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## Back to Bunker

ONCE in a while a reader asks for some more reminiscences from "down on Bunker." But, in all fairness, I do run into a reader here and there who likes more sophistication than recollections of Bunker are likely to conjure up.

"Bunker" is short for "Bunker Hill." So, it is not a creek or a slough, as some have gathered. It is located in Pope County, three miles south and a little east of London—a little town with a big name—and four miles southwest as thou goest from Millcreek.

Bunker is still there, as big as life. But the impounding of Arkansas River waters by the Dardanelle dam has covered a lot of the tracks of us Bunkerites up and down The Slough and to and from choice fishing holes on The (Illinois) Bayou. And there are not as many fields above the permanent flood for you to look for arrowheads as we kids used to have down that way.

One thing I'd like to do down on Bunker, if I can ever find a reliable tick repellent. (Ticks didn't use to make any difference, but we've grown more tender with fancy, town living.) I'd like to go up to the top of Bunker Hill, where the Bakers used to live, back of the old Reed place, and have a look at the new Arkansas River Lake. All of us used to go up there to look at the river when it would be on one of its frequent flood rampages, remember?

The new lake has cut off what used to be our nearest line of communication from the old Reed place, where I lived as a boy, to Shrigg Eggleston's store, out at London. Over a part of what used to be a mile-long red lane—at the wrong end of which we lived—there is now an arm of the lake.

But, in memory, I still travel that road in our family buggy as it was drawn by our beloved horse, Old Charley.

The end of the line was a bountiful nickel's worth of "chocolate candy" (big, bitter-sweet, chocolated-covered drops), or, perhaps, a bag of peanut brittle squares, back when they made them thick and put peanuts in them. For those of the warped taste bulbs there might even be a poke full of licorice. On a warm day there was nothing quite so refreshing as one of Mr. Shrigg's "fountain cokes," cooled with ice shaved by hand as needed from a 100-pound cake of ice in a wooden icebox.

There were no TV's, radios or electric lights then down on Bunker, and Uncle George Taylor had the only telephone in that part of the county. But we didn't know then that these things were important.

It really takes very little of the material things of life for you to be happy, if your sails are set right and you are decked out in a new pair of overalls and a fresh-ironed shirt. Or, if you are of the fair sex, in a checkered gingham dress, starched and ironed.

*Erwin L. McDonald*

## IN THIS ISSUE:

TRIALS and tribulations of the early Arkansas Baptist State Convention come under the scrutiny of Dr. Bernes K. Selph in a current series of "Beacon Lights of Baptist History." Today, page 6, he tells of the split at the Paragould Convention in 1901.

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ROSALIND Street had an overwhelming response to a recent column wherein she offered to put lonely folk in touch with others with their problem. For a follow-up on "The Correspondence Circle" see page 7.

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"I COUNT the people each Sunday night and it's the same old crowd week after week. No one cares two cents about bringing in the unsaved and helping our church to grow." These were the words uttered by a high school boy to his pastor. The story of the minister's reaction is on pages 8 and 9.

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BAPTISTS of Arkansas are making news—so much, in fact, that this week we are devoting six pages to state news beginning on page 12. In addition you will find "From the Churches" and revivals on page 23.

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THE three major faiths will be represented in a two-day Arkansas Ministers' Workshop at Little Rock in June. The topic of discussion will be the pastor's role in the great revolution of our century—the civil rights revolution. The Editor gives you more information on page 3.

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ONE of the resolutions to be considered at the SBC meeting at Dallas is membership in the proposed North American Baptist Fellowship. Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins of Golden Gate Seminary clarifies the issue on pages 10 and 11.

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## The minister's role

WHAT is the church pastor's part in the greatest revolution of the 20th century—the civil rights revolution?

This will be the center of concern in a two-day Arkansas Ministers' Workshop to be held at the Lafayette hotel, Little Rock, June 14-15. (For details, see story elsewhere in this issue.)

The state's top leadership of the three major faiths—Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish—will be among the program participants, along with consultants from the U. S. Office of Education, the U. S. Office of Economic Opportunity, and Arkansas public officials.

The workshop is being sponsored jointly by the Arkansas Council on Human Relations and the Greater Little Rock Council on Religion and Race. To encourage attendance, free over-night lodging at the Lafayette is being provided for ministers who will be attending from out of town, and tickets to a dinner and a luncheon being held in connection with the workshop are being made available at special low prices.

Whether we like it or not, we are in the midst of rapid and far-reaching changes in race relations. Surely ministers will be well within the bounds of their concerns and duties as they come together to consider what their roles rightly are in the changing world. The editor joins with Executive Secretary Whitlow in urging a good attendance of Baptist pastors.

## Looking to Dallas

THE late Dr. J. R. Grant used to say facetiously that "any number of Baptists can ride in one car—they are so narrow."

Never before have Southern Baptists needed so much to be physically narrow as now. The Dallas convention auditorium, with its seating capacity of 10,000, is not big enough to hold the Texas Baptist State Convention. So, those who are going to Dallas for the annual session of

the Southern Baptist Convention next week better be sure they can qualify as messengers, to get in the front door, and be willing and able to sit in a state of "close communion" once they are in.

Some of you may remember that this editor tried to get the Southern Baptist Executive Committee to reconsider and take this year's sessions to Houston or somewhere else that has plenty of room. So, he's looking forward to saying, "I told you so!" for whatever that will be worth—possibly while sitting on the lap of one of the Executive Committee members!

The question of whether or not Southern Baptists are to join with other Baptists in a "North American Baptist Fellowship" of the Baptist World Alliance, voted negatively last year at Atlantic City and referred for re-study and consideration again this year, will be up for final disposition. Carried in this issue are arguments both for (in an article by Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins) and against (in a "letter to the editor" from Pastor W. D. "Step" Martin of Satsuma, Ala.) Personally, we think the proposed N. A. Fellowship would involve us in nothing different from our membership in the Baptist World Alliance. Since we like the role of Southern Baptists in the BWA and see many advantages and no serious disadvantages in the proposed Fellowship of North American Baptists, we are heartily in favor of the Fellowship. We predict an easy victory this time, after some fireworks.

Another matter to be decided this time will be whether or not to limit the term of the presidency of SBC to one, one-year term instead of continuing to permit one who has served for one year to be re-elected for another one-year term. We used to be inclined to favor the one-term restriction, but Dr. H. H. Hobbs, the latest to serve for two consecutive terms, has converted us to his viewpoint of favoring two terms. And we want to go on record as being solidly back of President Wayne Dehoney for re-election. He has represented Southern Baptists well and with the experience of a year in office should make us even a better president during the coming year than he was this year.

Just this last word of warning, in case this reaches you before you leave for Dallas. If your church has elected you to be one of its messengers to the convention, be sure your moderator has signed your messenger's card. You will not be permitted to fill out your card on your own.

Whether you are to be vying with your fellow Baptists for a seat in the Dallas auditorium or sitting this one out somewhere else, pray for a convention that will bind our hearts and minds together in new purpose of dedication to God's will in our lives.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## *the people SPEAK*

Solace

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

### 'Stolen body'

NOT long ago someone asked why did the Roman soldiers go along with the Jewish elders in agreeing to say that the disciples of Jesus had stolen His body from the tomb while they slept? Mat. 28:11-15. Especially after the centurion had said, "Truly this man was the Son of God"? Mark 15:29.

Apparently the Roman soldiers were practical persons and realized that they were over a barrel. The disciples would have had to penetrate the guard and remove the Roman seal from the tomb.

In the Louvre in Paris is this copy of an ordinance of Caesar that shows what a spot they were in:

"Ordinance of Caesar. It is my pleasure that graves and tombs remain undisturbed in perpetuity for those who have made them for the cult of their ancestors, or children, or members of their house. If, however, any man lay information that another has either demolished them, or has in any other way extracted the buried, or has maliciously transferred them to other places in order to wrong them, or has displaced the sealing, or other stones, against such a one I order that a trial be instituted as in respect of the gods, so in regard to the cult of mortals. For it shall be much more obligatory to honor the buried. Let it be absolutely forbidden for anyone to disturb them. In the case of contravention I desire that the offender be sentenced to capital punishment on charge of violation of sepulture."

What would one of us had done under those circumstances, if we had been in that spot?—F. V. Holman, Ft. Smith

### Answer to a smear

LAST October, when churches encouraged children to collect money for the United Nations Children's Fund instead of "trick or treat-ing" many protests were made by misinformed people who opposed the project. The smear campaign behind these objections could if unchecked, destroy one of the great Christian efforts of our time.

"In these days, when the reactionary forces are fighting for survival in a world which calls for change, it is wise to check what one hears against the

U. N. and its agencies before believing it or repeating it," said Dr. Herman Reissig the well known religious leader.

There are convincing, well documented answers to all the false statements made about UNICEF. Anyone interested can get them by writing to the Church Center for the U. N., 777 United Nations Plaza, New York, N. Y. 10017.

—Katharine McElroy Kent

### There is opposition!

THE North American Baptist Fellowship proposal is being promoted by a special committee, the Executive Committee, most denominational papers and past heads of our denomination. To my knowledge no reaction of opposition has been "voiced in print" to this proposal. I know that Baptists believe and practice fairness, even in the editorial and news release policies of our state papers. Therefore, this article is written.

E. S. James stated that this proposal was to be read by the chairman of the committee, "W. A. Criswell, who is recognized everywhere as a theological conservative who would oppose any compromise on doctrine." This sounds good but it isn't true! Certainly Dr. Criswell would oppose any compromise on doctrine but he is not chairman of this committee.

Therefore, one wonders why he was "selected" to present this recommendation. Looking over those who make up this special committee, his is the name that would most likely get this resolution passed. Certainly the committee realized that the more conservative element of our convention would lean toward a recommendation presented by him. Lest we forget, even a great man can be wrong at times!

Remember that this committee will bring us into more participation with those who are associated or sympathetic with the work of the National Council of Churches. We are fast becoming a rubber stamp denomination, developing an inferiority complex and an isolationist attitude if we don't 'go along' with what others are doing. Did not our Saviour challenge us to be a 'peculiar,' 'separated' people?

### New Arkansas Baptist Subscribers

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FROM night's darkness comes day's light.

From our failures new insight.

From our trials so hard and demanding

Comes our wisdom and understanding.

From today's deep grief and sorrow

Comes greater faith and strength tomorrow.

—Frances Luker Barger, Searcy

It is suggested that we can learn from these different groups. At Atlantic City, Martin L. King, Abernathy, Humphrey and 'that' crowd made up a good part of the programs of these other Baptist bodies. . . . A social revolution seems to be the gospel they preach. This is not what I Corinthians 15:1-4 says is the gospel.

Now, we want to learn all we can and if others care to learn from us, our doors are open. We, however, have always learned from the Word of God.

Have I mistaken our mission or is it still to evangelize? I am convinced that we have committee-ed and met ourselves out of an evangelistic concern for the lost. I realize that this is not true in all of our churches, but honesty necessitates our admitting the truth of this statement for the most part. The accent of our Baptist life has been outreach. We don't need more organizations. Our need is to GO. . . .

It is inferred that the operations of this committee will be at no additional expense to Southern Baptists. Directly perhaps this is true, but indirectly it is a farce. We pay 65 percent of the bills now of the Baptist World Alliance, and God only knows how much in the future. . . .

These are several reasons why there is opposition to this proposal. Those to whom I have talked are varied in their opinions. Many are yet undecided. Several see no need at all for any more 'ties.' I do feel that many of the views mentioned here are held by a host of Southern Baptist pastors and laymen. These may constitute a minority, but remember Caleb and Joshua.

Weigh these facts. Then if you can conscientiously support this proposal, that is up to you. Personally, I say, "Yes, there is opposition."—W. D. "Step" Martin, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Satsuma, Alabama



-Photo by Paul Currier

### The Baylor blondes

ONE problem that a number of Southern Baptists face won't be placed before the Southern Baptist Convention at Dallas.

It's the problem of Baylor's Tawny Twins, our cover girls, Melinda Bull of Waco and Gracie Hatfield of Little Rock.

Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine readers will remember Gracie as a summer staff member of the publication in 1964. She is the daughter of state Sunday School Department Secretary Lawson Hatfield.

The look-alikes live on the same floor of New Hall, which has confused other residents all year. They're learning to answer to each other's name.

On April Fool's Day, the girls decided to add chaos to the mix-up. They wore identical outfits and fixed their hair alike. Together they spent the day, seeing just how much they could puzzle their fellow students at Baylor. They would walk down the sidewalks on opposite sides of the street and watch the double-takes.

Melinda hid in the office closet of *Iscani*, campus magazine of which Gracie is assistant editor, and was miffed when an instructor opened the door, saw Melinda and merely said, "My, you find people in the strangest places," and shut the door.

## Arkansas Ministers' Workshop

"THE Pastor's Role in Community Change" will be the theme of a two-day Arkansas Ministers' Workshop to be held here June 14-15 at the Lafayette hotel. For ministers of the Catholic, Protestant and Jewish faiths, the workshop is being sponsored jointly by the Arkansas Council on Human Relations and the Greater Little Rock Council on Religion and Race.

Rev. Nat Griswold, director of the Arkansas Council on Human Relations, released the program of the workshop today.

The first session will be held the afternoon of June 14, beginning at 3:30 and following registration from 2:30 to 3:30. A panel composed of Bishop Robert R. Brown, of the Episcopal Church; Bishop A. L. Fletcher, of the Catholic Church; Bishop Paul V. Galloway, of the Methodist Church; and Dr. S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, will deal with "The Role of the Pastor in Community Change." Serving as moderator of the panel will be Rev. T. Chalmers Henderson, president of the Arkansas Council of Churches and executive secretary of the Arkansas Synod of the Presbyterian Church.

Speaking on the workshop theme at an evening session will be Rev. Colbert S. Cartwright, pastor of Central Christian Church, Youngstown, O., and a former pastor of Pulaski Heights Christian Church, Little Rock.

A panel will be heard again, in a session June 15 from 9 to

10:15 a.m. dealing with "Purview of Probable and Possible Change," in public schools and in relation to economic opportunities in the "War on Poverty" program.

This panel will be made up of consultants from the U. S. Office of Education, the U. S. Office of Economic Opportunity, and Arkansas public officials and will be presided over by Ozell Sutton, associate director of Arkansas Council on Human Relations.

From 10:20 to 12:50 p.m., workshop sessions will be held simultaneously on: "Schools: Probable and Possible Changes"; "Schools: Possible Affirmative Action"; and "Economic Opportunities—Community Action."

Dr. John Claypool, pastor of Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., will be the guest speaker at 2 p.m., speaking on "Law, Order, and Morality."

The workshops sessions are being organized in such a way as to give each person in attendance an opportunity to examine in detail each topic being considered, Mr. Griswold said.

Out-of-town participants will be provided free over-night lodging at the Lafayette hotel and all participants will be given special rates for tickets to a dinner on the opening day and a luncheon at noon the following day, according to Mr. Griswold. This is made possible, he said, through "a special grant of \$700 from a foundation."

It is expected that up to 300 ministers will attend the workshops, Mr. Griswold estimated.

### New church building

TEMPLE Church, Searcy, held its first service in its new building, at Cherry and Maple, May 23. Rev. Wayne Gunther is pastor.

## Beacon Lights of Baptist History

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

### Division at Paragould

THE report of the Missions Committee at the Paragould Convention in 1901 was encouraging. The state secretary's salary was \$1,500 dollars yearly, with the Home Mission Board paying \$300 of it. Secretary A. J. Barton reported that the State Mission Board employed 42 missionaries that year. They had baptized 1,299, organized 25 churches, had 2,240 other additions, and helped erect 11 church edifices. Gifts to missions were up.

The orphanage had 47 children with a large dormitory completed and all bills paid.

Ouachita and Central Colleges were doing well along with the academies.

The Sunday School Board with headquarters in Ft. Smith had organized 92 Sunday Schools and four churches under the leadership of its 17 workers. The W.M.U. gave a heartening report.

Though the report of the Committee was encouraging it was not

received as such. The State Secretary's report had been referred to the State Missions Committee. It reported at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday. This report and related matters were discussed until midnight. The discussion on it opened again Monday morning and lasted until the afternoon when a majority approved it.

One point of controversy was the publication of the *Arkansas Baptist*. Editor W. A. Clark had promised the year before at the Convention at Hope that he would not attack the employees of the State Convention through his paper. He had not kept his promise. The publication report recommended that the state withdraw its approval and recommendation of the paper. This report was approved. The disapproval proved to be the breaking point.

Arkansas Baptists split into two groups which came to be known as the Convention Baptists and Association or Landmark Baptists.

During the long discussion in the Convention it was pointed out that the Association Baptist leadership came from Kentucky, Tennessee and Georgia. Not a single leader of any note among the

Landmarks came from Arkansas. Too, these leaders had served and worked with the conventions in the other states.

Some of those who opposed Convention methods were surprised to learn that their main leader had written a book in 1894 in which he argued for boards, salaries to preachers, and conventions. He claimed in this book that the New Testament settled such things as being right.

Why did such views, foreign to Arkansas Baptists' work and plans, find such a hold? Dr. J. S. Rogers in his *History of Arkansas Baptists* gives several reasons. Arkansas had been a rural state and communications with a progressive world were limited. It was difficult to make a living and there was little money. It was easy to appeal to man's innate stinginess. In 1880, Arkansas was still a frontier state and conditions were unsettled. Jealousies, prejudices and suspicion as the aftermath of the Civil War were still strong. The Convention was young and its leadership did not yet have its full equilibrium. In such conditions a negative leadership found a hearing and following.

## The Bookshelf

*Preaching Through the Bible*, by Eric W. Hayden, Zondervan, 1964, \$3.95

J. Sidlow Baxter, in the foreword, says of this book that it is true to its title, that the pulpit expositions contained in it give a "bird's-eye view, not a surveyor's ground-plan plotted in square yards," and that the book "is faithful to the Word, forthright in expression, and forceful in application."

Two new Broadman Press books include: *Two Shall Be One*, by Reuben Herring, 1964, and *The Pilgrimage of Christianity*, by Pope A. Duncan.

Author Herring's dedication is a glowing tribute to his own helpmeet: "The real key to a successful marriage is a wife like Dorothy (too bad there isn't another like her in all the world)". This is a most interesting and helpful book for couples and families.

Dr. Duncan gives a concise and lively account "of men and major events from the first century to the twentieth."

*The Pulpit Speaks on Race*, edited by Alfred T. Davies, Abingdon, 1965, \$3.95

Contributors to this symposium include Eugene Carson Blake, William Sloane Coffin Jr., Gerald Kennedy, Martin Luther King Jr., and many other well known clergymen. It is dedicated to the memory of those whose lives have been taken because of racial hatred.

Editor Davies states in the preface: "The major denominations have frequently and prophetically spoken on the national board, conference, or assembly levels with official statements, pronouncements, and resolutions. But the words that are ultimately the most effective must be uttered on the local level. . . ."

*What Was Bugging Ol' Pharaoh?* by Charles M. Schulz, creator of "Peanuts," is a paperback from Warner Press that sells for \$1.

*Christ and the Church*, by Dale Moody, an exposition of Ephesians with special application to some present issues, is now available in paperback from Eerdmans at \$1.45.

*The Good News According to Matthew*, translated by Henry Einspruch, is a paperback published by the Lewis and Harriet Lederer Foundation of Baltimore.

*Be a Real Teen-Ager!*, is now a paperback by Warren W. Wiersde, published by Revell for 89 cents.

A set of six paperback books have just come from the Macmillan Company featuring Bible stories in color art work for small children. The books are 59 cents each and include: *The Baptism of Jesus*, *The Man Born Blind*, *Jesus and the Cripple*, *Noah*, *Paul Becomes an Apostle*, and *Elijah and the Five From Heaven*.

The following new paperbacks are from the press of Eerdmans: *War in Heaven*, by Charles Williams; *Descent Into Hell*, by Charles Williams; *Descent of the Dove*, by Charles Williams; *Phantastes and Lilith*, by George MacDonald, two novels; *The Ministry of the Spirit*, edited by David M. Patton; and *The Preacher's Portrait*, by John R. W. Stott.

## The Correspondence Circle



THE story of the correspondence friendship, Apr. 22, touched off a stream of communication. Almost every mail brings two or three letters from persons who are lonely and have a desire to correspond with others interested in forming new, congenial friendships.

A number of you enclosed stamped self-addressed envelopes. I will not be able to personally answer each letter, but I do plan to compile a list of addresses to mail those of you who have expressed a desire to establish friendships by mail.

One angle I must prepare you for: practically all requests to date are from women. Despite Richard H. Klemer's documented thesis that there is "A Man for Every Woman," the ratio of women to men writing is ten to one.

It is an accepted fact that men are more timid than women and more wary of ventures of this kind. Perhaps the assurance that no names will be published will encourage men to join the Correspondence Circle. I shall simply set up an address-exchange for those who request a place in the Circle and assume no further responsibility. You take it from there!

Here is an excerpt from one letter, typical of moods expressed:

"To be sure I can visit the sick, attend meetings, and fill the hours, but the lonely heart is still there.

"Wonderful friends and relatives help. . . but if the lawn mower refuses to start, the problem is mine alone.

"Vital concern and care is what is missed: some one to share the joys and annoyances of life.

"To have a lovely home beautifully furnished with no one to share it is a waste.

"For sometime I had been wondering why Baptists couldn't have

a bringing together of the bereaved so broken hearts could be mended by love. . ."

Two letters have been on my desk for sometime — letters describing difficult situations. Neither of them can be adequately dealt with columnwise. Both obviously call for professional service. Directing brief paragraphs to them, I shall frankly follow an Ann Landers pattern at this point — "Confidential to:"

(1) The man whose wife left him with no explanation: Responding to your request we have been praying that your problem would be worked out in the way that is to the best interest of you both. Viewing the matter from a human standpoint, I cannot be too optimistic since she has refused your letters and since so long a time has elapsed with no communication. Nothing is beyond God's power, however; and if it is within His plan and purpose the miracle will come to pass.

A part of the reason for your crisis experience may be revealed in your statement, "Her folks don't like me. . ." Usually when people don't like us, they have a reason. We do well to check our personalities and our actions to be sure the reason does not lie within ourselves. You mention helping them. There are people who take a patronizing air toward people they have aided so that the helped ones are uncomfortable around their benefactors. Any time one of us recognizes corrections needed within ourselves, we should go about the process with sincerity and Christian dignity, no ado; no groveling.

I dare not hazard an opinion nor advice; but we will keep you on our prayer list.

(2) The wife whose husband brags about being a pervert: let me recommend to you two books on prayer, "Your Prayers Are Always Answered" by Lake and Pra-

yer by Hallesby. Prayer is the only answer I know to your problem. Prayer that you may find a way to get your husband to accept professional care. Prayer that you may be given wisdom, patience, grace and strength.

Is there some Christian man whose help you might enlist to cultivate your husband's confidence and get him to seek God's help to a higher plane of living? Here again, the only help I can offer is a place on our prayer list.

Perhaps this is an appropriate place for a word about charm. Here is an acrostic borrowed from Mrs. Homer E. DeLozier of Missouri.

Charm: "the ability to allure, fascinate, delight, or please greatly"

### C-haracter

Almost surely the most charming person you know possesses these traits: sincerity, humility, honesty; is responsible, dependable, industrious, patient and unselfish.

### H-abits

"An act repeated so often that it becomes automatic"

Cleanliness of body and thought, cheerfulness, good taste, refinement

### A-ppearance

Grooming, attire and poise Not, "Well, here I am!" but, "O, there you are!"

### R-espect

"To show honor and esteem for, to treat with courtesy, to show consideration for"

Recognize others at all times, give attention, do not interrupt, do not speak loudly or boisterously, make others feel important, speak kindly and gently, be tactful and sympathetic.

"The best way to overcome an inferiority complex is to think of others—not self."

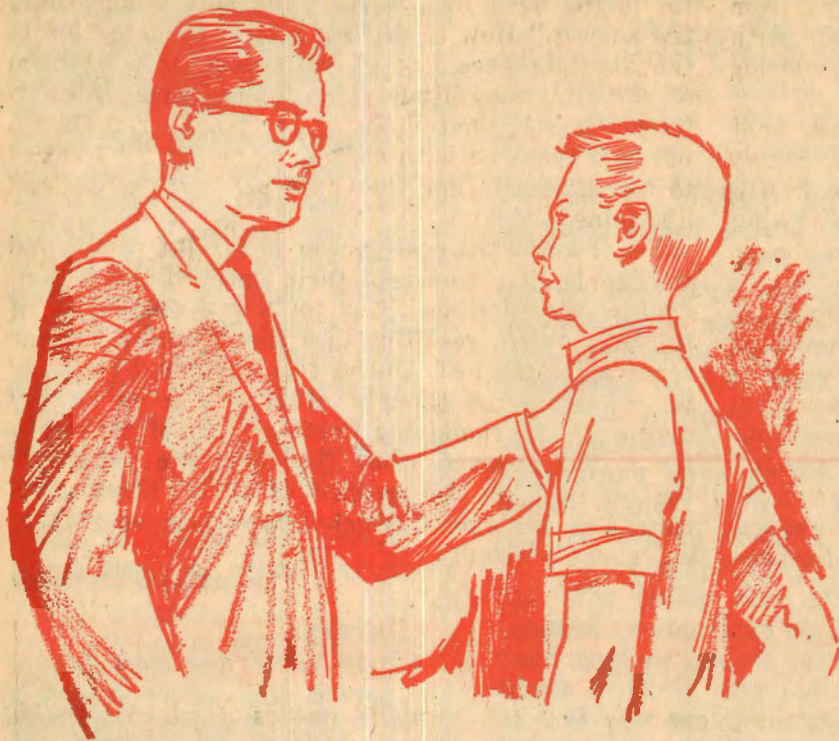
### M-anners

Common sense, courtesy and considerateness.

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# I AM STILL SHAKEN

*By a concerned pastor*

MY name must remain anonymous, I suppose, not for my own sake but for the best interests of my church and all concerned. The experience of which I write came about quite unexpectedly in a routine interview with a high school boy in my study. Had I foreseen the outcome I am not certain that I would have had the courage to go through with it. When it was over I felt for a while that I had reached a new low in the black pit of discouragement. Doubtless every pastor has experienced a few such dark hours.

The boy really had nothing against me personally, I am sure. It was I who asked the rather casual question, "And by the way, I'm not trying to probe, but how are you getting along spiritually?"

His frank reply quite jolted me. He readily acknowledged that he was not getting along spiritually at all. As he himself put it, he had "just no interest in spiritual things whatsoever." He further admitted that he came to church only because his parents insisted on it, and he assured me that there were other young folk who felt as he did. As far as he was concerned, he said, he could better spend his time at his homework. I detected no trace of insolence or sarcasm as he spoke. There was only an intense earnestness in his remarks.

Maybe I should have dropped the subject then and there. It would have spared my feelings considerably had I done so; but my conscience pushed me into asking the next question: "But why? Why do you feel this way?"

I almost wish I could forget his answers, but probably that would be akin to the ostrich hiding his head in the sand. The boy went on: "Well, pastor, I no longer simply accept everything I'm told. Sure, I still believe the Bible and all the basic things I've

been taught. But I just don't see too much around our church that is genuine and real. I'd like to see Christianity really work for somebody, and then maybe I would give it a try.

"I count the people each Sunday night, and it's the same old crowd week after week. No one cares two cents about bringing in the unsaved and helping our church to grow. We're quite content if we just hold our own. To my way of thinking, that's not real Christianity. If our people had anything on the ball, they would be out after new families and showing real concern for the building up of this church. They may say that God is first in their lives, but I can't say that I see much proof of it in actual practice."

I almost hoped he was through; but he continued:

"You know, it seems to me that if Christian people really were concerned about the work of the Lord, they would all be pulling together instead of each family heading in different directions. Maybe I'm wrong, but somehow I feel that true Christians ought to be able to get along better together."

I did not ask for specific illustrations to prove his point. I could already think of too many.

"Oh, I know the conduct of other Christians doesn't excuse me, but what I have observed hasn't influenced me in the right direction, I assure you! Really, pastor, I often wonder how you can stick around a place like this. I know that I wouldn't if I could help it. Oh, I'm not blaming you; our church has been this way for years, and every pastor has found it so. I would think the ministry ought to be a rewarding experience with growth and blessing and progress. But this must be a mighty discouraging place for you to serve."

These were his statements, recorded as accurately

as I can recall them. Somehow I think they will be fixed in my mind just as vividly ten years from now, or even twenty, as they are today when with heavy heart I try to put on paper what he told me only two nights ago.

Of course, I am not so naive as to think that everything the boy said was entirely right. Surely there are at least a few examples of genuine, Spirit-filled people in my church. However, so much of what he said did make sense that I am still quite shaken by the interview.

Perhaps I was wrong in making no attempt to defend myself or to vindicate my congregation. Still, too much of what he said was absolutely true. I felt that he had already won his case—temporarily, at least—and that only the Lord could show him someday the other side of the picture (if there is one). More particularly, only the Holy Spirit can make him aware of his own responsibility to God regardless of the faulty conduct, real or supposed, of others.

Just where to go from here I really cannot say; for in the boy's own words, "I'm sure I don't have the answer." How to awaken a local congregation to the absolute necessity of witnessing is a problem of the first magnitude. The double curse of indifference and stagnation is not too readily recognized, nor is it removed with ease. It is no special comfort to be reminded that there are other churches just like mine.

Yes, I know the real answer is for the pastor and the people alike to accept their share of the responsibility. We must seek God for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit, resulting in a revival and a genuine concern for the lost. Unless this happens I certainly do not relish the thought of preaching on Sunday nights for the remaining fleeting years of my ministry to the unsaved when they just are not there! Neither do I like the prospect of having other interviews like the one of which I have here so frankly but sadly written.

— The Alliance Witness

### Middle of the Road

## Dead or alive

BY J. I. COSSEY

IN most of our district associations, we refer to certain of our small churches as "dead churches." We would like to raise some questions about the little churches that we call "dead churches." How dead are these churches? Have their members moved away or have they lost interest? Does the church have a pastor? Is he inexperienced? Does he live on the field? Is he in ill health, or is he indifferent? If help were offered him, would he accept it? Does anyone care if this church is dead?

The association in which this church is located has a responsibility in the destiny of this little struggling church. It is also the responsibility of neighboring churches to look after the inactive condition of this little church. The Association's executive board should look after the spiritual life and growth of every church that is represented in its annual meeting. We should not let our little churches die because of our neglect. The churches that

are never represented in our monthly meetings should have the immediate attention of the association board and the missionary. While we are starting new churches and missions, we should keep ourselves alerted to any church that may be going through a period of struggling for its very life.

Whatever be your aliveness, whether an individual or a church, all should strive to be "alive in sixty-five." I am sure that none of us want to be identified with a dead organization or a dying cause. Every church should, at once, take an inventory of its activity in each department of the church's life. The Sunday School, the greatest outreach of a church, should be a dynamic force of growing power. The Training Union does the best work when it is bubbling over with spiritual enthusiasm. No organization can be alive in 'sixty-five with a draggy and dying activity.

Who is responsible for the life-giving elements in a church? The church, and every member in it must be responsible for the life and activity of that particular church. The joy in life is in living effectively and fruitfully every day.

A church lives best and is happiest when it lives and cooperates with others. A lone-wolf church

usually spends a lot of valuable time trying to defend its position. A living, breathing, dynamic church has a purpose and is daily giving account of its stewardship. A church with a long range program is attractive in its daily activity and is constantly attracting new members.

### *I have heard it said*

I have heard it said that it's beautiful there;  
The streets are of gold so pure.  
I have heard it said that skies are fair,  
and that the souls of men are secure.

They tell me that I'll like it in that world  
With its river of life flowing so free  
And its wall of safety with gates of pearl  
And its beauty, its joy, its jubilee.

Yes, I know that Heaven is the place for me.  
It's there that I long to be,  
But not for its streets of gold,  
nor gates of pearl,  
But for the Saviour of Calvary.  
—Ernie Perkins, Pastor, Pleasant View Baptist Church, Bridgeport, Tex.

# The North American Baptist Fellowship

GAINES S. DOBBINS  
GOLDEN GATE SEMINARY  
MILL VALLEY, CALIF.

WHEN the Southern Baptist Convention meets at Dallas, messengers will be called on to consider the resolution that the Convention apply for membership in the proposed North American Baptist Fellowship. Because of possible misunderstanding, the faculty of Golden Gate Seminary, following discussion, requested the writer to prepare a clarifying statement for Southern Baptists.

Better understanding is obviously needed in response to these questions: (1) Is there need of such an organization? (2) Is it well named? (3) Why should it be under the direction of the Baptist World Alliance? (4) Will it not ultimately involve undue expense? (5) Is there not danger that it may eventually assume ecclesiastical authority? (6) May it not tend to involve the Convention in "entangling alliances"?

Briefly, let us examine and reply to these questions.

Immediately, the sense of need of such a fellowship stemmed from the desire to "continue the gains and values growing out of the Baptist Jubilee Advance Program (1959-1964)." For five years the Baptist bodies of North America concentrated their concern on such basic matters as "Cooperative Witness," "Bible Teaching and Training," "Stewardship and Enlistment," "Church Extension," "World Missions," and "Joint Jubilee Celebration" (held at Atlantic City, 1964).

The essential unity of these Baptists of differing names was discovered and deepened and advances were made together that might not have been

made separately. These gains were felt to be of too great value to be abandoned. Again, since North American Baptists constitute approximately three-fourths of the Baptists of the world, their responsibility and opportunity to encourage and aid other struggling Baptist groups can obviously be better actualized cooperatively than in isolation. Again, in the light of current agitation for ecumenicity, North American Baptists may demonstrate vital Christian unity in diversity intra-denominationally without compromise of conviction.

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## 'Fellowship' or 'Committee'?

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Is the name well chosen? Some think there is appropriateness and even advantage in "Fellowship" over "Committee," for the former connotes less formality of structure; but the difference between the two designations would not appear to be great. Under either designation the purpose of the proposal might just as well be achieved. "Fellowship" is more nearly a New Testament concept, representing the *koinonia* about which Paul writes as he describes the sense of unity in Christ which should characterize believers: but "committee" is a more familiar Baptist word and may well serve the same desired end. The difference is not worth debating and assuredly should not prove an obstacle to consideration of the proposal.

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# -----a clarification

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Why should the fellowship be under the direction of the Baptist World Alliance? The Alliance already has an office building, a general secretary and efficient secretarial staff. The Alliance serves as a clearing house for all affiliated Baptist bodies and is in continuous touch with them. Since the fellowship will be non-operational and its purpose primarily that of sharing, it will conform to the Alliance pattern and will add no significant burden to the normal conduct of the affairs of the Alliance. Separate identity of the fellowship from the Alliance will be maintained through a representative general committee, the elected officers of the fellowship, serving with the President and General Secretary of the Alliance. The fellowship may develop independent working departments analogous to those of the Alliance. The general committee will meet annually and may arrange occasional meetings involving the constituent bodies.

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## Nominal expenses

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What of expenses? In the discussions and in the framing of the plan, much thought was given to preventing the Fellowship from becoming financially burdensome. There will be no employed officers. Whatever nominal expense is incurred will be cared for through the budget of the Baptist World Alliance. It is expected that the value of the Fellowship will stimulate member bodies to contribute a bit more generously to the Alliance budget to care for the nominal expense of the general committee but the Fellowship will undertake to raise no money for itself.

Is there any ground for fear that the Fellowship may become ecclesiastically authoritarian? A by-law clearly states that the Fellowship "shall have

no authority over any Baptist church nor undertake any work for which the member bodies are responsible." Its function will always be that of servant, never of master.

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## 'Essential oneness'

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Will membership in the Fellowship exceed the authority of the Convention or risk embarrassment because of this relationship to other Baptist bodies? Clearly no more so than in its membership in the Baptist World Alliance, which "exists in order more fully to show the essential oneness of the Baptist people in the Lord Jesus Christ, to impart inspiration to the brotherhood, and to promote the spirit of fellowship, service, and cooperation among its members."

The chief difference between the Alliance and the Fellowship will be territorial—the Alliance embraces the Baptists of the world, the Fellowship confines its membership to the Baptists of the North American continent. This concentration will not interfere with or duplicate the work of the Alliance but will strengthen and complement it through concentration within this limited boundary.

We Southern Baptists have much to contribute to Baptist unity at home and abroad; and our own life will be enriched as we cultivate acquaintance and understanding across our own organizational lines. This becomes particularly true since there are now Southern Baptist groups throughout almost all of North America.

I have watched development of the idea and the ideals of the North American Fellowship from its inception and I am soundly convinced that we have much to gain and to give through participation and little if anything to lose. It is my earnest hope that the resolution will be approved at Dallas.

# Arkansas All Over—

## Arkansans new missionaries



*THE Allens locate Indonesia, the country where they expect to serve.*

REV. and Mrs. Bobby E. Allen, natives of Arkansas, were appointed missionaries to Indonesia by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board during its May meeting in Richmond, Va.

Mr. Allen was born in Prescott and grew up in Lawrence County. Mrs. Allen is the former Barbara Fleeman, of Manila. They now live in Garland, Tex., where he is pastor of Eastern Hills Church.

They began seriously considering overseas service two years ago. He told the Foreign Mission Board that he first indicated an interest in becoming a missionary when he was a teen-ager.

Mr. Allen graduated from Southern College, Walnut Ridge, with the associate of arts degree, from

East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, with the bachelor of arts degree, and from Southwestern Seminary, with the bachelor of divinity degree.

He has served in his present pastorate in Garland for 10 and a half years. During that period the church has grown in membership from approximately 100 to 800 and has completed several building programs.

Previously he was pastor of two churches in Newsome, Tex., and associate pastor of Lake City (Ark.) Church.

Mrs. Allen attended Southern College, Southwestern Seminary, and Texas Woman's University, Denton. She and her husband have five children, Mary Lynn, 11,

Susan, nearly 10, Eugene, eight, Samuel, seven, and David, five and a half.

They were among 22 missionaries appointed by the Foreign Mission Board on May 12, bringing the Southern Baptist overseas mission staff to 2,002.

### Southern BSU

NEW B.S.U. officers at Southern College are:

President, Herby Early; vice President, Maria Wood; secretary-treasurer, Patty Cates; music chairman, Billy Jones; program chairmen, Melba Harris and David Hart; social chairman, Pat Jenkins; Christian Life, Hubert Bittie; stewardship, Lee Lewis; mission chairman, Linda Mitchell; publicity chairman, Glenda Watson.

### Briggs on faculty

DR. Philip H. Briggs, program director of Second Church, Little Rock, since 1962, has resigned to accept a position on the faculty of Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City. Dr. Briggs will be associate professor in the department of Religious Education and Church Administration.

His duties at the seminary begin Aug. 1.

Mrs. Briggs is the former Miss Jenette Crouch. They have three children, Philip, Randall and Brenda.



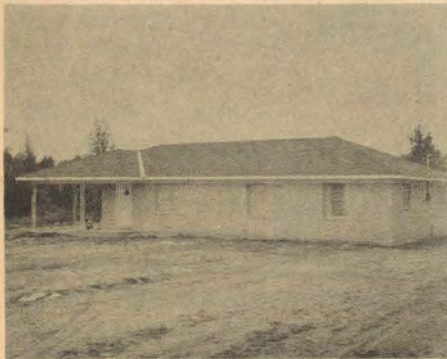
PHILIP H. BRIGGS



LT. Robert A. Parker (right), Chaplain Corps, U. S. Naval Reserve, is welcomed by Capt. Robert F. McComas to the Chaplains' seminar held at Ninth Naval District Headquarters, Great Lakes, Ill., Apr. 20-May 3. Chaplain Parker was among 25 Naval Reserve chaplains from throughout the country attending the advanced level seminar planned specifically to deal with the ministry of the appropriate duty chaplain, in which capacity he serves the U. S. Naval Reserve Training Facility, Camden. Chaplain Parker is pastor of Cullendale First Church, Camden.



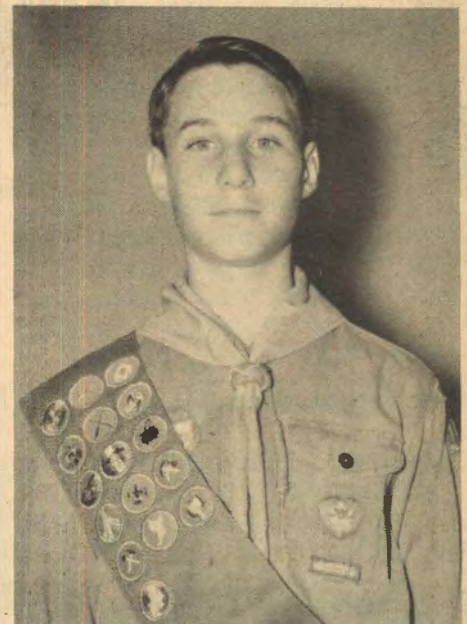
**ARKANSAS SEMINARY GRADUATES** — Three students from Arkansas are included among the 135 from 23 states scheduled to graduate from Southern Seminary, Louisville, at commencement exercises May 28. Top row are Arlen W. Baker, Rogers, bachelor of divinity; and Matthew Pierce Mattheney Jr., El Dorado, doctor of theology. (Left)—Joseph F. Simmons Jr., Malvern, master of religious education.



**HARDIN Church**, six miles west of Pine Bluff on Highway U. S. 270, has completed its church's new pastorium. Open house was held May 2. The pastorium, of buff brick, was built at a cost of \$11,000 and is valued at \$16,000. Mr. W. L. Hildersheim served as building committee chairman and contractor. Others on the building committee were Bill Werninger and L. W. Allbritton. R. B. King is pastor.



AN Arkansas student was among the 174 who graduated from Southeastern Seminary May 7. Robert W. Russell of Little Rock received the bachelor of divinity degree. With this twelfth commencement Southeastern graduates now number 1,814.



**ROGER Margason**, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Margason was presented the Boy Scout God and Country Award by Harold Elmore, pastor of First Church, Mountain Home, in the evening worship service Apr. 25. This is the first time this award has been earned by a Scout in the community.

# Camden First honors brides-to-be



(LEFT to right) Miss Jane Ellen Miller, bride-elect of Johnny Wilson; Miss Cheryl Bechtelheimer, bride-elect of Ken Martin; Miss Brenda Wells, bride-elect of Gene Lowe; and Miss Betty Emanuel, bride elect of Jerry Brown.

FOUR brides-to-be from First Church, Camden, were honored in a White Bible ceremony conducted by the Young Woman's Auxiliary of the WMU of the church, in the church sanctuary the night of April 28. Each of the brides-to-be all of whom are to be married in the church, was presented a white Bible.

They are: Cheryl Betchelheimer, who will be married to Ken Martin, July 18; Jane Ellen Miller, who will be married to Johnny Wilson, June 18; Betty Emanuel, who will be wed to Jerry Brown, June 27; and Brenda Wells, who will marry Gene Lowe, June 30. Two of the brides

to-be will graduate from college this spring: Miss Wells, from Southern State College, and Miss Emanuel, from Ouachita University. Misses Miller and Betchelheimer are students at Ouachita University and plan to continue their studies there.

Members of the high school YWA who participated in the service were: Patsy Harcrow, Linda Smith, Billy Joyce Dutton, Judy Childers, Nancy Maddox, Dianne Williams and Roseanne Deal.

Dr. John R. Maddox is the pastor. Mrs. Maddox is the counselor for the group and Mrs. John Miller is the WMU President.

## OBU scholarship

GLEND A Emberton, editor of the Scotland High School yearbook and valedictorian of her class, has been awarded a \$100 journalism scholarship to Ouachita University.



MISS EMBERTON

Miss Emberton, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Emberton of Scotland, was one of the assistant editors on the Bryant High School newspaper before moving to Scotland.

## English evangelist

FIRST Church, Prescott, will engage in a revival meeting June 7-13, with Rev. W. Charles Johnson, London, England, as guest evangelist.

Mr. Johnson is the General Secretary of the London Baptist Association, which consists of 278 Baptist churches in London whose membership represents one fifth of Baptist strength in Great Britain. He is also Secretary of the London Baptist Property Board Ltd., the trustee body for church buildings and manses in London, an organization which makes loans for church buildings.

Trained at Spurgeon's College, (the largest Baptist College in Britain) London, he was minister at Newbury (six years), Camden Road, London (10 years) and Ilford, London (10 years). In 1954 he was elected secretary of the London Baptist Association in succession to Dr. Henry Cook, who became European Secretary, Baptist World Alliance.

## Phillips licensed

DON Phillips was recently licensed to preach by Immanuel Church, Fayetteville.



MR. PHILLIPS

A student at the University of Arkansas, Mr. Phillips plans to enter seminary after graduation. At the time he entered the university he made his home at Ft. Smith. His parents have since moved to Tulsa.

## Tweed to Blytheville

RAY Tweed, pastor of New Providence Church, Leachville, for three years, has resigned to accept the pastorate of New Liberty Church, Blytheville.

A native of Ft. Smith, Mr. Tweed is married to the former Miss Mary Ellen Pickett of Walcott. They have two children, Terri, 8, and Vic, 4.

## Jewish service held

A STUDENT rabbi, serving Congregation Meir Chayim in McGehee, conducted the Jewish model Seder ("demonstration service") of the Passover for the youth group of First Baptist Church, Washington, Ind., this year. The Baptist youths planned the observance to help them better understand the significance of Passover in the Old Testament — and why it is mentioned so frequently in the New Testament. Dr. Noble Butler is pastor of the church and Rev. John C. Hillhouse is assistant pastor.

# New Orleans to graduate 125



JAMES H. HAMMOND



JAMES A. SAMPLE

NEW ORLEANS — Graduation for 125 seniors at New Orleans Seminary will be held May 28, at 10 a.m.

Seventeen students are scheduled to receive graduate degrees in theology or religious education. A total of 11 different degrees will be conferred in the schools of theology, religious education, and music, with the largest number of students, 47, receiving the bachelor of divinity degree.

Commencement speaker will be Dr. G. Othell Hand, pastor of First Church, Columbus, Ga. A traditional picnic lunch on the

## About missionaries

FOUR Southern Baptist missionaries to Brazil are beginning assignments in field evangelistic work, following a year of initial language study in Campinas, Sao Paulo. Rev. and Mrs. R. Brown Hughes will be stationed in Jaguaquara, Bahia (they may be addressed at Caixa Postal 184, Salvador, Bahia, Brazil). Both are natives of Tennessee, he of Lebanon and she, the former Bobbie Stephens, of Memphis. Rev. and Mrs. James M. Wilson will live in Teresina, Piaui (address: Caixa Postal 102, Teresina, Piaui, Brazil). He is a native of Pine Bluff; she is the former Betty Miller, of Hannah, N. D.

Seminary lawn for campus visitors will follow the graduation exercises.

Arkansans receiving Bachelor of Divinity degrees are James A. Sample, Ashdown, and James H. Hammond, Paragould.

## Missco Association

GOSNELL has torn down the old church building and is constructing a new auditorium to seat more than 400 at an estimated cost of \$65,000. William Kreis is pastor.

TRINITY has called Myron Dillow as pastor. He is graduating in May with a doctorate from Southwestern Seminary.

CLEAR Lake is remodeling the auditorium. S. W. Davis is pastor.

OSCEOLA Calvary will start construction on its new auditorium soon. E. A. Boyer is pastor.

JOINER has called Milton Wilson as pastor.

## European study program

PARTICIPATING in Oklahoma Baptist University's 1965 European Study Program ten weeks this summer will be Lyndell Worthen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyndell Worthen, formerly of Forrest City, now living at Ardmore, Okla. Worthen is a freshman history major at OBU.

## Camden pastorium dedicated

THE new pastorium of the First Church, Camden, was dedicated at the morning worship service Sunday, April 25. In the afternoon, Dr. John R. Maddox, pastor, Mrs. Maddox, and their children, Johnny, Nancy, and Don, held open house at the new home, which is located at 138 Berg.

The three-bedroom home has a living room, dining room combination, den, kitchen, utility room,

two baths, and an attractive patio and back porch.

The former pastorium, which was next to the church, has been sold and will be moved. This will allow room for the new educational building which is to be erected in the near future. After the new building is finished, the only remaining part of the old church building, known as "Babyland," will be removed.





## Hawkins to Louisiana



GARY HAWKINS

GARY Hawkins has resigned as pastor of Pickles Gap Church, Conway, to accept the pastorate of Fellowship Church, Dubach, La., effective June 1. Mr. Hawkins is a native of Louisiana. He has also pastored Jasper Church and Parthenon Church.

While he was at Pickles Gap, the church departmentized the Sunday School including extension, adopted a constitution, and wrote a history. There have been 8 baptisms and 28 additions by letter. The church has made a net gain from 157 members to 175. The Sunday School has grown from an enrollment of 95 to 132.

## Harmony Association

C. PHELAN Boone is the new pastor of Lee Memorial Church. He is a graduate of Ouachita University and Midwestern Seminary. He has been serving for two years as pastor of First Church, Humansville, Mo. Mrs. Boone is the former Miss LaVerne Bentley, Ft. Smith. They have two sons, David, 12, and Gary, 7.

Minor E. Cole is serving as interim pastor of Altheimer Church.

J. Ronald Kimbell, pastor of First Church, St. Charles, has resigned to accept the pastorate of Humphrey Church.

Danny Coker, OBU student, is serving as pastor of First Church, Kingsland.

## Sanford ordained

MT. Pleasant Church, Pittman, ordained its pastor, Don Sanford, to the ministry May 2. Mr. Sanford is a student at Southern College and lives at Doniphan, Mo.

J. Russell Duffer, Gainesville and Current River superintendent of missions, was moderator and led in the questioning. Dr. S. W. Eubanks, Southern College, delivered the sermon.

## Southern royalty

SOUTHERN Baptist College's Mr. Southern and Miss Southern are Don Purdy, Harrison, and Elouise Knapp, Lepanto. Both are graduating sophomores.

The campus king selected was Gary Weaver, Poplar Bluff, Mo., sophomore; and Dottie Eubanks, College City, freshman.

The *Southerner*, college annual, is dedicated to Mr. and Mrs. W. Clement Stone.

# Training summary

October, 1964, to March, 1965

### AWARDS EARNED IN SUNDAY SCHOOL PRINCIPLES AND METHODS

Category	17		Total	Position
	Total	Percentage		
Red River	61	115	13	
Faulkner	58	117	11	
Bartholomew	38	106	15	
Pulaski	32	461	1	
White River	30	68	26	
Harmony	29	233	3	
Rocky Bayou	29	34	28	
Black River	27	83	20	
Gainesville	27	69	24	
Trinity	26	130	9	
North Pulaski	25	193	5	
Clear Creek	24	87	18	
Independence	22	69	25	
Liberty	22	296	2	
Washington-Madison	22	130	10	
Concord	20	159	6	
Central	19	137	7	
Hope	18	227	4	
Benton	17	82	21	
Delta	17	133	8	
Arkansas Valley	16	101	16	
Ashley	15	94	17	
Mississippi	14	113	14	
Caroline	11	76	22	
Stone-Van Buren — Searcy	9	37	27	
Tri-County	9	84	19	
Mt. Zion	8	116	12	
Boone-Newton	7	20	31	
Caddo River	7	10	35	
Conway-Perry	7	12	34	
Carey	5	25	29	
Current River	5	14	33	
Greene	5	25	30	
Ouachita	5	72	23	
Little River	4	20	32	
Calvary	3	1	36	
Big Creek	0	0	37	
Buckner	0	0	38	
Buckville	0	0	39	
Carroll	0	0	40	
Centennial	0	0	41	
Dardanelle-Russellville	0	0	42	
Little Red River	0	0	43	
Total	18	3,749		
Last Year	17	3,674		

### THE TOP 70 CHURCHES IN SUNDAY SCHOOL TRAINING DIVISION 1

Church Membership 1-99 Top 25 (403 Churches)			
1. Antoine	R. Riv	13	
2. Pitts	Bl. Riv	10	
3. Emmanuel	B-N	9	
4. Swifton	Bl. Riv	9	
5. Altus	Cl. Cr	8	
6. Emmanuel	Fau	6	
7. Hopewell	Wh. Riv	6	
8. New Bethel	Fau	6	
9. New Hopewell	S-VB-S	6	
10. Oxford	R. Bay	6	
11. Old Walnut Rdige	Bl. Riv	5	
12. Bethel	R. Riv	4	
13. Mt. Bethel	R. Riv	4	
14. Unity	R. Riv	4	
15. Fairview	R. Riv	3	
16. Hartman	Cl. Cr	3	
17. Shiloh	R. Riv	3	
18. Wooster	Fau	3	
19. Mt. Zion	R. Riv	2	
20. Okolona	R. Riv	2	
21. South Side	Fau	2	

22. Spadra	Cl. Cr	2
23. Zion Hill	R. Bay	2
24. Center Point	R. Riv	1
25. East Whelen	R. Riv	1
25. Marsden	Bar	1
25. Greenway	Gnsvl	1
25. Hollywood	R. Riv	1
25. Marlbrook	R. Riv	1
25. Emmanuel, Piggott.	Gnsvl	1
25. Myron	R. Bay	1

### DIVISION II

Church Membership 100-199 Top 20 (332 Churches)			
1. Bee Branch	Fau	30	
2. Coy	Carln	24	
3. Glendale	Con	23	
4. Dennison Street	Pul	19	
5. Oak Grove	Harm	15	
6. Alicia	Bl. Riv	14	
7. Sage	R. Bay	14	
8. Brush Creek	W-M	13	
9. Wheatley	Tri-Co	13	
10. Northvale	B-N	11	
11. West Side	Hope	11	
12. Greenfield	Trinity	10	
13. Victory	Lib	10	
14. 1st Coal Hill	Cl. Cr	9	
15. Beryl	Fau	8	
16. Valley View	Trin	7	
17. Pleasant Grove	Fau	6	
18. Sunset Lane	Pul	6	
19. Boughton	R. Riv	5	
20. Pickles Gap	Fau	5	

### DIVISION III

Church Membership 200-499 Top 15 (290 Churches)			
1. Elmdale	W-M	56	
2. Martindale	Pul	33	
3. 1st Stephens	Lib	33	
4. 1st Marshall	S-VB-S	31	
5. Shiloh Memorial	Hope	31	
6. Beech Street	R. Riv	29	
7. 1st Decatur	Ben	29	
8. Eastview	Hope	29	
9. Eudora	Del	28	
10. Trinity	Pul	28	
11. Watson Chapel	Har	28	
12. Leachville	Miss	27	
13. Caudle Ave	W-M	26	
14. Nalls Memorial	Pul	26	
15. Diaz	Bl. Riv	23	

### DIVISION IV

Church Membership 500-up Top 10 (159 Churches)			
1. Grand Avenue	Con	84	
2. 1st Hope	Hope	79	
3. Immanuel, L.R.	Pul	75	
4. Levy	N. Pul	73	
5. 1st Mena	Oua	72	
6. Immanuel	Har	70	
7. Walnut Street	Mt. Z	62	
8. 2nd El Dorado	Lib	59	
9. So. Highland	Fau	59	
10. 1st, Hot Springs.	Centr	56	

### SUMMARY OF BOOK AWARDS

ALL CATEGORIES			
Category 1-15	— Juniors	1,660	
	Intermediates	1,211	
	Young People and Adults	10,404	
Category 16	— Church Administration	29	
Category 17	— Sunday School	3,749	
Category 18	— Training Union	828	
Category 19	— Church Music	216	
Category 20	— W.M.U.	86	
Total		18,183	
Total Last Year		16,068	

## Association secretary

MISS Arvine Bell, native of Little Rock, recently was elected secretary of the Christian Camp and Conference Association.



MISS BELL

Miss Bell, who has been director of Camp Crest-ridge for Girls at Ridgecrest (N.C.) Baptist Assembly since 1954, attended the Christian Camp and Conference Association's second biennial convention this spring at Green Lake, Wisc.

Before assuming her present position Miss Bell taught physical education at Ouachita College, where she received a bachelor of arts degree. She has taught in high schools at Benton and Bauxite, and done camp work in Arkansas W.M.U. camps during the summers.

Miss Bell has done graduate work in physical education and recreation at University of Iowa, Iowa City. She has a master of religious education degree from Southwestern.

## Receives doctorate

BILL HORTON, associate professor of music and chairman of the department of church music at Ouachita University, has completed all requirements and will receive his doctor of sacred music degree from Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., this month.

The degree will be the third such degree ever awarded by Southern Seminary.

## Publication heads

FOUR journalism majors have been selected as publication heads for next year at Ouachita University. They are Donna Joyce of Stamps, editor of the yearbook; Betty Rowe of Hot Springs, editor of the newspaper; Curtis Montgomery of Ft. Worth, yearbook business manager; and Thearon McKinney of Forrest City, newspaper business manager.

MAY 27, 1965

# Junior basketball champions



(LEFT to right) Seated, Mark Karnes, Bruce Mitchell and Ken Young. Standing, Steward Vess, Central senior and co-coach, John Peace, John Johnson and Cliff Young. Not present for the picture were Bennie Hood and Bobbie Coats, Central senior and co-coach.

TYLER Street Church junior basketball champions this year won each of the ten seasonal games and three play off games.

The seasonal score was 984 points against 91.

The Little Rock Church League was organized in 1963 by Eddie Spann, minister of music and youth, Pulaski Heights Church. "The purpose of the League," says Spann, "is to teach boys the fundamentals of the game while stressing 'participation over winning.'" Before the season, coaches meet and plan a format for the coming games, limiting teams to ages and size of players.

Tyler Street team received two trophies representing both the season and tournament championship. A third trophy, for sportsmanship is presented annually by a local insurance company and was awarded to Geyer Springs First Church junior boys team, co-coached by Dorles Weeks and Al Graham.

Pulaski Heights provides the

facilities for the games in their old auditorium which has been converted into a gym and recreational center.

## Year at Missouri

EVERETT Slavens, assistant professor of history at Ouachita University, has been awarded a teaching assistantship in American history at the University of Missouri for next year.



MR. SLAVENS

Mr. Slavens will be on a 12-month leave of absence from Ouachita during 1965-66 while he works on his Ph.D. in history at the University of Missouri. He holds a B.A. and M.A. from the University of Missouri and has taught at the School of the Ozarks in Branson, Mo. He came to Ouachita in 1961.

## Luncheon changed

THE annual luncheon for friends and former students of Southwestern Seminary has been moved from the Baker Hotel to the South Exhibit Hall, Dallas Memorial Auditorium.

The luncheon is scheduled immediately following the morning session of the Southern Baptist Convention on Wednesday, June 2.

Highlight of the luncheon will be the announcement and presentation of six Distinguished Alumni for 1965. Faculty and staff members who have served the seminary for 10 years or more will be recognized. This includes 53 people with a total of 972 years of service.

Tickets will be available at the seminary booth in the exhibit area during the convention.

A SOUTHERN Baptist missionary family was at one time caught in rebel crossfire during the Dominican Republic revolution before safely returning to the United States. Mrs. Bill Coffman, one of four Southern Baptist missionaries to the revolution-torn country, told her story in Dallas, where she is staying with her parents, the J. Woodrow Fullers. Her father is associate pastor of the First Church, Dallas.

The Coffman family — Bill, Ann, and six-year-old Kay—was driving a friend to the Marine evacuation depot when they were suddenly surrounded by cars full of rebel soldiers with machine guns.

"Kay and I hid on the floor of the car while my husband turned the car around and drove back home," Mrs. Coffman said.

"We didn't know if they were shooting at us or not. Later we found out they were looking for a political refugee," she added. The rebels were not shooting at the missionaries.

W. BARRY GARRETT, Washington associate director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, is one of three people named to receive an honorary degree from Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, this spring. Regional editor for Baptist Press news service, Garrett was to be awarded the honorary doctor of divinity degree.

Others named for honoraries are Mrs. Rhetta May Dorland, professor emeritus of modern languages at the university, and Glenn Richard Capp, chairman of the department of oral communications at Baylor University, Waco, Tex. Mrs. Dorland's degree is doctor of humanities; Capp's is doctor of letters.

SOUTHERN Baptist Convention Treasurer Porter Routh reported April, 1965 Cooperative Program receipts to SBC agencies were \$1,800,380, bringing cooperative program total for the first four months of the year to \$7,370,863.18. In the same report, he announced designations to SBC agencies during April amounted to \$2,027,676. This brought the year-to-date sum to \$12,915,056.14.

So far this year, Cooperative Program receipts are running 7.16 per cent head of comparative four-month totals in 1964. Designations have risen 6.94 per cent over the previous year.

WALFRED H. Peterson, St. Paul, Minn., will head the new research program of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, according to C. Emanuel Carlson, executive director. The Baptist Joint Committee is beginning an expanded program of study and research in public affairs in the Nation's Capital. It will in effect be a miniature "research center." Peterson will begin his duties as director of research on August 1.

BAYLOR University trustees, meeting recently in Dallas, requested the Baptist General Convention of Texas to allow trustees of Baptist schools to decide whether or not to use federal loans to finance construction projects. The trustees addressed a resolution to a church-state separation study committee of the convention's executive board which is re-studying a convention policy statement adopted in 1961 which forbade Baptist institutions from accepting federal loans or grants.

The resolution adopted by Baylor trustees favored restoration of the loan privilege stating that loans are repaid to the government and there is no subsidy to the school.

ESTABLISHMENT of a memorial scholarship in honor of Melvin Steakley, religion editor of the *Houston Chronicle*, who was killed by a mysterious booby-trap in his car, is being considered by the Texas Baptist Public Relations Association.

The 37-year-old religion reporter died after stepping on the clutch pedal of his car, triggering an old pistol taped to the steering column and wired to the clutch. He had just finished editing the *Chronicle's* church edition at about 1:00 a.m. A Baptist, Steakley had covered numerous Southern Baptist convention meetings as the *Chronicle* religion editor since 1961.

DR. John Roberts Jester, 89, once vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention, died at South Carolina Baptist Hospital, in Columbia, S. C., on May 14. He had been ill for nine months. As pastor or denominational worker, Dr. Jester served in Oklahoma, Texas, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Florida, Georgia and Kentucky. He was SBC vice president in 1932.

THE Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, appointed four missionaries, bringing the total under appointment to 2,458. Most of the missionaries work in cooperation with state mission boards.

The metropolitan missions department named Lloyd N. Whyte to serve as director of Jewish work in Miami, Fla., and Phyllis E. Ragan to serve as a mission center worker at Coliseum Center in New Orleans, La.

The department of work with National (Negro) Baptists appointed Mack E. Sharpe as center director in Charleston, S. C.

The urban-rural missions department named Paul H. Smith to become superintendent of missions in Eureka, Calif.

HERMAN L. Mitchusson, 52, former business manager at Wayland College, Plainview, Tex., and the University of Corpus Christi, has been appointed assistant to the vice president and treasurer and book store manager at Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee. He is a native of Oklahoma.

A SOUTHERN Baptist weekly newspaper won one of the five top awards given this year by the Associated Church Press, an organization of Protestant church-related periodicals in the United States and Canada, at its annual meeting in Ottawa, Canada.

The award "for demonstration of editorial courage through a crusade launched by a single editorial" went to the *Baptist Record*, Jackson, publication of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. Editor Joe T. Odle accepted the award personally.

The editorial, in print last August, was entitled "Smoke Over Mississippi." It pertained to rebuilding Negro churches which had been burned during racial tension in the state. Out of it grew the present Committee of Concern, an interdenominational campaign to assist the churches by accepting and disbursing gifts to the rebuilding program.

During a three-hour meeting, the executive committee of the board of directors of the Illinois Baptist State Association withdrew its motion requesting the resignation of Executive Secretary Noel M. Taylor of Carbondale.

Following the meeting Chairman Archie E. Brown of Vandalia and Association President Maurice Swinford of Pinckneyville, in a joint statement, said the committee had withdrawn its motion and in effect quashed the records of its previous meeting at which the motion had been made.

Their joint statement was made to the *Illinois Baptist*, the association's weekly newspaper. They said "an agreement has been reached with the executive secretary." Neither the committee nor the executive secretary made any announcement for publication indicating the nature of the agreement.

A \$766 CONTRIBUTION has been received from the Southern Seminary, Louisville, to help the Committee of Concern rebuild burned Negro churches in Mississippi. W. P. Davis, Jackson, a staff member of the Mississippi Baptist Convention and chairman of the committee, said this is the first donation to come from any of the Southern Baptist Convention's six seminaries.

### Sent as Jesus was sent

JN. 17:18 AND 20:21

Sent as a son  
As moved by love,  
Sent as a gift  
From God above,  
Sent forth to seek  
And also find  
The lost in sin,  
The helpless blind,  
The errant one,  
The priceless soul  
Who may be reached  
And be made whole;  
The newborn child  
By Him is sent  
Who yields like Him  
Where Jesus went.

—W. B. O'Neal

### Makes All-AIC



CHARLIE WILLIAMS

OUACHITA University's Tigers swept their final four games for the runner-up slot in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference baseball race with an 8-4 record. Henderson State Teachers won the championship with a 9-3 record.

Charlie Williams, junior centerfielder from Helena, was named to the All-AIC first team, while Jim Jordan, sophomore shortstop from Camden, was given honorable mention. Coach Rab Rodgers has only two seniors on his team: third baseman Larry Greene Kirk and catcher Van Barrett.

### Back to Thailand

LARRY E. Smith, who formerly served in Thailand with the U. S. Peace Corps, is planning to return to that country as a missionary journeyman of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

Mr. Smith, who terminated his Peace Corps assignment in April, now lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Taft Smith, in Osceola. A native of Osceola, he graduated from Mississippi County High School, West Ridge, in 1959 and from Arkansas State College, Jonesboro, in 1962. He majored in social science in college.



LARRY SMITH

# Departments

## Evangelism

### Sunday School evangelistic service

HERE is a suggested outline for a Sunday School Evangelistic Service. Change time to suit your Sunday School. This program should be planned several days in advance in teachers' and officers' meeting.

9:15 - 9:35 a.m. Teachers and officers meet to review this program and for prayer.

9:45 a.m. Assemble in departments

Have song, scripture and prayer — Be brief, no long devotionals.

—Juniors and above—

Go to classrooms for reports

(1) Classify all new pupils

(2) Register all visitors

(3) Pray for the service to follow

10:05 a.m. 1. Assemble in auditorium by departments; 8 years and above

2. Department superintendent lead departments into auditorium.

3. Primaries sit at front in section to right of pulpit.

4. Juniors sit in front near piano

5. Intermediates sit in section behind primaries.

6. Young people sit in section behind juniors.

7. Adults behind intermediates and young people.

8. Teachers sit with pupils.

9. Secretaries remain in classrooms or department assembly rooms until records are made out.

Message by Evangelist — John Doe

Note: All departments, below the 8-year primaries will prepare programs for the full Sunday School time. Do not dismiss until the bell rings. We shall close in time for the 11 a.m. worship service. No bells will ring after 9:45 until the Sunday School Service is over.

Teachers Note: Please contact all your absentees from last Sunday. Have your prospects present Sunday, if possible.

Ushers Note: Stand outside and do not seat anyone while the evangelist is giving the invitation.

Give the evangelist names of your prospects present: The unsaved, ones saved but not baptized, and the unattached Baptists.

If you have never used this plan, try it.—Jesse S. Reed, Director

## Training Union

### Sword Driller to Glorieta

MISS Louise Jackson, member of Second Church, West Helena, will represent Arkansas in the Southern Baptist Sword Drill at Glorieta during Training Union Week June 24-30, 1965.



LOUISE

Louise won first place in the sword drill in her church, her association, her district, and at the State Youth Convention — Ralph W. Davis, Secretary

MISS June Self has resigned as youth and music director of First Church, Helena, to accept a position with Beech Street Church, Texarkana.

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FT. LAUDERDALE



MR. and Mrs. Neil Jackson of Russellville sit with Mr. and Mrs. William Lytle of Clarksville at ceremonies marking the opening of the Baptist Student Center at College of the Ozarks. Mr. Jackson is director of the Baptist Student Union at Arkansas Tech and at the College of the Ozarks. Mr. Lytle is associated with the College of the Ozarks, a Presbyterian college. The center, a gift of an Arkansas couple, is the eleventh Baptist Student Center operated by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.—Tom J. Logue, Director

## Associational Church Programing Attendance Report

OF 43 ASSOCIATIONS in the state 33 associational meetings have been conducted and reported. Others are scheduled and will be reported in the next few weeks.

In the 33 associations, there are 873 churches. Of these, 302, or 36 per cent, have been represented at the meetings. Two-hundred and 66 pastors, or 30 per cent, were in attendance. Almost a thousand people gathered to consider the presentation of the new program planning approach.

Dr. S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary and J. T. Elliff, programing co-ordinator, are leaders in helping pastors and churches understand the procedure. Men who are workers in various departments at the Baptist Building help co-ordinate these meetings in two or three associations each.

They serve as consultants to these associations. The associational missionary or one selected by the association serves as associational consultant.

Several associations have requested second meetings to expand the coverage and understanding of the plan to a wider range of church leaders.

Compared to the launching of the co-operative program forty years ago, this is a most encouraging report of involvement.

Church and denominational programing does for the programs of the church very much what the co-operative program does for the financing of the mission work of Baptists.

The first phases of programing are underway in some of the churches. Other churches may enter the plan at any time, take the first planning steps and soon be involved in the full programing procedure.—Lawson Hatfield, Attendance Consultant



MR. HATFIELD

## Seeks transportation

MRS. Ernest Mosley of Hawaii will be visiting her mother near Malvern prior to going to Glorieta to represent the Hawaii Baptist Convention. She would like to get transportation to and from Glorieta with some Arkansas people.

Mrs. Mosley will be at Glorieta June 24 through July 7 (one Training Union week and one Sunday School week).

For further information, contact the Arkansas Training Union Department.

## Black River Assn.

SPRING Lake Church was organized May 5 by Ozark Church and First Church, Williford, combining the membership of both. Simon O. Norris, present pastor of the Williford church, was chosen as pastor of the new church.

IMBODEN Church has called J. I. Cossey as interim pastor.

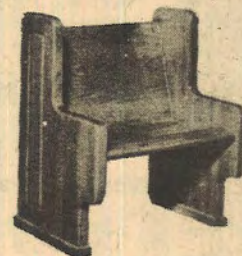
FRANK Shell is pastor of Alicia. He recently became a faculty member of Southern College.

## Smith ordained

DEAN Smith was ordained on May 9 by Rock Springs Church, which he serves as pastor.

Walter Drebenstedt Jr. and John Scarrow were ordained as deacons at the same service.

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## Vacation Bible School— Operation Outpost

HERE is a new approach being made in Vacation Bible School pupil enlistment.

It is called, "Operation Outpost."

It was used in a pioneer state in a heavily populated yet under-churched area.

In one church, it increased Vacation Bible School enrollment more than three times. It probably would not produce such phenomenal results in Arkansas, but it could increase the Vacation Bible School enrollment in almost any church that would use the plan.

Basically, this is the plan.

Selected homes of members in the city would be designated as "outposts."

Several outposts would be located and named numerically such as: Outpost number one, Outpost number two, etc. As many outposts would be set up as seemed necessary.

Outpost leaders are mothers, one to a block or neighborhood. This leader is trained for her outpost task. Her tasks would be to: (1) Visit in the homes of all the children of her block or neighborhood. During this visit the leader discusses with parents what the Vacation Bible School program is, when and where it will meet and that transportation will leave her house (outpost) at a specific hour

each day. A leaflet with all this information should be left at each home. (2) Each child in the neighborhood is invited to an outpost party prior to or on Preparation Day at the outpost home. The church furnishes refreshments, balloons, and Vacation Bible School favors, such as stickers, tags, caps, buttons or other items. Group games are played. Children are pre-enrolled. The pledges to the flags and Bible are mimeographed and given the children. They are briefly drilled in these exercises.

At the party, announce again that transportation will be at the outpost at a specific time.

Each child is "dog-tagged" with a paper tag pinned to his clothes. This tag includes the address of his outpost, phone number of outpost mother, and exact hour to meet the transportation at his outpost home each day.

On the first day of Vacation Bible School the transportation is at each outpost on schedule.

Some outpost mothers could be faculty members and use their own cars or other church members could do these tasks as their part of Vacation Bible School work.

The outpost mother keeps a daily record of her outpost group. Pupils who are absent from outpost transportation are contacted by the outpost mother.

Regular Vacation Bible School records are kept at the church.

At a scheduled time each day, the transportation returns the outpost groups to their outpost.

Children walk to and from their homes to their outpost each day.

Adapt and use operation outpost to enlarge Vacation Bible School enrollment.

Why expand the enrollment of the Vacation Bible School?

For the spiritual good of the new pupils enrolled as they grow in Bible knowledge. Some of them will become Christians during the school or shortly thereafter because of the experience. Enlistment of new pupils opens many new doors to the spiritual ministry of the church and pastor.

Operation outpost will demand additional planning and work. It will result in more pupils reached and more homes ministered to.

Operate Operation Outpost!—  
Lawson Hatfield, State Sunday School Secretary

SOUTHWEST Baptist College, Bolivar, Mo., has received senior college accreditation by the North Central Accreditation Association. Dr. Robert E. Craig, president of the college, said the vote to extend senior college accreditation came from the Commission of the North Central Association, assembled in Chicago, following "careful study by a special accreditation committee."

### *Israelites*

Strong is the nation whose ruler is God;

Whose people are trained in youth  
By Christian parents to love and obey

God's wonderful words of Truth.

God gave to our Fathers this  
Promised Land

Where they on bended knee  
Gave grateful thanks to the Lord  
above

For this Country of the Free.

In time of distress, our God was  
near,

But when plenty came to stay,  
We, like the Israelites, forgot our  
God—

Our nation has wandered away.

—Carl Ferrell

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## Revival news

FIRST Church, Rogers, Aug. 8-15; Jerry Hopkins, assistant to the president of John Brown University, evangelist; Dean E. Newberry Jr., pastor.

SECOND Church, Pine Bluff, June 20-27: Homer Martinez, evangelist; Jay D. Tolleson, pastor.

FIRST Church, Dallas, Mar. 17-28; Dr. W. O. Vaught Jr., pastor, Immanuel Church, Little Rock, evangelist; 39 by letter; 30 by baptism; 98 professions of faith; 10 for special service; 102 rededications; W. A. Criswell, pastor.

TRINITY Church, Ft. Smith, May 2-9; Joe Shaver, Memphis, evangelist; Gene Tyree, church music director, singer; 19 by profession of faith; 6 rededications; Eugene T. Moore, pastor.

FIRST Church, Camden, Sept. 19-26; Dr. Allen West, Nashville, Tenn., evangelist; John R. Maddox, pastor.

### GREENE COUNTY ASSOCIATION:

June 20-27—Unity Church, R. A. Hill, evangelist. A. W. Psalmonds, pastor.  
June 20-27—Eight Mile Church, J. W. Hodges, evangelist. Leonard Bunch, pastor.

June 28-July 11—Oak Grove Church, Richard Adams, evangelist. James Moore, singer. Johnnie Lemmons, pastor.

July 4-14—Alexander Church, Sam Wilcoxson, evangelist. Charlie Wood, singer. Forrest Bynum, pastor.

July 5—Clarks Chapel Church, Jeff Rousseau, evangelist.

July 19-25—Robbs Chapel Church, Jimmie Garner, evangelist. C. E. Moses, pastor.

July 19-25—Brighton Church. Danny Coker, evangelist. Darrell Stone, pastor.

July 19—Wallcott Church, Bill Gaston, evangelist. Tom Sawyer, singer. James Swafford, pastor.

July 25-Aug. 1—Walls Chapel Church, Guin Renshaw, evangelist. John Gilmore, pastor.

July 26—Vines Chapel Church, H. W. Johnson, evangelist. George McGhehey, pastor.

July 26-Aug. 1—Delaplaine Church, Don McBride, evangelist. Frank Bobbitt, pastor.

Aug. 1—Nutts Chapel, Leddill Bailey, evangelist. H. O. Shultz, pastor.

Aug. 8—Marmaduke First Church, Clay Starr, evangelist. Guin Renshaw, pastor.

Aug. 8—New Liberty, J. O. Miles, evangelist. James Moore, pastor.

Aug. 8-15—Big Creek Church, Theo T. James, evangelist. John Gilmore, pastor.

Aug. 16-22—Beech Grove Church, Theo T. James, evangelist. George McGhehey, pastor.

Aug. 23-29—Calvary Church, Jimmie Garner, pastor.

Aug. 29-Sept. 5—First Church, Paragould, Mel Dibble and his evangelistic team. P. E. Claybrook, pastor.

## From the churches . . .

### Little Rock Gaines St.

JERRY Reeves, a junior at Ouachita University, has accepted the position as summer youth director. He assumes his duties June 7.

### Little Rock Tyler St.

THE church has secured the services of Willis Crosby as full time music-education director for two months, June 15-Aug. 15.

### Hot Springs Central

WORD has been received of the serious illness of Rev. Roy L. Hurst, former pastor of our church. Many have requested his address: Mrs. Roy L. Hurst, 3412 N. W. 20th, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

### Bentonville First

PAUL Myers, pastor, will spearhead a city-wide and surrounding territory survey during the month of July. R. A. Hill, director of the Church Development Ministry and Church Survey will assist Mr. Myers and pastors of the other churches in this effort.

### Lonoke

PLANS are underway for a city-wide and adjoining community survey at Lonoke. Eugene Ryan, pastor, is leading in this endeavor. R. A. Hill, director of Arkansas Baptist Church Development Ministry and Church Survey, will assist the pastor. It is hoped that this will have the cooperation of other pastors in the city and that all will join in the effort. This will be determined at a meeting to be held at the Lonoke Church in the near future.



—Danny Ford, Magnolia

“Yes, we did ask for a volunteer nursery worker, but . . .”





## Ouachita Music Camp

THIS year, for the first time, we are including in our course of study a class in hand bell ringing. This class will be taught by Dr. Shelby Collier of Memphis, Tenn., and will be for a class of selected intermediates and young people. Many of the directors will want to sit in on this class and learn some of the techniques of this new teaching aid and worship activity.

Also, this year, special attention will be given in the area of Graded Choir Leadership. Miss Eleanor Harwell from Louisville Seminary will teach this class. Techniques and methods, as well as new materials, will be discussed. Also, plans are being made to have a demonstration children's choir at one of the class periods. By this method, those attending class can learn by observing her work with these children. Churches are encouraged to send their present and prospective graded choir leaders to camp if for no other purpose than to participate in this leadership class.

## Counselors needed

We are in the process of enlisting counselors for camp. Pastors, may we hear from you with suggestions for counselors from your church? This is an excellent opportunity to send your music leadership in your church to camp at a minimum of expense. We will accept counselors on your recommendation and will take care of their meals, lodging, registration, and fees, and insurance. Please let us know right away if you would like to suggest someone from your church to serve as counselor. College age, or over.

Ouachita Music Camp—June 21-26, 1965—Intermediate through adults—cost, \$17.50 per person. \$2.50 of this is registration fee and should be mailed to Church Music Department, 401 West Capitol, Little Rock by June 15.

### Help a boy!

SURELY you want to help a boy to a fuller, happier, enriched life. You will be helping him to this new life when you send him to State Royal Ambassador Camp or encourage him to attend. You will, in many instances, be helping him find Christ as Savior. Many boys come to camp and are saved while there. You will be helping him find God's will for his life and his place of service in the Lord's work. By sending a boy to camp or encouraging him to attend, you will be helping him learn and understand more about the teaching of missions as taught in the Bible, and realize his place of responsibility in the promotion of the Bible plan for missions throughout the world. In many instances, by sending or encouraging a boy to attend camp, you will be helping to change his life completely. In every case, you will be helping a boy find a week of fun, fellowship, and activities that will be a tremendous help to him in his spiritual, mental, physical, and social growth and development. All activities at camp are designed to assist boys in each of these areas. Every encouragement is given boys to become a part of all camp activities. The boy, in camp, is guided in all activities by Christian men and staff members.

The program at camp includes: Worship, handicraft, campcraft, nature study, hiking, and sports and recreation activities including swimming. The fun and fellowship at camp is wonderful. Boys from every section of the state get to know each other and many wonderful friendships develop.

Plan now to help some boy, your own or someone else, by sending him to camp or by encouraging him to attend one of the weeks of State Royal Ambassador Camps.

Camp dates are: June 7-11, Ages 9-17; June 14-18, Ages 9-11; and June 21-25, Ages 12-14.

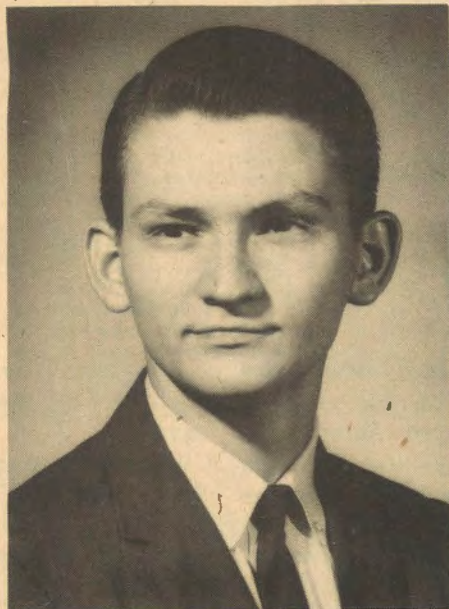
For more information, see your Pastor or Royal Ambassador

Counselor or write to the Brotherhood Department.

### HELP A BOY TODAY! Brotherhood Encampment

The Brotherhood Encampment will be held on June 11-12, at the Baptist Camp at Paron. The Encampment will begin at 3 p.m. on Friday, June 11, and will close at noon on Saturday, June 12.

Information material has been mailed to all pastors and Brotherhood presidents. Plan to have a good attendance from your church.—C. H. Seaton, Associate Secretary



### Cooper to Crawfordsville

REV. Don R. Cooper, who received the B. D. degree from Southwestern Seminary, May 21, has accepted a call to the pastorate of Crawfordsville Church, Tri-County Association.

A native of Jackson, Miss., Mr. Cooper was graduated from Murrah High School, Jackson, and from Mississippi College, Clinton, where he received the B.A. degree.

He is married to the former Miss Joy Mize, Louise, Miss. They have two children: Lea Ann, 4, and Donnie, 2.

He comes to the Crawfordsville Church from the pastorate of Eastman Church, Marietta, Okla. His father and mother, Rev. and Mrs. Lynton B. Cooper, are residents of Marion, where the father serves the Marion Church as pastor.

### Arick at Tabernacle

BAPTIST Tabernacle, 10th and Pine, Little Rock, has called Don Arick as director of education and youth for the summer months of 1965.



MR. ARICK

Mr. Arick is a deacon in the church and superintendent of the Young People's Department of the Sunday School. He is principal of Mitchell Elementary School in Little Rock and has served as youth director of St. Paul Methodist Church. He has also served on the staff of the Little Rock Boys' Club.

He is a graduate of Arkansas State Teachers College, Conway, and has his master's degree from the University of Arkansas.

He and his wife, the former Joyce Turner, who grew up in Baptist Tabernacle, are the parents of two children. Mrs. Arick is the superintendent of a new extension department for Young People designed primarily for young people away in school or in the armed forces.

The new youth program will get under way with the beginning of Vacation Bible School, June 7. The program will consist of recreation, music, drama, leathercraft, painting, ceramics, woodwork, retreats, etc. Each day will be started with worship devotionals at the church.

### To Fordyce church

E. L. SPHARLER, has accepted the position of music and educational director with First Church, Fordyce.



MR. SPHARLER

Former Arkansas positions were at Sulphur Springs Church, Pine Bluff, and First Church of Altheimer.

After graduation from Southwestern seminary in 1964, Mr. Spharler accepted a position at Memorial Church, Beaumont, Tex.

# THE FOOLISH SQUIRREL.



BY FRANCES AMEN

SAMMY Squirrel scampered gingerly along the wide sweep of lawn. His plumelike tail flicked nervously. Now and then he stopped short. His beady, little eyes glanced this way and that as though he couldn't quite decide his next mischievous move.

Sammy was probably the naughtiest squirrel in the whole neighborhood. To his parents he had been a real problem child because he almost never obeyed them. He thought he knew all there was to know about growing up.

A very wise king once said, "Fools despise wisdom and instruction."

So foolishly, Sammy kept right on disobeying. He never seemed quite content unless he was stirring up some kind of trouble. Many times his father had warned him that if he weren't more careful somebody would surely take a shot at him.

One of Sammy's sliest tricks was to sneak up on mother birds who were sitting patiently in their nests waiting for their eggs to hatch. Only this morning, he had caused a stir among the birds who were nesting in the bitter-sweet vine on the side of the big house. While they twittered and fluttered anxiously in a nearby tree where they had scattered for refuge, Sammy had destroyed their eggs.

He really didn't like eggs at all, but he delighted in making a terror of himself.

Now Sammy stopped to snack on an acorn which he had just dug out of the velvety, green lawn. He was suddenly surprised by an angry voice shouting, "Scat, you little varmint."

Bounding away quick as lightning, Sammy just missed the swish of a rake.

"Whew," he gasped to himself. "Don't I have a right to my own storehouse? I buried those nuts myself."

Frustrated and disgruntled, he decided to nap for a while.

Toward late afternoon Sammy was wakened by the zoom-zoom of a power lawn mower. He yawned and stretched. Soon his mischievous thinking cap stirred him to action. He decided to frighten Mrs. Robin, whose nest was snugly sheltered in the fork of a spreading maple tree.

What Sammy didn't know was that Mr. Robin was sitting guard high on a branch above the nest. As Sammy sneaked up the maple tree, Mr. Robin spied him and flitted down to warn Mrs. Robin. His shrill chirping alerted other birds. Together they swooped down upon Sammy like a mass of fighter planes.

The squirrel scuttled down the tree and across the lawn like a shooting star. Blinded with fright, he rushed across the path of the power mower.

That very well could have been the end of Sammy Squirrel—but not quite. It was, however, the end of his beautiful, bushy tail. It was caught by the power mower as Sammy flashed by.

Oh, the pain of it, and what a price to pay for all his mischievousness! Without his plumelike tail Sammy had no umbrella to protect him from the rain. He had no blanket-like warmth on cool nights. Now he would bear the mark of his foolishness for the rest of his days.

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## INSTITUTIONS

# Dr. Phelps To Speak To Graduates

Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., president of Ouachita State University, will be speaker at 8 p.m. June 21 for graduation exercises for the 1965 class in the ABH School of Nursing and School of X-Ray Technology. Baccalaureate will be held on June 20 and both programs will be in Immanuel Baptist Church. Dr. Harold Hicks, pastor of Pulaski Heights Baptist Church and a former ABH



Dr. Ralph Phelps

board member, will be baccalaureate speaker.

Dr. Phelps was born in Dallas, Tex., and attended Baylor University from which he received A.B. and M.A. degrees. At Baylor he edited the student newspaper, was twice class president and twice won Southwest Conference championships in debate.

While attending Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Dr. Phelps served as pastor of the Lakeview Baptist Church in Waco and the First Baptist Church in Piano, Tex. He received the master of theology and doctor of theology degrees from Southwestern and served as a teacher of Christian ethics there from 1948-53.

He became president of Ouachita in 1953. During his tenure, the university enrollment has doubled and 14 major building projects have been completed. An accredited graduate program was also added and in 1965, the college was upgraded to university status.

Dr. Phelps' hobbies are hunting, fishing and writing. For several years he has written an outdoors column for an Arkadelphia newspaper. He is also the author of two published books. He was voted Arkansas Man of the Year in 1960.

## Arkansas Baptist Hospital Yearbook Dedication



The students dedicated the 1965 White Cap to Mrs. Hettie Jewett, a member of the School of Nursing faculty. The dedication read: "You helped us learn so much; but more than that you helped us grow as nurses, students, Christians, and individuals. We always knew you cared. For this and for your never-ending patience and love, we gratefully dedicate this, our 1965 White Cap to you."

# Hospital Salutes Its Volunteers

Mrs. William P. Greenberg, past president of the Sinai Hospital Auxiliary at Detroit, Mich., was speaker for the ABH Volunteer Luncheon on April 29 at the Tiki Room of the Albert Pike Hotel. She also spoke to the North Little Rock Memorial Auxiliary on April 28 at the Top of the Rock.

Mrs. Greenberg is now working on a national publication called "Patterns and Principles of Auxiliaries," and she was a leader at the Institute for Auxiliary Leadership held last year in Des Moines, Ia. She met informally with auxiliary leaders at Memorial and ABH during her visit here.

## ATTEND NSNA MEETING IN SAN FRANCISCO

Four students attended the National Student Nurses Convention in San Francisco April 29-May 1. They were: Carol Sue Morgan, president of the ABH Student Association; Linda Stewart, vice president; Frances Garlington, secretary; and Polly Gentry, treasurer. They were accompanied by Mrs. Charles Henslee and Mrs. Charlene Reid of the faculty.

## Attend Workshop

A workshop in obstetrics and gynecology at the medical school was attended by a group of students from the ABH School of Nursing. Mrs. Suellen Brenner took her pediatrics class, Mrs. Linda Lambert and Mrs. Kay Lankford, their OB classes, and Miss Gaynell Richardson her medical and surgical II class.

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At left are Mrs. William Greenberg of Detroit, Mich., speaker for the volunteer luncheon, with Mrs. Ted Rogers, president of the Arkansas Baptist Hospital Auxiliary. At right are a group of the volunteers who attended the luncheon.



## Kindergarten Tours Held In April

The Life Line Baptist Church Kindergarten made a tour of Arkansas Baptist Hospital on April 7 and the first grade from Hardin Bale School came in three groups on April 8. The

pediatrics section and the Auxiliary jointly had charge of the tour through a simulated hospital situation set up in the Student Union Building.

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## Workshop For Med Students' Wives



This panel discussed some of the implications of the role of the doctor's wife in several areas at the annual workshop for future doctors' wives at Arkansas Baptist Hospital. From left are: Dr. Dewey Rhea, Mrs. Bill Floyd, Mrs. Guy Farris and Associate Administrator W. H. Patterson.

A workshop for future doctors' wives was held at 7:15 p.m. April 22 in the Student Union Building. Guests were wives of the 1965-66 senior medical class at the University Medical Center.

A panel on what the family, the hospital, the community and the husband expect of a doctor's wife was presented by Mrs. Bill Floyd, Mrs. Guy Farris, Dr. Dewey Rhea, W. H. Patterson and Mrs. Helen Reynolds. Mrs. Carl Wenger also spoke. Dr. W. G. Cooper, Jr., director of medical education at Baptist Hospital, and Mrs. Cooper served as host and hostess for the workshop.

Attending were: Mrs. John Baldridge, Mrs. Joe Bumgardner, Mrs. Ronnie Hubbard, Mrs. Gerald Johnson, Mrs. Martha Kirk, Mrs. Frank Thibault, Mrs. David Bevans and Mrs. Clyde Underwood.

### ATTEND LUNCHEON

Three students attended the luncheon of the Gideon Ladies Auxiliary at the Albert Pike Hotel April 17. They were Avanelle Jones, Dorothy Anderson and Donna Wyrick and they were guests of Mrs. Raymond Lindsay.

After the meeting, the students participated in a workshop on the "Reality of Worship" at Gaines Street Baptist Church for young people.

## OR Supervisor Is R.N. Buddy Pat Cook



Buddy Pat Cook was chosen as employee of the month by the Employees' Council.

Buddy Pat Cook, one of 11 male graduates of the Arkansas Baptist Hospital School of Nursing who is now supervisor of the operating rooms, was chosen last month as Employee of the Month by the Employees' Council.

Cook has been working at ABH since 1956 when he returned from a two-year stay in the Medical Corps. Since returning, he has also been going to

college at Hendrix College in Conway and at Little Rock University and he lacks only a little more than a year of getting his degree in biology.

Although he has been out of college for the past two years because of the pressure of work here, he definitely plans to continue until he gets his degree. At one time he had planned to go on to medical school but now feels

that he will stay in the administration side of nursing. He also likes teaching and now instructs a class in anatomy for the School of Practical Nursing.

Cook is a native of Hot Springs and began his nursing education at Leo N. I. Levi Memorial Hospital at Hot Springs. He transferred to ABH after one year when that School of Nursing was closed and received his diploma here. He was one of several male students in the class which transferred.

While in the Army he met his future wife Patricia, who is from Caldwell, Ohio, and who also was a nurse. When he returned to ABH they were married and she has worked first as supervisor of the nursery here and now as an instructor in the School of Practical Nursing.

Their two children, Mark Kevin, 6, and Timothy Randall, 4, have been in the ABH Day Nursery since they were babies. Mark has now graduated to the first grade but Timothy is still at the nursery. The Cook family was featured a few years ago because of their three generation ties with the Hospital. Mrs. Edith Cook, Cook's mother, is a ward clerk on 3-B.

Cook has been supervisor on surgery since last September. Only one other male graduate nurse, William Albritton, is employed here. Cook keeps up with some of the other men who are graduates of the School and said several have gone into anesthesia and others are in service now stationed in Italy, Germany and other points overseas.

## ABH Wants Site to the West

Arkansas Baptist Hospital is negotiating for the purchase of a 53-acre tract in the western part of the city between Cantrell Road and Forest Heights Junior High School.

Plans are to put a satellite hospital on the tract in two to three years with a full-scale facility in the more distant future. The property is owned by the Matthews Estates and the cost will be \$1,050,000. The ABH Board of Trustees in a meeting on April 6 directed its executive committee to proceed with the necessary negotiations on the property.

The property must be zoned for Hospital use, according to the terms of the purchase agreement. The developmental plan, drawn by Erhart, Eichenbaum, Rauch and Blass architectural firm, calls for hospital buildings at the center of the plot with buffer zones of apartment buildings and residential areas.

Between the hospital and the Prospect Terrace area will be first a row of garden apartments next to the hospital grounds and then one-family residences bordering on a small park which will have a lake. The apartments will stretch along the Forest Heights side on Evergreen Street and up part of University. Green strips along the rest of University will hide a parking area from the street.

Traffic patterns have been planned

so there will be a minimum of congestion with only one street opening into Evergreen and most of the openings going into Cantrell Road.

Administrator J. A. Gilbreath said that the present Hospital property has reached capacity because of the surrounding property limitations and the fact that streets cut up the area. It will continue in use, but future expansion will be at the University Avenue site, he said. Approximately \$13 million is now invested in the present property.

The Arkansas Baptist State Convention has to approve new indebtedness assumed by the Hospital but the Convention's Executive Committee can act between meetings in emergencies and has approved the ABH action.

Within five years, ABH hopes to have a topflight hospital with equipment services and facilities of superior quality located on the new site.

## League Holds State Meeting

The Arkansas League for Nursing held its state convention April 22-23 at the Hotel Lafayette and several ABH people attended.

Mrs. Margaret Honea and Mrs. Charlene Reid handled the publicity for the meeting and students served as

## ABH People On Memphis Program

ABH students and faculty members took an active part in the Medical Missions Conference held at Baptist Memorial Hospital at Memphis, Tenn., April 9-10.

Miss Kay Weldon, a former ABH faculty member and now a missionary nurse assigned to Mexico; Miss Doris Brown, an ABH graduate; and Miss Juanita Straubie, director of student activities; were on the program as were students Freda Kelly, Janet Manos, Dorothy Anderson, Avenelle Jones, Donna Wireck and Thelma Wilson. Miss Jones interpreted a song in sign language as it was sung by Miss Anderson accompanied by Miss Wireck. Sandy Wisener from ABH was on the fellowship committee for the conference. Thirty-six ABH students attended.

pages. Miss Elva Holland took her professional adjustments class on Thursday. Theme of the Convention was "The Nurse—and the Patient in His Environment,—As a Professional Person,—and the World." Dean Mildred Armour, who is president, was unable to attend because of illness but her president's speech was read.

## Miss Griggs Chosen Miss ABH of '65

Frannie Griggs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gus S. Griggs of Jacksonville, was crowned Miss ABH at a contest held April 12 in the auditorium of the National Life and Investors Insurance Company Building.

Miss Griggs is a junior. First runner-up was Phyllis Wilkinson, a freshman who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Wilkinson of Springdale. Marilyn Ross, freshman and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Ross of Buena Vista, was selected Miss Congeniality.

Miss Griggs will enter the Miss Little Rock contest as the ABH representative. Other participants in the ABH contest were: Linda Tollette, Judy Hankins, Susie Waller, Donnie Sue Reed and Glenda Ramsey.

Sandy Wisener, Miss ABH of 1964, crowned the new Miss ABH and presented Miss Wilkinson and Miss Ross with bouquets of roses.

Tom Longfellow was master of ceremonies and Winthrop Rockefeller brought greetings on behalf of his wife, who was unable to attend. Judges were Mrs. Evelyn Elmen, Mrs. Carolyn Curry and Mrs. Jan Walters. The Countdowns from the Little Rock Air Base sang and Kathy Jordan and Skip Covington presented musical numbers.



These three beauties won top honors in the Miss ABH Contest. In the center is the 1965 Miss ABH, Frannie Griggs. On either side are runners-up Marilyn Ross and Phyllis Wilkinson.

## Consequences in sin of disobedience

LEWIS A. MEYERS\*

TEXT: II SAMUEL 12:1-10; SUPPORTED BY CHAPTER 11  
MAY 30, 1965

**CURRENTLY basic:** Throughout the month of May obedience and disobedience have been underscored. One thing has been pointedly established, namely: security from sin and its tragical consequences is never assured. It will soil that which it touches and with such fatalism that only grace can restore.

**I. A KING'S Sin:** In the supporting passage of today's text (II Sam. 11) is the detailed record of a dark sin in the life of David, a hitherto obedient man.



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Sin for any one is bad, but all seem to be agreed that more is expected of men who know God than from those who do not know Him. David, who was noble in many points of his strength, was ignoble in his moral life and by one act of adultery so debased his kingship that the whole of Jewish history was affected.

As has often been true from the beginning of time, in David's case, one sin led to another—adultery, deception, fabrication, murder—with the compounded results so great that both heaven and earth were horrified.

First, during a moment of idleness, David passionately looked upon Bathsheba, the wife of one of his army men; second, he designed to cover up by having Uriah, the soldier, returned from the army to be with his wife, even seeking to get the soldier drunk; third, failing in the deception it became necessary to legitimize the expected child by another means,

We are to observe: 1. that compounded wrongs sweep the innocent into their devastating force; 2. that love and manly consideration of womanhood was completely ignored; 3. that David's sin actually started in lust, the mere look before the act.

that of taking Bathsheba as his wife. Then it was that the murder of the husband was plotted by having him placed in the forefront of a battle where his death would result.

**II. A Prophet's Sermon:** Seven verses of our printed text (II Sam. 12:1-7) give eloquent denunciation of the king's wrongs. It is fortunate for our age that we have not wholly lost our sensitivity to open wrongs of individuals and of citizen groups. The voice of the church, particularly commissioned for activity in the moral as well as the spiritual field, had to be heard. The Prophet Nathan was heaven's choice to bring the indictment and he did so by means of a penetrating parable text which Maclaren described as puncturing in its sharpness. David was so affected that he pronounced sentence against himself.

We wonder why he had not hitherto seen himself as the culprit. Why should it take "Thou art the man" to bring conviction to our hearts? Can it be that much sin can destroy the sensitive safety of our own consciences?

To heighten the value of our study let us notice: first, that Nathan's tactful approach to his responsibility did not reduce the force of his message; second, that organized Christianity should be

constantly penetrating in its voice in 1965; third, that we should not condone a sin at one place that we would not condone at another.

For discriminating study: 1. there is the undiminishing need for evangelism; 2. Nathan recognized that as the message comes to the individual, so repentance must come from the individual; 3. repentance, needful for forgiveness, still leaves the penalty.

**III. A NATION'S Lesson:** Read the balance of the 12th chapter and through the 39th verse of the 13th chapter. The most lurid links in the chain of disaster, binding the nation, included such pronouncements as "The sword would never depart from David's house," which meant from the Jewish Nation. There is the generally accepted idea that the dispersal of the Jews across the centuries and over much of the earth is merely the execution of God's sentence. Nathan had said to David that he would repay fourfold. Indeed, four of David's sons met their deaths in the area of the tragic. However, let us look a little further into the scripture regarding the "sword on the nation." The kings that were to follow would, until the end of the kingdom, 400 years later, be at war between themselves or with nations surrounding them. While personally forgiven, as previously suggested, a dark and sordid night, nevertheless, settled over David's house. In the king's household were intrigues, revolts, murders. Specifically, we may list the following lessons:

First, there is always the necessity of acting fairly toward our neighbors; second, there is the constant chance that when our behavior is not up to par we will doom not merely today but the tomorrows, un-numbered; third, Douglass suggests that we are more fortunate than David for we as sinners have the forgiveness of God as purchased by Jesus Christ.

The results for such forgiveness should give us added desire to live the Christian way.

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Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Ch. Adns.
Berryville Freeman Heights	163	55	
Blytheville			
First	581	179	2
Chapel	65	33	
Gosnell	264	103	1
Camden			
Cullendale First	395	149	3
First	479	132	7
Crossett			
First	571	151	
Mt. Olive	218	86	
Dumas First	294	60	
El Dorado			
Ebenezer	167	78	
First	827	629	2
Immanuel	415	167	4
Trinity	219	129	
Forrest City First	535	179	
Greenwood First	298	90	2
Gurdon Beech St.	155	50	
Harrison Eagle Heights	233	74	
Hope First	429	152	
Hot Springs Park Place	399	151	1
Huntsville Calvary	55	25	
Jacksonville			
First	459		2
Marshall Rd.	150	88	
Jasper	90	49	
Jonesboro			
Central	597	185	3
Nettleton	261	136	
Lavaca	272	151	2
Little Rock			
Forest Highlands	209	119	2
Immanuel	1,109	412	2
Rosedale	284	89	1
McGehee First	423	150	
Chapel	70	41	
Mena First	329	92	3
Monticello Second	230	133	1
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	657	178	4
Southside	51	28	1
Camp Robinson	24		
Calvary	415	112	
Central	275	88	1
Forty-Seventh St.	203	88	6
Levy	497	228	
Grace	93	51	
Gravel Ridge First	216	87	
Runyan	71	36	
Park Hill	813	241	13
Sherwood First	182	72	
Sixteenth St.	35	22	
Pine Bluff			
Second	200	70	
South Side	651	246	3
Tucker	35	30	
Watson Chapel	163	72	2
Siloam Springs First	342		
Springdale First	485	154	2
Star City First	257		1
North Side	96	72	
Tuckerman Beech St.	413	138	11
Community Mission	34		
Van Buren			
First	519	178	
Second	71	42	2
Vandervoort First	42	26	
Ward Cacklebur	47	34	
Warren			
First	414	112	
Southside	81	75	
Immanuel	309	89	

## Talent

AN actress and a secretary were lunching together in Hollywood. The actress confided that she really wished she knew how to type and take shorthand as she, too, wished she might become a secretary.

"You mean," asked her friend, "that you'd like to quit show business?"

"I'll tell you the truth," said the actress. "I don't really enjoy show business. Besides, I can't act and I can't sing. And I don't understand most of the scripts they give me."

"Then why," inquired her secretary friend, "don't you quit?"

"I can't," the actress said. "I'm a star."

## Antediluvians

A WOMAN was trying to impress her friends at a party one afternoon.

"My family's ancestry is very old," she said. "It dates back to the days of King John of England." Then, turning to a woman sitting nearby she said condescendingly, "How old is your family, my dear?"

"Well," replied the woman with a smile, "I can't really say. All of our family records were lost in the Flood."

## He obeyed

BOSS: "Any new orders while I was out?"

New employee: "Just one. Two men ordered me to throw up my hands while they carried away the safe."

## Simple problem of a vacation . . .

- IT consists of 2 weeks
- which are much 2 short
- but after which you are 2 tired
- 2 return
- 2 work
- and 2 broke
- not 2.

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## Coward

DOCTOR: "Tell your wife not to worry about that slight deafness as it is simply an indication of advancing years."

Patient: "You tell her."

## Pome

THE codfish lays 10,000 eggs  
The homely hen lays one—  
The codfish never cackles  
To tell you what's done . . .  
And so we scorn the codfish  
While the humble hen we prize  
Which only goes to show you  
That it pays to ADVERTISE!

YOU know what a television announcer is? A person who talks until he gives you a headache and then tries to sell you something for it.

## Church Chuckles

by CARTWRIGHT



"I would've quit when he offered to tear up the ticket, but then to go on and convert him and enroll his entire family as church members. . ."



# Religious News Digest

By Evangelical Press

## Red China to U.N.?

LONDON (EP) — A surprise call for recognition of Communist China in the United Nations heightened the two-day spring session of the British Council of Churches. It also discussed Viet Nam and other major issues.

The call for Red China recognition was made by the Anglican dean of Windsor, the Very Rev. Robin Woods, during general discussion of a resolution which called for a peaceful settlement of the Vietnamese dispute and welcomed President Johnson's recent "generous offer" of aid to Southeast Asia.

Dr. Woods, who was Archdeacon of Singapore for seven years, declared that the main issue throughout Southeast Asia was that Red China had no place in international consultations. "Until China is invited to the table of consultation in the United Nations and as a growing nation is taken for its worth and its resolution and its power of independent action, there can be no peace in Southeast Asia," he said.

## Priestly street garb

NEW DELHI (EP)—A change is being introduced in the dress of Roman Catholic priests in India.

The Archdiocese of Bhopal, Central India, has given priests the option of wearing the traditional cassock or a grey suit with a cross on the left side of the chest.

On informal occasions, a shift with half sleeves may be used instead of the coat.

Other Catholic dioceses in the country are expected to introduce similar changes in due course.

## Dr. Theo McCulley dies

LOMBARD, Ill. (EP) — Dr. Theo M. McCulley, for ten years executive secretary of Christian Business Men's Committee International, died of a heart attack on May 6, at DuPage County Hospital, Winfield, Ill. He would have been 65 on Nov. 23.

The executive committee of CBMCI, which headquarters here, has named Waldo Yeager as acting executive secretary. Mr. Yeager, who has served the organization for two terms as International Chairman, is president of Cortland Produce Company, Toledo, Ohio.

## Tax on prostitutes

HAMBURG (EP)—Hamburg's churches have been asked to take a joint stand on a delicate question: should they accept church taxes assessed on the earnings of prostitutes?

West German law now makes it mandatory for registered prostitutes to pay income taxes; thus, automatically, they are contributors to the country's church tax.

In January, West Germany ruled that prostitutes must pay an income tax. Municipal authorities, who compute church taxes as a surcharge on individual income taxes, are now taxing prostitutes for support of the churches. It is possible, however, for the women to be exempted when they have discontinued church membership, but such exemptions apparently seldom occur.

## 'Teen challenge'

DETROIT (EP)—Teen Challenge, an interdenominational and evangelical group fighting juvenile delinquency, is opening a new center here to widen its work among teenage gangs and drug addicts.

The organization gained national popularity through its rehabilitation work in New York City's "asphalt jungles," where it has a \$500,000 center in lower Manhattan. Other centers are in Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Dallas and Toronto and Vancouver.

## Explain doctrines

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (EP) — The Assemblies of God, largest of the Pentecostal denominations, will conduct a nation-wide Christian literature circulation to explain its doctrinal position on the work of the Holy Spirit.

Spotlight of the literature drive will be the special 1965 World's Fair issue of the *Pentecostal Evangel*, official weekly voice of the church. The magazine, with a current circulation of 188,000, will be available to churches in quantities for community distribution. Last year, one million copies were circulated.

The special May 2 issue has been tailored to explain the position of the Assemblies of God on the Person and work of the Holy Spirit. Featured is an article on "The Neo-Pentecostal Movement."

## 'Witness' initiative

JERUSALEM, Jordan (EP)—Younger Churches in Asia and Africa were called on here to assume responsibility for Christian witness programs in their own cultures.

At the annual meeting of the Commission on World Mission of the Lutheran World Federation, speakers stressed that evangelistic work in Asia and Africa must become a prime concern of indigenous Christian communities rather than of missionaries and mission organizations.

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