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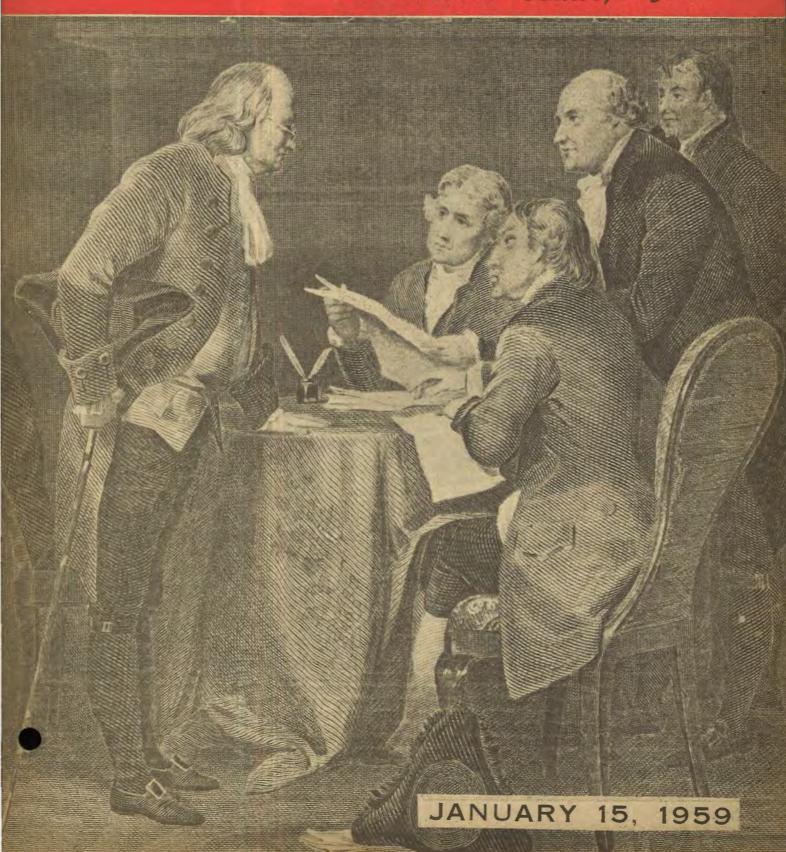
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### Executive Board News and Promotion-

# Secretary Would Like to Meet With Local Associations

DURING THE months of September and October of 1958, we were permitted to go into more than half of our 44 associations and discuss our denominational program of work with the pastors, deacons and church treasurers.

During the next 90 days we would welcome the opportunity of meeting with as many of our associations as possible at one of their regular monthly meetings. We are especially anxious to go into those associations which we did not get to enter with our program last fall.

If we could have about 30 or 40 minutes at the monthly meeting to present our state work perhaps it would be helpful to the churches. We know it would be of immeasurable value to us as we plan for next year.

It may seem rather early to talk about our state budget for 1960, but you must remember we begin to formulate this budget some six months before the annual meeting of our convention. We gained much knowledge of the thinking of our people with reference to our work in the meetings last year, but we need to discuss the work with the leaders in every association. If the moderators could arrange

a place for us on the program and give us an invitation right away we would try to make our visit beneficial to the churches. Of course, the invitations will be considered in the order as they come to us. If you could let us know right away it would expedite things for us.

There is one thing of which I was greatly impressed last fall in our discussions. The pastors and other leaders desire to get away from as many special offerings through the year as possible. In the associations where I visited, the leadership almost insisted that we put all of our eggs in the Cooperative Program nest. The argument is that if we ask our people to put their tithe into the treasury of their churches, we undermine our teaching if we continue to ask for so many special offerings. This is just one of the things we learned. There are many other things we would like to discuss more fully with as many of our people as possible. In this manner all of our people can have a very vital part in the formulation of our Convention plans and programs.

We have many other engagements; therefore, if you will permit us to come your way, invite us early. Thanks! — S. A. Whitlow, Executive Secretary.

Guest Editorial

# When Economy Costs

EVER SO often a Missouri Baptist Church, under the spell of an economizing mood, decides to limit the Word and Way mailing list to those who request the paper. Usually they are asked to fill out an application blank, to call the office, or to let their desire be known in some other way.

This is a step backward, especially in the matter of enlistment, which is a great need of most churches. Under this plan the subscription list will be made up largely of the names of those who are already interested and enlisted. It is hardly likely that many of the names of those who are unenlisted and disinterested will appear there. They would not even ask for their state Baptist paper if they had only to sign their names.

The majority of these are not enlisted because they are not interested, and they are not interested because they do not know about the worldwide program of which their church is a part. They read other materials, but they do not read their Baptist journals. Really these need the state Baptist paper more than those who are already in active service.

The membership of most Baptist churches may be included in one of three circles. There is the inner circle of those who are closely related to the life of their church. There are those who are in the middle circle; they bring forth fruit, but certainly not a hundredfold. Then there is the outer circle of those who live on the fringes.

It has been demonstrated again and again that the presence of the state Baptist paper each week in the homes of these in the outer circles has been a means of drawing them closer to the church. As they become more interested they contribute more generously, so sending the paper to them does not cost the church after all. It is false economy to save three cents a week at the cost of leaving a Baptist family uninformed.

If a church is going to make any test at all, why not, instead of saying, "If you want the paper, ask for it," rather say, "We are going to send the paper to you unless you tell us you don't want it."

Word and Way (Missouri Baptist Journal)

# Forward Program Shows Advances

THE FORWARD Program of Church Finance campaign reports keep coming to our office. These reports give us some more revealing facts about the plan. First of all, it will revive, revitalize, and revolutionize the church that has never asked its membership to pledge or make a covenant. The trend in this type of church is to double the income in one or two years.

In the second place, this program will, if followed completely, enlist more members in the total program of the church than any other approach yet made. The matter of total commitment is one phase of our church life that gives our leaders much concern. In a recent meeting of our convention leaders, a desire was expressed to do something that will help the average church member to make an all-out, Christsurrendered commitment to do more for Christ through the local church. The Forward Program is doing much to give direction in this area.

Then the Forward Program of Church Finance is helping the church members to see the need of more adequately financing Kingdom causes. Consequently the churches that have used the Program have increased their incomes from 10 per cent to 150 per cent. This is done by presenting the Bible way of finance to all the people.

We know these things can be accomplished because they have already come to pass in hundreds of Baptist churches across the Southern Baptist Convention.

But if the campaign reports had not been mailed to our office we would be unable to give this information. So, if your church conducted a campaign and you have not mailed us your report, please, please get someone to fill in the report and mail it to our office as soon as possible.

### Now is the Time

January is a good month to start thinking and praying about a better stewardship approach on the church level. When the average Baptist gives only a third of his tithe through his church, there is need for some kind of a program that will do more than has yet been done. To change the outlook, ideas, and customs of these people, we must plan, prepare, promote, and preserve. All of this cannot be done overnight, or in a few eight-hour days. It will take an all-out effort on our part if we are to challenge the people to make an all-out effort.

The Forward Program shows the church leadership how to systematical ly, prayerfully, and thoroughly present the claims of Christ in the doctrine of stewardship.—Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary



#### Cover Story

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, one of America's greatest and most gifted and versatile men, is featured on the cover this week (standing, left), along with Thomas Jefferson and others as they were drafting the Declaration of Independence.

Some of our readers may remember that this Religious News Service photo of an old wood engraving was previously used as a Baptist cover on the issue of June 5, 1952. Because we felt the most of you would not remember, and due to the fact that Saturday (Jan. 17) will be the noted statesman's birthday, we are presenting the encore.

Those in the publishing business are especially indebted to Franklin for his, leadership in the fields of printing and journalism. As a journalist he exerted an influence not only unrivaled in his day, but more potent; on the American continent, than either of his British sovereigns or their parliaments.

No one of his generation contributed more effectually to the establishing of the United States as a new nation.

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# 'Separation' Leader Defends Al Smith, Urges Kennedy to Follow His Example

THE HEAD of a predominantly Protestant organization has defended the memory of Governor Al Smith, which he said had been dishonored by Smith's own biographer at a meeting of the American Catholic Historical Association in Washington. Professor Edmund A. Moore, University of Connecticut, author of Al Smith Runs for President, counseled Sen. John F. Kennedy to avoid Governor Smith's "man-

### TV Drama Digs Into 'The Root of All Evil'

AT WHAT point does a man go beyond the normal need to "work hard for a living" and fall into the trap laid by "the root of all evil"? Which root is not money, as many think, but "the love of money." How do you recognize the fine line that separates commendable hard work from simple greed?

An answer to this not uncommon problem will be offered dramatically in the television drama, "Treasures of Al Decker." It will be the Sunday, Jan. 18, presentation of the TV Series "This Is The Answer."

The story has an ironic twist. A garage owner is so intent on business profits that he cuts corners in workmanship and seriously neglects his family. To gain a quick fee, he fails to safety-check a rental-trailer and then finds his own son in deadly danger when the boy goes on a trip with a friend in the defective trailer.

euver" of publishing a "credo" declaring his political independence and his belief in the American tradition of separation of church and state.

Glem L. Archer, director of Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State, denounced Moore's criticism of Smith and his advice to Kennedy. Smith's "credo," he said, "was not a "maneuver" but a forthright statement of devotion to American principles. In his statement, Smith declared that if elected he would be his own man and would not permit any group, political or ecclesiastical, to dictate his conduct. This statement did not harm Smith; it made him many friends."

"If Kennedy should follow Moore's advice," Archer continued, "he would be doomed to defeat. Many would be convinced that he, not Smith, was guilty of a deceptive 'maneuver.' It must never be forgotten that Protestants and Jews, and Catholics, too, do look for the pronouncement of such a 'credo' by a Catholic candidate. They cannot forget the basic Roman Catholic position so frequently stated by the leaders of the church, that there is 'one true church' which the state has a duty to support, and that all others are 'heretical churches' which the state has a duty to discourage and even oppress. They cannot forget, either, that such a program is actually being effected in many lands today.



AL AND LIZ Decker fearfully await news of their son who is on a trip in a death-trap trailer which Al Decker failed to safety-check in his greed for a quick profit. Scene is from the complete, new dramatic episode on love of money, titled "Treasures of Al Decker," in the television series "This Is the Answer." The half-hour TV drama will be presented on Sunday, Jan. 18, at 1 p. m. on KNAC-TV, Fort Smith; 4:30 p. m. (Sat.), KTVE, El Dorado; 2 p. m. KATV, Little Rock.

# Paddling Our Own Canoe

IT IS ironic that the time for the celebration of the 100th anniversary of Southern Baptists' oldest seminary, Southern Seminary, Louisville, finds the Seminary embroiled in a crisis of nation-wide interest and concern.

Following an official visit to the Seminary campus recently of a committee from the American Association of Theological Schools, the Seminary is being placed on probation for the manner in which its trustees dealt with a dissident group of professors. The possibility is that the Seminary may lose her accreditation by AATS when the matter is up for final action next December.

What right, some will ask, does this "outside" agency have to dabble in our Baptist affairs?

AATS is an interdominational accrediting agency which is to the theological institutions what Southern and Central Associations of Colleges and Schools, and other like organizations, are to high schools and colleges in the field of general education. Southern Seminary has for some time been a member of AATS because she sought admission and met certain basic requirements for accreditation. That accreditation in this agency is highly desirable is generally recognized. Especially is this of value to Southern Seminary for students who might choose to go to other theological institutions to work toward graduate degrees.

President Duke K. McCall, of Southern Seminary, who is a vice president of AATS, and members of the Seminary's board of trustees have indicated they will do anything within reason to meet the requirements for continuing to hold the AATS accreditation.

But, when all is said and done, we must still, as Baptists, insist on our right to operate our own institutions. It is not anticipated that we will have to face the alternative of giving up this right, in the matter that is now before us, but that would certainly be too high a price to pay for accreditation. Let us profit by complying with the strictly academic requirements of the accrediting association, but let's settle our own internal affairs without outside interference.—ELM

### **Guest Editorial**

# Urgent Matters in Evangelism

THE BIG EVENT in January is the Evangelistic Conference, to be held in Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, Jan. 26-28. It is for everybody — pastors, missionaries, educational directors, ministers of music, college professors, and students, laymen and women. In fact, all church workers are urged to attend. What an inspiration it will be! Churches should arrange to provide travel and hotel expenses for pastors. No pastor should miss this conference.

Guest speakers this year are: Dr. Earl Guinn, president, Louisiana College, who has become a very popular conference preacher; Howard Butt, Jr., who is a world-renowned layman preacher; Charles Welborn, who for many years was the popular Baptist Hour Radio preacher; C. Y. Dossey, many years a successful evangelist and an associate in the Department of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board.

It will be a time of preaching and praying, planning and promoting, inspiring and informing. This conference will kindle the fervor of evangelism on the altar of the pastor's heart; it will stir the spirit of evangelism in the church, and it will result in more souls being won to Christ—"More Than Ever Before."

In February there is the religious census, the associational evangelistic clinics, the soul winning training, the Sunday School increased enrollment plan. Oh, there is much to be done if we properly plan and prepare for the Crusades! Time is passing. The challenge is great. It demands our best efforts.

Another thing, do not forget the 30,000 Movement. Start that mission you have been talking about. It may be just an extension Sunday School, but start it. If you wait, some other group will enter the very territory you have been thinking about. Somewhere, perhaps 10 or 15 miles away, is a community where your church could sponsor a new work. Let 1959 be the year your church starts a mission.—C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent of Missions and Evangelism.

### Personally Speaking . . .

### He Took Our Place

ONCE WHEN I had misplaced the key to the corn crib and it had taken our family an hour or so to find it, Papa solemnly decreed: "Son, the next time you misplace the key I'll give you a whipping."

Just a day or two later, the key was missing again. After a brief and perfunctory search failed to turn it up, Papa turned me up. And that was back in the days of the straight-edge razor with its leather strap that could be used for purposes other than sharpenying razors.

Sometime later that fateful day the key was found, hanging on a nail a boy of my stature could not even reach. The hired hand had been the culprit that time and I had taken a licking for his "crime."

Papa apologized, but the back side of my lap continued to smart for some time.

As I have thought of the whipping I received for what someone else had done, I have been reminded of Christ and the sacrifice he made for me and for you and for every other person who has lived or will live before the end of time:

"Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

"But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

"All we like sheep have gone astrays we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all" (Isa. 53:4-6).

I am reminded again of the words of the penitent thief as he and his fellow robber were dying with Jesus on the crosses:

"Dost not thou fear God . . ?" he asked the other robber when that one had railed on Jesus, saying "If thou be Christ, save thyself and us."

Remarking that he and his fellow robber were on their crosses justly, the penitent thief continued: "... for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this man hath done nothing amiss."

Blessed thought, wonderful assurance, "... he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again" (II Cor. 5:15).

Erwin L. M. Donally

Letters to the Editor

### THE PEOPLE SPEAK

### The Hays Dinner

I HAVE noticed that you have spoken several times rather highly of the reception given to Mr. Brooks Hays at the Willard Hotel in Washington D. C. I also notice that you have something to say about the reception in today's Arkansas Baptist.

I would like to know why there was not a senator or congressman from Arkansas at this reception? As I remember there were only two senators from the entire South there, if this is a fact I would be glad if you would advise me why, that if you know? I do not want your idea about it. I want the fact if you are in a position to advise me,—C. A. Bishop, Ashdown.

REPLY: Since you say specifically that you do not want our opinion, and we have not had the benefit of a non-partisan investigation of the situation, we can only refer you to the individual solons for the answer as to why some of them did not attend the Hays dinner. It could be that they just couldn't get in. You know it was a sell-out.—ELM

### **Bobby Cooper Dies**

PROBABLY you had not heard it, but we lost our older son, Bobby Lynn, one week ago yesterday (on Dec. 28). We received so many telegrams, phone calls, letters and cards that I would appreciate it very much if you would express our thanks through the pages of the Arkansas Baptist. No one can know what words of sympathy can mean until they have a similar experience. Bros. Tom Dove, Delbert Garrett and Guy Branscum brought brief but wonderful messages. Bobby was 27 years old.—Stanley Cooper, Pastor, Park Hill Church, Arkadelphia.

REPLY: Pastor Cooper and his loved ones have our deepest sympathy.—ELM

### Returning to Arkansas

OUR WORK here at Fairlawn is rapidly coming to a close and we plan on making a change next month or no later than next June. Tentatively, we plan to locate in Ft. Smith. I am offering to hold revivals until the Lord leads otherwise. Any one wishing to contact me may do so by writing me here in Akron or by writing me in care of my brother, Ralph Denney, 4625 South 24th St., Ft. Smith, Arkansas.—Ottis E. Denney, Fairlawn Baptist Church, 85 Ghent Road, Akron 13, Ohio

# Your ARKANSAS BAPTIST Scrapbook

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### Regulation Changes

Please note the change in the U.S. Treasury regulations with regard to the terms of U.S. Savings Bonds:

- 1. The new Series H Bonds pay 3¼ percent interest if held to maturity instead of 3 percent as did the old bonds.
- 2. The new bond can be purchased in amounts up to \$10,000 per individual per year instead of \$20,000 as was permitted by the previous regulations.
- 3. The new bond may be purchased by all organizations, trustees, pension funds, insurance funds, in fact practically any group activity or trustee except commercial banks whereas the old H Bond could only be purchased by individuals.

I am passing this information along as a service to your membership. — Speed U. Reavis, Jr., State Director, Treasury Department, Little Rock

### Southern Seminary History to Be Published

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BPN)— Broadman Press will celebrate Southern Seminary's 100th birthday this year by publishing the story of the denomination's oldest of six seminaries.

The book, A History of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, is by Dr. William A. Mueller, professor of philosophy of religion at the school.

Dr. Mueller relates the seminary's humble beginning under a small but distinguished faculty — James P. Boyce, John A. Broadus, Basil Manly, Jr., and William Williams — to its present status as one of the world's leading theological schools. (The publisher, Broadman Press, took its name from two of these scholars, Broadus and Manly.)

# **Arkansas All Over**

### 2nd Baptist, Little Rock, Plans Anniversary Events

LITTLE ROCK'S 2nd Church will observe its 75th anniversary at special services Sunday, Feb. 15. Special recognition will be given to past and present members who have held public office.

Dr. Dale Cowling, pastor, will be in charge of the afternoon service. Dr. M. Ray McKay, Wake Forest, N. C., a former pastor, has been invited to speak at the morning service.

Dr. Courts Redford, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board, will

bring the evening message.

John L. Carter, chairman of the anniversary services committee, said that among 2nd Church's office holders, living and deceased, to be honored are Congressman Brooks Hays; Governors James P. Eagle, Jeff Davis, Charles Hillman Brough and Tom J. Terrell; Supreme Court Justice Carroll Wood; U. S. District Attorney June P. Wooten; Prosecuting Attorneys George W. Emerson, W. E. Dunaway and Edwin Dunaway; Mayor Horace Knowlton; State Comptroller Van B. Sims, and State Auditor J. Carroll Cone. (DP)

### Texarkana Church Pays \$240,000 for Property

TEXARKANA, Tex. —(BP)— The 1st Church here has voted to pay \$240,-000 for three downtown properties in a vast educational expansion program.

The purchase includes the Woosley Chiropractic Clinic, all of the Texarkana hospital property and a residence. J. K. Wadley, chairman of the church's board of deacons said the transaction will be financed by a \$250,000 bank loan. The additional \$10,000 over the purchase price will be used to repair the buildings.

Pastor James E. Coggin told the church membership that the property will insure the church's continued growth in the downtown area.

### New Little Rock Church Votes to Buy Building

MEMBERS of the newly-organized University Church, Little Rock, have voted to buy a \$65,000 building in Broadmoor.

O. C. Robinson Jr., Pulaski superintendent of missions, said 108 attended initial services of the church, held in the armory of Little Rock University. Thirty-five became charter members on the day of organization, Jan. 4, and the charter membership will be held open for 60 days.

DR. J. P. McBETH, noted Bible scholar from Dallas, was teacher at 1st Church, Pine Bluff, during Bible Study Week. (DP)



DR. D. DAVID GARLAND

# Dr. Garland to Teach At Southwestern Seminary

DR. D. DAVID GARLAND, pastor of Baring Cross, North Little Rock, has resigned effective Jan. 18 to accept a position on the Southwestern Seminary faculty as associate professor in the Old Testament Department.

Dr. Garland came to Baring Cross nearly seven years ago. Prior to that he was a teaching fellow in Southern Seminary.

A former moderator of the Pulaski Association, Dr. Garland holds the B.D. and the Th.D. degrees from Southern Seminary. He began his college education in the Navy V-12 program at Arkansas A&M, Monticello, as a prechaplain. He received his B.A. degree at Monticello.

He is a native of Memphis. During his seminary years he pastored 1st Church, W. Baden Springs, Ind.

During the years at Baring Cross, the church has averaged about 100 baptisms a year. Present membership of the church is 3.037. The budget has increased from \$57,000 in 1952 to \$165,000.

Dr. Garland is a member of the Arkansas Executive Board and the Executive Committee. He also is serving as chairman of the BSU committee and is a member of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Mrs. Garland is the former Ellenor Harrison of Kansas City. They have two children, Jane Ellen, 5, and David Marshall, almost 2. The Garlands will reside at 5701 Wessex in Ft. Worth. ■

FIRST CHURCH, Altheimer, has been awarded the Standard Sunday School certificate. Pastor W. Leslie Smith announced that Harold O'Brien, 1st Church, Dermott, will do the preaching at the Mar. 15-22 revival.

#### THE BOOKSHELF

Rozell's Complete Lessons, 1959, by Ray Rozell, Rozell and Company, Publishers, Owensboro, Ky., \$2.95.

Based on the international Sunday School lessons and the text of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible, this is the 12th annual volume of Sunday School lessons by Mr. Rozell,

The author has a rich background out of which to draw, having directed teachers' meetings on Wednesday nights for the past twenty years in some of the larger churches of the Southern Baptist Convention. He is now with 1st Baptist Church, Owening boro, Ky.

Love, Skill & Mystery, by Theodol Bovet, Doubleday & Company, Inc. 1958, \$3.50.

Dr. Bovet, eminent Swiss doctor and marriage counselor, is also a Christian A reading of the book proves the truth of its jacket blurb: "Here at last is a marriage handbook that credits you with having a heart and soul as well as body." We recommend it unreserved.

The Gist of the Lesson, 1959, edited by Ralph G. Turnbull, Fleming H. Revell Company.

As its title suggests, this is a concise exposition of the Sunday School lessons for 1959. The fact that the current volume is the 60th annual issue since the series was started by R. A. Torrey testifies to its popularity.

New books received from Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapid Mich., include:

The Works of John Wesley, Vols, 6, 7, 8 and 9, \$3.95 each.

Dr. W. E. Sangster, of the Methodic Church Home Mission Department in London, England, says: "John Wesler grows in stature with every passing decade, but there is too much quotation of quotation from him. Serious scholars need to go to Wesley himself." And that is what Zondervan makes possible in this new set, the first complete unabridged edition in nearly 100 years. When complete, the set will consist of 14 volumes.

Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, by John Bartlett (13th and Centennial Edition), Little, Brown and Company \$10.

For a hundred years Bartlett's Familiar Quotations has been one of the most treasured books in American life, comparable to the dictionary as a household necessity. As the classic reference book for "what oft was thought, but ne'er so well expressed," it has been unsurpassed in its field, "convenient, indispensable and altogether admirable," to quote Oliver Wendell Holmes.

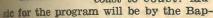
The new Thirteenth and Centennial Edition of this work will be especially useful for all who write for publication or address public meetings, as well as those who enjoy reading and studying examples of the finest literature.

### Robert L. Smith to Be On Church of the Air

ROBERT L. Smith, pastor, 1st Church, Pine Bluff, will represent Southern Baptists on "Columbia

Church of the Air"
radio program Sunday, Feb. 15.
This CBS network program is





smith, a native of San Antonio, holds a B. A. degree in business administration from Centenary College and the B.D. degree from Southwestern Seminary. Prior to his present pastorate, he was pastor of 1st Church,

Crossett.

See your local paper for the time of the broadcast in your area.

# Medical Missions Meeting Scheduled

THE SECOND joint Arkansas-Tennessee Medical Missions Conference will be held in Little Rock, Jan. 30-31. The meeting place is to be Immanuel Baptist Church. This conference will be of particular interest to junior and senior pre-medical students; medical, nursing, pharmacy and technician students; practicing physicians, nurses, and those in related medical professions. "My life—My Task" has been chosen as the theme of the conference.

The program personnel will include Dr. and Mrs. C. F. Clark, medical missionaries to Japan, and Dr. Karl Myers and Miss Mary Evelyn Fredenburg, missionaries to Nigeria. The Foreign Mission Board will be represented at the conference by Miss Edna Frances Dawkins and Bill Cody. Other local and state personnel will participate in the two-day meeting.

Registration is to begin at 6 p. m., Friday, Jan. 30. The first session will be in the chapel at Immanuel Church at 7 p. m. Free housing is to be provided for those who desire it and who pre-register by Monday, Jan. 27. Inquiries and registrations should be sent to Jim Boyd, 319 Baptist Building, Little Rock.

This, the second joint Arkansas-Tennessee Medical Mission Conference, is being sponsored by the Student Department of Arkansas and Tennessee and the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. John Wikman, a junior student at University of Arkansas School of Medicine, is student general chairman of the conference.—Tom Logue, Secretary, Baptist Student Union Department.

### Pastoral Changes

MONROE PALMER, pastor of 1st Church, Cotter, for the past year, has resigned to accept the pastorate of 1st Church, Panama, Okla. Mr. Palmer served as moderator of White River Association while pastor at Cotter. After graduating from Southwestern Seminary, Palmer became pastor of 1st Church, Jasper, where he also served as moderator of Newton County Association. Mrs. Palmer is the former Juanita Crawford of Okmulgee Oklahoma. They have two children, Kathy Joe, 4, and Anita Gaye, 2.

HAL GALLOP, after seven and onehalf years of successful ministry at Black Oak Church, Mt. Zion Association, has resigned to accept the pastorate of Fairview Church, Mississippi County Association.

ELMER H. BERRY, Faith Church, Benton, has accepted the call of a church in North Carolina. (CB)

J. M. HARRISON, pastor of Memorial Church, Waldo, for the last four and one-half years, has assumed the pastorate of 1st Church, Nashville. Mr. Harrison, a native of Memphis, is a graduate of Ouachita and Southwestern Seminary.

TWO MORE churches have added the Arkansas Baptist under the budget plan. They are Cedar Heights, North Little Rock, Ralph Dodd, pastor, and Saints' Rest Church, Boswell, Rocky Bayou Association, Mrs. Elmo McNeill, church secretary.

#### Better to Dare

"FAR BETTER it is to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checkered by failure, than to take rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy much nor suffer much because they live in the gray twilight that knows not victory nor defeat."



MR. CODY



**Harold Carter** 

# Harold Carter Accepts Linwood Church Call

HAROLD CARTER, pastor of Oak Grove Church, Pine Bluff, has accepted the call of Linwood Church, Moscow.

He and Mrs. Carter and their two children, Charles Harold, 18, and Sue Carolyn, 16, have moved into the pastorium at Moscow.

A native of Crossett, Mr. Carter is a graduate of Southern Baptist College and attended Southwestern Seminary. During the 13 months he has served at Oak Grove a marked increase was noted in almost every phase of the church life.

● LEONARD STREET Church, Central Association, has licensed Bill Herron to preach, and he filled the pulpit of the church Dec. 21. He plans to enter Ouachita next semester. (CB)



MR. WIKMAN



Strength Through Cooperation in Chile SANTIAGO, Chile —(BWA)— Approximately 150 professions of faith, plus other spiritual decisions, were made during the first simultaneous revival campaign held in the Bio-Bio district of Chile.

#### Baptist Made Life Peer

LONDON, England —(BWA)— Lord Granville West of Pontypool, a member of Tabernacle Baptist Church of Newbridge and formerly a Sunday School teacher, has been made a life peer in the British House of Lords. He is the first Baptist life peer.

#### Three New Churches in Malaya

SINGAPORE, Malaya — (BWA)— Three gospel centers in Malaya have been organized into churches, bringing the total number of Baptist churches in that country to 17.

#### German Baptists Give \$4,000,000

BERLIN, Germany —(BWA)— Baptists in Germany contributed more than \$4,000,000 during the past ten years for construction and rebuilding of 180 places of worship throughout the country. Future plans call for the building of 80 more churches, including 20 in the Soviet Zone.

#### Billy Graham Congratulated

MONTREAT, N. C., U.S.A. —(BWA)
- Among the hundreds of telegrams received by Evangelist Billy Graham congratulating him on his 40th birthday was one from the All-Union Council of Evangelical Christians (Baptist) in Moscow. Graham said this telegram was a complete surprise: "I don't know how they knew it was my birthday." "We heartily congratulate you on your 40th anniversary," the message read. "Our hearts are full of gratitude to God for your birthday and for the years of your blessed ministry. We pray that God may give you the longest life and the richest blessings and success upon your furtherances of the gospel.

#### 'Martin Luther' Ban Challenged

MANILA—(EP) A three-year-old national ban on commercial showing of the film "Martin Luther" has again been assalled by the Philippine Federation of Christian Churches, which urged President Carlos P. Garcia to lift the restraint. The Protestant church federation wishes to use the Luther movie to raise \$5,000 to help finance the 10th World Jamboree of Boy Scouts slated for the Philippines next July.

### Pope Visits Prison-Defies Precedent

ROME (EP) — No prisoner in Rome's Regina Coeli (Queen of Heaven) Prison had ever been visited by the Supreme Pontiff of the Roman Catholic church until Pope John XXIII went there the day after Christmas, 1958. "You couldn't come to see me," he told the prisoners, "so I came to see you."

# **Baptist Crosscurrents**

# Favors Two-Week Revivals

BAPTISTS TODAY need the right answer to the question—"How long should a revival be?" The answer, "It should be long enough to reach the people that should be reached in a revival."

Fifteen years ago, Southern Baptist churches never thought of giving less than two weeks to a revival. Since World War II, churches have fallen into the unfortunate habit of limiting the time of revivals to one week. In some instances, "week-end revivals" have become a popular fad.

After 25 years of evangelism service and more than 500 revival meetings, I have observed these results. In a two-week revival, the number of additions at the close of the service on the middle Sunday morning will be about 50 or 60 per cent of the total additions. This 50 per cent who are not reached in a one-week revival may never

accept the message of salvation.

The objection is often heard, "We are going to have a pastor for our evangelist and he can only be away from his pulpit one Sunday." If necessary, the visiting pastor can arrive for revival services on Monday night of the first week and stay through Friday night of the second week. The church pastor can preach the first and last Sundays of a two-week revival. Then the visiting pastor will be out of his pulpit only one Sunday. It is always good for the local pastor to open and close the revival in his own church. This will give him a closer tie with his people.

Another objection is, "The people will not come for two weeks. The crowds will be small the second week." This need not be so. Each pastor in the Southern Baptist Convention will soon receive a Revival Plan Book outlining the preparation, organization and plans for a two-week revival. If pastors will carry out these suggestions, every church in the Southern Baptist Convention can have a two-week re-

vival during the 1959 Crusade.

The Plan Book will outline "planned revival visitation" for the first week of the revival and a Sunday school-sponsored attendance plan the second week. These programs will put people to work and the plans and methods can result in the unsaved and unenlisted revival services. I have been using these plans and methods for the past two years. Most of the time, at least twice and often three times as many people were present each night during the second week as during the first week of a revival.

"Let us do it right this time" is a good slogan for entering the

1959 year of evangelism.

One of the best ways "to do it right this time" is to plan for and carry out two full weeks of preaching in every church in the Southern Baptist Convention during the two periods for the 1959 Crusade, March 15-29 or April 12-26.—C. Y. Dossey, Associate Secretary, Evangelism Department, Home Mission Board.

#### Medical Work Closed in Sudan

BROOKLYN (EP) — The medical missionary work of the Africa Inland Mission in the Sudan has been ordered closed by the Sudanese government. All doctors must abandon their work in January.

The unusual mandate was received here by AIM's General Secretary Sidney Langford who said the ouster affected the mission's hospital at Logotok and the medical work of several other stations. Missionaries in the Sudan are not permitted to move from their stations without permits. Consequently, village evangelism has been severely curtailed. Official reason for the action has not been revealed.

# WMUs to Feature Cooperative Program

THE FEBRUARY program for use in circles features that life-line of Southsern Baptist activity—The Cooperative Program. Reference is made to local church and state budgets. Information on the division of local budget can be secured from church offices, treasurers, pastors, etc. The Arkansas Baptist State Convention budget will be found in the Arkansas Baptist of July 24, 1958, or leaflets may be secured by writing State WMU Office, 310 Baptist Building, Little Rock.

# Why Not a Pastors' Saint?

Or. ANTHONY is charged with the protection of pigs; St. Gall is to look after the chickens; St. Corneille cares for oxen; St. Nicholas is supposed to be the patron saint of pawn-brokers, porters and thieves. In fact, nearly everyone and everything has its saint except the pastor.

If such a patron should ever be authorized for the pastor in his role as chief-of-the-church-staff, be it hereby recorded that Micah, the Ephraimite, is placed in nomination.

Although the seventeenth chapter of Judges pictures him as a light-fingered brother, a devotee of idols and the son of a cursing mother, it is felt that these unfortunate circumstances should not disqualify him for sainthood — especially when he is compared with such men as St. Christopher who claimed to be tighteen feet tall, or St. George who marrated it about that he had tamed a man-eating dragon!

St. Micah would be most appreciable of the plight of the pastor whose minister of music and education had been rustled. Such unhappy occasions do arise, thanks to the scarcity of good men and the insatiable desire of certain brethren to wreck-commend any Levite who qualifies as a Chief Musician, be he Kohathite, Asaphite or Merarite.

Should said musician be a cunning player upon timbrel, sackbut, dulcimer, kinnor, nebhel or gittith, his days are as grass. Be he proficient with Shir, Maschil or Michtam, capable upon occasions of bringing forth the classics upon Shigonoth, his tenure is swifter than a wearer's shuttle!

According to the account in Judges, Micah one day met a young, inexperienced Levite who indicated his willingness to "sojourn where he could find a place." Knowing the problems that often arise in adding one to his staff, Micah wisely interviewed the young man. But, good Levites being scarce, Micah confined his interrogation to one question: "Whence cometh thou?" The Levite waxed expansive. Not being a graduate of Baal or Peor, the young man laid claim to being from Bethleham-Judah instead, a city of the Deep South. The absence of competition helped the cause along and soon the bargaining stage was reached.

Micah stated the proposition: "Dwell with me... and I will give thee ten shekels of silver by the year, a suit of apparel (actually, a whole new outfit when the Levite exegeted the passage in the original Hebrew), and thy victuals." The Levite's heart was glad, o Micah consecrated the young man and set him up in business.

"The Levite was content to dwell with the man . . ." So Micah settled back, congratulated himself upon his find and waited for the blessings.

But — just as soon as the Levite had put his program into operation and things were picking up, a committee of five men, ostensibly on a business trip, just happened to visit in Mt. Ephraim. When they heard the Levite they were impressed by his voice and sought a clandestine appointment. They asked a lot of personal questions about his work and his background.

One brother who apparently put great stock in recommendations, wanted to know "Who brought thee hither?"

Another, doubtless a member of the finance committee, discreetly asked, "And what maketh thou in this place?"

A third, probably wanting to know the Levite's theories on the grading of adults, the size of the organ and the amount in the budget for convention expenses, inquired, "And what hast thou here?"

The young man told them his heart, hiding nothing, adding for good measure, "Thus and thus dealeth Micah with me..." The committee asked the Levite to close the meeting with prayer, after which they took a most non-committal leave. At length, the Levite settled down and got back to his work.

Some time later, the committee reported back to the congregation. The entire group then considered the Levite and came to salute him. With little regard for Micah and his set-up, the committee went straight to work tearing down what had been built up. They really could have left his ecclesiastical appointments alone, for the taking of his Levite was enough to wreck his work,

The Levite put up a noble protest, but the committee counseled: "Hold thy peace, lay thine hand upon thy mouth . ." The young man obeyed. Then the group graciously said in pious tones, "Go with us," The Levite hesitated in most becoming fashion and the men suggested in meaningful undertones, "Is it better for thee to be a priest unto the house of one man, or that thou be a priest unto a tribe and a family in Israel?"

"And the priest's heart was glad . . ." Taking his hand from his mouth, he gathered up his files and went "in the midst of the people."

Micah, a sleepy sort of brother, was one of the last to know what was going on. By the time he found out, his whole organization was on the rocks. He jumped up and ran out to try to woo his Levite to return. As he approached, still in an obvious dither, a spokesman for the larger congregation piously asked, "What aileth thee?"

Brother Micah, not utterly devoid of a sense of humor, stammered out: "Ye have taken away my gods which I made, and the priest, and ye are gone away: and what have I more? and what is this that ye say unto me, What aileth thee?"

The Levite's new congregation, however, was not in a mood to jest and warned Brother Micah: "Let not thy voice be heard among us, lest angry fellows run upon thee, and thou lose thy life, with the lives of thy household."

Micah, having a rather practical turn of mind also, when he "... saw that they were too strong for him ... turned and went back unto his house."

One cannot but wonder if Micah fell back upon one of his old family traits—that of cursing in one breath and blessing in the next, but it can be safely assumed that he "did that which was right in his own eyes."

Be it known to all who have suffered the similar buffetings of an outrageous fate that applications are now being received from all who desire to seek sanctuary in the Monastery of St. Micah — a non-Levitical order. — Charles F. Pitts, Blytheville

# Student Writers Contest Announced

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB)— The Student Writers' Contest for 1959 is being announced by The Baptist Student, Christian collegiate magazine. All Baptist undergraduate and graduate students now enrolled in an institution of higher learning are eligible, except students who have completed requirements for the doctoral degree.

Contest categories are divided this year into (1) articles and short stories and (2) poems and devotionals. Awards in the article and short story category will be \$50, \$30, \$20, and five two-year subscriptions to The Baptist Student. Poetry and devotional awards will be \$25, \$15, \$10, and five two-year subscriptions to The Baptist Student. Entries are limited to one per person. Deadline is April, 1959.

"Entries need not necessarily be religious in nature," said Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan, Student Department secretary and editor of the magazine. "They may be light or serious, but should be slanted primarily toward student readers."

Manuscripts should be limited to 3,-000 words, typewritten, and double-spaced. References should be footnoted with sources of quotations. Each entry should include a brief biographical sketch giving the contestant's name, school and address, major study, class rank, home address, and the category in which he is entering his manuscript.

Entries should be sent to "The Baptist Student Writers' Contest, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee." All manuscripts become the property of the Baptist Sunday School Board Student Department.

Judging will be based on originality, writing techniques, content depth and insight, organization and development of ideas, interest, and readability.

### January Key Month In Biographical Project

JANUARY IS the month for you to fill out and send in your hiographical sketch to Operation Baptist Biography, L. C. Tedford, chairman, has reminded.

The SBC Historical Commission is asking for 50,000 biographical sketches of preachers and lay leaders.

"Please remember," Mr. Tedford said, "when you send in your sketch to include a dollar donation to help cover expenses of the project."

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# Hays for Vice President?

By JESS MOODY

THERE HAVE been several recent suggestions that Brooks Hays would make an excellent nominee for the Vice Presidential candidacy. There has been quite some speculation concerning this suggestion.

(Mr. Moody is pastor of 1st Baptist Church, Owensboro, Ky.)

Several observations need to be made concerning this proposal.

For one thing, it shows that Baptists represent a growing segment of America to which the politicians must give consideration. There are 20 million Baptists in the United States, which includes only immersed people. The Roman Catholic Church claims 34 million adherents. This, of course, includes all people born into the Catholic homes. If Baptists were to include on their church rolls all the people born into Baptist homes, there might possibly be as many Baptists in America as Catholics — and perhaps more.

There is another important matter concerning Mr. Hays as a potential candidate. With whom do they want him to run? To be sure, Mr. Hays is one of our greatest Americans, and could serve as President with as much facility as Vice President; but why has he been mentioned as Vice President? Has this suggestion been made with the idea that he might make a good running mate with some particular person: Who is this person?

Could it be that there are those political aspirants who greatly fear the Baptists and Baptist influenced vote; and who hope that with Hays in the second office, the front runner would have the potential opposition satisfied?

It is very difficult to conceive that Brooks Hays would accept such a conscience binding nomination. If he should, it would be a great disservice to his country and to his fellow Baptists.

This is a time for greatness for all Baptist people everywhere. Never have we been faced with so many great issues at one time.

It is tragic that the religious issue has to be injected into the current political scene, but there is one sure way to remove the issue and produce harmony in our strife torn country. That is for the Roman Catholics who aspire for office to repudiate all foreign entanglements and consider the majority vote of the American people as the final authority on all American decisions.

In America any man can run for public office regardless of religious affiliation. This is as it should be and Baptists have historically supported such a position.

There are some things that should be borne in mind by the voter, however, before he casts his ballot.

For one thing, the voter must know that the man elected will be at all times

absolutely loyal to the government of this country. If there is the remotest doubt concerning this, the voter will find a real conscience problem if he casts a ballot for such a person.

The absolute separation of church and state is a principle to which this nation has constantly adhered. America has been made great because this Baptist principle has gained acceptance by all denominations in this country except one.

If a man runs for public office and is a member of this one denomination, he should be asked if he will abide by this principle. If he refuses to answer the question or gives a hazy answer, he should be removed immediately from any consideration for any office.

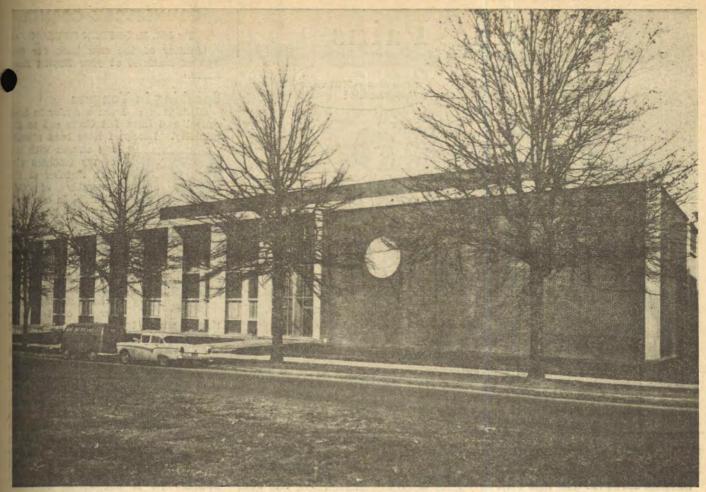
This one denomination has spoken consistently concerning this matter. For example, in the book Living Our Faith by Flynn, Loretts, and Simeon and under the imprimatur of an American, Cardinal Spellman, these words appear:

"The question of union or separation of church and state has perplexed men since the Protestant revolt. The ideal situation exists when there is perfect union and accord between church and state, with each supreme in its field . . . When a dispute arises (between church and state) and settlement is unattainable, the rights of the Church should prevail, since it possesses the highest authority."

Any man who aspires to any public office owes it to the people of this country to declare what he believes about the above statement. He should not be allowed to skirt the issue by becoming angry if asked it or appearing hurt that he has been questioned. Without equivocation, without discussion, the question should be pressed until it is answered in simple and understandable terms. Either a man believes that church and state should remain separate or he doesn't.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: In fairness to all concerned it should be pointed out that the "Hays for vice president" proposal originated with a Southern Baptist editor, J. O. Duncan of Capital Baptist, Washington, D. C. Mr. Duncan proposed him for the second place on the ticket not because he felt he was not qualified for the top billing or with any idea of bowing to a Catholic in top place, but because he was enough of a realist to know that no major party is likely to choose as its nominee for president one from a Southern state, with its small delegation in the electoral college.—ELM.)

ROY A. LAMBERT, pastor of Sout Side Church, Pine Bluff, has announced that James Burleson, Bauxite, has been added to the church staff as minister of music. Mr. Burleson is a student in Quachita.



New Foreign Mission Board Headquarters

# Where Will You Go?

WHERE WILL you go if you go away from Jesus? Perhaps in reply you say, "Why I have no intention of going away from Him!" Yet repeatedly when His claims upon your soul and life are presented, you refuse to declare yourself for Him. In so doing you are turning away from Him. Every time that you refuse Him it becomes more difficult to do otherwise. One day you will refuse Him for the last time. And when you do, where or to whom will you go?—Herschel H. Hobbs

NASHVILLE — (BP) — The Saxony Hotel in Miami Beach, Fla., has been selected as the headquarters hotel for the 1960 session of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The hotel was designated by the Exceptive Committee of the Convention at its meeting here.

BILLY KITE and Donald Lawrence, nisterial students at Ouachita, were ordained to the ministry, Dec. 28 in Central Church, Phenix City, Ala. Mr. Kite is pastor of the Bluffton Church, and Mr. Lawrence is pastor of Nimmed Church.

### Foreign Mission Board Moves to New Building

THE FOREIGN Mission Board has moved to its new headquarters building at 3806 Monument Avenue, Richmond. Erected at a cost of approximately \$1,000,000, the new building, with its two floors of office space, will permit the addition of needed personnel. The Board now has 90 employees; the new building will accommodate 125.

Dedication services for the new building, the eighth location of the Foreign Mission Board, will be held during the Board's semiannual full meeting April 7-8.

Established in 1845, the Board held its first formal meeting in the library of 2nd Church, Richmond. About two years later it set up its first home in the basement of 1st Church, Richmond, where it stayed for 25 years. After occupying rooms in various buildings, the Board moved to its present quarters at 2037 Monument Avenue in 1943 and expanded to include the building next door in 1950.

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, said that rapid development of the world mission program in the past few years and anticipated development during the years ahead place increasing responsibility upon the administration at the home office.

### Texas Baptist Pastors Named Police Chaplains

DALLAS — (BP) — Two Texas Baptist pastors have started what may be the most unique preaching extensions of a current Southern Baptist 30,000 Movement of church growth.

Both have daily "spiritual beats" as chaplains for their local police departments.

They are Boyce Evans, Bellview Church, Midland, and James D. Springfield, Oak Knoll, Ft. Worth. The men have full authority as officers with regular identification. Springfield has been issued an officer's uniform.

Their badges carry a chaplain's cross rather than an officer's rank such as captain or lieutenant. Midland Police Chief Harold Wallace says he knows of no other police departments in the nation which have a similar chaplain's program using a commissioned minister.

### Lamar McGinty Dies

ATLANTA — (BP)— C. Lamar Mc-Ginty, 73, retired president of Tift College at Forsyth, died of a heart ailment during a visit to Atlanta. He retired in 1947 after nine years as president of the Baptist school for girls.

# Growing Pains



What to Do!

Constant conflict and split authority are among the worst things that can happen in a home. No wonder Junior feels like a football. It would be much better if his parents would talk things over freely and calmly so Junior would know exactly what is expected of him.

# Evangelism Publication Begun by Convention

DALLAS — (BP) — The first issue of a new monthly "Evangelism Today" publication will be mailed to Convention associational leaders and denominational workers this month.

The Home Mission Board division of evangelism publication will contain condensed revival news events, editorials, evangelism public relations ideas, relative human relations studies and soul winning illustrations.

"The information piece will contain specific material for the North American Baptist year of simultaneous crusades," said division of evangelism director Leonard Sanderson.

# Fleming Gives \$50,000 To Aid 30,000 Movement

FORT WORTH —(BP)— A downtown Baptist rescue mission has been started here with the help of a \$50,000 fund given by Ft. Worth Baptist layman, William Fleming.

The gift of the Tarrant Association is designated for use in promoting church and mission expansion through the 30,000 Movement. Southwestern Seminary is furnishing a staff of workers for the mission.

The Fleming Fund, said associational missions superintendent Charles Mc-Laughlin, will be used for loans to churches, gifts for land purchases, salary supplements for mission pastors and to help churches make building payments.

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### COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

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

Speaking in Tongues

QUESTION: I am a senior in high school and have felt God's call to the ministry. Lately, I have been attend-



DR. HUDSON

ing church with one of my teachers who is a member of the Assembly of God Church. In one service at least two members of the congregation began "speaking in tongues." Is speaking in tongues for Christians today? I have studied chapter 14 of I Corin-

thians, which treats the subject, yet I am not sure of the answer.

ANSWER: What you heard was an individual making unintelligible sounds, or as we say nonsense syllables. Isn't that right? This is a strange phenoma but can be explained. It is a kind of "splitting off" of the mind from normal, critical and reasonable behavior - precisely what occurs in hysteria and under hypnosis. Then the person thinks at the same time and says that he is saying what he thinks. Actually he is not saying anything. Then an interpreter comes along and says what he thinks and the weakwilled speaker says, "That is exactly what I was saying." There is really no mystery about this except the mystery of what occurs under hypnosis.

The New Testament gift of tongues was the gift to speak in another, known language. It began at Pentecost when "every man heard them speak in his own language" (see Acts 2:6, 8). In I Cor. 14 the word "unknown" is a faulty translation as any modern translation shows. Show me one man who can speak Italian or Portuguese, without studying it, and I will believe that the gift of tongues continues in the twentieth century. Otherwise, No.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo.)

### Mission Emphasis Meet Slated at Seminary

A MISSION Emphasis Conference will be held at Southern Seminary, Feb. 20-21. Dr. Clubert C. Rutenber, professor of philosophy of religion at Eastern Seminary, Philadelphia, will be principal speaker.

Paul Reitzer, chairman of the Mission Emphasis Committee of the Student Executive Committee at Southern Seminary, said that special conferences will be held for visiting students and Baptist Student Union directors.

# FOUR STATE MUSIC FESTIVALS The Public is Invited to Attend:

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### **Festival Instructions**

- 1. All Choirs, Ensembles, Sextets, Quartets, Trios, Duets, and Soloists may participate in the State Festivals.
- 2. Festival Selections that will be sung by the combined choirs need not be memorized.
- 3. Each choir and ensemble will sing one selection for adjudication. Primary choirs may sing two selections. All selections for adjudication should be memorized.
- 4. Participation in all events will be against each other.
- 5. Vestments or robes are not required, but neatness and uniformity of choral groups will add to appearance.
- 6. Adult and Youth Division only: Soloists, Duets, Trios, Quartets, should sing one selection of own choosing for adjudication. Selection should be memorized. Bring your own accompanist. One representative from each event will be chosen to sing on the Festival Program.
- 7. There will not be a registration fee.
- 8. All hymnals and music with the exception of manuscript copies may be purchased from the Baptist Book Store in Little Rock. Secure manuscript copies from Church Music Department, 312 Baptist Building, Little Rock.
- 9. Reservations for lunch must be received one week before Festival. The lunch will cost 75c.
- 10. For complete details write Church Music Department, 312, Baptist Building, Little Rock.



Thirteenth Annual YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL 9:30 a. m., Feb. 7 Immanuel Church Little Rock

Warren Angell, Shawnee, Okla. Guest Conductor



Fourth Annual
PRIMARY CHOIR FESTIVAL
10:00 a. m., March 7
Park Hill Church
North Little Rock, Ark.

Mrs. Haskell Boyter, Atlanta, Ga. Guest Conductor

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# Three Bulls and One Lion

(An Old Folk Tale Refold)

By Isabel Williams

EVERY MORNING Farmer Jonathan drove his three fine bulls into the pas-They were strong and healthy and feared no one except the mighty lion, who paced around the fence, licking his chops.

That hungry lion longed to get at these bulls. What a tasty meal even one of them would make. But whenever he crawled under the fence and tried to steal up behind one of the bulls, all three of them would charge him. Mr. Lion would have to run away. He was brave, but he knew that even he wasn't strong enough to meet three bulls at once.

Time after time Mr. Lion tried to attack. If only one of these bulls would stray far enough away from the others, he would have his prize. Hopefully he watched them every day, but the three bulls stayed close together. They knew that they were in danger around the lion. They also knew that together the three of them could fight him off.

Mr. Lion became angrier and hungrier. He must do something, but what? Why were those three bulls so friendly? He, the lion, didn't have any friends at all.

"If I could just get them mad at each other, then they wouldn't stay together, and I could get them one by

That night when the bulls were back in the barn, Mr. Lion dared to creep close. He stood near the window outside one of the stalls and called, "Mr. Sleek Brown Bull! Mr. Sleek Brown Bull!"

"Who is that?" answered the bull in the stall under the window.

"Never mind. It is a friend. I just want to warn you. I overheard your . two friends say that you tag along with them all the time so that they can protect you. They called you a coward, afraid even to munch a little grass alone."

"Is that so!" declared Sleek Brown Bull angrily. "I'll show them."

Next Mr. Lion crawled under a window on the other side of the barn.

Oh, Mr. Shiny Brown Bull, Mr. Shiny Brown Bull," he called.

"Who's calling?"

"I am a friend who has come to warn you. Your two friends are going to try to get rid of you. They say you are a coward and tag along with them all the time because you are afraid."

"Is that so!" declared Shiny Brown Bull. I'll show them."

Of course, Mr. Lion made sure that

he repeated the same evil story to the other bull, Smooth Brown Bull.

The next morning Farmer Jonathan had a hard time leading the bulls out. to the pasture. They kept butting at each other and would not walk one behind the other as they always had.

As soon as the three bulls were in the pasture, Shiny Brown Bull snorted, "So I'm a coward, am I? I don't need you two at all." And he stalked off to the north end of the pasture.

"I don't need either of you for protection either. I've a good mind to give you the beating of your life," snorted Sleek Brown Bull. "I'll show you I'm not a coward." He stomped off to the south end of the pasture.

This left Smooth Brown Bull stand-

ing by the gate.

"You're both big cowards," yelled Smooth Brown Bull. "Look at you, running away and leaving me here. Any time either of you wants to fight just come back here; I dare you."

Of course, Mr. Lion had watched all this from a bush close to the fence. He jumped into the pasture and easily killed Shiny Brown Bull who was standing by himself in the north end of the pasture. Then Mr. Lion ran as fast as he could to the south end of the pasture and killed Sleek Brown Bull. Still not satisfied, he killed Smooth Brown Bull, who was standing by himself near the gate.

So Farmer Jonathan lost all three of his fine bulls, not because they weren't brave but because they listened to silly gossip and began to suspect each other.

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## Morning Prayer

By Regina Sauro

. Help me, Lord, To walk your way Every step

Throughout each day.

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God Holds the Key

God holds the key of all unknown, And I am glad:

If other hands should hold the key, Or if He trusted it to me.

I might be sad.—John Parker

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"Love thy neighbor, or 1'1 call the cops!"

The gentle rebuke - with teeth in it! Christians aretaught they should obey the Commandments for love of good, not through fear of punishment. But we can try Divine forbearance too far. When we do, God's laws-like the laws of man-provide penalties for wilful disobedience.

SAM WANTED to get married but didn't want to have his wedding on the Tuesday his fiancee had selected. Asked about it point blank by his future father-in-law, Sam explained:

"If we get married on a Tuesday we'd celebrate our silver wedding anniversary on a Friday — and Friday is my bowling night!"

AN INFLUENTIAL business man lay dying. While he still had some strength left, he called in his closest friend and asked that his body be cremated on his death.

"And what do you want done with the ashes?" his friend asked.

"Just put them in an envelope and send them to the Collector of Internal Revenue with a note saying, 'Now you have everything."

DON PITTS, son of Charles Frank Pitts, pastor of 1st Church, Blytheville, recently celebrated his 11th birthday.

"How does it feel to be 11?" asked the parson.

"Fine," replied the lad. "And why?" dad asked.

"Well," explained Don, "When a grownup goofs off, folks always say 'he acts like a 10-year-old,' and I don't want to be in that bracket."

#### Once Is Enough

"MY WIFE says that if I die she will remain a widow."

"Evidently she thinks there's not another man like you."

"No, she's afraid there is."

# Jesus Emphasizes Cost of Greatness

By J. Harold Smith Pastor, 1st Church, Ft. Smith

January 18 Mark 10:35-45

HUNDREDS OF God's children today seek the benefits and blessings, the rewards and recognitions, the praise and



MR. SMITH

joy, the safety and satisfaction found in Christ without desiring to pay the cost James and John sought positions beside Christ. when He should come into His glory. This experience took place near the end of Jesus' last journey to Jerusalem. He had just related

to His troubled disciples His coming death in the near future. Still having not recovered from this stunning announcement, two disciples approached Him and requested one be permitted to sit on the right and the other on the left side of His throne.

Had these disciples not witnessed the raising of Lazarus, the stilling of the storm, the cleansing of the lepers, the feeding of the multitudes, and all the other miracles of the Son of God? Had they not seen the great multitudes wherever Christ went, follow Him? He was certainly the "Great One" who shall deliver them from Roman bondage and set up His own great throne. In spite of the fact that Jesus had told His disciples for the third time of His death, they still could not fully realize that He was to die a shameful death on a Roman cross.

#### A Selfish Request

James and John were two of Jesus' most intimate friends. We believe these sons of Zebedee (Matthew 20: 20) were pushed forward and encouraged to make this request of the Lord because of their mother, Salome. This mother, like all true mothers, wanted her two boys to hold an important place in the expected Kingdom. Their request was "world wide." "We wouldest that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire." This request was filled with "we" and "us." Since Jesus had the power He possessed, He could do all things for them.

When we go to Christ, seeking His blessings, what do we really want? Something for "we" or "us"? These two disciples asked for positions next to the King's position. Did these two brothers hope, by getting their request in first, to get ahead of Peter, who also seemingly had an inside track on the Master's attention and affection? This thing is still practiced and prevalent in the political world today.

#### A Sobering Reply (Mark 10:38-40)

Jesus pointed out to these seeking brothers and ambitious mother that these positions were not His to grant to special favorites. Our places in the Heavenly Kingdom are not gifts, but are rewards to and for those who have earned them

Jesus then asked, "Can ye drink of the cup that I drink of, and be baptized with the Baptism that I am baptized with?" And they said unto Him, "We can." This "cup" and this "baptism" included the mocking, spitting upon, scourging, and killing of Christ. Christ was really saying, this will cost me my life, are you willing to give up your life, also?

Both men said, "We can." Still half of what they said filled with a selfish "we." Perhaps, they were still thinking of the coming struggle necessary to "clean up the temple" and "clear out the land." Their devotion and courage were sufficient for that. They never dreamed of the screaming mobs, stones, nails, swords, arrests, soldiers, Pharisees, godless priests, Pilate, and the horrible Cross.

#### A Strong Resentment (Mark 10:41-45)

"And when the ten heard it they began to be much displeased with James and John." I have often wondered who led in this heated resentment — Judas or Peter. It seems I can hear Judas "hiss out" his anger toward these two crafty disciples. Jesus, however, showed the two that if ever they became "great ones" in the Kingdom of God, they would have to take the route of a servant and come through the avenue of service.

Perhaps, since Peter was the other member of the "inner three," he was the most outspoken in his denunciation of James and John. The attitude of the other ten would indicate that they all had secret desires of becoming "great men" in the anticipated Kingdom. Jesus, who knew what was in the men's hearts, called all the disciples to Him and pointed out how earthly rulers "lord it over the people" and "delight to show off their authority," and then He startled them by saying, "But so shall it not be among you."

#### A Strong Ransom

"For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many." Christ was saying to these ambitious disciples, in order that this great Kingdom may be established and our enemies defeated, the King, Himself, must give His life a ransom for many. Before the ministers of state

could be gathered about Him on His throne, some on the left and some on the right hand, there were many tears to be shed, many battles to be fought, and many heartaches to be encountered. Yes, death must be faced and defeated.

The "ransom for many" is nothing more than the fulfilling of the promise in Isaiah 53:5, "But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed." Verse 44: "And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all."

Then, who will sit, in that day, on the right and left of His throne? Will he be some great preacher, evangelist, or Bible teacher? Will he be one of the early saints, crushed by the bloody jaws of a lion for the pleasure of Nero? Will he or she be a small country preacher, shut-in saint, a little widow in a remote village? The Scriptures teach the he or she will be the one who came the nearest to being a "servant of all." If it is all the same with you, neighbor, I am willing to let Jesus make the choice!

Attendance Figures

(For Jan. 4)			
Church	SS	TU	Additions
Cullendale 1st	438	198	
McGehee 1st	361	162	
Mission	28	21	
Magnolia Central	678	295	
Mission	51	41	
Mena 1st	253		2
Mission	34		
Ft. Smith,			
Calvary	381	140	13

### Mrs. Steinkamp In New Hospital Work

MRS. ILA Wright Steinkamp, 2 Ozark Point, has been appointed to the newly created post of in-service training director at Arkansas Baptist Hospital.

A graduate of the old Little Rock General Hospital, Mrs. Steinkamp for the past two years has been on the staff of the Little Rock City Health Department. Prior to that she served for four years on the staff of the Pulaski County Health Department and from 1949 through 1951 she was instructor, counselor in social sciences and acting director of the Arkansas Baptist Hospital School of Nursing.

Mrs. Steinkamp received her B. S. degree in nursing from Washington University; a master's degree in nursing education from St. Louis University, and a master's in public health nursing from the University of North Carolina.

A past president of the Little Rock District Nurses' Association, Mrs. Steinkamp served for a short time as executive secretary of the Arkansas State Nurses' Association and as parttime secretary of the Arkansas State Board of Nurse Examiners.



SOUTHERN BAPTIST state paper editors, attending an informal conference at Nashville, urged all pastors and laymen to prepare and file their biographical sketches within the next 30 days. The editors are pictured as they prepared to fill out their own life histories as a part of Southern Baptist Conventionwide "Operation Baptist Biography." Aim of the operation is to secure at least 45,000 biographical sketches of Baptists in all walks of life.—Baptist Press Photo.

# "And His Name Was Bill"

W. B. O'NEAL, of RFD, Jacksonville, tell's this mule story:

"My father named him Bill because he had purchased him from a neighbor whose given name was William. Dad should have called him Will, for 'will' was his predominant characteristic.

"He never did do a lick of work willingly. He willed to walk the wrong furrow.

"He willed to take a nip at every weed, straw, bush or shrub he happened to pass even if he had to cross three rows to do it.

"He willed to paw down doors and gates so as to break in or out.

"He willed to be petted, to have his ears rubbed, to be curried or brushed,

but when one came with his harness, that was another question!

"How like Bill is the human will! How it dreads the harness, pulls out of line to pluck at something tasty, steps aside to open doors and gates to more verdant pastures!

"The human will is a rogue and is useful only when forced into usefulness.

"Let this be said of Old Bill. In spite of his badness, he fully paid for his keep for 25 years, even for all the fret and worry he brought about. But it was all because of constant restraint and impelling force brought to bear, along with the fact that his stubbornness was well enough known so that it was never forgotten that Bill was a mule!"

# Baptist Foundation

### Mistakes of Men

Someone has said, "There are two things in which men, in other things wise enough, do usually miscarry; in putting off the making of their wills and their repentance till it be too late."

We know so many people to whom this statement will apply. To postpone the matter of repentance from sin is a grievous neglect, as a Bible writer posed the question, "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?"

But also, in another phase of life, it is proportionally just as tragic to neglect making a will.

In making your will, you can direct the course of your material accumulations. You can name your administrator and give specific directions for the distribution of your material possessions with assurance that your wishes can be carried out.

Someone also has said, "What you leave at your death, let it be without controversy, else the lawyers (and the courts and the state) will be your heirs."

Let us help you plan the disposition of your estate. Let us help you make your will. If in making your will you remember the Arkansas Baptist Foundation or some cause that it sponsors, our lawyers can approve your will without charge. —B. L. Bridges, Secretary, Foundation Department

WALTER AYERS Jr., University of Arkansas football player, surrendered to preach in East Side Church, De-Witt, Nov. 16. Since then he has been licensed to preach and called as pastor of Mountainburg Church. Several of the varsity players have been won to Christ by Ayers.

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