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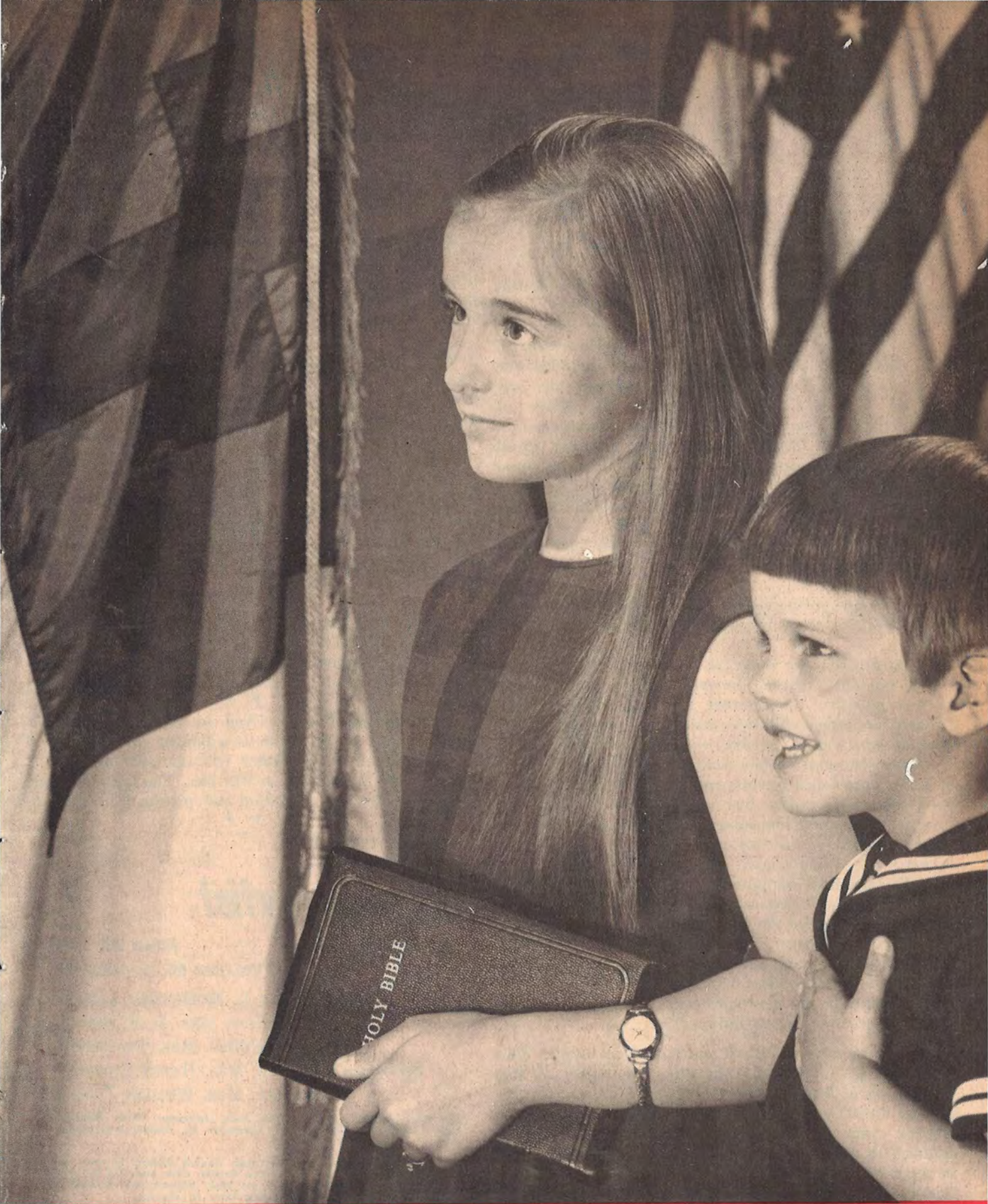
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# Arkansas Baptist

*newsmagazine*

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## Independence month

SINCE we do not publish the week of July 4, this issue, though dated in June, is our July 4 issue.

July has been described as "the most important month in American history." Three historic events of great significance, which occurred in July, included: the adoption of the Declaration of Independence (on July 4, 1776) by the Continental Congress; the Battle of Gettysburg; and ratification of the 14th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, granting to all persons born or naturalized in the United States equal protection under the law and forbidding the states to deprive any person of "life, liberty or property without due process of law."

Of course, the first of these stands as the high water mark of American history.

In a campaign speech in 1858, Abraham Lincoln said of the Declaration of Independence and those who produced it:

"They grasped not only the whole race of men then living, but they reached forward and seized upon the farthest posterity; they erected a beacon to guide their children and their children's children, and the countless myriads who should inhabit the earth in other ages.

"Wise statesmen as they were, they knew the tendency of posterity to breed tyrants; and so they established these great self-evident truths, that when in the distant future, some men, some faction, some interest, should set up the doctrine that none but rich men, or none but white men, or none but Anglo Saxons, were entitled to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, their posterity might look up again to the Declaration of Independence and take courage to renew the battle which their fathers began—so that truth, and justice, and mercy, and all the humane and Christian virtues might not be extinguished from the land; so that no man hereafter would dare to limit and circumscribe the great principles on which the temple of liberty was being built.

"Now, my countrymen, if you have been taught doctrines which conflict with the great landmarks of the Declaration of Independence, if you have listened to suggestions which would take from its grandeur, and mutilate the symmetry of its proportions; if you have been inclined to believe that all men are *not* created equal in those inalienable rights enumerated by our charter of liberty, let me entreat you to come back... to the truths that are in the Declaration of Independence."

And such reasoning is just as appropriate for 1967 as it was for 1858!

*Erwin L. McDonald*

## IN THIS ISSUE:

'WHAT can I do to prevent a heart attack?' This question was put to Pastor Bruce H. Price, Newport News, Va., shortly after his return to the pulpit following hospital and home rest required by his heart attack. Dr. Price answers the question in an open letter on pages 14 and 15.

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BILL Phagan—a good example of a Christian warrior—is the subject of an article by James F. Humphries, missionary associate in Vietnam. The story of a 20-year-old armed forces veteran engaged in two wars may be found on page 10.

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WE'D like to introduce you to our new Sunday School writer for Life and Work lessons for the next quarter. He is C. W. Brockwell of North Little Rock. Mr. Brockwell is pastor of Graves Memorial Church. His first two lessons (the *Newsmagazine* does not publish next week) are on pages 20 and 21.

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A PROMINENT Arkansas businessman and Baptist lay leader has accepted the post of executive secretary-treasurer of the Southern Baptist Foundation. Kendall Berry, according to the Baptist Press story, page 6, will begin his work Aug. 1.

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TODAY we are concluding an excellent series on parliamentary procedure by Missionary Carl M. Overton, page 4. Mr. Overton tells us that he may return to our pages if any questions of general interest are sent to him.

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LIKE father—like son. And so it is in the Ryan family. Father H. W. Ryan is a Baptist preacher. So is Son Eugene A. Ryan. Father was married on June 3. Twenty-three years later so was son. The story of their double anniversary celebration and picture is on page 8.

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# Beatnick or patriot?

AS we approach the observance of another Independence Day, we continue to see some strange manifestations of Americanism. In sharp contrast to the noble sentiments set forth by the founding fathers in the Declaration of Independence are such widely publicized carryings-on as the burning of military draft cards, the desecration of the American flag, the cursing of the federal government, and the open promotion of disobedience to law and order. The sporadic breaking out of widely scattered riots—both cause and consequence of anarchy—points to another “long, hot summer.”

Let us concede that not all of the American ideals envisioned by Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, and others, have been attained in the 191 years that have passed since July 4, 1776. Sons of the writers of the Declaration of Independence turned out to be among the first to abrogate in actual practice the noted declaration and to adopt as “orthodox doctrine” the *inequality* of man. But, alas, they were not to be the last of their kind. There continues to be a great application gap between the Declaration of Independence and the way we treat one another as fellow Americans.

The “unalienable rights” of “Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of happiness” continue to be little more than pretty words for many among us. But in much of the world, these are not even included in the ideals and goals of governments, let alone in purpose and practice. Our practice here in America does fall far short of our theory. But much progress is being made toward the actual fulfillment of our great principles.

What we need is not to junk our government with its yet unattained goal for real democracy. We just need to be as zealous in our stand for each citizen's rights as for our own. Let's make our pledge of allegiance “to the Flag of the United States of America and the Republic for which it stands” more than lip service. Anybody can be a beatnick or a rabble rouser. But it takes real patriots to shoulder personal responsibility for helping our nation fulfil its destiny of being “... under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

## Good neighbors

MORE than half of the 6.5 million college students currently enrolled in colleges and universities across the United States are interested in serving as volunteers, to go and live with and work among the poor.

This news broke recently with announcement of findings by the Gallup Organization. According to a Gallup poll, 53 per cent of college students interviewed said that they would like to work in the program of Volunteers In Service To America (VISTA). Seventy-one per cent of these were women and 41 per cent were men.

Most of those expressing an interest in serving with VISTA indicated a preference for working during a 10-

week VISTA Associates summer program. One in four indicated a desire to work on part-time basis during the college year. Eighteen per cent said that they would be interested in enrolling for the normal, year-long VISTA volunteer program.

Under the VISTA Associates program, 2,400 college juniors will work in poverty areas this summer, at no pay. This compares with 500 who worked in the program last year, the first year of the Associates program.

One thing that the War on Poverty program has spotlighted is that poor people are starved for the companionship of fellow human beings who will meet them on their own level and in their home surroundings to help them, in love, with the bearing of their own burdens.

Pulaski County, through the sponsorship of its Economic Opportunity Agency, has seen at close range the beginning and completion of a number of projects by VISTAs working in local poverty communities. The program here had its last year with two or three workers, and now has a staff of a dozen. One of the latest projects for these key helpers has been the cleaning, painting, and refurbishing of buildings to be used for multi-poverty community centers in the poverty areas.

It is most encouraging—and a good example for Christians generally—for this large segment of the present college generation to want to put their good neighborliness into action where it is so desperately needed.

### TO WHICH WE OWE OUR POSITION





## Juniors read paper

The Junior II Dept. of Vacation Bible School, in the First Baptist of Springdale has been studying about missions in our state, nation, and around the world. We had one day's study of our Baptist state paper.

We read articles from the magazine aloud and discussed them.

We want to thank you and your staff for publishing such a good paper. We will all read it more in the future after studying it this week.—Sincerely, Committee for the Dept., First Baptist Church, Springdale, Ark.

## The Cover



*NASHVILLE—Vacation Bible School and summertime fun go hand in hand. Before school begins in September, over 3 million boys and girls will have attended Vacation Bible Schools in Southern Baptist churches and missions throughout America. Those who attend a two-week Bible school will receive almost double the hours of Bible study they normally would throughout the year. Since 1936, when a record of conversions in Vacation Bible Schools was first kept, there have been 1,142,854 professions of faith reported. (BSSB photo.)*

## Completes Ph. D. work

S. M. Mayo, pastor, Gosnell Church, Mississippi County Association, is completing work on his Ph. D. at Southwestern Seminary.

New associational pastors include: Wayne Maness, Midwestern Seminary, at Whitton and Allen Van Horn, a former Woodland Corner pastor, at Dyess Central. (AB)

# A striking illustration of the power of the Word

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

The Telugu Mission in the Ongole District of India is a striking illustration of the power of patience, prayer, and the spoken Word.

The work was first established by Rev. Samuel S. Day when he located his permanent headquarters at Nellore in February, 1840. Here he was joined by Lyman Jewett in 1848. But the Telugu people failed to respond. Faithful, diligent, earnest efforts produced little results. By 1848 the question of abandoning the work was raised. Nothing was done about it. The question was raised again in 1853 by the Baptist General Convention, and still again in 1862. But Dr. Jewett pled for its continuance and support. This was granted.

John E. Clough went to this field in 1864 but little happened of consequence until 1874. In July of that year the usual southwest monsoon which sprouts and waters the rice crop failed, as did the northwest monsoon of October. Famine resulted. Word was sent to the United States and Great Britain that unless aid came thousands would starve. Generous was the response and the starving Telugus were supported until June.

Seeds were furnished to plant the new crop. Just as it came up, a long wet season rotted the plants. Again, seed was furnished for the October monsoon. With the promise of a bountiful harvest the people watched helplessly as hoards of locusts devoured the crop. But help still came from America.

One relief measure was the government's construction of the Buckingham Canal. Dr. Clough, possessing engineering skill, was given a contract to construct four miles of this canal. Couriers went throughout the district informing the people that there was plenty of work and that the people would be well cared for. The missionary appointed native Christian preachers to oversee the work. When they were not at work the preachers read the Bible and taught the gospel. Thousands heard the message because the Telugus would return home when they were fed and strengthened and others would take their place.

Interest in the gospel began to be evident. Many applied for baptism but were not taken into the church. On Christmas day, 1877, Dr. Clough awoke to find the mission compound filled with 2,300 people seeking admission into the church. He declined, fearing they were moved by desire for further help rather than by a sincere love for God.

When the fourth distribution of seed grain was planted in June, 1878, the people were told they could expect no more help. With no promise of aid, Dr. Clough now thought he could begin baptizing those who applied. He asked the native preachers to give him the names of important men in the villages, heads of families, whom they believed to be true Christians. About 300 people assembled. They were examined and baptized.

A few days later about 300 more, having heard of the former action, presented themselves, were examined, and baptized. By now, Dr. Clough realized the working of God and sent out his native preachers again. He instructed them to carefully examine the people and to call a limited number to meet him on a certain day at Vilumpilly on the banks of the Gundalacuma river near Ongole. He instructed them not to let a large number come. Imagine his surprise when arising upon the morning after his arrival to see the fields surrounding his bungalow filled with people. They had disregarded the preachers' instructions and had come to follow Christ in baptism.

At six o'clock on the morning of July 3, 1878, two preachers walked down the sloping bed of the river into the water. Two clerks called the names of the candidates in order, thus first one preacher baptized a candidate, then the other. This service continued until 10 a.m. The preachers were relieved by two others every hour, so they might not become chilled and weary. Thus all six ordained native preachers had a part in this service. At 2 p.m. baptizing was resumed, and between 5 and 6 o'clock the work was done. Two thousand, two hundred and twenty-two persons had been baptized in a single day by six people.

But this was not all. Dr. Clough and his associates journeyed throughout the Ongole field of 10,000 square miles, preaching and baptizing. Before the year was over 9,000 candidates had been baptized in a mission which less than 20 years before American Baptists had talked of abandoning.





**America**

America is to me a land  
 For which our fathers died,  
 A land of untold beauty  
 That fills our hearts with pride.

America to me is Washington  
 Franklin, Lincoln, Grant and  
 Lee

Who fought and died that there  
 might be  
 Homes here for you and me.

A land of mighty rivers  
 And roaring waterfalls,  
 A land of majestic mountains  
 And red-woods straight and tall.

A land of fields and meadows  
 Where lazy cattle roam,  
 A land where the very poorest  
 Can have a place called "home"

A land of springs and fountains  
 Where healing waters flow,  
 And the vast expanse of oceans  
 Where ships come in and go.

America is a land with open  
 arms

To the homeless and distressed,  
 A land of hope and charity  
 By the heavenly father blessed.

A land of gold and diamonds rare,  
 Of cotton fields and corn,  
 A land of many wondrous things  
 Is this land where I was born.

This then to me is America  
 Let us all to her be true,  
 There is to me just one flag  
 The red and white and blue.

Mrs. E. J. Keele,  
 Little Rock



**FATHER OF THE YEAR**—Ray Owen proudly displays the original of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine cover of June 15 bearing his portrait by George Fisher. Mr. Owen was presented with the framed painting June 18 by Editor Erwin L. McDonald, who conferred on him the title of "Arkansas Baptist Father of the Year" during services at Mr. Owen's church, East Main, El Dorado. With Mr. Owen are his wife, his daughter, Mrs. James Hanna, Lafayette, La., and his son, Phil Owen, El Dorado.

**The bookshelf**

**The Living God**, by Richard W. DeHaan, Zondervan, 1967, \$2.50

That the transcendent God loved men is one of the major emphases of this book of messages.

The author is the son of the noted Dr. M. R. DeHaan, who died in 1965, following many years as a radio Bible teacher. He assumed the responsibility of teaching his father's famous Radio Bible Class.

This book is divided into five divisions: The Living God, The Infinite God, The Triune God, The Son of God, and The Spirit of God.

**Instant Picnic Fun**, by Virginia Musselman, Association Press, 1967, \$3.50

Miss Musselman served as director of Program department, National Recreation and Park Association, from 1941 to 1966. She has here an "all-encompassing guide to quick-and-easy picnic fun fare for young and old."

Parents, teachers, group leaders and others interested in a wide variety of plays and games for men, women, boys,

and girls and mixed groups will find this book invaluable.

**Living Words**, compiled by F. Elmo Robinson from the writings of Frank C. Laubach, Zondervan, 1967, \$2.95

The dynamism and commitment to Jesus Christ of Dr. Frank Laubach, world citizen and Christian leader, are felt in each of the devotional selections making up this 100-page book. The material is carried under subject headings, making it easy to locate and use.

Recent new paperbacks include: **Billy Graham**, the Authorized Biography, by John Pollock, Zondervan, 1967, 95 cents

**Pen Pictures in the Upper Room**, fourteen Communion sermons, by Bernard C. Clausen, Baker, 1967, \$1.50

**95 Brief Talks**, for various occasions, by C. B. Eavey, Baker, 1967, \$1.50

**Poems for Special Days**, for preachers, evangelists, speakers, writers, by Billy Apostolon, Baker, 1967, \$1.50

**1,800 Speech Sparklers**, by E. C. McKenzie, Baker, 1967, \$1.50



## Berry elected Foundation executive

NASHVILLE—Kendall Berry, prominent Baptist businessman and banker from Blytheville, has been named executive secretary-treasurer of the Southern Baptist Foundation, effective Aug. 1.

Berry will succeed J. W. Storer, who retires Aug. 1 after 10½ years as head of the foundation, which invests reserves, endowments and trusts for agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Currently, Berry is a director for three banks, director of the Arkansas-Missouri Power Co., vice chairman and director of the Blytheville Warehouse Co.

A deacon for 22 years, active in denominational affairs, Berry was chairman of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, 1959-60. He currently is chairman of the finance committee for the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary board of trustees.

Storer, who had announced plans on Mar. 16 to retire when a successor could be named, said he was delighted over Berry's election, and added that he has "all the qualities this position needs."

When asked about his future plans, Storer said that at least for the present, he and Mrs. Storer will continue to reside in Nashville at the Windsor Towers, 4215 Harding Road.

"The foundation, and all phases of Baptist life are indeed fortunate in his acceptance of the position," said Storer following Berry's election.

Berry had earlier told the executive committee of the SBC Foundation, "It will be my purpose to expand the excellent program of the Southern Baptist Foundation to the fullest possible financial undergirding of all our Baptist causes.

"It will be an opportunity," he said, "to serve the denomination as we work together toward building the foundation into a service institution for all other Southern Baptist agencies in providing investment service, writing of wills, trusts or any other financial advice for the benefit of Baptists in relation to our denomination as a whole."

The Southern Baptist Foundation is an agency of the SBC which invests and administers wills, trusts, endowments and reserves for the benefit of SBC agencies and related organizations. Total amount held and invested during 1966 was \$8.6 million.



KENDALL BERRY

Berry, 60, was born and reared in Prentiss, Miss. He attended the University of Mississippi, Oxford, and graduated with the bachelor of journalism degree from the University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.

He has had careers as a weekly newspaper editor, publisher, commercial printer, banker and investments expert.

Berry and his wife, Thelma, have two sons, Alan and John. (BP)

### Dehoney on radio

"The Baptist Hour" sermon theme for July through August 6 will be "A Faith to Live By." The sermon topics are:

July 2 "Bringing Your Religion Up to Date"

July 9 "How to Win Over Worry"

July 16 "Keeping Your Balance in a Crazy World"

July 23 "A Relevant Gospel"

July 30 "Every Man's Question"

August 6 "Guaranteed Forever!"

Dr. Wayne Dehoney, pastor of Walnut Street Church of Louisville, Ky., is the "Baptist Hour" speaker from July 2 through August 6.

### Southern scholarships

Basketball scholarships have been awarded by Southern College, Walnut Ridge, to four Arkansans: John Best and Wade Coots, both from Cash; Allan Bruce, Delaplaine; and Jerry Clayton, Strawberry.

### OBU honor students

Twenty Ouachita University students have been named to the President's List and another 85 have made the Dean's List for the spring semester.

Those named to the President's List for maintaining a grade point 86.0 are:

Donna Karen Abel, Forrest City; Thomas Wayne Bolton, Little Rock; Erwin Russell Burbank, St. Ann, Mo.; James Nelson Davis, Little Rock; Walter Randolph Ellis, Malvern; Delbert Quincy Grigson, Little Rock.

James Arthur McCarty, Arkadelphia; Mary Elizabeth McGee, Camden; Beverly Ann McGuire, Malvern; Deborah Mashburn, Bay Minette, Ala.; William Edward Merrell, Benton; Dickie Ray Murphy, Hackett; Barbara Lynne Nonomaque, Ft. Smith; Amelia Jane Owens, Russellville.

Sandra DeLois Penny, Paragould; Patsy Vandell Rankin, Texarkana; Paul Allen Rhoads, North Little Rock; Marjorie Wingfield Toombs, Gurdon; Mary Ann Wooten, Hampton; and Margaret Lynne Wright, Arkadelphia.

Students on the Dean's List are:

Gary Don Alverson, Ft. Smith; Gretchen Elaine Anderson, North Little Rock; Jane Lynelle Barrow, Mena; Barbara Kay Bell, North Little Rock; Marilyn Camille Bishop, Nashville; Cayburn Cavin Bratton, McGehee.

Carolyn Brittain, Lavaca; John Miller Brooks, Little Rock; Linda Lorraine Brown, Texarkana; Danny Franklin Bufford, Paragould; Vanette Burks, Benton; Katherine Rose Burns, Little Rock; Joan Louise Christilles, Texarkana; Joseph Melville Class, Seattle, Wash.

Charles David Claybrook, Paragould; Mark Thomas Coppenger, Arkadelphia; Barbara Ann Criss, Mena; Helen Davis, Arkadelphia; Gary Leon Detherage, Benton; Shirley Ann Dixon, North Little Rock; Veronica Doppeberala, Benton; Mary Ellen Earls, Mulberry.

Jack Lee Elliot, Blytheville; William Merle Estep, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Janice Marie Ezell, Perryville; Judy Gail Freeman, Arkadelphia; Michael Leon Garner, Stamps; George Daniel Gaske, Pine Bluff; Thomas Elton Goodwin, Nashville; Dee Ann Elizabeth Grigsby, Malvern.

Lynette Guy, Burlington, Tex.; Wanda Joyce Hamilton, Hazen; Charles Allen Hampton, Rantoul, Ill.; Alvin Scott Hardin, Camden; Bryan Layton Harmon, When Springs; Johnny Luther Hefflin, Little Rock; Gloria Janet Henker, Little Rock; Sandra Hethcoat, Danville.

Loucinda Lee Hicks, North Little Rock; Patricia Ann Hicks, Hensley; Sheba Fran Holden, Pine Bluff; Jane Carolyn Hollis, Little Rock; Herman Eldon Hurd, Springdale; Joe Lynn Hurst, Arkadelphia; Martha Annette Johnson, Little Rock; Vicki Lynn Jones, Little Rock.

Donna Carolyn Joyce, Stamps; Carol Jo Kimbrough, Arkadelphia; Joe Downs King, Nashville; Glenda Vonne Lambert, Dumas; Janice Claire Laney, El Dorado; Marilyn McAtee, Smackover; Leah Kathleen Matlock, Pine Bluff; David Edward Medley, Little Rock; William Marvin Meeks, III, El Dorado; Martha Ann Morrison, Poyen; Patricia Annette Murphree, Arkadelphia; Wayne Nicholson, Hot Springs; Delbert Wayne Palmer, McGehee; Shera Lynne Parish, North Little Rock; James Thomas Phelan, Donaldson; Linda Grace Piker, Coal Hill.

Rebecca Sue Ralph, Little Rock; Martha Ann Rayfield, Ironton, Mo.; Sherry Ann Reynolds, Mena; Gary Wayne Rice, Waldron; Nora Louise Robertson, Arkadelphia; Kathryn Ann Shaddox, Harrison; Rod Lynn Sharpe, Granite City, Ill.; Sandie Lee Shippis, Arkadelphia.

Doris June Sorrells, El Dorado; Hoy Barksdale Speer, Osceola; Patricia Merry Stipek, Hot Springs; Judith Louise Strother, Watson; William Rich Terry, Tyrone; Allan Roy Threet, Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.; Sammy Ray Tinsley, Memphis, Tenn.; Janice Elaine Tucker, Texarkana.

Marilyn Kay Vines, North Little Rock; Clyde Vire, Clarksville; Paul Loring Waldron, San Pedro, Calif.; Ann Carroll Walker, Walnut Ridge; Jean LaVerne Wall, Little Rock; Cynthia Elaine Wilson, Arkadelphia; and Sharon Kay Windham, Little Rock.

### Full-time minister

Jack Price, who has been serving as part-time minister of music for Second Church, Hot Springs, has been placed on a full-time basis. Walter Yeldell is pastor. (CB)



## Precedence of motions

"One of the most important problems in the mastery of parliamentary law is that of the proper precedence to be allowed to the different motions or questions as they arise" (Kerfoot, p. 104). One might think that this mastery should come first. However, the order of precedence can be seen only when one becomes familiar with the kinds of motions and the part they play in accomplishing the desires of the body. Thus, when one has understood the motion itself and what it is designed to do, he then is able to assign it an order of precedence in relationship to other motions.

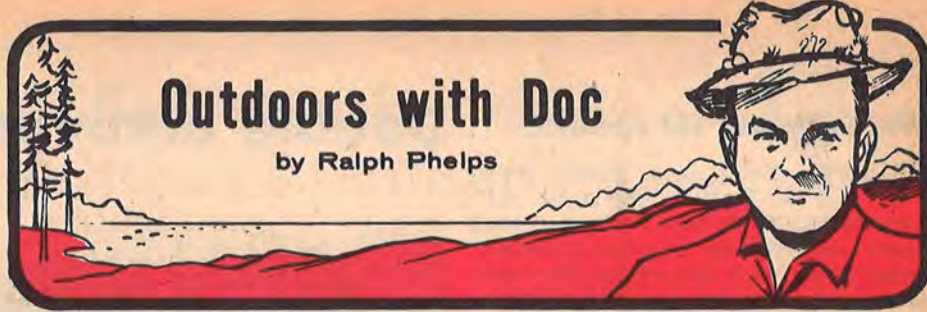
The main question (or motion) is seen as the lowest in grade of all motions. Until this motion is made, seconded, and stated by the chair the body has nothing to do or talk about. This is why one was ruled out of order at the state convention meeting recently. He was discussing a motion which had not yet been made and refused to state the motion before the discussion.

This is the final article in the series on parliamentary procedure by Mr. Overton, unless a question of general interest is submitted to him.

From the main motion, the next highest order of precedence goes to subsidiary questions. These relate directly to the main motion as to what shall be done with it. First, shall it be considered at all? Next comes the motion to table. This motion is not as harsh in application as the question of consideration, yet it may accomplish the same thing ultimately. Following the motion to table is the question of postponement to a definite time, or to refer to a committee. Then there is the question to amend. The motion to substitute takes its place in equal rank with the motion to amend since it amends by substitution. These motions delay consideration of the question or change the original. Working from the main question, these subsidiary questions above have been given here in the order of their precedence beginning with the highest grade.

Incidental questions grow out of the consideration of the main question and its subsidiary questions. These are, in the order of precedence, points of order, reading of papers, leave to withdraw, suspension of the rules, division of the question, method of consideration.

The highest of all questions or motions in precedence are those called "privileged questions." These rank among themselves as follows: Motion to fix the time to which to adjourn, to adjourn, to take a recess, questions



## Outdoors with Doc

by Ralph Phelps

### Truth and consequences!

Anyone who reads this column even occasionally is keenly aware that Doc is in acute need of help. But when a psychiatrist volunteers that assistance, the situation must be pretty bad.

Recently Dr. W. Payton Kolb, prominent Little Rock psychiatrist and active Baptist layman, sent along the following story told by his uncle, Harmon Kolb, from southwest Arkansas:

"The story involves the fact that he lived rather close to the Cosatot River. (I understand there is some question about the spelling of it but I believe this is correct.) The river used to flood frequently and would come almost up to his front porch.

"One year it flooded a little later than usual, and some corn he had planted on the river bank was quite far advanced in growth. As the story goes, one afternoon he was sitting on his front porch watching his flooded corn field, and he noticed that occasionally a tassel would shake. On being intrigued by this phenomenon he got into a boat and drifted out into this corn field, equipped with a fish gig. He sat quietly in the boat, gig in hand, watching his corn. He timed himself perfectly and when a tassel moved he let fly with his fish gig. He struck pay dirt, and when he pulled it in he had giggered a 12-pound buffalo fish.

"Obviously, of course, the fish was eating the corn on the cob. I believe the truthfulness of our family has been very well established; consequently, I have no reason to doubt this story. I believe it is a little more feasible than your recent story concerning the turkeys."

of privilege (personal), and orders of the day.

"Any question that springs up incidentally to another question, takes precedence of the question out of which it springs" (Kerfoot, p. 112). One should keep in mind the relationship of one question to another as he considers the order of precedence.

First, master the principles of the question itself and what it is designed to do and this within itself will suggest the natural precedence of motions.—Carl M. Overton

### No paper next week

In compliance with our custom of publishing 50 editions yearly, there will be no Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine dated July 6.

On pages 19-22 we are bringing you Sunday School lessons for the next two weeks.

### Glorieta bus planned

The Baptist Student Union at Arkansas A. & M. College plans to sponsor a bus to Glorieta for Student Week, Aug. 24-30. A special invitation is

extended to all young people who will be entering A. & M. College this fall.

Those who are interested may secure details by writing the Baptist Student Union, Arkansas A&M College, College Heights, Ark. 71633, Kenneth McCain, student director.

### High rating for OBU

In a quality rating of the nation's 1,187 colleges, Ouachita University received the second highest score in Arkansas with 376 points. The state average was 369 points.

Only one point separated the two top schools, with Hendrix College in Conway rated 377 points.

Other Arkansas colleges ranked in the study were Arkansas State University, 368 points; Henderson State College, 364 points, and Harding College, 361 points. The University of Arkansas was not ranked.

When informed of Ouachita's rating, President Ralph A. Phelps Jr. said he was particularly pleased to note that two of the ranked colleges and universities in Arkansas were in Arkadelphia and that three of the schools were church-related institutions.



## Double anniversary in family



Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Ryan (right) and their son and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Eugene A. Ryan (left) observed a double anniversary June 3 with a reception at the Little Rock home of the senior Ryans.

It was Golden Wedding anniversary for the senior Ryans, who were married 50 years ago in Little Rock by Sam Campbell, pastor, Second Church. Mrs.

Ryan, who was Miss Ruby Holwell, was a member of the choir of Immanuel Church and Mr. Ryan was a brakeman for Missouri-Pacific Railroad. He was ordained to the ministry in 1936 and has served several churches in the Little Rock area. He was pastor of First Church, Jacksonville, from 1944 to 1951, when he left to accept the pastorate of First Church, Marvell. He retired in 1955 and has been active since that time in revival and interim pastor work.

The younger Mr. Ryan is pastor of Lonoke Church. He and the former Miss Elizabeth Chaney were married on his parents' anniversary 17 years ago. He has served the Lonoke church since 1961.

The older Ryans have two other children, a son, Reuben E. Ryan, Little Rock, and Mrs. Dollie Roth, Alexander. They have three grandchildren.



BILLY R. USERY



JOHN McCLANAHAN



EDDIE SIMPSON

## Wilson in state

Rev. and Mrs. James M. Wilson, Southern Baptist missionaries to Equatorial Brazil, arrived in the States recently for furlough (their address: 704 W. 24th St., Pine Bluff). He is a native of Pine Bluff; she, the former Betty Miller, is a native of Hannah, N. D. At the time of their missionary appointment in 1963 he was pastor of Beech Street Church, Gurdon.

## McClanahan TU speaker

John H. McClanahan, pastor, First Church, Pine Bluff, is the guest pastor-preacher at the first Training Union Week at Virginia Baptist Assembly, Eagle Eyrie, near Lynchburg. The week began June 26 and concludes July 1. Walton Connelly is the state Training Union director.

Mr. McClanahan has been notified that one of his sermons has been accepted by Paul Butler of New Jersey for inclusion in his volume, **Best Sermons X**, a series on contemporary preaching. The sermon on the nature of Christian discipleship is entitled, "The Ecstasy and the Agony."

## Serves Gravel Ridge

Eddie Simpson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Simpson, North Little Rock, will serve as summer youth director of First Church, Gravel Ridge.

On June 26, 1966, Eddie was licensed to preach. He will be a sophomore this fall at Ouachita College, where he is majoring in religion and sociology.

## Usery to Clarksville

Billy R. Usery has resigned as pastor of First Church Berryville, to accept the pastorate of First Church, Clarksville. Mr. Usery's resignation, which became effective June 26, comes after three years and ten months of ministry to the Berryville Church.

Mr. Usery is a graduate of Little Rock University and Southwestern Seminary. He has served student pastorates in Arkansas and Texas.

## Overton in Tennessee

James A. Overton, whose retirement as pastor of Marked Tree First became effective June 1, is now residing at 111 Long Street, Parsons, Tenn., 38363. He is available for supply or interim pastorate in Arkansas.

Shortly before his resignation after five years' service, Mr. Overton saw the completion of a new auditorium and educational facilities at Marked Tree. He was succeeded by Bernard Beasley, former pastor of Union Church, El Dorado.

## Squires at institute

Harry H. Squires, associate professor of business at Ouachita University, is participating in the UCLA Institute in Contemporary Economics June 19 through July 14. Mr. Squires is chairman of the division of business and economics at OBU.



Chaplain (Major) Doyle L. Lumpkin, has returned from a two weeks active duty tour in Alpena, Mich., with the 188th Tactical Reconnaissance Group of Ft. Smith. Chaplain Lumpkin, who is pastor of First Church, Lavaca, has been the group chaplain for the Air Guard unit since January, 1963.

## Topes at Mbale

Rev. and Mrs. Charles A. Tope, Southern Baptist missionaries to Uganda, have moved from Jinja to Mbale (their address: Box 99, Mbale, Uganda, East Africa). Born in Catron, Mo., he grew up in Parkin; she, the former LaVerne Warnecke, was born in St. Louis, Mo., but grew up in Sikeston, Mo.

## Takes mission church

R. L. Campbell has accepted the pastorate of Myrtle Street Mission, sponsored by First Church, Cabot.

## Baptist beliefs

# Blessed the mournful

BY HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

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

(THIRD IN SERIES ON BEATITUDES)

*"Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted" (Matthew 5:4).*

Again Jesus speaks in a paradox (cf v. 3). For certainly one who mourns does not feel self-sufficient. Yet Jesus says that the one who mourns in a sense of insufficiency has within himself all that is necessary for the abundant life (blessed).

The word "mourn" (*penthountes*) means one who mourns for the dead. So it is the experience of bereavement when all hope for a loved one's life is gone. In the Septuagint (Greek translation of the Old Testament) this verb is used of Jacob's mourning when he thought that Joseph was dead (Gen. 37:35). It is the strongest word in the Greek language for mourning. A. B. Bruce says that "There can be no comfort where there is no grief." McNeile points out that this word refers not only to mourning for the dead, but also for the sorrows and sins of others.

However, in this context Jesus uses this word in a spiritual sense. It is in keeping with mourning for the sins of others. Except that following the "poor in spirit" (v. 3), it appears that such is mourning for one's own sins. A man poor in spirit recognizes that he possesses nothing within himself to commend him to God. And in such a realization he is plunged into deep mourning. He mourns not only for what his sins have done to himself but to God. Therefore, he experiences "godly sorrow" which "worketh repentance" (II Cor. 7:10). So his mourning produces *repentance*. With a sense of personal insufficiency he turns from his sin to the Saviour.

Now Jesus says that such a person "shall be comforted" (*paraklethesontai*) This Greek word is akin to the word for "Comforter," referring to the Holy Spirit (Jn. 14:16, *parakletos*) or Paraclete. It is the Holy Spirit who brings conviction (Jn. 16:8ff.). And when one under conviction yields to the Holy Spirit He also gives repentance. True repentance is productive of faith, for they are inseparable graces. It is thus that one is born of the Holy Spirit, and thus becomes a child of God.

Such a person, Jesus says, is "blessed." Through the Holy Spirit he possesses in himself all that is necessary to live the abundant life. From mourning for his sins, he finds the comfort of forgiveness. And this is the state of blessedness indeed.

**MISS RUTH MADDEN DEWOODY** 84, Little Rock, June 17.

A native of Camden, she had been a resident of Little Rock for 70 years, and had been a member of First Church for 57 years. Miss DeWoody was a retired bookkeeper and cashier for the Arkansas State Convention.

**HORACE RUBEN BOYD**, 63, Route 1, Cabot, retired Baptist minister and school teacher, June 21.

Mr. Boyd was a member of First Church, Cabot, the Masonic Lodge and Order of the Eastern Star of Cabot. For several years he was a missionary of the Caroline-Buckville Association.

**ALBERT BERNARD (BENNY) CRAIG**, 62, who had broadcast Arkansas sports for 35 years, June 21, after suffering an apparent heart attack.

Mr. Craig was attending the Coaches

Invitational Golf Tournament at Cherokee Village.

Mr. Craig was a member of Second Church, Little Rock.

## -From the churches



First Church Smackover, had a dedication service and reception for two youth workers June 11. Miss Carolyn Sue Hart, (right) Crossett, a recent graduate of Ouachita University, is the summer youth worker, at the Smackover Church. Miss Marilyn Ann McAtee, daughter of pastor and Mrs. D. C. McAtee, a junior at Ouachita, is summer youth director at Rose Hill Baptist Church, Redmond, Wash.

## Brinkley open house

Open house was held recently at the new \$35,000 parsonage of Brinkley First Church, occupied by Pastor Jack Clack and his family.

The building committee members were Robert Schaefer, chairman, Don Fuller, Lew Sorrels, Mrs. L. H. Stout, Summers Little, Mason W. Clifton, Albert L. Rusher, Fred Compton and Robert Loewer.

The church has voted to finance the establishment of a mission Sunday School in Brinkley. The location has not been selected. (DP)

## Vandervoort to build

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held by Vandervoort First Church June 11 for a T-shaped educational building to house two departments, a nursery, kitchen, pastor's study, library, secretary's office, three rest rooms and three classrooms which will double as a fellowship hall.

Participating in the service were A. F. Wall, pastor, John Watkins, Sunday School superintendent, W. E. Lowrey, Training Union director, Carl Bell, chairman of deacons and building committeeman, and Mrs. J. J. Williamson, Woman's Missionary Union president.



## Transfer church ministry

ATLANTA—An agreement to transfer the Southern Baptist church development ministry from the Home Mission Board here to the Sunday School Board in Nashville will culminate in the July release of the first revised edition of the Church Development Guide.

The revision and printing of the 1967 edition by the Sunday School Board's church administration department was the first step in the planned transfer from the Home Mission Board's department of rural-urban missions. Effective Oct. 1, the Sunday School Board also will field service this ministry. Plans for field servicing are now being developed in cooperation with state conventions.

According to C. Wilson Brumley, head of the Home Mission Board's rural-urban department, "The new Guide has very good revisions and will continue to be a useful program-planning tool for churches. The Home Mission Board will continue to advocate the utilization of the entire church development ministry."

The Guide is the basic tool for a church development ministry that promotes the creation of a well-balanced program and establishes development goals for participating churches.

The present edition of the Guide was developed in 1960 by the rural-urban department. This edition has been updated and also will be presented during home missions week at the Baptist assemblies. (BP)

## Raise mission fund

LOUISVILLE—Students and faculty of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here have raised \$1,668 to buy modern dental equipment for the Southern Baptist mission hospital in Hong Kong.

The gift of the needed equipment was part of William Wallace Week, an annual observance of the seminary student body recognizing the church's ministry through so-called "secular" professions, such as medicine.

It honors the vision of Southern Baptist Missionary William Wallace, who was martyred by the Communists in Wuchow, China, in 1950. A book on Wallace's life has recently been made into a motion picture.

A high point of the William Wallace Week observance was the presentation of an oil portrait of Wallace by Edna Frances Dawkins of the SBC Foreign Mission Board. The painting was commissioned by Ruth Everly Hayes, who served with Wallace in China and is currently a missionary to Indonesia. (BP)

## Christian witness in Vietnam

BY JAMES F. HUMPHRIES  
MISSIONARY ASSOCIATE IN VIETNAM

Many of our American servicemen in Vietnam are engaged in two wars—a material war against communist forces and a spiritual war against satanic forces of evil.

A good example of a Christian warrior is Bill Phagan, a 20-year veteran in the armed forces.

Phagan was active in his home church at Ocean City, Fla., before coming to Vietnam, and he helped many young boys become Christians through Sunday School teaching. Shortly after arrival in Vietnam, he joined the English-language Trinity Baptist Church in Saigon and shifted his attention to a witness among his service buddies.

In time, his concern included Vietnamese friends as well as Americans, and he enlisted the help of Missionary Bob Davis, pastor of the Vietnamese Grace Baptist Church in Saigon. Together these two men have ministered to Vietnamese who work with Bill at an air base. Four of the young nationals have become Christians, and others hear the preaching of the gospel at Grace and Trinity Churches.

Phagan is a busy man on Sundays.



Bill Phagan, of the U. S. Air Force, points out Bible truths to Vietnamese friends in Saigon.

He brings Vietnamese friends to a 9:30 morning worship service at Grace Church, American friends to the 11 a.m. service at Trinity Church, and still others to a 5 p.m. service at the base chapel. And he still has time left for Training Union and evening worship at Trinity Church.

## Gets improvement grants

WASHINGTON—Three Baptist medical schools are among 170 schools and colleges receiving grants totaling \$30 million to improve the quality of medical education, according to announcement by the Public Health Service of the U. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW).

The Bowman Gray School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, N. C., will receive \$129,959. The Baylor University School of Dentistry, Dallas, will get \$206,406 and the Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, will receive \$185,383.

Eighteen other church-related schools will get grants totaling \$3,103,729. Of the 18, there are 12 Roman Catholic schools, three Methodist, two Seventh Day Adventist and one Jewish. (BP)

## Catholic-Baptist talks

NASHVILLE—An editorial in *The Tennessee Register*, official newspaper of the Roman Catholic diocese of Nashville, commended the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Miami Beach and

urged Catholics not to remain aloof from Baptists but to talk with them.

The editorial, written by J. E. Eiselein, commended the election of two Tennesseans, H. Franklin Paschall of Nashville and Gerald Martin of Memphis, to top SBC positions, and also commended a speech by New Orleans Pastor J. D. Grey, who urged Baptists to be more involved with other Christians on a local level.

"We, as Catholics, as 'other Christians and men of good will,' cannot remain aloof," replied the Catholic editorial in response to Grey's quotes. "We must see that ecumenism is a two-way street," the Catholic editorial said.

"As Catholics we see in the Baptists, our brothers, that they, too, have 'hawks' and 'doves' as we do. There is no easy answer to Vietnam, the Middle East, peace in the world," the editorial continued.

"So we must talk with them, meet with them, relate the words of our leader, Pope Paul, in his repeated pleas for peace," Eiselein said. "The pope's pleas become more and more specific regarding North and South Vietnam. (BP)



## Bonding group formed

NASHVILLE—The board of governors for the newly-created National Association of Church and Institutional Financing Organizations adopted here a resolution of appreciation for a Southern Baptist leader for helping church bonding firms to organize a national professional organization.

The association's board of governors acknowledged its "deepest appreciation to the service" of James V. Lackey, director of church and institutional fund raising for the Southern Baptist Stewardship Commission here, for his role in "creation of this association."

A total of 38 persons representing 26 different church and institutional bonding firms attended the organizational meeting of the National Association of Church and Institutional Financing Organizations here.

The group elected a nine-member board of governors, asked the board of governors to draw up bylaws including a code of ethics establishing "rules of fair practice and self-discipline" among its members, and voted to hold its first annual meeting in St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 24-25, 1967.

The group attending the initial meeting was made up of underwriters, broker-dealers, and financial program supervisors relating to the financing of churches and other non-profit institutions. Until the action by the group here, there had never been a professional organization for church and institutional bonding firms.

Purpose of the new organization was stated: "to provide a medium for conference, consultation and cooperation with governmental, church denominational and public investment agencies in maintaining high standards and equitable principals in business."

K. G. Marsden, senior vice president of the B. C. Ziegler and Co., of West Bend, Wisc., was elected chairman of the organization. The Ziegler firm is reportedly the largest church bonding organization in the nation. (BP)

## Bullingtons in Togo

Rev. and Mrs. Billy L. Bullington, Southern Baptist missionary appointees, have completed a year of language study in France, and are moving to Togo (a former French colony). They may be addressed at Togo Baptist Mission, B. P. 1353, Lome, Togo, West Africa. He was born and reared in Charleston, Ark.; she, the former Evelyn Robinson, was born in San Antonio, Tex., but spent most of her childhood in Russellville. When appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1966 he was pastor of Leeds Church, Kansas City, Mo.

## Salvation Army hits N. Y. lottery

As a "positive dissent" to New York State's lottery, The Salvation Army has inaugurated a "I'll Give—Won't Gamble" campaign.

Each of the 5,000 Salvationists in New York State is being asked to contribute \$1.00 to a "conscience fund" for education—instead of buying a lottery ticket. The Salvation Army recognizes the need for additional funds for education, and wishes to support education in a manner that is acceptable within its beliefs.

The Salvation Army believes, "Since all gambling is motivated by selfishness, it runs counter to the Christian expression of love, respect and concern for one's fellow man. Its continued practice often leads to grosser excesses and tends to undermine the personality and character of the gambler.

"The Salvation Army is unalterably opposed to gambling and regards any attempt to legalize it as morally wrong."

The Army's "positive dissent" was enunciated in a New York City press conference by Colonel Milton S. Agnew, staff secretary for the Eastern Territory, and Brigadier Andrew S. Miller, national information director.

The education fund, when collected, will be presented to New York State Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller.

## Wilson's back in States

Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Wilson, Southern Baptist missionaries to Thailand, have arrived in the States for furlough. Until Sept. 1 they may be addressed, in care of Dr. E. N. Gardner, 153 Young Ave., Henderson, N. C., 27536, and then at William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., 64068. Dr. Wilson was born and reared in Star City, Ark.; Mrs. Wilson, the former Alice Gardner, daughter of a Baptist minister, was born in Richmond, Va.; and lived in Dunn, N. C., and Henderson while growing up. When they were appointed missionaries in 1963 he was pastor of Michigan Avenue Church, Kansas City, Mo.

## Leave for Pakistan

Rev. and Mrs. W. Trueman Moore, Southern Baptist missionaries to Pakistan, have left the States following furlough. They may be addressed at Box 99, Ramna, Dacca, East Pakistan. Both are natives of Sebastian County, Ark.; she is the former Jane Bassett. When they were appointed missionaries in 1957 he was pastor of First Church, Jenny Lind.

## Approve flag law

WASHINGTON—The Judiciary Committee of the U. S. House of Representatives has approved a bill that would make it a federal crime to publicly burn or otherwise defile or mutilate the American flag.

Action came after a judiciary subcommittee voted 6 to 1 for the measure, following several days of hearings.

Rep. Emanuel Celler (D., N.Y.) chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, said he voted for the bill, but doubted its constitutionality. Calling it "a bad bill," he said, "Who can vote against such a bill? It's like motherhood."

Rep. John Conyers Jr. (D. Mich.) who cast the lone vote against the bill in the subcommittee, said he believes the act of burning the flag could be a "symbolic act of free speech" and that proposed prohibition collides with the First Amendment. (BP)

## Fellowship meeting set

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The president of the North American Baptist Fellowship has invited continental Baptist leaders to a two-day conference in Washington next November.

V. Carney Hargroves, Philadelphia, president of the Fellowship's central committee, said that the Nov. 18-20 conference of representatives from each of several major Baptist bodies will seek "greater measures of cooperation among Baptists . . . and the development of discussions of faith and order at the local, state and national levels."

Dr. Hargroves' letter of invitation was directed to the executive secretaries of Baptist groups which hold membership in the Fellowship and to four other groups which are members of the Baptist World Alliance but have not voted to become a part of the regional group.

## Baylor gets funds for cancer study

WASHINGTON—Baylor University School of Medicine, Houston, has received \$361,750 to continue a research contract to study viruses as related to human cancer, according to announcement by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) of the Public Health Service, U. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

The contract is one of 56 research projects totaling \$7,858,004 continued by the National Institutes of Health.

Officials at the NIH office here pointed out that the research contract is used for research and development activities with limited, highly specific objectives which can best be performed outside their own laboratories. (BP)



# Your state convention at work

## Your church and the leader shortage

A scarcity of leaders can be a deterrent to a vital and aggressive church program. In many churches, there is the constant need for more and better trained leaders. Records reveal that about twenty-nine out of every one hundred leaders have to be replaced each year. This suggests the need for a reservoir of trained leaders ready to assume places of leadership.

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The division of church leader training encompasses two distinct types of training: (1) Training for potential leaders and (2) Specialized training for leaders now serving, or ready to serve. A packet of curriculum materials is available for use in providing training opportunities for leaders. The packet is entitled, "Leadership Training Materials," and may be purchased at Baptist Book Stores for \$3.50.

The packet consists of two sections, "Training Workers for the Sunday School." The former is designed for use in training persons (Adults and Young People) who give evidence of leadership ability and who express interest in preparing for a leadership role. The latter is for use in training those who, at the conclusion of the potential leader training course, desire to work in Sunday School.

Training Union is responsible for assisting other church program leaders, as needed, in training their workers.

But what of the church that does not have a Training Union? Is it left out of this opportunity? No, no, a thousand times no! The church may begin a training program at this particular point of need.

For additional information and needed assistance, contact your state Training Union secretary, Ralph W. Davis, 306 Baptist Building, Little Rock, Ark., 72201

## YWA director

Miss Sara Wisdom, a recent graduate of Golden Gate Seminary, has been elected YWA director and assumed her duties June 8. After graduation from Wayland Baptist College, Miss Wisdom served for four years as church secretary and youth director at Klamath Falls, Ore. Her home is in Wichita Falls, Tex. The Arkansas group attending YWA Conference, Glorieta, July 27-Aug. 4 will be under her direction. Chartered buses will leave Little Rock July 25 and return Aug. 4 going by way of Taos, N. M., and returning via Carlsbad Caverns.



SARA WISDOM

## OFF TO WMU CONFERENCE!

A limited number of spaces are still available on the chartered bus to the WMU Conference, Glorieta, July 20-26.

Mrs. R. E. Hagood, state WMS Director, will direct the party leaving Little Rock early July 18 and returning July 28.

En route visits will be made at several Home Mission stations and historic places including famous Taos Indian Pueblo and Carlsbad Caverns.

Reservations and inquiries should be sent to State WMU Office, 310 Baptist Building, Little Rock 72201.—Nancy Cooper, Executive Secretary and Treasurer.

## The preacher poet

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## Revivals

Douglasville First, May 22-28; O. K. (Jack) Hazlewood, evangelist; Louis Tyncy, singer; 11 professions of faith; 1 by statement; 23 for family worship; 32 rededications; Don Grendell, pastor.

Jessieville High School, area wide crusade; June 7-18; sponsored by Buckville Association; O. K. (Jack) Hazlewood, evangelist; 22 professions of faith; 40 rededications; 24 youth recommitments on youth night.

Arkadelphia Third Street, July 3-9; O. K. (Jack) Hazlewood, evangelist; Clayborn Bratton, pastor.

Kingsland First, July 10-16; O. K. (Jack) Hazlewood evangelist; Darrell Stone, pastor

Springdale Silent Grove, June 12-18; Herman Hurd, pastor, evangelist; Buford Lewis, Caudle Avenue Church, Springdale, music director; Mrs. Lewis, pianist; 9 for baptism; 3 by letter.

Little Rock Archview, June 11-18; Ed F. McDonald Jr., evangelist; Johnny Farmer, song director; 11 additions; 6

for baptism; 5 by letter; Allen McCurry, pastor.

Hope First, June 4-11; Angel Martinez, evangelist; Pete Nunez, El Paso, Tex., singer; 32 for baptism; 16 by letter; 2 other professions of faith; Gerald W. Trussell, pastor.

Pleasant Grove Church, Ferndale; Jack Parchman, evangelist; 16 professions of faith; 11 for baptism; 3 by letter; 54 rededications; E. W. Goodson, pastor.

Burnsville Church, Greenwood; June 5-10; Rick Ingle, pastor, Oak Cliff church, Ft. Smith, evangelist; George Crawford, Ft. Smith, singer; 16 public decisions; 4 professions of faith; 3 by baptism; 12 rededications; George Crawford, interim pastor.

## Vacation Bible School

West Helena Church, June 5-9; 266 enrollment; 224 average attendance; \$50.88 offering; Wilson C. Deese, pastor.



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# I had a heart attack!

BY BRUCE H. PRICE, PASTOR  
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

This article takes the form of an open letter.

Soon after my return to my pulpit from a hospital experience followed by four week's rest at home, a friend wrote to me asking a timely question: "What can I do to prevent a heart attack?"

My reply:

Dear James: Since my illness I have been talking to doctors and nurses and reading a great deal about the causes, treatment and prevention of coronary trouble. I can answer your question in a word or two. However, permit me to make several observations before I come to my reply.

The number one health problem among us is diseases of the heart and circulatory system. At least two-thirds of the men who read these words will die as a result of this affliction. During the past year 69 per cent of 184 deaths among those enrolled in the Southern Baptist Protective Program resulted from heart trouble.

Only 20 per cent of those who have this malady die with the first seizure. More than half of the heart patients will return to normal living and enjoy many more years of activity, finally dying of old age or some other cause. Others may have several more attacks from time to time without being handi-

capped very much.

Before advising you about prevention, it may be of interest to review my past activities. I did not smoke, drink beverage alcohol, drank only a little coffee, was not under too much strain and did not work too hard. Three years previously I had been 16 pounds overweight, but had taken it off according to my doctor's instructions. I did not inherit a tendency to heart trouble. The cholesterol in my blood vessels was normal.

Some or all of the above may have prevented my having a severe attack, but did not make me immune.

For many years I had known the folly of those having a pain in the chest, crying indigestion and running to the kitchen for the "Arm and Hammer" brand. I had resolved to never do this, but to assume any discomfort in my chest to be my heart.

No one had told me that heart pain

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may be felt in the back, sides, jaws, neck, hands or that in some cases heart damage may occur without any pain.

On four or five occasions over a period of a month. I had a slight pain across the top of my back lasting not more than four or five minutes each time. There was no hurting in my chest, shortness of breath, perspiring, vomiting nor other symptoms usually associated with a heart condition. With little thought of my heart being involved I drove to my doctor's office, walked in unannounced and asked for an examination. The result was my first hospital experience.

Though my attack was unexpected and sudden, I have learned it may have been the result of a disease process gradually developing over many years.

Every time a big snow comes, there are those who grab a shovel and violently dig out the sidewalk, falling in death. Intense and vigorous activity may be dangerous, especially to those not accustomed to strenuous work. However, physical exercise, such as walking, running and gymnastics which begin moderately and gradually increase is believed by some authorities to be good for the heart.

Furious rage, violent wrath, outburst of anger, upset emotions and worry must be guarded against.

Complete rest each day for at least 30 minutes either before or after lunch is recommended. Some days you may not be able to find time for such rest, but if your life may depend on it, you will be able to find time more often than you think.

During the past few years treatment of heart patients has changed greatly. Within the next several years I am convinced greater improvements will take place. There is hope that a drug will be found for injection into the blood stream which will result in prevention of most heart attacks and will make others less severe.

Earlier in this letter I promised to tell you in a word or two what you can do to avoid an experience such as came to me. My reply is, "perhaps nothing." If you insist on a one-word answer, it is, "nothing."

Since there may be little or nothing you can do for prevention, you can watch for the first symptoms and when they appear, as they will to over 80 per cent of the men who read this, don't call your doctor. No, it is not a misprint. I repeat, Don't call your doctor. Call an ambulance. If you call your doctor, he may not reach you for an hour or two. When he comes, he will call an ambulance. So you should beat him to it.

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On arrival at the hospital, your doctor will be called and you will be placed under another physician until your doctor gets to you. He will call for a heart specialist. If he should hesitate, you or your family should make the request.

May I close with a word of encouragement. Heart trouble is a man's disease. Most women prefer cancer. When your attack comes, fear not. Remember all around you are many hard working men who have traveled the road and had a complete recovery.

The truthfulness of this statement can be verified by President Johnson and General Eisenhower. And I know it is true because I am a member of the group.

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## New Heart Diagnosis Equipment Installed

New equipment which Dr. Harold Langston compared with the old "like a Cadillac compared with a Model-T Ford" has been installed for diagnosis of heart disease in the cardio-pulmonary laboratory.

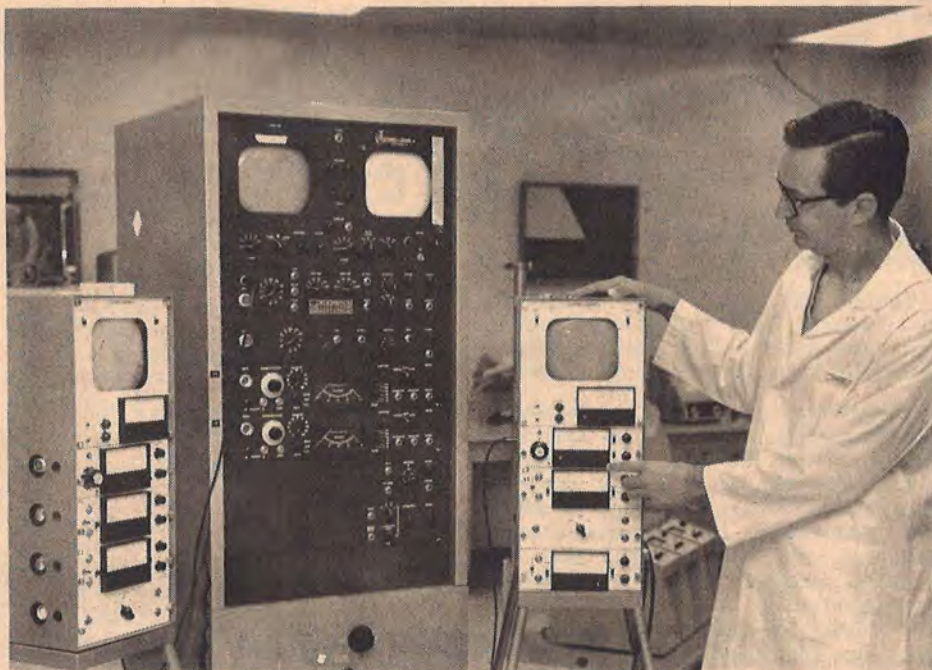
The new equipment, which makes it easier to get minute detail in x-ray pictures, includes a 35 millimeter motion picture camera, a 35 millimeter film viewer, a Rotocor which rotates the patient on a mobile table for better viewing and specialized coronary catheters.

Much heart disease originates when arterial sclerosis in the coronary arteries cuts off the blood supply to the muscles of the heart. (Arterial sclerosis, or hardening of the arteries, arteries, involves the formation of sclerotic plaques which thicken the sides of the arteries until they may close altogether). An ordinary electrocardiogram of the heart, according to Dr. Langston, may show that everything is normal when the patient is in real danger because it will not show the narrowing of the arteries.

To study the condition of these blood vessels, a catheter is inserted into the arm or leg and moved into the heart. A new type catheter has a controllable tip which can be hooked onto the coronary artery so that dye solution can be put directly into this artery. If there are any defects, the radiograph, which picks up the outline of the dye in the arteries, will depict it.

The movable table makes it possible to view the movement of the dye in the heart from all angles.

"The new equipment means we can achieve a higher degree of accuracy



Dr. George Brenner, radiologist, shows the three heart monitors in the cardio-pulmonary laboratory which are used to keep a constant check on a patient's condition. The two smaller ones are new and are portable, for use outside the lab.

in diagnosis," Dr. Langston said.

The laboratory has also acquired two new portable recorders which monitor the patient's condition while he is being diagnosed or treated. The larger semi-portable monitor was often taken to intensive care or surgery for use and it will now remain in the labora-

tory with the smaller, transistorized recorders being used elsewhere. These pieces of equipment record cardiograms, arterial blood pressure and electroencephalographs, among other things. The larger recorder cost \$7500 and the smaller ones, \$5,000 each.

## Candystrippers Begin Training For Summer



This group of teen-agers were shown how to make a bed by In-Service Training Director Betty Marsh in preparation for their summer volunteer work as Candystrippers. They will serve in a number of capacities, running errands, helping nurses, and filling in at various departments.

## Junior Class Arrives At ABMC

Freshmen students who have been at Ouachita and who will transfer to State College were at ABMC on May 19 for a tour and a swimming party given by the students.

Members of the junior class now at ABMC are: Marilyn Burns, Frances Carr, Faye Galleghey, Sharon Gilmore, Mike Humphries, Dottie Ivey, Diane Jacobs, Janie Kendricks, Kathy McBride, Ronnie McCone, Diane Mainer, Marvella Mattmiller, Carolyn Moore, Mary O'Riley, Lynn Orvis, Carolyn Parker, Mary Partridge, Jennifer Rowden, Ann Shamberger, Sherry Smirl, Patricia Spears, Mary Blake Walton, Mary Lou Welch, Mary Ann Woodward, Ellen Yung, Mary Yung, Sandra Grizzle, Sue Hale, Wanda Hamilton, Suzanne Rodgers, Paula Strum and Mary Whitehead.

Mrs. Carr is secretary in the Department of Nursing and has been taking night classes. She will continue part-time in the office.

## MRS. McCAFFREY DIES

Mrs. Margaret McCaffrey, R.N., who formerly worked for several years in the Central Supply Room, died on May 2. She lived with her sister, Mrs. Katherine M. Julienne, at Little Rock.



## Three Carlisle Volunteers Always On Job



These three ladies drive down from Carlisle each Tuesday to put in a full day of volunteer work. From left are: Mrs. C. C. Lambert, Mrs. J. H. Brandt and Mrs. Joe Chambers.

Neither rain nor snow nor sleet nor ice keeps three Auxiliary volunteers from Carlisle from their appointed rounds with patients on Tuesdays here at ABMC.

The three showed up on one icy, snowy day as the only volunteers when Little Rock women stayed home because of the weather.

"We were really glad to see them that day because we needed the help," said Hostess Sarah Jane Archer. No matter how bad the weather, Miss Archer said the Carlisle group could be counted on to appear.

Mrs. C. C. Lambert, who received her 500-hour pin at the volunteer luncheon in April was visiting a patient at ABMC when she got the urge to sign up volunteer work.

"I've always wanted to do something like this," she said. "I listened to my friend tell about what the volunteers

were doing and I decided I wanted to begin right then."

She drove up from Carlisle at first alone to work in escort and the emergency room but later talked her good friend, Mrs. Joe Chambers, into com-

## Degree Students Register At Conway

The junior nursing students who took their first two years at Ouachita Baptist University and who are now affiliated with State College of Arkansas at Conway arrived for classes at ABMC June 5.

Some of them came initially on June 1 to move into the Nurses' Residence, then went on to Conway June 2 to register at State College where they are officially enrolled. A welcome party was given by other students at ABMC on June 6.

Freshmen students who have been at Ouachita and who will transfer to the State College campus were at ABMC on May 19 for a tour and a swimming party. The students in the degree program spend the first two years at the college and the second two at the hospital. State College students at ABMC will be in sororities and fraternities at Conway and participate in other campus life.

ing with her. Mrs. Chambers received a 100-hour pin for working in the hostess office and in the pediatrics playroom in the afternoon. The women put in a full eight-hour day each Tuesday.

Then they brought along Mrs. J. H. Brandt, the newest of the group, who has worked in several volunteer spots. All of the women are excellent volunteers, according to Miss Archer.

## Auxiliary Installs New Officers



New officers of the ABMC Auxiliary are, seated, from left: Mrs. James Sawyer, president, and Mrs. J. F. Halliburton, president-elect. Standing: Mrs. E. B. Hester, first vice-president; Mrs. Doyle Hornaday, treasurer; Mrs. Bill Floyd, recording secretary; Mrs. George Spencer, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. O. B. Lovell, historian. Not present was Mrs. Gordon Oates, second vice president.

## '66 Report Shows Service To 50,000

The 1966 Annual Report for Arkansas Baptist Medical Center called last year "a record year" for the number of patient days provided, with 136,242 patient days for 19,717 patients.

An additional 37,790 patients were treated as outpatients in the emergency room and the other outpatient departments. In all, ABMC served more than 50,000 people.

The payroll for the 856 employees ran \$3.5 million last year. Charity and free service amounted to \$406,378. There were 1,307 babies born in 1966 and 8,876 operations done. Laboratory procedures totaled 302,335 and radiologic procedures 58,679. Physical therapy gave 10,354 treatments. The total cost of operating the hospital each day during 1966: \$17,254.



## First Regular Job Was One At Hospital



If you ask Sid Coryell when a new piece of construction will be ready, he knows better than to answer you directly. "Approximately five months, plus or minus a few weeks," he is likely to say, allowing for all the unforeseen hazards of building.

When Sid Coryell came to work for the hospital 30 years ago, he had never held a steady, regular job. When he was offered \$6 a week plus room and board, he took it. By comparison with some of his previous wages it looked good.

Coryell left high school at Gillham (eight miles from DeQueen) at the height of the Depression when both jobs and food were scarce. He worked one summer as a vegetable packer for 10 cents an hour.

"Back in those days 15 cents was a lot of money," Sid recalled recently.

Then he drove a team of mules for a gravel wagon 10 hours a day for 50 cents a day plus board and room. Later, he got his best job of those years, a 12-hour-a-day job as an oiler for a steam shovel on the Highway 71 project. He made 15 and 20 cents an hour for keeping the shovel oiled continually while the fireman stocked in the coal and he rescribed this as "really hard work."

### Came here in 1937

He later went to Oklahoma where he worked for an uncle and then to Little Rock and Baptist Hospital in 1937. He worked for a short period as an orderly before being assigned to the maintenance department.

"At that time just about everybody who worked for the hospital lived here," said Coryell. "We lived on the second floor where the laboratory now is located." There were five or six people in the maintenance department then and a Mr. McNutt was head of the department.

"Our biggest problems then consisted of unstopping lavatories and putting in light bulbs," he recalled. None of the present sophisticated system of heating and air conditioning was in use. In fact, neither were elec-

tric refrigerators. One of the duties of the maintenance men was to operate the hospital ice plant and to take the ice to the floors twice a day, crush it and put it in the ice chests at the nursing stations.

Coryell left the hospital to serve in World War II from 1942 to 1946 with the 128th Station Hospital in New Guinea, the Philippines and Japan. He was a technical sergeant when he left the service. The same year that he came out of the service he was married to the former Frances Cash and they have one son, Sidney, Jr., now a student at Metropolitan High School.

Coryell took over as chief engineer of the maintenance department in 1950 when Coy Dougan went to the Korean War. His first large job involved building the space inside the Medical Arts Building for the Mathieson Chemical Company. In 1955 he undertook his biggest job up until that time, which was installing air conditioning in the hospital. This was the largest air conditioning job Westinghouse had ever had in the state at that time and it involved laying thousands of feet of ducts through the old part of the hospital.

### Remodeled East Wing

Since then, Coryell has tackled several king-sized jobs, including the hulling out and remodeling of the entire five stories of the east wing of the hospital. He holds licenses in refrigeration, steam and as an electrician.

"What I know, I have learned by studying books at home," he said. "I did not take formal courses in any of these."

He says that an increasing amount of the hospital's equipment involves electronic controls and that his men

have far more specialized training than he or the other maintenance men had 30 years ago. He now has 29 full time men and sometimes hires as many as 20 to 30 extra people for the remodeling work which is almost constantly in progress.

### Has Several Hobbies

In his spare time, Sid builds boats, works on his automobile and operates a citizens' band radio. He constructed an entire cabin cruiser in his back yard, sold it and bought another older one which he is now remodeling. He is also rebuilding a car for his son. Can his wife get him to fix things around the house?

"Not if I can get out of it," he said, grinning.

Coryell was born in Fletcher, Okla., but left when he was a baby. His family moved to Gillham and his father, Wilbert Coryell, died when he was three. He has two sisters and two half brothers, born after his mother, Mrs. Myrtle Brown, remarried. His mother is still living at Wichita, Kan., where his oldest sister, Mrs. Stella Peden, lives. His other sister, Mrs. Flora Jane Hopkins, lives at Long Beach, Calif.

## Play Hospital Attracts 700

Approximately 700 children from 15 schools and kindergartens participated in the ABMC "Play Hospital" program to familiarize youngsters with the procedures and activities of a real hospital situation.

A tour situation is set up in the Student Union Building and hospital employees play the roles of doctors and nurses as the children are shown through. One child is always chosen to be the "play patient" and the others watch while he goes through the routine of being admitted and treated.

The schools which sent more than one group were: L'il People Kindergarten, four groups; The Anthony School, four groups; Dansarts, two groups; Lakewood Kindergarten, two groups and Westover Hills Kindergarten, two groups. Also sending one group of children were: Heritage House Kindergarten of England; Forest Highlands Kindergarten; St. Mark's Episcopal Kindergarten; Baring Cross Baptist Church Kindergarten; Trinity Lutheran Kindergarten; Kiddie Kampus; Amboy Elementary School First Grade; Markham Street Baptist Church; North Hills School Exceptional Children; and the Cathedral School.

## RADIOLOGIC SCHOOL TO GRADUATE 10

Mrs. Patricia Mueller, of Dallas, Tex., chairman of the board of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists, will be the speaker at the graduation for 10 students in the ABMC School of Radiologic Technology at 8 p.m. June 30 in the Student Union Building.

Administrator J. A. Gilbreath will preside at the meeting.



# The wonder of baskets

BY ELIZABETH PHILIPS

You have heard of the old woman who lived in a shoe. But did you know that there are thousands of real people who live in big, fat baskets?

Of course, the baskets are really called huts. They are made by weaving branches back and forth around stakes, just the way we make a basket.

Early man must have used basketry in a hundred different ways. When he was a baby, his mother put him to sleep in a basketwork cradle. As he grew older, he wore basketry sandals and hats. When he married, he lived in a hut with basketry mats and furniture.

No one ever made baskets finer than the Indians of North America. The squaws used whatever materials they had on hand: roots, twigs, grasses—even bark.

As time went on, the mothers taught their daughters. Each squaw tried to make a basket more beautiful than her neighbor's. Her very position in the tribe depended on how well she could weave baskets.

Some of the baskets were used for carrying water. They were actually woven so tightly, that not a single drop could leak through! The squaw went to the woods and gathered her berries and fruits and nuts in a basket, and then went home to cook.

She actually boiled her food in a basket! Since the basket would burn, she could not put it directly on the fire. The food was placed in the basket. Then the basket was filled with cold water. Next, the squaw threw in some hot stones. When the stones had cooled, they were taken out and replaced with hot ones. Finally, the water came to a boil and the food was cooked.

Basket-weaving was used, not only for useful things, but also as art. Some things were made for beauty alone. Again, the Indian woman used whatever materials were available. Bits of fur, porcupine quills, shells, glittering rocks, and colored material were woven in the designs. Some designs pictured animals and birds; the zigzag lines meant mountains and streams.

Many of the designs had deeper meanings. As the squaw sat at her work day after day, she wove into her basket her dreams, her hopes, and perhaps her own life story. Much of what the white men know of the Western Indians has been learned by studying their baskets.

Baskets are mentioned in some of the oldest stories that have been handed



## The ancient harp in the Holy Land

BY THELMA C. CARTER

down through the years. For example, one story comes from a tribe of American Indians. They believe there is an old woman in the moon forever making a basket.

But she never finishes it. Every now and then, the moon is darkened. (We call it an eclipse.) That means a dog has run by and ruined her work, and she has had to begin all over again. The Indians believed that, if she ever finished the basket, that would be the end of the world!

The oldest basket known today came from Egypt. It is large and oval, and was used for storing grain. It has

If you were a boy or girl living in the ancient Holy Land, you would know a great deal about the sweet sounds of a harp. You might even play the harp yourself.

The harp was among the favorite musical instruments of ancient times. Kings and rich noblemen gave banquets in their spacious homes. They and their guests reclined on couches, listening to minstrels play their harps.

Our Bible tells us that King Saul sent for David. Young David played on the harp to quiet the evil spirit within Saul. "Let David, I pray thee, stand before me; for he hath found favour in my sight. And it came to pass.....that David took an harp, and played with his hand" (I Samuel 16:22-23).

We do not know who made the first harp. The idea of this stringed instrument probably came about when ancient warriors or hunters twanged their bow-strings. Someone may have stretched strings across a hollow turtle shell and picked at the strings, making a series of musical sounds.

Ancient harps were not too different from the harps of today in that all harps are set in triangle-like, open frames and are plucked with the fingers or keys. Ancient harps had ten or twelve strings, while today's harps have forty-six strings.

Pictures of harps have been found on the walls of ancient tombs. They show that the ancient instruments were usually as tall as the players. The base or bottom of these tall harps rested on the floor at the side of the player's foot. They were held upright with the left hand and played with the right hand.

Smaller harps rested on the players' knees. Ancient harps usually had fine carving on the body and base of the instruments. Some were inlaid with ivory. Beautiful harps belonging to royal families were always passed down from father to sons and daughters. Slaves and servants were not permitted to touch these harps.

been kept whole for us in the sands of Egypt for over six thousand years. Centuries before that, the baby Moses was hidden among the bulrushes in a basket made of braided rushes.

Birds were doubtless the first weavers of baskets—their nests. They liked the art so well, they are still using it today.

People all over the world weave baskets, and still make them by hand. In our world of wonderful inventions, there is not a machine that can make baskets as strong or beautiful as the handmade ones.



## The church in the world

BY C. W. BROCKWELL JR., PASTOR

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When a certain novelist died, they found among his papers a list of suggested story plots, ideas for possible future stories. One was underscored: "A widely separated family inherits a house in which they have to live together."

The story is happening all the time! We have inherited a "world-house" in which we have to live together—Gentile and Jew, colored and white, strong and weak. The great community is here, thrust upon us by the mechanical genius of man. But back of it all there is the power of God working out his purpose, pushing us into one big house where every man is linked with every other man. What a preparation for heaven!

The Bible is the Christian's guide for living in this "world-house." It is the story of the landlord who sent his son to help the tenants. His message was: Accept me and my father and you can accept each other. So the first thing Jesus did was to call a few of the tenants aside for intensive training. He then showed them how to live. And he did it so well that the other tenants became angry and threw him out of his own house. But since Jesus knew this was going to happen, he told his followers what they must do.

The church, God's people, is in the world—hopefully in every nation. New frontiers of Christian living are still being penetrated each day. God expects his disciples to be in the world and around the world but never to merge with the world. This is clear from John 17:9-18, one of our focal passages and an excerpt from Jesus' pastoral prayer for his people. You must read the entire chapter to fully grasp the meaning of the excerpt. "The prayer unfolds around three centers of intercessory interest—himself (17:1-5), his immediate disciples (17:6-19), and his later disciples, including present-day Christians (17:20-26)" (E. F. Haight).

### 'Father—keep them together'

The worst possible thing that can happen to God's people is that they should drift apart and oppose one another. One reason some local churches have no influence in their communities is that their members contradict each other. While some sincerely try to be effective witnesses for their master, many do not seem to care at all. Thus the "don't cares" cancel out the "do cares" and the community has little or no witness. What then is the antidote to such a neutralizing situation? The answer is devotion to Christ. Jesus prayed (verses 11-12) that as he was kept in the world by his devotion to the father, so the disciples should be pre-

served by their devotion to him. This lack of devotion is the root cause of every Christian's ineffectiveness. Churches squabble and Christians become indifferent largely because they let their devotion be merely a thing of the past rather than a way of the present. The human side of "being kept" is set forth in I Peter 1:5.

Benjamin Franklin was right when he said, "We must all hang together or we shall all hang separately." A growing faith in Christ keeps the church in the world but not of the world.

### 'Father—let them taste my joy'

I suppose the reason the disciples often failed to sympathize with Jesus and his burdens was because they never thought of him as unhappy. He radiated confidence and joy so much they really couldn't believe anything bad was going to happen to him.

It is true Jesus saw beyond the cross to the countless numbers who would be delivered from sin and he rejoiced to provide that salvation. But more important, he was doing his father's will. Thus, when he prayed for his disciples to have joy, he meant for them to find it the same way he did—by doing the father's will (verses 13-14), (also, compare this with Matthew 25:21). In the lonely outposts of service in the world, God's people must have this joy or they will dissipate into spiritual weaklings.

### 'Father—keep them from the evil'

One disciple had already fallen into the clutches of Satan. Others would follow. Christians are to be forewarned that they still live in an evil world. There are too many mudholes to miss them all.

Individuals and churches are forever under pressure to conform to the world. They either have to "fit in" or face constant harassment. If one does give in, he is dogged by remorse and guilt. What's a person to do?

Stay by the word—live in Christ! That may sound pious but it has been proven to be true. Jesus held on because he stored the truth in his heart as a working capital against temptation.

Verses 17 and 18 are closely related. Personal holiness (sanctification) is significant only when tied to consecration to the supreme Christian mission (witnessing). "Paul's visions made him not only an intelligent theologian but most of all a zealous and tireless missionary" (E. F. Haight).

Our second focal passage is Matthew 5:13-16. It outlines what the church,

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John 17:1-18; Mathews 5:13-16

God's people, must be to the world. 'Father—make them'

Sometimes Christians get the impression that they are supposed to watch and see that nobody sins—sort of like kingdom spies. Jesus took a more positive approach. He did something that added a new dimension to life. He demonstrated how life was meant to be lived and the world has been flavored by that life. **It would be impossible to erase Christianity's influence from the world!** That is what Jesus meant by Christians being salt.

A word of warning: There is no remedy when the salt becomes tasteless. "If the children of the kingdom fail to be what God ordained, and if the church fails to do God's work, what possible remedy can there be for the world? If men of God lose their zest, their characteristic tang, their strong loyalty to their Lord and fidelity to his gospel, then the world is hopelessly on the road to spiritual decay" (Charles Trentham).

Isn't it strange that Christians can attack evil so effectively on Sunday but get nowhere during the week? Could it be because we enter the "sanctuary" and try so hard to convince ourselves that we are right and the world is wrong? Why then are we either so quiet or so defensive outside the church building?

Jesus meant for discipleship to be quite conspicuous. His life certainly was. Christians are to be so effective that men will know the way to God. Then God's purpose will be fulfilled.

The church extends the ministry of Christ into the world. To ignore this responsibility is an invitation to disaster.

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# Speaking the wisdom of God

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I Corinthians 1:18-2:16

Early in the ministry of Jesus, He was faced with a very subtle temptation. It was to try and do God's will the devil's way. Satan never belittled the work Jesus came to do; he only wanted him to change his method of doing it.

The church, being in the world, must somehow distinguish between the voice of God and the voice of the world. This would be very simple except for one reason: many church members are not Christians! Just as Israel had difficulty because of a "mixed multitude" which left Egypt, so God's people are intermingled with lost people who have Christian labels.

This lesson is two things: (1) a call to reject the wisdom of the world, and (2) a call to apply the wisdom of God. **Fresh air in a stale city**

Corinth was a cross-roads city. North-South, East and West traffic flowed by necessity through it, depositing samples of all humanity. The result was a city which became "not only a synonym for wealth and luxury, drunkenness and debauchery, but also for filth" (see any Bible dictionary for further reference). But in this cesspool of sin, a small band of Christians thrived on the purity of God. Their lives were so different, so unique, that it was like a breath of fresh air across a garbage heap.

Paul ministered to these regenerated Corinthians both in person and by letter. Most of the lessons of the quarter are taken from his first recorded letter to them. "The first four chapters deal with the divided state of the Church of God in Corinth. Instead of being a unity in Christ it was split into sects and parties, who attached themselves to the names of various leaders and teachers. It is Paul's teaching that these divisions had emerged because the Corinthians thought too much about human wisdom and knowledge and too little about the sheer grace of God. In point of fact,

for all their so-called wisdom, they are really in a state of immaturity. They think they are wise men, but in fact they are no better than babes" (William Barclay).

Read now 1:18-2:5 and find the answers to these questions.

1. What is foolishness to the lost person?
2. How did God express his judgment on man's wisdom?
3. Why does God use weak vessels to demonstrate his wisdom?
4. Who is God's wisdom?
5. What was the chief characteristic of Paul's preaching?
6. Why did Paul so speak?

We are now ready to study our text, which is 2:6-16.

## Man has said much but little

When asked about his belief in God, an African chief replied: "We know that at nighttime somebody goes by among the trees, but we never speak of it." Put all of man's knowledge into a computer and ask it what it knows about God and the answer will be, nothing. God is never discovered. He is revealed. Therefore, he is not to be explained but proclaimed. And every Christian is a preacher!

Paul spent more time in Corinth than in any other city except Ephesus. He went there and stayed there so as to speak the truth about God. He even revealed the "hidden wisdom" of God, which is God's desire to bring salvation to every man who accepts Jesus Christ as supreme for his life. This belief or faith is not a mental gymnastic game for only the intellectual student, but an exercise of the will toward Jesus Christ. It can be experienced by anyone. What is needed is not research but faith.

Verse 9 is an immense truth: "The more we seek and strive to understand the more God can tell us; and there is no limit to this process because the riches of God are unsearchable" (Barclay).

# The church reaches out

BY RALPH A. PHELPS JR.  
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When a Christian can stand in a Jewish synagogue, preach Jesus as the Son of God and man's Saviour, and then be begged to come back the next week to tell members more of the same, he must be a powerful and persuasive speaker. This is the situation described in Acts 13, although the sermon itself (13:16-41) which Paul delivered is not a part of this week's lesson text.

It has been suggested that Acts 13 is the Great Divide in the history of the early church. Before this, the prin-

cipal leaders were Peter and Barnabas, and the emphasis was mainly on Jewish Christianity. After this, Saul (who in 13:9 is mentioned by his Roman name of Paul for the first time) assumed the main leadership role, and Christianity was increasingly Gentile in constituency and outreach. The events in the chapter are therefore pivotal.

## I. Solemn dedication, vv. 1-3.

The story begins with the church at Antioch, capital of Syria and a city with nearly a million people in it. Since

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## The two sides of life

What happens when the spirit of God meets the mind of man? Verses 10-12 give the answer. God's Holy Spirit is always probing the minds of men. When He finds a point of contact, such as a searching heart, He reveals divine truth. Of course, man must always be receptive to this truth by preparing himself through study and meditation, the reading of God's word. But here is the catch: only the regenerated man can receive or understand this truth. That is why the content of our faith is so foolish to the unbeliever. He just cannot see that knowing Jesus Christ personally makes any difference in this life. It is up to us to demonstrate that difference.

Sometimes it looks as if the unbeliever receives as many blessings as the believer—and re may! But the difference is this: the Christian knows what they are and from whence they came. Thus he is the knowledgeable man, regardless of his "wordly wisdom." He knows the one who dispenses all knowledge and understanding.

Congress is clearly disturbed over the invasion of privacy by wiretapping or "bugging." Their concern is a reflection of their constituents. We all desire some degree of privacy. Yet many are unaware of the greatest invasion upon life—materialism or secularism. When a person becomes so attached to this world and the things in it, he cannot see beyond them. Every decision is then made in the light of time instead of eternity. It is this kind of man that Paul refers to in verses 14 and 15.

The materialistic or natural man is a lopsided man. He sees only one side to life. But the person who is guided by God's Spirit can see both sides and willful lives his life so as to make it count beyond this world.

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Acts 13:1-3; 42-49

most of these folks were pagans, it might have been argued by someone in the struggling young church, "We ought to take care of our own city first before getting involved in mission work elsewhere." But there was too much of the spirit of Christ in the congregation to engage in such self-centered rationalization for not sharing the good news which they had heard.

In this church "were prophets and teachers," five of whom are mentioned



by name. These were Saul, Barnabas, Symeon who was called Niger (indicating that he was black and probably from Africa), Lucius from Cyrene, and Manaen, who had had some close connection with the family of Herod Antipas.

As the congregation worshipped and fasted (not feasted), the Holy Spirit instructed, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." The group then "laid their hands on them and sent them off." Bruce aptly says, "Not that they could by this act qualify Barnabas and Saul for the work to which God had called them; but by this means they (the whole church) expressed their fellowship with the two and their recognition of the divine call." Dr. Frank Stagg adds, "To say that Barnabas and Saul were made apostles is to contradict Paul's claim to the contrary (Gal. 1:1)."

With this benediction, Paul and Barnabas, accompanied on the first leg of the trip by young John Mark, set out on what has become known as the first missionary journey. From Antioch they went overland to Seleucia on the coast, sailed to the island of Cyprus, then to the Galatian region of the mainland of Asia Minor. Then they went overland from Perga to Antioch in Pisidia, where the following events occurred.

## II. Enthusiastic response, vv. 42, 43.

As a Jew, Paul attended synagogue services on the Jewish Sabbath. Ac-

ording to custom, guests were invited to speak if they cared to; and Paul took advantage of the opportunity to preach the powerful sermon already mentioned.

As the meeting broke up, Jews and devout converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas and begged them to come back to continue their testimonies. It was a remarkable response.

## III. Jealous opposition, vv. 44, 45.

There must have been considerable comment during the ensuing week, for on the following Sabbath "almost the whole city gathered together to hear the word of God."

When the Jews saw the multitudes of Gentiles who were by-passing Judaism for this Jesus, it was too much for them, and "they were filled with jealousy." They hadn't objected to what had been said the week before, but they reacted violently to the evident popularity of the preacher and his message! They heckled Paul, contradicting what he said, and poured abuse on him.

## IV. Bold declaration, vv. 44, 45.

Instead of tucking their tails like whipped dogs and running for cover, Paul and Barnabas replied boldly, saying that God had first given the message to the Jews but that they had thrust it from them. Their rejection was an act of self-exclusion, not an arbitrary decision by God or the early church.

The missionaries further said that

they were now turning to the Gentiles with their message, this on the command of God, who said, "I have set you to be a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the uttermost parts of the earth." From here on they were going to give their major attention to the conversion of the pagan world.

## V. Joyful acceptance, vv. 48, 49.

When the Gentiles heard this announcement, they were delighted and thanked God for his message. Those who were ordained (destined, marked out) for eternal life believed, and the word of the Lord spread throughout all the region.

While the Jews sullenly rejected sharing the story of Jesus Christ with the Gentiles whom they considered dogs, the love of God which embraces all of mankind provided for everyone an opportunity to believe, even as many of these pagans did at Antioch in Pisidia.

Contrary to the idea held by many Christians and some churches, mission outreach is not a nice extra-curricular activity in which God's people may indulge if they have any time, money, or energy left after taking care of all their other wants. It has been well said that any church which is not first, foremost, and forever missionary is nothing more than a pathetic, pietistic backwater. New Testament churches ought to follow New Testament standards in regard to mission outreach.

# Good news at Lystra

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Preachers are occasionally involved in a case of mistaken identity, but theirs is never a situation like that which Paul and Barnabas encountered at Lystra, for they are never mistaken for gods.

After being driven out of Antioch in Pisidia, the two preacher-missionaries traveled through Galatia to Iconium, where they spoke with the result that a large body of Jews and Greeks became believers. Again, however, the unconverted Jews poisoned the minds of the people and, joined by some Gentiles and assisted by the connivance of city officials, planned to stone the apostles to death.

Paul and Barnabas got wind of the plot, though, and made their escape to the Lycaonian cities of Derbe and Lystra.

## I. Miracle, vv. 8-10.

At Lystra sat a crippled man "who had no power in his feet" and had been thus lame from birth. Paul, looking him in the face, saw that he had faith to be cured and commanded in a loud voice, "Stand up straight on your feet!" What faith it must have taken for the man even to try!

At once the fellow sprang to his feet and began to walk. It was a miracle of God's healing, ministered through

his servant, Paul. And when the people saw what had happened, they shouted in surprise and awe.

## II. Mistake, vv. 11-13.

Since the people had never witnessed such a wonder before, they immediately jumped to the conclusion that the gods must be among them. "The gods have come down to us in human form!" they shouted. They began to call Barnabas "Jupiter" and Paul "Mercury," two of the Roman gods. In Roman mythology, Jupiter was the father of the gods and Mercury was his wing-footed messenger. Since Paul was the chief spokesman, it was natural for the crowd to identify him as the message-bearer.

On hearing what had happened, the high priests of Jupiter, whose temple was at the gateway of the city, brought garlanded oxen to the gates and wanted to offer sacrifices to Paul and Barnabas. If the gods had come to town, shouldn't they have the best?

## III. Message, vv. 14-18.

Had Paul and Barnabas had a streak of dishonesty in them, they could have "played it cool" for a while and let the mistake go unchallenged. Weren't they entitled to a rest from the harassment they had experienced up the road? If they were messengers of the true God, what harm was there in a little bit of play-acting? Was it their fault that these cats at Lystra were confused?

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But the apostles were not religious frauds; they were God-led men out to promote Jesus Christ, not to skim off the financial or popular cream for a couple of itinerant preachers.

When they heard the intentions of the people, Paul and Barnabas tore their clothes in anguish (they hardly looked like gods in their ragged threads!) and rushed into the crowd, crying at the top of their voices, "Men, men, why are you doing these things? We are only human beings with feelings just like yours!" The first thing the apostles did was to deny as emphatically as possible that they were divine.

Having denied that status, they used the occasion to put in a word for their God. "We are here to tell you good news—that you should turn from these meaningless things to the living God! He is the one who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them."

Then they continued, "In generations gone by he allowed all nations to go on in their own ways—not that he left men without evidence of himself. For he had shown kindnesses to you; he has sent you rain from heaven and fruitful seasons, giving you food and happiness to your hearts content."

Dr. Frank Stagg, in his excellent work, *The Book of Acts*, says, "Paul's



message to the Lystrans reflects the simple and pagan background of his hearers. As is true of all the speeches in Acts, it is thoroughly suited to the situation. The people were pointed to the living God who created all things and away from the worship of gods which they have created (14:15). . . . In the benefactions of nature they were asked to see the hand of God and the witness to himself which he had given them (14:17)."

In spite of their strong denials, Paul and Barnabas had difficulty convincing the people that they were not Roman deities. "They barely managed to prevent the crowd from offering sacrifice to them." What a love offering they could have had if they had been only slightly dishonest!

Conclusion, vv. 19, 20.

Although today's text does not include verses 19 and 20, these should be read to note how fickle people can be. Shortly after the crowd wanted to offer sacrifices to Paul and Barnabas, they permitted a group of Jews who had come from Antioch and Iconium to drag Paul outside the city, stone him, and leave him for dead. From a pedestal reserved for their gods to a criminal's execution was quite a step down, but Paul made it at Lystra.

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## A Smile or Two

### Family finances

While the young suitor was waiting for his girl, the latter's little sister sidled into the room.

"Did you know my sister's got three other boy friends?" she asked coyly.

"Really," he said in surprise. "I haven't seen any of them."

"Neither have I," said the moppet, "but she gave me a quarter to tell you."

### Safety when?

On this first day of school the Second-Grade teacher was trying to teach her charges the safe way to cross a street. "Now all of you know what a traffic light is, don't you?"

"Oh, yes ma'am," said a little girl in the front row. "It's the trick they use to get you half-way across the street safely."

### Calling Spy K-9

An old mountaineer and his son were sitting in front of the fire smoking their pipes, crossing and uncrossing their legs. After a long silence, the father said, "Son, step outside and see if it's raining."

Without looking up, the son answered, "Aw, Pa, why don't we just call in the dog and see if he's wet?"

### Horrors!

Policeman: "How did the accident happen?"

Motorist: "My wife fell asleep in the back seat."

### Tip

Feminine Beauty Note: Nothing can improve a woman's appearance more than a man's!

### My kind of doctor

Health Note: Mixed greens are very good for you . . . especially fives, tens, twenties.

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## Attendance Report

Church	June 18, 1967		Ch. Adds
	School	Training Union	
Alexander First	53	31	
Altheimer First	121	34	1
Ashdown Hicks First	35	27	
Atkins First	116	48	3
Berryville Freeman Heights	133	55	2
Blytheville New Liberty	114	36	
Camden			
Cullendale First	380	123	2
Mt. Olive First	197	89	
First	392	104	2
Crossett			
First	490	133	
Dumas First	219	51	
El Dorado			
Caledonia	41	23	
Ebenezer	148	69	1
First	694	378	
Immanuel	373	249	2
Gentry First	182	75	1
Harrison Eagle Hgts.	193	49	
Hope First	476	128	9
Jacksonville			
Bayou Meto	106	75	
First	440	137	8
Marshall Road	258	151	10
Jonesboro			
Central	450	193	1
Nettleton	275	89	1
Lavaca	227	10	1
Little Rock			
Crystal Hill	151	56	4
Immanuel	1008	340	2
Life Line	420	81	2
Rosedale	258	96	
Magnolia Central	591	184	14
Manila First	145	65	1
Marked Tree Neiswander	104	64	
Monticello			
First	258	77	
Second	187	103	
North Little Rock			
Barling Cross	523	138	
Southside	26		
Calvary	378	138	8
Harmony	57	48	
Indian Hills	86	35	
Levy	420	128	3
Park Hill	691	181	
Sixteenth St.	35	26	
Sylvan Hills First	218	62	
Pine Bluff			
Centennial	197	85	4
First	652	125	2
Green Meadows	62	28	
South Side	583	174	10
Tucker Chapel	27		
Watson Chapel	231	104	
Springdale			
Berry St.	96	54	5
Elmdale	267	75	2
First	417	95	
Oak Grove	58	32	
Texarkana Beech St.	417	87	2
Community	13		
Vandervoort First	49	23	
Van Buren			
First	413	173	1
Second	66	85	
Oak Grove	157	105	3
Walnut Ridge First	243	74	
Ward Cocklebur	53	46	1
Warren			
First	378	81	2
Southside	74	60	
Immanuel	204	65	3
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# In the world of religion

## Irish giving increases

Increased gifts by churches to the home mission program of Irish Baptists will probably permit considerable raises in salary for home missionaries, it was reported during the annual assembly of the Baptist Union of Ireland. Meeting site was Belfast, Northern Ireland.

The increase will be put into effect over a three-year period. The home mission program is suffering at the present time from a shortage of personnel, since replacements have not been found for workers who resigned.

One of the major areas of home mission work is in the Irish Republic. The union represents Baptists both in Northern Ireland, where the overwhelming majority live, and in the Irish Republic.

In the report for Irish Baptist foreign mission work, an appeal was made for new missionaries to serve in southern Peru. Mr. and Mrs. H. Mitchell from the Peruvian field, home on furlough, added their voice to the appeal for mission volunteers.

The Irish Baptist College reported several from this, its first, graduating class will be assuming missionary positions, either in home or foreign mission projects.

A report on all-age Christian education was given by J. F. Bradley, whose church in Belfast is the first among Baptists in Ireland to try this activity. It has been pleased with the results, especially since all-age Christian education has been in use for less than a year.

Other events celebrated as a part of the Irish Baptist gathering were a ministers' fellowship meeting, a session of the Irish Baptist Orphan Society, a Sunday School Union demonstration, a meeting sponsored by the Irish Baptist College, a program for the women's auxiliary, and a youth rally. (EBPS)

## Hand-written Bible

OTTAWA, Ont.—The project of a Pentecostal pastor is on display at the Canadian Centennial in the national capital here in the form of a 48-pound, handwritten Bible.

Prime Minister Lester Pearson, Leader of the governing Liberal Party, in writing his verse selected: "God be merciful unto us and bless us; and cause His face to shine upon us"—Psalm 67.

Conservative Opposition leader John Diefenbaker picked: "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help"—Psalm 133.

The idea of a hand-written Bible, penned by hundreds of people, was sug-

# Protestant theology's 'disarray'

DEERFIELD, Ill.—Speaking in an annual series of lectures on contemporary religious developments, Dr. Carl F. H. Henry of *Christianity Today* magazine told students of Trinity Evangelical Divinity School here that the death-of-God theology is ready for burial and its demise marks the end of an era in neo-Protestant thought.

Dr. Henry asserted that Protestant theology is currently in "complete disarray" and that "the case for theism is now 'up for grabs.'"

He added that the recent new-Protestant alternatives to historic Christianity have had "a successively shorter survival value," and that the notion that God is dead was an unavoidable consequence of the fallacy—shared by Ritschlian liberalism, neo-orthodoxy and existentialism—that man can have no cogni-

tive knowledge of the supernatural world.

Only three formidable positions in the Western world today insist that man can know the nature of the ultimate world, he added. These he identified as "Communism which holds that ultimate reality is naturalistic, and dismisses Christian supernaturalism as a myth; and Roman Catholicism and Evangelical Protestantism, which affirm the Living God and dismiss dialectical materialism as an arbitrary speculative bias." As between Catholicism and Evangelical Christianity Henry added, all the issues of the Protestant Reformation remain to be debated. One significant difference, he added, is the Catholic reliance on natural theology, with its effort to demonstrate the existence of God by the empirical observation of nature, whereas Evangelical Protestantism lays greater stress upon Divine revelation. (EP)

gested by the Rev. Gordon R. Upton and his 300-member congregation of Bethel Pentecostal church here. After 14 months of mailing pages and receiving them back completed, the sponsors presented the Bible to the congregation. (EP)

## Relaxes temperance laws

STOCKHOLM—The rigid temperance laws of this country are reported "melting" with the years.

For the first time, visitors to Stockholm's night clubs this summer will be able to buy drinks until 3 a.m., though if there is dancing at the club they will have to get them from a waiter, not from the bar.

In Sweden all intoxicating liquor is sold through state stores. It is an offense to be drunk in Sweden, and strong liquor still can only be bought with a meal in restaurants.

Once a powerful and broadly based popular campaign, the temperance movement is losing ground. (EP)

## Plan Dallas headquarters

DALLAS—New international headquarters for the Wycliffe Bible Translators, a non-profit, non-sectarian organization dedicated to translation and literacy work, will be established here.

Wycliffe currently has its headquarters in Santa Ana, Calif. First units of the new complex are expected to be ready for occupancy in September, 1968.

Dallas was chosen by Wycliffe's

board of directors as the site of the multi-million dollar facilities over bids from Southern California, the San Francisco area, and Oklahoma.

Among the inducements offered the organization was an offer by an unnamed Dallas businessman of 100 acres for a site in Far North Dallas or funds toward purchase of any other preferable Dallas site. A committee of 30 area business, professional and civic leaders headed a drive to bring the headquarters here. (EP)

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