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# personally speaking

## Pen and the bomb

THE noted Roman Juvenal said: "The incurable itch of writing possesses many."

The urge to write is a rather strange compulsion. It is hard to ignore or control on the part of those who have it. Or, as friend Juvenal would say: for those possessed by it. There is nothing quite to compare with the far-away look in the eye of a writer who is in labor, trying to bring forth a new idea or an old one in new garb.

The poet Keats spoke for many when he expressed "...fears that I may cease to be Before my pen has glean'd my teeming brain." Of course, some brains are more teeming than others. Some of us, at least part of the time, may be like one about whom it was said: "He appears anxious to make a speech—if only he had something to say."

G. D. Prentice said: "The Great Author of All made everything out of nothing, but many a human author makes nothing out of everything."

For those who have their moments of frustration at not being able always to come through with high quality production, W. Somerset Maugham has soothing words: "Only a mediocre writer is always at his best."

To write, to put one's thoughts in ink, is an awesome thing. It is something like walking in concrete before the concrete is dry. What is written is so permanent. And this is true quite aside from any lasting quality of ideas expressed or experiences shared. The writer must of necessity be a courageous person or somewhat of a daredevil, or a combination of both.

One thing that makes writing so awesome is the fact that one cannot write anything without revealing something of the innermost soul of the writer. For all we have to write about, really, is what we find in our own personal experiences, in our own knowledge of life and our personal reactions to the circumstances we face in daily living. Far more of us are handicapped at the point of personal experiences than because of any lack of talent at putting our experiences on paper.

It may be that too many of us writers today are taking at face value something Mark Twain said with tongue in cheek: "Get the facts first, and then you can distort 'em as you please." Books of half truth and distorted truth, especially once they get into paperback editions, often sell by the millions and poison the minds of many.

But let the writer who is honest and earnestly seeking to be a channel of truth be thankful he has been matched with the Nuclear Age. For the pen, which deals with the hearts and minds of men, is still more powerful than even the H-bomb.

*Erwin L. McDonald*

## IN THIS ISSUE:

IN response to Editor McDonald's requests of the two gubernatorial candidates for statements on their views on the gambling amendment, we today print, on page 5, responses from Mr. Rockefeller and Governor Faubus, both of whom are opposing legalized gambling.

THE Editor's own views are amplified in our editorial on the facing page as he answers the glowing claims of the Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce that legalization of gambling would be a bonanza for Arkansas.

GAMBLING and crime go hand in hand, and today we're printing the statistics that prove it. The report is on page 7. We also call your attention to an address by Dr. W. R. White, Baylor University chancellor, before the Churches United Against Gambling Workshop in September. The text is on pages 8 and 9.

OTHER states have done it, but this will be Arkansas' first Youth Night during the state convention at El Dorado. You'll read more about the plans on page 17. In the Arkansas news section, beginning on page 12, is the program for the Pastor's Conference and exciting plans for the meeting of ministers' wives.

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## Hot Springs bonanza

THE Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce is portraying the legalization of gambling, as set out in proposed Amendment 55, as a bonanza for the state of Arkansas. For the sake of the argument, let us concede, for the moment, all that they are claiming in their literature and published statements. Of course, this is like conceding that the moon is made of green cheese.

According to the gambling proponents, the state of Arkansas would harvest a crop of from \$5,000,000 to \$25,000,000 a year in revenue. This would come, they tell us, from annual licenses fees for casinos and from tax assessment of from 4 to 5½ percent on the profits of the casinos.

Almost as enticing as the glitter of all this free gold is the simplicity of the plan of operation. The casinos would not only be set up in Garland County. They would also be firmly entrenched in the constitution of the state of Arkansas.

This would mean that neither the people of the state nor the state legislature itself would have to shoulder any responsibility for the operation of this big, new, "industry." In fact, we not only would not be expected to have to shoulder any responsibility in working out or changing any of the details of operation, we would be permanently prohibited from having any voice in the matter at all.

Even the law enforcement officers of the state would have little if anything to do with the operation, except to serve as bouncers and otherwise to respond to the beck and call of the gamblers. In the event that the gambling operators ever got hauled into court—a very unlikely prospect—the attorney general of the state, elected by us voters and sustained by our taxes, would automatically serve as their legal counsel and defender. How much better can you have it?

A five-person "Gambling Commission" appointed by the governor of the state would have the sole responsibility for the gambling operation. They would decide who would operate the casinos, how many casinos, up to a total of ten, would be operated, when they would be open, how much their profits were, and, therefore, how much they would actually "kick back" to the state. If any of us nose citizens got suspicious, we could not go to the legislature for any correction of evil practices. We could only tell it to the five-person commission. How much better can you have it?

By having the casinos legal, we would never be bothered with underworld characters or crime syndicates. These hoods would not be attracted, once the gambling is set up on a permanent, legitimate basis. Or, if they should come to Arkansas, they would presumably behave as perfect gentlemen. There would not even be any gang

warfare. For in the millenium of legal gambling, the hoods and the touts, like the lions and the sheep, would lie down together in perfect peace, and the desert would "rejoice and blossom as the rose."

The gambling operation, as portrayed by the gamblers and their supporters, would be lily white. There would be no prostitution connected with it, no rape, no robbery, no corruption of politics, not many suicides or murder, and not even any considerable tax evasion. It would just be clean, wholesome fun, primarily for wealthy visitors from out of the state who would come here to get their kicks out of losing big hunks of "dough" to us in the beautiful surroundings of Hot Springs.

There would be no bankrupting of businesses—at least not of Arkansas businesses—and if there were any ruined lives and wrecked homes, none—or hardly any—of those involved would be our own people. Except, of course, those on the receiving end of the profiting.

A Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce spokesman has strongly implied that much of the beautiful church plants of the city has been built, at least indirectly, out of illegal gambling profits of the past eight years. But, with the wholesome, clean, profitable operation of legal gambling—if it is anything like as pure and profitable as it is now being pictures—the churches will hardly be needed at all. Thus, once we have legalized casino gambling, we can save not only on our taxes but also on our tithes.

So much for our concessions. Now, let us do a little using of our noggins.

Do we want any business, however clean and profitable, written into our constitution in detail, such as casino gambling would be under Amendment 55, so that such business would be completely out of the control and regulation of the people and of the state legislature? Would we want even the Arkansas Power and Light Company if we had to have it on such terms? Personally, I would rather go back to carrying my water from a spring and lighting my house at night by a coaloil lamp.

If I had no religious conscience against gambling whatever, my Scotch sense of what constitutes a good bargain would compel me to vote against Amendment 55, even if I knew the state could have its millions from the casino gambling this amendment would establish. Any religion I have to one side, I think too much of my rights as a citizen of a democracy to give up any of my privileges as a voter. Those who vote for Amendment 55 will be voting to give up to a gambling commission of five persons a big segment of their rights as voters in this big deal to turn the heart of Arkansas into one big gambling den.

Inevitably we come to the question: If we vote the



gambling amendment down, what then? In the light of the past history of the state, would we not again have the casinos open and operating full blast in defiance of the law?

Of course, I do not know any more than anybody else what the answers are to these questions. I do know that the casinos have now been closed, on order of the governor of the state, for more than half a year. I also know that both candidates for governor are saying in no uncertain terms that they would enforce the gambling laws.

I further know that the church people of Arkansas, through Churches United Against Gambling, have dedicated themselves not only to defeat Amendment 55, but to carry on whatever continuing war is necessary to see that our laws are enforced all over the state. I believe

there are enough good citizens in Arkansas to assure us of law enforcement.

I know this, I much prefer to take our chance against the gamblers with laws on our books against gambling and still in our own hands. If anyone deplors what the situation has been with illegal gambling, let him soberly contemplate what it is going to be like if we write casino gambling into our constitution, making it favored above all legitimate businesses in the land and taking all control of it out of our hands.

Now is the time for every one who loves this beautiful, God-blessed state of ours to say NO to the gamblers in such an overwhelming vote they will not dare try again any time soon to re-write our constitution.—ELM from a talk Oct. 9 to Wesley Foundation, Little Rock University

## 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 discipline

I READ the article that Mr. Brockwell wrote on, "When a Church 'Fires' a Staff Member", with quite a bit of interest. The Bible is very clear on the matter of church Discipline, but in most churches today God's Word is being ignored on the matter and that plays a significant part in the sorrowful fact that Baptist Churches are not being blessed for they are walking in disobedience to God's Word.

In the 18th chapter of Matthew God gives explicit directions on how to go about dealing with the disorderly Church Member. The church should be in the world but when the world gets into the church it is a sad plight indeed, and Dear Brother and Sister it is in there today. The Church has become a "shelter for every unclean bird." It is very rare indeed to find a Baptist Church today that is morally clean. It seems that the person who is a trouble maker in the church today has all the liberty possible at his command. When he "vents his spleen he is recognized and actually oftentime honored, especially if he has money. He will set up a howl about something and "the whole bunch" will join in like a pack of hounds on a chase, and really have a good time cheating and working up a hate campaign. When this finally winds up it succeeds in tearing up the church and the Devil gets the glory. The "lame" are turned aside, "weak Christians" are

hindered forever and many vow that they will never set foot inside the church again. It takes from five to fifteen years for the church to over come it. . .

The cause of all this is a lack of knowledge of God's Word and a refusal to pay the price of a consecrated life. Giving God first place and loving Him with all our mind all our heart and with all our strength. In Him only can we put a firm trust in times like these.—Mrs. James H. Fitzgerald, Newport

### 'Lonesome Road'

LET me commend to your readers the splendid new book by Ralph Creger, *A Look Down The Lonesome Road*. In a time when there is so much confusion and misinformation regarding the race problem, it is gratifying to see such a helpful book emerge from the ranks of our splendid Baptist laymen. Ralph Creger is an Arkansas Baptist layman of whom we can all be justly proud. His book, published by Doubleday, is worthy of a careful reading.—Ross Coggins, Director of Communications, The Christian Life Commission, Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn.

### Voter registration

THE purpose of the proposed Voter Registration Amendment is to provide Arkansas with a safe, simple, and sound system of registration. In contrast to Act 19, it requires personal signature for registration and signature comparison for voting.

In the special session of the legislature at which Act 19 was passed, a big

### The Cover



### Student Convention

OVER 500 Arkansas Baptist students are expected to attend the annual Student Convention to be held at First Church, Hot Springs, Oct. 23-25. The theme of the convention will be "When Students Worship God."

William Echols of Henderson State, state president, will preside at the sessions. Dr. Ken Chaffin will be principal speaker, and Dr. Claude Rhea will lead the music.

Reports from the 1964 Summer Mission Program will be heard and the 1965 program will be chosen.

point was made over the merits of annual registration, as against permanent registration specified by Amendment 54. The main point being that permanent registration made it too difficult for people to register. This was not merely

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# Gubernatorial candidates on gambling

## Orval E. Faubus:

## Winthrop Rockefeller:

[ON the request of the editor of Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine for a statement from Governor Faubus as to his stand on proposed Amendment 55, Garland County Lawful Wagering Amendment, Governor Faubus issued a four-page statement, including a review of a statement he issued on Jan. 10, 1963. Following is that part of the statement dealing with the current gambling proposal.—ELM]

MY stand has always been, and is now, opposed to the legalization of any practice which is inherently evil and brings more harm than good to those who participate and to society at large. I think the legalization of such a practice as gambling would be a sign of deterioration of our society, and I hope that it never comes to pass.

It has been said, and truthfully so, I think, that gambling has been a practice to some degree in Hot Springs for the past one hundred years. I believe this has been the case during the administration of every Governor of Arkansas at least for the past fifty years. Some chief executives, as Governor Homer M. Adkins, made efforts to eliminate the practice and failed. There also have been those who did not attempt to interfere, so long as there was no request from local authorities, deeming the matter to be the responsibility of local law enforcement officials.

During my administration we have complied with any and every request from local officials or other duly constituted authority to assist in the enforcement of the anti-gambling laws. A number of raids were instituted on Hot Springs gambling establishments by Mr. Tom Gentry at the time he was Attorney General. These raids were conducted by the State Police, at my direction, whenever warrants were placed in their hands.

Also, the State Police, at the request of members of the Pulaski County Grand Jury, served warrants of Search and Seizure on gambling establishments in Pulaski County. This was also done at my direction, because we had a request for assistance by duly constituted authority.

As I pointed out in excerpts from my statement of nearly two years ago, it is difficult, if not impossible, to enforce any law without the assistance of the people.

The gambling establishments at Hot Springs are now closed, and have been for several months, for perhaps a longer period of time than such establishments have ever been closed in the modern history of the state. I think this should be to my credit, so far as this issue is concerned.

Thank you for your letter of August 19 requesting my position on the proposed amendment to legalize gambling.

My position is summarized in my "Statement of Beliefs" as follows:

"I believe in law enforcement, and I would not permit the open flaunting of the law, as has been the case in Hot Springs with gambling. . . . I am morally opposed to organized gambling, and therefore would not support its legalization."

If you need anything further please let me know.

Yours for a better Arkansas.

Sincerely,  
Winthrop Rockefeller

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I have always been opposed to the legalization of gambling. This is not a recent attitude on my part. To favor such a practice would not be in keeping with the Christian ethics and principles to which I adhere as a member of the Baptist Church. I am on record, in writing, in the statement of two years ago, when I said: "I will not support any measure to legalize gambling in Arkansas."

Amendment 55, I feel, serves one good purpose. It brings the matter squarely before the people of Arkansas for their decision. My vote will be cast against the measure.

Although not confirmed, I have heard (and I hope it is true) that a group of civic-minded church people have now joined together with plans to insist by concrete, specific action, in the enforcement of the anti-gambling laws in Hot Springs and elsewhere in Arkansas. If this is true and the Governor of the state, whoever he may be, can have the active assistance which such a group can give, then he would have no difficulty in bringing about the enforcement of the anti-gambling laws.

I have already stated, and I reiterate that statement now, that if proposed Amendment 55 is disapproved by the people on November 3rd, so long as I am Governor I would attempt with every means available to enforce as fully and completely as possible the anti-gambling laws.



**QUESTION:** "Never did I dream I would be writing you, but I do read your column and now I have a problem: I like a boy of whom my parents do not approve."

"It is true that this boy's people are not all they should be, but I think it is unfair to hold that against him. Anyway, I am not planning to marry him, but I do like him and see no reason for my not dating him."

"Please write about this and my parents and I will read what you have to say."

**ANSWER:** Your situation must be viewed from three angles: yours, your parents', and the boy's.

It is a natural thing for you to feel that too much ado is being made over the matter when your parents want you to stop dating this boy. Another thing that puzzles you, and many other young people: Your parents have always taught you to have an attitude of democratic, Christian friendliness toward your associates, but in this instance it seems to you that they are insisting that you draw a social-class line, assume an attitude bordering upon snobbery.

"Where is the fairness?" your reasoning asks. "Why should this boy be discriminated against because of his family's shortcomings?"

Then, it is an irritating experience to have your parents, with whom you have had such close and loving relationship, treat you as a child again. Can't they realize that you should be allowed to live your own life the way a person with the maturity you feel you now have is entitled to do!

Where is all that deal about the good old USA where a person can rise above his environment? Anyway, why must people act like you're about to marry a fellow just because you date him pretty regularly!

Your parents have a side: Their love for you motivates a strong purpose that you shall have the best in life.

Just as an experienced mountain-climber knows the hazards of certain intriguing trails that attract the first-time-up adventurer, so parents, with more years of "climbing" know from experience and observations dangers that lurk along certain trails.

They know of girls who succumbed to love and passion and married boys they never would have chosen as husbands at a more mature level of thinking.

They know it is nature's way to make the physical attraction between a couple so strong that other elements of a successful marriage are overlooked: Similarity

*He's from  
a lower  
social  
class...*



in cultural background, in ideals, in religious faith and the practice of that faith; the ability to make a living and manage money; congeniality in feeling toward children, social life, friendship circles, family relationships, personal habits, emotional stability, etc.

They know it is an adolescent characteristic that the boy a girl sighs over today she has outgrown and "loathes" tomorrow.

They know that family ties are deep and lasting and that a lot of tensions have developed over one companion's cool, unappreciative attitude toward the other's family.

The boy's slant: Attraction to a lovely Christian girl, which attraction may or may not be woven into it dreams and ambitions to be worthy of her.

If there lives somewhere a Solomon who has patented answers for all these questions and uncertainties, I am uninformed as to his whereabouts!

I know the names and addresses of a few girls whose dating associations exercised good influence over certain fellows whom they did not marry; several who married men of whom their parents did not approve whose marriages are turning out well; occasional ones whose parents wish they had stuck to the un-approved choice instead of listening to advice from their folks; others who in immaturity made unfortunate marriages and are sticking it out, aware that they are missing much that probably would have been theirs had they been wiser in their early dating...; and still others in the same category whose marriages and lives have gone on the rocks...

You will be smart to cooperate with the guidance of your parents at this period in your life.

Since to date your feelings for this boy are just friendly ones, why don't the two of you agree to date others and keep the matter on a friendship basis for the time being. Such an arrangement need not prohibit your appreciation and encouragement of this deserving boy.

Major upon the ultimate in preparation for life rather than too much steady dating at this stage.

Your parents are wise in trying to reason and deal tactfully with you rather than bluntly "laying down the law." Be thankful for them.

Don't rush. Take time to mature in thought and concept. Pray and trust.

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# ATTENTION, ARKANSAS VOTERS!

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## AMENDMENT

# 55

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### GAMBLING and CRIME GO HAND IN HAND

Proponents of legalized gambling razzle-dazzle the public with figures — figures indicating that all the "Land of Opportunity" has to do to solve its financial problems is to invite in the gamblers — Nevada style. But gambling has not solved the tax problem in Nevada, but rather added to it. And it will not solve the problem in Arkansas. Here are some figures that are not razzle-dazzle. They were taken from FBI reports for the year 1963.

#### Arkansas and Nevada Crime Record

—Per 100,000 Population—

MURDERS:	Arkansas	7.4
	Nevada	7.9
ROBBERIES:	Arkansas	25.1
	Nevada	118.7
BURGLARIES:	Arkansas	295.5
	Nevada	1,147.0
AUTO THEFTS:	Arkansas	76.0
	Nevada	672.5
FORCIBLE RAPES:	Arkansas	6.1
	Nevada	16.3
TOTAL OFFENSES:	Arkansas	648.2
	Nevada	2,990.1

Those who favor gambling for Arkansas, must also favor more murders, more suicides, more robberies, more forcible rapes, and higher costs for law enforcement. Nevada appears to be a cesspool of death and violence when compared to Arkansas.



# Destroyers or builders of an enduring society?

Address by Dr. W. R. White, chancellor of Baylor University, delivered at the Churches United Against Gambling Workshop, Sept. 15, 1964, at First Methodist Church, Little Rock.

THERE are constructive and destructive forces operating in every order of society. There are destroyers and there are builders of the good society. There are roots that nourish and parasites that sap it to death. For a period the positive forces are so powerful that the negative forces are carried along with relatively little evidence of serious loss. So far in history, however, the undermining forces have caught and surpassed the sustaining factors and have destroyed every civilization man has ever built. Will mankind ever have sense enough to restrain the destructive forces that eat away a decent society in time to save it? You are either one of the builders or destroyers of our present civilization. Some try to be a little of both. This means that the good you do is undermined by the evil you nourish. So, often the evil men do attacks foundations, causing the superstructure of their constructiveness to topple and fall.

## Gambling destroys

THERE is an element of risk necessary in all worthwhile processes of life. This is not what we are talking about. The element of unnecessary risk, artificially created risk, is that to which we refer.

Dr. Arthur A. Smith, one of the great economists of a billion-dollar bank in the Southwest, gives the following definition of gambling: (1) The deliberate creation of risks of a kind not inherent in or necessary to the functioning of economic society; (2) The deliberate wagering or staking of important or valuable consideration upon events which so far as the party to the wager knows lie in the realm of pure chance or luck.

## Vicious economic evil

It is neither creative nor productive nor servicing in an economic sense. Education, religion and morality are creative. They either enhance economic ability or create a healthy economic atmosphere. Gambling adds nothing to society's realm of values. It distributes wealth created by other activities. It is not even a healthy form of distribution. One man's gain must be another man's loss. It reaps but does not sow.

It lowers living level.

Legalized gambling tends to attract in dispropor-

tionate numbers people in low income brackets. The dollars they lose are precious indeed. Our great credit system, which makes it possible for people of modest income to own homes and so many of the good things of life is menaced by legalized gambling. In 1961 the non-farm mortgage debt was \$150 billion and \$55 billion in consumer credit, or \$205 billion in personal credit outstanding. It is much more now. These obligations are being met by the installment plan. Millions of families have committed their future earnings so completely that there is no margin for gambling. If many gamble, their obligations must either wait or go unpaid. Gambling is a vicious enemy of a sound economy.

Stocks, bonds and insurance are not parallel to gambling.

## Enemy of sound morals

GAMBLING puts a powerful, continual and unnecessary strain on honesty. The break down of integrity and old fashioned honesty is one of the most alarming developments of our time. There are enough temptations to dishonesty in the normal and necessary processes of life without creating more powerful and unnecessary ones. Loaded dice, marked cards, slight of hand manipulation, rigged machines, false tips in bucket shops are ages old. According to reliable authorities gambling is the greatest single cause of embezzlement of trust funds.

## Enemy of good government

ALL the well known investigations by legislative committees and crime commissioners attest the fact that organized gambling is responsible for an alarming amount of political corruption. It is both prevalent and persistent in this regard. We cite the Chicago Crime Commission, the Massachusetts Crime Commission, the Metropolitan Crime Commission of New Orleans, and the Kefauver and McClelland Committee.

The most prolific cause of organized crime is the powerful underworld. A great authority on crime has described gambling as the treasure chest of the underworld.

Every form of vice and crime has followed the train of organized gambling—the narcotics pe-



bler, loan shark, dice game operator, the white slaver and the murderer. Brooklyn has been the scene of a number of unsolved gangland homicides over the past years. Almost every one of these killings has involved gambling ventures in one form or another.

Take a look at Idaho and Nevada. They are quite similar, in general. Both legalized gambling. Idaho became disgusted with its corrupt and corrupting influence and repealed it. Nevada has kept it and has majored on it. Idaho has three times the population of Nevada. Yet, in 1962, there were four times as many murders and four times as many thefts in Nevada as in Idaho and twice as many suicides.

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false, but was used as a smoke screen to cover up the real issue, i.e., the proven effectiveness of signature comparison in eliminating registration irregularities and double voting.

In the 44 states where signature comparison is used, registration fraud has been all but eliminated. For Arkansas this would mean an end to block sales of poll tax, retention of extra receipts by sheriff collectors, registration of out-of-state friends and double voting. Unfortunately, as judged from frequent investigations, grand jury reports, and newspaper stories, these irregularities are almost commonplace in Arkansas today. Amendment 54, while providing for a sound system of registration, also closes the loop-holes that have permitted these abuses.

Those who have used the poll tax system to personal advantage have raised other extraneous issues to destroy confidence in the amendment. It has been charged and is sincerely feared by some that Amendment 54 will benefit labor particularly with regard to voting on constitutional issues such as the "right to work" Law. This charge stems from the amendment provision which permits registration up until 20 days before elections. Apparently overlooked is the fact that labor or any other group may already conduct registration campaigns up to October 1st for voting on constitutional issues the first Tuesday in November. Would 10 days extra really make a great difference? The 20-day provision was included simply to comply with the recommendations of the Presidential Commission on Registration and Voting Participation.

As for voting on candidates in primaries, surely everyone understands that labor leaders have no more control over the voting of workers than does an employer. Governor Faubus has consistently garnered a majority of the labor vote even with union leadership arrayed against him.

The fear of heavy Negro registration has been rumored, so as to further cloud the real issue of a safe, sound, and simple registration system. Arkansas has not restricted the Negro franchise

"To legalize gambling," they say, "will bring it out into the open so we can control it." The record shows that to legalize gambling dramatizes it and clothes it with a measure of respectability. This in turn publicizes and dramatizes it, thus stimulating more gambling of every kind, legal and illegal.

They say, "They will gamble any way, why not get the revenue?" The relative percent of this kind of revenue in a normal society is small. The added cost to regulate it and accompanying evils leave the net income almost nil. Besides, here is a good scripture for Hot Springs and Arkansas: "Woe unto him that buildeth a town with blood and establisheth a city with iniquity" (Hab. 2:12).

in this century. Seventy-seven thousand colored citizens purchased a poll tax receipt in 1963, and this year Negro leaders hope to have 100,000 Negroes registered by poll tax purchase. This represents approximately the same percentage of eligible voters as for the white population.

The truth is that Amendment 54 will make it easier for all people to vote. This after all is the object of good democratic government. We can not really be proud of our record of voting in the past, which shows only 40 percent of those eligible voting in the 1960 presidential election. By making registration easier yet safe, we can reasonably expect increased participation in voting by all citizens under Amendment 54.—H. D. Luck, Arkadelphia

## God and gambling

I AM opposed to gambling because as a christian I want to be on the side that God is on. God is never for evil. It would be against God's will to be for gambling—O. L. Quattlebaum, Rt. 1, Beebe

## 'Obscene, profane'

THE book, *Another Country*, by James Baldwin, is obscene, profane, vulgar and pornography of the worst sort.—Clyde Hart, Little Rock.

REPLY: From one hurried glance at a few pages of this book when someone showed it to me the other day, I agree with this appraisal. It is a sad commentary on our day that this sort of trash can make the best-seller list and that even this mention of it will mean a new spurt in sales.—ELM

## The gambler's will

I LEAVE to my wife and children the aircastles I have built for them down through the years.

I leave to my aged parents the remainder of my gambling debts, which I am sure will be collected one way or another.

I leave to my younger brother, my Bible, which I never used.

I leave to society more crime, higher

## Hot Springs youth opposes gambling

I READ today of a young lady who offered her services to fight legalized gambling. I have been considering this for some weeks, but going home this weekend from college helped me make up my mind. You see, I live in Hot Springs. I listened to stories of how people I know have been threatened, how the "Chamber of Commerce" has been working on the "ghost town" rumors, and how all sorts of under-handed things are going on.

I am a freshman at Ouachita this year, majoring in journalism. I don't pretend to be any talented writer, but I want very much to do any small thing to fight gambling.

Maybe you could use an account of activities by various students to combat gambling and influence students on this campus. Or I could write my personal testimony of how I, as a young person, feel about others voting to have gambling in MY hometown. Could you use an opinion poll taken among the students here?

I want to try to do anything I can to aid the various groups opposing gambling!!!! PLEASE feel free to call on me for any small bit I can do to help.—Betty Rowe, Box 591, Ouachita Baptist College, Arkadelphia

REPLY: Thanks, Betty. You have the right spirit. Let us have anything further you have to say.—ELM

taxes, and a false economy.

Submitted by—Mable House, Rt. 1, Atlanta, Kan.

## Pastor available

WILL you please put the following article in the Newsmagazine:

I am available for supply, revivals or the pastorate. My address is—Paul Pearson, Box 17, Ward, Ark. 72176. Phone BA 4-6366 Cabot, Ark.



## The 'time' and 'fulness' of the Gentiles


BY HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

Past President, Southern Baptist Convention  
First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

... until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled (Luke 21:24).

... until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in (Rom. 11:25).

THESE are two references upon the meaning of which interpreters are not agreed. In Luke



21:24 Jesus is speaking of the fall of Jerusalem, an event which occurred in 70 A. D. The Jewish nation fell, and its people were scattered among the nations. So

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"the times of the Gentiles" probably refers to that undetermined period in history when the Gentile nations shall exercise supremacy over the Jewish people. Robertson comments, "What this means is not clear except that Paul in Romans 11:25 shows that the punishment of the Jews has a limit." A. B. Bruce (Expositor's) notes, "The connection of thought seems to require that it be taken—the times of Gentile action in execution of divine judgment on Israel, or more generally the times of Gentile supremacy. Yet I strongly incline to side with those who find in the phrase the reference to a Gentile *day of grace*. The Jews had had their day of grace (Lk. 19:44) and the Gentiles were to have their turn." But while these things are probably involved, the immediate reference in Luke 21:24 speaks of a period of Gentile supremacy. Arndt and Gingrich Lexicon says, "times of the Gentiles (in which they may punish God's people or themselves be converted)."

The reference in Romans 11:25 clearly speaks of what Bruce calls "a Gentile *day of grace*." In Ro-

mans 9-11 Paul writes of God's purpose in dealing with the Jews and Gentiles. He makes a distinction between national Israel and spiritual Israel (9:6). When he says that "all Israel shall be saved" (11:26) he is speaking of the spiritual remnant which will receive Christ as their Saviour. Even during "the Gentile *day of grace*" those Jews who receive Christ shall be saved. So Paul does not say that God has shut the door to the Jews. However, the Gentiles through their faith in Christ are grafted in as a wild olive branch (11:17ff.). The salvation of the Gentiles is designed to provoke the Jews to jealousy (11:11) or to bring them to desire the same salvation. And then Paul says "that blindness [hardness] in part is happened [has happened in part or for a period of time] to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in" (11:25).

Some see this "fulness" to mean that a certain number of Gentiles will be saved. They hold that God knows the number, and that after that the Jews shall be saved. However, this tends to make the meaning mechanical or mathematical. Of course, God in his omniscience knows the number. But shall we think of it merely as a pre-determined number? This would seem to emphasize the sovereignty of God to the neglect of the free will of man.

We are inclined to agree with James Denny (Expositor's). "It does not mean a number pre-determined beforehand, which has to be made up, whether to answer to the blanks in Israel or to the demands of a divine decree, but the Gentiles in their full strength. When the Gentiles in their full

# The Bookshelf

Mere Christianity, by C. S. Lewis, Macmillan, fourth printing of paperback edition, 1964, \$1.25

The depths of perception and the charm of style that characterize C. S. Lewis are strong recommendations for this book. The volume is made up of four books: Right and Wrong as a Clue to the Meaning of the Universe; What Christians Believe; Christian Behaviour; and Beyond Personality: Or First Steps in the Doctrine of the Trinity.

God's Glory, Romans 14:13—16:27, by Donald Grey Barnhouse, Eerdmans, 1964, \$4.50

This is the tenth and last volume of Dr. Barnhouse's comprehensive exposition of Bible doctrines. His method is to examine each scripture passage, phrase by phrase, not only in the light of its immediate context but also in the larger context of the entire teaching of the Bible.

It Took a Miracle!, by Herbert L. Bowdoin, Revell, 1964, \$2.50

This is the thrilling account of God's grace of a "white-collared drunk exploded into uselessness." It is the story of Ford Philpot, a beloved television evangelist.

Best Sermons, Volume IX, Protestant Edition, edited by G. Paul Butler, Van Nostrand, 1964, \$6.95

Sermons by five Southern Baptist ministers are among the 35 composing this volume: Dr. Carlyle Marney, pastor of Myers Park Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C., whose sermon is "The Recovery of Courage"; Dr. Charles A. Trentham, pastor of First Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn., "The Church and the Kingdom of God"; Dr. Foy Valentine, executive secretary of the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn., "You Can't Go Home Again"; Dr. Edward Hughes Pruden, pastor, First Baptist Church, Washington, D. C., "Christianity and Freedom"; and Dr. Walker N. Stockburger, pastor, Trinity Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va., "The God of Outer Space."

strength have come in, the power which is to provoke Israel to jealousy will be fully felt, with the result described in verse 26."

So Paul is holding out hope to the Jews. But even then they will not be saved *en masse* as a people. They will be saved as individuals even as the Gentiles by grace through faith in Christ as their Saviour. For Peter in Acts 15:11 says, "But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we [Jews] shall be saved, even as they [Gentiles]."



# Rebuilding broken homes

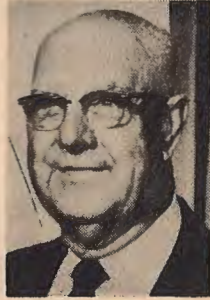
By J. I. COSSEY

WHEN is a home a broken home? Perhaps the break was started long before either of the marriage parties was born. It could have been seeded in the home of quarreling parents on either one or both sides of the house — like parents like son or daughter. When there is quarreling or disorder of any kind in a home the children are day by day being ruined as possible home builders. A home that is centered in a seed-bed of quarreling, cursing, drinking, hate and other sin and strife may produce the same kind for its children for generations to come.

Your children are potential home builders and the parents are setting the example of the kind of home it will be. Family Bible reading and prayer, music, education, church going and church work will produce a seed-bed for a future home builder.

Sin has been busy breaking homes ever since there have been homes. Everywhere there is a good home, there is some sin trying to break it up. The power of God unto salvation is the only thing that can blast sin out and put love in its place.

Did you ever stop to analyze the debris or remains of a broken home? It embraces shattered hopes of youth; loss of the joy of romance; the thrill of home planning gone; fruits of love fallen and the home barren; father's morals broken, mother depressed in spirit; children hovered over by a cloud, and prospects for happy, aggressive, useful and valuable lives in the heap of the remains. We know of nothing more tragic and pitiful than a home that has been ravaged by sin, abuse and hate.



MR. COSSEY

## Beacon Lights of Baptist History

By BERNES K. SELPH, Th.D.  
Pastor, 1st Baptist Church, Benton

### Arkansas WMU reports to South-wide union

THE first report of Arkansas women's work given outside the state was prepared and given to the women meeting in Augusta, Ga., May 9, 1885.

Apologies were made that no more had been accomplished, yet some progress was indicated. The women rejoiced that pastors were cooperating. "The pastors have been awakened to the fact that in the sisters of the church lies a mighty lever which if rightly used will produce grand results." (Massey, *At the King's Command*, p. 23)

The women weren't used to making reports to the Central Committee, and probably saw little need of them. Because of this

But once a home is broken, what can one do? First, without trying to place the blame, sit down and review the sweetheart days and try to reach some true conclusions. It is right to review all the angles of the other party's viewpoint. Then view your own views and then weigh all points on the basis of your first love. Then pray that God may make you big enough to forgive and return to that first sweetheart love. God will enable you to see your own faults in the matter and confess them.

In this way, God will give the grace and courage to confess your faults and restore the confidence of both and save your home. If God was in your marriage, he will continue to be in it. When God directs a marriage, he will never direct another marriage for you until the first is dissolved by death. As long as you cultivate sweetheart days, you will continue happy days together.



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the reports were incomplete. But an increase was shown in the number of societies organized and amount of money given.

Arkansas Baptists faced the fact of crippling debts upon churches, and, more than this, many of them were without comfortable or suitable houses of worship.

There was still much work to be done at home. Hear this: "Of our 75 counties the county seats of 25 are without Baptist houses of worship and even organized churches.

"In our beautiful capital city, Little Rock, while we have two churches, both are feeble and not self supporting, and neither with houses commensurate with their needs nor the growing demands of the city." (Ibid, p. 24)

The women felt that such needs would cause the members to shut their eyes to the outstretched hands in foreign lands. There was one incentive to greater efforts. God had touched the heart of a native Arkansan and he had gone as a missionary to Africa. Rev. C. E. Smith was stationed at Lagos. An appeal was made to partake of his spirit.

Twenty-one societies, three children's bands and members from five churches which had no organized societies gave \$541.50 to missions and education that year.

REV. and Mrs. W. L. (Wimpy) Smith, Southern Baptist missionaries on furlough from Argentina, are now living at 3005 Hanover St., Dallas, Tex., 75225. Born in San Saba, Tex., Mr. Smith grew up in Gregory, Tex.; Mrs. Smith, the former Beverly Hefley, was born in Fort Smith, but lived in Texas, Louisiana, and Michigan while growing up.

MISS Irene Branum, Southern Baptist missionary, is returning to Korea after furlough in the States. A registered nurse, she serves in Wallace Memorial Baptist Hospital, Pusan (her address: Baptist Mission, APO 59, San Francisco, Calif.). She is a native of Leslie.



## Pastors' Conference

**First Church, El Dorado, Main Auditorium**

**Monday, Nov. 2, 1964, 2 p. m.**

### OFFICERS

President ..... Roy B. Hilton, First Church, Harrison  
 Vice-President ..... D. B. Bledsoe, First Church, Stuttgart  
 Secretary ..... Gordon Bachus, Earle Church

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2:00 Song Service ..... George Baker, El Dorado  
 2:10 Scripture and Prayer ..... James Hill, Hot Springs  
 2:20 "The Layman and His Pastor" Jeral Hampton, Booneville  
 2:50 Special Music ..... Hoyt Mulkey, Little Rock  
 3:00 "The Preacher in Retirement"  
 ..... T. L. Harris, North Little Rock  
 3:30 ELECTION OF OFFICERS ..... Roy Hilton

3:40 Hymn ..... Harold White, Paris  
 Prayer ..... Morris Smith, Morrilton  
 Special Music ..... Frank Arnall, Stuttgart  
 3:50 "Preaching in the Atomic Age" James F. Eaves, Memphis  
 4:30 Benediction ..... Edward Smith, Beebe

### Fun and fashions for ministers' wives

MINISTERS' wives are invited to a special fashion show and satire at a meeting in El Dorado Nov. 2, preceding the Arkansas State Convention.

The fashion show will be presented by the El Dorado House with Mrs. Sue Mason, fashion director, as commentator. Mrs. Mason coached, dressed and chaperoned Miss Donna Axum prior to her selection as Miss America.

"The Sad Satire" will feature ten ministers' wives, with Mrs. Roy Taylor of Hope as narrator.

The meeting will begin at 2 p.m. in the chapel of First Church, El Dorado, with a fellowship tea to follow.

Mrs. Lehman Webb is president of the organization. Other officers are Mrs. J. T. Elliff, program vice president; Mrs. James Hill, devotional vice president; Mrs. Harold Hightower, social chairman; and Mrs. John Maddox, secretary and treasurer.

### OBC productions

THE Ouachita College Theater will present Peter Shaffer's "Five Finger Exercise" Oct. 22-24 as the first of four major productions, according to Dennis Holt, director.

"Five Finger Exercise" is a contemporary British play which won the New York Drama Critics' Circle Award recently as the "Best Foreign Play of the Year." It is a serious drama with a close-knit cast of five people which demands outstanding acting ensemble, Holt said.

Other major productions will be Ferenc Molnar's "Liliom," Dec. 10-12; "Desperate Ambrose," Mar. 18-20; and Jean Anouilh's, "Antigone," May 13-15. "Desperate Ambrose" will be directed by Don Pennington, assistant professor of speech. Holt will direct all other major productions.

## Hot Springs church hits gambling

BELIEVING that statements of recent weeks have raised questions in the minds of individuals the state over concerning churches in the Hot Springs area, the Lake Hamilton Baptist Church, Highway 7 South, Lake Hamilton, issues the following statement:

Lake Hamilton Baptist Church, organized in 1932, has never depended upon gambling as a means of financing the Lord's work. We have always believed in the tithe as God's means of financing His work.

Whereas we have been saved by Jesus Christ, and since we believe gambling is sin, whether legal or illegal, and because we believe legalized gambling will increase crimes in our state and open the door to corruption in many areas of life and because we do not want to raise our children in the environment brought about when gambling exists and we do not want to live in such an environment ourselves and because we are convinced that if Christ were here to vote on Nov. 3, He would vote NO and since we are to pat-

tern our life after His; and since we feel that it is our responsibility to the One that has saved us to let our position be known on issues involving sin:

The majority of the members of Lake Hamilton Baptist Church, go on record as unalterably opposing Amendment Number 55, Garland County Lawful Wagering Amendment. We urge all born-again Christian people to join us in the defeat of this amendment.

We also encourage Christian people, when this amendment is defeated on Nov. 3, and if gambling illegally returns to Hot Springs, to demand the law of the state be enforced.

We furthermore ask that those that are elected by the people, and paid by the people, uphold the law that they solemnly promise to uphold when sworn into office.

By action of the Lake Hamilton Baptist Church this 30th day of September in the year of our Lord 1964.—Mrs. Jim Rowe, Church Clerk—Jimmie L. Taylor, Pastor





MRS. Lela L. Henderson, 91, a member of First Church, Waldron, died Sept. 9.

Her husband, C. Henderson, was a deacon in First Church, Waldron, at the time of his death, in 1915.

Mrs. Henderson was a Christian from girlhood. As a girl she played the organ in her church.

She taught a Sunday School class most of the time for 65 years, resigning only when her age and health forced her to do so.

Mrs. Henderson taught in several of the public schools of western Arkansas and also in Oklahoma. She received her A. B. degree from Central College, Conway, and taught for a time in that institution.

The accompanying photograph shows her beside the baptistry in First Church, Waldron. She painted this picture as a gift to her church when she was past 70.

Survivors include: Four sons, Gordan, Fayetteville; Leming, Escondido, Calif.; Wendell, Waldron; and Curtis, Indianapolis, Ind.; four daughters: Mrs. Luretha Pinnell, Paris; Mrs. Ayline Sturdevant, Texarkana; Mrs. Edgar Johnson, Hackett; and Mrs. John Crawford Paris; one brother, Ben Leming, Chevy Chase, Md; and one sister, Mrs. Lyda Whittington, Waldron.

MISS Martha Hairston, Southern Baptist missionary, returned to Brazil Sept. 10 after a few months' medical leave in the States. Director of the Seminary of Christian Educators, Recife, she may be addressed at Caixa Postal 1940, Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil. She is a native of Warren.



Donna Barber, left, and Kathy Knight

### OBC picks singers

TWELVE voices have been selected for The Madrigal Singers, a new choral group organized for the first time in many years at Ouachita College by the Division of Fine Arts.

Directed by Bill Horton, assistant professor of music, the group will consist of Richard Carr, North Little Rock, and Raymond Hardin, Little Rock, tenors; Tom Long, Arkadelphia, Rudy Gallegly, Little Rock, and Jim Rees, Pine Bluff, bass; Peggy Gullage, Jackson, Miss., Dora King, Hope, Sandy Sylvest, Jonesboro, and Mary Sue Hill, altos; Marsha Riddle, Ft. Smith, Norma Robertson, Arkadelphia, and Phyliss Moseley, Paragould, sopranos.

Ronnie Lewis of Smackover is rehearsal accompanist. Membership is by invitation only, and has been limited to 12.

MORE than 2,100 students registered for the twelfth annual student conference at Glorieta (N. M.) Baptist Assembly Aug. 20-26. Theme for the week was "Encounter . . . Commitment."

IN its 61st year, Beech Street Church, Texarkana, recently crowned its first Queens Regent in the history of the church: Donna Barber and Kathy Knight.

Miss Barber is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Bernard Barber. She is a sophomore in the Texarkana (Ark.) High School.

Miss Knight is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harrel W. Knight and is a junior in the Texarkana, (Tex.) High School.

Beech Street Church was organized in March, 1904. The first meeting of the church was held in the Miller County Court House for the purpose of organizing. Rev. Harvey Beauchamp, secretary of the Sunday School and Colportage Board of the Arkansas State Convention, was in the first meeting.

Since then, time has seen one building of the Beech Street Church destroyed by fire and another building partially destroyed. The present sanctuary was built in 1906. It was partially destroyed by fire in 1909 and rebuilt the same year.





**PERFECT ATTENDANCE —**

Mrs. Ernest Hooper recently received a certificate from her pastor, Bob Park, Cullendale First Church, Camden, for 17 years perfect attendance at Sunday School.

**OFFICERS** of the North Pulaski County Churches United Against Gambling are shown here following a recent meeting. Ken Price, pharmacist and active layman in Park Hill Church, is president. This group is similar to others being organized throughout Arkansas to defeat the proposed gambling amendment.



**WALNUT RIDGE ANNIVERSARY —** First Church marked its 75th year with special observances Sept. 16. Above, a group enacts how the organization may have taken place in the home of Mrs. Ruthie Rhea. Seated is Mrs. Silas Eskridge, flanked, left to right, by Mrs. Billy Joe Davis, Mrs. Harold Boyd, Mrs. Luke Johnston and Mrs. Silas Eskridge. Standing are (left to right) Jack Dunham, Mr. Davis, Mr. Eskridge, A. W. Wilcoxson, Harold Callahan, W. A. Anderson and Bill Tolson.

Sunday night a note burning ceremony was held, celebrating completion of payment of all debts. (Left photo, left to right) Rev. W. H. Heard, pastor, Dr. D. Blake Westmoreland and A. S. Parrish.



## Large registration for SS conference

STATE Sunday School Secretary Lawson Hatfield reports that 438 registered for the Bible Teaching Conference at Park Hill Church, North Little Rock, Oct. 5-6.

Highlighting the conference, which concentrated on the Bible instead of denominational materials, were:

The Bible study series by Dr. Jesse Northcutt, professor of preaching, Southwestern Seminary, for Adult Young People teachers:

Explorations of the program emphasis for SBC during the next five years by Dr. W. O. Thomason, consultant, Education Division, Sunday School Board;

Studies in Deuteronomy, the Bible study book for January, for pastors by Dr. Clyde Francisco, professor of Old Testament, Southern Seminary;

Special Scriptural conferences of the Sunday School lesson graded materials.

## Free film available

THE 91st DAY — just released for free use by church groups and other organizations— was premiered on nationwide television and awarded a first prize at the 1964 American Film Festival. The 16mm sound film, now available in one-hour length, depicts the tragedy of a mentally ill man committed to a state mental hospital, and his wife's ceaseless struggle to get him the intensive treatment he must have if he is ever to return to his family. Produced by Vision Associates (associate producers of David and Lisa) THE 91st DAY stars Patrick O'Neal as the mentally ill Loren Benson and Madeleine Sherwood as his wife Maggie.

THE 91st DAY is being made available by Smith Kline & French (Pharmaceutical) Laboratories to stimulate public interest in improving the care and treatment of the mentally ill. This film may be borrowed free of charge from Association Films, Inc., Dallas, Texas (1621 Dragon St.).

## From the pastor's study

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, JONESBORO

IT is of major importance at this time that every Christian vote as Arkansas faces a major moral issue. This issue that will appear on the ballot at the Nov. 3 general election will, in a measure, be a thermometer that will register the moral and spiritual temperature of our people.



DR. HOLLAND

We are conscious that our society is sick. It is possible that the infectious disease of gambling has weakened the moral fiber to a degree that we are on the brink of total moral collapse. One kind of immorality feeds and provides an atmosphere for another. Along with gambling goes lasciviousness, drunkenness, dope addiction, prostitution and robbery.

Hot Springs, nestling in the bosom of the Ouachita Mountains, surrounded with nature's gift of beautiful lakes, does not need legalized gambling to make it a most attractive resort and a desirable place to reside. Legalized gambling attracts the scum of the earth and the dregs of society along with the lovers of worldly pleasures and excitement. Hot Springs' interest in this regard affects our entire state as immorality knows no lines of demarkation.

Let us speak with a resounding voice to all who have a responsibility in administering the law our firm conviction that we will stagger backward morally, spiritually and economically if, for any reason, we neglect to assert ourselves in voting to keep the euphonic name of Arkansas unassailable.

As the sage of the ages has said, "In a time of crisis the greatest sin is the sin of silence."—C. Z. Holland, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

## Arkansas in big eight

ARKANSAS, 11th in the total number of Baptist students enrolled in school, was eighth in the nation in the Summer Mission Program, sponsored by the Home Mission Board.

The other top seven are Texas, Mississippi, Tennessee, Georgia, Louisiana, Missouri and Oklahoma.

Arkansas schools sending the largest number of summer missionaries were Ouachita College with 13 and A. M. and N. College with 10.

## Revivals

FIRST Church, Bearden, Sept. 20-27; Homer Haltom, pastor, evangelist; Nyle Parmelee, Ouachita College student, music director; 4 by letter; 1 by profession of faith; 9 rededications.

FIRST Church, Wilburton, Okla., Sept. 20-27; Jesse S. Reed, director of Evangelism, Arkansas State Convention, evangelist; Mark Short Sr., song director; 20 additions; 12 for baptism; Clifford Lyon, former pastor of First Church, Mansfield, pastor.

## New Arkansas Baptist Subscribers

Church	Pastor	Association
One month free trial received:		
Green Meadows Mission	John W. Kilburn	Harmony
New budget after free trial:		
Immanuel, El Dorado	pastorless	Liberty
Lake Shore Heights	Hubert O. Ray	Central
Florence	pastorless	Bartholomew
Happy Hollow	Howard Langwell	Faulkner Co.
Belview, Melbourne	Doyle Robertson	Rocky Bayou



By the BAPTIST PRESS

THE Mississippi Baptist Convention Board has gone on record as deploring "all acts of violence and all expressions of anarchy" in connection with burning of Negro churches in the state. The board, which handles convention business between annual sessions, also commended the work of a state-wide Committee of Concern formed by 23 Mississippi religious leaders. The committee is accepting funds to help rebuild the burned churches.

IN accordance with a resolution by Congress in 1952 stating that the President "shall set aside and proclaim" a national day of prayer, other than a Sunday, each year, President Lyndon B. Johnson has set Oct. 21 as the National Day of Prayer for 1964. President Johnson said: "Under our laws, every man has the right to pray, no man can be told how he must pray, and each man prays as his own conscience dictates."

A COMPROMISE version of Senate and House bills to expand the National Defense Education Act (NDEA) of 1958 won approval in both houses of Congress. The measure now awaits the President's signature. The act extends NDEA for three years and aid to federally impacted areas for one year. It shifts the emphasis from the categorical aid for mathematics, science and modern foreign languages to a more general education aid. Most provisions include both public and private schools.

THE Louisiana Baptist Convention executive board here has approved a 1965 state convention Cooperative Program budget of \$2,850,000. On top of this is a \$100,000 advance goal. The budget is subject to approval by the convention next month in New Orleans. Percentage of the budget going to the Southern Baptist Convention for Baptist work outside Louisiana would remain at 31.4.



*THE pastor of the world's largest Southern Baptist congregation, W. A. Criswell of First Church, Dallas, recently observed his twentieth anniversary at the 13,000-member church.—BP Photo*

THE New York-New Jersey Area Fellowship of Southern Baptists, meeting recently in Endicott, N. Y., reaffirmed intention of forming a state Baptist convention effective in January, 1967. The 60 people present for the fellowship meeting came from all of the 28 churches located in New York state and in New Jersey adjacent to New York City.

THE final meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention 30,000 Movement Committee was held in Nashville recently. It was in Nashville the first meeting of the group was held. Dr. C. C. War-

## Memphis Bible study

A TRI-STATE Bible Conference is scheduled for Oct. 26-30 at First Church, Memphis, Tenn.

The speakers will be Dr. Leo Eddleman and Dr. Wm. W. Adams of the New Orleans Seminary, and the lectures will be free, Dr. R. Paul Caudill, pastor has announced.

Dr. Adams and Dr. Eddleman will lecture twice daily—forty-five minutes each—from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and an hour each from 7 to 9 p.m. Dr. Adams will lecture on the book of James in the mornings and on the epistle to the Colossians in the evenings. Dr. Eddleman will lecture on the book of Amos in the mornings and on the book of Deuteronomy in the evenings.

ren, named director of the movement in 1956, reported to the committee that 22,960 churches and missions had been started from the beginning of the movement to July 1 of this year.

TENNESSEE Baptist Convention proposed budget for 1965 is \$175,000 more than the 1964 goal. A committee was appointed to study long-range, possible relocation of state convention offices. The state convention offices are on the campus of Belmont College, Nashville, at present.

THE Radio-TV Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, Ft. Worth, Tex., now has "sign on" programs for radio stations desiring them. The 4½ minute daily program is called "Manna in the Morning." It includes organ music, scripture and a choir hymn.

ROY L. Moore Jr. recently resigned as director of religious education for Alaska Baptist Convention to begin work on the doctor of religious education degree at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.



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# YOUTH NIGHT

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ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

Chester Swor

Youth Testimonies

Report from Our Colleges

Summer Missionaries Experiences

150 Voice Choir

City Auditorium

El Dorado

November 4, 1964

7:00



# Departments

## Executive Board

### Hardshell reactions to Bible stewardship

EARLY American Baptists had a hardshell background. Hardshells were produced by varied circumstances but the main producer was money.

It was difficult in Europe to meet all the financial requirements of a state church, and then have enough to support Baptist causes. The Baptists saw the powerful church leaders grow greedy and abuse finances. There was the tendency toward the idea that church poverty meant freedom from greed. In America Baptists were weak numerically and poor financially. Consequently, this produced stagnation in all mission activities. Then, without evangelism and missions there was very little need for money.

Is it any wonder that a few decades of this produced teachers and preachers who counted it a virtue to educate against church finances.

We have come a long way from hardshellism in every phase of Baptist life but there is still a backlash or a reaction in the realm of church finance.

Some church members boast, "Our last pastor never mentioned money and I wish this present pastor would not mention it." Other church members remark, "We are never forced to mention money in our church." Then, we have heard this one many times, "Get their hearts right and they will give their money."

Of course, all of these statements are contradictory to New Testament teachings.

In one section of the sermon Jesus talked like the president of a bank advising an investor. Matthew 6:19, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven." Jesus was saying, "Do not lay up earthly treasures (money) at the expense of eternal treasures (money).

The Great Banker tells us to give kingdomward and make an

## Student Union



*DR. Ken Chaffin (left) of Southwestern Seminary will be principal speaker at the 1964 Arkansas Baptist Student Convention to be held at First Church, Hot Springs, Oct. 23-25. Dr. Claude Rhea (right) of Houston Baptist College will direct the music.*

*More than 500 Arkansas Baptist students from 17 campuses are expected.*

eternal investment. Here Jesus says, "Make a wise investment, put your money to spiritual use." This means that money, in itself, is not a spiritual thing but the way it is used can become a spiritual matter.

Jesus talked about giving in Luke 6:38, "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." Jesus is saying, "Life is enlarged when we give." Here the giver is the investor and the giver is also the bank in which the deposit is made. The investor becomes a magnanimous, other-minded, out-giving, overflowing helper and his life is made happy. Finally, his own life becomes a depository of spiritual values.

Yet, the hardshell approach to all these truths is: "We never mention money in our church," or, "Don't preach on money, it makes some people mad."

This attitude is sinful! With hungry hearts, needy lives, lost souls and sin-ridden humanity on



every side, our churches cannot go on producing stingy, greedy, self-seeking Baptists, by trying to ignore the gospel of giving. These non-tithing, non-giving, non-attenders called Baptists are products of Baptist churches. Less than 25 percent of our church members (one out of four) gives as much as 10 percent of their incomes through the churches.

If our people are to serve Christ, they must be taught. If our people give their money, they must be taught! That's the missionary approach. The question we need to answer in money matters is this: "Are we Missionary Baptists or Hardshell Baptists?" —Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary

## Sunday School

### Adult Thrust

THE Adult Thrust phase of the Sunday School program for 1964-65 is underway.

Churches are preparing to teach in Adult and Young People's departments the special lesson units for five weeks on "Christ's Concern for the Multitudes."



Prospect Cultivation Visitation leaflets are being used in visiting adult prospects for the church.

The Training Union units in the Adult section on "How To Visit" gives help to the Thrust.

The Thrust is a total effort of the denomination to reach more adults and enlist whole families in Bible study and church membership development.

Long range goals related to the Adult Thrust include the goal to have a total Sunday School enrollment of ten million in Southern Baptist Convention by 1970.

With 7,600,000 presently enrolled, the gain needed is 2,400,000 or a 32 percent increase in five years. Apply the 32 percent gain to Arkansas' 216,000 Sunday School enrollment would require a net gain of 70,000 in five years or an average of 14,000 per year. Apply this to a local church and the requirement would be a net gain of 7 percent per church per 100 presently enrolled in Sunday School. Some churches could set higher goals than the average seven—some less.

A successful effort in reaching adults is the key to success in growth in all areas of church life.—Lawson Hatfield, State Sunday School Secretary

### Brotherhood

#### **Attention, associational officers:**

IF you are an associational Brotherhood officer or leader, do not fail to attend your district Leadership Conference which is scheduled for one night during the week of Oct. 18.

At your district conference, your district Brotherhood representative will present some very practical ideas and some new materials which are designed to enhance associational Brotherhood work and to help associational Brotherhood leadership to do a better job than ever before.

Here is the schedule:

Northwest District: First Church, Springdale, Monday evening, Oct. 19; Southwest District: First Church, Hope, Tuesday evening, Oct. 20; West Central District: First Church, Paris, Tues-

day evening, Oct. 20; Southeast District: First Church, Warren, Thursday evening, Oct. 22; East Central District: First Church, Brinkley, Thursday evening, Oct. 22; Northeast District: First Church, Jonesboro, Friday evening, Oct. 23; North Central District: West Church, Batesville, Friday evening, Oct. 23; Central District: Immanuel Church, Friday evening, Oct. 23.

All meetings will begin with a devotional period, at 7. Department conferences will begin at 7:15. Adjournment will be at 9.

From the above schedule pick out the conference arranged for your district, and make your plans to be there! Get in touch with the other officers of your associational Brotherhood and urge each one to attend the conference. Also, endeavor to get to the conference some of the church Brotherhood presidents and vice-presidents. Their attendance will help to enhance their concepts of associational Brotherhood work and to enlist them in helping you to build a better and more effective associational Brotherhood program.—Nelson Tull, secretary

### Woman's Missionary Union

#### **YWA rallies**

FOR the second year a series of rallies for members of Young Woman's Auxiliaries will be held in strategic places in the state at which special guests will be speakers participating in district WMU meetings. Miss Juliette Mather, former youth secretary and editorial secretary of Woman's Missionary Union, SBC, and for seven years teacher of English in universities and seminaries in Japan and Taiwan, will share speaking opportunities with Miss Joan Frisby, director of week-day activities at Ervay Baptist Center, Dallas. Miss Mary Hutson, state YWA Director, will preside. The meetings will begin with supper at 6 and will be held:

Oct. 19, First Church, Van Buren.  
Oct. 20, Second Church, Hot Springs.  
Oct. 22, First Church, Dumas.  
Oct. 26, First Church, Jonesboro.

Oct. 27, First Church, Mariana.

Reservations, accompanied by \$1 per plate, should be sent to the hostess church at least three days prior to the meeting. (DO NOT send reservations to state WMU Office.)

These meetings afford young women an opportunity to meet and hear these two outstanding missionary speakers, the state director, and other young women of their ages and interests. Send them! Take them!

**WOMEN'S DAY OF PRAYER**  
"Prayer will accomplish what words will not!"

Nov. 2 is the date suggested for Baptist Women's Day of Prayer. On that day, the first Monday in November, Baptist women of the world, through the Women's Department of the Baptist World Alliance, will pray together.

An offering is taken for the work and outreach of the North American Baptist Women's Union, which is composed of women of 12 different Baptist bodies in North America. Also, some is used to help women of other continents establish their work, and some is for world relief. Directions for remitting will be found in program material suggested for use and which is available upon request from the state WMU office, 310 Baptist Bldg., Little Rock.—Nancy Cooper, Executive Secretary and Treasurer.

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# TWO TESTS



By Mary Taylor

"NOW remember," said Mrs. Black as the closing bell rang on Friday afternoon, "no one is to come back to this classroom until Monday morning. The workmen will begin painting as soon as we go home."

Teddy tucked his books under his arm and went out with the rest of his class. He remembered not to run in the hall, but once outside the building he started home at a jog trot.

He was almost home when he remembered something that made him stop short. His class was to have an arithmetic test Monday. Arithmetic was Teddy's most difficult subject. Hurriedly, he glanced through his armful of books. His heart sank. He had left his arithmetic book at school.

What could he do? Mrs. Black had said not to go back to the classroom. Yet he needed that book. Surely he would not hurt anything by going back just for a minute. The men probably had not yet started painting.

Teddy walked slowly back to the school. All the boys and girls had gone home. Only one car was in the parking lot. It must belong to the painters, Teddy thought.

He tiptoed quietly down the hall and peeped into the room. There he saw buckets and brushes, but the men were nowhere in sight.

Teddy slipped inside the room and ran to his desk. He picked up the arithmetic book and was almost back to the door when he heard footsteps coming down the hall. The workmen were coming back.

Teddy pulled the door open quickly. Bump! it hit one of the buckets of paint. Over went the paint on the floor.

Teddy set the bucket upright and hurried outside. Not very much paint had spilled. Maybe the men might not notice it at all, he assured himself. They might think the wind had bumped the door against the bucket and splashed the paint. Painters

always dropped a little paint on the floor anyhow.

No one will know I did it, Teddy said to himself. They didn't see me. I'll just forget about it.

Somehow Teddy couldn't forget about it. He thought about it several times Saturday. He couldn't even study his arithmetic very well. He thought about it Sunday at Sunday school.

"God sees everything we do," the teacher told the boys and girls. "We should never do anything we would not want him to know about, for he is always with us. What do you think we should do if we forget and do something wrong?"

No one answered for a moment. Teddy was thinking.

"I guess," he said at last, "we should say we did wrong and that we're sorry."

Somehow after that Teddy felt a little better. He could study his arithmetic now. He could hardly wait for schooltime to come.

When he arrived at school Monday morning, Teddy went straight to his room. It was freshly painted. All the paint had been cleaned from the floor.

I wouldn't have to tell, Teddy thought to himself, but I won't feel right unless I do.

He stood as straight and tall as he could beside the teacher's desk.

"Mrs. Black," said Teddy, "I forgot my arithmetic book and came back after you told us not to. I spilled some paint, too. I'm sorry. I won't disobey again."

"I'm glad you told me, Teddy," said Mrs. Black. "No real damage was done. Even if it had been, it's always better to tell the truth. Now, are you ready for that test?"

"Yes," Teddy declared. His heart was as light as a feather. Somehow he felt sure he was going to make a good grade on arithmetic today.

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# Church officers

BY D. D. SMOTHERS, PASTOR  
FIRST CHURCH, PRESCOTT

I Timothy 3:1-13

OCTOBER 18, 1964

THE New Testament church seems to have had only two offices that could be interpreted to have official significance. These are the bishop, or the elder, and the deacon (some include deaconesses). The terms bishop and elder are used to denote the same office.



D. D. SMOTHERS

Perhaps the Jewish and Greek influence both had something to do with these two terms coming into our church vocabulary. The term, elder, would denote the Jewish influence while the word, bishop, would denote the Greek influence.

## Test of the pastor

THE first test for any pastor is the "call of God." While we would not refuse any man the right to witness for Christ, we wonder if the "call to preach" is as private and individual as it is made to appear by some. The evidence that God has called should also be shared with his church. If the Holy Spirit is to make one overseer of a flock (Acts 20:18), the flock should have some impression from the Lord.

The call to "separate unto me Barnabas and Saul" was to the church at Antioch. The call was to the church and to the preachers. This call came while the church was in the act of worship (Acts 13:2). The church seemed to be made aware of the need for this service which God was calling these men to do. This definite call from God has kept many of us in the "traces" when we would otherwise have turned back.

## Spiritual qualifications

THERE are the positives and the negatives given.

The negatives:

(1) No drunkard; (2) not violent; (3) not quarrelsome; (4) no lover of money; (5) He must not be a recent convert.

The positives:

(1) Above reproach; (2) husband of one wife; (3) temperate; (4) sensible; (5) dignified; (6) hospitable; (7) apt to teach; (8) gentle; (9) control of home; (10) well thought of by neighbors.

There are as many again positives as negatives. This certainly seems to indicate the ministry should be positive.

Perhaps we could sum up the reason for the negatives by saying that the converts of that day were, for the most part, men who had lived in paganism. Excessive drinking was common among the pagans. Many of the men had served as soldiers. The Greeks were given to such immoral living that the phrase "to live like a Corinthian" had come to denote one who was immoral, riotous, and a seeker after wealth.

The Apostle Paul in (I Cor. 12:1-2) said to the converts at Corinth, "Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were heathen, you were led astray by dumb idols..." Recent converts are usually very zealous and often it is without knowledge of the very thing they want to do. The new Christian must be content to "study to show thyself approved of God."

The positive could be summed up by saying that the neighbors ought to give the minister a good

"bill of health." The non-Christian might, at times, be more honest or realistic in his appraisal of the preacher than the Christian.

His own home life should reflect his high regard for the institution of marriage and his attitude toward his children will more than likely be reflected in their attitude toward him. Our foreign missionaries try to show by their home life that being a Christian does make a difference.

The word "temperate" has come too much to have just one meaning to many people. The Christian minister could be intemperate in fishing, or playing golf, or even in finding so many ways of keeping his name in the news.

## Deacon qualifications

WHEN we think of the qualifications of a minister and deacons we are reminded of the town drunkard who wanted to run for constable in his district, and had asked his magistrate to "qualify him." The magistrate had known the man for years and said to him, "I can certify you, but all tarnation can't qualify you."

The moral qualifications are similar to those of the pastor. The deacon was not to be addicted to much wine; the preacher seems to have been cut out altogether. The pastor is to be trained, as well as to have the gift to teach, and nothing is said about this for the deacon. Some one has remarked that the word "apt" has so far changed its meaning in common use that it is liable (apt) to be misunderstood.

Just what are the specific duties of these deacons? The word does mean *servant*, but all Christians ought to be servants. It might be well if we knew just what the deacon should do. On the other hand, the deacon might render a better service to receive from his church instructions from time to time as to specific duties.

Most pastors who have had years of experience could tell some very interesting and heartwarming stories about some deacon who was a tower of strength to him, both in his church and personal



A Smile or Two

October 4, 1964

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Berryville Freeman Heights	171	72	
Blytheville			
First	657	227	7
Chapel	61		
Gosnell	268	106	
Trinity	287	115	6
Camden			
Cullendale First	480	195	4
First	561	141	1
Conway Pickles Gap	95	52	
Crossett			
First	518	147	4
Mt. Olive	249	131	
Dumas First	314	78	
El Dorado			
East Main	336	115	
First	909	725	4
Parkview	202	98	2
Forrest City First	625	185	
Midway	61	52	
Ft. Smith			
Grand Ave.	794	363	
Mission	13		
Spradling	255	99	
Greenwood First	258	109	
Gurdon Beech St.	177	77	2
Harrison Eagle Hgts.	279	80	1
Heber Springs First	206	93	2
Crossroads South Mission	14		
Huntsville Calvary	39	23	
Jacksonville			
Berea	125	63	
Chapel Hill	59	32	
Marshall Rd.	152	80	2
Jonesboro			
Central	577	210	2
Nettleton	259	130	
Lavaca	275	168	
Little Rock Rosedale	312	117	5
McGehee First	436	170	
Chapel	102	49	
Magnolia Central	772	303	4
Marked Tree			
First	180	45	
Neiswander	127	77	
Monticello Second	296	153	1
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	808	213	9
Southside	40	17	2
Camp Robinson	40		
Calvary	457	103	
Forty-Seventh St.	203	71	6
Gravel Ridge First	200	113	4
Runyan Chapel	41	17	
Park Hill	843	255	9
Sylvan Hills First	316	135	2
Pine Bluff			
Centennial	233	87	
South Side	755	274	3
Tucker	32	14	
Springdale			
Elmdale	249	104	1
First	522	203	1
Van Buren			
First	519	195	
Second	79	48	
Vandervoort First	64	31	3
Ward Cocklebur	69	48	
Warren			
First	429	107	
Southside	54	54	
Immanuel	295	93	
Westside	75	36	

Voice of experience

LADY motorist (to man she had just hit): "It was entirely your own fault. I've been driving a car for ten years, and am thoroughly experienced."

Pedestrian: "I'm no beginner, either, Madam. I've been walking for nigh on to fifty years."

LAST year gas killed four thousand, nine hundred and fifty-two persons. Thirty inhaled it, nine hundred and twenty-two lit matches over it, and four thousand stepped on it.

Forecast

"DADDY, don't they ever give showers for the groom?"

"No, son. There will be storms enough for him after the bride begins to reign."

Good reason

"I COULD have married anybody I pleased."

"Then why are you single?"

"I never pleased anybody."

Nothing compact about the price

THE young couple walked into the automobile dealer's showroom and were shocked at the suggested high price of the "compact" car on display.

"Why, that's almost as much as the cost of a big car!" the husband exclaimed.

"Listen, Buddy," the salesman said acidly, "if you want economy, you gotta pay for it these days."

It's in the tea leaves

FORTUNE Teller: "You'll be poor and unhappy until you're 40."

Woman excitedly: "Then what will happen?"

Teller: "You'll get used to it!"

ONE secretary to another "I can't spell the words in the first place; how does he expect me to find them in the dictionary?"

life. The "longhorn" deacon has not always been a bad one.

Paul makes a very pungent statement in I Tim. 3:10 when he says, "and let them [deacons] also be tested first; then if they prove themselves blameless let them serve as deacons." If a person is not interested in the total program of the church, he will not meet the test. This includes attending the Sunday School, Training Union, and tithing.

There were seven men chosen in the early history of the church to assist the apostles. This was done in order that the apostles might have time to study and pray. If seven men in almost any church today gave themselves entirely to ministering to the sick, the poor, the widows, orphans, there would be a better spiritual atmosphere in the church. Many of our "isms" have come because people have either been neglected or some one made them think they were.

It might be well to point out that in the New Testament sense pastors and deacons have no ecclesiastical authority over the membership. But when pastor and deacon show by their actions and attitudes that they love the Lord and that their first concern is to do His will, the people will likely follow their leadership.

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# Religious News Digest

By Evangelical Press

POPE Paul VI was quoted in Vatican City by American civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. as having promised to issue a public pronouncement against racial segregation. Dr. King, a Baptist minister, made the disclosure to newsmen after having been received by the Pope in a 25-minute private audience.

A DUTCH-BORN husband and wife have been denied Canadian citizenship on two occasions by a county court judge because the couple say they do not believe in God. As a result, Canada's Department of Justice has been asked to rule whether it is necessary to believe in God to become a Canadian citizen. The country's Immigration Act states that foreign-born residents wishing to become citizens must take an oath of allegiance which ends in the affirmation, "So help me, God."

DESPITE opposition from a minister who said he had been on a minimum salary for six years and wasn't suffering, the United Church of Canada's 21st General Council approved an increase of \$150 a year for two years. The minimum stipend now for ordained men is \$4,100. It will be raised to \$4,250 in 1965 and to \$4,400 in 1966. With it comes a free, furnished manse, free telephone and the cost of heating the manse, over \$200 a year.

A 1,000-SEAT auditorium will be erected in Vellore, India, as a memorial to the late Dr. Ida S. Scudder, founder of Vellore Christian Medical College and Hospital. The structure will be adaptable for dramatic productions, concerts, lectures, religious services and college meetings.

BISHOPS of the State Lutheran Church of Sweden have refused to yield to pressure to dismiss the editor of a semi-official church weekly who created a national storm of controversy by advocating premarital sexual relations. Interviewed by other newsmen, Mr. Boethius called the bishops' action a "victory" for those who believe a church publication should be free to discuss controversial issues. Earlier, as a result of the controversy created by the editor's article, the Council of Bishops restated the Church's position on sex and marriage and rejected a suggestion that its position against premarital relations should be "liberalized."

THE "royal hymn" sung at all services of the Orthodox Church in Greece must be revised, at least temporarily, because the new Queen of Greece is a Lutheran. Queen Anne-Marie, daughter of Denmark's royal family, is expected to embrace Orthodoxy after studying the Greek catechism under the supervision of Archbishop Chrysostomos of Athens and All Greece. Until then, however, she will be known as the "Christ loving"—but not the "most devout"—Queen of Greece.

IN a move described as the first organized effort in the entire Chinese church to train nationals in other countries, the Council for Evangelism in Asia, Los Angeles, Calif., has been formed under the sponsorship of Chinese For Christ, Inc. The Council's purpose is to encourage Chinese Christians to preach the gospel by sponsoring national Christians and sending out Chinese missionaries already organized.

MISSIONARIES were expelled from East Africa's Republic of the Sudan earlier this year not because they were interfering with the country's internal security, but because they were in the way of the government's drive to impose Islam on the southern provinces. So claims a special report just released by the Sudan Interior Mission.

WHEN 100-year-old Albert S. (Squire) Bozeman, Meridian, Miss. — oldest Sunday School teacher in Mississippi and possibly oldest in the entire nation — missed a Sunday morning session, his class went to him. Mr. Bozeman, ill at St. Joseph's Hospital, Meridian, teaches at First Baptist Church. Members of his class met in the Quiet Room of the hospital. The assistant teacher taught the lesson and Mr. Bozeman quoted from memory the First Psalm.

PLACARDS advertising "The Deputy," controversial play now running on Broadway, New York City, have reappeared on the outside of 100 NYC buses following a dispute in which the producer claimed Knights of Columbus pressure had forced cancellation of the advertising space.

DR. Billy Graham has opened an office in Atlanta, Ga., but will continue to live in North Carolina. All of the functions relating to crusades and the evangelistic team will be handled in the new office. The international headquarters of the association, established 14 years ago in Minneapolis, Minn., will remain there. The Minneapolis office will continue to handle all business affairs and mail and is continuing to expand. The new offices are located in the International Office Park, adjacent to Atlanta's International Airport.

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