraham followed with Sarah while in Egypt. The men of the community wished to know about Rebekah. Isaac lied by saying that Rebekah was his sister. He thought this was an expedient way to save himself. Rebekah was good looking and Isaac feared that the men of the place would destroy him to gain her. God did not look with favor upon this deceit and exposed it. Abimelech, the king of the Philistines, saw Isaac fondling Rebekah, as brother and sister would not. It convinced him that Rebekah was Isaac's wife and he called him to account. One is delighted to find morals of this type among the Philistines and is shamed by a representative of God that would perpetuate a deceit. Despite the deceit God prospered Isaac and his increase was measured by a hundredfold. He reached such greatness of wealth and influence

through growing herds and flocks and servants that the Philistines envied him. Abimelech asked him to get out from the land in which he dwelt for his greatness was a threat.

Mr. Miley is pastor of First Baptist Church, Springdale, Ark.

ISAAC, THE MAN OF PEACE

Isaac moved out from Abimelech to dwell in the valley of Gerar. Since his illustrious father Abraham had gone through the country before him, Isaac followed his father's footsteps. Abraham had wells for his cattle and flock. The Philistines had filled these wells with rubbish and stones. It would have been well for Isaac to have sought his waters elsewhere, but he returned to the wells previously dug and cleaned them out. The first well was at Ezek. There was strife between local herdsmen and Isaac's herdsmen over the water. The local men claimed the water was theirs. The word Ezek means "contention" and rather than have trouble over the well, Isaac, in peace loving fashion, moved on. The experience was repeated at another site. This time the well was called Sitnah meaning "hatred" or "enmity." Isaac moved from this site and dug the third well. The herdsmen of Gerar did not bother and the name of it was called Rehoboth, "room for all." Isaac was sincere in giving God the credit for he said, "For now the Lord has made room for us and we shall be fruitful in the land."

Isaac remembered two things in the life of his father that possibly prompted him to follow the course of peace. One was the attempted offering of his own life upon the altar. This experience would never get away from Isaac. Strong religious feelings were generated toward the Lord who had provided the offering yonder on Mount Moriah. The second thing would not have been within Isaac's experience but would have lingered in his consciousness because he had often heard it told. It was Abraham's offer to let Lot have first choice and Abraham would take what was left. Isaac had faith in God that he would be protected and blessed as he avoided war and sought peace. The Lord rewarded this faith by appearing to Isaac in the night. He removed fear from his heart and renewed covenant with him to bless him and multiply his seed for Abraham's sake.

It is sufficient to note that Isaac immediately did three things. The first was to build an altar. He established something that would be a definite reminder and symbolism of his relation to God. This was before the days of church houses or central places of worship. This heap of stones erected for an altar would be a reminder and testi-

mony to Isaac and all his household that God stood in their midst.

The second endeavor of Isaac was that he pitched his tent there. This is equivalent to building a home. He settled down with his roots well grounded in community life. He made his investment in the land from which he drew his resource and gained his riches.

The third thing was to dig a well in a land that is constantly dry. This well is a symbol of a business. Isaac actually did the three things any individual would do as a representative of God. He built an altar, a home, and a business.

PEACE REWARDS

Representatives came later from the Philistines in the person of their king and chief captain and a friend of the king. Isaac was disturbed to see them come. Especially so after Abimelech had invited Isaac out of his country. However, these came in peace and assured Isaac that they had seen the blessings of God upon him and they wished to do no harm but to dwell together in peace. They feasted together and made their peace pact together. Then the Philistines went their way. Isaac received the news of an additional well that had produced water and the name of the place was Beer-sheba. Isaac had his faith justified and his peace established.

PRACTICAL LESSONS

LIFE DOES NOT BEGIN ANEW WITH ANY GENERATION. Isaac was turning back to what were proven wells. We are heirs of a long past. Lessons learned about life and God are moved forward to this generation. Isaac learned the lesson of faith from his father and forwarded it to his inconsistent son.

ILLUSTRATION IS THE BEST TESTIMONY. Isaac taught his family and showed his neighbor what his religion would do. Was he too conservative when he gave up the wells of revelation when he moved on? The end is his justification and also the commentary of his success. Abimelech came to see him with his captain of army. The purpose was not to fight, but to make peace. Why? "We certainly saw that the Lord was with thee." Peace won peace.

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SUPERINTENDENTS OF MISSIONS

RECENTLY WE attended the Superintendents of Missions Retreat in Lonsdale, and the fellowship and information received there inspired the writer to put these words into print about one of the most important phases of our Baptist life.



In thinking about our Associational Superintendents of Missions, and the good work that they are doing, we cannot find words adequate to express our profound gratitude. But, we can use the words of Paul as he expressed his feelings to the people in the church at Thessalonica. "We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of everyone of you all toward each other aboundeth."

Church organizations have multiplied, which means that denominational departments and agencies have grown to preponderant proportions. All

of which means that the associational Superintendent of Missions is now called upon to do a thousand and one things, and become all things to all people. The task is not easy, but the work is of God and with God's help, these men are doing admirable work. We find that the word "admirable" does not adequately describe the work that some of these men are doing. In some instances "miraculous" would be the proper word. When one thinks of one preacher helping so many churches over such a wide territory, in a program that reaches around the world, the finite mind cannot grasp the multitudinous services that the Associational Superintendent of Missions is called upon to render. But, these men of God are out on the front lines for God and man. We take our hats off to them and bow in humble thanks at every remembrance of them.

This last word — Brethren, these men and their work deserve better support than they sometimes get. Let's covenant to pray for them and give them more support than ever before.—RD

Service For Blind

The Sunday School Board provides publication, **The Braille Baptist**, to all blind people who ask for it, without charge to the church or to the individual. The services and ministry of this publication are being enlarged at the present time to provide more material.



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Increase in Crime

J. Edgar Hoover, director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, reports that offenses known to the police numbered 2,563,150 last year, more than 300,000 over 1955. The 13.3 per cent increase was the largest ever recorded for a single year, and brought the crime rate to 43 per cent higher than in 1950. Juvenile delinquency increased nearly 20 per cent in 1956, making it the worst year for juvenile crime in the 26 years of FBI's records. A total of 234,747 children under eighteen were arrested.

It has been said that the average citizen in the United States pays taxes each year equivalent to his total earnings from January 1 to May 10; thus, on May 10, he stops working for the government and starts working for himself.

Facts of Interest

DID YOU KNOW? The 1957 **Southern Baptist Handbook** will point out that there were 22,104 churches (72 per cent of all Southern Baptist Convention churches) reporting a Training Union in 1956 while only 15,835 churches (57 per cent of all) reported a Training Union in 1950. Enrolment in 1956 was 2,316,354, while in 1950 it was 1,440,895.

In 1906 there were 14 million pupils, or 17 per cent of the population, enrolled in Sunday schools. In 1955 there were 36 million pupils, representing 22 per cent of population, and from 1906 to 1955 Sunday school enrolment increased 147 per cent.—BLB

AN IMPORTANT DATE

The Arkansas Baptist State Convention in recent years has met during the second week in November. That date was put down in the Convention calendar for 1957.

The Convention, in session, voted to meet this year during the third week of November, which is November 19-21.

We find that some have not noticed the change, and have planned their church calendars with the dates November 12-14 in mind.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE! The State Convention meets this year, November 19-21, at Immanuel Church, Little Rock.—RD

Chidester Advances

This letter from Chidester reflects progress and a conscience for missions:

"At the last monthly business meeting, the Chidester Baptist Church, Chidester, voted to give 15 per cent of its total receipts each month to the Cooperative Program. Enclosed you will find a check for \$30.12 which represents 15 per cent of the total receipts for the month of April, 1957.

Sincerely yours,
James V. Rowe
Church Clerk and Treasurer"—BLB

Bible School Offering

WE ARE ASKING that the pastors and the superintendents of the Daily Vacation Bible Schools everywhere remember that the Cooperative Program needs an offering from your Vacation Bible School this year. This has been the custom for several years and each year it has been better and better. Let us say, however, that we do not know of any year when we have needed it worse than we need it this year. Please make as large an offering as possible and send it in as soon as your Vacation Bible School closes, and we thank you so very much.—BLB

Whitley and Ebenezer

Rev. Jesse Whitley came to Ebenezer Church in Bartholomew Association near Warren, Arkansas, late last year. Brother Whitley preached in his own church. The church made up a new budget and they increased the Cooperative Mission gifts 40 per cent over the old budget and also increased the associational gifts 50 per cent. They plan to have another revival during August. Next month they will undertake a vigorous effort in the program of the Daily Vacation Bible School. Watch Whitley and Ebenezer as they serve the Lord together.—BLB

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