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The ruling on prayer (See page 4)

# 20 seminary grads included in Baptist 'Statement' group

## Good results

THE QUESTION is usually asked, "What about the lasting results of The Forward Program of Church Finance?"



In other words, will the people who make pledges to the church budget during the Forward Program Emphasis, give them?

According to the record, the most of the pledgers wind up the year with as much given as pledged. In some cases, the gifts have exceeded the pledges. This is partially due to the fact that the pledgers understood why they were asked to pledge and they knew exactly how the money was to be spent. Because of this, the members keep giving their money and the total receipts increase substantially.

Here is an example of what The Forward Program has done in another church. It was used in its entirety last year in Wynne Church. We quote: "From Oct. 1 to May 31, we have had an average of \$1304 income per Sunday. The church budget last year called for \$657 per week, which means we lack \$10 per week having doubled our offering. It is the opinion of our church that the best thing that has happened to us in the matter of giving has been The Forward Program of Church Finance."

Now, is it asking too much of our churches to try something that has such great potential? In a day when church people have money to spare, it is right to challenge them to channel more of it through the church. But, the fact remains that Baptists of 1961 gave less of their incomes through the churches

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By LELAND WEBB  
For the Baptist Press

INITIATING the first such study in 37 years, messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention in San Francisco adopted a recommendation creating a special 24-member committee to study the 1925 statement of Baptist faith and message and report to the convention next year in Kansas City, Mo.

The recommendation calls for the committee to present "some similar statement which shall serve as information to the churches, and which may serve as guidelines to the various agencies" of the convention.

The committee is composed of the current presidents of 23 state Baptist conventions which qualify under convention bylaw 18 to full representation on Southern Baptist boards. In addition, Southern Baptist Convention President H. H. Hobbs will serve as chairman.

A poll of the state conventions revealed that 20 members of the committee have seminary training—13 at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; four at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth; one at New Orleans Seminary; and two at Central Seminary (American Baptist) Kansas City, Kan.

Two committee members are laymen. Eight have earned doctorates, and four others have honorary doctorates. Eight are members of the Southern Baptist executive committee.

Report is to be made public by March 1, 1963, so that study will be possible before the convention in Kansas City. The committee will meet in the near future to organize, make a general survey of the problem, and set up a study method.

Committee membership, according to available information, follows:

Chairman: H. H. Hobbs, pastor of First Church, Oklahoma City; graduate of Howard College, Birmingham, Ala.; Ph.D. from Southern Seminary, Louisville; D.D. from Howard College; ex officio member of convention executive committee.

Alabama: Howard M. Reaves,

pastor, First Church, Mobile, Ala.; attended University of North Carolina and Furman University, Greenville, S.C.; Ph.D. from Southern Seminary, Louisville.

Arizona: Ed J. Packwood, real estate dealer in Phoenix; graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee; member of executive committee.

Arkansas: C. Z. Holland, pastor, First Church, Jonesboro, Ark.; graduate of Mississippi College, Clinton, and Southern Seminary, Louisville; honorary doctorate from Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, Ark.

California: W. Burman Timberlake, pastor, White Avenue Church, Pomona, Calif.; graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, Th.D. from Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth.

District of Columbia: C. Vito Koons, long-time attorney in Washington, D.C.; member of Metropolitan Church.

Florida: Malcolm B. Knight, pastor, Southside Church, Jacksonville, Fla.; graduate of Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn.; doctorate from Southern Seminary.

Georgia: Dick Hall, Jr., pastor, First Church, Decatur, Ga.; graduate of Mississippi College, Clinton; Th.D. from Southern Seminary; D.D. from Mercer University, Macon, Ga., and Mississippi College.

Illinois: Charles R. Walker, pastor, First Church, Marion, Ill.; graduate of Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, and Southern Seminary, Louisville; member of executive committee.

Indiana: Walter R. Davis, pastor, First Southern Church, Hammond, Ind.; graduate of Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N.C., and Southern Seminary, Louisville; member of executive committee.

Kansas: Garth Pybas, pastor, First Southern Church, Topeka, Kan.; graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee; and Central Baptist Theological Seminary (American Baptist), Kansas City, Kan.

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CAPPING ceremonies, symbolizing the end of the academic training and the beginning of clinical training at Baptist Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in Memphis, Tenn., were held June 22 for 84 young ladies from 12 states.

Baptist Memorial School of Nursing is approved by the Tennessee Board of Nursing and is fully accredited by the National Nursing Accrediting Service. In addition to formal academic training at Memphis State University for two semesters, the students have training in medicine, surgery, obstetrics and pediatrics. Practical work experience is given in neurosurgery, plastic surgery, chest surgery, and orthopedics.

Students receiving their caps included the following from Arkansas:

Nancy Ellen Collins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Collins, Harrisburg; Jeanette Gwen Tucker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Tucker, Brinkley; Mary Olivia Gann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John O. Gann, Forrest City; Jane Ann McDonnell, daughter of Mrs. Merry D. McDonnell, Monticello; Charlotte Jean Lowery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hall Lowery, Paragould; Alberta Ruth Noel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Noel, Paragould; Mary Lee Keith, daughter of Mrs. C. M. Keith, Pocahontas; Dortha Mae Dobbs, daughter of Mr. Ray Dobbs, Sr., Hoxie; and Katherine Ann Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Thomas, Walnut Ridge.



**SYMBOL OF NURSING**—Marking the end of the academic year of training at Baptist Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, Memphis, students received their caps from Mrs. Nina M. Basham, director of nursing, June 22. Being capped is Miss Stephanie Jane Walczak of Alton, Ill., class president. In line are Miss Linda Faye Dickson of Memphis, class vice president, and Miss Katherine Ann Thomas, Walnut Ridge, Ark., class treasurer.



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*ENTRANCE to Arkansas Baptist Assembly grounds at Siloam Springs.*

## Interest and mercury soar at Siloam

By the EDITOR

THOSE attending the first week of the Arkansas Baptist State Assembly at Siloam Springs last week seemed to be happy with just about everything but the weather. And there was daily hope of a respite from a heat wave that sent the mercury soaring to the 90's.

Located in the scenic hills of Northwest Arkansas, shaded by some of the most beautiful trees to be seen anywhere and bathed by a picturesque stream, Arkansas Baptist Assembly was again the gathering place for Baptist families from far and near.

According to Business Manager Melvin Thrash, attendance for the week totaled 665, from the Northwest, North Central, East Central and Southwest districts. Indications were that the attendance would be more than 800 this week, when the Northeast, East Central, Southeast and Central districts are the areas in focus.

[For pictures of last week's camp see pages 12 and 13]

Camp Director J. T. Elliff, his personal dome sheltered by a jungle hat presented by the first-week campers, was obviously pleased with the way things were going. Aside from providing something for all members of the families attending, he was having a good response to special conferences arranged for pastors and missionaries. This is a phase of the camping program he expects to expand in the days ahead.

Among visitors last week were Mrs. S. Ladd Davies, who is to direct the Girl's Auxiliary Camp at Siloam July 30-Aug. 4, and State WMU President Miss Elma Cobb and WMU staffers Miss Mary Hutson and Miss Betty Hovis, all of whom were interested primarily in staking out the grounds for the numerous individual "camps" that will be held there during GA week.

Along with study and worship, the Siloam program features a varied recreation program.

## The ruling on prayer

TEMPERS have flared across the country against the recent ruling of the United States Supreme Court outlawing a prescribed "prayer" for New York public schools. And according to press reports, the families that brought about the high court hearing are being besieged by threatening and abusive telephone calls. Lawmakers, sincerely or in an effort to cash in politically on the situation, have started legislative action aimed at a new amendment to the national Constitution to override the Supreme Court decision.

Few Baptists are so well qualified to reveal the real facts of the case as our representatives in Washington, D.C.—C. Emanuel Carlson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, and his associate, W. Barry Garrett. We are happy to carry in this issue of our paper a complete news report by Garrett on the new ruling and an appraisal of the action, by Dr. Carlson. It is hoped that all of our readers will read both of these features, in trying to make up their own minds on the issue.

One point Dr. Carlson makes is that the question is not whether or not we are for or against prayer. And Mr. Garrett points out that the Court, in a 15-page opinion, "went out of its way to point out that its action is not hostility toward religion or prayer." Continues Mr. Garrett, "It is for the protection of religion and to guarantee its free exercise that the Court arrived at its conclusions, the decision said."

As reported by Mr. Garrett, the Court stated:

"It is neither sacrilegious nor antireligious to say that each separate government in this country should stay out of the business of writing or sanctioning official prayers and leave that purely religious function to the people themselves and to those the people choose to look to for religious guidance."

The Court anticipated the possibility of misinterpretation and misuse of its ruling: "There is of course nothing in the decision reached here that is inconsistent with the fact that school children and others are officially encouraged to express love for our country by reciting historical documents such as the Declaration of Independence which contain references to the Deity or by singing officially espoused anthems which include the composer's professions of faith in a Supreme Being, or with the fact that there are many manifestations in our public life of belief in God. Such patriotic or ceremonial occasions bear no true resemblance to the unquestioned religious exercise that the State of New York has sponsored in this instance."

One vital consideration in appraising the high court action is "clarity as to what prayer is," Dr. Carlson emphasizes. "When one thinks of prayer as sincere outreach of a human soul to the Creator, 'required prayer' becomes an absurdity. The 'recitation of a prayer' has been called 'morally uplifting' without recognizing that hypocrisy is the worst of moral corrosion. Some have felt that our 'national heritage' is in danger, without realizing that the distinctive of our heritage is not legislated prayer but a people praying in freedom under the guidance of their church and of the Spirit of God. The strangeness of the present debate is that the call for 'less government' coincides with a public defense for government-formulated prayer. Obviously, we need time to rethink the New Testament premises of our faith and practice, and also to rethink the meaning of American History."

Although sensing that this will not be a popular decision, this editor can do no other than stand with President Kennedy on this issue.

The President has placed the spiritual emphasis where it needs most to be placed—in the home—as he urges that the Supreme Court's ruling be received as "a welcome reminder to every American family that we can pray a good deal more at home and attend our churches with a good deal more fidelity and we can make the true meaning of prayer much more important to the lives of all our children. That power is very much open to all of us."—ELM

## Mrs. Davies to GA camp

THE Woman's Missionary Union of Arkansas is to be congratulated on securing the services of Mrs. S. Ladd Davies, of Little Rock, to serve as director of the Girl's Auxiliary camp this year at Siloam Springs. Few people are so well qualified by interest, talent, training, experience and enthusiasm for this assignment as is Mrs. Davies.

Mrs. Davies is the first to recognize that the success of such a camp as that now being planned for members of the Girl's Auxiliary (ages 9 to 15) depends upon the whole-hearted participation of "all hands and the cook." She comes to the camp, scheduled for July 30 to Aug. 4, not to take anyone's place, but to work with the WMU staff, the volunteer adult workers, and the G. A. members to help make the week enjoyable and profitable.

Something of what is in store for the young ladies attending the camp this year will be seen from an article elsewhere in this issue of the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine*.

If you are a G.A. member, or the parent of one, it is still not too late to get yourself or your daughter or daughters enrolled. But you will have to act at once. No reservations can be received after July 18.

Bunker musings

"YOUR presence here tonight is sig-sig-significant!"

That's all I remember from a "welcome address" I heard a country school principal give at a close of school "exhibition" down on Bunker over 40 years ago. My feeling as a tow-headed school boy was that the principal had stumbled onto a new, big word and that he was deliberately stuttering in order to get the most possible out of it.



ERWIN L.

McDonald

It was sort of like lingering over your ice cream cone with a caressing tongue instead of biting right into it. Or rolling a sweet morsel around in your mouth for a while without chewing.

"Sig-sig-significant!"

Bunker Hill folks called that "puttin' on the dog." And "puttin' on the dog" was not the way to win friends and influence people, down on Bunker. We didn't like fellows that "thought they's smart."

Another thing we Bunker Hill folks didn't like was folks that didn't like us or "looked down" on us. Like a prissy girl from over on Mill Creek who was credited with saying, "I can't stand to be around Bunker Hill people. You can just smell them!" We have the last laugh here, though, for she wound up marrying a Bunker boy and, in fact, is still stuck with him!

But we Bunker Hillians were pretty much inclined to judge critically anybody that departed in the slightest from our norm of local customs and practices. We were especially hard on one of our own folks who moved off somewhere or went away to school and then came back "talkin' proper" or "town walkin'." We took that as a slap in the face. Such folks had "gone back on their main" or had "got too big for their britches."

And we always thought a fellow had got "the big head" who no longer liked cornbread and buttermilk, sweet 'taters, black-eyed peas, and other common, ordinary grub we had grown up on.

Now that I have the perspective of a few more decades, I guess we folks down on Bunker were just a little bit "set" in our ways. Reckon? Sure glad we got over it!

Erwin L. McDonald

Washington invitation

THERE will be many Arkansas pastors visiting the Nation's Capital this summer. The Metropolitan Baptist Church invites these men to attend a special Sunday School class taught by Dr. Carl F. H. Henry, the distinguished editor of Christianity Today. This class, organized just a few weeks ago, is made up of congressmen, business and professional men of the Nation's Capital.

There has been a terrific shift in population in Washington and all of the churches have been affected. Most of the churches on Capitol Hill have either moved out or dwindled down to almost nothing. Metropolitan has held fast, losing some of course with the shifting of population, but it is heading back up. It is the closest Baptist church to the Capitol, just three blocks behind the Supreme Court Building and three blocks from the Library of Congress.—R. B. Culbreth, Pastor, Metropolitan Baptist Church, 6th and A Streets, N. E., Washington 2, D. C.

More about deacons

WHAT is the matter with our deacons? In the third chapter of 1st Timothy, Paul lays down some qualifications for pastors and deacons. Paul says, "Let them be proved." But I am afraid many of our deacons have not been proved. They take the office of deacon and feel they have been honored. So they have, but, they have been called into special service.

Many of our deacons take this call to service lightly, and will not take an active part in the program of the church. Deacons should be soul winners, and active in every phase of the Lord's work.

Sometime ago I made the following pledge to my pastor, to my church, and to my Lord:

Because I am a Christian, and a member of Second Church, and have accepted the office of Deacon, I, C. E. Precise, Sr., do hereby pledge that I will bring my tithes into the storehouse, as Jesus has commanded.

I will seek through the leadership of the Holy Spirit to win at least one soul this year.

I will be faithful in attending the following services of my church: Sunday School, Worship Services, Training Union, Prayer meetings, Brotherhood, Deacons, and if a teacher or officer, the teachers and officers meetings, unless I am providentially hindered.

God being my helper, I will support, promote, and participate in all phases of the work of my church.

If I cannot carry out the above pledge, I will refuse to be an active deacon—C. E. Precise, Sr., 904 Garland Ave., Hot Springs

'Buchman's Secret'

AS a subscriber to the Arkansas Baptist, I want to thank you for the review of "Frank Buchman's Secret" in the June 14 issue.

The message of this book has transformed my life. It can make any Baptist a better one. More than that it can show each man his part in remaking the world under God's direction.

"Frank Buchman's Secret" is available to all men everywhere. It made the Cross of Jesus Christ as real as rain in my life. It brought Christ back as leader in a life where wishy-washy living had led to personal tragedy. Now I know that in Him all things are possible.—Lew Baldwin, North Little Rock

'Calling or profession?'

THANK you for your splendid editorial "Calling or Profession?" It certainly calls attention to the growing urgency to all parts of the world for servants of God who can make known tidings of redemption. My heart is growing increasingly concerned for the great centers of student life in many lands where thousands of the leaders who shortly will be influencing their countries are getting education. Tokyo alone has 300,000 university students. We must witness in every way to their need.

Thanking you again for your fellowship in the world-wide task of our Lord.—Baker J. Cauthen, Executive-Secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.

Out of Fayetteville

IN reference to the Fayetteville church member who refers to you as "That ELM down in Little Rock" (Dr Hall's letter—June 7):

I'm very sure, I'd like to tell'm, That only God can make an ELM.—Signed, but name withheld

San Francisco meet

I HAVE just read with complete agreement and joyful satisfaction your fine editorial articles concerning the recent session of the Southern Baptist Convention in San Francisco.

Since my retirement I have had more time to read and to study, than I have had in quite a number of years. The sixteen continuous happy years that I spent in Associational Mission work kept me so busy that I did not have the time that I wanted, for study and for reading.

I receive three other state Baptist papers, and, actually, I know that our own State Baptist paper is the very best one that comes to my reading table, and I want to express my humble and sincere thanks to you for the wonderful paper you are giving us each week.—H. W. Johnston, Paragould

## VIRGIN BIRTH

By HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

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

THE Virgin Birth of Jesus, along with His crucifixion and resurrection, forms the triumvirate of salvation. Apart from the Virgin Birth the crucifixion is a tragedy, the resurrection is unthinkable, and the entire gospel is assailable. But admit the Virgin Birth and the remainder of the gospel is reasonable indeed. The Virgin Birth is one of the most completely authenticated facts in ancient history.



DR. HOBBS

The Bible clearly teaches the Virgin Birth of Jesus. It is anticipated in Genesis (3:15), prophesied in Isaiah (7:14), and proclaimed in Matthew and Luke. In Isaiah 7:14 the Hebrew word *almah* means a young, unmarried woman and, therefore, a virgin. Matthew 1:23 clearly cites the virgin birth of Jesus as the fulfillment of Isaiah 7:14. Mark does not relate the birth of Jesus at all. His account begins with Jesus' public ministry. John omits direct reference to it as already recounted, but implies it in 1:14. Paul allows for the Virgin Birth in Galatians 4:4. To deny the Virgin Birth because these do not specifically relate it is to argue from silence, the weakest of all arguments in apologetics. Mark, John, and Paul all present Jesus as the Son of God.

Until the rise of modern liberalism there is no question posed about the Virgin Birth except by those who were prejudiced against the deity of Christ and ignorant of the facts concerning His origin (cf. Matt. 13:55; John 6:42; 8:41) and the Gnostics). Modern denials of the Virgin Birth are based on so-called rationalistic, scientific, and historical grounds. Matthew Arnold brushed it aside by saying,

"I do not believe in the Virgin Birth of Christ because it involves a miracle, and miracles do not happen." This statement is neither reason, science, nor history.

Is the Virgin Birth reasonable? How else could God invade history for redemption? How else could Jesus be the sinless Son of God? If Jesus be not virgin born He is just a man and not the divine Saviour.

Is the Virgin Birth scientific? Does science know all of God's laws? Admittedly the Virgin Birth is a miracle. It is God working according to His laws unknown to man. If God can create human life by natural law, can He not create divine-human life by spiritual law?

### Gleanings from the Greek New Testament

## The pioneer of our faith

By V. WAYNE BARTON

JESUS has been described with many terms: Son of God, Son of man, Lamb of God, king of Israel, and many others. One of the most interesting is the Greek term *archegos*, which occurs only four times in the New Testament. Twice this word is translated Prince (Acts 3:15, 5:31), once Captain (Hebrews 2:10), and once Author (Hebrews 12:2). So, what does it really mean?

The word basically appears to refer to somebody who takes the lead, shows an example. In other words, an *archegos* was one who blazed the trail, paved the way, provided directions, or something like that. In his doctoral dissertation, recently submitted, Billy E. Simmons suggests that a fitting translation of *archegos* is "pioneer."

Now that's an attractive idea, isn't it, especially to the American mind which is so familiar with the

Is the Virgin Birth historical? The gospels are credible historical records. Luke, a scientist-historian, relates the Virgin Birth, and he has never been discredited as to historical accuracy.

The Virgin Birth declares Jesus to be the Son of God (Matt. 1:28; Luke 1:35; John 1:14). It speaks of His sinless nature (John 8:46). It gives the promise of our new birth by the power of the Holy Spirit (cf. Luke 1:35; John 3:5-6).

Those who deny the Virgin Birth affirm Jesus' sinless life. Doctor Bruce says, "A sinless man is as much a miracle in the moral world as a Virgin Birth is a miracle in the physical world."

Strange to say, the first question as to the Virgin Birth was raised by the virgin Mary herself (Luke 1:36). God's answer to her is His answer to all: "For with God nothing shall be impossible" (Luke 1:37). (See my *Who Is This?*, Broadman, 1952, Chapter 8).

frontier era of our history? Have you ever dreamed fondly of what it would have been like to have lived with Boone, and Crockett, and others of the famous frontiersmen? They blazed the trail for civilization to move westward. Thus they helped the infant American nation to realize its "manifest destiny" to stretch from sea to sea.

As the "pioneer of our faith" (Hebrews 12:2), Jesus did that sort of thing, except more so. He blazed a trail that had never been blazed before. Through suffering and death He became the *Way* to the Father, setting the example for us to follow. Hence, the test of our admiration for pioneers is our willingness to follow his example—of suffering and of death.

Where, then, is our pioneer spirit? Are we, after all, really "sons of the Pioneer"?

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# 'The art of getting along'

By MRS. J. H. STREET

"Perfection consists not in doing extraordinary things but in doing ordinary things extraordinarily well."—Angelique Arnauld

**H**AVE you observed how much harder it is to keep your disposition sweet and your courage high in the summer? Perhaps it will be a timely exercise for all of us to read and digest this brief, anonymous essay included in the anthology entitled, *The Joy of Words*:

### *The Art of Getting Along*

SOONER or later a man, if he is wise, discovers that life is a mixture of good days and bad, victory and defeat, give and take.

He learns that it doesn't pay to be a sensitive soul—that he should let some things go over his head like water off a duck's back. He learns that all men have burnt toast for breakfast now and then, and that he shouldn't take the other fellow's grouch too seriously.

He learns that carrying a chip on his shoulder is the easiest way to get into a fight.

He learns that the quickest way to become unpopular is to carry tales and gossip about others.

He learns that most people are human and that it doesn't do any harm to smile and say "Good Morning" even if it is raining.

He learns that most of the fellows are as ambitious as he is, that they have brains that are as good or better, and that hard work, not cleverness, is the secret of success.

He learns that it doesn't matter so much who gets the credit so long as the business shows a profit.

He comes to realize that the business could run perfectly without him.

He learns to sympathize with the youngsters coming into the business because he remembers how bewildered he was when he first started out.

He learns not to worry when he does not make a hit every time because experience has shown *if he always gives his best, his average will break pretty well.*

He learns that no man ever got to first base alone and that it is only through cooperative effort that we move on to better things.

He learns that the fellows are not any harder to get along with in one place than another, and that "getting along" depends about 98 percent on himself.

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THEN James Lee Edenwood (*Just and Durable Parents*) subtly weaves some valuable getting-along suggestions into a husband's speech. It is his response to the accusation that he never speaks to the people in his office in the irritable tone of voice he sometimes uses with his family.

"No, I don't. But they don't tell me there is a spot on my vest, or remind me that I am a bit lazy. And they don't yell errands at me when I start on my way out.

"I don't have to watch their T. V. programs.

"I don't care how they spend their money.

"And they are never in the bathroom when I want it. . . . And they don't push my tooth paste from the middle of the tube. . . . And they leave my razor alone.

"They never criticize my table manners. . . . nor ask me what I want for supper. . . .

"They never take from my pocket the letter I was supposed to mail last week. . . .

"And they don't tell me about the leak under the sink just as I finish fixing the switch to a bedroom light. . . ."

Then, he slyly adds, "That's my answer and sometime, I keep telling myself, I'm going to make it."

He launches into quite a discourse on the fact that the people in the office are carefully selected, whereas the home is made up of whoever happens to come along—"A mixed group of people living in a limited space impinging constantly on each other. . . ."

After advising families to see the whole business as a life-long adventure, he climaxes his folksy nuggets of wisdom with this choice bit: "The only thing that can blend all this into a fine experience of living is a sense of fun and fellowship and ease."

Everybody knows that it is a lot easier to dish out philosophy about how to get along with people, summer or winter, than it is to live it,

But knowing that you are working at it helps me to try harder.

Rosalind Street

[Mail should be addressed to Mrs. Street at No. 3 Fairmont, Little Rock, Ark.]





## New Murfreesboro church plant dedicated July 1



... Dedicated on first day of use



DEDICATION participants (left to right): Former Pastor E. S. Hall; Pastor Troy Carroll, Jr.; Former Interim Pastor Doyle Jameson; and Former Pastor R. E. Baucum.



CHARTER members: Mrs. Rose Green, left, and Mrs. M. G. Terrell.

A BRAND new, \$70,000 plant was dedicated and put into use for the first time, July 1, by First Church, Murfreesboro, Rev. Troy Carroll, Jr., pastor.

In the first service to be held in the new plant, the church set an all-time high for Sunday School attendance, with 164 on hand. This broke the previous record of 144, set on Easter Sunday, 1961, according to the pastor.

The brick-veneer auditorium, its interior resplendent with Arkansas-pine beams and Philippine-mahogany paneling, was filled for the afternoon dedication service. Taking part on the program were two former pastors, R. E. Baucum, manager of Lakeview Baptist Camp, Lone Star, Tex.; and E. S. Hall, pastor of Calvary Church, Batesville, Miss.; and a former interim pastor, Rev. Doyle Jameson, pastor of the Lawson Church.

The dedicatory sermon was preached by the pastor.

Two charter members of the church, which was constituted in 1910, were among those attending the dedication: Mrs. M. G. Terrell, whose father, the late D. W. Cornish, was for many years an Arkansas Baptist pastor; and Mrs. Rose Green.

The new plant is located on a one-block site, near downtown Murfreesboro. The educational building, a concrete block structure, includes 16 classrooms, church office, pastor's study, kitchen, dressing rooms and rest rooms. The plant has central heating and air conditioning.

F. M. McKinley served as chairman of the Building committee, and Clarence Anthony and Dr. Hiram Ward headed the Finance committee.

Music for the dedication was provided by the First Church Youth Choir; directed by Mrs. Clarence Anthony. Rev. and Mrs. Doyle Jameson sang a duet, "To God Be the Glory." Congregational singing was directed by Mr. Jameson.

# Bible Conference at Ouachita

TWO seminary professors and four Arkansas pastors will be featured by the sixth annual Ouachita Bible Conference, on the Ouachita campus July 23-27. In addition, five Ouachita faculty members will speak during the conference.

Speaking twice daily will be Dr. Huber L. Drumwright, Jr., professor of New Testament, Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, and Dr. R. E. Glaze, Jr., professor of New Testament and Greek, New Orleans Seminary.

Dr. Drumwright will speak on the general theme, "Expositions from John's Gospel."

Dr. Glaze will speak on "Interpretation of Hebrews."

Arkansas pastors on the program include the Rev. James Brewer, Helena; Dr. C. Z. Holland, Jonesboro; Dr. John R. Maddox, Camden; and Dr. Lloyd L. Hunnicutt, Magnolia.

Mr. Brewer, chairman of the Executive Board for the Arkansas Baptist State Convention and pastor of First Church, Helena, will speak Tuesday morning, July 24. Dr. Holland, president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, will speak at 7 p.m. Tuesday. Dr. Maddox, pastor of First Church, Camden, will speak at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, while Dr. Hunnicutt, pastor of the Central Church, Magnolia, will speak at 7 p.m. Wednesday and again at 1:30 p.m. Thursday.

Dr. Carl Goodson, Ouachita professor of religion, will speak on "Holy Spirit in Acts," at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, while Dr. Raymond Copping, professor of religion, will speak on "Apostolic Preaching in Acts," Wednesday morning, after a talk by Dr. Glaze at 9 a.m.

Dr. George T. Blackmon, professor of religion, will address the group on "Church Organization in Acts," Thursday morning.

Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., president of Ouachita, will speak on "The Christian and World Issues," after Dr. Drumwright completes

his talk at the 7 p.m. session, Thursday.

Dr. W. Maurice Hurley, dean of admissions and student affairs, will address the group Friday after a talk by Dr. Glaze at 9 a.m.

The conference will begin at 7 p.m. Monday, July 23, with talks by Dr. Glaze and Dr. Drumwright, and will be concluded at noon Friday with a talk by Dr. Drumwright.

## VBS Notes

SECOND Church, West Helena, had an enrollment of 304 during their Vacation Bible School June 4-15. Pastor Jack Parchman was the school principal. There were four professions of faith.

SECOND Church, Van Buren, had a total enrollment of 83 during its five-day school with an average attendance of 71. There was one for baptism. Mrs. Doris Rainwater was principal. Rev. Robert Morrison is pastor.



LARRY GREENE

LARRY Greene, Ouachita College student, won the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics' individual batting championship this year with a .565 average. Green was 23rd in runs scored, with 31.

## Deacons ordained

MARKHAM Street Church, Little Rock, ordained two new deacons June 20: Paul Barnard, Jr., and Eual T. Johnson.

The council was composed of the deacons of Markham Street Church: J. E. Elliot, of Pine Grove Church; and Paul Barnard, Sr., of Second Church, Little Rock. Ray Branscum, pastor of the Markham Street Church, served as moderator, and Lee I. Dance, missionary of Pulaski County Association, led in the questioning. Rev. T. W. Hayes, Conway, gave the charge. Paul Barnard, Sr., led the ordination prayer.

THE following men were ordained recently as deacons in Emmanuel Church, Fayetteville: Charles Ellard, Leonard Pike, and Jimmy Crownover.

## Deaths

### Mrs. Collier dies

MRS. Ruth Nichols Collier, wife of Rev. John Collier, pastor of First Church, Moro, died June 23. Burial was at DeQueen where she was reared.

She met her husband in Kilgore, Texas. They came to Arkansas soon after their marriage. Some of the places where Mr. Collier has served as pastor are: First Church, Cabot; Central, North Little Rock; First Church, Harrisburg; First Church, Mt. Ida; and now for several years at First Church, Moro.

Mrs. Collier was loyal to all phases of church activities as a pastor's wife that her health would permit.

Besides her husband she leaves a son, Michael; a grandchild; two brothers, D. N. Nichols, Carlsbad, N. M., and Josh Nichols, Nashville.

### Harry Jenkins

HARRY Jenkins, a member of Ozone Church and active in the music program of the church, died June 24 in a Clarksville hospital. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery.

## Time near for G.A. camp

A NEW approach to camping will be inaugurated at the Girl's Auxiliary camp July 30-Aug. 4, at Siloam Springs, Miss Nancy Cooper, executive secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union for Arkansas, has announced.

Serving as director of the camp will be Mrs. S. Ladd Davies, Little Rock, a member of Pulaski Heights Church who "has filled about every job in church but that of deacon," and who has had extensive experience as WMU summer faculty member for state and national assemblies.

Mrs. Davies, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Fritz E. Goodbar, is a native Arkansan, having been born at Lonoke, and is a graduate of Arkansas State Teachers College.

For three years she served as executive director of the Ouachita Girl Scout Council. She directed recreation activities at state GA camps for eight years.

Announcing the new camping plans, Miss Cooper said:

"For two years the Southern WMU has been studying the ad-

visability of changing the emphasis of its camping program to smaller groups. Mrs. Davies has attended planning meetings in Birmingham and has helped to plan the new approach. We feel most fortunate in having her as our summer camp director, working with Miss Mary Hutson and Miss Betty Hovis, of our Arkansas staff."

### Leaders to train

A pre-camp training period has been scheduled for Siloam Springs for the week-end beginning Friday afternoon, July 27, and continuing till Monday noon, July 30, for adults who will serve on the camp staff.

The camp organization calls for seven simultaneous camps—six for girls on an age basis, and one for the adult leadership.

Each camp is to have about 20 girls; with at least two adult leaders. A unit leader will be responsible for the entire program of her group—the Girl's Auxiliary program adapted to the out-of-doors.

Working with the unit leader in her group may be a resource person—a missionary, a national, or a specialist in some field, or, as Mrs. Davies put it; "simply someone like herself who knows and loves girls."

Each camp and each unit will set up its own schedule, with the girls helping. The schedules will include the time for rising, meals, rest, swimming, and retiring.

### 'According to needs'

"Otherwise," explained Mrs. Davies, "the program can be made in accordance with the needs and interests of the age group. They are as likely to be building an Indonesian Village at 4 in the afternoon as at 10 in the morning. They may be hiking at 9 with their Bible study at the end of the hike, or they may decide to gather with their feet in a creek at 2 o'clock, for the study."

Extra things that are customarily a part of the camping program—such as morals, manners, dating, home building, etc.—will be included this year, but "as an outgrowth of the needs and interests of the girls in their particular groups," Mrs. Davies said.

"We hope that the most of our recreation will be an outgrowth of our work—that crafts may come out of mission study, dramatization out of Bible study, a puppet show out of methods," she continued.

### Time is short

One of the big concerns now is the short time for girls and adult leaders wishing to attend the encampment to make their reservations, Miss Cooper said. Registration blanks have been mailed to GA counselors of the state. July 18 is the last day reservations can be accepted. A fee of \$2.50 is required for each reservation. The total charge for board and room, beyond the reservation fee, is \$11.50.

Girl's Auxiliary is a missionary organization of the WMU for girls nine to 15 years of age.

The camp capacity, including girls and adult leaders, is 800.



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MRS. S. Ladd Davies, director of the Girl's Auxiliary Camp, and Miss Nancy Cooper, executive secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union for Arkansas, talk with Business Manager Melvin Thrash, of Baptist Building, Little Rock, about plans for a new state Baptist camp.

## Floyd Brown ordained

GRACE Church, near Dermott, ordained Floyd Brown, its pastor, to the gospel ministry Sunday morning, July 1. Mr. Brown has been serving as pastor of Grace Church for several months. He surrendered to preach in Halley Church.

The ordaining council was composed of Rev. Noel Barlow, Dermott, missionary for Delta Association; V. A. Waldrup and C. B. Teasley, deacons of the Halley Church.

Mr. Brown makes his home in Crossett.

## New pastor for Rover

REV. Bill Hooten has accepted the pastorate of Rover Church. The Hootens are natives of Texas but came to Rover from Winslow.

Mr. Hooten attended Southwest Baptist College, Bolivar, Mo., and California Baptist College, Riverside, Cal. He has served as pastor at Eastern Avenue Church, Bell Garden, Cal., and Bonita (La.) Church.

## Evangelist available

MEL McClellan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross McClellan, Pine Bluff, and a nephew of U. S. Senator John L. McClellan, is available for revival services this summer and may be contacted at 611 W. 23, Pine Bluff.

He surrendered to preach two and one-half years ago and was licensed and ordained by Forrest Park Church, Pine Bluff. He pastored New Bethel Church, Dumas, for one year and has assisted in revivals in the South and in New England. He is now a student at East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Tex.

## Available for supply

REV. Byron King, who resigned recently as pastor of First Church, Tuckerman, is now living at 417 E. Union, Magnolia, and is available for supply preaching and interim pastorates. His telephone is CE 4-5040.



MR. HOLLOWAY



MR. JEAN

## Licensed to preach

RALPH William (Bill) Hollaway and William Paul Jean were licensed to preach by the First Church, Arkadelphia, June 14.

Both are 1962 graduates of Arkadelphia High School and are enrolled in summer school at Ouachita College.

Hollaway, son of the Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Hollaway, missionaries to Tokyo, Japan, is an English major.

Jean, the son of Mrs. Byrla Jean, of Arkadelphia, is a speech and drama major.

DR. AND Mrs. Loyce N. Nelson, Southern Baptist missionaries to Japan, returned to the states on medical leave June 23. Dr. Nelson may be addressed at Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas, Tex., Mrs. Nelson, c-o Miss Beulah Mosley, 1618 Bellwood Drive, Garland, Tex. Both are natives of Arkansas, he of Gurdon and she, the former Gladys Mosley, of Texarkana.

## Dedication at North Crossett

NORTH Crossett First Church dedicated its new educational building Sunday afternoon, June 24.

Rev. E. H. Acuff, now retired after 50 years in the ministry in Arkansas, and a member of North Crossett Church since his retirement, brought the message at the dedication. During the services the fellowship hall in the new building was dedicated in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Acuff.

The new educational building is of concrete block, brick veneer

## Revivals

OZONE Church, eight-day revival with Rev. T. F. Cooper, pastor, evangelist, and Mrs. Cooper leading the music; eight conversions, five baptisms and several rededications.

ELMWOOD Church, Boone County Association, Leon Burlsworth, pastor, June 11-17; Rev. J. D. Seymour, evangelist; Don Crosswhite, music director; 19 professions of faith, 11 by letter and 14 rededications.

EAST Side Church, Paragould, Lendol Jackson, pastor; April 22-May 2 with Lawson Hatfield, Little Rock, evangelist; eight additions by baptism, seven by letter, six rededications.

THE Walter K. Ayers evangelistic team held a city-wide tent crusade in DeWitt June 10-20. All Southern Baptist churches in the city participated. There were 160 rededications, 42 conversions. It was the largest religious gathering in the history of the city, with over 700 in attendance. Mr. and Mrs. Mark Short, Sr., of Arkadelphia were in charge of the music.

FIRST Church, Tyronza, Horace O. Duke, Jr., pastor; July 29-Aug. 1 with Jack Holcomb, evangelist.

construction, with 4,800 square feet of floor space. Building cost was \$41,000. Space is provided for three assembly rooms, 17 classrooms, general office, library, fellowship hall, kitchen and three restrooms. The building has a central heating and cooling system.

Members of the Building Committee were Zeph Sisson, chairman; Mrs. Chester Anders, Mrs. Oscar McCone, Eugene Howie, Virgil Parker, Vernon Sivils, Douglas Stone and Lexie Woods. The pastor is Rev. Dennis M. Dodson.

Last week at Siloam . . .

**American life conference set**

AN OUTSTANDING consultant on economic education from New York City will bring the keynote address at the conference on economic education and the American way of life at Ouachita College July 16-18.

Dr. George L. Fersh, associate director of the Joint Council on Economic Education, will address the conference at its opening session at 3 p. m. Monday, July 16. The conference is co-sponsored by Ouachita College, Arkansas State Department of Education, and the Arkansas State Council of Economic Education.

Facilities are being provided for 150 teachers and 50 civic and business and PTA representatives for the discussion groups and 350 for the banquet at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 17, according to Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., Ouachita president.

General theme of the conference will be "Identifying Opportunities for Strengthening our Economic System and the American Way of Life."

Speakers at the general session at 7:30 p.m. will be active leaders in development of Arkansas economy and supporters of improving public education. Participants in the symposium, entitled "Identifying Economic Problems and Opportunities in Arkansas," will be Dave Grundfest, president of Sterling Stores, Inc., Little Rock; Charles Murphy, Jr., president of Murphy Corporation, El Dorado; Frank Whitbeck, president of American Foundation Pioneer Western Life Insurance Company, Little Rock; Ila Nixon, principal of Lakewood School, Little Rock; Dr. Bob Riley, chairman of the division of social science at Ouachita; and Jim Wasen, director of supervision of the State Department of Education.

Chairman of the symposium will be G. A. Stubblefield, superintendent of schools at El Dorado and chairman of the Arkansas Council on Economic Education.



HAROLD White, pastor of First Church, Paris, makes a point during "coke" break with Ralph Dodd, pastor of First Church, Greenwood; Dr. S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary, Arkansas Baptist State Convention; Ed F. McDonald, Jr., secretary, Arkansas Baptist Foundation; and Dr. Walter L. Johnson, pastor of University Church, Fayetteville.



"SIR" Lawson Hatfield gives the pastors and missionaries a few pointers on building the church through the Sunday School.



DR. E. F. Hallock, pastor of First Church, Norman, Okla., talks with Dr. Lowell Milburn, pastor of First Church, Shawnee, Okla., and Camp Director J. T. Elliff.



*CAMP Director J. T. Elliff tries a salute with the "official" hat presented by his campers.*



*MRS. Margie Hargis, Marshall, swings the artist's brush for Mrs. Mary Tweed, of New Providence (Mississippi County).*



*BOOK Storekeepers: Manager and Mrs. R. O. Sellars and Mrs. V. M. Shook.*



*SQUARING off for a game of badminton are Eddie Todd, Bentonville, and Russell Gwin, Cabot.*



*.... Chow time*



*.... Box hockey*

## Gainesville-Current River Associations

By A. D. Maddux

PAUL Schwink has resigned as pastor of Knobel Church to accept a pastorate in White County Association. The Knobel Baptist Church has just completed a study of Baptist doctrines, taught by the missionary, A. D. Maddux.

C. M. Sheets has resigned as pastor of Ravenden Springs Church. During the two years of his service at Ravenden Springs, the church received 23 additions, 18 on profession of faith.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS:

Emmanuel Church, Piggott, conducted a ten-day school with a total enrollment of 65 and an average attendance of 54. The mission offering of \$11.27 was given through the Cooperative Program. Ledell Bailey is pastor. Mrs. James Golden was principal of the school.

First Church, Piggott, had a five-day school with a total enrollment of 144 and an average attendance of 125. The mission offering of \$18.55 was given through the Cooperative Program. Mrs. J. D. Campbell was the principal.

### SCHOOLS OF MISSIONS:

Schools of missions will be conducted Oct. 7-19 in both associations, Oct. 7-12 in Current River and Oct. 14-19 in Gainesville. At present there are 17 churches committed to participate, ten in Current River and seven in Gainesville.

Missionaries from the Foreign Mission Board and from the Home Mission Board have already been committed. Publicity is under way and expectations are high for a good week of missions education in the two associations.

### Building planned

SECOND Church, West Helena, Rev. Jack Parchman, pastor, has purchased a lot adjoining the church and has begun construction of a two-story educational building.

## Concord Association

By Jay W. C. Moore

REV. Harlan Abel, who has served as pastor of the Towson Avenue Church, Ft. Smith, for the past eight years, has resigned to accept the pastorate of Main Street Church, Stigler, Okla.



MR. ABEL

During the past eight years, Pastor Abel led the church in three building programs: an educational annex, completed in 1954 and valued at \$15,000; a children's building, completed in 1956 at a cost of \$20,000, and an auditorium with a seating capacity of 750, which cost \$120,000. There were 386 additions to the church, 197 by baptism.

Mr. Abel is a graduate of Baylor University, Waco, Texas, and has the B.D. degree from Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas.

Mr. Abel served two terms as moderator of Concord Association and served on the Executive Committee and other important committees in the associational work.

Members of the Towson Avenue Pulpit Committee are: Malty Martin, Jewell Phegley, Herbert Pearson, Kenneth Weir, Argus Dawson, A. B. Walrod, Kenneth Barnard, A. L. Watkins, J. J. Organ, Carl London, Burt Bakser and John Rudell.

## Six-year record

BOBBY Griffin, who will be 10 years old on August 2, completed a perfect six-year record of Sunday School attendance on June 10.



BOBBY

Bobby, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Griffin of Cotter, is a member of First Church, Cotter where his pastor was Rev. John Finn until he moved to the pastorate of Calvary Church, Hope, in June.

## 'Two cities of life'

GLORIETA, N. M.—On every Christian's map of life there are really only two cities, Dr. Dale Cowling, pastor of Second Church, Little Rock, Ark., and Glorieta Baptist Assembly Youth Conference Bible study leader, said.

Speaking to some 1,800 Young People and Adults attending the Youth Conference, he stated, "The two cities of life are 'The City of Have My Own Way' and 'The City of God's Will.'"

Dr. Cowling challenged the youth to turn their lives in the direction of God's will. He described sin as going away from God in an attempt "to get life for ourselves."

"In order to be saved from sin," Dr. Cowling concluded, "we should be so confident of the saving power of Jesus until we surrender every ounce of ourselves to Him."

## New Arkansas Baptist subscribers

Church	Association	Pastor
One month free trial:		
Wheatley	Tri-County	Carl Fawcett
New budget after free trial:		
Rock Springs	Buckville	Homer Speer
Palestine	Little Red River	John Eason
Shiloh, Hamburg	Ashley Co.	Clifton Howie
New budget after three months free as a new church:		
Dunn St., Camden	Liberty	Edgar Nix
Dennison St., Little Rock	Pulaski	E. A. Ingram

# Office seekers give views on issues of moral import

PRESENTED herewith is a compilation of candidates' replies to the questionnaire mailed to them recently by the Christian Civic Foundation of Arkansas.

It is an urgent matter that all Christian people exercise their privilege and responsibility at election time by choosing carefully those for whom they vote.

The mere fact that a candidate answered the questionnaire in the affirmative would not necessarily mean that the candidate is fully worthy of support. Such things as a candidate's past record, moral conduct in the community in which he or she lives, integrity, respectability and fair mindedness must be carefully considered. The voter is urged to investigate carefully these matters and to support vigorously those who merit support.

The kind of laws we have and the enforcement of those laws will be determined by the people.

HERE is a summary of the replies received. Candidates who received the questionnaire but did not reply are listed, as it is felt that the fact they did not see fit to reply will be of interest to the voters.

The following questionnaire was mailed to candidates for governor and attorney general:

1. Do you favor and would you support a law to prohibit the possession or use of pinball machines or other similar devices?

2. Would you oppose the extension and expansion of legal gambling in any form in this state?

3. If elected will you use your office and the state agencies to enforce the gambling laws?

4. Do you favor and would you support a law to prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages in grocery stores?

5. Do you favor and would you support a law to prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages in drug stores?

6. Do you favor and would you support a law to prohibit the drinking of alcohol in a vehicle? (This act should include a provision to prohibit open containers of alcoholic beverages in vehicles.)

7. Do you favor and would you support a law to make it unlawful to have in possession or transport at any one time, in any county or part thereof in which it is unlawful to manufacture, sell, barter, loan or give away intoxicating liquor, more than one-fifth gallon of spirituous, vinous or malt liquor or one case of beer?

8. Do you favor and would you support a law to prescribe methods to determine the alcoholic content of the blood of drivers suspected of driving while under the influence? (This act is what is known as "Implied Consent," which would be given by each person applying for a driver's license in the state of Arkansas.)

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### Candidates for governor:

FOUR of the seven candidates for Governor replied to the questionnaire: Mr. Cox, Mr. Coffelt, Mr. Ricketts and Mr. McMath. Mr. Ricketts and Mr. Coffelt replied "Yes" to all questions. Mr. Cox did not make clear answers to our questions. Mr. McMath wrote a letter expressing general support. Mr. Alford, Mr. Whitten and Mr. Faubus did not reply to our questionnaire.

### For attorney general:

THREE of the four candidates for Attorney General replied to the questionnaire: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Witt.

Mr. Witt answered "Yes" to all questions except No. 8, and he favors "Drunk-a-Meter" test.

Mr. Bennett replied "yes" to 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and also for 1 for machines used in gambling. On question 3, he stated the Attorney General has no original criminal jurisdiction.

Mr. Thomas answered "yes" to 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and to 1 for gambling purposes. On 8 he stated such a test would probably be unconstitutional.

Mr. Boyce, by letter, stated he approves our program.

### For lieutenant governor:

NEITHER Mr. Gordon nor Mr. Hurley made reply.

QUESTIONS mailed to Candidates for State Senator and Representative:

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## Candidates for state senator

### (by districts):

(Senators designated "incumbent" were elected to four-year terms in 1960.)

District 1 (Benton, Carroll Counties): Elrod, incumbent, made no reply.

District 2 (Washington, Madison Counties): Wade (D), with no opposition, made no reply. Wheat (R) made no reply.

District 3 (Crawford, Franklin, Johnson Counties): Taylor, with no opposition, made no reply.

District 4 (Sebastian County): White, incumbent, made no reply.

District 5 (Logan, Scott, Yell, Montgomery Counties): McCraw, with no opposition, made no reply.

District 6 (Polk, Howard, Sevier, Little River Counties): Coulter replied "yes" to all questions. Riales and Hallman did not answer.

District 7 (Pike, Hempstead, Nevada Counties): Hendrix, with no opposition, answered "yes" to all questions.

District 8 (Miller, Lafayette Counties): Moore, incumbent, did not reply.

District 9 (Boone, Marion, Baxter, Newton, Searcy Counties): Milum answered "yes" to all questions. Hudson did not reply.

District 10 (Pope, Conway, Perry Counties): Combs answered "yes" to all questions. Bryan and Sorrels did not reply.

District 11 (Garland, Saline, Hot Spring, Clark Counties): Position No. 1, neither Fletcher nor Jones replied. Position No. 2, Canada replied "yes" to 3 and 4, "yes" for 1, if used for gambling, 2, not unless voted on by people, 5, "to an extent," 6, "in favor of maintaining present laws." Hurst and Harlow did not reply.

District 12 (Ouachita, Columbia Counties): Mosley answered "yes" to 2, 4, 5, 6; "yes, for gambling

purposes," to 1. "Will be governed by the will of the people," to 3. Mathis did not reply.

District 13 (Union County): McQuade, Jr., answered 1 and 2, "too general"; "yes," to 3, 4, 5, and "Too hard to enforce," to 6. Templeton answered 1, "up to feelings of citizens of Union County," "yes," 2, 3, 4, 5. "Do not favor any," to 6. Hurley answered, "No, too broad," to 1; "yes," to 2, 5, 6; "no" to 3 and 4. McCall and Duffie did not answer.

District 14 (Stone, Van Buren, Cleburne, Faulkner Counties): Nixon, incumbent, answered with letter stating he could "give no opinion until he saw the acts."

District 15 (Pulaski County): Position No. 1, Howell, incumbent, did not answer. Position No. 2, Fagan, incumbent, made no reply. Position No. 3, Sprick, incumbent, did not reply.

District 16 (Grant, Dallas, Bradley, Cleveland, Calhoun Counties): Williams replied "yes" to all questions. Raney and Wells did not reply.

District 17 (Fulton, Randolph, Sharp, Lawrence Counties): Penn, with no opposition, did not reply.

District 18 (Izard, Independence, Jackson Counties): Harvey, incumbent, made no reply.

District 19 (White, Lonoke, Woodruff, Prairie Counties): Position No. 1, George, incumbent, made no reply. Position No. 2, Lightle, with no opposition, made no reply.

District 20 (Jefferson, Lincoln Counties): Position No. 1, Nelson, incumbent, made no reply. Position No. 2, Gathright, incumbent, made no reply.

District 21 (Drew, Desha Counties): Peterson, incumbent, made no reply.

District 22 (Ashley, Chicot Counties): Etheridge answered "doubtful" to 1, "yes" to all others. Pugh did not answer.

District 23 (Clay, Greene Counties): McNiell, incumbent, did not answer.

District 24 (Craighead, Mississippi, Poinsett Counties): Position No. 1, Bearden, incumbent, did not answer. Position No. 2, Bradley, with no opposition, did not answer. Position No. 3, neither Stafford nor Thompson replied.

District 25 (Cross, Crittenden, St. Francis Counties): Position No. 1, Bell, incumbent, made no reply. Position No. 2, Smith, incumbent, made no reply.

District 26 (Monroe, Lee, Phillips, Arkansas Counties): Position No. 1, Anderson, with no opposition, did not reply. Position No. 2, Allen, incumbent, made no reply.

## Candidates for state representative (by counties):

**ARKANSAS:** Neither Albert M. Hayes nor Dr. H. V. Glenn replied to the questionnaire.

**ASHLEY:** Murphy, "yes" to all questions. Bryant and Stell did not reply.

**BAXTER:** Hackler, "yes" to all questions. Shiras, "yes" to 1, 2, 5; "undecided" to 3, 4; "no" to 6, with the comment "I live in a dry county and want to see it remain that way." Gregg, Wallick and Loudermilk did not reply.

**BENTON:** Position 1, Galyean, "yes" to 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. No. 1 blank, with the notation, "I am leaving this blank since you do not qualify the term 'similar devices'"; Hitt and Mitchell did not answer. Position No. 2, Croxton answered "yes" to all questions except No. 6, which he answered by "This is a complicated question. I would want to see the bill." Bob Scott did not answer.

**BOONE:** Hamilton, with no opposition, answered "yes" to all questions with the notation "for gambling purposes only," to No. 1.

**BRADLEY:** Bill Wells, with no opposition, did not answer.

**CALHOUN:** O'Dell answered "yes" to all questions. Goodwin did not reply.

**CARROLL:** Teague, "yes" to all questions. Anglin and McGriff did not reply.

**CHICOT:** Neither Bynum nor Dingler replied.

**CLARK:** Both Swicegood and Clifton answered "yes" to all questions. Hughes, Pool, Thomasson and Roberson did not answer.

**CLAY:** Neither Cole nor Carpenter replied.

**CLEBURNE:** Alexander, "yes" to all questions, qualifying No. 1, "for gambling only." Reed, "yes" to all questions. Stewart and Fullerton did not reply.

**CLEVELAND:** Neither Mays nor Gresham replied.

**COLUMBIA:** Colay, with no opposition, made no reply.

**CONWAY:** Sadler, with no opposition, made no reply.

**CRAIGHEAD:** Position No. 1, Brown made no reply. States: 1. "Would like to study further." 2, 5, 6, "yes"; 3, 4, "My county is dry and we do not have this problem." Position No. 2, Wimpy, without opposition, made no reply.

**CRAWFORD:** Dean, "yes" to all questions, Bennett, "yes" to all questions, with the qualification, "If it wouldn't involve controls of the freedom of doing business in other forms" to 3 and 4. Ragge and Bryant did not answer.

**CRITTENDEN:** Position No. 1, McQuiston, "no" to 1 and 3, "yes" to all others. Position No. 2, Nance did not reply.

**CROSS:** Shaver, with no opposition, made no reply.

**DALLAS:** Works, with no opposition, made no reply.

**DESHA:** Hopson replied by letter, "unwise to agree to support or oppose any bill in general terms . . . I am expected to vote the wishes of the people of my county." Ross made no reply.

**DREW:** Deckelman, "undecided" to 1, "yes" to all others. Wilson, 1, 2, 3, 4, no answer. 5, "yes." 6 no answer, but made the comment, "my answer to above questions would depend on the feelings and opinions of the majority of my county."

**FAULKNER:** Harrell, "yes" to all questions, with 1 qualified "for gambling." Sanson and Wilson did not reply.

**FRANKLIN:** Bumpers, "yes" to 1, 2, 3, 5; "probably" to 4; to 6, "This would be extremely hard to enforce." Womack did not reply.

**FULTON:** Benton, with no opposition, made no reply.

**GARLAND:** Position No. 1, Smith, with no opposition, did not reply. Position No. 2, Allman, Bowling, Castleberry, Davis, Wilson, Young and Gregory made no reply. Harper, 1, "yes for gambling"; 2, "I prefer it legal"; 3, "no"; the rest, "yes." Schoenfeld, 1, "for gambling yes"; 2, "unprepared"; 3 and 4, "except for beer"; 5, "yes," 6, "no."

**GRANT:** Stephens, with no opposition, made no reply.

**GREENE:** Thompson, "yes" to all questions. Collier and McDonald made no reply.

**HEMPSTEAD:** Feild did not reply. Royston, "yes" to all questions.

**HOT SPRING:** Tucker, "yes" to all questions. Cunningham, "yes" to all questions.

**HOWARD:** Mulkey, with no opposition, made no reply.

**INDEPENDENCE:** Butler, 1, "not in position to answer"; 2, 3, 5, "yes"; 4, "drug stores in county advise they would be against its sale"; 6, "no." Bryant made no reply.

**IZARD:** Miller, 1, "for gambling, yes"; the rest, "yes". Landers did not reply.

**JACKSON:** Etheridge, with no opposition, made no reply.

**JEFFERSON:** Position No. 1, neither Turner nor Smykla made reply. Position No. 2, Greenlee and Purnell made no reply. Oudin, "yes" to 1, 2, 3, 4; "no" to 5, 6. Position No. 3, Walt, without opposition, made no reply. Position No. 4, Bays, Stevens, Briscoe and Talbot made no reply.

**JOHNSON:** None of the candidates made reply. (Terrill, Fontaine, Whorton, Groskopf, Rice)

**LAFAYETTE:** Hackett, 1, "I'm opposed to gambling devices"; 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, "yes." Robinson and King made no reply.

**LAWRENCE:** Graham, "yes" to all questions. Clark and Fowler did not reply.

**LEE:** Ward wrote letter, not supporting the questionnaire, as a whole.

**LINCOLN:** Smith, with no opposition, did not reply.

**LITTLE RIVER:** Crank, "yes" to all questions. McCandless "yes" to all questions.

**LOGAN:** Neither McKinnon nor Cotton replied.

**LONOKE:** Foster, with no opposition, answered "yes" to all questions.

**MADISON:** Holloway, "yes" to all questions. Buck and Turner did not reply.

**MARION:** Young, with no opposition, did not reply.

**MILLER:** Neither McClerkin nor Dowd replied.

**MISSISSIPPI:** Position No. 1, Autrey did not answer. Brewer, "yes" to all questions. Position No. 2, Sulcer, "yes" to 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, with "?" after 3. Position No. 3, Day, with no opposition, did not reply.

**MONROE:** McCastlain, with no opposition, did not reply.

**MONTGOMERY:** Maddox, "yes" to all questions, with "none" after 6. Scott and Hulseay made no reply.

**NEVADA:** Wahlquist, "yes" to all questions. Wicker, "yes" to all questions. McBrayer did not answer.

**NEWTON:** Baker did not reply. Spradley, "yes" to all questions.

**OUACHITA:** Pryor, "yes" to all questions. Plunkett did not answer.

**PERRY:** Neither Van Dalsem nor Gutowski made reply.

**PHILLIPS:** Position No. 1, neither Howell nor Conditt sent replies. Position No. 2, Linder, without opposition, made no reply.

**PIKE:** Stokes, Ligon, Austin, did not reply.

**POINSETT:** Neither Thompson nor French replied.

**POLK:** Morrow and Means made no reply. Haynes, "yes" to all questions.

**POPE:** Kinslow, "not sure what all this might include," for 1; "yes" to all rest. Ford, 1, "will study this"; "yes" to others.

**PRAIRIE:** Bethell did not reply. Kerr, 1, "for gambling and minors"; 2, provided existing situation is included to prevent a monopoly; 3 and 4, brought to vote of people; 5 and 6, "provided it has teeth in it to include all." Berry, "yes" to all questions.

**PULASKI:** Position No. 1, Irwin, "yes" to all questions. Walther and Sullivan did not reply. Position No. 2, neither Carter nor Joyner replied. Position No. 3, Bowker, 1, "yes" for gambling purposes; 2, 3, 4, 5, "yes," 6, "doubt advisability." Windsor and Eubanks did not reply. Position No. 4, Cottrell, unop-

posed, did not reply. Position No. 5, Brandon and Nichols did not reply. Position No. 6, Allen, with no opposition, made no reply. Position No. 7, Ledbetter, with no opposition, made no reply. Position No. 8, Cockrill, "yes" to 1 and 2, "no" to others. Position No. 9, Langford, "yes" to all questions. Cook, "no" to 2, 6; "yes" to others. Brandon did not reply. Position No. 10, Williams, Barnes and Mrs. C. R. Williams did not answer. Corn, 1, "yes for gambling"; 2, "yes," 3, 4, "no"; 5 and 6, "would have to see the actual bill." Position No. 11, Chambers, "yes" to all questions. Porter, "yes" to all questions. Zeman, "yes" to all questions. Haydon and Mears did not answer.

**RANDOLPH:** Neither Morris nor Hayes replied.

**ST. FRANCIS:** Position No. 1, Hammons, "yes" to all questions; Hollowell did not answer. Position No. 2, Kinney, "yes" to all questions.

**SALINE:** Carson, "yes" to all questions. McClure, "yes" to all questions. McCray did not reply. Kelley, "yes" to all questions. Landers, "yes" to all questions.

**SCOTT:** Hinkle, "yes" to all questions. Sorrels, "not in position to give official opinion before election."

**SEARCY:** Neither Jones nor Massey made reply.

**SEBASTIAN:** Position No. 1, Hendrix, White and McCutchen made no reply. Position No. 2, Earnhart, 1, "I have no use for pinball machines"; 2, "I believe so"; 3, 4, "believe liquor laws in state are in pretty good shape"; 5, "It is a bad practice"; 6, "Would want to discuss this with legislators from affected counties." Position No. 3, Kizer, Yarbrough and Eubanks did not answer; Shinn, "yes" to all questions. Kimmons, 1, 2 "no"; others "yes."

**SEVIER:** George Davis, with no opposition, 1, "yes for gambling"; 2, 3, 4, 5, "yes"; 6, "no."

**SHARP:** Carpenter, "yes" to all questions. Best did not reply.

**STONE:** Walker, "yes" to all questions. Farris did not reply.

**UNION:** Position No. 1, Durrett, with no opposition, did not reply. Position No. 2, Pomeroy, "yes" to all questions. John E. Hargett, "yes" to all questions. Brown and E. W. Hargett did not reply.

**VAN BUREN:** Evans, "yes" to all questions. Davenport did not reply.

**WASHINGTON:** Position No. 1, Burleson and Bledsoe did not reply. Position No. 2, Stewart, "would have to see the bills before answering." Burch and Peterson did not reply.

**WHITE:** Underhill, "yes" to all questions. Capps did not reply.

**WOODRUFF:** Oakes, with no opposition, 1, "yes, for gambling"; 2, 3, 4, "yes"; 5, "needs clarification"; 6, "present law adequate."

**YELL:** Neither George nor Bullock replied.

By the BAPTIST PRESS

## Bellevue splinter worships in theater

ALMOST 300 members of Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., who are miffed at Pastor Ramsey Pollard wound up a month of separate worship services at a midtown theater and announced plans for at least five more weekly services.

The group, which calls itself "Loyal Bellevue Members, Inc.," is boycotting worship services at Bellevue led by Pollard. A spokesman for the group said they are holding the separate services "so we can hear some good gospel sermons."

The theater service is at 8 o'clock Sunday mornings. Then the members usually attend Sunday school at Bellevue, the spokesman explained.

For several months, some of the unhappy members have been placing their gifts in a separate treasury.

The disagreement at Bellevue, second largest church in the Southern Baptist Convention, became generally known in January when the group sought to remove Pollard as pastor. They lost by a narrow margin.

Pollard, a past president of the Southern Baptist Convention, declined comment on this latest development.

## Mission appointments on Glorieta schedule

THE appointment of a number of new missionaries by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, in special full session, will open the annual Foreign Missions Conference at Glorieta (N. M.) Baptist Assembly. The appointment service will be held Thursday night, Aug. 16, with the missionary candidates giving brief testimonies of Christian experience before being commissioned for work overseas.

Another feature of the Thursday evening session will be the report of Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, the Board's executive secretary. The Board will conclude its meeting—the first to be held at Glorieta—the next day with departmental

and committee reports and miscellaneous business. The Foreign Missions Conference will continue through noon on Wednesday, Aug. 22.

Theme for the week will be "Sharing Christ with the Whole World." This is also the theme for World Missions Year, which the Southern Baptist Convention will observe in 1963 in keeping with the Baptist Jubilee Advance emphasis.

## Convention on tape

"IT IS important that Southern Baptists everywhere understand what transpired at the recent Convention in San Francisco with regard to the two controversial issues which were discussed and voted on."

This was the statement of Dr. Paul M. Stevens, director of Southern Baptists' Radio and Television Commission, as he made available to the public the recorded sessions of the Convention in which the book, *Message of Genesis*, and the receiving of Canadian Baptist churches into the Southern Baptist Convention were discussed.

The Commission tape-recorded the entire Southern Baptist Convention, including all business sessions, and is offering the recorded facts on a special single tape at the cost price of \$2 as a service to the denomination.

This special tape includes all of the pertinent discussion relating to the Canadian issue and the *Message of Genesis*, in condensed form (one hour).

When ordering refer to "Convention Tape Special No. 2." Cost is \$2, either sent with order or billed to the purchaser with the tape.

## Seminary grads

(Continued from page 2)

Kentucky: Verlin C. Kruschwitz, pastor, Severn Valley Church, Elizabethtown, Ky.; Th.D. from Southern Seminary.

Louisiana: Luther B. Hall, pastor, First Church, Farmersville, La.; graduate of Louisiana College, Pineville, La.

Maryland: Robert Woodward, pastor, First Church, Frederick, Md.; graduate of Wheaton College,

Wheaton, Ill., and Southern Seminary, Louisville.

Mississippi: W. Douglas Huggins, pastor, First Church, Jackson, Miss.; graduate of Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn., and Southern Seminary, Louisville; D.D. from Mississippi College, Clinton; member of executive committee.

Missouri: Paul Weber, Jr., pastor, Hamlin Memorial Church, Springfield; graduate of William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo.; Th.D. from Central Seminary, Kansas City, Kan.

New Mexico: R. A. Long, pastor, Calvary Church, Roswell, N.M.; graduate of Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, N.M. and Southern Seminary.

North Carolina: Nane Starnes, pastor, West Asheville Church, Asheville, N.C.; graduate of Union University, Jackson, Tenn.; and Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth; member, executive committee.

Ohio: C. Hoge Hockensmith, pastor, Tri-Village Church, Columbus, Ohio; graduate of University of Kentucky, Lexington.

Oklahoma: Hugh R. Bumpas, pastor, Capitol Hill Church, Oklahoma City; graduate of Baylor University, Waco, Tex., and Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth; D.D. from Jackson College, Honolulu; member of executive committee.

South Carolina: David G. Anderson, pastor, Cooper River Church, North Charleston, S.C.; graduate of Furman University, Greenville, S.C., and New Orleans Seminary.

Tennessee: E. Warren Rust, pastor, First Church, Cleveland, Tenn.; graduate of Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn.; and Southern Seminary.

Texas: James H. Landes, pastor, First Church, Wichita Falls, Tex.; graduate of Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Ark., and Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth; honorary doctorates from Baylor University, Waco, Tex.; Howard Payne College, Brownwood, Tex.; Midwestern University, Wichita Falls, Tex.; member, executive committee.

Virginia: R. P. Downey, pastor, Salem Church; graduate of Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N.C.; Ph.D. from Southern Seminary.

# Prayer by legislation violates Constitution

By W. BARRY GARRETT

WASHINGTON (BP) — Prayer "composed by government officials as a part of a governmental program to further religious beliefs" is unconstitutional, according to a decision by the United States Supreme Court.

The Court ruled (6-1) that the so-called Regent's Prayer in the State of New York violates the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment. The prayer says:

"Almighty God, we acknowledge our dependence upon Thee, and we beg Thy blessings upon us, our parents, our teachers and our country."

The State Board of Regents in New York is a governmental agency created by the State Constitution. It has broad supervisory, executive and legislative powers over the State's public school system.

In 1951 these state officials composed the prayer for use in the public schools every morning along with the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States. The teacher was obliged to conduct this opening exercise, but the pupils participated or refused to participate voluntarily.

The Court presented a 15-page opinion read by Justice Black. Justice Douglas concurred with the decision but for a different reason from that given by the others. Justice Stewart presented a six-page dissent.

In ruling out the Regent's Prayer, the Court said:

*"We think that the constitutional prohibition against laws respecting an establishment of religion must at least mean that in this country it is no part of the business of government to compose official prayers for any group of the American people to recite as a part of a religious program carried on by government."*

An officially composed and administered prayer by government constitutes an "establishment" of religion, according to the Court. This is expressly forbidden by the

## First Amendment.

The Court went out of its way to point out that its action is not hostility toward religion or prayer. It is for the protection of religion and to guarantee its free exercise that the Court arrived at its conclusions, the decision said.

*"It is neither sacrilegious nor antireligious to say that each separate government in this country should stay out of the business of writing or sanctioning official prayers and leave that purely religious function to the people themselves and to those the people choose to look to for religious guidance,"* the Court said.

In its opinion the Court reviewed the struggle for religious freedom in England and in early America. It pointed out the bitter controversies that raged in England over the Book of Common Prayer which was created under governmental direction. Religious groups fought fiercely to gain the favor of the reigning monarch to revise the Book of Common Prayer in accord with their particular viewpoints.

The Court said that the Founders of America and the writers of the Constitution had these events fresh in their minds when they added the First Amendment. "Our Founders were no more willing to let the content of their prayers and their privilege of praying whenever they pleased be influenced by the ballot box than they were to let these vital matters of personal conscience depend upon the succession of monarchs," the opinion said.

Two purposes of the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment were explained by the Court. The first was: "a belief that a union of government and religion tends to destroy government and to degrade religion." The second "rested upon an awareness of the historical fact that governmentally established religions and religious persecutions go hand in hand."

The Court said that one of the reasons that many people fled state established religion and religious persecution in Europe was that they were "filled with the hope that they could find a place in which they could pray when they pleased to the God of their Faith in the language they chose."

It is unfortunate, the Court pointed out that many of these same people established rigid religious regulations when they arrived in America. It is this kind of religious coercion that the First Amendment was designed to prevent. This is the import of this recent decision in the New York prayer case.

The Court recalled the persecution by established religion such as endured by John Bunyan. The battle for religious liberty in Virginia led by the Baptists, Presbyterians and others was reviewed by the Court. Roger Williams was lauded for his contribution to the nature of true religion and the proper relations between church and state.

The Court anticipated misinterpretation and misuse of its ruling on the Regent's Prayer. To answer these the Court said:

*"There is of course nothing in the decision reached here that is inconsistent with the fact that school children and others are officially encouraged to express love for our country by reciting historical documents such as the Declaration of Independence which contain references to the Deity or by singing officially espoused anthems which include the composer's professions of faith in a Supreme Being, or with the fact that there are many manifestations in our public life of belief in God. Such patriotic or ceremonial occasions bear no true resemblance to the unquestioned religious exercise that the State of New York has sponsored in this instance."*

While concurring with the decision of the majority, Justice Douglas criticized the other judges for basing their opinion on the view that the New York prayer constituted an establishment of religion. He said that "the point for decision is whether the Government can constitutionally finance a religious exercise."

# *A call for deliberation on prayer legislation*

**By C. Emanuel Carlson, Executive Director**

**Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs**

**A**T THE March meeting of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs the problem of proper religious expressions in the public schools was placed on the agenda for next October. Arrangements were made for the preparation of materials for discussion and action. The Committee may have something to say as a Committee in October. In the meantime, I speak only for myself. Nevertheless, I must urge that we keep the issue clear, and encourage a thoughtful public discussion of it. Out of such a discussion, carried out in a spirit of good will, we Americans may rediscover the nature of true prayer.

In the New York prayer case the Supreme Court has really faced only one issue—shall government agencies direct the prayers of the American people? This question points to the very heart of the Baptist movement. Present-day Baptists will want to proceed deliberately and prayerfully as they formulate their role in this new public debate on an old, old problem. The information service of our office will offer full text of the court's decision and a running account of the discussions. Baptists will be particularly interested because the decision recounts much of our distress in the past. The decision is full of Baptist history, and of Baptist insights.

All friends of genuine prayer experience must obviously be cautious about the devising of prayers by government agencies. Unfortunately, some have thought the question to be whether they were for or against prayer.

Much of the confusion apparently has resulted from the prior arguments used. In the comments of recent months the missing factor was clarity as to what prayer is. When one thinks of prayer as sincere outreach of a human soul to the Creator, "required prayer" becomes an absurdity. The "recitation of a prayer" has been called "morally uplifting" without recognizing that hypocrisy is the worst of moral corrosion. Some have felt that our "national heritage" is in danger, without realizing that the distinctive of our heritage is not legislated prayer but a people praying in freedom under the guidance of their church and of the Spirit of God. The strangeness of the present debate is that the call for "less government" coincide with a public defense for government-formulated prayer. Obviously we need time to rethink the New Testament premises of our faith and practice, and also to rethink the meaning of American history.

Fortunately there are two provisions in the freedom of religion clause of the First Amendment. There shall be no "establishment," and there shall be no "restraint on the free exercise." I hope the Court will defend both.

During the intense discussions which are probable, Baptists will want to assist the American public to come to a true understanding and experience of prayer. The issues of our day, including the problems of communism and of secularization, will not be solved by the prayer formulas set up by official agencies. As Americans we must go deeper than legislation and conformity in order to meet the call of God upon us in our day.

Justice Douglas cited 18 kinds of "aids" from the government for religion now available. He said that there is a long list of additional aids in each state. The context in which he made his remarks would indicate that he considered them all unconstitutional.

The lone dissenting opinion was voiced by Justice Stewart. He said that he did not agree that the Regent's Prayer is an "official religion." Since he held that New York had not interfered with the free exercise of anybody's religion, he said, "I think this decision is wrong."

*(A fuller statement by Mr. Garrett will be carried next week.—ELM)*

## **Chicago meeting closed**

**CHICAGO, Ill.**—What happens next in Chicago?

Spoken aloud, or merely pondered in the privacy of thoughtful minds, this became the all-important question as the Billy Graham Greater Chicago Crusade closed with a great rally in Soldier Field.

As the strains of the last invitation stanza died away, men and women who had stood briefly on a spiritual mountain peak looked into one another's eyes and wondered about returning to the valley of "normalcy," the intricate paths of daily life.

Would life be any different because of the great Crusade? Would there be more morality and less crime, more honesty and less corruption in public office? Would the stories of vice investigations and gangland killings reclaim the headlines from which they had been momentarily displaced by the Graham Crusade?

The answer rests in part with the 16,451 inquirers who responded to Billy's invitation in the 19 days of the Crusade. It rests also with the thousands of church members who participated in the Crusade, as ushers, choir members, counselors and in many other ways. To some extent the answer might be supplied by every one of the 703,000 persons who listened to the evangelist during the Crusade.

# Money on a string



By THELMA C. CARTER

HOW would you like to carry money on a string? How would you like to have it piled in front of your house in the form of stones? At one time a man was rich if he had big stones piled in front of his home so that others might see his wealth. Some of the stones weighed hundreds of pounds.

Strangely true is the fact that for centuries objects and animals of our wondrous natural world have been used as money. History tells us the first money was shell money. It was made from a small mollusk, like a clam or mussel. The shells of these sea animals were polished, weighed, strung on string and worn as ornaments to show wealth.

Have you heard of wampum? Do you know that our early settlers used wampum? This was shell bead money made by North American Indians. Later the colonists made their own wampum from shells found on Long Island.

Shells, dried fish, ivory, handwrought nails, salt, stones, sheep, horses, and cattle have been used as money. The

main thing wrong with animal money is that the animals are likely to walk away when unguarded. Animal money also consumes a great deal of food.

Rounded disks, made of copper, bronze, gold, and silver finally came into use as money. The first coins of precious metals came from the Near East. History tells us they were made in Lydia, a country in Asia Minor.

Coins in Bible times were stamped with heads of kings and rulers, with olive branches and flowers. This was true of the widow's mite and of the silver coins Judas received when he betrayed Jesus.

We read in the Bible the story of Jesus entering the Temple to pray. Instead of a prayerful atmosphere, he encountered the loud shouts of vendors. They were selling doves and animals for sacrifices and exchanging the different moneys of the Holy Land. It is a breathtaking story, how Jesus cast them out and overthrew the tables of the money-changers.

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future Christmas gifts in the fruits your mother serves for breakfast. Orange and lemon seed, for instance, may produce interesting little trees that can even bear miniature fruit.

Date pits, grape seed, grapefruit seed the top from a pineapple or avocado and pear seed are all known to grow into attractive plants for window gardens or even for transplanting out in the yard.

The seed can be planted in ordinary garden soil, though some of them need to be started in water. Sand and peat moss will help enrich your soil, or you can buy potting soil from a nursery or ten-cent store. The plants may be kept in the kitchen window or the window of your room. They should be kept clean by spraying occasionally with lukewarm water.

Put grape seed into a dish of water for about a week. They may then be planted in a dish of soil and will grow into plants with long oval leaves. Date pits, too, will eventually sprout when placed in water and may then be removed to a pot of soil.

Grapefruit, orange, and lemon seeds need not be placed in water. Since they may not all sprout, plant several in a dish of soil. You can grow them in an attractive ceramic dish or switch them to a larger pot if you wish them to grow into little trees.

To start an avocado seed, peel the pit and drill four holes in it, using a nail or a sharp kitchen knife. Stick a toothpick or matchstick in each hole to form a cross and hang the pit into a small glass or dish filled with water. Allow the pointed end to stick up in the air. About a third of the wider end should remain in the water, which should be kept clean but need not be changed often.

In about six weeks the seed should put forth a root extending down into the water or a sprout from the top. Either may happen first. When the root is firm and about two inches long, you can transfer it to a seven-inch pot with good soil. Leave a third of the pit above ground. It should be watered daily and fed with plant food occasionally. This will make a tall plant that will grow into a pretty little tree.

To grow a pineapple plant, cut off the green top, including about an inch of fruit. Place this in a water glass until you can easily peel off the fruit and about three rows of the lower leaves. Remaining is a bare core about five inches long.

Plant this core in a pot of soil and place it in a window where it will receive lots of sunlight. If the ends of the leaves turn gray, snip them off until they no longer do so. You will then know the plant has started to root.

To produce red or blue pineapple-shaped blooms, use plant food or fertilizer. It will need this twice a month while flowering. If you're lucky, you may even get a tiny pineapple.

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# Christmas gifts now

By SHIRLEY LEE

WHAT fun it is to give or receive a living growing Christmas gift. Something that can be enjoyed for months or even years to come.

You can give unusual gifts that will cost very little but will show that you have put both time and effort into their care and selection. Why not start a fruit seed garden now?

Once the plants begin to grow you will have fun selecting inexpensive, gaily colored pots or dishes in which to place them. You will also discover that each plant will have a distinctive feature which will help you determine to whom you will give it.

Without even bothering to go to the store, you may be able to find your

What every girl should know

## GA Camp this year will be DIFFERENT

- a new time** — July 30-August 4
- a new place** — Siloam Springs Assembly Ground
- a new plan** — 6 camps in one for different age groups
- a new program** — outdoor living all day long in small groups
- a new tool** — a good whittling knife
- a new opportunity** — training for adult counselors and directors



### What Every Parent Should Know

Cost—\$2.50 registration payable by July 18, WMU Office, Baptist Building, Little Rock. \$11.50 payable at camp.

Transportation—available, chartered bus from Immanuel Church, Little Rock, 8:30 a.m., Monday, July 30. (Bring sack lunch) Return 3:30 p.m., Saturday, August 4.

Clothes—Everyday cottons, bermudas, jeans, bathing suit, sturdy shoes (with toes), socks, sweaters, raincoat.

Small group camping—your daughters living, working, and playing in small groups with missionaries, nationals, and women who know and love girls.

Additional Information—GA Counselors have all of the latest information on camp. Consult them.



Brotherhood

**Brotherhood Encampment**

THE ANNUAL State Brotherhood Encampment will be held at the Arkansas Baptist Campground on Friday and Saturday, July 20 and 21. Three sessions are planned, as follows:

- I. Friday Afternoon: RECREATION —2-5 p.m.
- II. Friday Evening: INSPIRATION —7-9 p.m.
- III. Saturday Morning: FELLOW-SHIP—9-11 a.m.



MR. TULL

A good supper will be served at 5:30 on Friday afternoon. The cost will be one dollar per person. Beds are free for those who spend the night. (Be sure to bring your own sheets, pillows and pillow-cases, and a blanket or quilt. An extra quilt for bedding will help the heavyweights!) Breakfast will be served to all survivors at fifty cents per person.

There is no registration fee for the encampment, and no cost whatsoever except for the two good meals. Monroe Drye of Mena, state Brotherhood president, will be in charge. A good program is being prepared with some very able speakers, including Dr. S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

Plan to attend the encampment! Come and see where your RA Camps have been held for the past six years, and rub shoulders with other Baptist men from over the state, and have the fellowship, and receive the information, and accept the challenge which a State Brotherhood Encampment brings to the hearts of the men who attend.

Talk the encampment up, and see that your church is well represented!

The Campground is off Twelfth Street Pike in Pulaski County. Go out Twelfth Street until you get to Ferndale. Go on west exactly one and one-half miles from a burned-out store. Turn to the left at the Campground sign to the first house on the left; and you are there!—Nelson Tull, Secretary

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For Purchases or Information

Student Union

**New secretary**

MISS Carita Anderson has accepted the position of secretary in the Student Department. Miss Anderson is the



MISS ANDERSON

daughter of Mrs. Mattie Anderson of Lepanto. She is a graduate of Lepanto High School and of Arkansas State College where she served in various positions in the Baptist Student Union. Mrs. Norman Canterbury, formerly secretary for the department, has moved to Magnolia upon his graduation from the U. of A. School of Pharmacy.—Tom J. Logue, Secretary

Sunday School

**VBS clinic summary**

THE 1962 Associational Vacation Bible School clinics are now history. Of the 43 associations in Arkansas, all but



MR. HATFIELD

four have reported a clinic. Others may have been conducted, but we have not had word on these four. We would like to know about all the clinics. For a complete report, see the July issue of the Religious Education News. Highlights of this report reveal

that in the 39 associations, 616 churches and missions participated and 405 pastors attended. Workers attending the departmental conferences include: 209 Nursery, 515 Beginner, 687 Primary, 806 Junior, 485 Intermediate, 561 General, with 544 others. The grand total attending was 4,218.

Caroline Association led in the number of clinics held with three group clinics. Five other associations reported two group clinics each. All other associations conducted one central clinic.

May we now make another appeal? Please report your church Vacation Bible School to your association and to this office. Every church reporting its school to our office will receive a special citation certificate. This attractive certificate is suitable for framing and display, indicating the good work done by your church for boys and girls. Appropriate seals may be attached indicating three areas of excellent work, that of (1) conducting Preparation Day; (2) 10 days, three hours daily; and (3) standard.

To date we have reports on 424 church and mission Vacation Bible Schools. The total for last year was 819 reported schools.—Lawson Hatfield, Secretary

Missions-Evangelism

**Churches out west**

OUR recent mission trek through the West carried us through a section of Wyoming. In Cheyenne we found three Southern Baptist churches.



DR. CALDWELL

Ten years ago a young man in the Air Force, living in an apartment in Cheyenne, asked the owner of the building if it would be all right for him to invite some friends to join his family in having Sunday School class in the apartment. The landlord refused, saying that he didn't want any Sunday School in his property.

Well, the next Sunday another member of the Air Force and his family came over. The two couples and their children got in an old Buick automobile in front of their apartment and had their first Sunday School. The next Sunday, others came and their automobiles were used for different classes. So, for several Sundays cars lined the street in front of the apartment, with a Sunday School class in each. A newly organized church in Casper, Wyo., 200 miles away, assumed tentative sponsorship of this new mission.

Today the First Southern Baptist Church of Cheyenne has over 500 members and has purchased a Lutheran Church house as their permanent place of worship. Not only have two other churches been organized in Cheyenne and four in other towns of Southeast Wyoming, but First Southern has purchased some valuable property, for a new mission, in a fine residential area where they hope to build the first unit within a year. The pastor said: "We are ready to go if we can find some church to sponsor the salary of a good pastor."

The Sunnyside Baptist Church of Cheyenne has a membership of 110 with 138 enrolled in Sunday School, 78 in Training Union and recently entered a beautiful modern building. First Church, Farmersville, La., has provided some of the furniture and a Louisiana layman is paying \$200 per month on pastor's salary.

A visit to this church turned out to be a delightful experience for Mrs. Caldwell and me. The pastor, Don Mabrey, told us he was from Ruston, La., near where we had lived for 14 years. We discovered he was the son of our good friends, and his wife a daughter of another close friend of Gibsland, La. His parents and the wife's mother, Mrs. Fields, (mother of Wilbur Fields of Nashville, Tenn.) were there on a visit. We not only got to renew friendship but enjoyed a delicious meal with all. It was like a family reunion. (To be continued next week.)—C. W. Caldwell.



*EVANGELISTS, pastors and song leaders who participated in a county-wide Baptist Jubilee Revival—Pre-convention—Tulare County, California, May 27—June 3.*

*(Front row, l. to r.): Gus Prince, Jack Patterson, Billy Green, Fred Cowardin, Raymond Lindholm, Hooper Campbell;*

*(Second row): Gene Willeford, Ansel Corder, Lindol Jackson, Jesse Reed, Ernest Hawkins, R. B. Crofts, Homer Walker, Theo. T. James.*

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Missions-Evangelism

*'By all means win some'*

**The California revivals**

The final report by Associational Missionary Hooper Campbell of the revivals in South Tulare and Sequoia Associations in California show total churches participating to be 20 out of 23. Professions of faith totaled 114, and additions by letter, 23.

Considering the conditions under which the meetings were conducted, I am very much pleased with the results. To quote the missionary, "During the planning of this campaign, some of our churches and pastors, and even this missionary were a little afraid that our time was just not right for the revivals, but the results and blessings have been wonderful—so wonderful that I am sure we will never have any such reluctance again."

Some of us felt when we got there that we were not exactly welcome to the meetings, but before the revivals were over we seemed to be appreciated and I believe much good was accomplished for our Lord. Some friendships have been established that I am confident will last a lifetime.

Here are some conditions that prevail. In one church there was only one active member who had been a Christian more than 18 months. A few months ago the church held a study course. Ten men attended and only one had been a Christian over 6 months. The church took a religious census and found there were

500 unsaved prospects that preferred that church. The people in this section of the city are of the lower-income bracket and low-rent housing area.

At one time there were nine pastors in the South Tulare Association and only one had been to college. This is rapidly changing, though, as even the small churches are demanding a better-educated ministry.

In the city of Porterville, in the heart of the fruit and farming area of the great San Joaquin Valley, there are 8,000 people. There are that many or more in the immediate trade area. There is not one Southern Baptist Convention church within the city limits. However, there are several around the city. It is difficult for those churches to buy good property, because of the price of land. Because of the lack of finances it is difficult to build respectable buildings.

With many of the people there is no loyalty to the local church. The churches have come a long way but still have many improvements to make. Some of the people are as fine and as loyal as to be found anywhere. If the Baptists from back East would transfer their membership and really get into the work those churches would make greater progress.

The work in general in California is on the move and I predict great things for Baptists in California. Words cannot express my sincere and heartfelt appreciation to our Executive Board and Arkansas Baptists in general for making it possible for me to go to the Crusade. — Jesse S. Reed, Director of Evangelism

Training Union

**The ABC Plan**

THE "A B C PLAN" for Training Union advancement is explained in the July Training Union Magazine. Four



MR. DAVIS

pages of materials in the center of the magazine may be removed for use. These materials include an explanation of the plan, a survey summary sheet, a page on how to make an enlargement survey and the ideal enrollment for each union and department, and a page of suggestions

on how to evaluate your Training Union work.

"A" is for analyze. July is the month to analyze your Training Union organization, program and leadership needs for the new year.

"B" is for begin. August is the month to begin work on enlarging the organization, enlisting the leadership and improving the program in preparation for the new year.

"C" is for complete. September is the month to complete the organization, enlistment of leadership and plans for the program for the new year.

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## Foundation

### Little things

"THOSE cables supporting the bridge are three feet in diameter," said the man describing the Golden Gate bridge in San Francisco. "But," he continued, "they are not single cables; they are several hundred thousands of small wires united into one cable". Then he explained that such an arrangement was stronger than a solid cable the same size.



MR. McDONALD applies to spiritual

matters. Our churches are stronger when many unite in a solid front for the Master. Each individual may have little to add to the strength of the church but each one strengthens the other. Unless we use our little to help, Jesus says that we use it to hinder: "He that is not for me is against me."

Where does the Foundation fit into the picture? Many fine, dedicated Christians have said, "I have nothing to leave to God's causes in a will." By this they mean that their estates are so meager that it wouldn't amount to much.

Neither would one of the small strands of wire. However, if Christians would only remember to leave God's causes a tenth of their estate we would be amazed at the sum thus accumulated.

Your Foundation is ready to help you do great things or small things in a great way. No gift is too small when it reflects our love for Christ. Remember, your will tells more about you than an inscription upon a stone.—Ed. F. McDonald, Jr., Executive Secretary

### Executive Board

(Continued from page 2)

than did the Baptists of the depression years. A smaller percent of Baptist total income goes into Kingdom causes than during the time of financial distress thirty years ago.

For instance, the average church member gives about one-third of the tithe through the church. This means about 3 1/2 cents out of every dollar earned by Baptists go into the church treasuries of the Southern Baptist Convention. Yet, in some churches, where the average gift is far less, (1 1/2 cents of each dollar contributed) not one thing has been done to change the situation.

What is the answer? There is no cut-and-dried, fool-proof, self-working program. But, in these situations, something needs to be done. No program can change the giving pattern of Baptists unless it is tried. Tried after much prayer and thoughtful planning. Then, why not try it?—Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary

## Religious Education

### A new day for us

WHILE at Glorieta recently I heard a number of our experienced educational directors say that we were on the threshold of a new day in our Baptist Religious Education program. Their remarks were prompted by the disclosure of the new program of cooperation and coordination between Southern Baptist agencies and boards.



MR. ELLIFF

A prime illustration is the cooperation between the Evangelism Department of the Home Mission Board and the Training Union Department of the Sunday School Board. In January of 1963, the Training Union will lead our convention in a concentrated study on soul winning.

The Sunday evening programs will offer the most practical help imaginable to inspire and train us in the task of witnessing. In addition, there will be a follow-up study suggested for use by the pastor on Wednesday evening. The Sunday School will also lend its help in getting all of the church involved in the Sunday evening study.

This is cooperation not experienced before. It is only a token of future co-ordination of our work.

Actually, everyone wanted to cooperate like this and make all our programs for the whole church. Everyone also saw the need. But it was not until recently that our organization was set up to make this possible.

Since so much of our Baptist program has to do with Religious Education, State Conventions are moving toward a division and director such as we now have here in Arkansas. It may not be apparent at first, but ultimately you will see that the steps now being taken by the convention agencies and followed by the state departments will mean a new day for Southern Baptists. We are indeed fortunate here in Arkansas to have a state Religious Education organizational structure almost identical to that of the Sunday School Board. This will mean more and better co-ordination of our work.—J. T. Elliff, Director

### Bible study feature

FORT WORTH, Tex.—The October issue of the *Southwestern Journal of Theology* will feature the 1963 January Bible Study on Matthew's Gospel.

Articles will include the historical background, preaching values, an exegesis, eschatology, use of the Old Testament and the plan of Matthew.

WHILE the question of survival is being battled by a number of national magazines, a brand new weekly, USA★1 has made its appearance. It is to feature monthly news and current history.

Volume 1, No. 1, of this attractive and informative publication was the April issue, which, unfortunately, we did not see.

Published at 310 East 44 Street, New York 17, N.Y., USA★1 has as president and editor, Rodney C. Campbell. Chairman and publisher is Addison L. Gardner, and the assistant managing editor is Richard A. Armstrong.

Associate editors include Shepherd S. Campbell, Lewis H. Lapham, Kenneth Love, Mary Lukas, Robert K. Masse, Harold B. Meyers, Stan Opatowsky, Thomas O'Toole, and Jonathan Rinehart.

Published on high quality, glossy stock, with heavy cover, the magazine is 10 1/2 inches wide by 13 inches deep. It is rather elaborately illustrated, featuring color photography as well as black-and-white. It is available in the United States and Canada by subscription at \$15 a year.

Cover man for the May issue was Secretary of Defense Robert Strange McNamara.

"The Man Who Wields the Power," by Jonathan Rinehart, is an interesting story about the cabinet post of Secretary of Defense and the man who holds this position in the Kennedy administration.

One of many other interesting features in the May issue is "The Pinnacle of Controversy," by Harold B. Meyers, a very timely study of the Supreme Court, how it came to be, and the place it holds in the government.

Sir Winston Churchill is the cover man for the June issue, who is described there as "an oversized hero of ancient virtues and new ideas." The story of the life of the great English statesman, "Finest Hour, 1962," is by Richard Armstrong. Given prominent play is Mr. Churchill's proposal for a United States of Europe.

Another interesting and related article in the June issue is "Europe Is About to Unite," by Robert K. Massie.

"Two Days that Rocked Wall Street," by Thomas O'Toole, and "Congress Strikes Back at Kennedy," by Harold B. Meyers, are other articles in the June issue.

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# Habakkuk questions ways of God

By JOSEPH A. HOGAN

Pastor, Pine Grove Baptist Church, Sweet Home

July 15, 1962

Devotional Reading: Psalm 75:5-15

Background Scripture: Habakkuk

Lesson Text: Habakkuk 1:1-6, 2:2-4

**GOLDEN TEXT:** "Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith." (Habakkuk 2:4)

**W**E often look with suspicion upon those who have doubts concerning religious matters, but we must admit that there is such a thing as an "honest doubter." Some will ask questions and learn while others are timid and will not reveal their lack of knowledge concerning a matter.



MR. HOGAN

Habakkuk was a contemporary of Jeremiah, at least during the early part of the reign of Jehoiakim. His prophesy was written about 607 B.C., just before Judah became a vassal state of Babylon, in 605 B.C. The moral and spiritual condition of the nation was such that divine judgment was inevitable. Habakkuk was burdened spiritually and mentally disturbed by the raging evil that was prevalent and by God's announcement that He would use the pagan Chaldeans to bring judgment upon Judah. Habakkuk could not understand God. So, through prayer, he learned to trust God. Remember, He doesn't tell us to understand all there is about Him, but He does ask us to trust in Him.

Habakkuk's message began with a note of despair, but ended with words of assurance that his people would be delivered. Even though this Book was written about 2,600 years ago, it is as up-to-date as the morning newspaper. Habakkuk is one of the greater poets of Judah and is different in his approach to the other prophets. They usually talked to their people with God, but Habakkuk is talking to God about his people. Moses did this more than others.

Habakkuk is talking to God on behalf of Israel, trying to know why God was letting sin and wrong be so strong. The other prophets were spending their time warning their people to turn from their sin and face God with a repentant heart. Habakkuk complained to God and received an answer that is badly needed today.

Should God's ways ever be questioned?

We should never question the wisdom and knowledge of God. We accept Him by faith for what He is and He never

makes a mistake. The only way we are justified in questioning God, is to question Him in determining His will for our lives.

## I. The problem

**H**ABAKKUK lived in a day when the Babylonians, with their wickedness, were swallowing up the nations round about and Judah with them. Judah lacked a lot being perfect and Babylon was worse. This was a question for Habakkuk and is for so many of us today. Here is the question, "Thou art of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity: wherefore lookest thou upon them that deal treacherously, and holdest thy tongue when the wicked devoureth the man that is more righteous than he?" (Habakkuk 1:13) Let us first reason on this matter by looking at some historical facts that adults living today will remember.

Mussolini conquered Ethiopia in one of the most useless wars in history. Hitler and his indescribably unreasonable cohorts destroyed small nations and menaced the whole world.

Now it is Russia and Red China. Do we not feel that the nations conquered by the more wicked nations deserve something better? Why would God permit this to happen? This was the question in the mind of the prophet and is a question we face today. Let us see if we can find the answer and see that God is justified in His acts.

## II. The answer

**L**ET us begin to look for the answer in the printed text of the lesson. In 1:2-4 Habakkuk is speaking and states the problem. In 1:5-6 God is beginning to reply, and in 2:2-4 God is the speaker.

1. I am doing a work:

GOD is not sleeping but is very active and begins (1:5) by saying, "I will work a work in your days, which ye will not believe." God admitted that He was "using" Judah, and why not? Judah would not listen to God and He must find a way to get her to listen. What better way could He use than the threat of defeat? Judah would not like the thought of falling at the hands of the swiftest warriors. Why not let the wicked people gather them captive like sand?

2. "Vision will come"

GOD made clear to Habakkuk that eventually he could understand. The vision would come, but in the meantime, the just must live by faith. His conclusion was this: Wait upon God and He will reveal Himself as you see what He is doing and that what He is doing is right, but, in the meantime, just simply trust God. Our hearts seem to cry out for something more specific.

(1) A vision of relative wickedness in light of opportunity

WE must not overlook the fact that we, as well as Habakkuk, are capable of making mistakes and could be wrong. Habakkuk did not say at any time that the people of Judah were righteous but were more righteous than the Babylonians. How would Judah stand if judged according to the opportunity they had had to know God? What about our country today? It makes us shudder to even think of being judged relative to our opportunity. The Babylonians had received no knowledge of the true God at all. So keep in mind the opportunity of a nation before condemning God. It is difficult for us to admit our guilt and unfaithfulness to God or to face up to the high demands of the opportunities that have been ours.

(2) The punisher must be punished:

HABAKKUK quietly waited for punishment to come to those who had invaded him. God was not making the wicked Babylonians do anything. This was their desire and God was using them as a whip to bring His unruly people under His rule. In Isaiah 10 God uses Assyria as a rod to whip down the more righteous people. Isaiah plainly saw that when God was finished with the rod He would lay it down. Habakkuk saw this too. This same picture is seen in the life of the just and unjust. At times the unjust seem to have everything going their way, but in the final stages the righteous will be triumphant. We are making history, but we must determine to make it worth reading.

(3) The righteous shall live by his faith

GOD has been trying to say to Habakkuk, and to us, to watch, wait, be patient and see how God works His plan. Often we find ourselves not willing to wait upon God. Isaiah 40:31 tells us "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." In the New Testament where the text is quoted, it refers to the individual instead of national affairs. Habakkuk was living by great faith when he quoted 2:14, "The earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." Later he calls for silence over the earth because God is in His holy temple.

3. At last righteousness will triumph.

IF we believe the Bible we must believe that righteousness will triumph. This is a challenge to live a righteous life, and in doing so, live a triumphant life. Habakkuk trembles as he sees the mighty power of God working in his people. Read 3:17-18 to see how God was

triumphant in Habakkuk's life. He was able to rejoice.

When you punish your child, you do it through love. When you have finished with the punishment, you lay the "rod" down and clasp the child in your arms and love him. Love is your motive, and so it is with God. Be faithful and trust God. These words written by Ernest Bourner Allen may bless you in this lesson:

Feel glum? Keep mum.  
Don't grumble, Be humble.  
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A YOUNG Connecticut mother of a small girl came to her pastor and said, "I have a problem about my child's prayers. She loves to say the Lord's Prayer but doesn't say it correctly. She says very seriously and confidently: 'Our Father who are in New Haven, how do you know my name?'"

The pastor replied, "I wouldn't correct her. She has gotten hold of two deep truths—one, that God is everywhere, and second, that he knows her name."  
—Brotherhood Journal

### Fair enough

A MINISTER was loud in his praise of the fat and juicy bird his host served for dinner, and finally he asked; "Where did you get such a fine goose as that?"

"Parson," replied the host, "when you preach a good sermon I don't ask you where you got it. I hope you'll have the same consideration for me."—Brotherhood Journal

### Effective, isn't it?

A MAN visited a friend's office and found him tearing up a newspaper and scattering the bits all over his desk. "What in the world are you doing that for?" inquired the visitor.

"Oh, I do this every day to keep the elephants away," was the reply.

The caller looked around the office as calmly as he could, and then said, "But I don't see any elephants."

The man looked up from his paper scattering, smiled, and said, "Yes, it's pretty effective, isn't it?"

### Really needed

A CERTAIN woman who was leaving on a vacation with her husband seemed intent upon taking along about every garment she had. They arrived at the station loaded with baggage.

"I wish," said the irritated husband, "that we had brought the piano." To which the wife said, "Oh, quit trying to be funny."

"I am not trying to be funny," he said, "I left the tickets on it." — First Church, Fayetteville, Voice

### Fish story

A YOUNG lady oyster had just returned from her first date with a lobster and was telling her oyster girl-friend about it.

"He was simply marvelous," she said, "First he looked deep into my eyes. Then he put his arms around me. Then he . . ."

A look of horror came over her as she clutched at her throat and cried out, "Good Heavens! My pearls."—Reveille, London.

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## George Burnham dies

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (EP)— Veteran newsman George Burnham, former news editor of *Christianity Today* and *World Vision* magazines, died June 11, following an operation here. He was 43.

Burnham traveled throughout the world with Dr. Bob Pierce and Dr. Billy Graham on several trips, filing stories for hundreds of daily papers throughout the United States. He was for some years a reporter on the staff of the *Chattanooga News-Free Press*. He authored two books on Graham's ministry: *Billy Graham: Mission Accomplished* and *To the Far Corners*, and also *Prison Is My Parish*, the biography of Atlanta's famed prison chaplain Park Tucker.

## Attendance Report

Church	June 24, 1962		
	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Alma, Kibler	126	76	
Alpena, First	61	48	
Osage Mission	33		
Berryville			
First	171	62	
Cisco Mission	19		
Freeman Heights	170	74	
Camden			
Cullendale	367	177	1
First	474	182	
Crosssett, First	543	148	2
El Dorado			
East Main	278	128	
First	776	205	
Northside Chapel	50	32	
Fayetteville, Providence	92	26	
Fisher, First	113	58	
Fordyce, First	386	168	
Forrest City, First	460	122	
Midway Mission	30	28	
Fort Smith			
Calvary	335	129	4
East Side	86	61	
First	1064	295	2
Missions	418	135	
Grand Avenue	640	240	3
Gravel Ridge, First	170	96	
Gurdon, Beech Street	191	94	
Harrison, Eagle Heights	269	68	3
Heber Springs, First	200	74	
Mission	37		1
Huntsville, First	83	33	
Combs Mission	24	33	
Kingston	19	17	
Jacksonville			
First	620	244	1
Marshall Road	85	46	3
Little Rock			
First	866	379	
Berea Chapel	99	77	
White Rock	40	23	
Immanuel	1138	428	11
Forrest Tower	32	21	2
Kerr	28	24	
Marked Tree, First	145	56	8
McGehee, First	397	170	6
Chapel	64	21	7
Mena, First	342	102	1
Mission	40	34	
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	727	229	2
Camp Robinson	90	59	15
South Side	59		
Levy	557	233	7
Park Hill	700	208	9
Pine Bluff, Lee Memorial	168	65	
Prairie Groves, First	90	28	2
Smackover, First	297	110	
Mission	22	20	
Springdale			
Caudle Avenue	136	75	1
First	442	135	1

Tyronza, First	157	49	
Van Buren			
Calvary Southern	61	29	
First	412	154	2
Second	81	24	

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Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Alma, Kibler	118	82	
Berryville, Freeman Heights	164	82	
Camden, Cullendale	466	175	1
El Dorado			
East Main	278	139	8
Second	436	183	4
Fayetteville, Providence	95	49	
Fisher, First	131	48	
Fordyce, First	379	135	
Fort Smith			
Calvary	332	132	
East Side	91	54	1
First	1111	446	4
Missions	389	150	
Grand Ave.	632	218	
Mission	22		
Temple	237	110	
Trinity	359	152	15
Gravel Ridge, First	182	92	
Gurdon, Beech St.	182	99	
Harrison, Eagle Heights	216	83	
Heber Springs, First	179	85	
Mission	37		
Hot Springs, Park Place	454	171	4
Huntsville, First	94	47	1
Combs	18	20	
Kingston	12	14	
Jacksonville			
First	633	265	4
Marshall Road	89	42	4
Little Rock			
First	878	339	8
Berea Chapel	115	71	
White Rock	47	30	
Immanuel	1128	421	4
Kerr Mission	23	15	2
Tyler Street	244	89	
Mena, First	311	94	
Calvary Mission	40	26	
Marked Tree, First	144	62	
McGehee, First	423	168	
Chapel	53	24	
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	757	230	1
Camp Robinson	93	63	26
South Side	48		
Calvary, Rose City	426	117	6
Levy	517	190	
Park Hill	682	196	8
Pine Bluff			
Lee Memorial	181	82	2
Smackover, First	283	125	1
Mission	26	14	
Springdale			
Caudle Avenue	168	68	3
First	483	128	
Tyronza, First	157	49	
Van Buren			
First	418	165	
Oak Grove	169	86	
Waldron, First	259	86	1

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## Browne heads convention

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. (EP)— At its 55th annual meeting here, the American Baptist Convention:

Named as president Dr. Benjamin P. Browne, president of Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Chicago, Ill. (Dr. Browne was previously director of the Division of Christian Publications of the Board of Education and Publication and editor of the *Baptist Leader*.)

Re-elected to a three-year term as general secretary of the convention Dr. Edwin H. Tuller.

Re-named Charles H. Read of Ridgewood, N. J., treasurer.

Selected as new vice presidents G. Keith Patterson, Strathmore, Calif., and Mrs. Ralph F. Palmer, Bellingham, Mass.

At the closing ceremony of the annual meeting, 28 missionaries were commissioned for home and foreign service.

A sidelight: Some 8,000 Baptists who were attending the denomination's annual convention rode in a special 20-mile "cavalcade of freedom" to dedicate their \$8 million headquarters at Valley Forge, Pa.

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