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**ARKANSAS**

*Baptist*

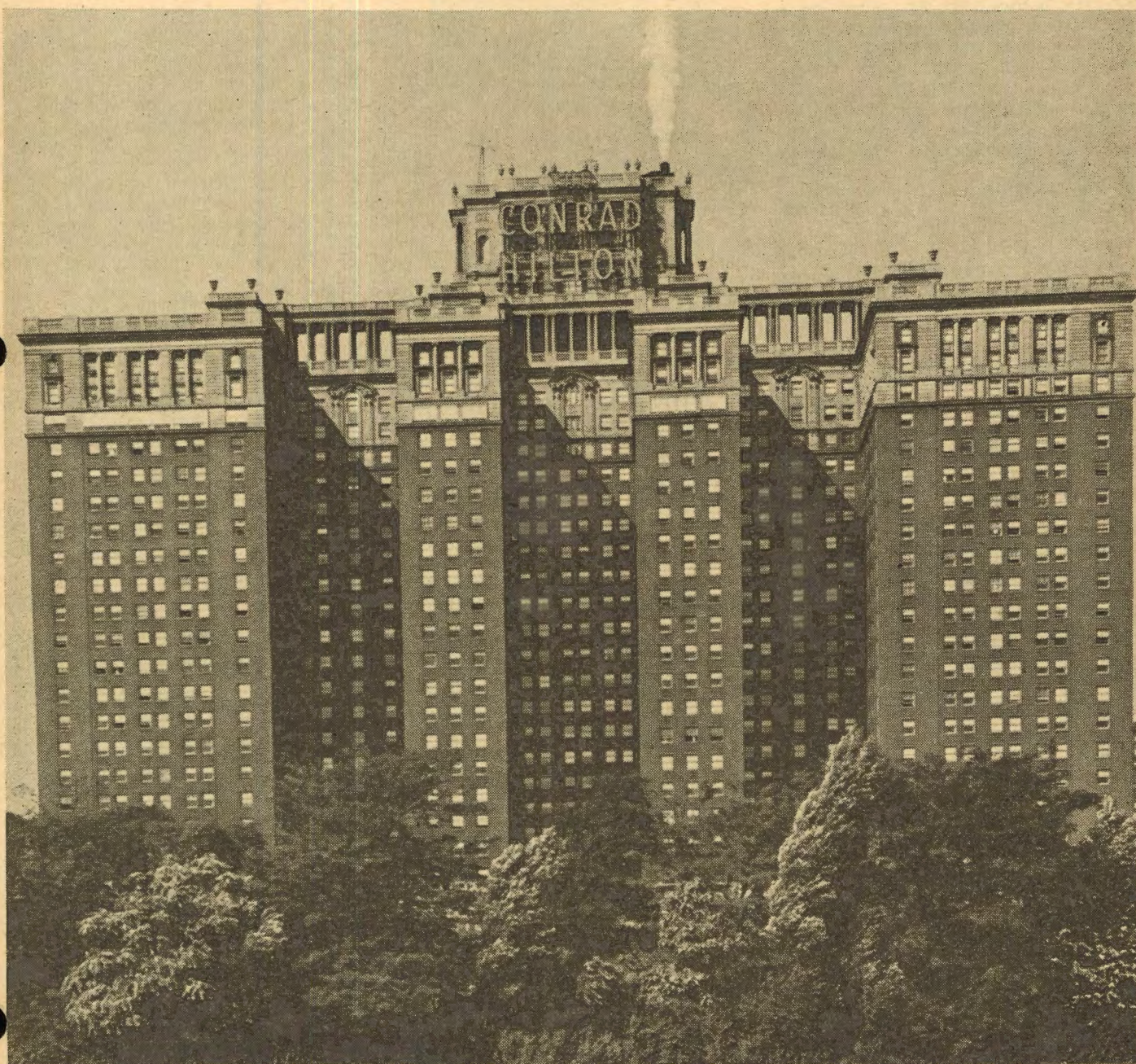
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# Arkansas All Over

● CALVARY CHURCH, North Little Rock, ordained Eugene Irby to the gospel ministry on a recent Sunday. (CB)

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● DR. O. M. STALLINGS assisted the church in Warner, Okla., in a recent revival which resulted in 21 professions of faith and 17 additions to the church.

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● MRS. OWEN MORAN, wife of a former pastor of First Church, North Little Rock, died April 19. She is survived by her husband. Mrs. Moran was a graduate of Duke University, Durham, N. C., and Columbia University, New York City. She was assistant professor of English at Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C., for several years. The Rev. and Mrs. Moran were co-authors of a book, "Green Thoughts from our Gardens." The body was returned to Durham, N. C., for burial.

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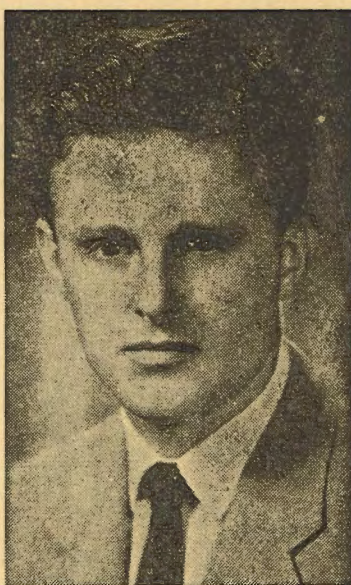
● AN ARKANSAN, Van Evans of Searcy, was elected vice president of the student council at the New Orleans Seminary for 1957-58. He is a candidate for the MRE degree. The new president of the council is Ben C. Hatfield, of Gainesville, Ga.

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● PALESTINE CHURCH, near Goodwin, Eugene Wright, pastor, has included the Arkansas Baptist in its program.

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● TOWSON CHURCH, Fort Smith, broke ground for a new auditorium Sunday, April 14. The building will be brick veneer, 141 x 52 feet, with a seating capacity of 698. It will be financed by the sale of bonds. Harlan Abel is the pastor.



Mr. McClain

● PLEASANT HILL Church, near Cabot, will dedicate a new building May 12. C. R. Broyles of Little Rock is the pastor.

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● CURTIS K. McCLAIN is the new pastor at First Church, Corning. Mr. McClain was the former pastor of Wards Chapel, Atoka, Okla. He was Chaplain of the Oklahoma Baptist Hospital in Muskogee from February 1955 till last February.

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● A WEEKEND REVIVAL was conducted at the Hagler Baptist Church recently by S. E. Sturdivant, student at Southern College, Walnut Ridge, which resulted in a father and three sons surrendering to the ministry. They are Luther Blundell and his sons, Jimmy, Harold and Wylie. Floyd Sheeks is their pastor.

● CHARLES M. ATKINSON was ordained to the ministry on Sunday, April 14, by First Church, Star City. The pastor, Dr. A. H. Hottel, served as moderator of the council and questioned the candidate. Associational missionary Amos Greer was clerk. Luther Dorsey, pastor of Forrest Park Church, Pine Bluff, delivered the message. Wesley Womack presented the Bible. J. H. Campbell led the prayer. Mr. Atkinson has been called to the pastorate of Mt. Carmel Church, near Cabot. The Atkinsons live in Little Rock. There are two children, Annette and Mike.

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● ROY J. FISH, Big Springs, Tex., will lead in a revival for First Church, Star City, from July 31 through August 11.

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● THE SOUTH-WIDE representative at the Mississippi BSU spring retreat was Dr. Tom Logue, director of the Arkansas BSU. The retreat was at Hinds Junior College, Raymond, Miss., April 26-28.

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● FIRST CHURCH, Trumann, has a new Brotherhood organization with 40 members. During the recent revival the Brotherhood sponsored a prospect's dinner with 60 men present, 35 of whom were prospects.

During the three months H. T. Brown has been pastor of the church, the Sunday school has been completely departmentized and the average attendance has increased from 170 to 250.

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● KENNETH RAY EVERETTE, a member of West Side Church, El Dorado, entered the ministry recently. Mr. Everette is a native of Spearsville, La., and a graduate of Southwestern Louisiana Institute. He is an employee of the Lion Oil Co. W. M. Pratt is his pastor.

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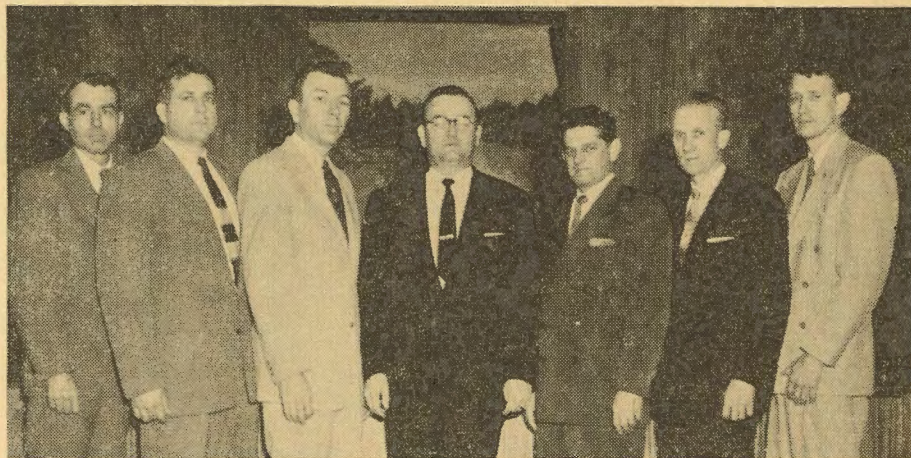
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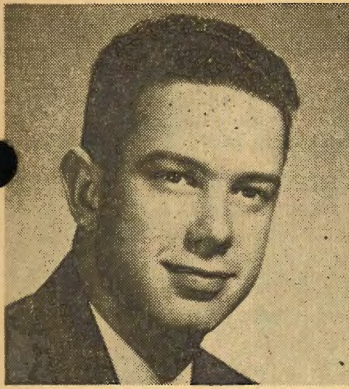
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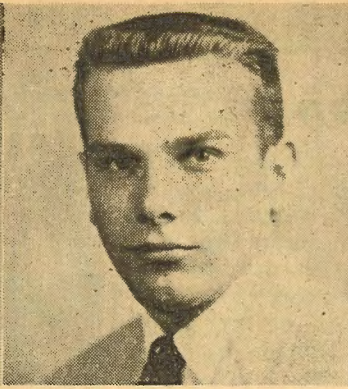
## BROTHERHOOD OFFICERS, FIRST CHURCH, TRUMANN



Reading from left to right are: Steve Laughinghouse, president; Eugene Brown, activities vice president; Sanford Johnston, secretary-treasurer; H. T. Brown, pastor; Paul Thompson, program vice president; Lloyd Martin, membership vice president; and J. Jules Martin, chorister.



Dale Jones



John David Whitlow



Jim Lewis



Barbara Biggers

# Hold Key Places In State BSU Organizations

By TOM J. LOGUE

Dale Jones, junior accounting student at the University of Arkansas, has been elected State president of the Baptist Student Union of Arkansas. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Jones of Mena, Dale served last year as local B. S. U. president at the University. He recently won the Better Speakers' Contest, and has been chosen to direct the Religious Emphasis Week at the University next year. Mr. Jones also serves as director of music at First Baptist Church, Decatur.

John David Whitlow, junior pre-medical student at Ouachita Baptist Col-

lege, was elected State vice president. John David was president of the Key Club in Hope high school, 1953-1954, and attended Arkansas Boys' State in 1953. He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Whitlow, of Arkadelphia.

Jim Lewis, junior English major at Arkansas State College, was elected State devotional chairman. He is vice president of BSU at Arkansas State College and is pastor of Needham Mission near Jonesboro. Jim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Lewis of Jonesboro.

Barbara Biggers, freshman at Arkansas Baptist Hospital, was elected sec-

retary. She is Missionary Chairman of YWA, president of her class, and vice president of the student body. Barbara is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Biggers, of Camden.

Other officers elected are Charles Niven, of Arkansas Tech, as State social chairman; Richard Essman, of Arkansas State College, as State choir director; Henry Fudge, of University of Arkansas, as State music chairman; Rev. A. Ermon Webb, of Russellville, as State pastor adviser; and Frank Koons, of Arkansas State Teachers College, as State faculty adviser.

EVANGELIST H. W. RYAN, former pastor at Marvel is now living at 2705 State St., Little Rock. He has some open dates in May and June.

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A BILL REPEALING an 1885 Arkansas law requiring all businesses to close on Sunday was signed into law by Gov. Orval Faubus. The measure gives municipalities authority to regulate Sunday business operations. (RNS)

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PARK PLACE CHURCH, Hot Springs, received 12 additions by baptism and 7 by letter in a recent revival. C. E. Lawrence, Little Rock, was the evangelist and Myron Smith of Ouachita Baptist College led the singing. J. H. Fitzgerald is the pastor.

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A WEEKEND YOUTH REVIVAL at Calvary Church, Benton, April 21, resulted in five additions to the church by baptism and two by letter. One surrendered for special service. Carroll Caldwell from Southern Seminary delivered the messages. He was assisted by a team from Ouachita which included his sister, Peggy, and Jim Maxwell, Carolyn Royal, Darla Sue Bayless, Jane Burroughs, Ella Reed Blackmon, and Terry Kirkpatrick. J. W. Royal is the pastor.

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DR. O. D. MARTIN, secretary of missions in Houston, Tex., assisted First

Church, Siloam Springs, in a recent revival which resulted in 14 additions to the church, eight by baptism. Henry Fudge was in charge of the music. The church has received 29 new members during the four months Dr. E. A. Ingram has been the pastor.

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### REVIVALS

Second Church, W. Helena, D. Hoyle Haire, evangelist; Paul Pearson, pastor; 12 additions, 10 by baptism.

Lonoke Church, S. A. Whitlow, evangelist; John Holston, pastor; 1 by baptism, 2 by letter.

Palestine Church, Goodwin, Harold Sadler, evangelist; Eugene Wright, pastor; 40 by baptism, 7 by letter, 3 for special service.

FIRST CHURCH, Pea Ridge, received 27 new members in an eight-day revival, 15 by baptism. Eight of them were above 50 years of age. Two surrendered for special service. Ben Haney is the pastor and J. C. Myers, pastor of Rosedale Church, Little Rock, was the evangelist.

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THE STAR CITY High School student body dedicated their yearbook, The 1957 Rocket, to Dr. A. H. Hottel, pastor of the city's First Baptist Church. Superintendent C. R. Teeter presented the pastor with the first copy, saying, "The young people gave you the highest honor in their power. This is a wonderful compliment and endorsement."

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DR. A. H. HOTTEL led the singing in a recent revival at First Church, Columbia, Tenn., J. F. Brewer, pastor.

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BAPTIST HOUR Sunday is May 19. Observed last year for the first time throughout the Southern Baptist Convention, this special Sunday is on the Convention calendar distributed by the Executive Committee for 1957.

The Baptist Hour has for a long time been the "trademark" of the Radio and Television Commission. This was the basic program which went on the air in 1941 on 17 stations. Now in its 16th year on the air, the program is heard around the world on 440 stations by millions of listeners.

Baptist Hour		
MAY, 1957		
May 5	"Grain on Mountain Tops"	
May 12	"Interpreting Our Time"	
May 19	"Have Faith in God"	
May 26	"Our Maximum for the Master"	
CITY	STATION	TIME
Batesville	KBTA	6:30 P.M. Sat.
Benton	KBBA	1:30 P.M.
Conway	KCON	7:00 A.M.
DeQueen	KDQN	
El Dorado	KELD	2:30 P.M.
Fayetteville	KGRH	9:30 A.M. Sat.
Forrest City	KXJK	9:30 A.M.
Hot Springs	KBLO	10:00 A.M.
Hope	KXAR	5:00 P.M.
Little Rock	KLRA	9:00 P.M.
Marked Tree	KTML	2:00 P.M.
Mena	KENA	1:30 P.M.
Paragould	KDRS	8:30 P.M.
Pocahontas	KPOC	1:00 P.M.
Siloam Springs	KUOA	7:30 A.M.
Wynne	KWYN	10:00 A.M.

## Christian Race Relations

THE SOUTH is wrestling with one of its greatest problems — the problem of proper race relations. The words "integration" and "segregation" are highly charged emotionally, for there are radicals to be found on both sides of the question. It is our humble opinion that not much that is constructive and which will contribute to the ultimate solution is contributed by flaring tempers and violent action. For this reason, we feel that the recent demonstration of Christian and brotherly love seen in the Pulaski County simultaneous revival crusade planned and promoted jointly by Baptists of both the white and the Negro races points in the right direction.

The question of integration or segregation was never injected. The nine colored Baptist churches which cooperated with 37 white Baptist churches had their own services in their own churches with their own evangelists, as did the white churches. The real value of the cooperative effort was that the pastors and evangelists of both races came together each morning in one of the Little Rock churches for a fellowship breakfast. Here they prayed together, planned together, and from this inspiring hour they went out to make a great impact for good in their communities as they took the gospel of Christ, which is the "power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth," to the lost, and as they worked to strengthen individual lives, homes, churches, and all worthy causes.

Each morning at the breakfast some one gave a practical or inspirational address. Sometimes the speaker was of one race and sometimes of another. Some of the most inspiring and helpful messages were given by the Negro brethren. And through the combined efforts of Baptists of both races, and by the grace of the God who made and loves us all, more than 500 lost people were won to Christ and a total of 779 added to the churches in a few days.

### Negro Baptists Need Help

Another encouraging sign is the ready response from many white people to the crisis now facing Arkansas Baptist College. The only Baptist senior college for Negroes in the state, this college is dangerously near the precipice of extinction. How tragic the loss of this college would be cannot be measured, for who could measure the handicap to the Negro Baptist denomination and the cause of Christ that would result if these friends should be deprived of their training center?

But let us not help the Negro Baptists with the thought of giving alms in the usual sense. For we are not giving but investing when we give to the current Arkansas Baptist College \$100,000 Campaign to undergird this tried and true institution of Christian education. We cannot separate the cause of Christian Education from that of Missions. Whatever we do to strengthen Arkansas Baptist College will be a contribution toward winning lost souls and helping people to come into the abundant life which Christ came to provide.

Sunday, June 9, is the day that has been designated as "Arkansas Baptist College Day," by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. It is hoped that every Baptist church in the state will take a worthy offering for the college on that day or the nearest convenient date. Goals have been worked out for the churches by district chairmen. They will average about 60% of a church's average weekly offering for the year 1956.

Surely God has blessed the joining of prayers and labors of white and Negro Baptists in the recent revival crusade and we believe He will bless this campaign to save and strengthen this Negro Baptist college.

—ELM

Personally Speaking . . .

### Poisonous Snakes

TWO THINGS I learned to fear early in life—snakes and tornadoes. I learned these fears from my nearest and best boyhood playmate, who had learned them from his father.



My friend could tell hair-raising tales about people who had been bitten by diamond rattlers or cotton-mouthed moccasins and had died on the spot. His stories kept me from breathing freely as we played in ditches, dammed branches, caught waterdogs, or entertained ourselves otherwise in the wide, open spaces of Bunker Hill.

And the fear of being blown away in a tornado kept me from getting the greatest enjoyment out of "staying all night" at the friend's home on many a summer night. I remember vividly the many occasions when I was awakened in the middle of sultry summer nights by the spine-tingling warning: "Get up, boys! Get up! It's coming up a storm!"

My friend is gone now. He has been dead for many years. His home was never struck by a tornado and as far as I know he never came close to being bitten by a poisonous snake. But he fell the victim of poison as deadly as the venom of a rattlesnake — a poison called alcohol.

The daddy, in teaching his son to keep a sharp lookout for snakes and storms, failed to impress upon him the dangers of taking a few drinks of liquor. A few drinks led to more and more and soon he had become a drunkard. One winter night he fell by the road in a drunken stupor and was not found until the next morning. Pneumonia, caused by the liquor and the exposure, cost him his life.

Many of our young people are growing up without fear of the poison of alcohol. Many of them see their parents and friends drink and serve it. The liquor industry wraps it in attractive packages and uses every means of making it appear to be desirable. Society has largely accepted it as a mark of hospitality. Our laws make it legal. But all of this makes it no safer than rattlesnakes sprayed with perfume and left to coil where our children play.

"At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder." (Prov. 23:32)

*Edwin L. McDonald*

# White and Negro Baptists Join Prayers, Labors

White and Negro Baptists of Greater Little Rock cooperated in a simultaneous revival campaign April 7-21 which resulted in 779 additions to church memberships, 487 by baptism, and 248 by letter or statement. Sixty other conversions were reported.

Baptist leaders of both races, working with Dr. I. L. Yearby, evangelism secretary for the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, who served as crusade director, planned and promoted the campaign.

Negro and white Baptists shared the programs at the daily crusade breakfasts attended by pastors and evangelists of the various churches cooperating.

Of the white churches, Second Church, Little Rock, Dale Cowling, pastor and evangelist, led with 60 new members, 37 by baptism and 23 by letter. The Greater Zion Hill Church, Sweet Home, W. C. Porter, pastor, led the Negro churches, with 56 additions, 49 by baptism and 7 by letter.

The revival reports by churches follow:

**Alexander**, 17 additions, 11 by baptism, 6 by letter. 3 professions not joining. Loy Garner, pastor; Kelly Grubbs, evangelist.

**Amboy**, 8 additions, 6 by baptism, 2 by letter. Arnold Teel, pastor; Coy Sims, evangelist.

**Berea**, 2 additions, 1 by baptism, 1 by letter. L. Y. Lewis, pastor, and evangelist.

**Bethany, NLR**, 3, all by baptism, 1 other profession. Jimmy Watson, pastor, and evangelist.

**Calvary, LR**, 28, 13 by baptism; 15 by letter. Gordon Bayless, evangelist.

**Calvary, Rose City**, 23, 15 by baptism, 8 by letter. 3 other conversions. William Philliber, pastor; Jimmy O'Quinn, evangelist.

**Central, NLR**, 7, 5 by baptism, 2 by letter. Gordon Bayless, pastor; McKinley Norman, evangelist.

**Concord**, 11, 6 by baptism, 5 by letter. 2 other conversions, 5 rededications. Howard Langwell, pastor and evangelist.

**Crystal Valley, NLR**, 5, 2 by baptism, 3 by letter. E. W. Goodson, pastor.

**First, NLR**, 17, 7 by baptism, 10 by letter. Roy Hilton, pastor; I. L. Yearby, evangelist.

**47th Street, NLR**, 23, 19 by baptism, 4 by letter. Ralph Dodd, pastor; Bill Lewis, evangelist.

**Gaines Street**, 37, 24 by baptism, 13 by letter. Russell Clearman, pastor; Garland Howard, evangelist.

**Grace, NLR**, 3 by baptism. L. C. Tedford, pastor and evangelist.

**Gravel Ridge**, 1 by baptism. Herman Keppeler, pastor; Clyde Hart, evangelist.

**Hebron**, 7, 2 by baptism, 5 by letter. C. E. Stewart, pastor; Joe McClain, evangelist.

**Highway**, 20 by baptism and 3 other conversions. Hunyan Wallace, pastor; Darryl Harris, evangelist.

**Immanuel, LR**, 42; 31 by baptism and 11 by letter. W. O. Vaught, pastor; Charles Taylor, evangelist.

**Ironton**, 16; 8 by baptism, 8 by letter. 10 other conversions. Glenn Toler, pastor; R. T. Strange, evangelist.

**2nd, Jacksonville**, 24; 13 by baptism, 11 by letter. Bill Sawyer, pastor; Bob Taylor, evangelist.

**Levy**, 20; 16 by baptism, 4 by letter; 9 other conversions. W. H. Hunt, pastor; R. J. McMillan, evangelist.

**Life Line**, 5 by letter. Lawrence Kendrick, pastor; Paul Palmer, evangelist.

**Markham St.**, 10; 5 by baptism, 5 by letter. 11 rededications. Floyd Davis, pastor and evangelist.

**McKay Mission**, 3; 1 by baptism, 2 by letter. W. D. King, pastor; Eugene Irby, evangelist.

**Park Hill**, 44; 27 by baptism, 17 by letter, 2 other conversions. R. L. South, pastor; Homer Martinez, evangelist.

**Pike Avenue, NLR**, 7; 3 by baptism; 4 by letter. R. H. Dorris, pastor and evangelist.

**Pulaski Hts.**, 16; 4 by baptism, 12 by letter. W. H. Hicks, pastor; Andrew Hall, evangelist.

**Riverside**, 1 by baptism, 1 other conversion. Eugene Webb, pastor; Clay Roach, evangelist.

**Rosedale**, 12; 3 by baptism, 9 by letter, 3 other conversions. J. C. Myers,

pastor; Ben Haney, evangelist.

**2nd, LR**, 60; 37 by baptism, 23 by letter, 26 rededications. Dale Cowling, pastor and evangelist.

**Sherwood**, 6; 3 by baptism, 3 by letter. Charles Ragland, pastor; Jim Graves, evangelist.

**So. Highland**, 36; 24 by baptism, 12 by letter. Ray Branscum, pastor; O. C. Robinson, evangelist.

**Sylvan Hills**, 7; 1 by baptism, 6 by letter, 6 other conversions. Walter Hill, pastor; O. C. Robinson, evangelist.

**Tabernacle**, 28; 17 by baptism; 11 by letter, 12 other conversions. V. Yarbrough, pastor; Wade Armstrong, evangelist.

**Trinity**, 19; 15 by baptism, 4 by letter, 1 other conversion. Floyd Simmons, pastor; Ralph Dodd, evangelist.

**Tyler Street**, 17; 13 by baptism, 4 by letter, 1 other conversion. Carl M. Overton, pastor; Don Hook, evangelist.

**Woodlawn**, 9; 5 by baptism, 4 by letter. Horace Grigson, pastor; William West, evangelist.

**Zion Hill**, 13; 9 by baptism, 4 by letter. Marvin Faulkner, pastor; Bernard Ford, evangelist.

## NEGRO CHURCHES

**Collins Temple**, 10; 7 by baptism, 3 by letter. N. Nichols, pastor; J. I. Thomas, evangelist.

**Eastern Star**, 1 by baptism. A. L. Lee, pastor; W. M. Wright, evangelist.

**8th St.**, 11; 9 by baptism, 2 by letter. W. R. Vaughn, pastor; N. I. Burks, evangelist.

**Greater Arch St.**, 25; 23 by baptism, 2 by letter. M. W. Williams, pastor; C. M. Lee, evangelist.

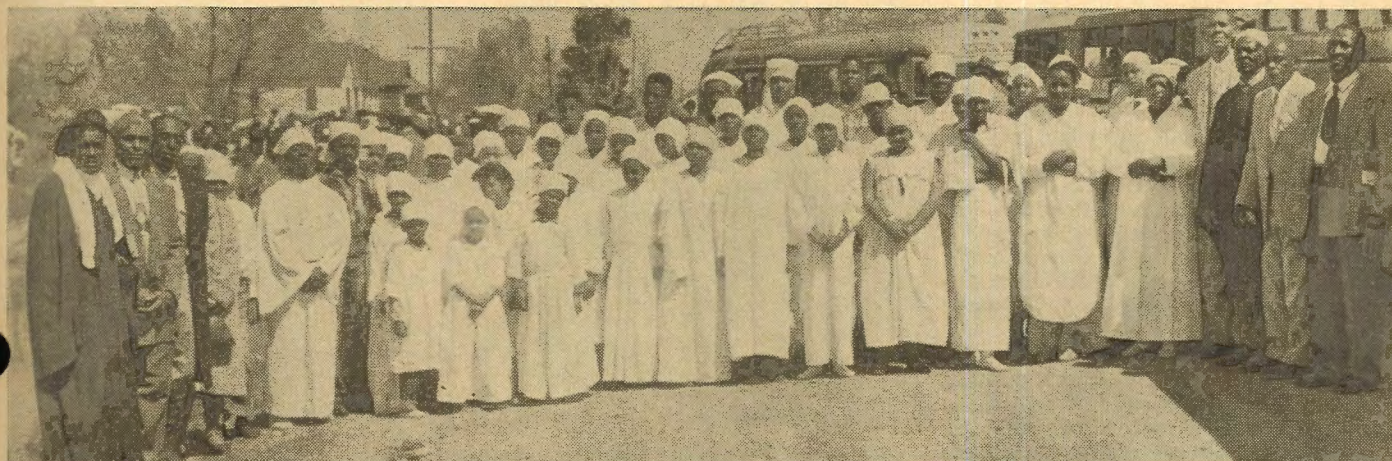
**Greater Zion Hill**, 56; 49 by baptism, 7 by letter. W. C. Porter, pastor; S. M. Mixson, evangelist.

**Highland Park**, 13; 12 by baptism, 1 by letter. P. L. Rowe, pastor; W. H. Dudley, evangelist.

**Mt. Olive**, 1 by letter. N. K. Curry, pastor; T. S. Woodard, evangelist.

**Mt. Pleasant**, 5 by baptism. W. E. Hayes, pastor.

**St. Peter's Rock**, 19; 13 by baptism, 6 by letter. F. T. Evans, pastor; L. R. Evans, evangelist.



Baptizing, Greater Zion Hill Baptist Church

## Winners Announced In Baptist Student Writer's Contest

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB) — Winners in the Baptist Student Writer's Contest have been announced by Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan, secretary, Student Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, sponsors of the contest.

First award, \$75, went to Miss Emilye Hawkins, Black Mountain, N. C., student at Berea College, Berea, Ky.; second award, \$50, went to Miss Larue Harper, Grandview, Tex., student at Texas Wesleyan College, Fort Worth; and third award, \$25, to Russell Morris, Norman, Okla., student at Golden Gate Seminary, Berkeley, Calif.

The purpose of the contest was to locate and interest students in religious writing, Dr. Keegan said.

Eighteen states were represented by 75 entries, 31 of which were from girls from 44 from men. There were 48 entries from state and private colleges and universities, and 22 from Baptist schools.

● **THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST** Convention and the pastor's conference in Chicago, in May, will be recorded in full. The entire program or portions of either may be purchased from the Radio-TV Commission, Tape Recordings, Box 12157, Fort Worth, Tex. Or you may make your own recordings by notifying the commission at once.

● **TWO MUSIC** professors have been added to the Southern Seminary faculty. They are William Bushnell and Russell Hamar. Both have the MA degree from Columbia University and both are candidates for the doctorate. Mr. Bushnell was formerly with Westminster College in Salt Lake City, Utah. Mr. Hamar taught at Hamline University, St. Paul, Minn. He was a tenor soloist on the Firestone Hour for the National Broadcasting Company.

● **TEXAS BAPTISTS** have made preliminary plans to include their four children's homes in the Cooperative Program for operating expenses. If the plan is successful they will continue to solicit gifts from individuals but not from churches. The four homes care for 1,050 children. (BP)

● **THE NEW CHAIRMAN** of the 55-member board of trustees for Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., is Wade H. Bryant, First Church, Roanoke, Va. He succeeds H. I. Hester, vice president of William Jewel College, Liberty, Mo. Arkansas members of the board are Ralph Douglas and Nolan P. Howington.

● **AN URGENT APPEAL** for Southern Baptists to join Baptists of Formosa in prayer for revival has been made by Formosa Convention President Dr. Leon

### The Cover

#### Headquarters Hotel

As the Convention headquarters, the Conrad-Hilton hotel, pictured on this week's cover, will be a busy center of Baptist activities during the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Chicago, May 28-31.

The annual Pastors' Conference will be held Monday and Tuesday, May 27-28, and the WMU Convention will be in session May 26-28.

All sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention will be held in the International Amphitheater. The first session will open Tuesday night, May 28, at 6:45, and the closing session is scheduled to adjourn Friday night at 9:30.

Theme for the Convention will be: "That the World May Know." (John 17:33)

H. Chow. The Taiwan simultaneous crusade will be held May 5-19.

● **THE WORSHIP** of "bigness and power" instead of fostering the "primary tenets of love and charity" may be the reason for "man-made catastrophes," according to Episcopal Bishop Dudley B. McNeil, Grand Rapids, Mich. "Clergymen should look inwardly," said Bishop McNeil, "to see if we are emphasizing the right things." (RNS)

● **STUDENTS OF** South Junior High School in Lima, Ohio, have adopted a code of ethics as a guide to good conduct. It reads: "Good behavior starts in the home, the school and the church. We, the students of Lima South Junior High School, recognizing the importance of acceptable behavior, establish this code to help smooth the way of life in the area where students, teachers and all people meet."

Points covered in the code include care of personal and public property, respect for authority, respect for the

belief and opinions of others, and responsibility in performing school work and other duties. (RNS)

● **THE SIXTH** printing of a New Testament for Cherokee Indians has been completed by American Bible Society. The first was printed in 1862. Cherokee is one of 17 Indian dialects printed by the Society.

● **THE GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL**, an Association of Christian businessmen, has distributed 35 million Bibles and Testaments.

The first 25 Bibles were placed in a small hotel in Iron Mountain, Mont., in 1908. In the 49 years which have followed, their ministry has expanded to include hotels, motels, hospitals, penal institutions, airplanes, trains, ships and school teachers' desks.

Scriptures are distributed to members of the armed forces, school children, nurses, and to more than twenty foreign countries.

There are 16,000 members in 800 cities in the U.S. and 6,000 foreign Gideons.

The Gideons are closely related to the churches. In order to be a member an applicant must be a member, in good standing, of an evangelical Church. Its purpose is to win converts to Jesus Christ.

● **THE CITY** motion picture commission of Milwaukee, Wis., has adopted an "adults only" classification for films that it feels might damage the character of minors.

● **THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST** Church Music Conference will meet in Chicago in four sessions May 27-28. The Monday evening meeting will be in joint session with the education association. There will be featured speakers, panel discussions, and department conferences for the local church group, the institutional group, and the denominational group. Arkansan Nettie Lou Crowder will conduct the devotional service on Tuesday morning. (BP)



Miss Hawkins



Miss Harper

## Baptist Papers To Seek More Readers

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. —(BP)—The Southern Baptist Committee on State Baptist Papers recommends that the 1957 Southern Baptist Convention take action to promote increased circulation of the papers.

H. H. McGinty, editor of the *Word and Way*, Missouri Baptist weekly newspaper here, is chairman of the committee. He reports there are 25 state Baptist newspapers, most of which are printed weekly.

The papers have a combined circulation today of 1,279,691 compared with 850,612 seven years ago. During that time, three new state Baptist papers have been created.

The committee's recommendations for increased circulations follow two lines: (1) that SBC agencies emphasize the importance of the state papers and promote them, and (2) that the 30,800 affiliated SBC churches send the paper of their respective states into every Baptist home in the churches' memberships.

McGinty said that the present circulation reaches an estimated 5 million of the more than 8½ million Southern Baptists. Many churches have plans for sending the state papers into the homes of their members.

"The unifying and co-ordinating effect of these papers would be difficult to estimate," the committee says. "The state Baptist papers have had much to do with inducing (the) unity (through which) Southern Baptists are making a remarkable record of achievement."

"It is interesting to note that the increase in the combined circulation of these papers has exceeded the rate of increase in the membership of the Convention," according to the committee.

The committee said the papers "are responsive to" the challenge to establish 30,000 new preaching points in the Convention by 1964 and to the new Forward Program of Church Finance.

### Churches, Note

*Pastors in several states have recently received mimeographed letters from the Barrio Belgrano Baptist Church, Rosario, Argentina, appealing for \$30,000 with which to build a new building. This letter is misleading as to the advantages to be gained in exchanging dollars into pesos.*

*The Foreign Mission Board does not approve direct approaches by churches on the mission field to churches in the United States for the purpose of soliciting funds. The Southern Baptist Mission in Argentina has set up a Church Building Loan Fund from which funds are made available to deservng churches.*

—Foreign Mission Board

## Baptist Crosscurrents

### The Sixth Seminary Question

A survey of the presidents of the State Baptist Conventions reveals that of those replying, nine are in favor of Southern Baptists establishing a sixth seminary, seven are opposed, two are undecided, and one has no opinion.

As to the proposed location of a sixth seminary, most of those against the plan did not express a preference. Denver received four votes, Chicago two, Kansas City one and two votes for second choice, Memphis one, and Cleveland one.

The suggestion about establishing several junior seminaries which has been made in the denominational press, found no support among the state presidents. Twelve voted against the idea, one was undecided and the others declined to express an opinion.

As to the thought of the existing seminaries establishing branches which has been offered in the press, ten voted against it, four were for it, and others did not answer.

Eleven of the state presidents voted in favor of maximum use of the present seminaries by having three periods of sixteen weeks each during the year, and possibly adding late afternoon and night classes. Three were against the idea, one was undecided, and others expressed no opinion.

Most of the argument in favor of another seminary was based on the contention that it would be a missionary enterprise as well as an institution of learning.

Most of those who opposed it, believe we should give adequate support to the present seminaries before beginning another. Nearly all agree that more seminaries will be needed in future years but feel now is not the time.

As stated above the idea of the present institutions having three terms of sixteen weeks each, was very popular.

Each president was speaking only for himself, and reserves the right to change his mind in the light of new information.

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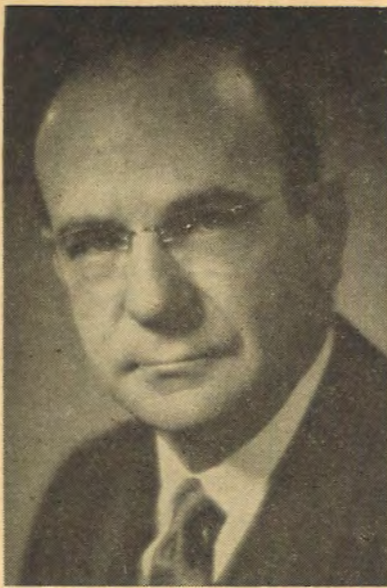
### A New Kind of Man

The Layman's Movement for a Christian World, New York, N. Y., is sponsoring a series of conferences, seminars and retreats in order to focus attention on the need "to create a new kind of man" who is capable of meeting the challenges of tomorrow's world through the application of Christian principles in everyday life. This organization has struck at heart of world need. Any thinking person realizes the world is in no moral and spiritual condition to handle its problems in an atomic age. Our present type of people will not be able to stave off a world catastrophe. We believe the only thing prohibiting the communists from dropping hydrogen bombs is the threat of retaliation by America.

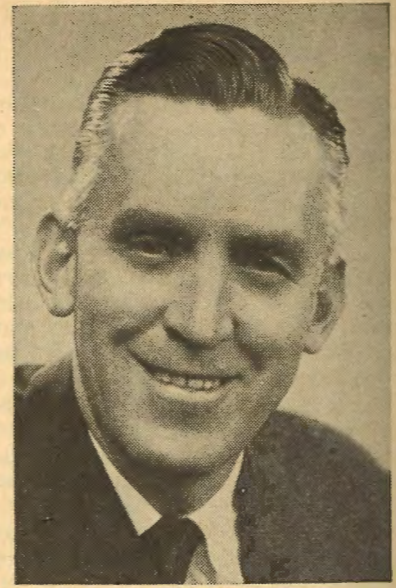
The creation of a new kind of man is not only necessary in our modern age for the safety of man but it is an essential feature of salvation. Too much emphasis has been placed upon the social gospel irrespective of the nature of people. Those who are in Christ Jesus are new creatures. It will take a creative act of God in every individual to present to the future a type of mankind who is able to use atomic energy for the blessing of man instead of for his destruction.

—The Alabama Baptist





S. A. Whitlow



Rel Gray

● TWO ARKANSAS BAPTIST leaders will receive honorary degrees, Doctor of Divinity, from Ouachita Baptist College on May 20, according to President Ralph Phelps. They are Rel Gray and S. A. Whitlow. Both are graduates of the college. Mr. Gray received the Th. M. at Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Tex., and Mr. Whitlow received the Th. M. from Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky. Mr. Gray is president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention and pastor of First Church, Helena. Mr. Whitlow is past chairman of the Executive Board and pastor of First Church, Arkadelphia.

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● A STATE CHARTER of incorporation was denied to the South Carolina Knights of the Ku Klux Klan by Secretary of State O. Frank Thornton.

The application was opposed by the Rock Hill Ministerial Union. The clergymen said such a charter "would not be in the best interests of the people of South Carolina." (RNS)

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● IN NEW YORK CITY 1,500 ministers are enlisted to cooperate with the Billy Graham Crusade which is to begin May 15. Significant was the enrollment in the nine week counsellors training program which totaled 3,200 the first week and 4,500 the second. This made New York's enrollment the most extensive in Graham's history.

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● THE RELIEF AND ANNUITY Board of the Southern Baptist Convention will begin construction soon on a new building in Dallas. Board members representing 24 Southern Baptist states approved the building plans at their 39th annual meeting recently.

Final decisions on cost, size, and type of structure are expected some time in April. The Board is presently occupying the fourth floor of the Baptist Building, owned co-operatively by the Baptist General Convention of Texas and the Relief and Annuity Board.

Last December, the Relief and Annuity Board sold its half-interest in the building to the Texas Baptists to become effective when they enter their new building. (BP)

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● BRYCE FINCH, photographer, Baptist Sunday School Board, has been honored by the Photographers' Association of America. Two of his color-transparencies were selected for display at their 1957 International Convention held recently in Washington, D. C.

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● FAMILY RECOGNITION, which has become a popular feature of the Christian home hour at the Southern Baptist Convention, will be extended this year to include the largest family present, according to Dr. Joe W. Burton.

The family recognized will be made honor guests and will receive an award. To qualify for the recognition, according to Dr. Burton, the complete family

must be present. In the event there are two or more families of the same size, the recognition will go the family which comes to the Convention from the greatest distance.

The oldest married couple and the couple married most recently will also be recognized and given an award, Dr. Burton stated. In previous Conventions these recognitions have gone to couples married more than sixty years and less than four days.

This year's Christian home program at the Convention, scheduled for only thirty minutes, will be on Thursday, May 30, at 7:00 p. m. in Chicago's International Amphitheatre.

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● TRUSTEES OF Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., have voted to name the school's library in honor of James Pettigru Boyce, founder and first president. The \$1,500,000 building is planned for completion during the Seminary's 1959 centennial year.

It was Boyce's 1856 inaugural address as a member of the faculty of Furman University that launched the idea which developed into the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He and three other founders constituted the first faculty, and his personal 5,000-volume library formed the foundation of the Seminary's present 135,000 volume collection.

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● THREE SOUTHERN Baptist missionaries received doctorates at commencement exercises at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., recently. They are Lester C. Bell, South Brazil, doctor of theology; Miss Catherine Walker, Indonesia, doctor of religious education; and George R. Wilson, Jr., recent appointee to Hong Kong, doctor of religious education with honor. Miss Walker, now back in Bandung, Indonesia, received her degree in absentia.

● THE GROWING importance of religion as news was stressed by editors of four daily newspapers honored by the National Religious Publicity Council at its 28th annual meeting in New York City.

Policy statements on the handling of religion in their publications were read from the **Charlotte Observer**, N. C., the **St. Louis Post-Dispatch**, the **Oakland Tribune**, Calif., and the **Pottstown Mercury**, Pa. The first three received council "Awards of Merit" and the **Pottstown Mercury** was given an Honorable Mention.

C. A. McKnight, editor of the **Charlotte Observer**, said his paper believes that full coverage of religion is one of the most important functions of the daily newspaper.

"To **The Observer**," he said, "religion is a big story — big in terms of the intimacy between the reader and religion; big in terms of religion's unique role in stabilizing and upgrading our local communities and undergirding our national way of life." (RNS)

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● MOST OF THE 471 church-related colleges and universities in this country will share in the United States Steel Foundation's 1957 grants totaling nearly \$1,800,000 for institutions of higher education. The church-related institutions are among 600 colleges, universities, technological institutes and medical schools to which the grants will be given.

Dr. Roger M. Blough, chairman of the foundation's board of trustees, said the grants were an effort by the foundation "to extend aid in some form to almost every voluntarily supported institution of higher learning which has clearly demonstrated both its desire and ability to help itself through the crisis presently facing higher education." (RNS)

# "This Is The Answer" A TV Favorite

"To let the great truths of the parables speak to men today against a modern background . . . with dramatic skill that will bring home to the nation's audience the timelessness of the Bible." In the words of the Reverend Paul M. Stevens, Southern Baptists Radio and Television Commission Director, this is the concept behind the remarkable success-story of "This Is The Answer."

In just one short year from its introduction, the filmed series has become one of the nation's top religious TV programs. The program is available to over 79 per cent of the country's TV homes via more than 150 stations in better than 50 per cent of the major U. S. TV areas.

The concept requires careful balancing of several unique judgments. Prominent among them are competition for time and programming in the fast-moving, practical business of television; the requirements of "show business" in modern TV drama; and above all, making clear the vital need for the message of Christ in today's life.

The phenomenal growth of "This Is The Answer" shows the combination of judgment is well made, winning approval and cooperation of stations, which must reflect audience reaction. Individual stations offer the program on free public service time which has totalled a value of nearly \$400,000 at commercial rates.

One of the "show business" keys to wide audience appeal is striking human-interest drama as the form of each half-hour episode. Stevens feels this makes use of television's greatest strength to reach out to all viewers, particularly the unchurched, with interesting, recognizable stories. A feature unique to television drama is the use of Bible parables realistically presented as they might happen today in answer to problems of modern-day living.

The viewer can see and recognize the stories of "The Prodigal Son," "The Good Samaritan," and other familiar, inspiring examples of the teaching method favored by Jesus. Thus the Christian Gospel meaning is "brought to life."

This is reflected in the hundreds of



*"THE RICH FOOL" is a moving, thought-provoking episode of modern-day life dramatized in the Southern Baptist television series, "This Is The Answer," which has become a national leader in religious TV.*

*A modern application of the parable, "The Rich Fool," the drama presents Oliver Hampton, wealthy businessman who has concentrated on financial success and suddenly finds his life empty and unrewarding. Near desperation, he tries to find out from his married daughter, Betty, why the material things he showered on his family have failed to bring him close to them in sympathy and understanding. Realizing they will have no part of his kind of life, Hampton despondently wonders if God has not already "required his soul."*

letters from viewers that pour into Fort Worth headquarters. Many from people, and even ministers of other denominations, praise the series and request the free inspirational booklet offered by the program.

To insure the happy combination of dramatic interest and forcefulness of The Gospel Message, "This Is The Answer," is produced in Hollywood under Stevens' close supervision, with professional acting, directing and technical talent at the studios of religious film

specialists, Family Films. The series is also unusual in being the first religious TV program to film a majority of episodes in color.

At the "premier" of "This Is The Answer," slightly over one-year ago, Stevens said, "The TV series helps round out our missionary program utilizing the free air waves for Christian endeavors, as part of our stewardship, in the prayerful hope that through the Gospel of Jesus Christ, peace on earth will be with us always."

● A TOTAL of 744 of the 1,886 colleges and universities in the United States are controlled by religious groups, the U. S. Office of Education reported.

There are 474 Protestant colleges and universities; 265 Roman Catholic; and five Jewish, the agency said in its annual Education Directory.

An additional 41 colleges and universities are under private control but have no religious affiliation, the report stated. Some 661 institutions of higher

education are publicly controlled, including 282 municipal institutions, 360 state colleges and universities, and 10 federal institutions.

Co-educational institutions now number 1,414, while 223 colleges enroll only men and 249 only women. About 500 of the institutions are not fully accredited four-year colleges. (RNS)

CHOWAN COLLEGE, Murfreesboro, N. C., has elected Bruce E. Whitaker

as president. He succeeds the late Orion F. Mixon. The junior college is operated by the North Carolina Baptist Convention.

GEORGETOWN COLLEGE, Georgetown, Ky., will offer its first graduate-level courses since 1929 in the near future. The master's degree will be offered in the field of education only, according to President H. Leo Eddleman.

## PERSONALITIES

Tom J. Logue

## Young People His First Love

By Mrs. Homer D. Myers

A Texan with a genuine Southern hospitality came to the Baptist Building on August 1, 1955, to direct Arkansas' Baptist Student work. The uninhibited good will of Tom J. Logue is the result of a happy childhood. He was next to the youngest of six children, living in Waco, Tex.

His mother, who still lives in Waco, was named the city's Mother of the Year once. She also had a reputation for transporting Baptists to WMU meetings and church services, including her own brood of six. She drove a car that could be made to provide three decker seats and was known around Waco as the Gospel Chariot.

The late Tom J. Logue, Sr., taught the College Men's Bible Class at Seventh and James, and served as Waco's Mayor pro-tem on occasions.

The parents operated a business and a farm at Patrick, 30 miles from Waco, until the children began to grow up. They then moved to Waco specifically so their children could all go to Baylor University. The six Logues received eight degrees from the institution.

Tom's older brother is Dr. Joseph Logue, Professor of English at North Texas State Teachers College, Denton. His younger brother is the youngest county judge ever elected in Waco, Bill Logue. Tom admits his three sisters are smarter than he, though he has the BA and Masters degree from Baylor, and the Th.D. from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth.

Tom cannot remember the first time he went to church, which was probably when he was three weeks old. But he does remember when Evangelist Perry F. Evans sat him on the grand piano at Seventh and James and had him recite the Twenty-third Psalm because he liked baby talk. Then he had the tiny tot to pass through the congregation with his hat for his first collection. It is little wonder he grew up to be a preacher, although he aspired for some time to follow in his brother's footsteps as an English teacher.

Tom Logue was converted during his junior years. Dr. W. W. Melton was his first pastor at Seventh and James. A BSU retreat at the end of his freshman year at Baylor and a message from G. Kearnie Keegan helped him to discover his calling to the ministry.

He claims to have worked his way through Baylor grading English papers and pushing stoppers in bottles of "Baby Percy" for a medicine company in Waco.

He spent three years in Europe with the U. S. Medical Corps, returned to Baylor where he met and married a



Dr. Logue

student, Miss Ethel Garrott. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Garrott, members of First Church, West Memphis. The Logues have one daughter and two sons. He was ordained in 1948 and served in two pastorates, at Mexia and Coke, Tex.

Dr. Logue spent four and a half years as city BSU director in Memphis for the Tennessee Baptist State Convention. For several months he commuted from Memphis to Fort Worth every Tuesday night, spent Wednesday in classes, returned to Memphis that night to return to work on Thursday morning. That is getting a degree the hard way, according to Dr. Logue.

The Tom Logues are the kind of people that anything can happen to — and usually does. But their sweet spirit in taking life as it comes makes them an unusually nice couple to know. Typical of this was an instance in Memphis.

Tom and a group of students were going to Ridgcrest one summer. The students visited them one evening and left \$25 under Mrs. Logue's pillow so she could go. The next morning she rushed out to get some dental work done and got a speeding ticket. She wasn't speeding of course, but the policeman thought she was. The cost? Just \$25. But she did go to Ridgcrest.

Student work in Arkansas is comparatively young. But Dr. Logue is making fine progress in that field. He is receiving excellent cooperation from the college pastors and churches and with his own winsome personality, he has walked right into the hearts of Baptist youth and his co-workers.

● THE OLDEST CITY in Brazil, Sao Vicente, in the state of Sao Paulo, has a Baptist church building for the first time since it was settled by Portuguese colonists in 1532, according to Gene H. Wise, missionary in South Brazil. The city, with a population of 30,000, was 400 years old before it had a Baptist church.

The church, organized in 1951 by Missionary Taylor C. Bagby, has 230 active members and 200 sympathizers (those who have not been converted but who sympathize with the purpose of the church).

When the new building, made possible by a Lottie Moon Christmas Offering appropriation of \$20,000, was dedicated, the city's leading newspaper printed a full-page article on the event and the city council sent a representative to felicitate the pastor and church members.

Following the dedication service, an evangelistic campaign was started in which there were 79 public professions. Missionary W. W. Enete was the evangelist and Missionary Malcomb O. Tolbert was in charge of publicity.

Mr. Bagby, who still is pastor, reached retirement age in 1955 and was put on the emeritus missionary list after 37 years of service in Brazil.

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● JAMES LESLIE MURPHY, or Norfolk, Va., has joined the staff of the Baptist Sunday School Board as field consultant in the Audio-Visual Aids Department. A Missourian, Murphy is a graduate of the University of Corpus Christi, Tex., with an M. R. E. degree from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth.

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● DALLAS — (BP) — Oklahoma Gov. Raymond Gary, a Baptist Sunday school teacher and deacon, has received the first annual Texas Baptist Sunday School Award of Recognition.

E. Hermond Westmoreland, president, Baptist General Convention of Texas, presented a plaque commemorating the event to Gov. Gary.

Gov. Gary is a member of the Kellham Ave. Baptist Church in Oklahoma City, a member of the Oklahoma Baptist University board of trustees, and a member of the Oklahoma Baptist General Convention board.

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● THE FIRST state-wide survey of new churches needed has been reported by Maryland. C. C. Thomas, executive secretary, reveals a goal of 175 new churches by 1964. Baltimore needs 59. A similar survey is being conducted throughout the United States. (BP)

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**BROTHERHOOD:**

**Camp and Camps**

By Nelson Tull

The Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention recently accepted the recommendations of the Camps Board of Control for the purchase of an 82-acre site on which to build a camp and series of camps, for the needs of Arkansas Baptists and of those departments at Baptist headquarters which have had no such facility available.



MR. TULL

We are grateful to God for this very progressive move on the part of our state leadership. We do not know of anything that Arkansas Baptists need more critically than a developed camp area. Many of our people have been working and praying for years for a worthy camp program for Arkansas Baptists.

The site selected is about one and three-fourths miles west of Ferndale, south of Twelfth Street Pike. The area has everything that is needed for the development of four or five different camps in the years to come. There is water; there are mountains; there is an abundance of natural beauty; there are ample areas for camping space, for other buildings, and for recreation. The area is secluded without being remote. And, being only about sixteen miles from the Little Rock city limits, it is easily accessible from all areas of the state.

Mr. George Crumby, of Elaine, has contributed to the Camps Board of Control a used International pick-up truck in good condition. We thank Mr. Crumby for this. It will be a decided asset to the development and maintenance of our first camp.

At present the whole area is being accurately surveyed by a competent engineering firm. Contour maps are being made in order that a master plan for the development of the area can be set up.

Probably only Royal Ambassador camps will be held in the area during the 1957 season, and these will be strictly of a pioneering nature.

The Brotherhood Department is going to call on church Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador chapters throughout the state to drive in a body to Little Rock to do some of the physical labor that is going to be necessary to clean up the area and get it ready for our first season.

Tune your ears for this call!

**The Book Shelf**

*"The hearts of men are their books . . ."*  
THOMAS BABINGTON MaCAULEY.

TO MY SON, by Dale Rogers, Fleming H. Revell Co., 1957, \$2.00. Most mothers are likely to say of a favorite son: "Look at the fine boy I raised!" But Dale Evans says of her son Tom, "Look at the fine boy who raised me!" For it was her son Tom who led her to accept Christ as her Savior.

This book, in the form of letters from Mrs. Roy Rogers to her first-born child, is a warm, personal story about faith in the home of two of the nation's best loved movie stars and entertainers and the seven members of the juvenile "United Nations" who live with them.

Mrs. Rogers describes the adjustments that have been made through prayer and patience as new members were added to the family, and how such incidents of everyday life are used as opportunities to bring truths from the Bible to the children. Every family should read this book.

Books Received, all from Zondervan Publishing House:

The Great "I Am's" of Jesus, John Caylor, \$2.

Soulwinning Is Easy, C. S. Lovett.

How to Reach the Children for Jesus, Florence R. Kee, 50 cents.

Visitation Evangelism Made Practical, Horace F. Dean.

Techniques of Torchbearing, E. J. Daniels.

Revivals or "Man of Like Passions," Charles Grandison Finney, \$2.95.

This Is the Day, Nell Warren Outlaw, \$2.50.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS will seek 30,-800 young people to dedicate themselves to church-related vocations in "Church-Related Vocations Day," June 16. The goal is for an average of one young person from each of the 30,800 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention, according to Dr. W. L. Howse, Nashville, Tenn. This is a part of the observance of World Missions Year in 1957. (BP)

**Let's Promote**

By Nancy Cooper

INCLUDED AMONG recommendations adopted at the recent Annual Meeting are the following which need immediate promotion:

THAT the calling out into mission service of at least one young person from each church during World Missions Year be the object of individual and concerted prayer.



MISS COOPER

THAT WMU members be urged to contribute to the offering for Arkansas Baptist College, promoted by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention and taken on June 9, 1957 (state goal \$100,000).

THAT in co-operation with plans for World Missions Year, each missionary society adopt as a minimum goal 50 per cent of the members tithing by the end of the 1957.

THAT each Woman's Missionary Society set as its goal for the year the enlistment of at least half of the resident women members of the church.

THAT each Woman's Missionary Society strive to have each quarterly associational rally attended by at least one officer for whom there is a planned conference.

Other challenging opportunities were also adopted and will be printed in the Minutes of the Annual Meeting which will be mailed soon.

TOGETHER we can accomplish all of them.

**WMU CONFERENCES**

It is time to make reservations for the WMU Conferences at Glorieta or Ridgecrest by sending \$2.50 reservation fee to the manager of the conference. Which shall it be . . . Glorieta, July 18-24, or Ridgecrest, August 8-14? See the May issue of *Royal Service* for some of the details of program personnel, etc. This is another case of "interest" far exceeding "investment." Let's go for what it will mean to Kingdom progress!

Observe

GA FOCUS WEEK

May 12-18

See May TELL for suggestions

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TRAINING UNION:

Introducing Mrs. Tolleson



Records Secretary

By Ralph W. Davis

Mrs. Ruth Tolleson began her work with the Training Union Department on January 1, 1957. Her official title is Records Secretary and Field Worker. As records secretary, she will spend three-fourths of her time in the office. As a field worker, she will spend one-fourth of her time, or about 13 weeks a year, on the field. This work will include one-night conferences, enlargement campaigns, associational leadership schools, etc.

Mrs. Tolleson is well prepared for her work, having served as Training Union Director of First Church, Siloam Springs, for 12 years, during which time the Training Union was Standard for 10 years. As Associational Training Union Director, she led the Benton County Associational Training Union Organization to be Standard. She has had 11½ years experience as a church secretary. The Training Union Department is fortunate in having Mrs. Tolleson as a worker.

Youth Week and Youth Night Reports

All churches that have observed Youth Week are urged to send their report to the State Training Union Department. Associational Training Union directors should send the report of Youth Night.

MISSIONS:

Rural Church Conference

By C. W. Caldwell

The place of meeting for the Rural Church Conference has been changed from Ozark Boys' Camp, Mt. Ida, to Lonsdale. There was a conflict in the date with the Ozark Boys' Camp which necessitated the change. The missionaries will be familiar with the place and will help in directing all pastors to the proper location. The date remains the same, June 10-13.

Some of the guest speakers who will be on the Rural Church Conference Program are: Dr. Earl Guinn, president of Louisiana College; Dr. J. P. McBeth, Dallas, Texas; and Dr. Courts Redford, Atlanta, Georgia. There will be other outstanding preachers and leaders on the program. We are looking forward to a great Conference with our rural pastors.

NEGRO COLLEGE CAMPAIGN

The campaign to raise \$100,000 for Arkansas Baptist College is now on the move. Publicity material is going out to all the churches; committees are meeting; church goals are being accepted; pastors are reporting great interest among their memberships. The Negro pastors and churches are swinging into their part of the campaign which is to match our objective. A new day will dawn for this struggling but worthy institution. If the white Methodists can help the Negro Methodists maintain an accredited college, certainly we white Baptists can do as well for the colored Baptists.

GOOD REVIVALS

It has been our pleasure to be associated with some fine churches and noble pastors in revivals during recent weeks. They were: Barton's Chapel, near Earle, pastorless; First, McGehee, Cline Ellis, pastor; First, Beebe, Reece Howard, pastor; First, Dardanelle, Morris Roe, pastor; DeGray near Arkadelphia, pastorless.

It seems to me that the evangelistic spirit is rising higher than it has been for the last two years. My prediction is that we will baptize many more this year than last. The workers in this Department are always ready to cooperate with Dr. Yearby and the Department of Evangelism in an effort to win more people to Christ.

L. B. GOLDEN IN HOSPITAL

Our faithful fellow-worker, L. B. Golden, has been in the Baptist Hospital for two weeks. He was anticipating entering the hospital on a Monday for gallstone operation when he suffered serious hemorrhages on Saturday night. After weeks of treatment and x-rays his ailment has been diagnosed as a marginal ulcer. He may have to undergo surgery later but at present he is feeling fine and "strolling about" in the hospital corridors.

Counselor's Corner

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson

**QUESTION:** *Is it true that anybody just gets one call to be saved, and if that call is rejected that person never has another chance to be saved? I know that I rejected the Holy Spirit once, but since have repented and felt saved. But after hearing a Baptist preacher say that he believed the Holy Spirit just made one visit to a person, I have begun to doubt my salvation. I have become so confused and nervous that I don't know how I stand with God.*

Just One Call

**ANSWER:** You must have misunderstood the preacher. Either that, or he misspoke himself. Or he holds a strange view. I have never heard such a doctrine preached.

I have heard it preached that a sinner may put off salvation until he is hardened to God's call. And I have heard it preached that we can go beyond the time when the Spirit strives with man.

Usually they quote Genesis 6:3: "My spirit shall not always strive with man, but that he also is flesh," and they forget to quote the rest of the verse which says: "Yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years." This applies to the days of Noah, and so far as I know to that time only.

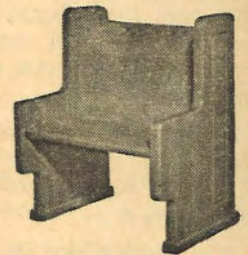
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**MUSIC:**

**Terminology Change**

By LeRoy McClard

Recently a change in terminology was made relative to the music program in the local church. The term "Music Department" of the local church was



MR. McCLARD

changed to "music ministry." This important change came about because the projection of the music education program was being misunderstood by some of our Baptist leaders. Many felt that the music department was trying to develop an organization that would

function independently of the other organized work of the church. In a few instances, a fifth star, the music department was being promoted in addition to the four stars, Sunday School, Training Union, W.M.U., and Brotherhood.

It is believed that the term "Church Music Ministry" will indicate a permeating ministry that seeks to serve all

of our present organizations. We believe that this change in terminology will help in defining the Church Music Ministry, toward enlarging the scope of the Music Ministry, and toward improving relations between staff members and present organizations.

It is our desire that the Church Music Ministry be thought of as the administration of an extensive, continuous, organized training program of music in a church, that this ministry be designed for service, ministering to every organization within the church and that the Music Ministry in religious education will provide opportunities for the enrichment and development of the spiritual lives of all the people in every area of church life.

**EVANGELISM:**

**Results of Evangelism**

By I. L. Yearby

Many of our Baptist churches in Arkansas have had revivals this spring and there have been a large number of new members received into the mem-

bership and fellowship of our churches. These are results of evangelism.

Records prove that if people who join our churches by baptism on profession of faith are not enlisted in becoming active in attendance, in the organizations of the church, and in the support of the church financially, within 60 days after joining, they are lost to the church and the cause of Christ.

Facts prove that of every ten people who join one of our Baptist churches by baptism, after ten years:

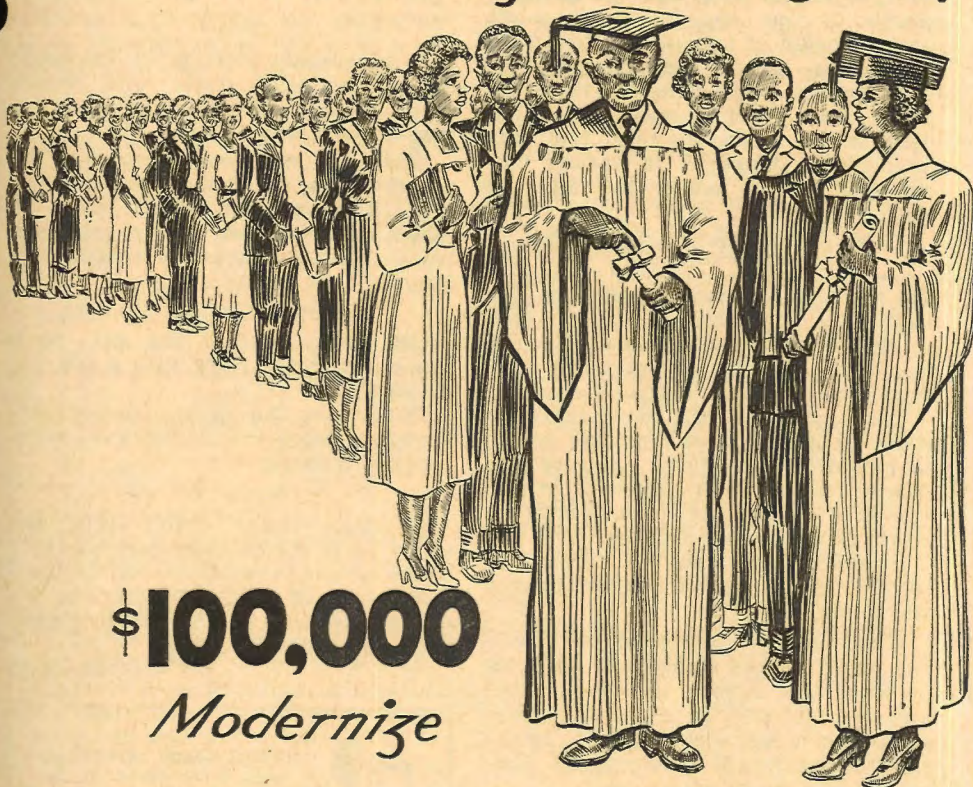
- Two have died.
- One has dropped out.
- Three have become non-resident members.
- Four are left as active resident members.

This is one of the greatest tragedies in our Baptist churches today. These facts reveal that pastors and churches are not conserving and utilizing the results of evangelism.

Southern Baptists have the very best program for conserving and enlisting people who are the result of evangelism, that has yet been discovered. (See chapter 14, "Conservation in Evangelism," in revised edition of *Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism*, page 138.)

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## The Cottage Secret

By BESSIE HASTINGS

"Marie Allison, why didn't you wait for me at the magazine rack like you promised?" scolded Jan as she slammed her books on the table. Marie jumped up from her bed, where she had been sobbing quietly, and said, "Oh, Jan, you scared me. I was almost asleep!"

"What's wrong, Marie, did I hurt your feelings today?" "No," Marie answered, "but I just couldn't wait for you in the library. Those new magazines were full of things about Mother's Day. I came on home."

"Home" to Jan and Marie was a fine Baptist children's home. When Marie's mother died, Marie came to the children's home. She had been there only a few weeks.

"I know how you feel, Marie," comforted Jan, "but I've found the best thing is to think of someone else and find a way to help them."

Marie picked up her coat and opened her closet door to hang it up.

She noticed the freshly pressed dresses her housemother had ironed and left in the closet that morning. The crisp, colorful cottons gave her a warm feeling of love and being wanted. She felt better already as she thought of Mrs. Clark, the cottage mother. Mrs. Clark had noticed Marie's interest during evening devotions. Later she helped answer a lot of Marie's questions, and Marie had accepted Jesus.

"You know, Jan," Marie turned to her friend, "we are not nice enough to Mrs. Clark. I wish we could do something special for her."

"That's right," agreed Jan. "Why don't we all give her a Mother's Day gift? We can have a secret cottage meeting tonight to talk about it." Everyone was thrilled that night when

Jan and Marie whispered their ideas to them.

"But how can we buy a gift?" asked Marie. "Most of us emptied our banks for the Annie Armstrong offering." "I have an idea," Jan said. "Once I saw a pretty pink tablecloth with people's names embroidered on it. We could buy the material and thread and make it ourselves."

After several weeks of saving nickels, careful buying, secret embroidery sessions, and many pricked fingers, the tablecloth was ready.

When Mrs. Clark opened the package on Mother's Day, she just said over and over, "How did you do it and when did you do it?" Everyone tried to explain at once until she held up her hands for quiet.

"I'm so thrilled I hardly know what to say. Let's join hands in a prayer circle and thank God for letting us live here together. Let's ask Him to help us have many happy experiences of work and play together!"

The cottage secret was a success! Perhaps your G. A. or Sunday school class would like to make a tablecloth for your leader or teacher. Here is how. Get a piece of washable material at least 44 inches wide and of the same length. If you choose pastel, select darker shades of embroidery thread for the names. For a dark cloth, select light thread. Next, hem or fringe the cloth. Have each person write her name in pencil onto the cloth, then embroider the signatures in various colors. Scatter the names over all the cloth.

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the earth by the force of gravity. The sun's light rays travel in straight lines to the earth, unless an obstacle, such as our homes, trees, window panes, awnings, etc., diffracts (bends) them.

Trees never take the round-the-block route to grow unless they are forced to circumvent an object, or there is a lack of food or water necessary for root growth. Plants anchor themselves to the earth by direct root systems.

Insects (spiders spin webs from tree to tree) travel the direct route to food and home sites.

If you injure a finger, nature's healing forces do not go to work on a toe — they work directly on the damaged area of the finger. If you break a bone, each broken end starts growing, reaching out, directly, in some magical, mysterious way to meet the other.

In the same miraculous way, Christ came into our hearts by the direct route of our faith and trust in Him. "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

## A Smile or Two

"I almost didn't come to school today," Harold reported to his friend, Jerry.

"What happened?" asked his pal.

"Well, I got up with a terrible headache and a sore back and coughin' and sneezin' but it didn't work."

### Biographical Sketch

The young daughter of William Howard Taft III was asked to write a brief autobiographical sketch when she started a new grade. Her composition read: "My great-grandfather was President of the United States. My grandfather was a Senator from Ohio. My father is an Ambassador to Ireland. I am a Brownie."

A couple of co-eds were talking about their future plans. One remarked that she intended to get an airline hostess job. "That way," she said, "I'll meet lots of men."

"Might be an idea," agreed her companion, "but wouldn't you meet as many men doing something else?"

The first girl shrugged. "Could be," she admitted, "but not strapped down."

A reviewer asks, How many books came out in 1956? We don't know but some that came out should have gone back.

—Arkansas Gazette

At a monthly meeting of the board of deacons of a small rural church there was talk of giving the pastor a long-delayed raise in pay.

When the idea was suggested to the preacher, he declined. "Brothers," he said, "I don't want you to raise my salary anymore. I'm having too much trouble raising what you're already paying me."

"But dear," gushed the girl, "is it fair to go to the show with a boy you dislike?"

"Well, it's like this," replied her friend. "I enjoy the picture and he enjoys my company."

Al Capp, creator of Li'l Abner, was asked at a Washington cocktail party where he got his ideas for the outlandish characters in the Dogpatch series, and he replied: "I just go to parties like this and look around."

—Brooks Hays

### Mother's Many Faces

Mother's morning face is quick — She quietly starts us on our way. After school when we get home She smiles and sends us out to play. At dinner Mother's face looks tired; She frowns if we begin to fight. Her loving face comes to our room To pray with us, and say good-night. Somehow in Mother's lovely face I always see love's shining grace.

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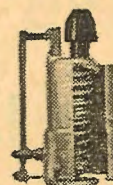
### God's Wondrous World

By Thelma C. Carter

Have you ever watched your pet dog retrieve an object (stick or ball) tossed up into the air? Did you notice how carefully and quickly he moved — as if measuring the shortest, most direct path to the object? If you have, you have observed one of nature's most miraculous, unchangeable laws!

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# God's Plan and Man's Response

By BURTON A. MILEY

May 5, 1957

Genesis 1:27-28; 6:5-8; 8:20-22

"Will it work?" This natural question arises from each experiment, model, or newly adopted method. It is a practical consideration from creation and man's beginning. Will it work for man to be a free agent: Can man compete in a sin-producing environment where temptations are prevalent: Will it work for man and woman to live in the midst of plenty and not have access to every resource? God alone can answer. It is his plan which undergirds the earth. The plan of God is eternal. Man's response or lack of it, does not change God's plan for man.

The response from man has established a very definite pattern. Man continues to act as he did in the Garden of Eden. He turns from God to forfeit great blessings for his welfare and for God's plan for him. God has given him much, but man desires the forbidden fruit and counts it sweet to taste. Sin follows a definite pattern of disobedience, violence, judgment, and retribution.

## God's Plan

God's plan can be divided into two general parts. The first deals with what man is. The second reveals what man is to do. Man pleases God by what he is. Any man with perverted personal qualities cannot please God. These qualities must exist in man through the work God has done for him. They originally existed in creation solely from God's work. He "breathed" them to man. Faith is man's way of appropriation. Without faith it is impossible to please God for without faith God's work for man cannot enter him.

God planned that man should be like him in personal qualities and created him in his own image. He would have the power of judgment and choice. He would be a person of moral perspective. He could choose the path which he walked. He was conscious of other things and people who might be around him. He was a rational being. Yet he was independent in existence of others about him. He was personal. This challenge to choose to be as God in his personal quality and attributes has been handed down from Adam. It is God's plan for every man, woman, and child. Man's original sin was that he chose to go against the command of God at the point of knowledge of good and evil.

The second step to God's plan for man was that he should propagate his specie. Man, through powers of procreation was to multiply his kind to replenish the earth. Man fouled God's plan through sin because man fell in

the race. His descendants had inclination to sin. The testimony of any man is that it is not hard to sin. Temptation to sin, popularity in sin and depravity in man make it easy for any man to sin. Man does not produce man as God originally made him. But man produces one who has "the imagination from his heart evil from his youth." (6:5 also 8:21)

The third step in God's plan was that man should hold mastery over all created life on the earth. He was the one to have mastery over fish, fowl, cattle and everything that moved by life upon the earth. This mastery was neither for pride nor possession. Man was superior over God's creatures with all things subordinate to him. Thus animals would be servants to man and finally a source of food and shelter. They would serve man in his world.

## Man's Response

Man responded to this plan of God by default. Eden is the story. The one tree which was prohibited was used by man. One transgression closed Eden. One rebellion kept Moses from the Promised Land. The importance of one sin never can be overlooked whether it is mild or flagrant. Man disobeyed God. This disobedience set up a chain reaction. Adam sinned and his son killed. Lamech continued by shedding blood and making glad over the gory deed. The flood came as climax to this spread of evil.

Every imagination of the thoughts of man's heart was evil continually. Sin in the human race is like agitated water in a boiling pot, constantly in motion, permeating the mass. The sin led to violence in man's action with man and with God. Sin always leads to violence. Sin in a family can make domestic violence. Sin in a person causes personal violence. Sin in a nation results in national violence and sin in international life calls for wars and rumors of war. Sin always leads to violence, perpetuates it, fosters it.

The third item in the chain of events from man's sin is God's judgment. God never lets violence pass unnoticed. Neither does he permit the cause of violence to pass undetected. God deals with both cause and effect. God judges the effect of our sin along with the cause. And he saw that man's heart was sinful to the point that "it repented the Lord that he made man on the earth." This repentance is not a turning from wrong for God had done no wrong in placing man in his pristine position on earth. It was a repentance in the sense of being sorry that man had voluntarily turned to transgression. Man's transgression did not prompt a perfect God to drop him and leave him in his predicament of sin.

Rather it prompted God to do more for man and the story of the Ark enters the record.

Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord and was chosen to ride through God's judgment in safety. Others would be destroyed but Noah would be saved. Others were destroyed by flood waters because of evil thought and action. Noah was saved through obedience by building and entering the Ark. It is well to note that evil is never routed by argument. The only thing that can displace evil is the entrance of good. If evil could be routed by argument, education would be sufficient for moral regeneration. If evil could be moved by argument, philosophy and science might have preachments powerful to moral regeneration. But evil can only be moved by the presence of good. Noah rode the Ark to safety while others died. Noah kept alive the fowl and beast for use on this side the flood. Noah sacrificed unto the Lord and the Lord established a covenant that never again would there be destruction by water and the rainbow was made to span the heavens as a sign of God's graciousness. It is God's signature over a sinful, darkened earth that though man's response is not what it should be to God, God's plan remains intact. The rainbow does not verify the fact of no further judgment. It testifies that water will not be the instrument of total world destruction. (Gen. 9:11)

## Practical Lessons

ISN'T IT TOO BAD THAT MAN CAN'T USE GOD'S WAY? "All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned everyone to his own way." It is when man has left God's way that he encounters trouble. The only way that God can be honored and man fruitfully blessed is for man to turn to God. One man going God's way packs power unmeasured for the present or future. Remember Noah? Elijah? God's plan awaits man's response by obedience.

MAN WANTS TO QUIT TOO EASILY AND SOON. Man is tempted to quit when his plan runs into difficulty or lack of response. He draws out of action. He shifts to the side. Not so with God. When Eden folded, revelation began to unfold Christ. When the flood was over, Abraham was called. Man can learn a lesson from God by not giving up. Give out!

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## The Cooperative Program Is Scriptural

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Cooperation is the basic principle of the plan. The idea of cooperation is based on I Corinthians 3:9: "For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building."

Therefore, this program is a great fellowship of believers serving the Lord Christ by voluntarily pooling their financial resources. Each member gives money to the church and each church gives money to all mission causes through the Cooperative Program.

"Cooperative" does not mean coercion. There are no dictators to run the

Baptist work. But, Baptists chose leaders under the aegis of the Holy Spirit to administer the affairs of the Kingdom.

But, best of all, the Cooperative Program is the response Baptists have given to Jesus when he said: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

At least, we as Southern Baptists have demonstrated to the world that our plan gets more work done than any other. So, where others systematize their opposition, while some groups anathematize us, while the uninformed criticize the program, while the "do-nothings" falsify the truth, let us realize that all this is but another way the Devil has of making Hell oversized. While some criticize, slanderize through their smear pages, and ostracize those who promote the program, God's leaders have continued to push ahead, knowing that the Cooperative Program is God's plan for Baptists.

Among the ranks of those who oppose the Cooperative Program efforts of Baptists, there is vacillation, stagnation, procrastination, falsification, and everything but edification; nevertheless, we go on doing business for God in a business-like and Christ-like fashion.

Excuse me, for this time, I want to put my tithe into my envelope and give it through my church, because 26 per cent of it goes through the Cooperative Program to teach, preach, heal and educate. I plan to continue this program until God reveals a better one to his people. So mote it be. Amen.—RD

## Eudora Progress

It was the writer's privilege to be in the opening service of the new Baptist church house in Eudora recently. This is one of the most magnificent buildings that we know about. They have, at present, ample room for all their work and the sanctuary is one of exquisite beauty and one cannot help but admire its lovely lines. Young Homer

Bradley is one of the most alert, spiritual pastors that we have. He has led the church in the erection of this building. He believes in preaching, too, and refuses to be rushed through his sermon or to cut it short to suit the whims of some people. He is held in high esteem by his church. He is one of the finest young men that we have in the Arkansas ministry.—BLB

## Chicago Convention

The Southern Baptist Convention will meet in Chicago next month, opening on the night of Tuesday, May 28, and continue through Friday night. Get registration cards at our office. No church is entitled to more than ten.



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Missouri Pacific Train No. 8 leaves Little Rock at 3:35 p. m. and carries a through pullman to Chicago arriving at Chicago at 7 a. m. the following morning. Train No. 32 leaves Little Rock at 11:50 p. m., arriving in Chicago at 2:08 p. m. the following day. This train carries a pullman only to St. Louis and it would be necessary to change cars in St. Louis. Of course, an extra pullman could be put on either train if the railroad company knows about its necessity in time to arrange for it. On the return trip it is possible to leave Chicago at 4:50 p. m. and arrive in Little Rock at 10:30 a. m. the following day.

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