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Our 'new' radio

THINGS for which we are most grateful often are little things as far as their cash value is concerned. My wife and I were grateful Thanksgiving Day for a quiet day at home, with the agenda including some yard work, car washing, some radio and television listening and watching, and just being thankful.

As far as material things are concerned—other than food, clothing and shelter—we were most grateful Thanksgiving Day for a “new” radio, a table-model “20th Century” set, 1946 model, which had been sitting back collecting dust at my mother-in-law’s for several years.

The radio was “plunder” Mrs. Mc brought home a day or two before Thanksgiving, from a visit with her mother. It seems the set had just been in the way, having been replaced by a more-recent model.

A hurried visit to a radio shop and two radio tubes later and we were “back in business.” The set has hardly been turned off in the 72 hours since it was put back in running shape. We are just now realizing how much we have missed a home radio for the last several years—during which time we have had the inevitable TV set and car radios.

Aside from the fact I am Scotch and naturally get a big thrill out of listening to the set because it cost me very little, I think I like the radio because it is something that continues to last beyond its time. It is sort of in the category of the last watermelon on the vine just before the first frost, or, maybe, the last big red tomato to go with the last meal of green field peas till next season.

Even without the junk treasure trove of your mother-in-law to draw from, if you have been “keeping house” for any length of time, you probably have a lot of things piled back for need of a little fixin’. Let me recommend that you take a day—or a week—to have such stuff repaired. Or, fix it yourself. Or, if you don’t want to fool with it, pass it on to somebody who can get it repaired and get some use out of it.

This reminds me that Christmas will soon be here. A lot of the toys your little folks have outgrown or no longer care for have the real possibility, with a little fixin’, of bringing joy to the hearts of other and less privileged children.

And, mother-in-laws, don’t forget your pore son-in-laws if you’ve got anything like old radio sets sitting around collecting dust!

Erwin L. McDonald

DOES today’s minister more often pass as a junior vice president of Sears Roebuck than a man of the cloth? This provocative question is posed by Jack Gullede, pastor of Immanuel Church, Tuscon, Ariz. See “Preacher’s Changing Image,” beginning on page 8.

“I’m tired of school. I wish I never had to go back.” Have you heard this from one of your youngsters? One mother did and wrote Rosalind Street about her problem. Mrs. Street’s solution is on page 6.

SUNDAY School lessons for the month of December are prepared for you by Dr. Tal D Bonham, pastor of Pine Bluff’s South Side Church. This week’s subject concerns righteous living with the text taken from Paul’s letter to Titus.

LEROY McClard, former state music secretary for Arkansas, has accepted that position with the Illinois State Convention. For more details on this and other Southern Baptist news see page 15.

SOUTHERN Baptists may not believe it is more blessed to give than receive, says the Editor. A breakdown of per capita giving in the major denominations is discussed by him on page 3. The lead editorial subject this week is the cruel and senseless massacre of missionaries and other innocent people in the Congo uprising.

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Christ and the Congo

THE senseless massacre of missionaries and other innocents in the cauldron of the Congo civil war has come home to us Arkansans in the slaying of Rev. Joseph W. Tucker, 49, Assembly of God missionary from North Little Rock. Missionary Tucker and his family had only recently returned to the Congo after an extended furlough in Arkansas.

According to an eyewitness, Mr. Tucker was beaten to death while bound hand and foot, and his lifeless body tossed into a crocodile-infested stream. Mrs. Tucker and the three Tucker children escaped later in the day to Leopoldville. Great Christian fortitude and compassion were reflected by Mrs. Tucker, of whom the news services broadcast to the world: "Mrs. Tucker appeared composed . . . Her only comment was, 'I understand why these things happen.'"

Another of the victims of the Congo barbarism, medical missionary Dr. Paul Earle Carlson, lived in the shadow of death and in the spotlight of the world for many days before he was killed in the streets of Stan-

leyville. With his death imminent, he never stopped smiling. Even when his body was racked with pain from beatings at the hands of Rebel soldiers, he continued to think first of others, practicing the healing arts and giving words of encouragement to the end.

Said a 28-year-old mechanic in Stanleyville, who met Carlson in the last hours of the missionary's life, "I think the one real man I have met in my life is Dr. Paul Carlson . . . Knowing that a firing squad was waiting for him, he still went about his professional duties cheerfully and conscientiously."

A part of the tragedy was revealed by another refugee, one who had been imprisoned with Dr. Carlson. Calling Carlson "a great man; an example of moral strength to all round him," he said, "The Simbas had made him their scapegoat because they were firmly convinced he was a spy."

In every generation, it seems, there are those who perpetrate the most heinous crimes against their fellowmen in the name of patriotism and/or religion. Christians must go on having compassionate hearts even for those who would destroy them. In the circumstances of the Congo martyrdom we are reminded of the words of Christ from the cross, in behalf of those who crucified him: "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

And this might be an appropriate time for all of us to face again the realities of the world of 2,000 years ago—and of every generation—as revealed so clearly in the directions of Christ to his disciples:

"If the world hates you, you know that it has hated Me before it hated you.

"If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.

"Remember the word that I said to you, 'A slave is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you . . ." (John 15:18-20, *New American Standard Bible*)

A Christian missions leader who has declared that the Congo murders will not, "even for one moment," stop missionaries from going to the trouble spots of the world, speaks for Christians of all denominations. The only failure of Christianity is in its lack of application. Christ, and not anything or anyone else, is the hope for the Congo and for the world.—ELM

None but the brave



Jon Kennedy in "Arkansas Democrat"

Baptist giving

SOUTHERN Baptists during the past year gave an average of \$53.49 for church and denominational causes. This compared with \$358.17 per member for the Free Methodist Church; \$264.20 per member for the Wesleyan Methodist Church; \$237.93 per member for the Pilgrim Holiness Church; \$233.43 per member for the Evangelical Church of America; and \$203.05 per member for the Brethren in Christ Church.

The Reformed Church in America gave \$117.58 per member; the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern)

Other major bodies and their per capita giving included: Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, \$102.26; United Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., \$90.46; American Lutheran Church, \$81.11; Protestant Episcopal Church, \$76.20; Disciples of Christ, \$75.81; United Church of Christ, \$73.12; Lutheran Church in America, \$71.45; American Baptist Convention, \$68.34; and The Methodist Church, \$59.60.

Authority for the averages is the 44th annual edition of *STATISTICS OF CHURCH FINANCES*, published by the National Council of Churches' Department of

Stewardship and Benevolence.

A total of \$2,858,600,845 was contributed by members of 41 Protestant churches and denominations, a gain of \$58,930,268 over the previous year, when 42 bodies reported.

The average per-member giving for all causes among the 41 communions during the past year was \$69.87, as compared with \$68.76 for the previous year.

Apparently we Southern Baptists either do not believe "it is more blessed to give than to receive," or we are willing for our friends of many other denominations to have the greater blessing.—ELM

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR *the people SPEAK*

THE spelling and sentence structure in this department are those of the writers. The only editing of letters to the editor is the writing of headlines and, occasionally, deletion of parts that are not regarded as essential.

Church Programing

LAST summer at Glorieta, I was exposed to something new, and perfectly marvelous. It is technique called Church Programing. Perhaps the most significant publication of the Sunday School Board in a decade or more is the "Church Program Guidebook for 1964-65."

In this process called "Programing" is to be found the answer to the cry that is decades old: "Correlation, where art thou?" Correlation can lift its head and reply: "Here I am, in church programing!"

Dr. Lory Hildreth, pastor of Texarkana's First Baptist Church, said to a college graduating class a few years ago: "It is easy to speak freely when one is not hampered by the facts." It would be easy for any of us to shrug our shoulders about this matter of programing, and pass it off lightly as "just another program from Nashville." I earnestly suggest to pastors and other church leaders that you get the real facts before passing judgment in this matter. The approach is sound, the procedure is sensible, and the results can be startling.

We plan, in First Baptist Church of Warren, to make full use of this wonderful process in the coming year. I hope you will also, and that it will herald the coming of a new day, locally and denominationally, for the people called Baptists.—James T. Draper, Warren.

Congratulations

I FOLLOWED with deep interest and concern the campaign which you waged against legalized gambling in Arkan-

sas. Congratulations upon your victory! This is religious journalism at its best. —Lawrence T. Slaght, The Watchman-Examiner, New York

Sad suckers

Simple Sam Saw Silly Sally Sitting Sucking Cigarette

Simple Sam Say Silly Sally Suck Cigarette, Simple Sam Suck Cigarette too.

Simple Sam and Silly Sally Sat Sucking Silly Cigarette till—

Silly Cigarette Suck Sap out of Simple Sam and Silly Sally

So—Simple Sam and Silly Sally are Sad Sick, Silly Cigarette Suckers now.

—Alice Spurgeon, 1st Church, Van Buren

'CHRIST CHILD,' POSTAL SERVICE

ONE of the world's busiest post offices during the Christmas rush weeks will be the one at "Christ Child," Austria. Real name of the village is "Under Heaven" (Unterhimmel) near Steyr, 120 miles west of Vienna. In 1950, Austrian postal officials decided to give the postmark "Christ Child" (Christkindl) as a way of handling Christmas mail to children.

Children from all over Europe write to the Christ Child the way children of the United States write to Santa Claus. Millions of them in the last 14 years have received replies with the Christ Child postmark.

The Cover



—Photo by Gerald Harvey

For her, too

YOUR contribution to the Lottie Moon offering will go throughout the world, carrying out the Great Commission. One who has benefited by your donation in the past is this young girl of a Baptist congregation in the Surakarta area of Indonesia.

UNION FOR PENTECOSTALS?

DR. Frederick Donald Coggan, Anglican Archbishop of York, has called for the inclusion of Pentecostal Christian groups in church union plans. In a sermon preached at St. Paul's Cathedral in London, the archbishop urged that Catholic-Protestant discussions be widened to include the "Pentecostal element" whose roots, he said, "are in the New Testament, even if some of its fruits are, to our thinking, not always in strict accord with New Testament teaching."

International Retreat at Paron



AMONG THE 55 registrants representing 16 countries at Paron Nov. 26-28 were Charlotte Dellephane, Peru, of Henderson State Teachers College, Yolanda Leon, Columbia, of Southern State College, and George Pasdast, Iran, of Arkansas A. and M.



ONE of the beauties attending the Retreat was Claris Barahoni, Nicaragua, of Henderson State College.



BSU DIRECTOR Paul Larsen of Arkansas State Teachers College talks with Salim Nowbahar and Mehdi Kashkooli of Iran, students at Southern State College.



DURING a break three students take the opportunity to get better acquainted. They are Lawrence Hinga, Kenya, of Philander Smith, Joan Davis, British Guiana, of Shorter College, and Emely Zafrani, Panama, of the University of Arkansas.



MARY Beth Biggs of North Little Rock is escorted by Johnny Williamson of Waldo on her way to being crowned Homecoming queen of Ouachita College Thanksgiving Day. Sharon Windham of Little Rock was first runnerup, followed by Judy Cook of McGehee as second runnerup and Judy Pat Neely of Warren as third runnerup.

"A 'problem child' is not the same as a 'child with a problem.'"
—*Helping Children Solve Problems*
—by *Ruth Strang*



QUESTION: "Our daughter, a junior girl, has become very difficult to get along with in our home. She has apparently lost interest in her school work. We shamed her about her low grades. She has been an A-student until this year. Her only response when we criticized her report card was, "I don't care. I'm tired of school. I wish I never had to go back.

"When we ask her what is wrong, the only reply we get is, 'O nothing. I just don't like school anymore.'"

ANSWER: At this distance, the most we can hope to do is to explore possibilities in the hope of offering encouragement to you. The space will be well utilized if it serves to stimulate your own thinking and set in motion constructive efforts toward solving this matter which rightly claims central place in your concern at this time.

I cannot repress my regret that you "shamed her about her low grades."

Her explosive and slightly rebellious reaction is evidence that she was already embarrassed about her marks and had dreaded having to bring home this "bad report."

The first step I want you to take is to do something special for your junior daughter: prepare her favorite dinner and suggest that she invite somebody she would like to have as her guest; take her on a little shopping tour—let her choose for herself some new article of clothing she wants and praise her selection; plan a fam-

I just don't like school anymore . . .

ily picnic, or her favorite type of family recreation. Find some way to re-assure her of her family's love and confidence.

Seek a way to remind your daughter that "failure isn't a crime."

Whatever may have brought about this sudden change in personality and attitude toward school work, one thing is certain: She needs a feeling of security in her family's love and affection.

Have you had a conference with your child's teacher? Not a complaining, blame-the-teacher approach, but a calm, objective discussion of the trouble symptoms.

Have you talked over with your daughter her courses at school? Drawn her out about her feeling toward her teacher? This year's friendships?

Has your daughter been denied something she very much wanted without understanding of her side, and without sufficient explanation?

What sort of atmosphere prevails in your home? Have you and your daughter shared confidences from her babyhood? Are her friends welcome to visit in your home? Could it be that you are so busy that you have neglected communication, so essential in the lives of all children—especially a

daughter approaching adolescence?

Would your daughter confide in you if she is experiencing physical adolescent changes?

What about her relationship with her Dad? Is he supplying the attention she naturally yearns for during the years when he is the man in her life?

You do not mention other children. Are there brothers? Could a sense of loneliness, or jealousy, be taking a toll?

If she is having difficulty in the matter of social adjustment and popularity, that is life's most important factor for her right now.

Please, please be trusting, not suspicious of your daughter. At the same time, face the possibility that she has slipped into trouble of some kind and is struggling with a sense of guilt.

"Gold is where you find it. There's "gold" for you in one of the "Better Living Booklet" series, entitled *Helping Children Solve Problems* by Ruth Strang, Professor of Education, Teachers College, Columbia University. It is inexpensive, but the booklet contains the essence of constructive guidance in helping children—and adults—overcome problematic situations. I hope this glimpse into the writer's style will spur you to read and follow her suggestions.

"There are many problems children can solve for themselves.

"Noreen is unhappy because she's too fat.

"Catherine is not getting good grades in high school as she did in elementary school. . .

"Jean is alternately flighty and depressed. . .

"Guidance in solving these problems can prevent much unnecessary unhappiness.

"At every age, children like to take the initiative. . . But they like to know—indeed, need to know—that parent or teacher is standing by. . ."

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TO THE GOD OF LIQUOR

JUST one hearse with rear door opened upon discharging its load for a funeral service is sad to see—but four!

There they were, however, in front of the church, each with doors momentarily opened wide.

The first in line had carried the remains of the 42-year-old husband and father; the second, the 16-year-old son; the third, the 14-year-old daughter, and, the fourth, the 10-year-old kid brother.

The mother? As the family's only survivor she lay critically injured in a distant hospital. All of this—one of many tragic by-products of the brewers' art.

The accident happened the preceding Sunday afternoon. This family was almost home after a week-end visit with their folks. The fatal wreck had been caused by another vehicle whose driver was under the influence of intoxicants. We must be careful not to say "drunk!"

Before entering the church, I took another look at the four opened doors. Suddenly the thought occurred that they seemed as opened mouths, trying anxiously to tell us something. Upon being seated, the four opened caskets, in the order mentioned, were seen at the front of the sanctuary. Their open lids also seemed as mouths seeking to deliver an urgent message.

While waiting for the service to begin, I jotted on the back of two calling cards what could possibly have been said by the eight opened mouths of the hearses and caskets.

A terrible dictator

Do not these mouths loudly proclaim that we have a terrible dictator loose inside America? The alcoholic beverage "industry" might be compared to an absolute monarch or dictator. What are the similarities?

In the first place, both profess

to help the people. "You go along with me and things will be brighter during the days ahead." Such talk is the familiar line of both to a shallow thinking public. Why, you would think that the nation would sink without their assistance. Actually, we are sinking, lower and lower, morally and spiritually with the wonderful assistance of that which they say "belongs" in every home. The majority of America's pastors will agree that the use of alcoholic beverages dulls and deadens the spiritual perception of both men and nations.

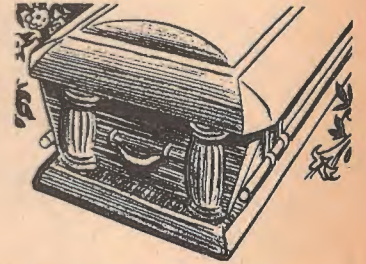
In the second place, this similarity between the two: Both are basically after *his own well-being*.

An employee of a legal distillery in Kentucky told me several years ago that one whiskey maker said this concerning his product: "The wise man makes it, the fool drinks it." Not much kindly consideration is given the 200,000 brand new alcoholics produced in America every year. They are just fools who fall for the bait of dollar-minded men. Evidently, the basic desire of the liquor dealer is an undisturbed livelihood with increasing profits, regardless of the foolish and many times tragic consequences.

The ruthless killers

Thirdly, the dictator and the alcoholic beverage people are alike in that both ruthlessly kill, maim and sadden. The American public would without hesitation rise up in arms if one man, such as a Castro, shot, killed or wounded the number of persons alcoholic beverages do on our nation's streets and highways. We would also not permit one man the cruelty such as is inflicted each year on those 200,000 brand new addicts.

The dictator excuses his actions by saying that his extermination of misfits is needed to rid the nation of that which hinders "pro-



gress." The alcoholic beverage maker excuses himself by saying that he is no more guilty than the man who makes the automobile, the tires or the gasoline. Will these excuses be sufficient for the Day of Judgment?

'Calling the shots'

Fourthly, the dictator and the "industry" each excels in making his name and face well known. The name and face of the dictator is constantly before a subdued nation's people. Rarely in America is a magazine, newspaper, radio television, or billboard without plenty of space and time devoted to the subduing influence of the alcoholic beverage industry.

Neither wants to be forgotten. They need not worry. God will remember, as will they, throughout eternity.

Finally, the dictator and the liquor crowd both "call the shots" in other affairs of men. Most countries where dictators rule have so-called free, democratic elections but behind the scenes the leader pulls the strings.

Have there not been instances in this nation where the powerful alcoholic beverage interests have even swung elections of men and issues? It is a sad fact that either type dictatorship definitely proof of such "shot calling" is almost impossible to find and publicize.

When will we heed the many open mouths concerning such dangers and through hearing, thinking and act?—Robert A. Parer, Pastor, Cullendale First Baptist Church, Camden

PREACHER'S

CHANGING



IMAGE

BY JACK GULLEDGE
PASTOR, EMMANUEL CHURCH
TUCSON, ARIZ.

WHAT is happening to the image of the modern-day preacher?

He is viewed in a different light than his predecessor of a generation ago. To the world-at-large he is no longer characterized as a dandy in blue serge, but, rather, an ecclesiastical business man in gray flannel.

Ironically, whether or not this present status is an improvement is highly debatable and remains yet unanswered. Time will tell.

A national religious magazine recently reported that one of the two main reasons emphasized by an overwhelming majority of seminary presidents for the alarming decline in seminary students was: "The image of the ministry is obscure, diffuse, undramatic, purposeless. In the eyes of the coming generation the task of the minister is ill-defined."

The image of the clergyman has undergone revolutionary transformations in the past decades. It has not resolved itself as yet.

This truth was forcefully illustrated recently. In drawing up a psychological test for seminaries for the Rockefeller Brothers program, the Educational Testing Service sent a questionnaire to 1,000 lay leaders in various denominations, asking them to mention adjectives and to give profiles that represented their own concept of "an outstanding minister." This data was then turned over to another group of psychological testers, who were not told who was being described. These testers were asked, "Who do you think is being described?" Their answer: "A junior vice-president of Sears-Roebuck."

What is the mental picture of the preacher-pastor-clergyman to the man on the street? Is the "man of the cloth" still a force to be reckoned with? Does the influence of his ministry help shape the moral structure of civilization? Or is he being relegated to the limbo of irrelevant obsolescence? Is his image so blurred that he appears to be a form without life, a symbol without significance, a position without purpose?

Has the Bible prophet allowed the production-line techniques to creep in and push him into a stereotype mold of a religious public relation representative? Some think so!

Such a person is Peter Beger, a Lutheran sociologist, who argues

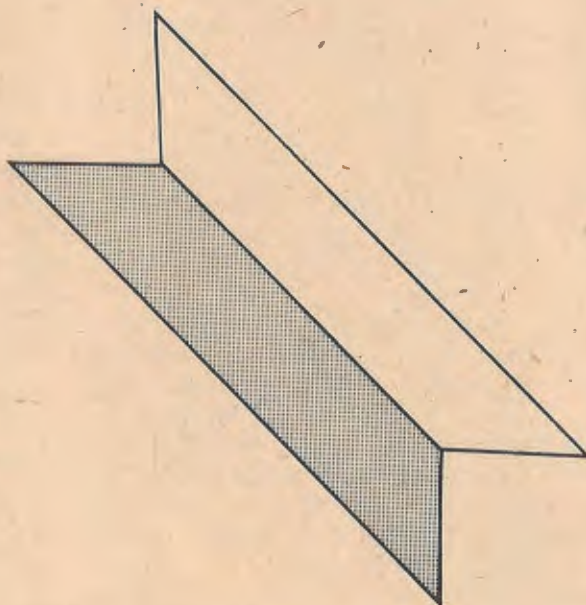
that "seminaries have become so concerned with trying to provide for the short-term institutional needs of the church that they are in danger of forgetting what a Protestant minister really ought to be: first and foremost, a theological scholar."

"Theology has become 'dry-functional,'" Berger goes on to say, "to the demands of the religious establishment... what is important is that he (pastor) effectively promote the program of the organization in a situation in which, inevitably, he is competing with others for members."

"The minister's flock seek merely edifying oratory; the competent performance of certain vaguely understood ceremonies; the exercise of moral influence upon the young; personal counseling, especially in time of crisis; and, last but not least, the half-way plausible exhibition of a morally exemplary life which one cannot seriously imitate but which one can vicariously imitate."

The present-day preacher feels close akin to the one-man business that specializes in a dozen fields. It's the same man with 12 different hats.

Has the preacher accepted the



plush position of a religious "specialist?" And like the physician who has office hours, and feels that "house calls" are outdated, the clergy enjoys the conveniences of contemporary trends?

There's one hitch. The product is disappointing.

Obsolescence occurs when a thing becomes outdated and no longer fills a particular need. It has no purpose to merit its existence. When this happens the only dignified classification left is "antique—something that has no use, but kept for ornamental purposes or "old time sake."

The true Bible image of the preacher will never be out of date. It is timeless. The "called out" servant is a preaching prophet with a dynamic message from God to the people. Any other image blurs or obliterates this mental picture condemns the ministry as having gotten off the main-track!

The preacher who "specializes" in any other field to the neglect of his primary task—preaching—has left his "first love."

The church that makes preaching a secondary concern for their prospective pastor is guilty of ignoring the commission of Christ in

propagating the gospel to the ends of the earth.

Remember, the Apostle Paul said, "If I do anything else at the failure of this one supreme task—preaching the genuine gospel—let me be accursed!"

Make no mistake about it, the preacher today is in the critical gaze of the world. His actions are being evaluated. The chronicles of history will record his image.

God grant that some way will be found to fulfill the true Bible image of His ministers, so desperately needed in this confused world of "specialists."

KEEP BUSY

BY J. I. COSSEY

THE worst thing that can happen to a motor is not to run it. A motor is made to run. Activity is the spice of life. When one ceases to be active, he soon becomes rusty. There is no special joy in living if one is going to die of rust. I have been concerned about two attitudes in my life: One, "keep busy;" and the other, "beware of covetousness." We must live our lives "up to the hilt," but not for ourselves. The man who lives solely for self misses the true meaning of life. Man can feed his body on corn and meat, but not his soul. The soul must be fed on the Word and the Spirit.

Some people have a problem to keep busy all the time, others could use an extra lifetime and never catch up with their work. Many people run their race in the field of sin, but never have a day to be used in the field of true values. Keeping busy calls for divine wisdom. It may mean for one to roll up his sleeves and slave at some drudgery in a time of emergency.

The covetous person forgets the true meaning of life. He thinks of life in terms of money, but life is more than money. When Jesus was speaking to his disciples, he said, "Give us this day our daily bread."

Life is a mad race to be run just one day at a time. If we cannot run one day successfully, why worry about the outcome of the years ahead? We lock out of the picture our yesterdays and our tomorrows, and live today. If we cannot keep busy today, then our tomorrows will be lost.

Do we know where we are going? If we say we "keep busy" with no goal or plan of life, then our time is lost. Ben Sweetland asks the question, "Is success a destination or a journey?" Surely

*Beacon Lights
of Baptist History*
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Bible revision

ARKANSAS Baptists have not been as backward as some would have us believe. Many of their leaders have been alert, visionary, and progressive.

True, not all the ministers were highly educated, but they were not fanatical ignoramuses. They knew the value of education. They held a steady hand, especially after the Civil War. They deplored the strife and division in the churches. But the main source of this strife was political not doctrinal. Later, one man seeking denominational position capitalized on the political strife for his purpose.

A clear sign of progress was their expressed desire for a better translation of the Bible. King James translation dated back to 1611. Much work on the Bible had been carried on since then. The brethren felt advantage should be taken of the new biblical discoveries.

As early as 1857, Rev. Alex McPherson read a resolution at the Red River Association meeting with the Pine Prairie church near Paracliffa.

"Resolved, that we recommend to the prayerful consideration of

life is a journey and not a destination. If we "keep busy" doing worthwhile things day by day the destination will come out right. You can "keep busy" at building a successful business, a well-rounded church program, a happy Christian family, or you can build an outstanding personal life. We are the architects of our own lives.

Whatever you want in life, visualize it, try to see it and "keep busy" until you see that vision become a reality. Can you picture in your mind your church as it ought to be? The Lord tried to picture a lost world to his disciples and commanded them to "go." His word to you and to me is "go." Activity in kingdom work is the need of our day.

all Christians the cause of Bible revision by which we hope to obtain a more faithful translation of God's word." (Rogers, *History of Arkansas Baptists*, p518)

At a convocation of the Church of England in May, 1870, a revision committee of 24 members was appointed. Composed of "seventeen Episcopalians, two of the Scotch church, two dissenting Presbyterians, one Unitarian, one Independent, and one Baptist" (Ibid) the committee started work, June 30. Fourteen years later the task was completed. Ten of the revisers died during this time.

This committee had before them for help a revision of the New Testament brought out by the American Bible Union published in 1863. This Union was largely Baptist, and the work was quite a tribute to Baptist scholarship.

The London committee met four days a week from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. for ten months each year for ten and one half years. Their production was known as the Revised Version. It meant a new day for Bible study and knowledge. Arkansas Baptists were in tune with current religious thought.

The preacher poet

Mister Pride

I'm satisfied with what I am,
For how could I be better?
I'm smart enough, I'm wise
enough,
and perfect to the letter.

I beg not for another inch
In depth, in width, in height;
I've builded me a perfect form,
One pleasant to my sight.

As to my deeds, my moral stand
Unquestioned, is my pride.
How could a soul as great as I
Of heaven be denied?

I do confess that oft I fear
That there is something lacking—
That there might be something to
add
To make my act more striking.

—W. B. O'Neal

WORSHIP CHRIST

The King



1964 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

GOAL \$ 12,590,000

Madison to Runyan

ELMER Madison, who for the past two and one-half years has been pastor of Stanfill Church, North Little Rock, will become pastor of the Runyan Chapel, North Little Rock Dec. 13.

Runyan Chapel was established in 1963 as a mission of First Church, Gravel Ridge. Sunday School enrollment is now 70 with an average attendance near 50.

Mr. Madison was in evangelistic work, including radio-evangelism, for a number of years prior to becoming pastor of the Stanfill church.

Plans are near completion for the first unit of a church building, containing a sanctuary in the upper floor, and educational facilities in the lower floor. The congregation is meeting temporarily in a residence which will eventually become the pastor's home.

Jack Livingston is pastor of the Gravel Ridge Church.

Begins new building

GROUNDBREAKING services were conducted Nov. 1, for a new educational building at Lake Hamilton Church.

The new building will house the Nursery, Beginner and Primary departments, and four adult classes, church office, kitchen and fellowship hall. It will be centrally heated and air-conditioned. Total floor space is 3,200 square feet. This building will replace the original auditorium built in 1933 and converted into an educational building when the new auditorium was built.

Those taking part in the ground breaking service were: Walter Huddleston, charter member of the church, and Mrs. Dave Fenley, oldest lady member of the church. Others participating in the service were members of the building committee: Jim Rowe, chairman, Elmore Baber, Cloyd Shireley, Wayne Watkins, Steve Painter, and Carl Gross.

Jimmie L. Taylor is pastor of the church.



MRS. ELMER KIRK

'Teacher of Year'

MRS. Elmer Kirk, nee Virginia Porter, was recently named "Teacher of the Year" at Arkansas College by members of the student chapter of the National Education Association. Norma Lacy, Ida, president of the SNEA, presented Mrs. Kirk with a certificate of merit and an apple.

Mrs. Kirk is associate professor of Chemistry at Arkansas College. She is a graduate of Lawton (Okla.) High School and did her undergraduate study at Cameron College in Oklahoma and at Arkansas State College. She holds a master's degree from George Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn., and has done graduate study at the University of Arkansas and the University of North Carolina. She and her husband, a businessman, are the parents of two daughters, Sarah and Katy Kirk. They are members of the First Baptist Church, Batesville.—Mrs. Farrell Conner

REV. and Mrs. Walter E. Allen, Southern Baptist missionaries on furlough from East Africa, are now living in Walnut Ridge, where he is studying in Southern Baptist College (they may be addressed at the college). Both are natives of Texas, he of Wylie and she, the former Billie Metcalf, of Venus (she grew up in Beckville).

Rowton ordained

EAST Mt. Zion Trinity Church, near Clarksville, ordained its pastor, Julian Rowton, to the ministry, Nov. 15.

Rev. Ben T. Haney, pastor of First Church, Ozark was moderator. Others participating were Billy Simpson and Lonnie Qualls, deacons of First Church, Clarksville; Rev. Carroll D. Caldwell, pastor of First Church, Clarksville; Rev. John O. Woodard, pastor of Union Grove Church; Dane Woodard, deacon of East Mt. Zion Church.

Rev. Paul E. Wilhelm, associational missionary, brought the message.

Membership honored

THE entire membership of Maple Avenue Church, Smackover, will be honored at an old fashioned turkey dinner at Rosehaven Restaurant, Smackover, Dec. 23, by the pastor, Lewis E. Clarke, and Mrs. Clarke.

Reservations are to be made by Dec. 13.

At the family type dinner, the final offering for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering will be received.

Cowardin to Ohio

FRED Cowardin has resigned as pastor of Eastside Church, DeWitt, effective Dec. 6, to accept a call to Leavitt Road Church, Amherst, O.

Mr. Cowardin has served Eastside a little over two years. During that period there were 100 additions to the church, 48 by letter and 52 by baptism. Eastside Church has lead the association in baptisms for two years.

Revival

GREEN'S MEMORIAL, Little Rock, Nov. 15-22; Ed Walker, Levy, evangelist; Bo Turner, song director; 12 for baptism; 3 by letter; 4 for special service; 89 rededications; Ike Gates, pastor.



FRESHMAN class officers elected to serve for 1964-65 at Southern College, Walnut Ridge, are:

Seated, left to right: secretary-treasurer Joanne Hall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kelley, Piggott; reporter Linda Coley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Leon Coley, Forrest City.

Standing, left to right: Student government representative Johnny Stell, son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Stell Jr., Decatur; vice president Charles Archer, son of Charles F. Archer, Harrison; president Paul Seal Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Seal, of Piggott; and sponsor, Dean Woodrow Behannon.



FIRST CHURCH, MOUNTAIN VIEW, has recently completed a new air-conditioned, centrally heated sanctuary and educational building. The new structure includes an auditorium seating 400, and educational space to accommodate three Nursery departments, a beginner department, Adult department, pastor's study and two rest rooms. The new building is valued at \$55,000. Rev. Jack Porter is pastor.

Sooo-eee, Gracie!

GRACIE Hatfield, the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine's* summer editorial assistant, has been named president of the Arkansas Pig Club at Baylor University.

Gracie, a sophomore journalism student, is assistant editor of *Iscani*, the campus magazine.

Here for the Arkansas-Baylor football game earlier in the fall, Gracie failed to name her choice. Her election gives hope to her old co-workers that all remains well with our Gracie.

ANTOINE Church, registered its new library in October with the Sunday School Board's church library department. Derrel Watkins is pastor, and Mrs. W. C. Smith is librarian.

Attendance Report

November 22, 1964

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Church Additions
Berryville Freeman Heights	162	68	
Blytheville			
First	637	187	
Chapel	62		
Gosnell	312	105	2
Camden			
Cullendale First	418	167	1
First	508	156	
Clinton First	157	53	
Crossett First	531	176	4
Dumas First	310	97	2
El Dorado			
East Main	314	117	
Immanuel	475	178	
Parkview	212	74	
Trinity	217	109	
Eudora First	217	116	
Northside	54	16	
Forrest City First	630		3
Midway		26	1
Ft. Smith	779	334	1
Mission	22		
Gurdon Beech St.	170	65	1
Harrison Eagle Hgts.	252	101	
Heber Springs First	195	96	
Hope First	490	147	
Hot Springs Park Place	375	127	
Huntsville Calvary	41	22	
Jacksonville Marshall Rd.	175	77	1
Jonesboro			
Central	521	213	9
Nettleton	243	114	2
Lavaca	234	156	1
Little Rock			
Chapel Hill	51	39	
Forest Highlands	230	130	5
Immanuel	1,273	506	10
Rosedale	282	114	1
McGehee First	405	136	1
Chapel	86	59	1
Magnolia Central	701	267	
Marked Tree First	180	58	
Monticello Second	276	148	4
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	694	205	3
Southside	54	28	
Camp Robinson	35	13	
Calvary	459	122	3
Forty-Seventh St.	190	80	1
Gravel Ridge First	210	103	5
Runyan Chapel	42	17	
Park Hill	896	357	
Sylvan Hills First	294	143	2
Pine Bluff South Side	742	273	5
Tucker	29	24	
Siloam Springs First	809	185	4
Springdale First	496	219	
Van Buren			
First	444	180	
Second	92	78	
Ward Cocklebur	44	29	
Warren Immanuel	281	83	
Westside	71	33	

Jacksonville anniversary

DR. B. Franklin Bates Nov. 30 began his fifth year as pastor of Jacksonville. He came to Jacksonville from First Church, Tahlequah, Okla.



DR. BATES

Under the leadership of Dr. Bates, the church has purchased five houses and lots which were later turned into a parking area.

The present auditorium has been remodeled and enlarged to seat 800 people. A two-story educational building has been built that will accommodate more than 500 in Sunday School.

The church has given a total of \$52,368.33 to missions in the past four years and has had a total income of \$339,776.66. Church property is now valued at \$550,000.

During the four years, a total of 1238 members were received

into the membership, 574 of these by baptism.

First Church has been a leader among the more than 1,160 Arkansas Baptist churches affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention, in that it has led the entire state three out of the four years in the number of people baptized.

Pastor Bates has served North Pulaski Association as chairman of evangelism and at present is associational moderator.—Reporter

FIRST Church, Bearden, ordained J. W. Alexander, David Roark, J. D. Talbert and Clyde T. Williams as deacons Nov. 22. Pastors and deacons from the other churches of Carey Association composed the ordaining council.

Revival

PLAINVIEW Church, Allen McCurry, Faulkner County Association missionary, evangelist; Nathaniel Dutton, Plainview pastor, song director; 4 for baptism; 6 by letter; 55 rededications.

The Bookshelf

Crises in Morality, edited by C. W. Scudder, Broadman Press, 1964, \$3.50

Analyzed here are such problems as sexual immorality, homosexuality, race, birth-control, mercy-killing — all of which are social issues but also immediate, often desperate personal problems for the man or woman the minister or counselor is trying to help.

Here is the basic information needed for an understanding of the causes and the reality of these crises of our time and the insight into how they may be dealt with in the light of Christian principles and biblical teachings.

Peloubet's 1965 Select Notes, edited by Wilbur M. Smith, W. A. Wilde Co., 1964, \$2.95

This commentary on the International Bible Lessons has been published annually for 91 years and continues to be one of the most popular helps available for use in the teaching of the Sunday School lessons. In this latest volume, Editor Smith offers a wealth of fresh and original material, with a scholarly interpretation of the Scriptures. The materials are compiled and tabulated so as to be used easily and effectively.

Administering Christian Education, by Robert K. Bower, Eerdmans, 1964, \$3.95

Recent Supreme Court decisions against required Bible reading and prayer in the public schools have placed the emphasis on Christian education where it has belonged all the time—in the home and in the church. This book is designed to help churches to enlarge their educational curricula for a new and challenging day.

The Growth and Decline of the Cuban Republic, by Fulgenico Batista, Devin-Adair, 1964, \$6.50

Pro-communist propaganda has depicted President Batista as a brutal and dictatorial spokesman of reaction and his regime as one callous to the needs of the Cuban people. So written this record of his administration "in order to keep the record straight."

Recorded here are Mr. Batista's own report on such progressive developments as revolutionary improvements in public health and popular education, support for free trade unions, provision of a far-flung social welfare system and vast improvements in public institutions.

Church Budget Development, by Harry R. Page, Prentice-Hall, 1964, \$3.50

The author explains each step of the budgetary process: its planning, coordination and control. Also discussed are religious and denominational differences. Various techniques and tools useful in church budgeting are explored and special emphasis is given to many items of church income and expense.



LIBRARY MOVES AHEAD—(Left to right) Rev. A. W. Clodfelter, First Church, Hayti, Mo., a member of the Building Committee at Southern College; President H. E. Williams receiving a check for \$2,500 from J. K. Southerland of Batesville, chairman of the building committee; and Rev. Thomas Hinson of West Memphis, president of the board of trustees.

Mr. Clodfelter and Mr. Hinson are holding the plans for the Felix Goodson library building which is to be constructed on the Southern campus by Cone and Huddleston Construction Company of Searcy. The library will contain more than 8,000 square feet. The building contract was for \$150,000.

Southwestern celebration

FIFTY years of advancement in religious education and church music will be celebrated in February, March and April at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex.

The Schools of Religious Education and Church Music will feature Homecoming days, oratorio and concerts, and special convocations to commemorate their Golden Anniversary.

The School of Church Music will hold its celebration activities in connection with the 13th annual Church Music Workshop, Feb. 1-5.

Ceremonies at the School of Religious Education will begin Mar. 30 and continue through Apr. 2. Highlighting the activities will be a dramatic presentation of the "History of the School of Religious Education" and a message by J. M. Price, director emeritus of the school.

Hulse joins Standard

THE *Baptist Standard*, official publication of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, has named LeWayne Hulse as editorial assistant.

Hulse, pastor of the Alta Mere Baptist Church in Ft. Worth and a former newspaper man, succeeds J. Eugene White, who has become managing editor of *Church and State*, published in Washington, D. C.

College votes to desegregate

TRUSTEES of Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton, Tex., completed a stair-step plan to desegregate the Baptist women's school, approved plans for a complete development program, and voted salary increases for faculty members during a recent meeting. The trustees passed a resolution to consider all applications for enrollment without regard to race or color, beginning with the fall term of 1965.

LBJ visits Baptist school

PRESIDENT Lyndon B. Johnson visited in the home of San Marcos Academy President William H. Crook in San Marcos, Tex., following a speaking engagement at a state supported college.

President Johnson and several of his staff attended a luncheon and reception at the Baptist school head's home on Nov. 20 immediately after delivering the inaugural address honoring President James McCrocklin of Southwest Texas State College in San Marcos.

President Johnson is a graduate of the state supported school here, and is a personal friend of Academy President Crook.

Sees Negro responsibility

THE president of Oklahoma Baptist University told students and faculty members at a Negro school in Langston, Okla., that the Negro of today has a greater responsibility than ever before.

James R. Scales, the Baptist college president, from Shawnee, Okla., spoke on "The Negro in American Life: 1964" during a series of meetings at Langston University (Negro) on "Responsibilities of American Citizenship."

Scales urged the Negro students to assume "a higher obligation" to improve the educational, occupational, income and housing status of the Negro.

Million dollar building

TRUSTEES of Valley Baptist Academy, Harlingen, Tex., have approved a master plan for developing a new campus which would eventually be valued at a million dollars.

Death claims Machado

DR. R. R. Machado, Southern Baptist pastor, died in Cuba Oct. 25 of a heart condition, after a long ministry in Cuba.

McClard to Illinois

LEROY McClard, Nashville, Young People-Adult music consultant for the church music department of the Southern Baptist Convention Sunday School Board, has been elected state secretary of music for Illinois.

His election by directors of the Illinois Baptist state association fills the vacancy created more than two years ago when Earl Wayne Morris resigned to enter graduate study at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.

The new Illinois secretary expects to start his work Jan. 1. He is a native of Missouri and was state music secretary for Arkansas Baptists before joining the Sunday School Board a little over a year ago.

Mission budget name

THE name "unified budget" will be changed to "American Baptist Mission Budget," effective Jan. 1. This was voted by the American Baptist Convention in Atlantic City, N. J., last May. Convention leaders said many American Baptists react negatively to the term "unified budget" on the basis that it lacks a challenging appeal. Also, they said, it gets confused with the term "unified budget" used to describe the budgets of local churches.

Yearby with Foundation

A FORMER evangelism secretary for the Alabama Baptist State Convention, who has been in Southern Baptist conventionwide evangelism work for six years, returns to the Alabama convention Nov. 15 in another capacity. He is Vernon Yearby, Dallas, who has been with the division of evangelism of the SBC Home Mission Board there. His new capacity with the Alabama work will be as associate executive secretary of the Baptist Foundation of Alabama.

Evangelism

Evangelism Conference

OUR state-wide Evangelism Conference will be held at First Church, Little Rock, Paul Roberts pastor Jan. 25-27, 1965.

Our Bible teacher for this year will be Dr. William E. Hull, associate professor of New Testament Interpretation, Southern Seminary, Louisville.



DR. HULL

Dr. Hull was born in 1930 in Birmingham, Ala., educated in the public schools of Birmingham and attended the University of Alabama from 1948-1950 as a pre-med student. In 1951 he received a B. A. degree from Howard College, Birmingham. In 1954 he was graduated from the Southern Seminary, receiving a B. D. Degree. In 1960 he received the Th.D. from the same school. During 1962-1963 he studied at the University of Gottingen, Germany. In 1963 he was guest professor of the Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland. He has been pastor in Alabama and Kentucky and was speaker for Baptist missions in Germany, France, Italy, Lebanon, Jordan; U. S. Airforce preaching mission in Turkey; Southern Baptist Pastor's Conference; Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly and is an outstanding Bible teacher.

For his dissertation for the doctorate at the Southern Seminary he wrote on "The Background of a New Temple Concept in early Christianity." He has written many articles for *Baptist Faculty* paper, *Baptist Program*, *Baptist Student*; *Church Administration*; *Review and Expositor*; *Survey*; *The Window*; and Uniform Lesson Series (The Baptist Sunday School Board). He is author of two books: *Christ and the Modern Mood*, 1960; *The Gospel of John*, 1964; He contributed to *Professor in the Pulpit*, 1963; and *I Dedicate Myself*, 1964. Dr.

Hull will speak four times at the Evangelism Conference.

Brother Pastor, please mark the above date on your calendar and plan to attend the complete conference. Bring some of your church leaders if at all possible. Yours for a great conference—Jesse S. Reed, Director of Evangelism

Michigan BSU office

THE 1964 Baptist State Convention of Michigan, meeting in Roseville, voted to buy space in a new religious activities building on the campus of Wayne State University in Detroit. The building will provide offices for directors of student work for various denominations, each of which will buy the space for its own office. A joint conference room will be used by all the student religious groups, scheduling their events as needed.

The Wayne State campus is close to the office building of the Baptist convention in the city. The university has 20,000 students. The Baptist Student Union on the campus has 30 people, and the work is directed by a graduate student attending school there—Chester Halstead.

Student Union



MISS Nancy Philley recently began her third year as Baptist Student Director at Henderson State Teachers College. Mr. Paul Larsen recently began his third year at Arkansas State Teachers College as Baptist Student Director.

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CORRECTION

"M" night is Dec. 7 instead of Dec. 2.

Training Union Department



Facts of interest

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..... AMERICANS spend more than ten billion dollars for alcoholic beverages annually, more than twice the four billion dollars total that is spent for all religious and welfare activities, and eight times as much as the amount spent for all medical care and hospitalization, according to the United States Department of Commerce.

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..... How to estimate the United States population for a specific date.—Population changes occur at the following rate: 1 birth every 7½ seconds; 1 death every 17 seconds; 1 immigrant every 1½ minutes; and 1 emigrant every 23 minutes. The net gain is 1 person every 12 seconds or 300 an hour, or 7,200 a day. As of November 1, 1964, the population was estimated at 193,005,093. On November 15, the population would have been estimated at that figure plus 15 times 7,200, or 193,113,093.

..... Education of women is increasing. A recent study shows that, of women between the ages of twenty-two and thirty-five, one out of every four is a college graduate. Among women over thirty-five, one out of every eleven is a college graduate.—Survey Bulletin



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Outstanding mission facts

IT takes several years, sometime, to determine whether or not a harvest is reaped from the mission seed planted. We give below some facts which show the results of our mission efforts in several realms.



DR. CALDWELL

PASTORAL AID: During the past 11 years 182 churches have received supplement on pastors' salaries to the amount of \$173,000. Today 154 are self-supporting. From the time that each church received aid to the present, they have baptized 10,592 people and have contributed over \$200,000 through the Cooperative Program.

BUILDING AID: 181 Churches have received financial help on their building programs from State Missions during the past 11 years. The total amount given to them was \$183,007.10. It is interesting to note that from the time that aid was given to the present these same churches have contributed over \$400,000 through the Cooperative Program and have baptized 11,332 people.

NEW CHURCHES: Since the 30,000 Movement was started in 1956, there have been 111 new churches constituted in Arkansas. This is an average of 14 new churches per year. The Department of Missions does not claim credit for all of them, but most have received some help from State Missions. In the few years they have been functioning they report 4,986 baptisms and \$221,358 given through the Cooperative Program.

In addition to these numerical and financial benefits hundreds of young people have surrendered for special service and thousands of lives have been blessed—C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent of Missions

Missionary Dugger is resigning

H. M. DUGGER has offered his resignation as missionary in Little Red River Association effective Dec. 31. He has served in two associations, Big Creek and Little Red River, since leaving the pastorate.

He has several years before reaching retirement and will be available for pastorate or mission work. He is a good man and should not be idle.

Secretary resigns

MARGY SOSEBEE, office secretary in the Department of Missions-Evangelism, has resigned. She was married Nov. 16 to Les Strickland and they are living in Houston, Tex.

Schools of Missions

A VERY interesting and profitable phase of our mission work is the promotion of Schools of Missions. This year five associations have engaged in these schools, in which state, home, and foreign missionaries have spoken in most of the churches. The associations are: Arkansas Valley, Little Red River, Benton County, Greene County, and Mississippi County.

Hamburg Mission

IN 1962 \$500 were contributed in establishing a mission in Hamburg — sponsored by the First Church. Raymond Carpenter became the mission pastor. The mission was constituted into a church March, 1964. They now report 165 members; 172 enrolled in Sunday School, 34 baptisms, 2 surrendered for special service and \$700 contributed through the Cooperative Program.

Part-time chaplain for Girls' School

A PART-TIME chaplain has been secured for the Arkansas Girls' Training School. He is Richard McNeil, pastor at Alexander. He has been giving part-time to secular employment in connection with the Alexander pastorate. The Missions Committee has approved pastoral supplement so he may give full time to the church and as chaplain for the girls' school. He will conduct regular services for the girls on Sunday and help in securing Sunday School teachers, workers, etc. for other special services.

NEW MISSION

THE NEW Mission Site funds provided \$1,000 in purchasing property in the Salem Community between Little Rock and Benton. Services were begun a few weeks ago in a rented building. The attendance has reached 58 in Sunday School and 22 in Training Union. The offerings have averaged above \$75 per week. Hugh Owen, missionary, started the mission under the sponsorship of First Church, Benton.

Services for deaf

JOE JOHNSON, who gives part-time to the Department of Missions is working with deaf people and states that regular services may be established soon in El Dorado. Regular services for deaf people are now being conducted in the following places:

First Church, Little Rock; Bluff Avenue, Fort Smith; First Church, Lake City; First Church, Corning; and First Church, Fayetteville.

Look to '65

HOME MISSIONS claim the spotlight during the first quarter of 1965! Mission study, programs, and magazine features all point to the Week of Prayer for Home Missions, Mar. 7-14, and the Annie Armstrong Offering.

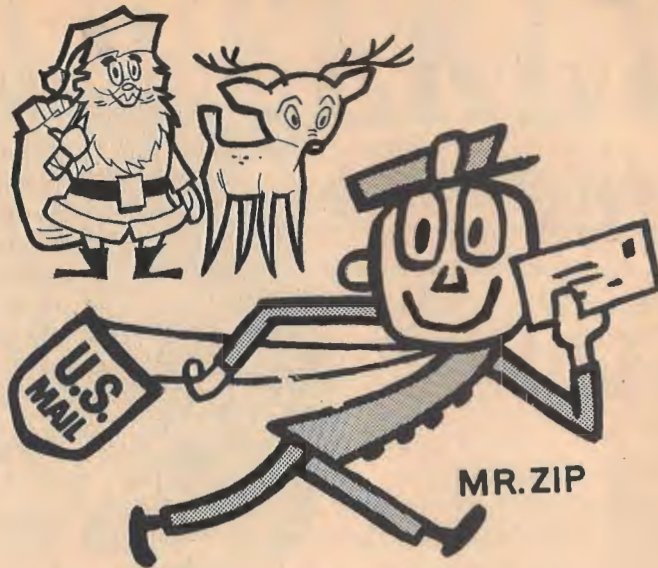
Plans call for WMU leadership in the study of the Home Mission Graded Series books on the theme, "New Dimensions in Home Missions." This study should be held in January or February. Books are: Adult—Winds of Change by Gerald Palmer; Young People—This-My City by Janice Singleton; Intermediate—Southern Yankee by Nell Tyner Bowen; Junior—The Dark's A-Creepin' by Wendell Belew; Primary—A Kite for Billy Ching by Jester Summers.

All books and priced teaching helps should be ordered from the Baptist Book Store, 408 Spring St., Little Rock.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- YWA Houseparty for College and Career Girls—Feb. 5-7.
 - YWA Focus Week—Feb. 14-20.
 - ANNUAL MEETING, Arkansas WMU, Texarkana—Apr. 5-7.
 - Sunbeam Band Workshop—Apr. 27-28.
 - GA Focus Week—May 9-15.
 - Annual Meeting, WMU, SBC, Dallas—May 31-June 1.
 - YWA Houseparty for High School Girls—June 18-20.
 - Five one-week GA Camps beginning June 28.
- Nancy Cooper, Executive Secretary and Treasurer

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Uncle Deak

In concert at Tech

MRS. Mary Shambarger, professor of voice at Southern College legé, Walnut Ridge, appeared as a guest artist Nov. 16 in an opera concert at Arkansas Polytechnic College, Russellville.

The program was under the auspices of the Division of Fine Arts and was given in the W. O. Young Student Center.

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How the Bible was named

By JENNIE E. HARRIS

THOUSANDS of years before Christ was born, there was a little Phoenician town named Gebal. Gebal is mentioned in Ezekiel 27:9. Most of its people were fishermen. Some also calked ships. It is one of the oldest little towns known.

The people of Gebal had learned to grow plants in gardens, to make pets of wild animals, to pull loads on wheels, and to write. That was a remarkable achievement. These humble fishermen and calkers had learned to write down their thoughts. Their writing material was papyrus. It was made by pressing the pith of tall sedges that grew by the river.

These people sold scrolls of their papyrus to Greeks and Romans. The Greek and Romans called this papyrus *biblos*. In time they also began to call the little town Biblos.

By 3,000 B. C. Biblos had become an important trading city. Its ships carried timber, furniture, and oil to Egypt. They then returned with metal, gold, and more sedge to make more papyrus.

Notes, letters, and contracts were written on papyrus. A group of them was called a book (*biblos*). It is natural then that the inspired writings of such authors as Moses, Jeremiah, and Isaiah when grouped together, were also considered a book, or *bible*. From this we get the name Bible.

Today Biblos in Lebanon is again just a little-known fishing village. Its people may not even know much about the Bible. Yet from the name of that little town our Bible received its name.

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By THELMA C. CARTER

MOST of us have seen animals sleeping, particularly our pets. We know that when an animal sleeps, it stops moving about. It relaxes its muscles and rests its brain. Even its heart is doing much less than it usually does.

When an animal stops eating, its stomach gets a rest. Its lungs rest when it is quiet. If it has eyelids, it rests its eyes by shutting out the light. Even though its body is doing the things that are necessary to live, all are done more slowly while the animal sleeps.

Plants also rest when night comes. Because they do not have to stop moving or close their eyes, we do not always see the plants sleep. They rest by ceasing to make food and by drinking less water than they do during the daytime.

If we take a few moments to study the plants about us, we are able to tell when some of them are sleeping. Some fold their petals together in the evening. The green clover leaf folds back its tiny leaflets against its stalk.

Although many plants and shrubs die when winter comes, some go into a winter sleep at the approach of cold weather. Even though their stems and leaves die, their roots are still alive. They are really resting and taking care of their food stores and water supply until the warm sunshine of spring and summer comes again.

Some animals go into a winter sleep called hibernation. Bears, squirrels, hedgehogs, field mice, and dormice are animals that live on the fat in their body while they are sleeping through the winter. Frogs, lizards, and snakes burrow into the earth for winter sleep. Many insects, snails, and earthworms also rest during the winter.

Wonderfully true is the fact that when warm weather comes, all in our wondrous natural world awake. They go on with their lives as though winter sleep had never happened. When we study the natural world about us, we are likely to say with the psalmist, "Come and see the works of God" (Psalm 66:5).

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Righteous living

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TEXT: TITUS 1:15-16; 2:1-10
DECEMBER 6, 1964

AN impure life is the result of an impure heart. One can do righteous deeds without *being* righteous.



DR. BONHAM

“Unless the vessel is pure,” said Horace, “everything you pour into it grows bitter.” Luther was so right when he said, “Good pious deeds do not produce good pious

men but good pious men produce good pious deeds.”

Pure in heart (Titus 1:15-16)

One of the problems that Titus faced in Crete was the philosophy of the Judaizers which defined purity merely in terms of external righteousness. One was impure who came into contact with impure objects, food, or persons. One was pure only when he adhered to certain external regulations.

But, for the Christian, “all things are pure.” In this verse, Paul echoes the words of Jesus when he said, “But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: these are the things which defile a man. . .” (Matt. 15:18-20). The reason some people “live like the devil” is that the devil possesses their hearts.

In the average church today a strict, legalistic adherence to external activities is often demanded without even mentioning the motivation behind our actions. Is it not conceivable that one may

even tithe and sin at the same time? Those who tithe merely because they are scared not to or because it is their duty or because it guarantees God’s favor or because it brings them glory, have missed the joy of tithing because they love God and their fellow man. The same principle applies to our motives for witnessing, attending church, teaching a class, preaching a sermon, or visiting the sick.

Even the “mind” and “conscience” of the unbeliever is defiled. One comes to his decisions and forms his conclusions by using two facilities. He uses his mind to reason and his conscience to listen to the voice of God. Until one’s mind and conscience is cleansed by the Holy Spirit in the New Birth, nothing is pure to him. The impure mind produces impure works. There is a vast gulf between profession and practice. Although pure actions do not guarantee a pure heart, impure actions do guarantee that one’s heart is also impure.

Sound in doctrine (Titus 2:1-10)

Paul exhorts Titus to speak the things “which become sound doctrine.” In essence, he was saying that Christian theology is practical theology. It is the basis for Christian conduct.

The main teaching of these verses is this: Christ rules every area of the Christian’s life no matter what his age or station in life may be.

Sobriety in all things is to be an outstanding characteristic of older Christian men. They should be “grave” or serious minded. This describes the eternity conscious Christian who realizes that

this life is only an antechamber to eternity. He is, therefore, “temperate” or self-controlled. The senior man is to be healthy in faith, love, and patience.

The demeanor of older Christian women must be such as benefits those who are engaged in sacred things. They must not spread slanderous stories. They must teach and train the younger women.

The younger women are bidden to be devoted and faithful to their husbands and their children. They are to be “keepers at home.” In other words, the main work of a mother is to be the work done in her home. With the increased number of working mothers in America today, these words are so appropriate. Of course, some mothers work at salaried jobs out of necessity. But when mothers leave their children for someone else to raise while they work merely because they must “keep up with the Joneses,” it is a sin against God and their children.

The younger men are to be “sober minded.” This speaks of self-mastery. In the younger years when temptations are stronger and over confidence is more prevalent, the young man should master himself.

Titus, the Christian teacher in this case, must have pure motives, dignity, and a sound message. After all the greatest compliment that can be paid a teacher is to say of him, “First he wrought, and then he taught.”

Conclusion

Righteous living emanates from a pure heart. True righteousness is possible only for the one who has become a “new creature in Christ” via the New Birth.

The challenging words of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount constitute a fitting conclusion to this lesson: “Except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.” (Matthew 5:20)

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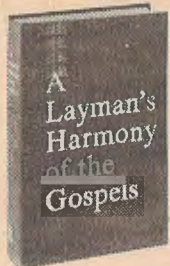
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"I," replied the donkey, swelling with pride, "am a horse!"

THE reason why some people have their backs to the wall is that they've been keeping up a front.

Policy

YOU have to hand it to the editors of the newspaper in Kaingaroa, New Zealand, which announces on its masthead:

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For the record

FULLBACK (looking at semester grades): "Well, I'm as famous as Washington now."

Halfback: "How do you figure that?"

Fullback: "Well, I went down in history."

Gentle hint

SHE: "My dad is a mechanic. He takes things apart to see why they don't go."

He: "So what?"

She: "So you'd better go!"

BEING a husband is like any other job—it makes it a lot easier if you learn to like your boss.

The hazards of flying

ONE of the airlines makes it a practice to give its passengers sticks of chewing gum which are labeled: "To prevent unpleasant pressure in your ears during take-offs and landings."

And on one trip, an elderly woman plaintively appealed to the stewardess, "Help me get this stuff out of my ears. It hasn't done a bit of good anyway."

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Day-long coffee break

HE was loafing at the breakfast table and acted as if it were Sunday. "Pour me another cup of coffee," he mumbled.

"Another cup?" exclaimed his wife. Won't you be late to the office?"

"Office! he shouted. "I thought I was there."

Well, he shouldn't swear

ACCUSED: "Judge, I don't know what to do."

Judge: "Why, how's that?"

Accused: "I swore to tell the truth but everytime I try, some lawyer objects."

Perpetual motion

THE senator was covering a rural area seeking reelection. His long-winded address had been going on and on, punctuated only by occasional gulps of water.

During one of these very brief pauses an old farmer turned to his neighbor and in a loud whisper observed, "First time I ever saw a windmill run by water."

Compliment

"YOU are so beautiful tonight."

"You flatterer."

"No, I mean it. I had to look twice before I recognized you."

Religious News Digest

By Evangelical Press

REPORT MISSIONARY DEAD

THE Department of State has released a report from reliable sources in the Congo indicating that William Scholten of the Un-evangelized Fields Mission has died of injuries sustained from maltreatment by Congolese rebels. His wife and five children were said to be safe at a mission outside Aketi, an area still in rebel hands.

PROTEST PENNANTS

THE American Civil Liberties Union of New Jersey protested the flying of banners bearing the message "One Nation Under God" at four public places in Hasbrouck Heights, N. J., as a "blatant" disregard of law and order. The banners were used to symbolize opposition to the U. S. Supreme Court's ban against prayer and Bible reading in public schools.

SCOTTISH EVANGELISM

EVANGELISM is at a low ebb in every denomination in Scotland today, the Rev. J. N. MacDonald of Pollack in Glasgow told the annual assembly of the Baptist Union of Scotland, meeting at Edinburgh. He warned that "the church must not become a ghetto where we gather with the like-minded . . . imprisoned and alienated from the life of the world around us."

CONVERTS FROM HINDUISM

THE Indian Supreme Court has ruled that converts from Hinduism are not eligible for the special privileges extended to "scheduled castes." Its decision is considered a setback to Christian evangelism in India which has drawn many converts in the past from scheduled castes.

PAROCHIAL SCHOOL AID

PROMPT repudiation of Cardinal Spellman's demands for Vatican endorsement of his program of government aid to parochial schools, both by the Vatican Council and the American people, has been called for by Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State, Washington, D. C.

The statement pointed out that "Cardinal Spellman was repudiated on this issue in his controversy with Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt in 1949, and again in his controversy with President Kennedy in 1960."

"Does he think that government support for Catholic schools will be any more acceptable in 1964 than it was then?" asked Glenn L. Archer, executive director of the organization.

"The cardinal should be put on notice that American taxpayers have no intention of paying for his denominational schools—now or at any future time," Archer concluded.

RED 'YOUTH DEDICATIONS'

EAST Germany's Central Committee for Youth Dedications announced that in the last ten years about 1,200,000 young people in the Soviet Zone have participated in the atheistic ceremonies which are a counterpart of Christian Confirmation. The committee said the number of youths taking part annually in the Communist dedications have increased from 52,000 in 1955 to 200,000 in 1964. It said this year's number represented 90 per cent of East German youths eligible for the rites.

LOYALTY OATH IN BUDAPEST

TWO new bishops and a general superintendent of the Hungarian Reformed Church took the oath of loyalty to the Communist country's constitution at a ceremony attended by President Istvan Dobi of Hungary. The churchmen were Bishop Lajos Bakos of the Reformed Church's Transdanubian District, Bishop Sandor Raski of the Cis-Tisza District, and Pastor Kalman Ujszaszy, the Cix-Tisza District's general superintendent.

CLAIMS FREEDOM IN JEWS

MOSCOW Radio, in a propaganda broadcast, quoted the editor of a Yiddish language weekly here as denouncing Western reports of Jewish persecution in the Soviet Union. The editor quoted was Aaron Vergelis of the *Sovetish Kheymland*, who was interviewed in January by the Soviet Radio following a visit to the U. S. At that time, the editor also condemned what he called American "misconception" of Jewish freedom in Russia. In the latest broadcast, Mr. Vergelis reportedly gave illustrations of the liberty enjoyed by Russian Jews.

He was quoted as saying that Jews make up 8.5 per cent of all Soviet writers and journalists, 7.7 per cent of all actors, musicians and painters, and that Jews make up the 11th largest ethnic group in the country.

DENMARK'S BAPTIST CHURCHES

COMMEMORATIVE services were held in Baptist congregations throughout Denmark in celebration of the 125th anniversary of the establishment of the country's first Baptist church, in 1839. It was reported that virtually all of the churches were filled for the services, which featured recollections of early Baptist work by older churchgoers.

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