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ARKANSAS  
*Baptist*

## Answering Your Questions

**Q. WHAT ARE** the necessary steps for the church to take in providing the Protection Plan for its pastor?

**A.** There are two forms needed before the church can enroll its pastor in the Protection Plan, an application blank for the pastor and an agreement card for the church. Both of these forms can be obtained from the Relief and Annuity Board on your state executive secretary. After the church has agreed to participate in the Plan and pay church and member dues, the agreement card should be filled in, signed and sent to the Relief and Annuity Board along with the pastor's completed application blank. It is not necessary to send money with the agreement card. When the account has been set up, the church will be billed for the first month's dues.

**Q. Is it advisable** for the church to pay member and church dues in the Protection Plan for its pastor in place of giving him an increase in salary?

**A.** It is possible for the church to do this if it wishes, but most churches provide the coverage of the Protection Plan for their pastor in addition to his salary and normal salary increases. They see that it is protection for the church as well as for the pastor and by participating in the Plan they are contributing to a program of protection for the entire ministry, not just for their pastor alone.

**Q. Is there a minimum age limit** for participation in the Protection Plan or are young ministers eligible too?

**A.** A minister is eligible for the Protection Plan when he begins serving his first full or part time pastorate. There is no minimum age for participation in the Plan. The sooner a minister begins in the Plan, the greater his benefits will be.

**Q. Would it be permissible** for small churches to pay a year in advance?

**A. Yes.** Many churches paying smaller salaries may send in their dues a year in advance. Some churches may wish to pay quarterly in advance.

**Q. Should the church treasurer** send one check to cover both member and church dues?

**A. Yes.** Both member and church coupons should be returned in one envelope with the check.

**Q. Where should the payments** be sent?

**A.** Checks for protection program dues should be sent directly to the Relief and Annuity Board, 511 North Akard, Dallas, 1, Texas.

**Q. Should the church** send in dues while it is without a pastor?

**A. Yes,** a church should send in dues for the plans even though it is

without a pastor. This money contributed by the church goes into a pooled fund which helps to provide annuities for pastors who have served the church in the past as well as those who will serve in the future. Therefore, the church is contributing to a retirement program for all ministers, not just one minister. The Church should give as regularly to this program as it does to the Cooperative Program and other phases of Baptist work.

## Is It Mercenary?

THE THOUGHT that dealing with material possessions would hurt the church never entered the minds of the early Christians. They knew that they had to deal with finances in order to propagate the gospel, so immediately after Pentecost, they went into the matter of finance. They tried to be good stewards so they preached, promoted, and practiced stewardship, which included time, ability and possessions. The doctrinary of stewardship is God's and not merely an idea of the early Christians. It is God's teaching and anything that has God as its basic principle is not mercenary.

"Stewardship," someone has said, "is the effect God's saving grace has on possessions." Something happens to possession because something happened to the owner. This change came about through an experience with God. The experience brought with it a vivid awareness that, now — Christ owns all. Jesus Christ has become the Alpha-Omega and that control covers everything pertaining to the experience and that control, certainly, covers money. So, stewardship involves all that the individual is, and has. This is true, because God owns all, and the individual has voluntarily surrendered his life to God and has accepted Him as one who owns him and all that he possesses.

If God is the owner, (and He is) then the use of one's money should always be in keeping with the owner's wishes. The wrongful use of one's money besmirches the name of the Father — owner as much as the steward.

When a church promotes a program of teaching stewardship or plans a program of finance, that honors God, then that church is not being mercenary. Instead, that church is preaching the gospel of our Lord.

Stewardship programs should be economic revivals, and not merely something to bring in the shekels. That is one reason that it takes time to promote Bible stewardship. A church can take an offering in a few minutes or make a drive for money in a few hours,

The salary paid the former pastor should be the basis on which contributions are calculated.

**Q. Is retirement annuity for minister scriptural?**

**A.** The following scriptures are suggested: I Corinthians 9:14, "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel." I Timothy 5:8, "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." Read also: Psalm 71:9 and Proverbs 6:6-8." — S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary. ■

but it takes much time to teach the people that money glorifies God, and then get them to see that they are transferring values when they give money.

The right approach to stewardship is not mercenary. Does someone ask what is the right approach? We believe that Southern Baptists have the answer — The Forward Program of Church Finance.

Likewise, when our denomination promotes the Cooperative Program, it is not a mercenary effort on the part of our leaders but a plan to preach the gospel to the ends of the earth. Baptist churches give money through the Cooperative Program so that the gospel can be preached to the ends of the earth. They are giving in a cooperative effort to keep missionaries on the field, to help educate young people, to strengthen weak churches and to win the lost. This is the Great Commission. Therefore, the promotion of the Cooperative Program should not be a matter of trying to impel the churches to do what they ought to do, but instead it should be only an explanation of what they can do in a cooperative, Christ-like manner. It is a matter of getting the churches to put their total influence into a cooperative effort, and not merely getting each church to give some money.

It should no longer be getting the churches to give money, but getting them to convey values in a cooperative program. This, of course, gets back to money and money, here is the measurement of value. Who would dare say that money, in this sense, is mercenary? — Ralph Douglas, associate secretary. ■

## Baptist Record Aide

JACKSON, Miss. — (BP) — E. C. Williams, Jackson, who recently retired as state Baptist Sunday School secretary after serving 20 years in that capacity, has become part-time field representative of the Baptist Record, a weekly journal of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. ■

# Foreign Mission Board Reports to the People

## Twenty Missionaries Appointed

TWENTY MISSIONARIES appointed at the March meeting of the Foreign Mission Board brought the active total to 1,293. The new missionaries are J. Franklin Baugh, Jr., and Jean Amis Baugh, both natives of Kentucky, appointed for East Pakistan; Paul Box and Pattye Norwood Box, both of Oklahoma, for Indonesia; Eric H. Clark and Phyllis Hope Clark, both of England, for East Africa.

Also, Charlie W. Fenner, Texas, appointed for Japan; Harris W. Mobley and Vivian Anderson Mobley, both of Georgia, for Ghana; James B. Payne, Virginia, for Nigeria; Edward O. Sanders and Jaletta Davis Sanders, both of Oklahoma, for Indonesia.

Also, Lewis R. Smith, Georgia, and Shirley Gibbs Smith, Florida, appointed for Hong Kong; Clarence Thurman, Jr., and Eddie Tilden Thurman, both of Kentucky, for Malaya; S. Thomas Tipton and Virginia Dixon Tipton, both of Kentucky, for East Africa; and Weldon E. Viertel and Joyce Garrett Viertel, both of Texas, for the Bahamas.

## Changing World Needs Gospel

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Board, said each of the new appointees has 40 years of missionary expectancy. "During the 40 years that lie before the group we now appoint the world's population is expected to become approximately 6,000,000,000," he said. "We preach an unchanging gospel of redemption, but we are required to relate ourselves to emerging situations across the world in such a way that our witness can be most effective. We live in an era of dying colonialism and emerging nationalism on every continent.

"The forces of Communism seek to seize upon the historic trends now in operation and ride upon them to world supremacy . . . In the midst of this

world of tension and change, hope lies at the point of establishing across the world New Testament churches made up of people who have met Christ in personal experience.

"Those New Testament churches, resting upon principles revealed in the Scriptures, bear witness to the light of eternal truth for all men who, by being transformed by redeeming grace and illuminated with the light of God's eternal revelation, can relate themselves to their fellow men and their world in terms of righteousness, love, and peace."

## Latin-American Conference

Dr. Cauthen recently returned from a brief trip to Latin America where he shared in conferences in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

The conference was planned by Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America, in consultation with committees made up of missionaries serving in the various countries.

Dr. Cauthen said of the mission conference: "It brought together representatives of all the missions of the entire area so that common problems, opportunities, and needs could be studied. One could sense the stimulation felt by each missionary as he became aware that the problems with which he must deal in his own country are shared to a very great degree by others.

"There is an inescapable conviction that Southern Baptists not only have a responsibility for a geographical and numerical expansion of missionary work, but we have the responsibility of creative thinking and constructive planning which can be a blessing beyond our own immediate work."

## Vast Possibilities in Brazil

From Buenos Aires, Dr. Cauthen went to Rio de Janeiro for conferences with representatives of the Brazilian Baptist Convention and the three missions of the Foreign Mission Board operating in Brazil. He said: "One senses in Brazil the vast possibilities of Christian work. With its great concentration of Baptist strength, Brazil may well become one of the greatest Baptist communities in the world.

"Baptist leaders are planning for a closing service for the Baptist World Alliance, when it meets in Rio in 1960, to be held in a stadium that seats between 150,000 and 200,000 people. Billy Graham will preach, and it is expected that the stadium will be filled. That service could turn out to be the largest Baptist gathering ever assembled and one of the most remarkable evangelistic opportunities ever known."

## Goerner Reports from Near East

Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, sent his March report by airmail from the Near East, where he is attending to mission business. He visited Spain and Portugal before arriving in the Near East.

Dr. Goerner said that Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Crabtree, who recently went to Portugal as fraternal representatives, have been received with joy and gratitude by the Portuguese Baptist Convention.

"It is not yet certain whether the Foreign Mission Board should send missionary personnel to Portugal, although the pastors warmly and unanimously requested that this be done," Dr. Goerner said. "For the present it is recommended that our work be: (1) moderate assistance to co-operating churches in the Portuguese Baptist Convention, (2) assistance in church building as capital funds can be secured, and (3) encouragement and financial assistance in opening new places of witnesses."

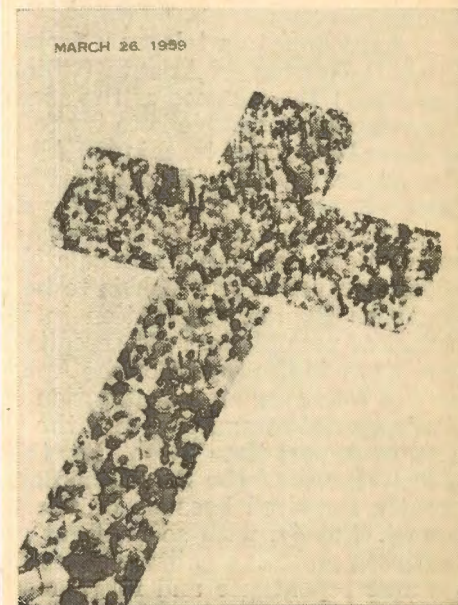
Dr. Goerner said the situation of evangelicals in Spain seems to be showing some signs of improvement. No incidents of oppression or restriction have occurred within the past two months.

In Lebanon, Dr. Goerner visited the site of the proposed Baptist theological seminary for the Arabic world. "This lovely plot, set amid olive groves on a hill overlooking the city of Beirut, is all that has been claimed for it by the theological committee of the Arab Baptist Mission," he said. Plans now call for the opening of the seminary in September, 1960. ■

## Front Cover

## 'He Is Risen'

THE CROSS, brought into sharper focus at the Easter season, is the message of the Christian soldier to a lost and dying world. Born again believers, holding the hope that because He conquered death they too shall rise again to be with Him, share this good news with men everywhere are Baptists re-emphasize evangelism.



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### *God Gave His Best*

SEVERAL YEARS ago we heard one of our Southern Baptist home missionaries tell about a terrible drought in the West and its devastation upon a tribe of Indians. The water shortage had become so critical that the cattle over a wide area were dying for lack of water to drink and securing water to sustain the people themselves was becoming more difficult each day.

The Indian chief called a council of his men. "The Great White Father is angry," he said. "We must make a sacrifice to him so that he will no longer punish us by withholding the rains. What can we do?"

The general agreement was that something of great value must be offered as a sacrifice. "What is more priceless to us than our own children?" one of the braves asked. "Let us sacrifice one of our sons."

It was agreed that the tribe would sacrifice one of its lads. Then the chief raised the question: "Whose son will it be?" And he turned from one of the Indian fathers to another, but each time there was a negative grunt and a shrug of the shoulders. None of them, including the chief, was willing to give his son for the sacrifice.

Then one of the men remembered that there were three orphan children in the tribe. "Let us sacrifice the orphans," he suggested. All agreed. In their heathen darkness the tribe buried the three orphan children alive. And at the time we heard the missionary's story, we were told that the special marker placed at the children's grave by the Indians was still there to be seen by all who passed that way.

At this season of the year, throughout Christendom, we observe the anniversary of the greatest day in the history of the world—the resurrection of the God-Man, Jesus Christ, from the grave. We are reminded anew that God loved the lost world so much that he gave his most priceless possession, His only begotten son, that through his sacrificial death on the cross and by the mighty, resurrection power that broke the bonds of sin and death, we have deliverance from the curse that covered the whole human race. As we go to our churches on next Sunday for the Easter services, let us rejoice in this great deliverance. Remembering that God gave his best, let us surrender to him all the keys to our heart.

### *Pray for Southern Seminary*

MONDAY NIGHT, March 30, will be the time for a called prayer meeting of Southern Baptists around the world to pray for Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, the oldest of our preacher-training institutions. That will be the time of a joint meeting in Louisville of the group of twelve professors who were relieved of their duties by the trustees of the Seminary last spring; with President Duke K. McCall, the present faculty, the trustees and the special committee named by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention to help with the seminary crisis.

According to a telegram from the special committee, headed by Dr. Louie D. Newton, of Atlanta (which telegram was published in our paper last week) the purpose of the special meeting of all directly involved in the seminary's trouble is to try to bring about reconciliation on the basis of New Testament teachings. All will agree that this is the only Christian approach. It is the one that has been pursued across the months by the seminary's trustees. But for some reason it has not succeeded.

There are many reasons why the seminary problems need to be resolved now. We think immediately of the scheduled observance of the 100th anniversary, which is to be a part of the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Louisville in May. Then there is the threat of possible loss of accreditation of the seminary, received several weeks ago in the report of the American Association of Theological Seminaries following an investigation of the seminary crisis by the association's special committee. But the trouble must be settled for reasons of greater import than these. For the cause of Christ is suffering and the effectiveness of the Southern Baptist witness to a lost world is being greatly impaired because of the dissention among the seminary personnel. Surely, with so much at stake, all the principals will lay aside pettiness and personality clashes and will seek God's help in a spirit of genuine repentance and forgiveness.

—ELM

### *Personally Speaking . . .*

#### Shining Lights

CHRIST says of Christians that we are the light of the world.

Now there is light that comes directly from the sun and there is light that comes indirectly from the sun by way of the moon — reflected light. The Greek New Testament makes it clear that Christ is not speaking in this instance of a reflected light, but of a direct light. He has made us to be lights of the same type and nature as himself.

Without Christians the world with all of its gay whiteways would have no spiritual light. Without Christians a darkness would enshroud the world so dense it could be felt.

Christ himself is the light that "lighteth every man that cometh into the world." But it is his plan for Christians to light the world. This reveals the tragedy of backslidden Christians and hypocrites who "having a form of godliness, deny the power thereof."

Some of my readers will remember what a hard time we used to have trying to keep the wicks of the old No. 2 coal oil lamps trimmed and their chimneys clean so that we could have enough of their feeble rays to find our way around, back before we started running everything but our wives by electricity.

The amount of light we could expect from even a coal oil lamp (sometimes called "hayburner") depended to some extent upon the size of the lamp. A No. 2 was bigger and better than a No. 1.

The energy of the lamp was also important. If the oil supply were allowed to get low, the light would grow dim — or, to be more accurate, more dim. And if the oil were not kept replenished the light would burn out. The position of the lamp and the cleanliness of its chimney, as already suggested, were important factors in the lighting of a room.

As the light of the world, Christians must be concerned about their size, individually and in the aggregate. Through spiritual nurture we can grow daily. We must have the oil of the Holy Spirit abiding within us and we need constantly to keep the chimney of our lives unspotted from the world.

"Let the lower lights be burning! Send a gleam across the wave! Some poor fainting, struggling seaman you may rescue, you may save."

*Erwin L. McDonell*

## THE BOOKSHELF

A Southern Moderate Speaks, by Brooks Hays, Chapel Hill, 1959, \$3.50

"Let your moderation be known unto all men" (Phil. 4:5), carried on the flyleaf, is the key to this latest book on the Little Rock story and the background of events leading up to it.

Author Hays may be wrong — as any mortal may — but the impression one gets from the reading of this book is that he certainly is not in doubt. And those who read his book will never again be able to refer to him as a fence-straddler on one of the 20th century's greatest issues — the issue of proper race relations.

Regardless of our personal prejudices and convictions, here is a book all of us can read to our profit.

The Speaker's Book of Illustrative Stories, edited by Maxwell Droke and the staff of Quote, Droke House, 1956

Nothing contributes more to the success of a speech than windows of apt illustration. Here is a typical story from this treasury by Droke:

"A happy Christian met an Irish peddler and explained, 'It's a grand thing to be saved!'"

"'Aye,' said the peddler, 'it is, but I know something better than that.'"

"'Better than being saved?' asked the other. 'What can you in your position possibly know that is better than that?'"

"'Came the unexpected reply, 'The companionship of the Man who saved me.'"

The Mind and Faith of A. Powell Davies, edited by Justice William O. Douglas, Doubleday & Company, 1959, \$4.50

The late Mr. Davies described himself as "one who does not keep quiet in the presence of evil." One of America's greatest liberal ministers, Dr. Davies was the outspoken, goading conscience both for his congregation of All Souls' Church, Washington, D. C., and for his country.

Dr. Davis lashed out at evil and injustice wherever he found them: in the nation's school system, in city government, within the church, and in national politics. He used his pulpit to urge, inspire, and shame his listeners into action — to feed and shelter the unemployed during the depression, to collect food for overseas distribution, to help the young victims of the Hiroshima bombing, to denounce McCarthyism at a time when few Americans dared to do so.

● "SWEETHEARTS AROUND the World" was the theme of the Valentine banquet in Matthews Memorial, Pine Bluff, directed by Mrs. John Parker. Jimmy Riechen, 2nd Church, Pine Bluff, was the speaker and Robert Hill was emcee. Pastor. T. R. Coulter Jr. crowned the royalty, Neal Sanders, king, and Wilma Smith, queen.

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RESEARCH SCIENTIST George Co-felt (center, in shirt-sleeves) draws the concern of his wife, Karen, his son, Robbie, and his friend, Dr. Borden, when another "dizzy spell" indicates trouble that portends double tragedy. Scene is from the complete, new dramatic episode on fear of death, titled "Valley of Shadows," in the television series "This Is the Answer." The drama will be presented Sunday, Mar. 22, at Ft. Smith, KNAC-TV, 1 p.m.; Shreveport, La., 1:15 p.m.; Joplin, Mo., KODE-TV, 1:30 p.m.; Tulsa, Okla., KVOO-TV, 12:30 p.m.; Texarkana, Tex., KCMC-TV, 1 p.m. It will be presented in El Dorado, WTVE, Saturday, 4:30 p.m.

● A NEW church was organized in Hope Feb. 22 with 33 charter members. The group known as Immanuel Church, has called Eugene Hughes as pastor. (CB)

## Overseas Churches Report 29,900 Baptisms

OVERSEAS CHURCHES related to Southern Baptist mission work reported 29,990 baptisms during 1958, an increase of 4,912 over 1957. These brought the total membership of the 3,229 churches to 416,750.

This information was gleaned from the Foreign Mission Board's 1958 report. The report will be presented to the Southern Baptist Convention when it meets in Louisville, Ky., in May.

(Figures in the 1958 report include an estimated 392 churches and 123,000 members in China. No attempt was made to estimate baptisms by the China churches.)

Two thirds of the churches, or 2,156, are self-supporting; and total contributions through the churches and the 6,116 chapels and missions reached \$2,155,892.47. The churches were served by 1,953 national pastors and 122 missionary pastors.

The 1958 report shows 4,384 Sunday schools, with an enrollment of 341,151; 5,198 Training Unions and other youth groups, with an enrollment of 153,423;

## COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

(Author of the new book For Our Age of Anxiety, at your Baptist Book Store.)

### Son Killed in Accident

QUESTION: Our son, 18 years of age, was killed in an accident on a bad road. Do you think God had a purpose in it? Lots of people tell me He did, but I cannot accept this. I am confused and don't understand why it happened.



DR. HUDSON

It is quite natural for you to ask, "Why?" It is equally difficult to find the answer.

ANSWER: You certainly do not. Neither do these Job-comforters who are trying to explain it. Why don't you spend your energies on asking, "How?" How can I manage my resentment over this incident? How can I find the resources to give up this darling son without bitterness? And how can I face fully my own limitations in having to walk by faith and not by sight?

Perhaps your real problem is being willing to say, "Thy will be done," without trying to run God's side of the show.

If God didn't have a purpose in this accident, he will make one, provided you will take the right attitude in life. Your son is dead. Move on. Life is like a flowing stream; it never stops moving.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 West 47th Street, Kansas City, 12, Mo.)

and 3,640 missionary societies, with an enrolment of 81,191. The 1,191 vacation Bible schools held in 1958 enrolled 141,462 pupils.

Among the Baptist schools on the mission fields are 28 theological seminaries, with 1,152 students; four women's training schools, with 256; 13 colleges, with 4,716; 68 secondary schools, with 15,795; 666 elementary schools, with 101,717; and 108 kindergartens, with 5,574. There were 305 missionary teachers and 4,955 national teachers during 1958.

Seventeen Baptist hospitals and 58 clinics and dispensaries served a total of 231,121 patients. Working with these medical centers were 46 missionary physicians, 54 national physicians, 55 missionary nurses, and 182 national nurses.

Fourteen publishing centers printed 150,000 Bibles, 450,441 copies of 208 books, 3,590,414 copies of 262 periodicals, and 7,066,464 pieces of 443 tracts.

Fourteen orphanages cared for 764 children. And 10 good will centers enrolled 1,942 children and 777 adults. ■

# Arkansas All Over

By Jay W. C. Moore

## Concord Notes

A REVIVAL has been conducted in Trinity Church, Mason Boundrant, pastor, with Evangelist Eddie Liberman, Greenville, S. C., doing the preaching. There were 20 additions by baptism and 6 by letter. Pastor Boundrant directed the music.

THE BARLING CHURCH celebrated David Land's first anniversary recently with a basket dinner. During the year 53 were received into the church for baptism and 49 by letter.

A NEW MISSION has been established in the Cavanaugh area, south of Ft. Smith, sponsored jointly by the Rye Hill Church, William McIver, pastor, and Concord Association. The church will furnish the teachers and officers for the Sunday school and the association will pay the rent on the building for three months. Harlan Abel, pastor of the Towson Avenue Church, Jim Pleitz, Grand Avenue, and Robert Parker, Calvary, are members of the Missions Committee.

OTHER CHURCHES having spring revivals that haven't been announced are: Calvary church, Homer Martinez; Spradling, Paul Graham; Moores Rock, M. E. Wiles; Kelley Heights, Kelsey Gorman; Branch, Hugh McGehee; Paris, Bill Roland; Barling, Jay W. C. Moore; Glendale, Melvin Hampton; Southside, J. T. Eliff; Immanuel, church laymen; Northside, Tom McClain; Lavaca, Herman Sanford; First, Charleston, H. W. Ryan; Excelsior, Vernon Yarbrough; Ratcliff, James Simons; Temple, J. Harold Smith. Nine rural churches that have been having only one revival a year will conduct two this year.

NORTHSIDE Church, Charleston, has increased the pastor's salary from \$50 each week to \$75. Franklin Faries, who has resigned his secular work in Ft. Smith, will devote all of his time to the church field.

A NEW RADIO program has been begun in Ft. Smith. The program known as "The Old Time Gospel Hour" is being conducted each Sunday afternoon over radio station KTCS Ft. Smith, by Ottis Denney who has been doing pioneer mission work in Ohio for the past several years. Before going to Ohio, Mr. Denney did Pioneer Mission Work in Newton County for the State Missions Board. Mr. Denney is open for a pastorate or as a supply.

WORD HAS BEEN received in Ft. Smith of the death of Mrs. Ford F. Gauntt, the wife of Ford F. Gauntt, pastor of 1st Baptist Church, Boerne, Texas, after a short illness of cancer. Mr. Gauntt was pastor of 1st Church, Norphlet, Hartford and Huntington before becoming director of the Ft. Smith Soldiers Center during World War II.

FIFTY ADDITIONS have been received by the Spradling Avenue Church



Miss Elma Cobb

WMU

## Little Rock 1st Church To Host State Meet

THE SEVENTIETH ANNUAL meeting of Arkansas Woman's Missionary Union will be held in 1st Church, Little Rock, Mar. 31-April 2, with Miss Elma Cobb, president, presiding at all sessions.

Reports to be presented at that meeting show gratifying participation in organizational activities of the 630 Woman's Missionary Societies, 241 Young Woman's Auxiliaries, 924 Girls' Auxiliaries and 656 Sunbeam Bands. Membership totals 42,108. Of the above, recognition of attainment were given 270 organizations as follows:

Woman's Missionary Societies approved, 11; advanced, 94; honor, 15.

Young Woman's Auxiliaries: advanced, 8; honor, 10.

Girls' Auxiliaries: advanced, 41; honor, 63.

Sunbeam Bands: approved, 18; honor, 10.

### May 4 DAY OF PRAYER FOR COMMUNITY MISSIONS

Theme:  
USING MY HANDS

during the first three months pastorate of Paul Graham. There were 29 by baptism and 21 by letter.

SUPERINTENDENT OF Missions, Jay W. C. Moore, supplied the pulpit recently of Southside Church for Dr. Victor Coffman, Sr. Dr. Coffman who suffered a mild heart condition several weeks ago is convalescing at his home at 2600 South M, Ft. Smith.

SECOND SEMESTER enrollment at Southern Baptist College filled every available dormitory space, and was described by officials as the biggest percentage increase in the school's history. Work began Jan. 9 on the new dormitory for men, and the board has begun efforts to add a unit to the women's dormitory.

## O. C. Robinson Accepts Pastorate

O. C. ROBINSON, superintendent of Pulaski Association missions, has accepted the pastorate of Shiloh Terrace Church, Dallas, effective Apr. 1.

Mr. Robinson organized the Dallas church in February, 1955, as a mission of 1st Church. It now has 1,250 members and a Sunday School enrollment of 1,650. In the heart of one of the fastest growing sections of Dallas, it has a 1959 budget of \$125,000.

Mr. Robinson has been in the Pulaski Association post for two and one-half years.

## Revival Reports

FIRST CHURCH, McCrory: Wendell Welch, 1st Church, Sheridan, evangelist; Herbert Haney, Southern Baptist College, singer; 14 by baptism, six by letter.

FIRST CHURCH, Humphrey: Mar. 1-8, Dr. Porter M. Bailes Sr., Tyler, Tex., evangelist; Pastor J. C. McClenny, song leader; 17 by baptism, two by letter.

MT. OLIVE Church, Crossett, Mar. 8-15: Vernon Yarbrough, evangelist; Bob Hodnett, Sterling, La., sing; 13 by baptism, three by letter.

FIRST CHURCH, Humphrey, Mar. 1-8: Oirter M. Bailes, Tyler, Tex., evangelist; J. C. McClenny, pastor, director of music; 17 for baptism; two by letter.

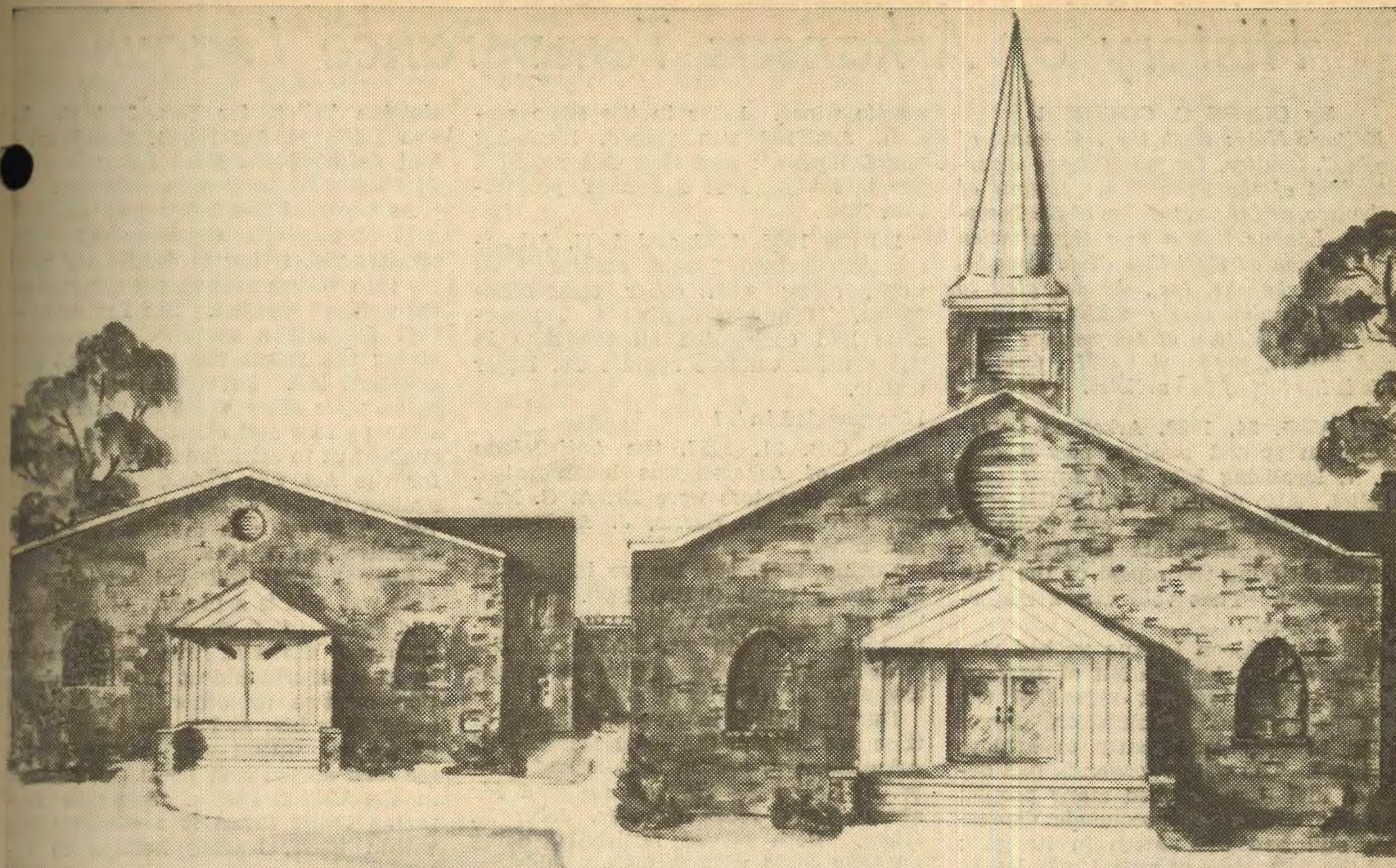
FIRST CHURCH, Piggott; Billy Walker, evangelist; 13 professions; one letter; more than 100 rededications.

MARMADUKE CHURCH, Greene Association, Marvin L. May, pastor, has joined the group of churches providing the Arkansas Baptist to members through the church budget.

## Attendance Report

(Mar. 15)

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Arkadelphia, 2nd	257	97	3
Armored	157	121	12
Cullendale, 1st	522	256	2
Crossett, Mt. Olive	328	181	8
El Dorado, 1st	1042	316	21
Mission	52		
Fayetteville, 1st	790	253	1
Ft. Smith, Calvary	346	144	6
Ft. Smith, Immanuel	418	179	
Ft. Smith, Rye Hill	79	55	
Mission	10		
Gentry, 1st	235	114	
Hot Springs, Park Pl.	422	139	1
Huntsville, 1st	124	46	
Jacksonville, 1st	530	218	1
Jonesboro, Central	526	312	
(both records)			
McGehee, 1st	549	246	1
Magnolia, Central	800	417	2
Mena, 1st	296	109	
Mission	37	17	
Pine Bluff, South Side	636	228	1
Springdale, 1st	510	152	3
Warren, 1st	614	220	3
W. Memphis, Calvary	258	158	13



**GROUNDBREAKING SERVICES** for the new building of 2nd Church, Searcy, were held Mar. 8. A \$50,000 bond issue, handled through Baptist Investment Service, Memphis, was sold in one week. The church, pastored by Allen T. McCurry, has almost 300 members. The new auditorium will be valued at \$60,000.

● **FIRST CHURCH**, Little Rock, has called Dr. and Mrs. Jack Jones as minister of music and organization. They will be on the field the first Sunday in April. Dr. Jones has been the director of music in Tabernacle Church, Atlanta, Ga., where he has had a fully graded choir program. (CB)

● **EVANGELIST** Paul E. Wilhelm, Lamar, is participating in three simultaneous crusades this year, in as many states. His schedule includes Mar. 15-27, 1st Church, Caddo, Okla.; Apr. 5-15, Milby Road, Arlington, Tex., and Apr. 23-May 3, Trinity Church, Ft. Smith.

● **DR. CHARLES** Frank Pitts, 1st Church, Blytheville, will be the evangelist for the annual Baptist Student Union sponsored revival at Southern Baptist College, Apr. 20-24. Dr. Pitts will speak twice daily in the chapel and also will be available for personal conferences with the students. Dr. Pitts, a graduate of Ouachita and Southern Seminary, is the author of *Chaplains in Gray*, published by the Broadman Press.

### Wright Named Director Of Texas PR Program

● **DALLAS** —(BP)— Lloyd Wright, associate director of public relations for the Baptist General Convention of Texas for the past 18 months, has been named director of the denomination's public relations program.

### Pastoral Changes

**NEW PASTORS** in the Hope Association include: Jack Bledsoe, called by Memorial Church, Waldo, and Richard Ramsey, Texarkana, Guernsey Church. (CB)

**FLIPPIN CHURCH** has called Chester Rhoten, Leslie, and he will move on the field Apr. 12. W. B. O'Neal, who was pastor when the church building was erected, supplied Mar. 22.

**PLEASANT HILL**, Trinity Association, has called A. M. Houston as pastor. (CB)

● **C. J. HOLIMAN** Jr. is the new minister of music and education at the 1st Church, Cullendale. He is 33 and is married to the former Jeannetta Moyer of Little Rock. They have three children, Thomas Edward 9, Jo Ann 7, and Richard Eugene 4. Mr. Holiman graduated from Waldron High School, Little Rock Junior College and Southwestern Seminary. Prior to coming to Camden he served as minister of music at South Highland, Little Rock; Central Church, Hot Springs, and Midway Church, Ft. Worth.

● **DR. J. V. Dawes**, emeritus missionary to China, has moved from Fayetteville, to Los Angeles, Cal. He may be addressed, c-o Mrs. S. E. Dowden, 331 S. Rampart Blvd., Los Angeles 57.

### Former Arkansans Named To Golden Gate Post

**DR. A. J. HYATT**, formerly of Monticello, was elected associate professor of New Testament Interpretation by the trustees of Golden Gate Seminary at their recent annual meeting in Berkeley, Cal. While in Arkansas, he pastored McCrory Church, and served as associational missionary of the Fourche Valley Association.

Dr. Hyatt first came to the Golden Gate Seminary in 1947 when he served as Greek instructor. After a few years in California pastorates, he returned to the seminary in 1956 as head librarian and teacher of Greek.

Dr. Harold K. Graves, seminary president, also announced these additional elections: Dr. William A. Carleton to vice-president of the seminary; Dr. R. Fletcher Royal to professor of principles of religious education; Dr. Carlyle D. Bennett to professor of voice, conducting, and music administration; Dr. Jack W. Manning to professor of evangelism; Dr. Kyle M. Yates, Jr. to associate professor of Old Testament and Biblical archaeology; and Miss Gell Davis to assistant professor of religious education.

The trustees adopted a budget of nearly half a million dollars for operating the school during the first year on its new campus at Strawberry Point, just north of the Golden Gate in Marin County. Plans have been completed to move from Berkeley July 1.



# History of Arkansas Temperance League

By **CLYDE C. COULTER**

*Editor's Note: With the retirement of Clyde C. Coulter, for many years superintendent of the Temperance League of Arkansas, and the expansion of the Temperance League into a new organization to be known as Christian Civic Foundation of Arkansas, Inc., we are glad to publish simultaneously with Arkansas Methodist a history of temperance work in Arkansas, prepared by Mr. Coulter. This is the last of two articles. —ELM*

ON AUG. 24, 1933, Arkansas Legislature, in special session, passed Act No. 7, legalizing beer of 3.2 per cent alcohol. Also during 1933, by the convention method, a vote was given to the voters of the state on the question of ratifying the repeal of the 18th Amendment. That vote was a majority for repeal.

The Anti-Saloon League worked vigorously against legalization of beer by the state, and against repeal of the 18th Amendment. Prohibition forces failed to rally sufficiently to achieve that end. The wet propaganda had deceived and brain-washed many people; and the nation-wide economic depression still had the nation in its grip; and the promoters of repeal, still led by the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, were promising all sorts of economic relief if the 18th Amendment should be repealed. Repeal was accomplished, effective Dec. 5, 1933, and the United States took the longest step backward that she ever took.

During 1934, the Anti-Saloon League continued its program of temperance education, though now with even poorer financial support and cooperation.

The wet surge was on in 1935. In that year Arkansas Legislature passed Act No. 69, Feb. 25, 1935, legalizing do-

mestic wines. Later in the same session, Act 108 was passed, legalizing "hard liquors"; and that Act repealed the last vestige of Arkansas' prohibition laws.

During 1935, 1936 and 1937, Arkansas Anti-Saloon League continued its work, along with other temperance forces. Woman's Christian Temperance had cooperated all the time in the general warfare against the liquor traffic.

## Incorporated in '37

On Oct. 21, 1937, the Anti-Saloon League of Arkansas was incorporated. The incorporators were Dr. A. G. Millar, Rev. T. L. Harris, J. A. Hanna, and others.

During 1938, the League initiated a bill for a Local Option Law. The bill was on the general election ballot, Nov. 8, 1938. The vote was 56,373 for the measure and 73,090 against it, giving the wets a majority of 16,717.

During several years, exact period of time not certain, the superintendent of Arkansas Anti-Saloon League had been W. J. Losinger. He was followed for about seven years by Rev. John H. Glass. Both served faithfully, doing all they could with funds available.

During 1939, up until July 15, Dr. Glass "carried on". On July 16, 1939, while in Fayetteville, still "on the firing line," he went in for a rest during the afternoon. He went to sleep, and in his sleep he passed away.

During the last half of 1939 the League was without a superintendent. J. A. Hanna a member of the board, served as acting superintendent — without pay. Toward the end of that year the League secured as its superintendent Clyde C. Coulter, whose term of office began Jan. 1940. He continued in that office until his retirement, Feb. 28, 1959.

During 1940, the League initiated a local option bill. Signatures to the petition were 2,500 more than the number required. The liquor forces challenged the petition. The Supreme Court has original and exclusive jurisdiction over such petitions. On a technicality, that Court ruled our petition insufficient.

**NOTE:** The beer law, passed by Legislature Aug. 24, 1933, and the hard liquor law, passed by Legislature March 16, 1935, had local option provisions, but of a poor sort; hence the effort for a better local option law.)

During 1942, the League initiated another local option bill — a measure which would prohibit the manufacture, sale, bartering, loaning or giving away of any beverage of over one-half of one per cent of alcohol by weight. The liquor forces challenged the petition. After a hard-fought battle before the Supreme Court, that court reversed its own ruling of two years earlier and ruled our petition sufficient, and ordered the bill placed on the general

election ballot, for Nov. 3, 1942. It was Initiated Act No. 1. The League had defeated the same liquor lawyer who defeated us two years before.

As expected the liquor people waged a high-powered campaign of false propaganda, trying to deceive the voters into voting against the measure in the general election. The League carried forward a state-wide campaign, giving the voters the truth about the proposed bill. Supporting that campaign were some W.C.T.U. women and some pastors and churches. The Lord enabled us to achieve victory. The vote for the Act was 52,830, and the vote against it was 41,040. Dry majority, 11,790. The act was drafted to become effective Jan. 1, 1943.

**Special Note:** Initiated Act No. 1 of 1942 was and is a product of the brain and heart of J. S. Abercrombie. He authored the bill, with collaboration by the superintendent and a suggestion or two by other lawyers. The measure is his; and it has been called by leaders within and outside Arkansas, one of the best Local Option laws in the United States. Arkansas Supreme Court called it a complete Act within itself, leaving nothing to intendment.

And, so far as we know, Arkansas is the only state in which the Temperance League has secured for the state a Local Option law.

When Mr. Abercrombie was defending the initiated act before the Supreme Court, he was assisted by Tom F. Digby, Sr. One of Mr. Digby's last public appearances was before the Supreme Court in that case.

Initiated Act No. 1 provided, originally, for special elections, for the sole and only purpose of voting on the liquor issue. Beginning immediately after its enactment, the wet forces began planning to attack it. That, too, was expected. In 1947, they succeeded in passing Act No. 91, which allows possession of one gallon of liquor in dry areas for personal use. Most other wet bills were defeated. Wet attempts continued, in each session of the Legislature. In 1955, Act No. 15 was passed, changing the time for holding Local Option elections to general election day. In 1957, three wet bills, among others, were introduced, each of which would amend Initiated Act No. 1, therefore requiring two-thirds vote of all Senators and Representatives. Neither of the three received the required votes, yet they were called "passed", and the governor signed them. They are clear-

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ly invalid.

During 1948, the liquor forces initiated a bill to change the time for holding local option elections, to general election day. The League waged a state-wide campaign against it. The Lord enabled us to defeat them. But in 1955, the Legislature, as stated above, passed Act 15, accomplishing what the wets failed to do in 1948.

On Jan. 18, 1949, the Board of Directors of the Anti-Saloon League of Arkansas adopted a Resolution of several paragraphs, the main paragraph reading as follows:

"Be it resolved, that Article I of the Constitution of the Anti-Saloon League of Arkansas be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

"The name of this organization is, 'The Temperance League of Arkansas'."

During 1950, the League and the W.C.T.U. led a campaign for state-wide prohibition. The name "Arkansas United Drys" was used during the campaign. At the same time, each organization carried on its own program. The prohibition initiative petition needed just under 20,000 signatures. The petition was filed, with Secretary of State, with above 53,000 signatures. Even so, the liquor people challenged it. The liquor lawyers, and the attorneys for the Temperance League fought it out before the Supreme Court. That Court ruled the petition sufficient in every particular and ordered the proposed measure placed on the general election ballot, for Nov. 7, 1950. Then the wet forces did their worst to deceive the voters; and their highly-financed false propaganda did deceive them. The vote was: 139,623 for the proposed measure, and 192,986 against it. Wet majority, 53,363.

During 1935-1939, a number of townships and towns and counties voted out hard liquors. During 1940-1942, several towns and townships voted out hard liquors; and in 1942, two counties voted out hard liquors and beer too, in separate elections on each — beer and hard liquors. Initiated Act No. 1 of 1942, was adopted by the voters on Nov. 3, 1942, effective Jan. 1, 1943. Under that law, all liquors could be voted on at the same time, in any county, township, town, ward or precinct. Omitting much detail just here; there are now 42 entire counties dry, and 36 townships and nine towns dry in wet counties, in Arkansas.

The Temperance League of Arkansas has led or helped in planning and directing almost all the local option campaigns. The League has prepared the petitions for them and has prepared various types of advertising material — newspaper display ads, circulars, cartons, etc., and has filled speaking engagements in churches, schools, etc., throughout the areas during campaigns. It is interesting to note that, in most of the campaigns

that failed to vote dry, the leaders failed to follow the pattern and the strategy developed, out of long experience, by the Temperance League. But, for all the victories, we give humble thanks and gratitude to God. He has enabled us to achieve the victories.

The American Business Men's Research Foundation, doing research exclusively on the beverage alcohol problem, states, in its official publication, July-August, 1958, edition, that Arkansas has made greatest gains, percentage-wise, of any state in the nation, during the last fifteen years, in population changed from wet to dry status. See below:

	1943	1958
Arkansas,	16.5%	42.0% (now it is 42.5%)
Kentucky,	42.1%	56.1%

Presidents of The Temperance League of Arkansas, in recent years, have been: for several years, until his death, Nov. 9, 1940, Dr. A. C. Millar. Jan. 16, 1941, to Jan. 26, 1945, Rev. Sam M. Yancey. Jan. 26, 1945 to Jan. 18, 1949, Rev. Kenneth L. Spore. Jan. 18, 1949, to the present time, Rev. J. Albert Gatlin. ■

## The First Easter

By Grayce Krogh Boller

*In the fresh, sweet dew of morning,  
Against a golden sky,  
While birds sang praises of him,  
The Master, Christ, passed by.*

*His hour of trial was over;  
Gone was the strife and shame;  
Now glory shone around him  
To bless his holy name.*

*Now came the hour of triumph,  
When all the world should know  
That Christ arose triumphant,  
Because God loves us so!*

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T. SLOANE GUY, Jr., 1st Church, Birmingham, Ala., has been elected executive secretary-treasurer of the Southern Baptist Convention hospital board, succeeding Frank Tripp who retires June 1. The Board operates the Southern Baptist Hospital at New Orleans.

## The Bible Says



II TIM. 2:24 Be gentle un-  
to all . . . apt to teach, patient.

## Training Union

### Youth Convention Scheduled May

CARLTON CARTER, director of Young People's work, Training Union Department, Baptist Sunday School



Board, will have charge of the elimination speaker's tournament for the 17-18 year group Friday morning, May 8, at the state Training Union Youth Convention which meets at the 1st Church, Little Rock.

In the afternoon session, after five young people speak on "Tomorrow Is Ours; Therefore We Train," Mr. Carter will speak to the 17-18 year young people on the subject, "The Cost of Conquering."

There will be morning and afternoon conference for the following groups: 13-14 year intermediates, 15 year intermediates, 16 year intermediates, 17-18 year young people, and 19-24 year young people.

A bus load of young people will come from Northwest Arkansas.

### Inter-Racial Baptist Work Survey Reported

NASHVILLE —(BP)— About one out of four Southern Baptist churches is co-operating with a Negro Baptist church in some activity, according to a report given here.

The report was based on a survey conducted jointly by the Home Mission Board and by the department of research and statistics of the Sunday School Board.

Activities included Vacation Bible School aid, providing educational scholarships, pulpit exchanges, simultaneous revivals, erection or repair of Negro church buildings, planning or conferring with Negro pastors, exchange of youth and music programs, sending Negro boys and girls to summer camp, and others.

Survey forms were mailed by the Home Mission Board to more than 25,200 pastors in the Southern Baptist Convention. About 6,500 responded. Of these, 1,764 had engaged in some activity during the last two years.

About one-fifth of the churches had co-operated with Negro Baptist churches in helping the Negro churches conduct vacation Bible schools. One thousand three hundred and fifty-six pastors said their churches had at one time given financial assistance to Negro vacation Bible schools, although only 624 did so during 1958.

Another area of greatest inter-racial co-operation among Baptists was in conferences between white and Negro ministers. The survey showed that 882 Southern Baptist ministers had planned or conferred with Negro Baptist preachers during 1957 and 1958.

# Southern Calls Top-Level Conference

LOUISVILLE —(BP)— A top-level conference will be held at Southern Seminary here Mar. 30 with 12 dismissed Southern professors invited to attend.

Baptist leaders present will be the seminary trustees, its president and faculty, and a special committee of Southern Baptist Convention presidents.

The trustees said the joint conference was called "for the purpose of effecting a reconciliation within the total seminary faculty."

The nature of things to be discussed at the conference was not disclosed.

Calling of the conference was announced jointly by the trustees of the seminary, the administration, and the special committee of presidents.

The committee of presidents met first on Jan. 8. Since that time it has "spent many hours in face-to-face conference with members of the present faculty of the seminary, the dismissed professors, President (Duke K.) McCall and the trustees, and representatives of the alumni and the student body."

In its progress report, the committee noted further:

"We have witnessed, throughout these progressive conferences, increasing hope for solution for this crucial situation at the level of New Testament reconciliation."

Louie D. Newton, pastor, Druid Hills Church, Atlanta, is chairman of the committee. Other members are Convention President Brooks Hays and former presidents J. W. Storer, Nashville, J. D. Grey, New Orleans, C. C. Warren, Charlotte and R. G. Lee, Memphis.

The trustees issued their statement at the conclusion of their regular March meeting of the full board. The Mar. 20 session of the full board is a specially called one.

The Southern trustees also announced the promotions of five faculty members and the transfer of four others into new subject areas of teaching.

Promoted were:

Robert Allen Proctor, Jr., from assistant to associate professor of educational psychology.

G. Maurice Hinson from assistant to associate professor of church music.

William C. Bushnell from assistant to associate professor of church music.

Vernon L. Stanfield from associate to full professor of preaching.

Herbert C. Jackson from associate to full professor of comparative religion and missions.

The four transferred and their old and new subject areas are:

Nolan P. Howington, associate professor, from preaching to Christian ethics.

Eric C. Rust, professor, from Christian apologetics to Christian philosophy.

William A. Mueller, professor, from philosophy of religion to church history.

Joseph A. Callaway from Old Testament interpretation to Biblical archaeology.

The trustees elected a new chairman, J. Lamar Jackson, pastor, Southside Church, Birmingham, Ala., succeeding Wade H. Bryant, Ronoke, Va.

# BJA Plans Year of World Evangelism

WASHINGTON —(BP)— A year of world evangelism in 1964 is being planned by the Baptist Jubilee Advancement Committee, according to Thos. B. McDormand, general chairman. The BJA is a five-year program of evangelism to be climaxed in 1964 with the 150th anniversary of organized Baptist work in the U.S.A.

This decision was reached after hearing a report on the progress of the evangelism committee for 1959. Response for the current year of evangelism has been so enthusiastic that another such year on a world scale has been approved.

# Conferences to Study 'Great Bible Laymen'

MEMPHIS —(BP)— "Great Laymen of the Bible" will be studied at Baptist Brotherhood Conferences this summer at denominational assemblies in Glorieta, N. M., and Ridgecrest, N. C.

W. Perry Crouch, pastor, 1st Church, Asheville, N. C., will lead this opening period of the conference at Ridgecrest. Dates for this conference are June 18-24.

Leading the period at Glorieta will be W. D. Wyatt, pastor, 1st Church, Albuquerque, N. M. Dates are Aug. 13-19.

The conferences are aimed at Brotherhood leadership in the associations and churches.

Director of the Brotherhood Conference at Ridgecrest will be David T. Mashburn, associate secretary of the Brotherhood Commission. Associate Secretary Lucien E. Coleman will direct the Brotherhood Conference at Glorieta.

# First Baptism Held In Mombasa, Kenya

EIGHT MEN, the first persons to profess faith in Christ as a result of Southern Baptist mission work in Mombasa, Kenya, were baptized on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 1. These men had studied Baptist beliefs and doctrines in inquirers' classes for a year, and during the week before the baptism each was given a thorough examination concerning his beliefs.

"How we rejoice and praise our Lord for this group who will become the nucleus of the first Baptist church in Mombasa," writes Missionary James E. Hampton, who baptized the converts.

# Young People Away Dept. Suggested

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB)— A new approach to an old program in Sunday school has been suggested by the Sunday School Department.

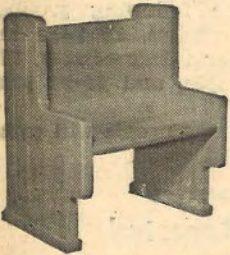
The problem — young people away from their home church! The suggestion — have a Young People Away Department in every Sunday School!

James V. Lackey, superintendent of

Young People's Work in the Board's Sunday School Department, has announced the idea, and offered suggestions for carrying it out.

The plan, Lackey hopes, will help the churches keep in touch with their young people away from their home church.

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GENERAL THEME: "... teaching to observe ..."  
Matthew 28:20 RSV

### TUESDAY NIGHT

"... teaching them to observe ..."

Through Training of Christian Leaders

6:55 Secretary's Report on Registration — Joe W. Burton, Tennessee

7:00 Committee on Order of Business — Franklin Owen, Kentucky, Chairman

7:05 Appointment of Committee on Committees, Committee on Resolutions, and Tellers

7:10 SOUTHERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY CENTENNIAL PROCESSIONAL and REPORTS OF THE CONVENTION SEMINARIES

7:40 SOUTHERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY CENTENNIAL COMMENCEMENT

Conferring of Degrees

Convention Sermon — Commencement Address

R. Paul Caudill, Tennessee

Frank Morris, Georgia, Alternate

### WEDNESDAY MORNING

"... teaching them to observe ..."

Through a Program of Cooperation

9:10 Recognition of Fraternal Messengers

9:35 Executive Committee Administrative Report — Porter W. Routh, Tennessee, Executive Secretary

10:55 Election of Officers

11:25 Miscellaneous Business

11:40 Education Commission

12:00 President's Address — Brooks Hays, Arkansas

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT

"... teaching them to observe ..."

Through world-wide witnessing

6:55 American Bible Society

7:05 Report of Radio and Television Commission — Paul M. Stevens, Texas, Director

7:30 Baptist World Alliance — Arnold T. Ohrn, D. C., Executive Secretary

7:55 Foreign Mission Board — Baker J. Cauthen, Virginia, Executive Secretary

### THURSDAY MORNING

"... teaching them to observe ..."

Through Communication of the Word

9:10 Carver School of Missions and Social Work

9:25 Executive Committee Promotional Report — Merrill D. Moore, Tennessee, Secretary of Stewardship Promotion

10:00 Election of Officers

10:15 Miscellaneous Business

10:50 Sunday School Board — James L. Sullivan, Tennessee, Executive Secretary

11:50 Music

11:55 Message — Harold W. Tribble, President, Wake Forest College, North Carolina

### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

"... teaching them to observe ..."

Through Carefully Planned Organization

2:10 Southern Baptist Foundation — J. W. Storer,

Tennessee, Executive Secretary

2:20 Committee on Denominational Papers — Louie D. Newton, Georgia

2:35 Committee on Public Affairs — Walter Pope Binns, Missouri

2:50 Election of Officers

3:05 Miscellaneous Business

3:25 Committee on Total Program of Southern Baptists — Douglas M. Branch, North Carolina

### THURSDAY NIGHT

"... teaching them to observe ..."

Through Greater Homeland Proclamation

7:00 The Jubilee Advance Program — C. C. Warren, Chairman, North Carolina

8:05 Home Mission Board — Courts Redford, Georgia, Executive Secretary

### FRIDAY MORNING

"... teaching them to observe ..."

Through the Challenge of Opportunity

9:40 Commission on American Baptist Theological Seminary — L. S. Sedberry, Tennessee, Executive Secretary

10:00 Woman's Missionary Union

10:20 Committee on Denominational Calendar — Alma Hunt, Alabama, Chairman

10:30 Report on Committee on Resolutions

10:40 Miscellaneous Business

11:15 Report of Committee on Boards — Warren M. Marshall, Jr., Georgia, Chairman

11:35 Relief and Annuity Board — R. Alton Reed, Texas, Executive Secretary

11:55 Chaplain's Commission — Alfred Carpenter, Georgia, Director

Chaplain (Brig. Gen.) Robert T. Taylor, USAF, Deputy Chief of Air Force

Chaplains

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

"... teaching them to observe ..."

Through a United Witness

2:20 Scripture (Acts 20:17-28) and Prayer — John M. Wright, Texas

2:25 Committee on Time, Place, and Preacher

2:30 Historical Commission — Norman W. Cox, Tennessee, Executive Secretary

2:50 Southern Baptist Hospitals — Frank Tripp, Louisiana, Superintendent

3:05 Memorial Service — T. L. Holcomb, Texas

3:20 Canadian Baptist Committee — James L. Sullivan, Tennessee, Chairman

3:30 Music

3:40 Address — "And Now ALL TOGETHER" — J. D. Grey, Louisiana

### FRIDAY NIGHT

"... teaching them to observe ..."

Through Peace and Good Will

7:05 Scripture (2 Peter 3:10-18) and Prayer — R. L. Sherrick, Tennessee

7:10 Brotherhood Commission — George W. Schroeder, Tennessee, Executive Secretary

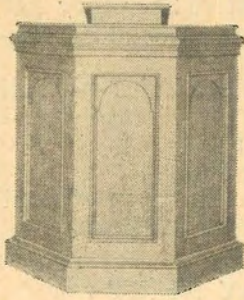
7:30 Christian Life Commission — A. C. Miller, Tennessee, Executive Secretary

7:55 Presentation of Officers

8:00 World Peace Committee — Walter Pope Binns, Missouri, Chairman

8:30 World Peace Emphasis

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## Two Books on Racial Question Published

NASHVILLE —(BP)— Two Southern Baptist leaders are authors of books on racial understanding, it was reported to the Advisory Council on Work with National Baptists here.

Southern Baptist Convention President Brooks Hays has written one, entitled "A Southern Moderate Speaks." It will be put on sale Mar. 14 by the University of North Carolina Press.

T. B. Maston, professor of Christian ethics at Southwestern Seminary, has written the other. Bearing the title, "The Bible and Race," it was released by Broadman Press.

The Advisory Council, a semi-official organization which considers cooperative work carried on by white and Negro Baptists, said it recommended both books.

## New York Church Establishes Missions

DURING FEBRUARY, the Manhattan Baptist Church, New York City, started the third mission since its constitution in 1958. The latest mission is near Portsmouth, N. H., and came as a result of the transferring of a bomber wing from Roswell, N. M., to Pease Air Force Base, bringing many Southern Baptists to that area.

About 120 people are already attending the mission and 64 members have been received into the membership of the Manhattan Baptist Church which is the nearest Southern Baptist work.

## Sunday School, Training Union Conventions Set

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB)—Two nation-wide conventions are being planned by the Baptist Sunday School Board.

A Training Union Convention will be held Dec. 28-30 in Atlanta, Ga., at 1st Church and Municipal Auditorium.

A Sunday School Convention takes place March 29-31, 1960, in Ft. Worth, Tex., with meetings in churches and Will Rogers Coliseum.

The December Training Union meeting will emphasize membership training for all Southern Baptists and will launch the 1960 Southern Baptist Convention-wide Training Union Program in the Baptist Jubilee Advance.

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April, 1959		
Theme: "Answers"		
April 5	"The Answer to Despair"	3:00 p.m.
12	"The Answer to Inquiry"	7:00 a.m.
19	"The Answer to Intimidation"	1:00 p.m.
26	"The Answer to the Unanswerable"	12:30 p.m.
Arkadelphia	KVRC	3:00 p.m.
Conway	KCON	7:00 a.m.
Corning	KCCB	1:00 p.m.
DeQueen	KDQN	12:30 p.m.
El Dorado	KELD	2:30 p.m.
Forrest City	KXJK	9:30 a.m.
Hope	KXAR	5:00 p.m.
Jonesboro	KNEA	9:30 a.m.
Mena	KENA	1:30 p.m.
Monticello	KHBM	3:30 p.m.
Paragould	KDRS	8:30 p.m.
Siloam Springs	KUOA	7:30 a.m.
Van Buren	KPDF	10:00 a.m.
Wynne	KWYN	6:30 p.m., Sat.

## Radio-TV Commission Named Medal Winner

FORT WORTH —(BP)— The Southern Baptist Convention Radio and Television Commission here has been selected by the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Pa., as winner of the George Washington Honor Medal for the television film, "The Rich Fool."

The film, said commission director Paul Stevens, is one of a series of 30-minute "This is the Answer" dramas produced by the commission.

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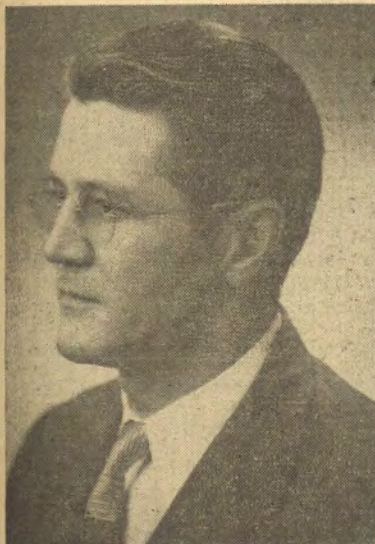
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## The Little Sparrow

By COZETTE HOLMES MOTT

IT WAS A beautiful spring day. Mother, David, and Diane were starting for a walk down to the little creek. All three were so thrilled with the new day that they were singing lustily:

"It's a glory day,

It's a glory day,

And we thank thee, God,

For this glory day."

Mother stopped singing long enough to ask, "Did you know that you can hear a day?"

"You can?" exclaimed David and Diane together.

"Yes, and you can smell it and see it and feel it," replied Mother. "Now, let's be quiet and hear the day, Listen."

"Oh, Mother, it's a 'tinkly' day," said Diane.

"I like that. All right, it's a tinkly day," said Mother. "How does it look, David?"

"Oh, Mother, it's a golden day. The sun is covering the whole world with a blanket of gold," said David.

"Good! I like that description, David. Now, how does it smell?"

They were standing under the China tree near the pasture gate. The perfume of its lavender blossoms filled the air.

"It smells nice, Mother," said Diane.

"Yes, like your new perfume Daddy gave you last Christmas," said David.

"Oh, I like this day!"

"I do, too," said Diane.

The three sat down to rest under the

shade of the China tree. They began to watch for the birds. David had a new bird book which Daddy had ordered for him from the Baptist Book Store, and their interest in birds had been growing.

"Look, Mother and Diane; there's a robin. Doesn't he have a lovely breast?"

"Oh, yes," said Diane.

"Look, there's a bluebird. It is the first one I've seen. It looks as if a patch of sky has fallen," said Mother.

That morning they saw robins, bluebirds, flickers with their speckled breasts, a woodpecker in his shiny black coat and red top hat, and a redbird as beautiful as his song.

They saw a little brown sparrow. His coat seemed so drab beside all the lovely colors that David asked suddenly, "Mother, I wonder why Jesus didn't say, 'A redbird shall not fall without your Father'? They are so much more beautiful than the sparrow."

Mother thought a bit and replied, "Perhaps, David, it is to teach us that God doesn't love just the beautiful things in life. He loves the unlovely, too. He loved us in all of our sin enough to send his only Son to die for us on an ugly cross. God loves the beautiful, but he also loves the poor, the needy, the meek, the lowly, and the unlovely."

David thought hard for a moment; then he said, "Oh, I'm so glad he said 'sparrow,' aren't you?"

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## A Smile or Two

A GOLF tournament was in progress when an official of the club noticed one golfer playing the ball about a foot in front of the tee.

"Hey, you can't do that! You're disqualified!" shouted the official.

"What for?" demanded the golfer.

"Why, you're driving off in front of the mark."

The golfer looked at the man with disgust. "G'wan back to the clubhouse," he said tersely. "This is my third stroke!"

A COUNTRY woman had been put on a rigid reducing diet by her doctor. Shortly afterward a neighbor dropped in and was amazed to see her eating a large slab of apple pie with great relish.

"I thought you were on a diet!" the neighbor exclaimed.

"I am," replied the woman. "But I've had my diet, and now I'm having my dinner."

A PASSENGER in a plane sat relaxed at a window observing the spectacle of the heavens. Suddenly, a parachutist appeared and drifted by. "Going to join me?" cried the parachutist.

"No, I'm very happy where I am."

"Just as you like," called the parachutist, "but I'm the pilot."

"YOU LOOK pretty small and meek for this job as a night watchman. We need someone who's restless, uneasy, especially at night. Who's always on the prowl and listening and watching, expecting the worst. We want a big, aggressive bad-tempered, revengeful, even hard-hearted person.

"Oh," said the little applicant. "I'll phone my wife to come right down."



"And now for the collection . . ."

A good trick, if you can do it. None should be denied the right of worship; but All who can should support their beliefs in dollars and cents. Christianity's existence has always depended upon those who gave personally of their time, effort, and money.

# Jesus Christ Lives

By CLARENCE A. ALLISON

(Pastor, 1st Church, Junction City)

March 29

Luke 24:33-48

WHEN JESUS died the hope of his disciples faded. They still did not perceive the fact that he was a spiritual Messiah. They could not comprehend that, through death, he would bring them life.



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Their hopes were placed upon physical deliverance. Now their deliverer was dead. They had seen his body go limp as he hung, hideously suspended, upon the cross. All hope was gone, and the Roman shadow remained to further chill their spirits. The Messiah was no more than a man, it seemed, for he was the victim of death, as all other men had been or were to be.

What sorrow must have flooded their souls as the disciples turned from the cross and contemplated their future. For a while they had been elated at the prospect of escape from bondage, but now their deliverer was dead. The only prospect was a future of frustration under the domination of alien forces.

Their misery, doubtless, was overpowering as they thought of returning to their homes and occupations, to resume life where Jesus had found them, and called them to the greatest adventure ever known. They were finished here. Their Master was dead and hope was gone.

## JESUS FIRST APPEARS

Early in the morning of the first day of the new week, women came to the tomb of Jesus to perform the customary act of anointing the body. They had not been able to do that at the burial. Events moved swiftly, so that his interment was hasty and lacking the ordinary rites. So they came, belatedly, to do him honor.

To their great surprise, they found the tomb empty and the angels standing by, who told them that the Master had risen from the dead. Disbelief was evident in their manner, and naturally so. No one had ever risen from the grave, at least not in that manner. What to think of the evidence? It was too much for them. They went to find the others.

On the same day Jesus appeared to the two on the road to Emmaus. They did not recognize Him until their eyes were opened at the breaking of bread. When they perceived that their visitor had been the Master, they returned to

Jerusalem to give their witness to the believers there. The statement of the two men was, "The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon." After that came a rehearsal of the visit of Jesus on the way to Emmaus, a weighty evidence of the resurrection of Jesus.

Can we grasp the import of these staggering assertions? It will be hard, for we have grown up with the idea of his resurrection. We have at least become acquainted with the doctrine, whether or not we accept it as true. The disciples, however, were possessors of no such revelation. It was their experience that death was final. They had had no teaching about resurrection and hence, the impact must have been terrific.

Here is a new thought for the world to ponder, "The Lord is risen indeed. . . ."

## JESUS APPEARS TO THE GROUP

Perhaps skepticism was expressed by those who had had no contact with the risen Lord. Few had seen him. The account of the women might have been discredited because of the testimony of false witnesses, that the body had been stolen. The story of the two men was more acceptable but not conclusive. However, the fact that Simon had seen him too made the evidence weighty indeed.

No doubt they were discussing the evidence brought to them from the different sources, and were seeking to map out a course of action to determine, with finality, the truth of the accounts, when, suddenly, the Master was among them.

That was the final corroboration of the resurrection, as far as the disciples were concerned. They saw him. They saw his wounds. They saw him eat. They heard him speak. They saw Jesus in the flesh, and knew that he had risen from the dead.

He opened their understanding and they perceived the meaning of the Scripture. God's revelation was theirs. Jesus had suffered, died, and now had risen from death. He had conquered

that enemy that held all men in its grip. But, no longer was there to be foreboding as a man approached death, from not knowing what lay beyond the curtain. Jesus had drawn aside that veil and had revealed to all men that he possessed the keys of death and hell. Hope was restored to them. Hope, not for political deliverance, but for victory over all the power of sin, and victory over the bonds of the grave. Death could not hold Jesus, nor could it hold those who were his.

## JESUS GIVES HIS COMMISSION

The last three verses of the lesson passage only have meaning and urgency to those who grasp the message of the preceding verses. Those who witness must have seen something.

Jesus told his disciples that they were witnesses of the things which happened. They were not to proclaim it as a matter of mere choice, but under divine compulsion. They were given the task of making known what they had witnessed.

Their message contained two main elements. They were to tell all men that Jesus suffered, died, and rose from the dead, and that repentance brings remission of sin. A simple message, yet so profound as to affect the lives of all men.

Of those things they were witnesses, and so are we. Our message is always the same. Jesus had suffered, died, yet he rose from among the dead. Now he lives, seated at the right hand of the Father, where he makes intercession for us.

His words echo through the centuries to give hope to a hopeless world, "Because I live, ye shall live also." John 14:19. ■

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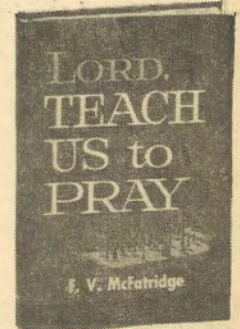
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## Concord Association Enlargement Campaign

DURING THE week of Feb. 15-20, an association pastor-led Sunday School enlargement campaign was conducted for Concord Association. Dr. E. Stanley Williamson from the Sunday School Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., directed the campaign, assisted by Dr. A. V. Washburn, secretary of the Sunday School Department, Sunday School Board, and the Arkansas State Sunday School secretary and his associate. Twelve churches participated in the campaign, including East Side, Spradling, Immanuel, Calvary, Bluff Avenue, North Side, Grand Avenue, Kelley Heights, 1st Ft. Smith, Towson Avenue, Excelsior, and Temple.

The religious census taken by these churches revealed that there were 7,367 enrolled with 4,897 prospects, making a total possibility for these Sunday Schools of 12,264. During the week, 83 new departments and 273 new classes were organized and 491 additional workers enlisted. Additional space was provided or the present space adjusted, for all but two of the churches.

Here are some of the testimonies from the pastors of the participating churches:

"This has been the most inspirational week in my ministry. For the first time in the history of the church, the people see the value of following the principles and methods of Sunday School growth. There has been a revival among the membership."

"This campaign has been a blessing to me, personally, and to our church. I feel that this campaign will get the job done."

"This campaign has also been a blessing to the church. We have a brighter outlook for growth than in all the three years' history of our church."

"I cannot say in words how much this has meant to me. Spiritually, it is an uplift beyond anything I have experienced."

"I have learned better how to direct the growth of my Sunday School in this one week than I have in all of my schooling and ministry combined. The people have seen the possibilities of growth. They have seen how, and now it is up to us."

"I believe this campaign has given me a fresh inspiration to tackle the problems of our Sunday School."



**TWENTY MEMBERS** of the Sunday School of 1st Church, Clarksville, received perfect attendance awards at a recent recognition service. Mrs. Mary Emma Hardin was recognized as having the longest perfect attendance record, 17 years. Julian Rowton is superintendent; Paschal C. Church, pastor.

"We definitely needed this help right at this time in the history of our church. This year should be the best in the history of our church largely because of this campaign."

"In my opinion, this is the greatest program for enlargement devised. The fact that the pastor is the key person and that the plans come from the people are perhaps the greatest advantages."

"I do not believe we could ever have established five new departments and twelve new classes in any one entire year under any other program; but within three weeks, we will have them in operation under this program."

"I know of nothing that can help the local church more in a few weeks' time, including a revival meeting."

"It has helped me to see more clearly the over-all program of Sunday School work. I feel that this is the one way that gains the approval of the people as they are shown by facts and figures what they have done and are doing and what they can do."

"We are of the opinion that the association, pastor-led enlargement campaign is one of the most informative campaigns ever sponsored by our association. It has been of tremendous help to me, my board of deacons, and about two-thirds of the officers and teachers in our Sunday School."

## Relief, Annuity Board Building Leases Signed

DALLAS — More than 90 per cent of the space in the Relief and Annuity Board's new 15-story building in Dallas, Tex., is committed for lease.

The announcement that the leases had been signed was made during the Board's 41st annual director's meeting in Dallas, March 3 and 4.

R. Alton Reed, executive secretary, said the space will be occupied by insurance agencies, accounting and architectural firms.

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