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Visit to Louisville

MY college classmate Wayne Ward, originally from Piggott, was advanced to the rank of Professor in the Theology department of Southern Baptist Seminary,



DR. WARD

Louisville, at the annual meeting of the Seminary trustees last week in Louisville. Wayne and I "fought, bled, and almost died" together at Ouachita and got our sheepskins there at the annual spring commencement in 1943. Lest I be sailing under false colors, let me confess that I am not as young as Wayne—it took me about 15 years longer to finish college than it did him.

Just after the adjournment of the trustees, I was visiting briefly with Wayne in a Norton Hall corridor. When I congratulated him on his well-deserved promotion, he thoughtfully thanked me "for whatever part you had in it." Then I had to tell him: "The only part I had was to leave the meeting just as your promotion was to be considered." (I had bowed out at that time to make an appearance before Dr. Nolan P. Howington's class in Christianity and Race.)

Since my family and I lived in Louisville for 10½ years, it is always good to have an excuse or opportunity to go back there on a visit. Mid-March is a little early for spring that far north, but the Seminary campus last week was beautifully decked out in a solid coat of green grass. And long before my alarm clock went off Tuesday morning of last week, I was awake to the melodious serenade of a Kentucky cardinal just outside our motel bedroom.

Making the trip with me last week were two Ouachita University theologs—James Sutherland, Little Rock, and James Bryant, Harrison—and two female hitchhikers, my wife, Maria, and our daughter Judy (Mrs. J. W. Lucas). This was the two Jameses' first trip to Kentucky. It was thrilling to see their reactions to the Southern Seminary campus and fellowship.

Louisville does not seem nearly so remote now as it did back in the 1940's, before the day of the super-highway. Now at least half of the 560 miles between Little Rock and Louisville are freeway. Even with such cargo as it carried this time, our 1960 DeSoto navigated it in 11 hours each way.

Regretably, my schedule this time was too tight to get in a meeting with the Arkansas state group at the Seminary, of which Harry E. Woodall is president. I hope to have time for some leisurely fellowship on the campus next August, when I am to be back in Kentucky for an engagement at a journalism workshop at Camp Cedarmore.

Erwin L. McDonald

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BEECH Street Church, Texarkana, will be the setting for the annual WMU meeting this year. The dates are April 5-7. On page 16, you will find a program of the highlights of the event.

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'THE outstanding cause of the broken home is marriage.' So it has been said, reports our witty and wise J. I. Cossey. We recommend for your enjoyment—and for your betterment—Dr. Cossey's "Threatening Possibilities" on page 7.

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IN MARYLAND a circuit court judge has ruled that direct grants of state aid to four Maryland church-related colleges are valid under state and federal constitutions. The final outcome of the case is expected to set a landmark in the constitutional issue of state aid to church-related colleges by both federal and state government. The story is on page 4.

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PRESIDENT Johnson in an historic address to the joint session of Congress called for legislation to eliminate every obstruction to equal voting rights for all American citizens. The Baptist Press report is on page 5.

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'Regnant Populus'

IT is becoming more and more obvious that if the laws of the land are not to continue to be circumvented by those in high authority, the people themselves must wield a greater influence in state affairs. For church people, that means the clergy and the laity alike, for we are all involved.

No longer is it enough, as we are seeing blazoned here in Arkansas, for voters merely to go to the polls and vote. They must actually take the field to contend for fair and impartial upholding of the Constitution and statutes of the state and nation by those very public officials who have solemnly sworn to uphold the law. This has been made crystal clear by the Governor of our State in his insistence that he must have search warrants sworn out by private citizens before he can use the State Police toward putting the lid again on the blatant resumption of casino gambling in Hot Springs.

On Monday of this week representative religious leaders of the State called on the Governor to protest another instance of disregard for the rights of Arkansas citizens under the law—the segregation of the Capitol Cafeteria. Here, as in the Hot Springs gambling situation, the so-called “private club” has been used as a device to circumvent justice.

The ministers, representing the Protestant, Catholic and Jewish faiths, pointed out in a petition to the Governor that the State Capitol is the possession of all the citizens and should be accessible to all. They called upon the Governor to use his high office “to champion the moral as well as the legal rights of our citizenry . . .” and to “direct that the cafeteria in the State Capitol be opened immediately to all the citizens of Arkansas, irrespective of race, color or creed.”

Pointing out that the Capitol Cafeteria has been one of the few remaining segregated eating places in the entire city of Little Rock, the ministers warned that “as long as any state facility remains segregated our capitol stands as a symbol of division and injustice.” The dramatic closing of the cafeteria rather than to operate it for all citizens merely extends the racial discrimination to the whites as well as the blacks.

The use of so-called “private clubs” as devices for the violation of the anti-gambling laws of the State and to perpetrate injustice against her citizens in a business which has actually operated in the State Capitol itself constitutes one of the most flagrant thumbings of the nose at democratic principles and ideals that we have seen, at home or abroad.

Walking by faith

REV. and Mrs. James Hampton, missionaries to Africa whose six-year-old son died in an accident at

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Mena, March 3, will definitely return to their mission field, they have announced.

Prior to the death of their son, the Hamptons had been reassigned to Arusha, Tanzania, where Mr. Hampton is to teach in the Baptist Seminary of East Africa. They were about ready to fly to their new post at the time of the accident. Now the time of their journey has been delayed indefinitely.

In a newsletter on behalf of the Hamptons, Pastor Dillard S. Miller of First Church, Mena, expresses appreciation for the communications of sympathy which have come to the missionary family from all over the world. Writes Pastor Miller:

“James and Gena have asked me to tell you that their departure to their field of service has been delayed but to assure you that they ARE returning. They tell me that they have a job to do and that they are going to go back and do it.”

Continues Mr. Miller:

“I have never seen such testimony as the lives of these two servants of the Lord have revealed through these days. From the earliest moment of the accident to the time the doctors came and told them Stephen had gone, they exhibited courage and faith and submissiveness. They repeated the previous experience when they lost Kathie, their 8-year-old daughter, four and one-half years ago.”

(Many of our readers will recall that the Hamptons were preparing to return to Africa after furlough when they discovered, about five years ago, that their little daughter was hopelessly ill of leukemia.)

God has not promised even his foreign missionaries that they will be sealed off from the vicissitudes of life. But he has assured all of his disciples that his wonderful grace is sufficient for every situation. The Hamptons are bearing a marvelous Christian witness to the world as they continue to walk by faith through the dark hours of their great sorrow.

Jeremiah's image

THE prophet Jeremiah has suffered across the centuries from “a wrong public image,” declared Dr. Hagen Staack, in a “Frontiers of Faith” television program recently.

Explaining that Jeremiah has been associated in the public mind with sadness, weeping and wailing, and as the composer of long lamentations, Dr. Staack emphasized that the prophet's outstanding characteristic was his almost unbelievable tenacity and his joy in the belief that the Lord would “restore the fortunes of the tents of Jacob.”

We don't need any prophets who preach “peace, peace when there is no peace,” or who call truth, falsehood; and falsehood, truth. But, regardless of how dark the day we live in, God's prophets must be not only realistic in facing the issues of their times, but, basically, they must be “incurable optimists.” There is no security or assurance quite to compare with being on God's side.

Maryland court upholds aid

BY GAINER E. BRYAN JR.
EDITOR, MARYLAND BAPTIST

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (BP)—A Maryland circuit court judge ruled that direct grants of state aid to four Maryland church-related colleges are valid under the state and federal constitutions.

State appropriations to the two Protestant and two Catholic colleges for construction of science buildings, dormitories, dining halls and classroom buildings serve a purely secular purpose, the judge held. It was not the original legislative purpose—and it is not the primary effect—of the grants to advance or inhibit religion; therefore the enactments are constitutional, the judge ruled.

Judge O. Bowie Duckett of Anne Arundel Circuit Court, who rendered the decision, ruled that the Horace Mann League of America, a national organization of public school educators which originated the test suit, does not have standing to sue in Maryland. He held that the 12 citizen plaintiffs, all real and personal property taxpayers, do have sufficient standing to sue.

Leo Pfeffer, New York, chief counsel for the plaintiffs, said attorneys will proceed with originally announced intentions to appeal the decision to the Maryland Court of Appeals and, if necessary, to the United States Supreme Court.

The final outcome of the case is expected to set a landmark in the constitutional issue of state aid to church-related colleges by both the state and federal governments. It will also have implications for broader aspects of government aid to religious institutions.

Defendants in the suit are Hood College, affiliated with the United Church of Christ; Western Maryland College, Methodist; and two Roman Catholic colleges, Notre Dame of Baltimore and St. Joseph's. All are four-year liberal arts colleges.

The plaintiffs challenged as unconstitutional four statutes enacted by the Maryland legislature in 1962 and 1963. These granted the two Protestant schools \$500,000 each and the two Catholic colleges \$750,000 each in matching funds for construction purposes.

Judge Duckett held that the most pertinent test of validity of the grants under the U. S. Constitution was that used by the U. S. Supreme Court in the famous "school prayer" case. This test, he said, was as follows:

"What are the purpose and the primary effect of the enactment? If either is the advancement or inhibition of religion, then the enactment exceeds the scope of legislative power as circumscribed by the Constitution. That is to say that to withstand the strictures of the establishment clause there must be a secular legislative purpose and a primary effect that neither advances nor inhibits religion."

The judge said it "seems crystal clear that the

Maryland legislature was in no way concerned with religion in making the appropriations."

He described as "much more difficult" the question, "Is the primary effect of one or more of these enactments to advance religion?"

In the case of appropriations to Hood and Western Maryland, he said the answer is clearly no. He then described the limited religious character of the two Protestant schools, although conceding their denominational ties.

"The grants to Notre Dame and St. Joseph's . . . present a much more difficult question," he said.

However, he concluded that while the objectives of the founders of these institutions may have been to make religion primary, "permeating all study, thereby making education secondary . . . I do not find that they exist at this time."

In what was described in the opinion as a "subordinate question," the judge concluded that the Maryland constitution does not forbid grants of public money to church-connected institutions. He said, "Our highest court makes little or no distinction between a sectarian or secular institution receiving an appropriation, provided the money is used to perform a public service, as, for example, health, education and general welfare of our citizens."

Melvin J. Sykes of Baltimore, one of the plaintiffs' attorneys, said he anticipates a decision by the Maryland high court on the appeal in late 1965 or early 1966, and by the U. S. Supreme Court, if it goes that high, by late 1966 or early 1967.

President asks vote law

WASHINGTON (BP)—"Every American citizen must have an equal right to vote," declared President Lyndon B. Johnson in his address to the joint session of Congress.

The President pointed out that this is the clear meaning of the Constitution of the United States. He proposed legislation to eliminate every obstruction to the achievement of this right.

The new civil rights law will be based on the Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution, which says:

"Section 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by United States or by any State on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude.

"Section 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation."

The President said that the emancipation proclamation was issued over 100 years ago and that the 15th Amendment is 95 years old. "Yet the Negro is not equal," he declared.

"The time of justice has now come. No force can hold it back. It is right—in the eyes of man and God—that it should come. And when it does, that day will brighten the lives of every American," he said.

In the words of the President the proposed bill will:

"Strike down restrictions to voting in all elections—Federal, State and local;

"Establish a simple uniform standard which cannot be used however ingenious the effort to flout our Constitution;

"Provide for citizens to be registered by officials of the United States government if State officials refuse to cooperate;

"Eliminate tedious, unnecessary lawsuits which delay the right to vote; and

"Insure that properly registered individuals are not prohibited from voting."

The Civil Rights Act of 1964 was passed after eight months of debate and filibuster. By the time it reached the President for signature the heart of the voting provision had been eliminated.

"This time, on this issue, there must be no delay, no hesitation, no compromise with our purpose," the President declared.

With the details of the bill being worked out by both Democrats and Republicans it enters the legislative process with strong by-partisan support. Washington observers predict that the voting bill will be rapidly enacted into law. This does not mean that it will receive unanimous support or that it will not encounter rough weather.

The new voting bill will do away with all tests that have been used to discriminate and will limit

voting eligibility requirements to a few: age, residence, mental competence and the lack of felony convictions.

It will apply automatically to all states of electoral subdivisions where less than 50 percent of the eligible adult population is registered or voted in the November 1964 election.

This will include the states of Alabama, Mississippi, South Carolina, Georgia, Virginia, Louisiana and Alaska. There may be other electoral subdivisions that are automatically included.

President Johnson, however, pointed out that state and local control over elections can be maintained. He said, "The answer is simple. (1) Open your polling places to all people. (2) Allow men and women to register and vote whatever the color of their skin. (3) Extend the rights of citizenship to every citizen."

The new law will empower the attorney general to appoint a federal registrar to register aggrieved applicants. This could be the postmaster or some other person. The number of required complaints is expected to be around 20 in order to put this provision into operation.

The backers of the new voting law hope to make it effective for the November, 1966, general elections.



DR. MORRIS ASHCRAFT

Granted sabbatical

NATIVE Arkansan, Dr. Morris Ashcraft, professor of theology at Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City, has been granted a sabbatical leave to study next year in Europe.

Dr. Ashcraft and his family plan to leave early in June. They will go first to the Baptist seminary in Ruschlikon, Switzerland, where he will teach for a brief period during the summer. They

will then go to Zurich, where he will spend a full year studying Contemporary European Theology at the university there.

Dr. Ashcraft is a native of Malvern, where he was born Aug. 14, 1922. He received the B. A. degree from Ouachita University; the B.D. and Th.D. degrees from Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; and has done post-graduate study at Union Theological Seminary, New York.

From 1951 to 1954, Dr. Ashcraft served as a U. S. Naval Chaplain in California and the Pacific. He was an instructor, 1954-55, at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky. From 1955 to 1958 he was assistant professor at Southern Seminary. He was associate professor at Furman University, Greenville, S. C. in 1958-59. He has been Professor of Theology at Midwestern Seminary since 1959.

Mrs. Ashcraft is the former Anna Bernice Haley, also a native Arkansan. The Ashcrafts have two children: Mark Henry, and Anna Belle.

During his military service, Dr. Ashcraft served in World War II and in the Korean conflict. He traveled extensively in the Pacific

area and in the Near East. He is a member of the Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis and of the National Academy of Religion. He has written for the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and for *Review and Expositor*, theological journal of Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

A fellowship grant in the amount of \$4,000 from the American Association of Theological Schools made it possible for the Ashcrafts to spend their year of study in Europe.

Lewis to Wynne

GERALD Lewis, minister of Music and Education at First Church, West Plains, Mo., has accepted the invitation of First Church, Wynne, to become its minister of Music and Education.

Mr. Lewis was reared at Mountain Home. He is a graduate of Southwest Missouri State College with a major in voice.

The Lewises have a daughter, eight, and a son, three. They were to move to Wynne, March 15.

Rev. R. B. Crotts is pastor of the church.

Home influence and Christian living

"The most important influence in any child's life is the conversation overheard in his home."

—Margaret Applegarth

"MY grandparents reared me. I love them dearly and their strong influence had much to do with my decision to invest my life for Christ in a church-related vocation."

"I grew up in a Christian home and was surrounded with spiritual atmosphere.

"Our lives were centered in the church. We had our social activities as well as our worship experiences there."

These testimonies came from girls on a Christian college campus. Several of them had come in together for an interview concerning plans for enrolling in New Orleans Seminary after their graduation from college.

Spontaneously these girls were contributing bits of the answer to a pair of questions that intrigue many of us: What influences in a home exert the strongest pull upon sons and daughters in that home to choose a dedicated, Christian way of life? What factors in the home create reactions against Christian standards and church loyalty?

Let me cite cases in point. Names used are fictitious; the stories are true.

Hoyt grew up in a Christian home. His family were faithful pillars of the church. Both his mother and father accepted many responsibilities in the organizations. When Hoyt went away to college, he chose a different path. Successful in his profession, he married a young woman of similar background. She, too, had

been reared in a church-centered home. But Hoyt and his family now maintain only a nominal connection with their church.

Ray was a member of the same high-school set as Hoyt. They attended the same college. But Ray's parents took very little interest in church. His father was classified as a ne'er do well; his mother was quite immature in her concepts of life. Ray, while still a teen-ager, dedicated his life to a church-related vocation. Today he is an influential leader in the life of his denomination.

One young woman on our campus has a circus-family background. During her childhood she frequently was punished by her father for going to Sunday School. Yet she has felt drawn like steel to a magnet to the Christian way of life.

Another young woman who grew up in surroundings apparently conducive to the best in Christian living turned her back upon the church and Christian standards of living.

Why? Is there an answer to this paradox?

Probing and observations of young people, through the years have led to certain conclusions.

A life that is centered in Christ and motivated by His will is founded upon a personal experience with this divine Savior. No matter what the vocation, the position, or the home situation, the flow of Christian service from any person lacking in this focal point of operation is shallow and ineffectual.

Sometimes the person reared in an unChristian or non-Christian atmosphere experiences a direct confrontation with Christ as he searches for a better way of life. Then, following his redemption,

the person accepts the "follow-me" challenge as simply and completely as did the smooth publican, the rough fisherman, or the sinful woman.

Presence or absence of certain qualities in the home have a strong bearing upon whether the sons and daughters in Christian homes will rebel, or respond to follow in the footsteps of godly parents to become ministers, missionaries, leaders in the fields of church-related vocations. Here are some of them:

1. Parents live by the Spirit and teachings of Christ in the privacy of their homes as well as in the limelight of the church.

2. The home maintains consistent discipline, but it is administered in love and fairness. Effectiveness is rooted in parental discipline of themselves first.

3. Parents make a point of respecting their sons and daughters as individual persons and including them in family plans, activities, decisions.

4. The mother and father love each other and make no secret of the fact. Tensions and quarrels are dissolved in prayer, consideration each of the other, and an ever-present sense of humor.

5. The parents do more practicing and praying than preaching and prescribing.

6. Loyalty to church, pastors, leaders is as natural a part of the family life as going to school, practicing safety and good manners.

7. Appreciation of other people and patience with their shortcomings is habitual among the family, at home, at church, in the community—everywhere.

8. Principles of right and wrong are caught by the children from their parents.

9. Reverence for God and respect for the Bible are installed as naturally as breathing fresh air and eating nourishing food.

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Threatening possibilities

BY J. I. COSSEY

THE threat of a tornado may keep our section of Arkansas on the alert for several hours. The threat of war now has America and the world in waiting for what may happen next. Who can drive out on any highway without fearing for his very life? Most people live aware of the "threatening possibilities" that may come at any time.

There is a constant threat to the very existence of the home, the marriage and the future of children. Most of the children in our orphanages are from broken homes. It has been said that the outstanding cause of the broken home is marriage. No doubt the fear of having a broken home delays the time for many marriages, and it should. The threat of separation is hanging over many homes today. Surely a Christian view of marriage would cause more couples to stay together.

There is forever the threatening possibility of death. Death will surely come; it may be long, it could be soon. We should always be prepared for any experience when we know it is coming. Preparedness is a most timely word in this connection. When one has made preparation for life and death, threatening possibilities should not make much difference.

The threatening possibilities of broken health are of constant and vital concern. Each of us should have a health schedule of exercise and eating which is a guarantee of good health. Our health may always be good when we plan for good health.

The threat of financial failure is an ever present concern. One should never depend upon the government or other help agencies for the necessities of life. Outside help should come after we have used all of our abilities to sustain ourselves. Young people should try to own their own homes. In the first place, buy a modest home that can be paid for, later you

Beacon Lights of Baptist History

By BERNES K. SELPH, Th. D.
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Baptist catechisms

THE Elkhorn Association in Kentucky considered the propriety of a catechism for children in 1799. But due to opposition the matter was dropped.

Was this a novel consideration? Hardly! Catechising or instructing the young convert in truths about baptism and the Christian way of life dates back to the early days of Christianity. In New Testament days the apostles baptized those who professed faith. In the third century a period of instruction was given before the rite of baptism.

Those who gave instructions were called catechists; those instructed were called catechumens or catichimens. The instruction period usually ran two years. Instructions were prerequisite for baptism of all classes and ages, except babies who sickened with death, after infant baptism became a practice.

The term catechism originally meant the action or oral instruction. Later it came to mean the book which contained the instructions. Most catechisms were writ-

may sell it and buy a better one; then keep up this process until you have the home of your dreams.

Threatening possibilities hang over many churches: decline in attendance, very little visitation, and no definite schedule of progress; just plain going no place—not planning to stay long—merely time servers. Many churches have forgotten why they came into existence in the first place. Many of us are just drifting along in the hope that something might happen.

Whatever be the threatening possibilities, we must keep our eyes on the eyes of God that watch over us. Our lives are always in his view. We can always rest upon the faithfulness and dependability of God. He is forever awake just for us.

ten in the question and answer method.

As time went on the candidates for instruction grew younger and younger. However, for centuries it was the accepted practice for adults.

Catechisms, as such, have not found favor among Baptists, though instructions have been given candidates. If some form of instruction and some statement of truths could have been universally agreed upon such usage might have been very helpful. One, at least, proved helpful on the mission field and may still be secured.

Former missionary W. E. Davidson prepared and wrote a catechism in the late 1920's for his work in Chile. He first used it in instructing young ministers and Christian workers. Later he translated it into English and used it for teaching Bible fundamentals in college.

This catechism sets forth the body of truth commonly held by Baptists in an orderly but concise form.

It is not known why Kentucky Baptists dropped the matter of the catechism in another day. But they were grappling with an age old problem. How to get the proper instructions to young converts is a modern question. Attention is being given this matter today, and some worthy suggestions have been made.

From death to life

THEY crucified our Lord and King
And laid Him in the tomb,
Then placed a great stone at the
door

And sealed the hallowed gloom.

This lonely Man, akin to grief,
Who was untouched by sin,
Lay waiting in the arms of death,
Condemned by cruel men,

Until the angel rolled away
The barrier and freed
The spark of everlasting life
As bursting pod, the seed.

Now, just as lilies grow and bloom
On Easter Sunday morn;

The soul of man, from sin set
free,

By His death is reborn.

—Etta Caldwell Harris, Hamburg

Southeastern Seminary

official statement

IN an effort to give a true version of a complex issue which has troubled the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, the trustees in their annual meeting on February 18, 1965 approved the following statement for release by the administration.

In 1960 a problem emerged in the life of the school. The theological dimension of the difficulty was related to the interpretation of the New Testament. Disavowing any desire to interfere with the freedom and tenure of colleagues, some members of the faculty strongly opposed the predominance of one point of view in the interpretation of the New Testament, a point of view associated with the exegetical method and conclusions of Rudolf Bultmann concerning the nature and message of the New Testament. The faculty was divided and theological communication broke down between the groups. After attempts to resolve the problem had failed, and after he had informed the faculty of his intention, President S. L. Stealey appealed to the trustees for help.

Interpersonal relations

THE Committee on Instruction of the Board of Trustees spent May 15-17, 1961 on the campus and interviewed members of the faculty. These interviews revealed that interpersonal relations within the faculty had been damaged by earlier conversations regarding trends in New Testament studies and fractured by the decision of a few professors not to discuss theology with their colleagues. The committee made no formal charge against any member of the faculty but it reported concern about faculty morale and the doctrinal presuppositions of certain members of the instructional staff to the Board of Trustees.

Procedures authorized

UPON the recommendation of the Committee on Instruction the Board of Trustees in its annual meeting on February 15, 1962 authorized procedures aimed at clarification of issues through consultation, including a process of inquiry and counsel with some members of the faculty. It was agreed that the Committee on Instruction should complete this assignment by February 18, 1965.

In the search for a constructive solution of the exceptionally complicated problem, the trustees and administration have exercised restraint, forbearance, and fairness. They have made no formal charge of deviation from the Abstract of Principles against any member of the instructional staff and no professor has been requested to resign, nor has any member of the faculty been pressured to do so.

Dr. Briggs resigns

AS an alternative to a continuation of his participation in the process of inquiry and counsel authorized by the Board of Trustees, Dr. R. C. Briggs preferred to resign. On October 19, 1964 he arranged a conference with the President and informed him that he had decided to resign provided satisfactory adjustments could be made. He stated that he preferred to terminate his service at the end of the 1964 fall semester.

After a series of consultations with trustees, including the President of the Board and the Chairman of the Committee on Instruction, and after allowing ample time for Dr. Briggs to rethink his decision, the President drafted a statement which included Dr. Briggs' stipulations and which was approved by him on December 15, 1964.

The proposal set forth in this statement provided (1) that Dr. R. C. Briggs be permitted to terminate his membership in the faculty by resignation effective January 2, 1965; (2) that the provision in the policy regarding sabbatical leave that a professor must return to the service of the Seminary for at least one year after the completion of a leave or return one-third of the salary paid him during his leave be waived in this instance; and (3) that his salary plus a sum equivalent to what the Seminary would have expended during the period involved for his fringe benefits be paid through December 31, 1966.

Committee unanimous

THE proposal was recommended unanimously by the Committee on Instruction and approved unanimously by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees, meeting in executive session, on December 17, 1964.

This action of the committees was reported by telephone to the other members of the Board and in the conversations by telephone the trustees expressed approval of the proposal adopted by the Executive Committee.

The decision of the trustees to pay Dr. Briggs' salary through 1966 was based upon several considerations: (1) Dr. Briggs' resignation was conditioned upon the payment of salary through December 31, 1966; (2) he was a full professor with tenure and had no plans for immediate employment, and (3) the trustees and the administration desired to be just and generous.

Resignation accepted

IN harmony with the instruction of the trustees, the administration announced on December 29, 1964 that the resignation of Dr. R. C. Briggs as Professor of New Testament had been accepted with regret by the Executive Committee.

The trustees are profoundly grateful for the devotion and faithful work of the able and dedicated teachers who comprise the faculty and regret the excessive and unwarranted criticisms which have been made of them.

Dr. Binkley commended

THROUGHOUT his career Dr. Olin T. Binkley has placed high value upon academic excellence in the education of ministers. The trustees have unqualified confidence in his personal integrity and professional competence. They will support him and the teachers and students who cooperate with him in the advancement of theological studies at the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The administration and trustees from the beginning have observed with utmost care the principle of responsible academic freedom. The requirement regarding the theological covenant outlined in the Abstract of Principles and signed by each member of the faculty is fully compatible with the document on academic freedom and tenure which was adopted as an advisory norm by the American Association of Theological Schools in 1960 and which explicitly

states that a theological institution may expect its faculty to subscribe to a confessional or doctrinal standard.

Trustee responsibility

THIS is a Southern Baptist seminary, established and maintained by the Southern Baptist Convention, and it is the responsibility of the trustees to formulate policies in harmony with the nature and purpose of the school. The faculty and students are encouraged to participate in creative theological inquiry and to make effective use of the resources of this school which is thorough in scholarship, sound in Christian theology, and vitally related to the churches.

Approved and adopted unanimously by the Board of Trustees of the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, February 18, 1965.

The Cover



It's dogwood time!

THE cover scene will be a familiar one to residents of South and Central Arkansas within the week, according to predictions of the Arkansas Forestry Commission. North Arkansas residents can expect the spring beauty of dogwood one week later.

Letters to the Editor

THE PEOPLE SPEAK

Corrects vote

YOUR attention is invited to the two enclosures; (a) letter from Reverend Roy H. Galyean, (b) clipping from your magazine dated March 4, 1965.

In commenting on this I might add that I made written protest to the Speaker on my intentions and further pointed out that Representative Wom-

The Bookshelf

Victory in Viet Nam, by Mrs. Gordon H. Smith, Zondervan, 1965, \$3.95

Presented here is a well illustrated report of the conflict raging in Viet Nam currently as seen by a missionary after more than 35 years of service in that war-torn part of the world. Exposed Viet Cong Communists as murderers and plunderers—"mad men who killed National Christians and missionaries with little or no provocation in this battle for the minds and homes of the Vietnamese people."

Your Heredity and Environment, by Amram Scheinfeld, Lippincott, 1965, \$12.50

The study of heredity and its contribution to the understanding of one's self is a most interesting study. Now as never before can be seen how the mechanism of human heredity operates and how it produces innumerable differences in individuals' appearance, mental capacity, talents, behavior, reactions to disease, and other traits. Presented here are many of these vital facts with clarity and in the non-technical language that can be read and

ack, floor leader for the bill in the House, was shown as not voting when he did.

I would appreciate your noting that on the day this bill came up, our voting machine was completely OFF, sometimes showing as high as 170 yeas on totals on a bill. As suggested by my very good friend, Reverend Roy H. Galyean, someone else pushed my button at the time the vote was taken.

I might add that I was embarrassed to learn that I had voted for this bill when I had voted in the negative the previous two ballots.

I want to thank you in advance for your time and consideration.—Jesse C. Hayes, State Representative, Randolph County, Rt. 5, Box 90, Pocahontas, Ark.

understood by the average reader. In the interest of safeguarding the highest standard of scientific accuracy, the author had his manuscript reviewed by more than 60 authorities before publication.

The present volume is one redesigned and completely reset to replace the author's

The New You and Heredity.

Among the special features of the volume are a selected bibliography of more than 1,100 items, summaries and forecast tables, a glossary of the technical terms most often encountered in the literature in human genetics, a list of 30 human heredity clinics, and a list of periodicals carrying articles on human heredity.

The author is a Fellow of the New York Academy of Sciences, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Sociological Association, and the Eugenics Society of England. He is also a member of the American Psychological Association, the American Society for Human Genetics, the National Council of Family Relations, and the National Association of Science Writers. He is vice president of the Board of Directors of the Community Guidance Service of New York.

Patchwork Pieces, by Etta Caldwell Harris, Triangle Publishing Company, 1964

This is an interesting collection of poetry by one of Arkansas' well known poets, Etta Caldwell Harris, of Hamburg. We have room here for just one poem:

Today's Grandma

Time was when grandma's kitchen held
Early American charm
And a special kind of beauty,
Both comfortable and warm.

Her cooking room is not the same—
She modernized her plan,
Jumping from the stove-wood fire
To an electric frying pan.

N. S. Garrott dies

N. S. GARROTT, long time deacon and trustee of First Church, West Memphis, died Mar. 11. The funeral was held Mar. 13, at the church, with Rev. Thomas Hinson officiating.

In the hospital before surgery, Mr. Garrott performed his last official act for his church, signing all of the church bonds for the construction of the new auditorium of First Church.

Mr. Garrott leaves his widow, Helen Greer Garrott, West Memphis; four sons and two daughters; nineteen grandchildren; and five great grandchildren. One of the sons is Rev. Greer Garrott, pastor of Richland Church, Memphis. One of the daughters is Mrs. Tom Logue, wife of the state student director of the Arkansas State Convention.

Buell DePriest dies

BUELL DePriest, a deacon of Freeman Heights Church, Berryville, died Mar. 3.



MR. DePRIEST

Mr. DePriest, manager of the Berryville Kraft plant, graduated from Ouachita College in 1934. He taught school in Marion and Boone counties before going to Berryville.

He served his church as teacher, deacon, chairman of deacons, pulpit committee chairman and nominating committee chairman, and was the first elected moderator. He also had supplied in other churches in the county.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Lora Keeling DePriest; a daughter, Mrs. Ellis Hollon, Mobile, Ala.; his parents; Mr. and Mrs. W. R. DePriest, Harrison; a brother, Jewel DePriest, Harrison; and one granddaughter.

Services were conducted from Freeman Heights Church by Rev. M. E. Wiles and Rev. Ed F. McDonald III.



AT CONFERENCE—Mrs. Don Dunlap, Little Rock, is attending the first American Bible Society conference for women of the 16 states of the central region. The meeting at Kansas City, Mo., opened Mar. 23 and closes Mar. 25. Mrs. Dunlap is a member of the Speakers Bureau of the Bible Society and serves on the faculty of Arkansas Baptist Hospital School of Nursing. She is an active member of First Church. The conference prepares women to participate in the world-wide program of the society.

Tigers honored

ARKADELPHIA — The Ouachita University team was honored Mar. 16 at an AIC basketball banquet at Little Rock for its third place finish in the NAIA Athletics tournament at Kansas City.

The Tigers defeated Fairmont of West Virginia 77-71 in the consolation round after losing to Oklahoma Baptist University in the semifinals of the 32-team tournament.

The banquet, sponsored by the Christian Foundation Life, was to honor the All-AIC team which included Leon Clements of Ouachita on the first team, and the Tiger's David Kossover on the second squad.

In addition to their third place finish the Tigers won the first annual sportsmanship trophy.

Rev. S. C. Swinney

REV. Stanley Clarence Swinney Sr., 76, died Mar. 3 at his home in New Madrid, Mo.

He had served churches in Missouri, Arkansas and Texas for 52 years.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Nella Dorcas Swinney, and ten children: Cleo Swinney Boswell of Oklahoma, Mrs. William Sones, Junction City, La., Mrs. James Taylor, Longview, Tex., Youell L. Swinney and Mrs. Gaddis Childs, Houston, Tex., Spurgeon Swinney, Chickasha, Okla., Mrs. Joe Herrington of Texarkana, Stanley C. Swinney Jr., in the U. S. Air Force in Germany, Mrs. Jerry Maxfield and Clovis Gerald Swinney of Jonesboro.

Harris ends pastorate

THOMAS L. Harris, North Little Rock evangelist; has ended his interim pastorate of four months at Second Church, Jacksonville, with the arrival of George Hurst. Mr. Hurst goes to Jacksonville from the pastorate of Cadron Ridge Church.

Mr. Harris has several open dates in the spring and summer months.

Mr. Hurst is a native of Arkansas and has held revivals in eight states.

Ordinations

BAKERS CREEK Church, Russellville, recently ordained as deacons Burt Bryan, W. R. Davis, Henry Neal, and Clayburn Wilkinson.

Pastor Rex Easterling served as moderator. Deacon Henry Blaylock, of Pleasant View Church, Russellville, gave the invocation. Dr. Charles Thompson, pastor of First Church, Russellville, gave the scripture reading, and Rev. William E. Woodson, missionary of the Dardanelle-Russellville Association, gave the charge to the deacons and church. The ordination message was by Rev. B. L. Dorman, pastor of Pleasant View Church. The service closed with the presentation of Bibles to the candidates.

Ouachita scholarships

THREE new scholarships at Ouachita University have been announced by Dr. Ben Elrod, vice president for development.

The Great Commission Scholarship Fund, established by Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Graves of Satellite Beach, Fla., will award a \$500 annual scholarship to a male citizen of Arkansas who meets the qualifications specified in the fund agreement.

The Elzie Wylie, Julia Mae and Hanna Hiawatha Daniel Memorial Fund Scholarship was established by Mrs. Julia Mae Daniel and Miss Hanna Hiawatha Daniel of North Little Rock for any worthy and deserving student, with preference given to freshmen from North Little Rock. The scholarship will amount to not more than one-half of the tuition for the student selected.

The Dr. Lucian H. Lanier Memorial Scholarship was established by Dr. Lanier's widow, Mrs. Lucian H. Lanier, Texarkana, and will amount to approximately \$100 a year. It will be awarded to worthy ministerial students. Dr. Lanier was a long-time physician in Texarkana.

Gifts are still being received for the Bo Rowland Scholarship Fund established by friends in memory of Bo Rowland, former coach at both Ouachita and Henderson.

All four scholarships will be awarded by September. Information about applications may be obtained from Dr. T. L. Gambrell, director of student affairs at Ouachita.

Watson Chapel first

WATSON Chapel High School took top honors in the first Ouachita University Forensic Tournament, Feb. 27.

Mabelvale ranked second with 174 points, while Searcy came in third with 107. Mrs. Dale Spradlin coached the winning Watson Chapel team. Competing schools included Watson Chapel, Mabelvale, Searcy, Ashdown, Malvern, Lakeside of Hot Springs, Osceola, and Smackover.

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NEW MISSIONARIES—Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Whitlow have been appointed by the Foreign Mission Board to serve as missionaries to Hong Kong. Mrs. Whitlow is the former Miss Betty Krudwig, a native of DeQueen who grew up in Malvern. Mr. Whitlow is a native of Shreveport, La.

Vaught to teach

CARL Gray Vaught, 25, son of Dr. and Mrs. W. O. Vaught, Little Rock, graduate student at Yale



DR. VAUGHT

University, has recently been employed by Kansas State University of Manhattan, Kans. He will begin his work in the fall of 1965 as an assistant professor of Philosophy. He will be joining a faculty in the philosophy department of four other full-time professors and two other teachers who divide their time between philosophy and other fields.

Vaught will be graduated from

Yale University Graduate School this spring with a Ph.D. degree in Philosophy. His undergraduate work was done at Baylor University, where he ranked No. 1 in a class of 720. At Baylor's graduation in 1961, he was given the Alpha Chi Gold Cup award for his top-ranking scholarship position.

Upon the completion of his Baylor studies he was awarded a Rockefeller Brothers Theological Fellowship, a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship and a Danforth Fellowship.

He was an honor graduate of the class of 1957 of Central High School in Little Rock.

Dr. Vaught is married to the former Janie Daggett, Little Rock. His father is pastor of Immanuel Church, Little Rock.

Revivals

CALVARY Church, Harrisburg, Bill H. Lewis, evangelist, 11 by profession of faith; E. C. Edwards, pastor.

NODENA Memorial Church, Wilson; John D. Gearing, Mississippi County missionary, evangelist and song leader; 12 by profession of faith; 2 by letter; 1 called for special service; 7 rededications; Roy Johnson, pastor.

TUCKER State Prison, Walter K. Ayers, staff evangelist, First Church, Little Rock, evangelist; 80 by profession of faith; sponsored by First Church, England, Dr. T. R. Coulter, pastor.

EBENEZER Church, Liberty Association, Bill Glass, Waco, evangelist; Thurmon O. Watson, Ouachita University, song leader; 4 by profession of faith; 1 by letter; Kenneth R. Everett, pastor.

MORTON Church, Rev. J. Emmanuel Long, pastor, will have a revival March 29-April 4, with Rev. Carl White Hunter as evangelist. Services will be held each night beginning at 7:30.

FIRST Church, Berryville; Feb. 22-28; Charles Massegee, evangelist; Jimmy Snellen, singer; 22 professions of faith; 2 by letter; Billy Ray Rusery, pastor.

GREENFIELD Church, Harrisburg, Walter K. Ayers, staff evangelist, First Church, Little Rock, evangelist; 3 for baptism; 1 by letter; Curtis Downes, pastor.

GARDNER Church, Hamburg, Mar. 7-14; Dr. Ralph Douglas, Little Rock, evangelist; 15 by profession of faith; 7 by letter; 30 rededications; Raymond Carpenter, pastor.

FIRST Church, Heber Springs, Mar. 7-14; Walter N. Hill, pastor, evangelist; James Taylor, Mountain Home, song director; 12 by baptism; 1 by letter; personal testimonies nightly by 3 members.

LAKE Salem Mission, First Church, Benton, Mar. 28-Apr. 2; Carl Overton, Trinity Church, Bauxite, evangelist.



A. C. UTH

Uth accepts call

REV. A. C. Uth, who is a candidate for the D.D. degree from Southwestern Seminary in May, has accepted a call to the pastorate of First Church, Dardanelle.

A native of Oxford, Miss., Mr. Uth was graduated from University High School, Oxford, and from Ouachita University, where he received the B. A. degree.

He is married to the former Miss Joan Beard, Memphis, Tenn. They have three children: Lynda, 15; Tony, 12; and David 7.

Former pastorates include Palestine Church and Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Arkadelphia, both in Arkansas. He comes to the Dardanelle pastorate from the pastorate of First Church, Detroit, Tex.

Mrs. Anne C. Gowdy

MRS. Anne Carland Gowdy, 76, died Mar. 9 at Little Rock. She was a native of Little Rock and had also made her home at Helena and Hot Springs.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. J. Frank Burke, Merritt Island, Fla., and Mrs. Ted Woods, Little Rock, managing editor of the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine*; a sister, Mrs. J. W. Laster, Arkadelphia, and a brother, John W. Carland, Little Rock.

Mrs. Gowdy was a member of ~~Second Presbyterian Church, Little Rock.~~

'Words of life'

DR. Herschel H. Hobbs' series of "Baptist Hour" messages dealing with Christ's "words of life from a cross of death" continue through Apr. 18.

Sermon titles for Apr. 4, 11, and 18 are "A Word Of Completion," "A Word Of Commitment," and "A Word Of Joy."

"The Baptist Hour" preacher will begin a series of six sermons on the theme, "Help In Time Of Need," on Apr. 25. This message, entitled "In The Nick Of Time," takes as its text Hebrews 4:16.

Dr. Hobbs is pastor of First Church, Oklahoma City.

Bledsoe to Illinois

REV. Ben W. Bledsoe, mid-term graduate of Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, began his new work as pastor of the Lan-Oak Mission, Homewood, Ill., March 1. Homewood is a suburb area of Chicago, and consists of four communities with total possibilities of approximately 125,000 population.

The mother church is Lan-Oak Church, Rev. Lewis Price, pastor. The mission work is a combined project of the mother church, the Home Mission Board, and two Baptist Churches in Ft. Worth. The mission pastor will be able to give full time to his work, enabling the work to become self supporting much sooner.

At present, the mission is meeting in a school building, but the mother church two weeks ago bought a recently vacated brick building from a telephone company, strategically located on the main thoroughfare in Homewood and leading into Chicago.

The pastor and his family will live on the third floor, the church auditorium will occupy the second, and the Sunday School rooms and offices, etc., will be on the ground floor. The present Sunday School enrollment is 30, but plans are to provide space for approximately 200 to be reached in the weeks ahead.

Mr. Bledsoe is married to the former Virginia Horton, Monette. They have one daughter, age six months. He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. D. B. Bledsoe, First Church, Stuttgart.

Departments

Foundation

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The Executive Secretary of the Arkansas Baptist Foundation will

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be pleased to counsel with you personally about a Life Income Contract. Contact him at: Arkansas Baptist Foundation, Baptist Building, 401 West Capitol, Little Rock, Ark.

Sunday School

New literature for new classes

"BASIC Christian beliefs," an undated unit of 13 lessons, has been prepared for use by new extension Bible classes and new classes in pioneer or mission areas. It will be available Apr. 1 from the Sunday School Board.



MR. HATFIELD

The lessons, prepared by the Sunday School Department, will provide Bible studies on the fundamental beliefs of the Christian faith from a distinctly Baptist viewpoint.

Topics are: "Do Beliefs Matter?" "God," "The Son of God," "The Holy Spirit," "The Bible," "Man," "Redemption: God's Provision," "Redemption: Man's Response," "The Church," "Eternal Life," "Christian Love," "God with Us," and "Discipleship."

For new classes, the unit may be used to introduce the Christian faith. Other classes may use it for review and clarification.

"Basic Christian Beliefs" may be ordered with other literature listed on the Board's church literature order form beginning second quarter of this year. Both teacher's and pupil's books will be available.—Lawson Hatfield, State Sunday School Secretary

Seeking God

WITH the coming of Spring I can look all about me and see God in all the Universe.

I have but to open my eyes to see His smile in the rising of the Sun.

The sparkling dew on the grass is His "Good Morning" to me.

I see God moving all about me in the rustling of the leaves in the trees.

I feel His tender caress as the raindrops fall upon my face.

He compliments me with the choir of choirs as the birds gather in the japonica bush by my bedroom window.

Throughout the day God favors me with solos from the gifted voice of the mocking bird.

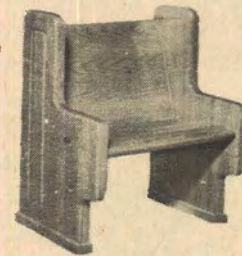
God sits beside me in the forest and basks with me in the sunshine and peace of the hills.

I behold Him as the great lover in the beauty and perfume of the flowers about me.

I hear God's voice in the frightening roar of the thunder, "Be still and know that I am God."

—Alice King Formby, Hope

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OBU BREAKFAST!

Students, former students, friends of Ouachita University will meet for breakfast Wednesday morning, Apr. 7, at Town House, 715 East 7th St., Texarkana. Reservations should be made with Mrs. Robert Gladden, 1900 South Buchanan, Little Rock, or at the Information Desk, Beech Street Church, during Annual Meeting. Price \$1.25 per plate.

YOUTH BANQUET

Place: Beech Street Baptist Church, Texarkana. Date: Apr. 5. Time: 5:30 p.m. Who: Young people of high school and junior high age. Cost: \$1.25.

Program personnel will include Missionary Thelma Frith Bagby of Brazil; Missionary Stella Gaverluk of Canada; Missionary Alvin Hatton of Brazil; International Student Ming Lok Lam of Hong Kong.

Reservations should be sent to Miss Mary Hutson, 310 Baptist Building, Little Rock, by Mar. 24.

Truly, this promises to be a "mountain top experience." See that young people of your church are there for the banquet and opening session of Annual Meeting when Missionary Glendon Grober will speak.—Nancy Cooper, Executive Secretary and Treasurer.

"STRENGTHENING Youth's Faith in Time of Doubt and Questioning," will be the topic of a panel discussion sponsored by Hall High School (Little Rock) P. T. A. at 7:30 p.m. Mar. 30. Parents and youth are invited to hear the views of a Protestant minister, Catholic priest and Jewish rabbi. The meeting will be held at the school auditorium.

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Arkansas writer

MRS. Fred E. Love, a Norphlet school teacher, attended an annual writers' conference March 15-19 at the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

The conference was for seven writers who prepare Training Union curriculum materials for the *Beginner Leader* and *Every Day with Beginners*, magazines published by the Board's Training Union department. The writers are Southern Baptists who work with 4 and 5-year-olds in their

churches.

Mrs. Love is a former kindergarten teacher and an experienced leader in the beginner departments at Ridgecrest (N. C.) and Glorieta (N. M.) Baptist assemblies. She is a graduate of Southern State College, Magnolia.

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A Brotherhood needs a large base of operations. By this we mean that a Brotherhood should utilize as many men as possible in carrying through its program, and endeavor constantly to involve all of its members in the work.

Now, with the above as a background, let us give counsel to Brotherhood leadership:

1. See to it that your Brotherhood organization is complete, with all suggested offices (president, vice president, and secretary), and all suggested leaders (World Mission leader, Christian Witness leader, Personal Stewardship leader, and Royal Ambassador leader). See that the roster is maintained throughout the year;

2. Plan, calendarize, and hold quarterly planning committee meetings where the officers and leaders shall come together to discuss together every phase of the work, to plan in detail every Brotherhood activity, and to pray for the work;

3. Set up the work committees under the four leaders. The Brotherhood Enrollment Card, filled out by each Brotherhood member, will reveal those activities which every man is willing to undertake NOW. These cards will serve as an index of abilities, and experiences, and the desires of the men; and will be great help in setting up the committees;

4. Set up a comprehensive program of work within the four Brotherhood areas; and assign each item of work to one of the committees. The committees should meet as often as needed to keep the work going. When a committee completes an item of work an additional assignment should be given;

5. Have good Brotherhood

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meetings! Such meetings are never accidents. Instead, they are the end result of careful and prayerful planning. Good meetings will help to bring the men back to other meetings; and to keep them involved in the real work of their Brotherhood and their church.

Check your Brotherhood against these items of counsel!—
Nelson Tull

NASHVILLE — The Southern Baptist Convention Stewardship Commission announced here it sold and distributed 17,635,691 items of stewardship materials to Southern Baptist churches in 1964. This set a new record, exceeding the previous year by almost two million pieces, according to Merrill D. Moore, executive director of the agency.

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Monday Evening 7:15 o'clock

Symposium _____ Opportunity: Missions
Message _____ Rev. Glendon Grober, Brazil

Tuesday Morning 9:30 o'clock

Worship Around the World:

Hong Kong _____ Ming Lok Lam
Message _____ Bernice Elliott, WMU, SBC
Message _____ Stella Gaverluk, Canada

Tuesday Afternoon 1:45 o'clock

Panel: Home Life on a Mission Field (Women
Missionaries)

Worship Around the World:

Brazil _____ Mrs. Alvin Hatton
Message _____ Rev. Alvin Hatton, Brazil

Tuesday Night 7 o'clock

Worship Around the World:

Canada _____ Stella Gaverluk
Symposium: Prevailing World Religions (International Students)
Message _____ Mrs. Albert Bagby, Brazil

Wednesday Morning 9 o'clock

Report of Nominating

Committee _____ Mrs. Robert Gladden

Panel: Baptist Woman's Work Around the World
Worship Around the World:

Nigeria _____ Mrs. Heyward Adams
Message _____ Nan Owens, Nigeria

Mrs. Roy E. Snider, President

Baptist beliefs

PAUL'S ROMAN CITIZENSHIP

BY HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

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

(ACTS 22:26)

"WHEN the centurion heard that, he went and told the chief captain, saying, Take heed what thou doest: for this man is a Roman."

Paul was rescued from a Jewish mob in Jerusalem by the Roman chief captain or the commander of a thousand men. To ascertain the extent of Paul's guilt he was about to be "examined by scourging" (Acts 22:24). In short, he was to receive the "third degree." He had already been bound for whipping when he asked the centurion, commander of a hundred soldiers, if it were lawful to scourge a Roman. Such was illegal. This word "Roman" was a magic one. Paul's Roman citizenship was a surprise to the

chief captain, since he was a Jew and had spoken to the people in Hebrew or Aramaic (Acts 21:40). But he had already spoken to the chief captain in Greek (Acts 21:37).

When the Roman officer asked Paul if he were a Roman, he replied in the affirmative. The officer noted that he had paid a great sum of money for his Roman citizenship. But Paul said that he was born a Roman citizen (Acts 22:28).

Roman citizenship was a prized possession. And one might become such in one of three ways. He might buy it. The Roman emperors sold it as a means of raising revenue. Or one might receive it as the reward for some

great service to the Empire. Or, as in Paul's case, one might be born a Roman citizen as the child of one who was already one. Apparently Paul's father or some other ancestor had obtained Roman citizenship in one of the first two ways. His pardonable pride in having been born into such citizenship would seem to imply that Paul's forebears had received it as a reward for service.

In Philippi Paul either did not choose or have the opportunity to escape a scourging because of his Roman citizenship, probably the former (Acts 16:22-23). But he did use it to advantage after the beating (Acts 16:36-40). In Jerusalem he used this status to escape the cruel whips. Furthermore, he claimed the right of a Roman citizen when he appealed his case to Caesar (Acts 25:10-12). In all likelihood it was because of Paul's Roman citizenship, and his appeal under it, that the great apostle gained the opportunity to preach the gospel to the highest dignity in the Roman Empire. He used it for the glory of the gospel (Acts 27:24).

THE WELCOME KITE

By Grayce Krogh Boller



WHEN Jack saw the van down the street, he wondered whether any boys his age were moving into the neighborhood. When Uncle John came with a kite, however Jack forgot about the new neighbors.

The kite was blue, bluer than the sky on a sunny day. Uncle John helped Jack put it together. Mother gave him pieces of an old sheet to make a tail. Uncle John had even brought a big ball of twine so the kite could fly high without breaking away.

"Thank you, Uncle John," Jack beamed when the kite was finished. "I'll take it down to the big field to fly it. All the other boys have kites down there today."

"Have fun," Uncle John smiled as Jack hurried away to the big field.

Sam was there and also Larry and Chuck. Each one had a kite. Each kite was a different color. Sam's was red. Larry's was yellow. Chuck's was green.

Jack liked his blue kite best of all. What fun to run across the big field, letting out the twine! Jack liked to feel the blue kite rising behind him, sailing higher and higher in the sky. Once it was up there, Jack only let out twine to help it soar farther. He did not have to run with it. He could just stand and watch it go.

"Polka dots in the sky," he told Sam with a grin.

"They do look like polka dots, don't they?" Sam chuckled.

"Flying kites must be fun," said a new voice.

Jack turned and saw a strange boy. He was sitting in a wheel chair, which he moved himself by turning the wheels with his hands.

"I'm Billy Brock," he told the other boys. "We just moved in."

"Oh, you're the ones with the van out front today," Jack nodded. "I wondered whether there were any boys."

Billy kept watching the kites. When Sam, Larry, Chuck and Jack moved away, he moved his chair after them. For a little while, Jack forgot about the other boy. Then as he watched the blue kite, he bumped into Billy's chair.

"Excuse me," he muttered, and then he looked at Billy, really seeing him.

Billy wasn't paying any attention to Jack. He was gazing at the kites. He looked wistful, as though he wished one of the kite strings were in his hands.

If I were new, I'd want other boys to be friendly, Jack thought. If I had to sit in a wheel chair, I'd like to have boys share their fun with me.

"Billy, do you want to try sailing my kite?" Jack put the twine in Billy's hands. "If you want it to come in closer, wind in the cord. If you want it to sail high-

er, let out more cord."

"Oh, thank you!" Billy beamed with happiness at Jack's friendly sharing. "I was wishing I could try it. Just look at it go!"

Jack was looking at the kite, but he was thinking, too. In his bank were dimes and pennies he had saved from errands and little jobs he had done for neighbors. He had more than enough to buy a kite for Billy—perhaps a white one or an orange one.

"We can make it together," he said aloud.

"Make what?" asked Billy.

"Your kite," Jack laughed at Billy's surprise, "your welcome kite, Billy, because you are my newest friend."

Awakening

By Kathrya Kendall

WHEN Spring comes softly down the lane,
In rain or sunny weather,
She wears a gown of jonquil gold
With sprays of purple heather.

Her sandals are of woven grass
From meadow's verdant loom;
Upon her strands of silken hair,
She wears a plum tree's bloom.

When Spring comes softly down the lane,
The songbirds flock to meet her,
And flowers open perfumed cups
As earth awakes to greet her.

April 2

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Annual Report Shows Hospital Growth

Arkansas Baptist Hospital admitted 20,993 patients in 1964, climbing well above the 1963 level of 19,363, according to annual report figures recently released. The rise in patient census was attributed to the opening of the new two-story addition to the Surgical Pavilion.

A total of 137,488 patient days were recorded in 1964, as against 126,565 in 1963. Emergency and out patients also increased from 26,025 in 1963 to 28,183 in 1964.

The Hospital had 1,918 births in 1964 and 9,654 operations were performed. Laboratory procedures totaled 264,556, x-ray examinations, 47,777 and x-ray treatments, 3,017. Physical therapy treatments numbered 15,350.

The Hospital had 827 full-time personnel and 73 part-time in 1964 and the payroll was \$3,217,440, as against \$2,730,104.99 in 1963. Charity and free service amounted to \$317,540 in 1964 and total operating costs were \$5,549,924.08, or \$15,205.27 per day.

The Hospital dollar was broken down for spending into 65.8 cents for professional care of patients, 17.6 cents for household and property, 10.4 cents for miscellaneous, which included payroll taxes, employee retirement, clerical and administration, and 6.2 cents for food service. Patients supplied 86.2 cents of each dollar and 13.8 cents came from miscellaneous sources.

Special accomplishments during 1964 included: the opening of the new two-story addition to the Surgical Pavilion, the opening of the cardio-pulmonary laboratory, the \$200,000 clinical laboratory and pathology section, the Queen Memorial Chapel, the establishment of a School of Practical Nursing, the approval of a School of Medical Technology, the beginning of a four-year collegiate School of Nursing based at Arkansas Baptist Hospital and operated by Ouachita Baptist University, a program for training unit assistants and the use of selective menus for patients.

Dr. Watson Heads International Group

Dr. Robert Watson, Little Rock neurosurgeon and former chief of the ABH Medical Staff, was elected president of the Neurosurgical Society of America at its eighteenth annual meeting held in San Juan, Puerto Rico January 26-30.

This international organization consists of neurosurgeons representing medical centers and universities of the University, Canada and Caribbean countries.

Dr. Watson, a recent recipient of an Outstanding Alumni Award from the University of Arkansas, has, in the past, served as president of the Southern Neurosurgical Society and as president of the Pulaski County Medical Society. He is also head of the Neurosurgical Department at the University of Arkansas Medical Center.

at a dinner given by Administrator J. A. Gilbreath and Associate Administrator W. H. Patterson at Browning's Restaurant February 8.

Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Helen Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Burl Purkiss and Mrs. Theo Storey were special guests.

New Physical Therapist



Wayne Fortson, formerly of Shreveport, joined the physical therapy department December 28. He is a registered physical therapist having graduated from Baylor University in that field. He is also a graduate of Louisiana Tech at Ruston, La. Charles Smith is chief physical therapist.

BSU COUNCIL DINNER

The outgoing 1963-64 BSU Council for the School of Nursing was honored

Ouachita Campus at ABH Enrolls 69

Sixty-nine people have enrolled in the Little Rock Branch of Ouachita Baptist University at Arkansas Baptist Hospital in January.

Six courses are being offered, one of which is at the graduate level, in government, psychology, sociology, English and the Humanities. Approximately three-fourths of the students are ABH employees.

Mrs. Mildred Armour, dean of the Ouachita School of Nursing, said that

the graduate course was the only one in Little Rock for which resident credit was being given since those at the University of Arkansas are counted as extension courses.

The courses are offered each Tuesday and Thursday evening from 7 until 10 p.m. and professors from Ouachita at Arkadelphia come to the Little Rock Branch for the courses. Dean Henry C. Lindsey is Little Rock Branch Director.

Student Association Elects Officers



Carol Sue Morgan, president

Carol Sue Morgan was elected president of the Student Association last month and will serve during 1965-66.

Miss Morgan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Morgan of 332 School Street, North Little Rock. She is a junior and a graduate of the North Little Rock High School.

Other new officers are: Linda Stewart, first vice president; Mary Kay King, second vice president; Marilyn Ross, third vice president; Linda Gibson fourth vice president; Frances Garlington, recording secretary; Donnie S. Reed, corresponding secretary; Pollie Gentry, treasurer; Vicki Rutchev, reporter; Shirley Phillips, historian; and Joan Flynn, parliamentarian.

YWA officers include: Sue Threat, president; Carolyn Dupree, vice president; Carolyn Beck, secretary; Willie Smith, program chairman; Marsha Saunders, community missions chairman; Pat Lierly, music chairman; Betty Risner, pianist; Wanda Briant, stewardship chairman; Mariel Lane, social chairman; and Mrs. Burl Purkiss, counselor.

GRADUATE ELECTED TO NATIONAL BOARD

Mrs. Betty Jo Black Thomas, formerly of Hot Springs and now operating room supervisor of Swedish Medical Center, Denver, Colo., was elected to the national board of directors of the Association of Operating Room Nurses at their annual congress held in New York February 7-11. She is a '45 graduate of the ABH School of Nursing and attended the University of Colorado.

Hagaman Joins Administrative Staff



Robin Hagaman

Robin Hagaman, formerly of Stuttgart, has been appointed schedule coordinator for Arkansas Baptist Hospital, a new administrative post created to implement the scheduling survey now underway by the Alexander Proudfoot Company of Chicago.

Hagaman holds a master of business administration degree in hospital administration from George Washington University at Washington, D. C. He took his administrative internship at Welborn Memorial Baptist Hospital at Evansville, Ind.

He formerly was graduated from Arkansas State College at Conway where he received a B. S. in accounting and he worked for four years at the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of St. Louis. He was an internal auditor of the U. S. Air Force during his four years in service from 1952 to 1956.

LeMaster Promoted To Administrative Job

Robert LeMaster, ABH purchasing agent, has been named administrative assistant, Administrator J. A. Gilbreath announced last month.

LeMaster is now covering night administrative calls part of the week as one of his new duties. He has been at ABH for nine years, six and a half of which have been in his present position. He attended Draughon's Business College and formerly worked as a bookkeeper for a wholesale company. He will continue as purchasing agent in addition to his new duties.

To Attend Midwest Meeting

Mrs. Ray Wilson and Mrs. Henry Thomas of the Arkansas Baptist Hospital Auxiliary will attend the Midwest Hospital Auxiliary Association Convention March 16-18 at Kansas City, Mo.

Workshop Held On Blood Coagulation



The workshop on blood coagulation involved actual performance, as shown here, by the participants of the new techniques.

Chief Dietitian



Mrs. Ada Green, who was already a member of the dietary staff, succeeded Miss Lucy McLean as chief dietitian after Miss McLean's retirement in December. Mrs. Green is a registered dietitian and has worked at hospitals in New York and Georgia as well as having two periods of service here.

Attend Hospital Meeting

Administrator J. A. Gilbreath and Norman Roberts, administrator at North Little Rock Memorial Hospital, attended the Eighth Annual Congress of the American College of Hospital Administrators February 4-6 at Chicago, Ill. Gilbreath also attended the

The Dade Reagents, Inc., of Miami, Fla., conducted a laboratory workshop for pathologists and laboratory personnel in the surrounding area at Arkansas Baptist Hospital February 2.

The techniques and methodology of locating blood coagulation defects were discussed.

Dick Wilburn, director of Coagulation Research, with the assistance of Len E. Neal, field representative for Dade and Robert Marble of Scientific Products were in charge of the workshop.

Attending were: Penny Gay, Lavonne Curtis, Barbara Hollingshead, George Erion, Erma Wilson, and Carolyn Kelly of the Veterans Administration Hospital at Little Rock; Gloria Minor from the VA in North Little Rock; Joy Wright and Carol Sloan from Ouachita Memorial Hospital at Hot Springs; Jim Collamore from Jefferson Memorial at Pine Bluff; Connie Hollenberg and Dr. Tom Norman from the University of Arkansas Medical Center; Betty Bleckoe and Linda Muzzall from the Hospital at Kennett, Mo.; Sister Adelma and Ann Cooper from St. Mary's Hospital at Dermott; Gairon Stroud from Community Methodist Hospital at Paragould; Theresa Hoyt from Levy Clinic at Hot Springs; Dan McCauley from Memorial Hospital at North Little Rock; and Mary Womack and Don Crowder from ABH.

Board Meeting

The Arkansas Baptist Hospital Board of Trustees held its regular quarterly meeting March 2 at the Hospital. W. M. Freeze, Jr., president, was in charge of the meeting.

Southern Baptist Hospital Association meeting held in conjunction with the ACHA meeting.

Auxiliary Makes Awards to 16



These two women received 400-hour stars at the ABH Auxiliary meeting February 11. They are Mrs. Ted Rogers and Mrs. C. H. Kirkland.

One 500 hour pin for volunteer service was awarded to Mrs. Velma Abbott at the regular Arkansas Baptist Hospital Auxiliary meeting held February 11 in the Student Union Building.

Other special service awards were made to: Mrs. C. H. Kirkland and Mrs. Ted Rogers who received 400-hour stars; Mrs. E. L. Angell, Mrs. R. E. Jay and Mrs. C. C. Mounce, who received 200-hour stars; Mrs. Wayne W. Baker, Mrs. Jack Bain, Miss Sadie Brown, Mrs. Don Corley and Mrs. Ray Wilson who received 100-hour stars; and Mrs. Phill Baldwin, Mrs. L. T. Lankford, Miss Stella McPherson, Mrs. O. B. Ray and Mrs. George Spencer who received emblems.

Students Attend YWA Houseparty

Thirteen Arkansas Baptist Hospital School of Nursing students attended the Arkansas College-Career YWA Houseparty February 5-7 at Ouachita Baptist University and they were accompanied by Miss Juanita Straubie and Mrs. Burl Purkiss.

Speakers on the program included Rev. and Mrs. Glendon Grober, missionaries to Brazil, and Dr. Payton Kolb, who recently returned from an African trip sponsored by Religious Heritage of America. One of the students, Sanday Wisener, also appeared on the program.

Others attending were: Carolyn Burris, Evelyn Compere, Ethel Dunnington, Naomi Fowler, Jane Jackson, Jane Mills, Rozann Morris, Linda Nottingham, Macky Prince, Vickey Richey, Marilyn Ross and Sue Threet.

Chapel Programs

Special chapel programs for students planned by the Department of Student Activities during February included:

Rev. W. A. Blount, February 4; Mrs. Henry Smith, February 11; "South Terrific," a YWA program with Administrator J. A. Gilbreath in charge of the music, February 18; and Rev. Glenn McCalmon, University Baptist Church, February 25.

Faculty Kickoff Luncheon



The faculty met February 11 at a kickoff luncheon, shown above, for Religious Emphasis Week planning for the ABH School of Nursing March 8-11.

Rev. Campbell Takes Texas Pastorate

Rev. Jeff Campbell, an associate chaplain at Arkansas Baptist Hospital, resigned March 1 to accept a pastorate at Northridge Park Baptist Church at San Antonio, Tex., March 1.

Before leaving for Texas, Mr. Campbell participated in the annual Focus Week at Ouachita Baptist University at Arkadelphia March 1-5. He had been at ABH for nine months and was formerly pastor at the First Baptist Church at Lepanto. He took a year of clinical pastoral training at ABH in 1960-61.

Mr. Campbell is a graduate of Ouachita and attended Texas Christian University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Tex. He was ordained in 1953.

Technology School Takes Applications

Applications are now being processed for the new ABH School of Medical Technology which will open July 1 and further recruitment of students will be conducted by Mrs. Charlene Henslee during her visit of schools and colleges in the state on behalf of the Hospital educational programs.

Dr. William S. Medart, is director of the school, and Mrs. Betty Robinson associate director. Interested students may write to them at the Hospital. Three years of college work at Ouachita Baptist University with certain course requirements must be completed before the final year at the Hospital, which leads to a degree, can be taken.

Parables of judgment

BY C. S. MAYNARD, PASTOR
CAPITOL HILL CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

LESSON: MATTHEW 25
PRINT: MATTHEW 25: 1-13

MARCH 28, 1965

MUCH has been written on this parable. Many lessons are to be drawn from it if we do not try to be too tedious in our interpretation. To do so is to lose ourselves in the maze of explanation and miss the main objectives that Jesus had in mind for us.



MR. MAYNARD

Jesus is still following His general theme in giving the qualifications for entrance into the kingdom of heaven and our responsibilities of service. There is a change of tone as He gives emphasis to the necessity of preparation for His second coming when He will receive His bride.

I. *Introducing the parable*

TWO things stand out in this parable: "The door was shut," and "I know you not."

The closed door indicates it was open until the entrance of the bridegroom and the wedding party.

Jesus said, "Ye will not come to me, that ye might have life" (John 5:40). Then He tells us, in John 10:9, "I am the door." Salvation is the possession of those who enter the open door and they become citizens of the kingdom of heaven. Jesus further stated, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (John 14:6).

In this parable the door was open wide with joyous welcome to the wedding party and all the invited guests. It was an open door to fellowship. It was open to the joys and hospitality of a happy occasion.

Our Lord is giving a picture of God's kingdom. The open door is a welcome to God's hospitality,

generosity, joy and gladness, love and protection. God wants us to be part of His family. He wants us to share, as a member of His family, all the privileges that come to those who love Him.

Within this door we find forgiveness of sins. The cold, cruel world does not forgive mistakes, failures, and sins. The unregenerate heart cries out to those about him for forgiveness and understanding. But only as we look to God in faith will we find the open door to His love and forgiveness. The open door leads to God's love. He wants us to know His love and to share in all the joys that come thereby.

The door is open to His service, "Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men" (Mark 1:17).

This parable is a call to preparedness. The worthwhile things in life come as a result of preparation. Education is gained only by long, hard, sacrificial years of preparation, but it pays great dividends. Marriage and a home that is based on God's teaching of these important matters is brought about only by the proper preparation. To properly fit into the complex pattern of modern society and have the power to live in a way to make a good and lasting contribution to the world of the present and the future, one must make arduous and careful preparation.

II. *The parable*

THE ten virgins had accepted an invitation to the wedding feast. With the acceptance of this honor was the responsibility of making the required preparations. That is the call Jesus makes to all who will listen and respond. It is a call to preparation for a life of service now and for His second coming. We need not go into this

great truth here except to say the prophets foretold not only His birth but His second coming as well. Jesus told of His second coming. The angels at His ascension told the disciples the same Jesus would come again. Paul told of His second coming. Therefore, I believe it! Yet, there are many, like the five unprepared virgins, who appear outwardly to have made preparation, but when the Lord comes, like the five foolish virgins, will find they have failed to meet the requirements for entrance and the door will be shut.

The ten young ladies were alike in many ways. They were referred to as virgins. They were attired in the customary manner for such occasions in those days. They had lamps or torches which were required to light the way to the banquet hall. All of them knew why they were there. All were ignorant as to the exact time of the bridegroom's arrival, and while he tarried they slept. When the alarm was sounded, heralding the coming of the bridegroom, all arose expecting to meet him. But here the resemblance ceased. Now was the testing time. Five were able to meet the test and five were not!

III. *Application of the parable*

MANY people in our churches appear alike today. They have been baptized; they are members of the church; some have places of leadership and influence; and some may teach or lead in other areas. But, like the Pharisees, when Jesus exposed their true nature they planned His death. These people want to destroy those who bring to light their true spirit. "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven" (Matt. 7:21). At the door the real and the false will be separated as the tares from the wheat. The door will be closed and the voice of the Lord will answer those who beg for entrance, "I know you not." When Noah entered the ark, "The Lord shut him in" (Gen. 7:16). God shut the door! The door was closed to all who had neglected to make preparation.

In this parable, as in the ark,

the prepared were shut in, and the unprepared were shut out!

Conclusion:

While this door is open, many pass up the golden opportunity to enter. Some expect to enter some day, but go on year after year postponing this great decision, and soon life is over, the door is closed, and they are eternally outside.

Others pass it by as they seek for material things. Some seek the pleasures of sin and seem to prefer feasting at the table of the world rather than on the good things of God!

Then there are those that seek to save themselves by their own good works, like the Pharisees, and refuse to humble themselves before the God of their creation and the Father of their Saviour.

The unsaved are invited to make ready for His coming. It can be done only through repentance for sin and placing all their faith in Jesus as Saviour. This is the message Jesus is giving in this parable of our lesson today. He wants all to listen and heed. If you are not saved the question is, "What will you do about it?"

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One woman to another: "I won't go into all the details. In fact, I've already told you more about it than I heard myself."

MARCH 25, 1965

A Smile or Two

Plausibility

LITTLE Jimmy had just returned home from Sunday School and was asked by his mother what he had learned that day.

"My Sunday School teacher told us a story about Moses, and how he sneaked in behind the enemy lines to rescue the children of Israel," he replied. "As they were making their escape, they came to the Red Sea. Moses ordered the engineers to the front, told them to build a pontoon bridge, and they crossed over the water. About the time they were getting across, Moses looked back and saw Pharaoh's tanks coming. So, on his walkie-talkie, he radioed headquarters and requested bombers, which came and blew up the tanks."

"Is that the way your teacher told that story to you?" exclaimed the mother in shock and surprise.

"No, but if I told it to you like she told it to us, you'd never believe it!" he replied.

Perfect match

THE rather fickle bachelor was telling a married friend about the talents and accomplishments of a girl he had just met. The married man listened quietly. He had heard him rave like this before.

"And you know," the bachelor enthused, "this girl has brains enough for two."

"Then," was his companion's terse comment, "you ought to marry her right away."

And dive?

A PLUMBER, arriving six hours after a call, asked: "How are things, Mr. Smith?"

Came the reply, "Not too bad. While we were waiting, I taught my wife how to swim."

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Church	March 14, 1965		
	Sunday School	Training Union	Ch. Adms.
Berryville Freeman Heights	169	72	
Blytheville			
First	707	207	6
Chapel	72	46	
Gosnell	325	114	10
Camden			
Cullendale First	452	182	
First	467	131	1
Conway Pickles Gap	69	49	
Crossett			
First	500	126	
Mt. Olive	198	76	3
Dumas First	343	101	11
El Dorado			
East Main	328	107	
First	816	621	
Trinity	208	102	1
Greenwood First	277	134	3
Gurdon Beech Street	150	59	
Harrison Eagle Heights	251	72	
Hope First	491	138	3
Huntsville Calvary	43	20	
Jacksonville			
Chapel Hill	88	41	
First	506	131	4
Jasper	75	47	
Jonesboro			
Central	526	207	2
Nettleton	263	118	
Little Rock			
Forest Highlands	271	106	4
Immanuel	1,296	457	5
McGehee First	432	150	
Chapel	80	47	
Magnolia Central	695	236	1
Marked Tree			
First	173	56	
Neiswander	129	85	3
Monticello Second	289	137	2
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	719	205	2
Southside	49	26	
Camp Robinson	20		
Calvary	436	107	
Central	303	99	
Forty-Seventh St.	226	160	
Grace	111	38	
Gravel Ridge First	196	102	
Runyan Chapel	57	45	2
Levy	540	200	3
Park Hill	776	207	2
Sixteenth St.	31	28	
Sherwood First	198	89	
Pine Bluff			
Centennial	182	94	3
South Side	706	287	
Tucker	26	23	8
Watson Chapel	209	109	
Siloam Springs First	289	157	3
Springdale First	448	165	2
Star City First	235	103	
Van Buren			
First	478	172	11
Second	80	38	3
Vandervoort First	57	24	
Ward Cacklebur	65	33	
Warren			
First	449	114	10
Southside	73	66	1
Immanuel	275	84	1
Westside	76	25	1
West Memphis			
Ingram Blvd.	216	87	4

Religious News Digest

By Evangelical Press

Capital punishment

DES MOINES, Iowa (EP) — Abolition of capital punishment in Iowa, passed by both houses of the legislature, will become effective upon approval of Gov. Harold E. Hughes.

Iowa's governor had supported the bill which won passage in the House and Senate.

A Senate amendment to the original measure was defeated. It sought to retain the death penalty in cases involving murder of peace officers and harm to kidnapped persons.

Hanging for first-degree murder and kidnapping has been legal in Iowa since 1878. Capital punishment was first abolished in the state in 1872, but was restored six years later.

ST. LOUIS (EP)—The Metropolitan Church Federation of Greater St. Louis, the largest church federation in Missouri, has adopted a resolution opposing capital punishment and urging its abolition in Missouri.

Scriptures distributed

WUPPERTAL, Germany (EP) — More than 1,800,000 Bibles and Scripture portions were distributed by the Evangelical Bible Mission since it was founded ten years ago.

Established in 1954 to distribute Scriptures to escapees from Communist-ruled countries and other displaced persons in West Germany and West Berlin, the group expanded its services to include German Protestants living in East-bloc countries, emigrants, the West German armed forces, "guest workers" and foreign students enrolled at West German universities.

Priest before Pope

ROME (EP) — A priest who created a controversy among British Roman Catholics by publishing an article upholding the morality of artificial birth control arrived here from London, reportedly at the direction of his religious superior.

He was 25-year-old Arnold McMahon, a member of the Society of the Divine Word, who teaches at St. Richard's College for Foreign Missions at Hadzor, in the Birmingham archdiocese.

In his article, published in *The Birmingham Post*, he advocated the right of married Catholics to use contraceptives, saying that many already do so, contrary to the "present views" of the Church.

"I have come," he said, "to believe not only many Catholics use contraceptives — I believe they have the right. Nobody can take this right away from them, for nobody can take away another person's humanity."

'Dorothy Dix'

MANNHEIM, Germany (EP) — An American Lutheran pastor here has found himself running a marriage counseling service for Africans as a result of two booklets he wrote on problems of sex, love and marriage on the continent.

The service developed, said the Rev. Walter A. Trobisch, through the large amount of correspondence he has received since publication of the booklets.

The American Lutheran Church missionary, on leave from his station in Cameroun to study for his doctorate, wrote the booklets—"I Love a Girl" and "I Love a Young Man"—in French and they now have been translated into some 30 languages.

Instability of Congo

LEOPOLDVILLE, Congo (EP) — Continuing political instability in large portions of the Congo may call for major changes in mission strategy in that country, a Presbyterian in the U. S.

(Southern) missionary here suggests.

Concentration of work in urban areas, closer Catholic-Protestant cooperation, increased emphasis on training Congolese medical personnel and the recruiting of more Negro missionaries for the Congo, "who, by their very presence can witness to the universality of the Gospel," were suggested by Dr. John R. Crawford, professor of Bible and theology at the new Protestant University here.

New 'Russian' Bible

LONDON (EP)—A new translation of the New Testament into modern Russian has just been completed by the British and Foreign Bible Society after 12 years of work by Russian scholars associated with St. Sergius Academy in Paris.

The typescript will form the basis of a Bible translation into modern Russian when it is possible to produce it in Russia—or when permission can be secured to import Bibles into Russia.

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