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Acting President, State Brotherhood . . .

A MAN'S MAN — CAREY SELPH

The Baptist Brotherhood of Arkansas is happy to announce that Carey Selph, prominent Baptist layman of Mount Ida, has accepted the office of Acting President of the Arkansas Baptist Brotherhood. Carey will help to build our State Brotherhood organization through an annual State Brotherhood Convention, and through the establishment and maintenance of District Brotherhoods throughout the state.

The impact of the dynamic spirit of Carey Selph on the life and work of the Baptist men of Arkansas will bring a blessing to our whole state.

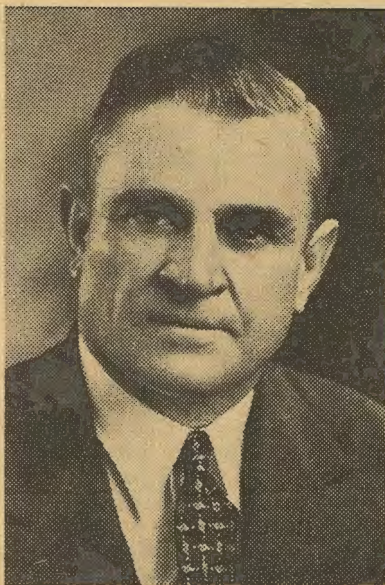
Carey Selph is a man's man, one of the best known laymen among us. Many of us can remember when Carey was the outstanding athlete of Ouachita College; being perhaps the most famous football player of Ouachita's history.

Graduating from Ouachita in 1926, Carey went quickly through Minor League baseball to a contract as second baseman with the Chicago White Sox. Later on he was transferred at his own request to Houston, Tex., to become manager of the Houston Ball Club.

In 1934 Carey forsook baseball and entered the life insurance business. In this new field he made an outstanding record as an insurance salesman, twice qualifying for membership in the Million Dollar Round Table. During this time he was a very active member of the South Main Baptist Church of Houston.

About two years ago Carey retired from the insurance business, and moved back to Arkansas, to his beloved Ouachita Mountains. Purchasing a large tract of land, including two of the mountains, Carey has established his home on the bank of the Ouachita river, about six miles west of Mount Ida. He is planning to build a new house on top of a hill overlooking Highway 270.

Carey has already won a large place in the hearts of the people of Mount Ida, and has



Mr. Selph

become one of the leaders of the religious and business life of the little city. He is active in First Church, where he is the Training Union director; and he is the right hand man of Pastor A. L. McDaniel. Incidentally the Mount Ida Church is building a beautiful new educational building, and greatly enlarging and modernizing all their facilities. Recently Carey opened a new store in Mount Ida—the Firestone Store. It seems that the whole town has caught some of the dynamic spirit of Carey Selph, for new enterprises of various kinds are moving in; and the town is distinctly on its way up.

Carey Selph is supremely qualified to be President of our State Brotherhood. He is a consecrated Christian, a loyal member, a great layman, an unusually successful business man—a man's man! All of these, and more, make up Carey Selph.

Carey is a man of great determination and driving force. Some years ago, while still in

the insurance business, he, because of a combination of circumstances, entered the eleventh month of the fiscal year more than \$500,000 short of the million dollar quota he had set for himself for the year. By working 18 hours a day he finished the month with 180 applications totaling \$530,000. This sustained effort brought him through with a total volume of \$1,006,618 for the year!

Word from Houston is that while living there Carey was a vital force in church and community affairs. At South Main Church he was not only a deacon, but also teacher of a young men's Sunday School class; and for years director of the Training Union. He was also director of the Palacios State Baptist Encampment. Carey is experienced in every phase of church life and work.

In addition to his church activities while living in Houston, Carey was an active Kiwanian; a member of the Houston Recreation Department Citizens Committee, and HI-Y Committee, the Elks Club, the Brae Burn Country Club, and the Texas Leaders Roundtable! As an outstanding community leader Carey has for years been much in demand as a speaker whose ripe experience and sound judgment bring help and encouragement to all.

Carey is married, and is the proud father of two girls. And Mrs. Carey Selph is every whit worthy to be the companion of her illustrious husband!

With the influence of Carey Selph in the lives of Baptist men throughout the State of Arkansas the whole work of our denomination will be set forward; as the Brotherhood leads our laymen into a wider conception of their stewardship, into a greater labor of love, into a deeper consecration of life.

Carey Selph, we salute you!

Associations Meeting the Next Two Weeks

Mississippi County—Oct. 10-11, First Church, Blytheville; C. J. Rushing, Manila, moderator; P. H. Jernigan, Blytheville, vice-moderator; L. G. Scott, Rt. 2, Blytheville, clerk.

Current River—Oct. 10-11, Hopewell. W. Harry Hunt, Pocahontas, moderator; C. F. Gwinup, Pocahontas, vice-moderator; E. Clark Secoy, Biggers, clerk.

Pulaski County—Oct. 14-15; W. H. Hicks, 610 N. Oak, Little Rock, moderator; W. O. Vaught, 1000 Bishop, Little Rock, vice-moderator; John Collier, 1604 Maple, N. Little Rock, clerk.

Harmony—Oct. 15, Lee Memorial Church, Pine Bluff; Luther Dorsey, Star City, moderator; Paul Fox, Pine Bluff, vice-moderator; L. G. Whitehorn, Pine Bluff, clerk.

Bartholomew—Oct. 15-16, Fountain Hill; Paul Aiken, Warren, moderator; R. D. Washington, Monticello, vice-moderator; H. C. Barnes, Monticello, clerk.

Mt. Zion—Oct. 15-16, Caraway; C. C. Duncan, Jonesboro, moderator; M. M. Hinesley, Brookland, vice-moderator; Frank Waite, Jonesboro, clerk.

Red River—Oct. 15-16, Prescott; O. C. Harvey, Arkadelphia, moderator; Fred A. White, Prescott, vice-moderator; Kenneth R. Grant, Gurdon, clerk.

Tri County—Oct. 15-16, Wynne; Wilson Wood, Parkin, moderator; H. L. Lipford, Earle, vice-moderator; W. R. Woodell, Wynne, clerk.

Liberty—Oct. 16-17, Union Church, Rt. 3, El Dorado; Hugh Cantrell, Stephens, vice-moderator; Garland Anderson, Rt. 4, El Dorado, clerk.

Arkansas Valley—Oct. 17, Hughes; Reese S. Howard, Brinkley, moderator; D. D. Smothers, West Helena, vice-moderator; B. F. McDonald, West Helena, clerk.

Hope—Oct. 17-18, Central Church, Magnolia, Oct. 17, Genoa, Oct. 18; Bruce H. Price, Texarkana, moderator; Delbert McAtee, Texarkana, vice-moderator; L. B. Burnside, Texarkana, clerk.

Rocky Bayou—Oct. 17-18, Finley Creek Church, Battles; W. G. Wiley, Violet Hill, vice-moderator; Herman Dover, Melbourne, clerk.

Washington-Madison—Oct. 17-18, Lincoln; O. E. Williams, 515 Forest Ave., Fayetteville, moderator; Glenn Steele, West Fork, vice-

moderator; J. W. Webb, 347 Rollston St., Fayetteville, clerk.

White County—Oct. 17-18, Searcy; L. M. Keeling, Judsonia, moderator; L. C. Langley, Kensett, vice-moderator; C. S. Maynard, Bald Knob, clerk.

Newton County—Oct. 21-22, Jasper; R. M. Abell, Jasper, moderator; Mrs. E. R. Casey, Parthenon, clerk.

Black River—Oct. 22, Walnut Ridge; Ray Rhyne, Tuckerman, moderator; C. F. Wilkins, Newport, vice-moderator; Mrs. O. T. Richardson, Newport, clerk.

Caroline—Oct. 22-23, First Church, England; W. M. Pratt, Lonoke, moderator; Tom Graves, Ward, vice-moderator; Dale McCoy, Cabot, clerk.

Delta—Oct. 22, Bellair Church, Dermott; J. T. Elliff, Lake Village, moderator.

Trinity—Oct. 22-23, R. L. Franklin, Marked Tree, moderator; Russell J. Clubb, Tyrone, vice-moderator.

Faulkner County—Oct. 24-25, Pickles Gap Church, near Conway; Hugh Owen, Conway, moderator; H. B. Tillman, Conway, vice-moderator; T. W. Hayes, Conway, clerk.

Independence—Oct. 24-25, Rehobeth Church, Moorefield; E. P. J. Garrott, Batesville, moderator; Byron King, Batesville, vice-moderator; S. A. Wiles, Batesville, clerk.

Woodruff County—Oct. 24-25, Tupelo; J. O. Young, Augusta, moderator; Charles Nash, McCrory, vice-moderator; Miss Mildred Stephenson, Augusta, clerk.

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Our destiny is to be used of God in the saving of the world. No smaller outlook than the world is worthy of God's Son. We do not begin with ourselves and work outward through our neighbors, finally to get a vision of the world. We begin with the world's need and work inward to our personal duty. Our strategy is to claim the world for Christ. Our tactics begin with personal work and move outward through the co-operative enterprises of our local churches and on to the co-operation of local churches in ever-widening tasks of witnessing, teaching, and healing. Our destiny is not to build great churches or a great denomination. Our destiny is to be the instruments of a great people.—Duke K. McCall in the Quarterly Review.

THE SURRENDERED LIFE

A Devotion by B. H. Duncan, Hot Springs

"But yield yourselves unto God."

Here is a significant truth of the Christian life, it is only by surrendering ourselves to God that we are able to know the full powers and values of our lives and that we are able to exercise these powers and appropriate these values.

Powers and values withheld from God are lost. But every power surrendered to God is heightened and strengthened; every sensibility surrendered to God is enlivened; every value surrendered to God is enriched; and every moment surrendered to God is filled with eternity.

The surrendered life is powered by divine dynamics. The power generated in Christian hearts must give light to this darkened world, give warmth to those held in the frigid grasp of cold intellectualism, cool the fever of anxiety, and oil the machinery of human society with heaven's grace.

God's power never leaves a person as it finds him. If we are not changed by our religion, then we should change our religion. When our souls are brought to white heat in the furnace of prayer, laid upon the anvil of service and sacrifice, hammered into the shape of God's design, we are then ready instruments in the hand of God.

The instruments thus shaped by the power of God are to go out and plow deep furrows in the life of the community, drive with mighty blows the pointed truths of God's word, uproot with merciless persistency the deep seated cancerous growths of sin. Progress, not the status quo, is the order among christian people surrendered to God. A church cannot hold it's own, neither can an individual christian. They must advance or retreat.

"Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin; but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God." Romans 6:13.

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Dr. C. M. Coalson has resigned the pastorate of First Church, Cordele, Ga., to accept the call of Hendricks Avenue Church, Jacksonville, Fla.

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Dr. R. L. Whipple, President
Central College, Conway, Arkansas

Across the Editor's Desk

Cooperative Program

Gifts Beyond \$3,000,000

By DUKE K. McCALL, Executive Secretary
Southern Baptist Executive Committee

Undesignated receipts for the Cooperative Program have already exceeded \$3,000,000 in 1946. In spite of all special appeals and the generous response of Southern Baptists to them, the undesignated gifts to Southwide objects are more than a half-million dollars ahead of the same period last year.

According to the action of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, ratified in the Miami Convention, a double budget for Southwide objects was adopted for this year. The first \$3,000,000 is to be used for current operating expenses by the agencies. All receipts beyond the \$3,000,000 are to be used for capital needs.

The capital needs goal for each agency is as follows:

Foreign Mission Board.....	\$1,250,000
Home Mission Board.....	167,900
Relief and Annuity Board.....	100,000
Southern Baptist Theol. Seminary...	450,000
Southwestern Bapt. Theol. Seminary	450,000
New Orleans Bapt. Theol. Seminary..	400,000
American Bapt. Theol. Seminary.....	45,000
TOTAL	\$3,062,900

According to this action all undesignated gifts to the Cooperative Program will be divided for Southwide causes during the rest of this year on the following table of percentages:

Foreign Mission Board.....	40.81%
Home Mission Board.....	12.01%
Relief and Annuity Board.....	3.27%
Southern Baptist Theol. Seminary...	14.69%
Southwestern Bapt. Theol. Seminary..	14.69%
New Orleans Bapt. Theol. Seminary..	13.06%
American Baptist Theol. Seminary...	1.47%
TOTAL	100.00%

This use of the Cooperative Program to provide buildings and endowments for our agencies should provide new impetus to the giving of Southern Baptists. It is now possible for them to give cooperatively for the capital and endowment needs as well as the current operating expense of these agencies. This can be done in the assurance that funds so given will be divided in proportion to the need of each agency. The Cooperative Program, which now stands high in the affection of Southern Baptists, should become increasingly the main channel of our giving.

The Best Investment

By O. J. WADE

I was seated in the office of a Little Rock business man not long since and he suddenly turned to me and said, "I want to give \$500 to Central College and I want you to deliver the check to the school. I want this money used to help educate worthy girls who might be encouraged, with a little aid, to enter college. It is to be used for no other purpose." The check was delivered with instructions. Said the President: "Every cent shall be used to aid worthy girls to gain an education.

Somewhere there is a girl, a boy, in whose education a few dollars could be invested. What dividends such an investment would pay! Charles Kingsley, author and clergyman, was once asked how he had been able to do so much in life. He replied, "I had a friend." Why not follow the example of the Little Rock business man. "Go and do thou likewise."

We Would Like to Know

By LOUIE D. NEWTON

Several brief notices have appeared in the press in recent weeks about Myron C. Taylor's current visit to the United States. As in the case of all press statements concerning our emissary to the Vatican, great care, apparently, is taken to avoid any forthright information to the citizens of the United States about what Mr. Taylor is doing, here or in Vatican City.

For example, this paragraph appeared in The Watchman-Examiner, New York, September 12, 1946, page 938:

"Myron C. Taylor, President Truman's special emissary to the Vatican, who recently returned to the United States, is expected to return to Rome, according to Charles G. Ross, White House press secretary. Mr. Taylor did not come to this country on official business, but he told newspaper reporters that he expected to tell the President what he had been doing as his special representative."

Recalling that Taylor's outfit at the Vatican cost the taxpayers "approximately \$40,000 the past year," many Americans would like to know whether they are paying his travelling expenses on this mysterious visit to the United States on "unofficial" business; also, whether the President's "special emissary" can report to the President on what he is doing at the Vatican without discharging "official business;" also, when the President intends to "terminate his appointment," according to his promise to a group of church leaders last June.

State Mission Day

By J. E. DILLARD

October 27, or nearest convenient Sunday, is to be State Mission Day in our Sunday Schools.

The primary purpose of the observance is educational. All our people should know what we mean by state missions; what we owe to state missions; the departments of state mission work, and how the work is carried on.

More than half our churches were either started or fostered at some time by state missions; all of them have been helped by workers under state mission boards.

Then we need to see the opportunities, even crying need, for state missions in certain sections of our state. A liberal offering on State Mission Day would help meet these needs.

A special program for State Mission Day has been provided and mailed to all general superintendents whose names are listed with their state Sunday School secretary.

Free offering envelopes should be ordered early from the Baptist state headquarters, 200 Radio Center, Little Rock.

A Radio Manual

Any one interested in religious broadcasting should make haste to obtain a copy of a new book by the Moody Press. It is entitled "Manual of Gospel Broadcasting," is written by Dr. Wendell P. Loveless of 20 years experience on Moody Bible Institute's radio stations, and sells for \$3.50 at the Baptist Book Store.

The book is said to be the first in its field, and covers every detail of gospel broadcasting from conception of the idea in an individual's mind to the actual airing of the program. There are definite and illustrated instructions having to do with planning and preparation of the radio program, the actual broadcasting of that program, and a survey of radio possibilities in the future. Special studio programs and also the broadcast of regular church services are covered.

We have read the book thoroughly and feel greatly benefitted by increased understanding of this latest avenue of reaching our population with the gospel message.

Verification

Basil A. Malof of Washington, president of the Russian Bible Society, and founder of the First Baptist Church of St. Petersburg (Leningrad) and Moscow, writes the Editor: "Your editorial on Russia in the September 19 issue of the Arkansas Baptist is absolutely correct and in agreement with the facts. Your emphasis and explanation of the difference between 'freedom of worship' and 'freedom of religion' hits the nail on the head."

OUACHITA COLLEGE

MILLION DOLLAR CAMPAIGN

OTTO WHITINGTON, Director

229 Urquhart Bldg., Little Rock, Arkansas

RELIEF OFFERING

The Relief Offering has been a wonderful success. I think I have never seen a better one taken and with finer cooperation. With the fine leadership of Dr. Bridges, Arkansas Baptists are making wonderful progress.

Many of the brethren have said "as soon as the relief offering is finishing and we have a little breathing spell, we will give our attention to the Ouachita Campaign."

QUOTAS ACCEPTED

Quite a number of churches have accepted their quotas, and other pastors have assured us that their church will raise their quotas but we do not place them in the list until the church has voted to accept a goal and notified us. The amount of the accepted quotas is considerably above \$350,000.

CASH RECEIVED \$36,649.06

Though we did not expect much money to come in until the first of September, we have already received \$36,649.06. This is marvelous since we had a major offering being taken at the same time.

AN OFFERING FROM EVERY CHURCH

We are confidently expecting an offering on the first year's quotas from every cooperating church between now and January 1. Please try to send in your quota for this year.

STUDENTS TURNED AWAY

Over 830 enrolled in Ouachita and more than 200 were turned away. Two dormitories are being erected as rapidly as possible to relieve the crowded situation. Students are temporarily housed in the homes of citizens, the faculty and the president.

WE NEED MONEY NOW

We are trying to pay as we go. The Board does not want to go in debt. Please send in your money as fast as you can get it. Don't wait until the whole year's quota is collected. This will help relieve the crowded conditions sooner.

OUACHITA NEEDS

Besides dormitory room, Ouachita sorely needs a library building and a science building. We must have these buildings if Ouachita is to continue to be an accredited senior college. There are individuals in Arkansas who could contribute one of these buildings. What a blessing someone is going to be to the succeeding generations of college young people by giving one of these buildings! We have been promised large financial assistance when these buildings are erected.

NOW

Now is the strategic time to give to Ouachita College. If you will consider giving five or ten thousand dollars, or more, for buildings or endowment, President Grant and I, or either of us, will be glad to talk it over with you at your convenience. Let us know when we can come to see you about it.

WHEN YOUR CHURCH ACCEPTS ITS QUOTA, PLEASE LET US KNOW IMMEDIATELY

**Send Money Direct to Dr. B. L. BRIDGES, Executive Secretary,
200 Radio Center Bldg., Little Rock, Ark.**

Nelson Tull Declares . . .

The Brotherhood Is the Answer

By NELSON TULL, Secretary
Baptist Brotherhood of Arkansas

IS YOUR CHURCH asking the question, "How can our men be led to become active in all the work of our church?" The Brotherhood is the answer! For the Brotherhood seeks to enlist all the men of the church in all the work of the church; to put men to work at all the tasks of the church; to lead men to do those things which must be done if the church is to fulfill its sacred obligations to the Lord.

How are the men of your community to be reached for Christ and the church? The Brotherhood is the answer! Who is going after men, but men? Who is going to win men, except men? A positive and continuing program of personal soul-winning, led by the Evangelistic Committee of your church Brotherhood, will result in the salvation of a multitude of lost men. Personal soul-winning is the supreme activity of the Brotherhood!

DOES YOUR CHURCH NEED to launch out in a greater financial program? The Brotherhood is the answer! One of the continuing activities of a church Brotherhood is the enlisting of new tithers; the Finance Committee of the Brotherhood seeking to lead every man in the church to tithe. When a man takes the tithing step up the stairway of Christian stewardship, it generally follows that his family becomes a whole family of tithers.

If your own church is doing less in a financial way than it ought to be doing, the reason is probably that the men of the church are not enlisted in scriptural giving. When Christian men are informed as to the meaning of their stewardship, and when they are faced with the challenge of doing the will of God in all financial matters, many of them will respond nobly. When a man is enlisted in scriptural giving, he is anxious that all the members of his family shall be found faithful in this stewardship; and he is also concerned with enlisting other men of the church in the grace of giving. The Brotherhood seeks to enlist all the men of the church in the financial program of the church!

Does your pastor need men on whom he can really count? The Brotherhood is the answer! One of the chief aims of the church Brotherhood is loyalty to the pastor. Isn't it true that a godly pastor, backed up by loyal and willing men of one heart and one purpose with him, can lead his church out into wider fields of service? Isn't it also true that a pastor will tackle any problem if his men are with him? When a pastor has men on whom he can lean, on whom he can depend, men who are willing to join hands and hearts with him in a positive, aggressive, continuing program of work, the people of the community begin to comprehend the meaning of Jesus' words, "The gates of hell shall not prevail against" His church!

IS YOUR CHURCH SHORT of men at its preaching services, and at its various organizational meetings? The Brotherhood is the answer! The Worship Committee and the Educational Committee of the Brotherhood work continually to put men into the church services, into the Prayer-Meeting service, and into Sunday School and Training Union. When men seek to build the interest and at-

tendance of the various services of the church, they succeed! In every phase of church life and work, people find it easy to become interested in what the men of the church are trying to do.

Is the family life of your church on a low spiritual level? The Brotherhood is the answer! The Brotherhood seeks to build family altars throughout the whole membership of the church. Imagine the spirit that would pervade every gathering of your church if everyday during the previous week many families of your church had gathered around the family altar to pray; to pray for one another, and for the church and the pastor; to pray for the lost and the unenlisted, and for the whole program of Christ to the ends of the earth!

Are the men of your church neglecting the spiritual welfare of the boys of the church and community? The Brotherhood is the answer! Not only by furnishing leadership for the Royal Ambassadors, but also by direct and continuous attention to the spiritual well-being of the rising generation of boys, the men of the Brotherhood can render one of their greatest services. One of the greatest fields yet to be developed in our churches is the work of Christian men with boys!

DOES YOUR CHURCH NEED a program of continual visitation of the lost and unenlisted in your community? The Brotherhood is the answer! When men have the experience of winning somebody to Christ, or of helping in a cottage prayer-meeting or institutional mission service, they like it! Not only do they like it, but with proper leadership they will continue it for life; making such activities the supreme service of their lives! The Brotherhood provides these opportunities through its Evangelistic Committee.

Is there within reach of your church a community where there is no Baptist church? a community where a mission station ought to be established? The Brotherhood is the answer! Under proper leadership men delight to go and build an enduring work for Christ in a place where spiritual need is evident and where no Christian work has ever been done before. Thus the men of our church will become truly missionary in spirit!

EVERY CHURCH NEEDS A BROTHERHOOD! Every church needs to organize its men for service. The men of every church need to band themselves together to help everything in the church succeed!

A church Brotherhood should be thoroughly organized, with all the necessary officers and committees. There is always the temptation to stop short of complete organization and make of the Brotherhood a men's fellowship, and little else. But the Brotherhood is a service organization! Fellowship has its place, but fellowship does not produce an activity program. The church has certain needs which must be met by the work of its men; and when men work through the activity program of the Brotherhood they find the finest fellowship in the world!

A Brotherhood should have a President, a Membership Vice-President, a Program Vice-President, an Activities Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. These officers must

perform their specific duties if the Brotherhood activity program is developed. Besides these offices certain committees are necessary. They are, the Worship Committee (putting men into the church services); the Education Committee (putting men into Sunday School and Training Union); the Finance Committee (developing men as stewards and leading them into the financial program of the church); the Evangelistic Committee (winning lost people to Christ, and developing the program of local mission); the Benevolence Committee (visiting the sick, the aged, the needy, the sorrowing); the Extension Committee (helping to establish Brotherhoods in neighboring churches); the Executive Committee (keeping all committees at work). Since a Brotherhood does most of its work through its committees, each committee should report at each Brotherhood meeting.

The "Brotherhood Journal" is a very interesting and valuable magazine for men. Each man in your church, certainly in the Brotherhood should be supplied with a copy of the Journal. The Journal helps to inform Baptist men and to challenge them to consecration of life and service. If you will send a list of the names and addresses of the men of your Brotherhood to the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, Commerce Title Building, Memphis 3, Tenn., every man of your Brotherhood will receive his copy through the mail. The Journal, published quarterly, costs only 10 cents per copy.

The booklet, "Organizing and Operating a Brotherhood," by Lawson Cooke, is a carefully written booklet of Brotherhood ideals and concepts, methods and activities. Every man in your Brotherhood should have one. The cost is only five cents per copy. They may be ordered from the Baptist Brotherhood of the South.

A properly functioning Brotherhood is the answer to many of the major problems which confront a Baptist church. Does your church have a Brotherhood?

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J. A. Scoggins, pastor at Decatur for the past 38 years, recently baptized his 1700th candidate in the course of his long and fruitful ministry. The occasion was the baptismal service which followed revival services in the church. Missionary A. A. Brady, who conducted the service prior to the baptism, writes: "Bro. Scoggins is still carrying on in a fine way. He is a patriarch and worthy shepherd among his people. Decatur has the finest group of active young people, comparable to any church in the state."

State Missionary H. A. Zimmerman assisted Pastor C. A. Maule and Hampton Church in evangelistic services which began September 15. Services were held in the new church building. The court house has served as a meeting place since the destruction of the building by tornado three years ago.

Twenty additions, 14 for baptism, and a number of rededications resulted from revival services at Pleasant Hill Church, Trinity Association. P. O. Freeman did the preaching and Curry Coker directed the music. L. C. Edwards is the pastor.

NOTES OF ADVANCE

Hubert Cooper and Cecil Stanfield were ordained deacons of Nutts Chapel Church, Gainesville Association, at a recent service. The presbytery consisted of Associational Missionary H. W. Johnston; Pastor W. H. Horne, Mt. Hebron Church; Pastor Tom Arnold, Nutts Chapel Church; and Deacons Monroe Cooper and J. A. Tucker. N. P. May served as clerk.

Anderson Union Church, near Hope, has organized the Denney's Training Union. On the first evening there were 21 intermediates and 19 adults present. Already the intermediate and adult unions have had socials, with 50 present at the adult gathering.

Pleasant Valley Church, Caroline Association, had four additions by baptism and one by statement, in revival services in which Pastor Charles Holland did the preaching and Pastor Maxwell Baker, Coy Church, directed the singing and led the Booster Band. Pastor Holland writes: "Bro. Baker is commended to the brethren for his ability, zeal, and faithfulness. The church was revived, and the convicting power of the Holy Spirit was manifest in a great way. Surely, seeds were sown that should afford an abundant harvest."

A card from Dr. and Mrs. Robert F. Ricketson of Little Rock, mailed September 29, says: "We are aboard the S. S. Marine Lynx, scheduled to sail this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Regards and best wishes." Dr. and Mrs. Ricketson are returning to China to again serve as missionaries there.

Bear Creek Springs Church, near Harrison, had 11 conversions, two reclamations, and 10 additions in revival services led by Evangelist P. A. Stockton, of Little Rock. Pastor J. W. Henderson reports: "We have never had such plain gospel preaching, the kind that searches out men's souls—Christians to see anew their responsibility as Christians and sinners to see themselves as they are. Bro. Stockton goes out into the highways and hedges and finds the down-and-outs and leads them to Christ. He can look a man in the face and say 'thou are the man,' and then help him find the way out. He is invited back next year for another revival."

First Church, DeWitt, Douglas White, pastor, will begin a revival October 27 with Rev. A. Norman Day, of Southsea, England, as evangelist. The singer will be Assistant Pastor Walter N. Hill, Metropolitan Baptist Church, Washington, D. C.

Help Wanted! Two thousand men to serve as livestock attendants on board UNRRA ships carrying livestock to Europe to replace killed-off animals. Applicants should be able to work with animals, willing to do manual

PASTORAL CHANGES

Nelson Greenleaf from Hunter Church to First Church, Arkansas City.

C. E. Robertson to First Church, Marmaduke.

Kermit S. Earley to Corner Church, Harrisburg.

labor, and of good moral character. Men especially desired who will conduct themselves without reproach in foreign ports. Age 18 to 50. Trip takes four to six weeks. Pay \$150 per trip. Apply Brethren Service Committee, New Windsor, Md.

Miss Wandasue Patterson, Searcy, has joined the staff of Pulaski Heights Church, Little Rock, as director of music and church secretary. Miss Patterson is a graduate of Central College and received the bachelor of music degree from Louisiana State University and Yale University.

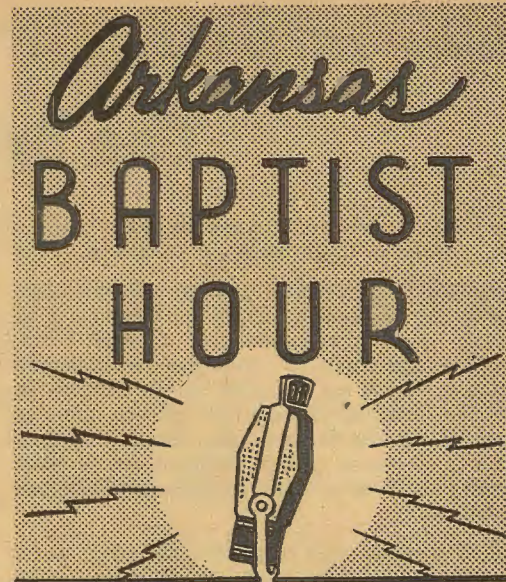
Tommy Hinson, pastor of Roland Church, Pulaski County Association, was ordained to the ministry recently by Pilgrim's Rest Church. Pastor R. C. Otey was moderator; Pastor M. E. Wilfong, Nalls Memorial Church, was clerk; Pastor O. A. Greenleaf, Levy Church, preached the ordination sermon; Pastor W. Dawson King, Hebron Church, led the questioning; Pastor R. D. Harrington, Crystal Valley Church, led the ordination prayer; Pastor Otey presented the Bible, and Deacon D. A. Brazil, Roland Church, presented the candidate to the council.

Chidester Church has recently voted to change its alignment from the Landmark Baptists to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, and will seek admission to the Liberty Association in its annual meeting. The church has already made a worthy contribution to the Ouachita Campaign and has sent an initial offering of \$200 to the Cooperative Program. A church library has been started.

E. L. Carnett, who began his duties as director of the School of Sacred Music at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, a year ago, has resigned to accept the pastorate of the Travis Avenue Church, Fort Worth. Mr. Carnett will remain at the seminary to assist in the music school until January 1. His successor has not been named.

Lavaca Church had 35 professions of faith, 33 additions for baptism, and five additions by letter in recent revival services. Miss Anda B. Sawyer, daughter of Pastor F. R. Sawyer, surrendered her life to mission work. J. J. Hendricks of Krebs, Okla., a Cherokee Indian, who has gone into evangelistic work exclusively, did the preaching. The Sunday School has had an increase of 35 per cent over last year. Though the town has a population of only 319, the membership of the church is 400. The church has a new two-story building, but it is inadequate to take care of the folk. Also the need is great for a bus to bring in people from nearby communities.

Donald Campbell was ordained to the ministry by Alexander Church, Greene County Association, recently. Ministers who assisted in the ordination were Jeff Rousseau, associational missionary, A. O. Collier, R. C. Rogers, Carroll Gibson, J. E. Hooker, J. H. Hughes, and A. S. Smith. Deacons who assisted were T. I. Russell, D. McHaney, Paul Cole, J. M. Quinn, Joe Hester, D. L. Skaggs, and A. J. Brewer.



Speaker on the Arkansas Baptist Hour for the week October 13 to 19 is Mr. Nelson Tull, secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of Arkansas. In his message, "Christian Men and Christianity," he speaks directly to the Baptist men of Arkansas. Music on this program is by the Ouachita College Choir.

The broadcast may be heard over the following stations:

KLCN, Blytheville, 7:45 a. m. Sundays.

KHOZ, Harrison, 8:00 a. m. Sundays.

KARK, Little Rock, 10:30 a. m. Sundays.

KXLR, North Little Rock, 1:00 p. m. Sundays.

KWFC, Hot Springs, 9:30 p. m. Tuesdays.

KUOA, Siloam Springs, 3:30 p. m. Thursdays.

KCMC, Texarkana, 9:30 a. m. Saturdays.

KELD, El Dorado, 9:00 p. m. Saturdays.

Nelson Greenleaf has resigned the pastorate of Hunter Church to accept work at First Church, Arkansas City. During the two years under his leadership the Hunter Church had 22 additions, bought and partly furnished a parsonage, increased gifts to the Cooperative Program by 80 per cent, increased associational mission gifts by 70 per cent, and gave \$50 beyond the \$25 goal set for the relief and rehabilitation offering.

Dr. Kyle M. Yates, pastor of Second Church, Houston, Tex., led the Southwestern Seminary revival September 30-October 4. Dr. Yates was formerly the pastor of Walnut Street Church, Louisville, Ky., and professor of Old Testament and Hebrew at Southern Seminary.

First Church, Sulphur Springs, had 15 additions, five for baptism, in evangelistic services with Associational Missionary A. A. Brady as evangelist. Hosea J. Dixon, Noel, Mo., directed the music with Mrs. Bill Howerton, also of Noel, as pianist. Missionary Brady reports: "The church called Starling R. Bynum as full-time pastor, and fortunately he moved on the field before the revival began. The church, under the leadership of the pastor, is launching a great program of missions and evangelism. Heretofore, the church has had only a half-time, non-resident pastor. The people felt that God would bless them if they would exercise faith and go on a full-time program."

Immanuel Church, Little Rock, closed the associational year with 562 additions, 222 of which were for baptism. Contributions for the year totaled \$126,956. W. O. Vaught, Jr., is pastor.

What I Saw and Heard in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

By LOUIE D. NEWTON
President of Southern Baptist Convention

RUSSIAN BAPTISTS OUTSIDE MOSCOW

Our first trip from Moscow to other Russian centers took us to Minsk, capital of Belorussia, sometimes referred to as White Russia. At Minsk, a city which dates from 1037, we were quartered in a beautiful farm home, several miles from the city. This arrangement was due to the fact that every hotel in Minsk was totally destroyed by the Germans. The home in which we stayed was built many years ago by a rich merchant of Minsk as his country estate. It was occupied by a high German military officer during the occupation.

The plane landed at Minsk in a heavy rain storm, and when the cars left the highway to follow the dirt road up to the farm house, we went into the ditch. An American jeep pulled us out, and we continued the journey in the jeep, which served as our mode of transportation until the roads dried out. Imagine my joy when I discovered that the caretaker of this beautiful farm home was a Baptist. He got me in touch immediately, by telephone, with the Baptist leaders in Minsk—Brethren Victor Chesnev, Potap Evanchenko and Michael Voitkun.

Brother Chesnev of Belorussia

I went to the Baptist meeting house, Ostray-sky 2, where I talked at length with Brother Chesnev. He has been the leader of our Baptist people in Belorussia for the past 22 years. He is a member of the All-Union Council of Baptists in the USSR. There are three Baptist churches in Minsk. There are 17,000 Baptists, of record, in Belorussia. Brother Chesnev told me of several Baptist churches totally destroyed by the Germans in Belorussia. He told me of one tragic situation where the pastor and 23 members of a small Baptist church were burned alive. He stated that the Baptists of Minsk and the entire Republic of Belorussia are prospering spiritually, with many candidates awaiting baptism.

Brother Chesnev impressed me as a man of mature experience and deep spirituality. When I entered his pulpit, I felt the presence of the Holy Spirit. It is my opinion that Baptist life in the strategic city of Minsk, where 150,000 people were killed, is entering upon a new and promising era. I wish I had the space to write at length of my various contacts with the Baptists of Belorussia, including the collective farm village, Sixteen Partisans.

Baptists in Leningrad

From Minsk, we flew to Leningrad, via Vitebsk, Novgorod and Kolpin, circling over the Baltic States of Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania. We got a very good view of the Gulf of Finland and Lake Ladoga. Leningrad, as you will remember, was first known as St. Petersburg, and later as Petrograd. It is the most beautiful city in Russia, thanks to the abundant natural beauty of the river, the lakes, the trees, etc., and then the far-sighted planning of Peter the Great and Catherine the Great, who spared nothing to make the city a showplace of elegant buildings, bridges and monuments.

Scarcely had I reached my suite in the Astoria Hotel, when Pastor T. A. Chizhov telephoned to know when he might call. He came, bringing other Baptist brethren with him, and we had a long talk about Baptist

work in Leningrad and neighboring cities. The reader will recall that in my first article I related the story of how Lord Radcliff first preached in St. Petersburg in the 19th Century, and the resulting Baptist movement. We have many sturdy Baptists in all that section of Russia today.

An Overflow Audience

Never shall I forget that first service in Leningrad. People filled every available bit of standing room in the entire building. I had asked Dr. Ralph W. Sockman to go with me to this service, and all the way back to the hotel, he kept saying, "Did you ever see people so deeply moved?"

Brother Chesnev told us that there were many awaiting baptism in Leningrad, and that as soon they could restore the destroyed meeting house, they would receive many new members. The present improvised place of meeting does not permit half of the people to be seated, and they have no baptistry.

Baptists in Stalingrad

Rev. Nickita Schkodakov is pastor at Stalingrad, but they have no house of worship. Every building in Stalingrad was totally destroyed, and our Baptist people are meeting in the temporary homes of the members and in such other places as may be found. Actually, they hold their meetings during the summer in the open air. What they will do this winter, I cannot imagine. But the spirit of the people is positively inspiring. They are working day and night to rebuild their city, and they dream of the time when they will have modern and adequate houses of worship for every Baptist congregation in Stalingrad and in all that section of Russia.

I wish there were space to describe the sacrificial attitude of the Baptists in the Ukraine, centering in Kiev, where Brother Andreyev is the cherished and courageous leader. He was among those who met me upon my arrival in Moscow. He has recently addressed the Swedish Baptist Convention, in Stockholm. We shall see him and other beloved Baptist leaders of the Ukraine at Copenhagen, next summer. The story of the Baptists in the Ukraine is one of the most thrilling of all the chapters of Baptist life in USSR.

Baptists in Georgia

When I got to Tbilisi, capital of the Republic of Georgia, I realized that I was at the place where Baptist life in Russia began, in 1867, when Nikita Veronin pursued his study of the New Testament until he found his way to Christ. He was baptized in the Kura River, August 20, 1867, and from that day begins the inspiring story of how Baptists in Russia have grown to a number estimated as approximately 2,000,000.

Rev. Vitold Krasinski is pastor at Tbilisi, where they have a beautiful house of worship. There are many Baptist churches in the Republic of Georgia, stretching from Batum on the Black Sea to Baku on the Caspian Sea. As the big plane entered the pass in the mountains, leaving the blue waters of the Black Sea and flying low over the beautiful Valley toward Tbilisi, I was reminded of the similarity of the scene with that of the hills round about Bethlehem. I wish I might

have spent the entire summer with the Baptists in that Valley.

The Farewell in Moscow

Following our numerous journeys throughout Russia, we had several days in Moscow before leaving for home; and the brethren there arranged for me to preach every night. It was a glorious experience. Let me intersperse at this juncture a reference to a day I spent in the country home of Pastor M. A. Orloff. He arranged for a group of Baptist leaders to meet at his beautiful home, some 20 miles from Moscow, where Mrs. Orloff and the women of the Moscow church served us a great feast.

We spent the day in unhurried conversation. We were all Baptist preachers, save Mrs. Mary Naimark, my interpreter. I asked them all the questions, and they answered them all to my complete satisfaction. They asked me many, many questions about American Baptists, particularly Southern Baptists, and I tried to answer their questions to the limit of my ability. They seemed to be satisfied.

One thing I must emphasize: Our Baptist brethren in Russia are concerned with but one point, namely, that Baptists shall accept the New Testament as our sole rule and guide for our faith and practice. Let no one be in doubt about their doctrine or policy. They are New Testament Christians and New Testament Baptists. They will not take a convert unto full membership until he first proves himself. He must be willing to prove himself. They told me that if they were to throw open their churches to any and all who would ask for baptism, they would receive thousands where they are now receiving hundreds, and I believe it.

A Gracious Gift

After my last sermon in Moscow, Thursday evening, August 8, 1946, Pastor Orloff announced that they would observe the Lord's Supper as an expression of love and fellowship for the American visitor. The place was very crowded, and it took more than an hour to serve the Supper.

A little child came forward and presented me a great cluster of lovely flowers, saying: "From the children of Russia to Dr. Newton." And then there were other tokens of esteem, from the young people and the women. And then came the climax, when Pastor Orloff presented me the exquisite gold chalice which he had just used in the Lord's Supper. Never have I felt quite so helpless as I did that moment. The great congregation stood and wept as he placed the lovely gift in my hands. He said:

"This chalice was first used in the Baptist Church at Tbilisi, where Baptist life in Russia began. My father was pastor of that church, and used this chalice, and then I became pastor, and used it. When I was called to Moscow, the friends at Tbilisi gave it to me to bring to Moscow as a symbol of their love. I have been pastor here 18 years, during which period we have used this chalice every Lord's Day in observing the Lord's Supper. We love it dearly. And for that reason, we now give it to you as a symbol of our love for you and the Baptists of Druid Hills and of America."

These and Others Did Their Part

By B. L. BRIDGES

BLYTHERVILLE GOES FAR BEYOND QUOTA. First Church, Blytheville, has contributed \$1,168.45 for Relief and Rehabilitation. This is far beyond their quota. Pastor E. C. Brown found time to lay it on the hearts of his people in spite of the busy program of his loyal church, and they laid the money on the altar.

STEPHENS AND PASTOR CANTRELL DO GOOD. To date Stephens Church has contributed \$246.94. This is 36 per cent more than it was asked for. Hugh Cantrell is the progressive pastor in Stephens. They have also done extensive repairs and decoration on their church building.

NORPHLET EXCEEDS QUOTA ON RELIEF. Norphlet Church has sent in around \$500 for Relief and Rehabilitation. We asked them for \$363. Pastor Loyal Prior is backed up by some splendid deacons who have much of the milk of human kindness. Prior is giving wonderful leadership.

PRESCOTT EXCELS IN MANY LINES. Pastor Fred White of First Church, Prescott, writes, "Our quota for World Relief was \$250. Sometime ago we sent a check for \$42. That check plus this one runs us over the quota. For this we are thankful." They have sent \$310 for this worthy cause. Prescott is growing along all lines.

JONESBORO FIRST BOOSTS RELIEF OFFERING. First Church, Jonesboro gives \$1000 for the Relief and Rehabilitation offering. This is the way Jonesboro does it. Pastor C. Z. Holland is taking hold of the helm in a wonderful way. The church is following his fine leadership.

PAUL-AIKEN BRINGS TWO ACROSS. The First Church in Warren, Paul Aiken, pastor, has made its contribution, and gave all we requested for Relief and Rehabilitation. Bro. Aiken goes also to a country church and when he laid it on their hearts they laid the money on the table. Pastor Aiken is one of our greatest preachers.

TWIN BRIDGES AND BRICKEY'S CHAPEL RESPOND. Missionary J. J. Franklin in Arkansas Valley Association sends \$20 from Brickey's Chapel and \$23.16 from Twin Bridges Church for Relief and Rehabilitation. The Lord has graciously blessed Missionary Franklin in his labors this summer.

J. B. MEASEL AND BARTON. The Barton Church sends \$70 for Relief and Rehabilitation. J. B. Measel is the progressive young pastor. He also preaches at Onelda, which sends in \$40.

A. T. KING AND CLARENDON. Clarendon responded nobly with a \$200 check for the Relief offering. A. T. King has wonderfully led this good church. King also preaches at Monroe church and they sent \$60.

J. T. McNEW AND HELENA. Helena First Church sent \$334 for World Relief. J. T. McNew is a mighty preacher backed up by some splendid laymen.

HUGHES DOES IT WELL. The church at Hughes under the graceful and persistent leadership of Pastor W. D. Wallace sends nearly \$200 for World Relief.

COUCH MAKES ANOTHER TOUCHDOWN. The First Church Marianna, under the leadership of Pastor W. F. Couch which gives 60 per cent of its current receipts for the Cooperative Program sends \$400 also for World Relief.

MEXICANS RESPOND ALSO. The Mexican Church in the Mississippi Delta, E. C.

Gonzales, pastor, sent \$40 for World Relief. These Mexicans are loyal Baptists.

AMOS A POWERFUL PROPHET. Amos Greer has been pastor at Moro for sometime. This good church sends \$116 for World Relief. Bro. Greer is a prophet indeed.

WEST HELENA GIVES \$462. The West Helena Church has made many steps forward under the leadership of Pastor D. D. Smothers. They did their part for a starving world.

HIGGINBOTHAM AND FELLOWSHIP. Fellowship Church in Bartholomew Association sends \$92 for World Relief. J. C. Higginbotham has been making a splendid leader for the Fellowship Church.

FOUNTAIN HILL AND ACUFF. E. H. Acuff has made a successful pastor for Fountain Hill. They sent \$50 for World Relief. Acuff is a mighty preacher.

PASTORLESS CHURCHES RESPOND. Our records did not reveal a pastor at Corinth A, Beech Creek, Eden, Florence, Mt. Zion, Saline, and Selma Churches in Bartholomew Association. But they helped feed a starving world. Their offerings are as follows: Beech Creek \$35, Corinth A. \$51, Florence \$91, Mt. Zion \$35, Saline \$20, and Selma \$40.

T. H. BERRY DOES IT WELL. Pastor T. H. Berry of Harris Chapel and Magnolia churches is one of the best preachers that we have in the state. His churches supported the cause. Harris Chapel sends \$24 and Magnolia \$74 for World Relief.

HOLLY SPRINGS AND FRANKLIN. Pastor B. S. Franklin of Hermitage is pastor at Holly Springs and Pleasant Grove. Holly Springs sends \$77 and Pleasant Grove \$14 for World Relief.

S. E. POWELL AGAIN. Mt. Olive No. 2, Bartholomew Association, sends \$125 and Jarvis Chapel \$75. S. E. Powell is the wide-awake, hardworking pastor of these churches.

MONTICELLO DOES IT WELL. Pastor R. D. Washington of the First Church in Monticello and R. R. Shreve of the Second Baptist Church are both wise leaders and splendid preachers. The First Church sends \$500 and the Second \$225 for World Relief.

PATTSVILLE AND PRARIE GROVE. Patts-ville and Prairie Grove each send \$11 for World Relief. H. C. Barnes and H. A. Johnson respectively are the pastors of these good churches.

LOOK AT WILMAR. Young Clarence Creed is pastor at Wilmar. They send \$70 for World Relief.

RESCUE AND JEFFERSON DAVIS. Jeff Davis is not the former U. S. Senator, but he is a real pastor. He and Rescue Church sent \$8 for the Relief Offering. Bro. Davis is also pastor at Rose Bud and they sent \$5.

ROCKY POINT AND SMYTHE. Pastor O. M. Smythe of Rocky Point in White County is leading the saints in a fine way. They sent more than \$68 for the Relief Offering.

VESTAL AND SEARCY. First Church, Searcy, sent \$167. You know they have just finished one of the most elegant and commodious church buildings in Arkansas. They have had to raise thousands of dollars, but they helped in the Relief Offering. W. R. Vestal is one of our mightiest preachers, and he loves all our causes.

T. W. HAYS AND SMYRNA. T. W. Hays is pastor of more churches at the same time, perhaps than any of the rest of our men, and he is a faithful and loyal soul. Under his

leadership the Smyrna Church sent \$23 for the Relief Offering.

PASTORLESS CHURCHES. Griffithville, Liberty, McRae, and Pleasant Valley have been pastorless, but they remembered the unfortunate people in drouth stricken countries and in war-torn lands. They sent in respectively \$24, \$20.46, \$25 and \$50.

MT. VERNON DOES SOMETHING, TOO. Mt. Vernon church with Fred Prince as pastor has sent in \$10 for the Relief Offering, and Owensville with Ernest Moseley as their leader has sent in more than \$17.

MT. VIEW WITH J. E. ABBOTT. The Mt. View Church with J. E. Abbott as pastor has sent in \$75. Abbott is a persistent leader. This small church does wonderfully well.

PINEY AND ANDERSON. The Piney Church with Edward Anderson as pastor has sent in \$55 for Relief and Rehabilitation.

SHOREWOOD HILLS DOES ITS PART. Shorewood Hills has been pastorless, but the church has sent in \$62 on the Relief Offering. They hope to have a pastor soon.

WALNUT VALLEY. The Walnut Valley Church had Freeman McMennis as pastor until recently, but he has gone elsewhere and this church has called Bro. Vallowe to be its pastor. They have sent in \$36 on the Relief Offering. They are building.

HOT SPRINGS AND HINSLEY. The Second Baptist Church in Hot Springs has sent in \$552 for Relief and Rehabilitation. Pastor Hinsley has led this church upward through a long pastorate.

HOT SPRINGS AND HART. Central Church, Hot Springs, sent more than \$700 for the Relief Offering. Clyde Hart is the live-wire pastor.

HOT SPRINGS AND REED. Pastor Jesse Reed writes that they are getting their quota. This fine young persistent pastor always leads his church across.

BAUXITE AND RUTLEDGE. The Bauxite Church has sent in \$400 for Relief and Rehabilitation. Rutledge has had a most constructive administration in Bauxite. He is a live-wire pastor.

GRAVEL HILL. Gravel Hill is a country church in Central Association that has been pastorless, but it has sent in \$10 for the Relief Offering.

LAKE HAMILTON, TOO. Lake Hamilton in Central Association has sent \$71 for the Relief Offering. Joe Melton is the steady and sturdy pastor.

JESSIEVILLE AND MOSELEY. Jessieville sent in \$17 on the Relief Offering. Ernest Moseley is the happy pastor and persistent leader.

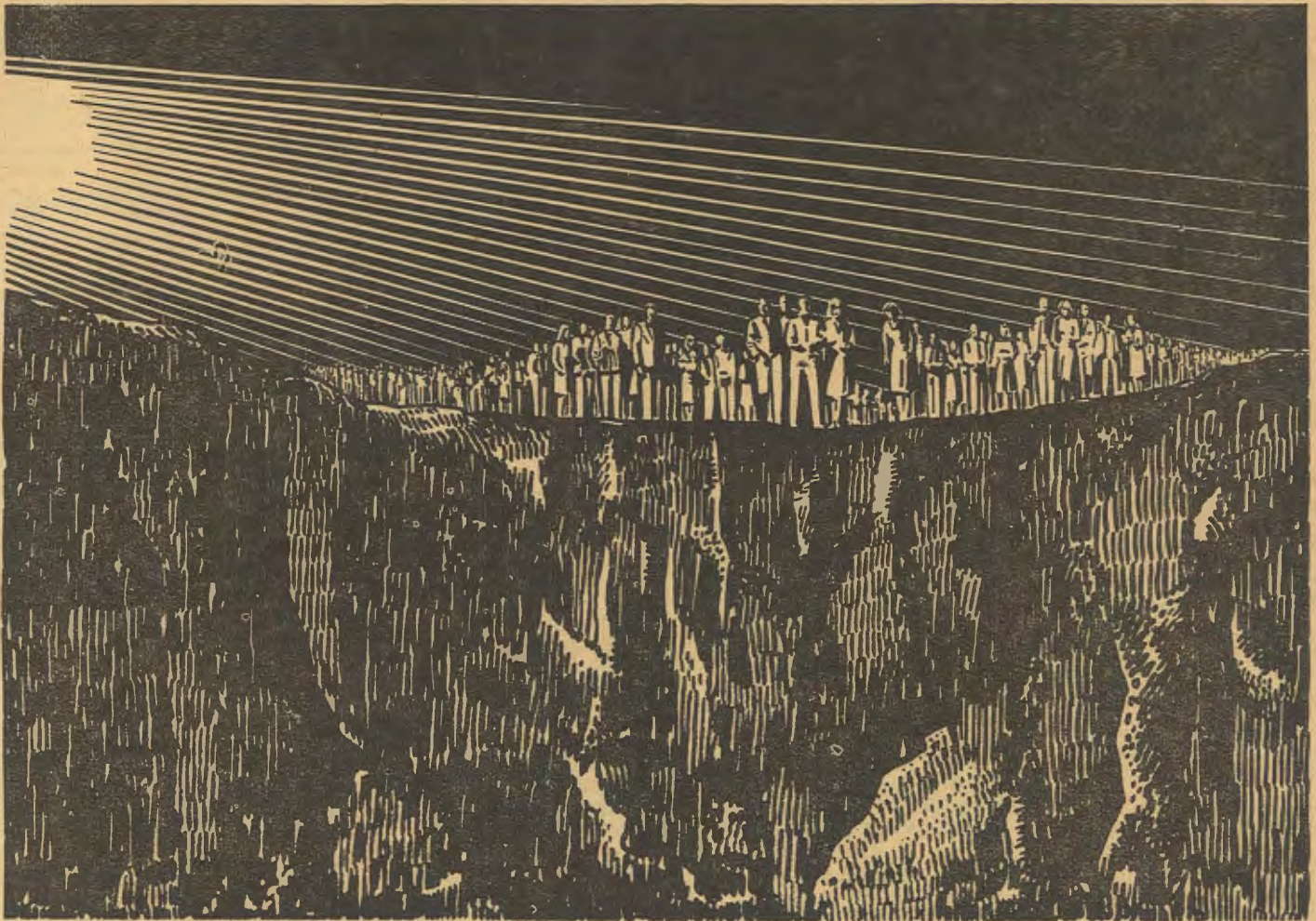
MALVERN COMES THROUGH. First Church, Malvern, with Thurman K. Rucker as the earnest efficient pastor has sent in \$555 on the Relief Offering, and the Third Church in Malvern with Russell Duffer as their leader has sent in more than \$180 on the Relief Offering.

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Democracy is not a word—
Not letters set in ordered place—
But life lived full—and open doors—
With each his chance to begin the race.

Democracy is born of those
Whose hearts touch heart with other men,
Who share ideals, who honor truth,
Who help the weak to start again;
Of those whose laws are strong and just,
Whose thoughts, whose speech have equal claim,
Whose flag a symbol to respect,
Whose service the measure of his fame.

Democracy is more than words
In well-turned phrase to form a creed—
But land where man's own will to win
Determines if his life succeed.

—Marel Brown

out her share of the great commis-
sion.

There are many others you should know, many individuals and groups. They are the eager, joyous-faced children who openly exclaimed thanks for the New Testament given them at the close of a Vacation Bible School. For most of them it was their first Bible School, and two weeks were too short. Then there were the little singers of the Kickapoo tribe. How they thrilled to stand before the Assembly and peal forth their love for Jesus in clear sweet voices!

These, and the multitude of Indians yet unmentioned, lend a bright ray to God's rainbow of nations. Each soul is precious in His loving sight; may we, too, love them for His sake.

—World Comrades.

In All Thy Ways

A Page for Youth
By
Catherine Jordan

Did You Know?—

Most people give little thought to the 60 Indian tribes that live on about 200 government reservations over our country. Among them there is a great variety of languages, laws, customs and religions.

Because of their distinctly different customs, appearance and language, as well as because the government had reservations for them, the Indian has not easily found his place in American life.

The reservation idea has kept a large part of the Indians dependent upon the government.

The Indian people seem to be good farmers, sheep raisers and artists. They are good citizens, too, and need a chance to be more independent.

The Laguna Indians are among the most highly civilized of the Pueblo Indians, and are justly proud of their achievements. They are the only Indian tribe which has a written constitution for their local government.

The Laguna Indian tribe has a silver-headed cane which was presented to the governor of the tribe by President Lincoln after New Mexico was ceded to our United States by Mexico.

Fun and Nonsense

One light to another: "Let's go out together!"

"What's your dog's name?"

"Ginger."

"Does Ginger bite?"

"No, Ginger snaps."

Old Lady: "Is that a man-eating lion?"

Impolite Keeper: "Yes, lady, but we're short of men this week, so all he gets is beef."

"Why does an Indian wear a feather headdress?"

"To keep his wig wam."

Mama Fly: "I think our child is going to be a great success!"

Pappa Fly: "Yes, he doesn't seem to stick to anything."

PERSONALITIES ON PARADE

Bum-tee-bum-bum! Drums are sounding! Can you hear them beating out their call to you? They herald the coming of a group of friends you are to meet. Perhaps when you have met them your interest in Indians will grow.

First comes one who has spent a great number of his years in serving the Indians for Christ. He is Superintendent of all Indian work in the Southland, and his days are very busy ones doing so many things for those he serves. Though small in stature, he is very large in heart and soul. From the Seminoles in Florida to the Navajos in New Mexico, Dr. J. B. Rounds is admired and respected for his faithful witness to the gospel of Christ.

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The oldest member of the Kaw tribe now living in the Indian village of Washunga is Mrs. Summers, a typically reserved Indian. But her reserve can be broken down and she becomes very friendly.

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Rev. Wakon Iron is an Osage Indian pastor among his own tribe in Pawhuska, Okla. His jolly good humor is refreshing; his singing inspiring; and his genuine Christian sincerity challenging.

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The pastor of Only Way Church is Rev. D. D. Cooper. He and his lovely wife, both Choctaw Indians, work hard in their church and with their people. David Daniel Cooper has had a most interesting life. His parents were full-blooded Indians who did not believe in Christ. When they died, David went to live with his grandfather who knew even less about the right things to teach a boy. No one told David the difference between right and wrong; no one seemed to care what he did. He did not have a

chance to go to school until he was 12. Then he went through the grammar grades in a Baptist mission school.

When he was 26, David married Mary Jane Perry, the sister of a Choctaw Baptist preacher. At first he thought the Christian faith was foolish, but he loved Mary Jane so much that he was willing to try to understand as she explained how Christ had died for him. He watched her as she lived from day to day, and gradually he began to love Jesus. After he was converted and baptized, he went to Oklahoma Baptist University to learn more about the Man he was going to tell others about for the rest of his life.

For many years David Cooper has been working among the Indians in Oklahoma. Through his preaching many souls have been saved. He understands the Indians because he is one of them.

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The next person that you meet is a member of David Cooper's church. From Sunbeam days, she has been active in attending and helping where she could. As an attractive, talented, consecrated girl, Leota has served her church and her Lord in various ways. Now she is a student in Oklahoma Baptist University where she is preparing herself to effectively carry

EYE COMFORT

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Ellis Carnett Heads Faculty of State Music School, Little Rock, Oct. 21-25

Mr. Ellis Carnett, director of the School of Sacred Music at Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, will head the faculty for the Statewide School of Church Music, scheduled to be held at First Church, Little Rock, October 21-25. Mr. Carnett has had wide experience as a conductor of choral music and is a tenor singer of considerable note, having sung the tenor solos in the oratio, The Messiah, by Handel, nearly 40 times. He will teach a class in conducting and also have charge of the choral laboratory each evening during the school.

In addition to Mr. Carnett, the faculty includes Mr. Roland Leath, educational and music director of the host church, who will teach a class in "Songs we Sing," and Mrs. Wilbur Beck, organist at the host church, who will conduct a class in Organ Playing. Mrs. B. W. Nininger, state director of church music, will conduct rehearsals of the Youth Choir every afternoon from 4 to 5 o'clock.

Two features of the school include the pastors' class at 10 o'clock each morning in charge of Mr. Carnett, and the Choral Festival which is the concluding number on the week's program. Mr. Carnett will direct the festival on Friday evening, October 25, at 8 o'clock.

This school is sponsored by the Religious Education Department of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

Every church in the state should send at least two of their music workers to this school. Address applications to Mrs. B. W. Nininger, 203 Radio Center, Little Rock.

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Vacation Bible School

Congratulations to the following associations for reaching their goals for Vacation Bible Schools for 1946: Buckville, Current River, Independence, Little River, Pulaski County, Boone-Carroll and Washington-Madison went over their goals and there are still some schools to be reported. These associations should be proud of this accomplishment.

Several other associations are very near their goals. It is hoped that these will go over within the next week. As the associations reach their goals, they will be recognized. So far, 249 schools have been reported for Arkansas. Let us make it 275. Look around and locate some unreported school. Send your reports to Mrs. A. C. Kolb, 203 Radio Center, Little Rock.

State Approved Story Hour Worker

Miss Eliene Ellis of Little Rock is the new State Approved Story Hour Worker for Arkansas. Miss Ellis is the Educational and Elementary Secretary of the First Baptist Church, Little Rock, hav-

ing begun her duties there on September 16. In addition to her duties there, she will have the privilege of assisting the State Training Union Secretary in enlargement campaigns over the state from time to time.

Miss Ellis is a native of Texas, reared in Galveston. She is a graduate of the Religious Education Department of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth. While a student there she majored in elementary work. She came to Little Rock from the Central Baptist Church, New Orleans. While in New Orleans, Miss Ellis served as State Approved Story Hour Worker for Louisiana.

Rally Programs

Anyone in need of suggested programs for Baptist Youth Rallies for October and November may secure them by writing to the State Training Union Office.

The Commission In The Church Budget

By W. H. Hicks, Pastor
Pulaski Heights Church, Little Rock

As pastor of one of the 300 churches in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention that has carried **THE COMMISSION** in its budget, I wish to recommend the practice to other pastors and churches.

This monthly publication of the Foreign Mission Board is the best missionary medium at our command. The cost by the budget rate is 4½c a copy. A church desiring 100 copies for 100 families would entail the small expense of only \$4.50 monthly. A large church desiring 200 copies would spend only \$99 annually.

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IMPORTANT DATES

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| October | 20-25 | State Training Union Clinic, Immanuel Church, Little Rock. |
| October | 21-25 | Church Music Leadership School, First Church, Little Rock. |
| October | 25 | State-wide Conference for all Associational Training Union Officers, Immanuel Church, Little Rock. |
| November | 14 | State-Wide Conference for all Associational Sunday School Officers, Second Church, Little Rock. |
| December | 6 | Southwide Training Union Day—Rally in every association that night. |

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| January | 22 | Southwide Sunday School Day—Rally in every association. |
| January | 30-31 | Training Union State Convention, First Church, Pine Bluff. |
| February | | Sunday School Rally held in every church by associational Sunday School Officers and helpers. |
| July | 1-9 | Arkansas Baptist State Assembly. |
| October | 20-21 | Sunday School State Convention. |

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New Study Book on Foreign Missions

The new book entitled "Now Is The Day," price 40c from the Baptist Book Store, 303 W. Capitol, Little Rock, is recommended for study by W. M. S. and Y. W. A. members preceding the Season of Prayer and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions. The October issue of Royal Service carries a review and also teaching suggestions. The Book Store will also have for sale at a nominal cost a notebook for use in studying this book. This booklet entitled "For The Healing of the Nations" has been prepared by Miss Blanche Sydnor White, Executive Secretary of Virginia, and will be helpful both for teachers and members of classes. See the October issue of The Commission for further information. Order from the Foreign Mission Board, 2037 Monument Ave., Richmond 20, Va., all available free helps for this study.

Announcement of District Conferences Mailed

Announcement of the schedule and dates for the eight District W. M. U. Conferences to be held October 29-November 8 were mailed to each name on our mailing lists last week. Check the date for your District Conference, announce it at every meeting and urge a large attendance from your church.

1947 Guide Books and Year Books

The 1947 Guide Books and Year Books are now available. Free copies to the WMS presidents are being sent this week. Each WMS president will also receive a questionnaire to be filled in with the names of other officers who are entitled to free copies of these books. We urge the presidents of all societies to give careful and prompt attention to furnishing us this necessary information in order for other leaders to receive their free copies as soon as possible.

Those entitled to free copies other than the president are: all circle chairmen, young people's director and counselors of all auxiliaries. We look to the WMS president to supply us with the names of the above officers so that they receive their copies at once.

The Guide Books are adaptable for local year books and may be

had for 5c each, 12 copies for 50c, or \$1.00 for 30 copies. Please send remittance with order. Year Books are 10c each. No tax.

A Message From The State Hospital Chairman

Dear Baptist Women:

Again we are grateful for your cooperation. Our motto—"Christian Nurses Sponsored by Christian Women," has evidently borne fruit, for already we have many applications for the February class. Any others who wish to enter will have to apply early, before the class limit is reached.

We hope you will pray for the way to open for the expansion of the Hospital, for each day there is a waiting list, not only for a room, but even for a bed.

—Mrs. Charles H. Brough.

New BWC Federation Organized

Word has been received that a new Business Woman's Circle Federation has been organized by the members of the Helena and West Helena Churches. Helen Blair, secretary of the Federation writes: "On July 11, 1946 the Business Woman's Circle of the West Helena Baptist Church had as their guests the Business Woman's Circle of the First Church of Helena. Supper was served the 45 present, followed by a short program in charge of Mrs. Phillip Shannon, after which a nominating committee recommended the following officers: Adviser, Mrs. E. A. Lyle; President, Mrs. Phillip Shannon; Vice-President, Mrs. Eugene Sullivan; Secretary, Helen Blair; Treasure, Mrs. William Vineyard; Pianist, Mrs. R. E. Briner, and Choirister, Mrs. Vernon Vogel. The group voted to write the Marianna church and ask them if they would like for the Federation to help them organize a BWC

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there. The next meeting is to be held in Helena in September."

We are happy to report this Federation and trust that churches in other towns or even in the associations where more than one BWC is functioning will be constrained to "go and do likewise." Write your State WMU Headquarters for leaflet and other helps.

Many New WMU Organizations Reported

Every day's mail brings word of new missionary societies and young people's auxiliaries. It is always good news to hear of the extension of new missionary organizations in our churches, and we are indeed grateful to those who have a vision of this need and who do something about it. Remember, October should be extension and enlistment month in all our missionary endeavors.

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Hungarian Baptists List Urgent Needs

At the insistence of the Foreign Board, the Hungarian Baptist Union submits a statement of loss and of immediate needs of their people and their missions. Among other urgent needs stated were these:

Bicycles. "Most of our preachers have many mission stations and the bicycles is today the best means of communication by which preachers can reach their respective fields." Thirty pieces and 60 pairs of bicycles tubes and tires are requested.

Waterproof baptismal suits, 15.

Lord's supper glasses, 10 sets—six sets for 100, and four sets for 200. "Owing to the very bad health situation and to the spreading of contagious diseases in Hun-

Figures to Inspire

September 29, 1946

Church	Addns.	S.S.	T.U.
Alma, First	1	147	73
Arkadelphia, First	16	543	275
Ashdown, First	—	149	84
Benton, First	—	512	150
Camden Churches:			
Elliott	—	100	58
First	—	416	88
Conway, First	9	431	97
Clarendon, First	1	141	35
Cullendale, First	—	306	130
El Dorado Churches:			
First	7	807	197
Immanuel	—	310	100
Second	1	463	120
Fordyce	—	316	129
Fort Smith Churches:			
First	3	1013	416
Immanuel	4	569	166
Hamburg, First	—	323	155
Hot Springs Churches:			
Park Place	—	468	159
Second	—	502	113
Including Mission	—	563	—
Lake City	—	127	143
Including Mission	—	300	—
Little Rock, Churches:			
Gaines Street	62	306	274
Immanuel	—	989	259
Including Mission	—	1471	509
South Highland	1	227	94
Tabernacle	—	445	81
Magnolia, Central	4	394	119
Malvern, First	—	310	58
McGehee, First	—	466	116
Mena, First	1	294	77
Mt. Ida, First	4	141	90
Monticello, First	3	223	50
Nashville, First	4	313	112
North Little Rock,			
Baring Cross	2	615	165
Including Mission	—	648	187
Ozark	—	192	63
Including Mission	—	231	—
Paris, First	—	313	138
Pine Bluff Churches:			
First	—	677	215
Including Mission	—	723	—
Matthews Memorial	—	92	116
South Side	4	404	157
Including Mission	—	462	—
Rogers, First	4	330	92
Springdale, First	5	344	124
Including Mission	—	418	—
Warren Churches:			
First	—	406	76
Second	—	103	63
West Memphis	6	437	196

gary, we feel justified to ask for this gift."

The necessity of these items for any effective ministry through the Baptist churches of Hungary will not be questioned by Southern Baptists.

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Possibly someone who reads this would like to have part in this Christian enterprise, in behalf of these long-neglected sufferers. If so, address.

Louis J. Bristow, Supt.,
New Orleans 15, La.

Brotherhood Night—November 18

Brotherhood Night is November 18 at Beech Street Church, Texarkana, on the eve of the meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. The Brotherhood program will be such as will challenge the best that is in men; a program which will help our laymen to comprehend more clearly the place of supreme importance that is theirs in the work of their church and denomination. Laymen from all over Arkansas are urged to be present at this meeting. The program will be published as soon as every detail is complete. Plan to come!

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Listen to these broadcasts!

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Missionary Reports Beech Creek Revived

By R. H. WATKINS

Missionary, Bartholomew Association

Of several meetings held in Bartholomew Association, perhaps Beech Creek Church had the most heartening visible results. There were four conversions. One ex-service man, Edgar Burgess, surrendered to the ministry and was licensed to preach. There were 11 rededications and a revival spirit among the membership.

Five men, Charlie Davis, Bill Ralph, R. C. Bowden, Maxwell Hill, and Norwood Watkins, were ordained to the office of deacon. The Lord's Supper was observed. The church voted to move out on the highway and rebuild. A good offering was made to Relief and Rehabilitation and the church is prayerfully seeking a pastor for half-time work.

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John Dudley, Outstanding Layman and Hospital Head, Will Go to Texas Post

John G. Dudley, administrator of the Baptist State Hospital, Little Rock, since January 1, 1942, has resigned, effective November 15, to accept a similar position at the Baptist Memorial Hospital of Houston, Tex., which has a \$2,000,000 plant, it was announced.

Mr. Dudley has directed the hospital to this period of its greatest benefit to the state and denomination. His attributes as a superb Christian layman and capable hospital manager have made him of great worth to Arkansas Baptists, and the hospital will lose a true benefactor in his leaving.

A committee named to select Mr. Dudley's successor is composed of Robert Green, Rev. L. H. Roseman and Dr. Paul Autry of Little Rock, Rev. W. R. Vestal, Searcy, and Rev. T. K. Rucker, Malvern.

Mr. Dudley formerly was business manager of the Sparks Memorial Hospital at Fort Smith, director of the Crippled Children's Division of the State Welfare Department, and assistant superintendent of the South Carolina Baptist Hospital.

He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Midwest Hospital



Mr. Dudley

Association; president of the Southwide Baptist Hospital Association, member of the Executive Board and Steering Committee of the Arkansas Hospital and Health Survey, and a member of the Little Rock Board of Health and the American College of Hospital Administrators.

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Paul's Conversion Most Unique In the History of Christianity

By R. PAUL CAUDILL

Paul's conversion is the most remarkable in the history of Christianity. He was, to begin with, an unusual personality. In scholarship he surpassed many of those about him (Gal. 1:14). By heredity and culture he was chief among his countrymen—one of the brightest, if not the most brilliant, of all the stars in the constellation of Israel. His zeal for Judaism and his strict adherence to the fundamental tenants of his faith set him apart from the beginning. With his conversion, however, he experienced total transformation. The whole trend of his life was changed to his dying day.

"A Light From Heaven"

In the passage before us (Acts 26:9-18) Paul relates before King Agrippa the revolutionary experience that came to him on the Damascus Road. "Whereupon as I journeyed to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests, at midday, O king, I saw on the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me and them that journeyed with me."

On this particular occasion Paul (then Saul) was on his way to Damascus to persecute "even unto foreign cities" those of "the Way," with the purpose of "binding and delivering into prison both men and women." In fact, in Acts 9:1 we are told that he was "breathing threatening and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord" and that he had asked of the high priest himself "letters to Damascus unto the synagogues, that if he found any that were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem."

But Saul was not to consummate his mission. God had other plans for him. In his native tongue (Hebrew) the arresting voice spoke: "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? it is hard for thee to kick against the goad." In Acts 26:15 Paul is reported to have replied, "Who art thou, Lord?" Whereas in Acts 22:10 he is reported to have said, "What shall I do, Lord?"

Upon learning that the voice was from above, Paul immediately wanted to know the significance of it; hence the question, "What shall I do, Lord?" This question made it possible for God to reveal unto him His holy purpose—purposes that were to set him apart for his remaining days on earth as a special messenger of light.

"To This End"

"And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest. But arise, and stand upon thy feet: for to this and have I appeared unto thee." How wonderful it would be

Sunday School Lesson
For October 13

Acts 26:9-18; 1 Corinthians
15:8-10

if posterity could look in on the thoughts that swept through the mind of Saul at this point of his vision. "... to this end ..." What arresting words!

But the Lord did not keep him in doubt for long. He had a very special mission for Paul, a mission that would send him throughout the Mediterranean world to bear witness to the Gentiles of the exceeding great riches of His love. "I appeared unto thee, to appoint thee a minister and a witness both of the things wherein thou hast seen me, and of the things wherein I will appear unto thee. Marvelous as had been God's self-disclosure, other mighty wonders were to follow. For that matter, all that had been was but prologue to that which was yet to be. His mission was to open the eyes of the Gentiles to the end that they might turn "from darkness to light and from the power of satan unto God," and that they might receive "remission of sins and an inheritance among them that are sanctified by faith" in Christ (Acts 26:16-18).

Paul could not have asked for a happier mission. Gladness would be his at every point of his journey irrespective of his own privation, suffering, and sacrifice, for his message would serve to open the closed eyes of people everywhere to moral and spiritual truths.

It was this holy mission that ever moved before Paul as a cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night, calling him onward in spite of heartache, physical suffering, frustration, and death.

In his letter to the Corinthians he speaks of these trials that confronted him throughout his days as an ambassador of Christ. "Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one. Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day have I been in the deep; in journeyings often, in perils of rivers, in perils of robbers, in perils of my countrymen, in perils from the Gentiles, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren; in labor and travail, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness" (2 Cor. 11:24ff). However distracting circumstances might appear, Paul could always say, "Unto this end ..." and in that take courage!

"Not Disobedient"

"Wherefore O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision" (Acts 26:19). Here lies the head and front of our offending as Christians. We do not live up to the light that we have. We do not remain true to our heavenly visions.

With Paul it was different. First to them of Damascus he declared his message and thereafter to those at Jerusalem and throughout "all the country of Judea, and also to the Gentiles," preaching everywhere the doctrine of repentance and faith in God "doing works worthy of repentance."

It is little wonder that the progress of Christianity was phenomenal in the first century. A vital message was delivered, a message which called upon people to change their mental patterns and to abandon themselves unto the ways of God with unceasing loyalty.

There can be no real revival without repentance, and there can be no lasting fruits of revival without attendant works on the part of those won—works that are worthy of repentance.

"The Grace of God"

In the closing verse of our lesson (1 Cor. 15:8-10) Paul shares with us the secret of his moral and spiritual greatness and the basis of the wonderful transformation that took place in his life. It was all due to the grace of God. Said he, "By the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not found vain."

The grace of God was to Paul a living reality as vital as the very breath of his body. He claimed no credit for his deeds of love, for his faithful perseverance, or for his unceasing loyalty to Christ. "By the grace of God," he said, "I am what I am."

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OVER THE TOP

We are over the top in Arkansas on the \$100,000 goal for Relief and Rehabilitation. They were asking Arkansas for \$100,450. We have gone beyond that and churches are still sending money for that purpose. Some of them took their collection, but have not gotten around to sending it in, but they are doing it now. Thank you, Brethren. You have acted as Christian leaders in this worthy cause. Our pastors and missionaries have taken this matter to heart, and they have shouldered the burdens. Our laymen, and women, and young people have all helped in a wonderful way, and they have given liberally. The various departments of our denominational work have been right in the struggle with us. We appreciate your fine cooperation and help.

THE WOMEN HELP PUT IT OVER. The State WMU agreed to try to raise one-third of the Arkansas quota. They have done a good job of it. We are grateful to them. In all the churches their women have taken leading parts in raising this money. We thank you one and all.

CENTERTON AND ASHLING. Centerton sent \$71. Hal H. Ashling is their trusted and inspiring pastor. The Garfield Church sent in \$30 for the Relief Offering.

WALNUT RIDGE SENT \$218. Pastor Blake Westmoreland is one of our fine young leaders. First Baptist Church, Walnut Ridge, responds to his appeal.

TUCKERMAN AND RHYNE. Tuckerman does an unusually good thing for the Relief of the world. Pastor Ray Rhyne leads them as they give \$141.

SWIFTON AND BALL. Brother Ball is the fine leader of the Swifton Church. This good church gives \$26 for the Relief Offering.

SMITHVILLE. The Smithville Church is pastorless, but they are a live, interested group of Baptists. They send \$77 for the Relief Offering.

DAVIS AND RAVENDEN. Ravenden sends \$16 for the Relief Offering. C. L. Davis is their good pastor.

NEWPORT AND WILKINS. Newport is finishing up a very beautiful and commodious church building, but they send \$103.64 for the Relief Offering. Charles Wilkins has been the progressive leader and pastor for several years.

NEW HOPE 1. New Hope is a rural church that is pastorless, but they send \$31 for the Relief Offering. It is an interested group of Baptists that comprise the church at New Hope.

HARDY AND FREEMAN. Pastor Freeman of Hardy is an engineer on the Frisco railroad. He pilots the big locomotives. He preaches like he runs a train, with much power. Hardy sends \$97 for the Relief Offering.

GRANDVIEW AND McCOLLUM. A hundred dollars came from Grandview Church

where S. R. McCollum is exercising a vital ministry.

BOW AND GREEN FOREST. Pastor J. F. Bow gets a response to his appeal and they send \$105 for the Relief Offering.

BISHOP IN BUCKNER ASSOCIATION. W. A. Bishop has been preaching at Blansett, Cedar Creek, Hon, New Home, and Poteau, Bishop has been a victorious preacher in this section of Arkansas through the years. Blansett gives \$19.50, Cedar Creek \$32, Hon \$8, and Poteau \$24 for the Relief Offering.

HARTFORD AND BURGESS. Pastor Burgess of Hartford leads his church to raise \$36 for the Relief Offering.

PARKS AND EVANS. J. E. Evans is a splendid leader and the Parks church which he pastors sends \$46 for the Relief Offering.

C. G. DAVIS AND WALDRON. Pastor C. G. Davis is one of our most dynamic preachers. He is principally an evangelist, but his church does its part and sends \$145 for the Relief Offering.

PASTORLESS CHURCHES, ALSO. Huntington sent \$10, Lucas \$26, Rock Creek \$20, Union Hope \$12 for the Relief Offering, and they are all pastorless.

IONE AND MILAM. Pastor H. D. Milam and the Ione Church give \$42 for the Relief Offering.

EMORY LEAVES HIS FOOTPRINTS. J. P. Emory of Story, is pastor at Washita, at Story, and at Aly. These churches sent in \$10, \$11, and \$7 respectively for the Relief Offering.

PRAIRIE GROVE AND MT. TABOR. These churches are pastorless, but they send in \$17 and \$22 respectively for the Relief Offering.

IMMANUEL GIRLS IN EL DORADO. Immanuel Church, El Dorado, has among its workers a class of Sunday School girls which caught the spirit of helping to feed a starving world. They denied themselves cold drinks and lunches and sent the money for the Relief Offering. R. C. Brinkley is their pastor.

DEWITT GOES OVER. First Church, DeWitt, has sent in \$393 on the Relief Offering. Douglas White is making a splendid leader for the church in DeWitt.

HAGLAR RESPONDS. More than \$78 has been sent in for the Relief Offering from Hagler Church. Bro. Roscoe Cooper, a long-time worker in Southeast Arkansas is their tireless pastor.

HUMPHREY AND THOMAS. Pastor J. W. Thomas and the Humphrey saints sent in more than \$17 for the Relief and Rehabilitation Offering. This was given in the Daily Vacation Bible School.

STUTTGART GOES STRONG. First Church, Stuttgart, has sent in \$815. Pastor Dodd is a strong believer in all the work abroad.

TICHNOR HELPS, ALSO. Pastor W. E. Ross and the saints at Tichnor have sent \$10 for Relief and Rehabilitation.

ALMYRA AND ELDRIDGE. Pastor Boyd Eldridge says that Almyra is always ready.

The Ouachita Campaign

The Southern Baptist Convention asked us, in the Spring, to promote the Relief Offering. Our State Executive Committee likewise voted for us to go into it wholeheartedly. We regret that it came at the time we were launching the Ouachita College Campaign. But even the Ouachita leaders loved the appeal that was being made for the starving millions and for the war torn Baptist work in other lands. The time has expired in which we were to put on this appeal.

Now we can go back into the Ouachita Campaign with the earnestness of our souls. We must give this million dollars to help this great institution occupy its place in the galaxy of educational institutions. Let us get into the actual money-raising on the Ouachita Campaign. Let us hasten to send our money to finish the dormitories that are now under construction so that our waiting students may have an opportunity to procure their education.

This good church has sent over \$419 for the Relief Offering.

HOT SPRINGS AND DUNCAN. First Church, Hot Springs, has sent more than \$419 for the Relief and Rehabilitation work. B. H. Duncan always leads his church to victory.

ARKADELPHIA AND COTHRAN. First Church, Arkadelphia, responded with more than \$1,055 for the Relief Offering. J. G. Cothran is a new pastor, but he is familiar to the Arkansas people, having served in Benton several years ago as pastor of that church.

ANTOINE AND LINDHOLM. Antoine gave \$55 for the Relief Offering. Raymond Lindholm has been leading the people there in a fine way.

BIERNE AND NELSON. Loyce Nelson has been the splendid leader and pastor, and that good church sends more than \$35 for the Relief Offering.

SECOND CHURCH AND HARVEY. The Second Church in Arkadelphia sends \$156 for the Relief Offering. Large crowds go to hear O. C. Harvey preach the gospel.

CADDO VALLEY AND HOWARD. H. M. Howard is the fine leader of the saints at Caddo Valley. They sent \$13.50 for the Relief Offering.

DEGRAY AND BRANSCUM. Guy Branscum is the persistent leader and fine pastor of the DeGray Church. This is a country church, but it really does things. They sent \$143 for the Relief Offering.

HARMONY AND STAPLES. James Staples is leading the Harmony Church in Red River Association in a splendid way. They sent in more than \$17 to help the unfortunate peoples of other lands.

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