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Personally speaking



Our 'new look'

WE have been "all shook up" here at the *Arkansas Baptist News Magazine*. If you don't believe it, compare this week's paper with one farther back than last week.

We invited journalist Wesley M. (Pat) Pattillo, of the staff of Southern Seminary, Louisville, to come down for a week-end "revival" and before his three-day visit ended, he had half a dozen "converts," including one editor, one printer and several associates. We hope there will be more converts as our readers see the vast improvements cut out for us.

With a paper, as with the place you live, you have to have a rearrangement of the furniture, and, perhaps, the acquisition of a new piece of furniture, from time to time. [See "*Arkansas all over*" for a related picture.]

But our purpose is not just to change things for the sake of change, but to try to improve the attractiveness of our publication and increase its readability. Some of the changes went into effect last week, but it will require another issue or two, at least, to make all the changes planned.

Chief of the changes is a simplification of choices of type to give unity to the over-all appearance of the magazine and add to reader appeal. We had drifted into using such a wide variety of type for our heads that our paper had become a three or four-ring circus.

One of the most daring suggestions—one that had to be made by an outsider—was that the writer of this column should keep his verbosity in better control than he has in the past, and desist when he fills this side of the page! How impertinent can a visiting expert get to be! Managing Editor Betty Woods is more positive in her approach. She has just told me I have room for this insert!

Two new features are being added, one starting immediately and another as of our first issue in October. Beginning last week is a sports column by Dr. Ralph A. Phelps Jr., president of Ouachita University and writer of our Sunday School commentary. Beginning in October we will have, in addition to Dr. Phelps' treatment of the International Sunday School lesson, a weekly commentary by Dr. L. H. Coleman, pastor of Immanuel Church, Pine Bluff, on the new "Life and Work" Sunday School series.

We hope you like the innovations. Let us hear from you.

Erwin L. McDonald

IN THIS ISSUE:

WE hope you enjoy your first look at our new look. The Editor tells you some of our plans in his "Personally Speaking" on this page.

ON page 6 is the beginning of a two-part presentation of "The Case for Baptist Colleges." Ouachita's vice president for development, Ben M. Elrod, interprets the historical devotion of Baptists to these institutions.

OUR new art work on "Personally Speaking," "Outdoors with Doc," and "Feminine Intuition" was done for us by George Fisher, Little Rock. Dr. Phelps, page 4, wonders about Simon Peter, and Mrs. Hall, page 9, writes of the love for and of a child.

NESTLED on page 10 among the news from the churches is Dr. Selph's "Beacon Lights of Baptist History," which tells the story of the obstacles that faced the early churches in America.

THE latest eruption at Arkansas State Penitentiary brings the Editor's comment, page 3, that evidence is now present to indicate the desirability of professionally qualified penologists to head our prison staffs.

TWO more months and Baptists of Arkansas will gather in their capitol city for the annual convention. On page 14 Executive Secretary S. A. Whitlow begins a series of reports on the Executive Board proposals that will be acted upon by messengers.

SUNDAY will be a big day for Reynolds Church as it dedicates a new auditorium and observes the 23rd anniversary of Pastor Guy Wilson. Mr. Wilson's picture appears on our cover today. His story and the story of his church are on page 5.

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Helping the helpless

COMPASSION for people in need calls for extending a helping hand. And in this day of heated debate on church-state angles, there is always the danger that we may become so concerned over how the needy are to be helped that we forget that this is not so important as seeing that somehow they are actually helped. For this reason Christians have cause for rejoicing at the news that the War on Poverty program of the Federal government has designated eight cities of the nation, including Little Rock, for job training for the jobless.

A Negro minister who came to Arkansas several months ago—Henry L. Parker, of the Episcopal Church—deserves much of the credit for getting the Little Rock designation. Mr. Parker, with others primarily concerned with helping people to help themselves, set up several months ago an Opportunities Industrialization Center (OIC), which has been financed up to now by private funds and operated by volunteer staff. Through this project, 100 persons are already receiving job training.

Now Little Rock has been appropriated \$544,794 in federal funds toward a total budget of \$620,935 for the expansion of the OIC project to train 400 adults in a 12-month program.

One feature of the OIC program is its "feeder" or pre-vocational training program in which adults are introduced to specific job categories. Thus they are taught such things as job-finding techniques, history of minority races in the United States, civics and citizenship, grooming and hygiene, preparation for civil service examinations, and communications and computation skills, counseling and orientation.

Industries will be invited to designate the kinds of workers they anticipate needing and to offer suggestions and help for the training of prospective employees for specific jobs. In the technical field, training will be provided in sheet metal welding, secretarial science, clerking, electronics assembly, basic construction and key-punch operation.

"God helps those who help themselves" may not be Scripture, but it is a sentiment in harmony with much that is contained in the Bible. Since religious indoctrination is not involved here, but the humane helping of the poor to help themselves, we see no reason why people of all faiths should not gladly lend a hand any way they can in this laudable pursuit.

Arkansas black eye

ANY favorable image for Arkansas' penal system has long since gone by the board. The latest eruption of riots and threatened riots at the Arkansas State Penitentiary throws the spotlight on further unwholesome aspects of the trusty system that places prisoners at the mercy of other prisoners.

Whatever differences there are between prison inmates and citizens of the "outside world," prisoners still are human beings. There must be discipline to be sure, but there is never any justification for brutality. The old idea of punishment for crime is barbaric and unchristian by comparison with the modern concept which holds that the main purpose of imprisonment should be the rehabilitation of prisoners and the protection of society.

The fact that Arkansas state prison, through the freely extracted blood, sweat and tears of its prisoners, has shown profits across the years is certainly nothing to gloat over, in the light of how it has come about. Surely we have plenty of evidence now to indicate the desirability of having professionally qualified penologists at the head of adequate prison staffs.

IT is significant that in his brief counsel to inquirers Billy Graham listed going to church as essential and added: "This is the hardest thing I am asking you to do." He was not trying to create a difficulty; he was warning gently of the imperfection of the Christian community.—*Baptist Times*, London, England



George Fisher in the North Little Rock Times

the people speak—

Evading responsibility

One recent proposal to solve the controversial problem of federal aid to denominational institutions deserves serious critical scrutiny. Reference is made to the decision of the Miami Association in setting its hospital free to accept federal funds. Similar action is being considered by the Arkansas Baptist Medical Center.

The facts which precipitate such action are simple. They are (1) the recognized need for immense sums of money to provide better facilities, (2) awareness that Baptists cannot provide that money, and (3) the fact that Baptists are divided over the question of the propriety of a Baptist Convention controlled institution receiving federal aid.

The solution suggested by the action of the Miami Baptist Association for all hospitals facing similar problems is that they be set free from Convention control and that they be allowed to operate as private institutions. This solution is precisely what the administrators of the Arkansas Baptist Medical Center are suggesting.

The writer sees nothing morally wrong with the proposed arrangement in and of itself. However, when the reason for the change is examined, it becomes very clear that if the Convention approves the recommendation of the administrators, it will actually in effect approve a course of action for which it then technically evades responsibility. And why do such a thing? To avoid controversy, or to avoid embarrassment over owning an institution which cannot be maintained?

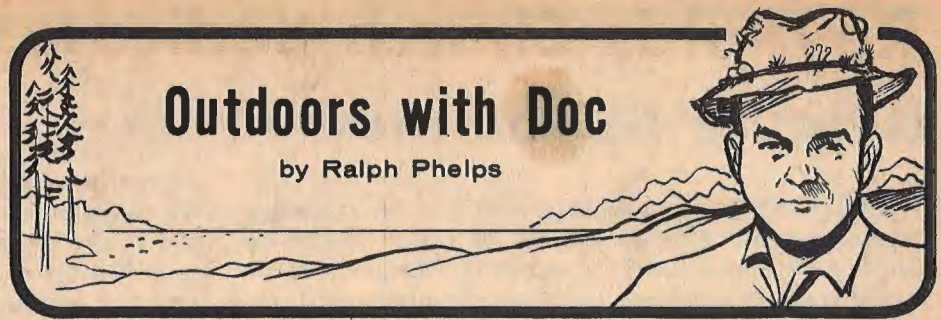
Obviously, if the Convention adopts the recommendation of the administrators, they will tacitly recognize that only one solution to the problem immediately exists; namely, to allow the hospital to accept federal funds. Why, therefore, should the Convention deceive itself and evade responsibility. Let them adopt recommendation No. 1—E. Earl Joiner, Professor of Religion, Stetson University, DeLand, Fla.

'Baptist' inappropriate?

Reference your editorial of Sept. 8. It would be most inappropriate and unethical for Medical Center to retain "Baptist" as part of its name under proposed circumstances.—Raymond B. Higgins, El Dorado, Ark.

The gates of Hell

Much has been said and many pages written on what Jesus meant by the rock on which he would build his church. And there have been countless



Was Peter schooling bass?

Few sports in all the world are more exciting for me than fishing for schooling bass. This time of year, when the fish are feeding to put on weight for the long winter months, the followers of this form of angling really get with it.

Recently Tommy Freeman, James Orr and I left Arkadelphia at 4:30 a.m. and put our boat in Lake Greeson (also called Lake Narrows) near Daisy at 5:30. Almost at once the action started as the schooling bass herded great quantities of small shad into tight bunches and then tore them to shreds. Throwing into the breaks, we quickly had strikes; and on one occasion all three of us had fish hooked at the same time.

As is usually the case with this type of fishing, we lost nearly as many as we boated, what with the frantic jumping of the blacks. Hot-spot and Skipjack lures proved the most effective that day, although I did snag three or four on a purple worm thrown into the violent activity.

By 7 a.m. the action was over, and the lake was so smooth it didn't appear to have a fish in it. We had strung 17 nice blacks and three big whites.

This type of fishing can be the most thrilling or the most frustrating in the world. Some days the fish will hit nearly anything thrown near them, and the next day they may refuse to sniff at any lure. A few years ago I went to Lake Ouachita with a guide who had been bringing in his limit in about 30 minutes each day, and for two straight hours we threw into more schooling bass than I had seen before or have seen since. We used every bait we had, and to this moment neither of us has had his first strike.

When Simon Peter relapsed into his cussing ways, he may have been using language he learned while spot-casting for schooling bass.

efforts made to explain the term hell (Hades) used by Jesus on that occasion.

Few, if any, have spent time naming the gates to which he referred and no one, to my knowledge, has undertaken to show how these gates endeavor to prevail against the church.

The word, prevail, means to succeed in some sort of effort, to achieve a purpose, to be victorious. How can gates make efforts? How can gates have a purpose? Surely Jesus is referring to forces—forces set on overthrowing the church. The forces are the human instruments of hell in its drive to overcome and to destroy the church. Jesus is here thinking of the many sources of help Satan has and will have in his

efforts to destroy the church. And he calls them gates.

It is easy enough to name some of these gates — atheism, infidelity and communism.

But the chief gains against the church have been and will be to the end of time by the forces (gates) in the church membership. They are heresy, division, discension, unsaved membership, disloyalty, inconsistency and unconcern, all of which are used of Satan to make the church worldly instead of Godly.

Let us exercise faith in the words of Jesus that the gates (the forces of evil) shall not prevail against his church.—W. B. O'Neal

Reynolds Church dedicates building



Reynolds Memorial Church, Little Rock, will dedicate a new auditorium and celebrate the 23rd anniversary of its pastor, at its regular morning worship service next Sunday, Sept. 18.

Guy S. Wilson, who has been pastor of the church since Sept. 15, 1943, will lead the church in the dedication of the new building, the first unit of a plant that will eventually include educational annexes.

Reynolds Memorial Church, named for its first pastor and organizer, J. H. Reynolds, dates back to 1914. Its first "home" was a residence on East 3rd Street. Soon after its organization it occupied a small building on E. 5th. In 1918 it built an auditorium on E. 6th, which was used until 1958 when the building was razed to make a place for a new sanctuary.

The church moved to its present location, at 7111 Fourche Dam Pike, between Hermitage and Richmond developments and adjacent to Rose Meadow sub-division, in 1961.

The church has a present membership of more than 450 and the new auditorium has a seating capacity that would accommodate all of the members if they should come on the same day.

The auditorium has been built at a cost of \$45,000 and the new plant will have a value of \$100,000 when complete. The building committee is composed of Staley Carpenter, chairman; Mrs. Dorothy Denny, Eugene Moran, Mrs. Wanda Haynie, and Tom Carter.

Pastor Wilson, now 51, has been an ordained Baptist minister for more than half his life. He was ordained by First Church, Little Rock, on Feb. 18,

1939. He has served as pastor of only one other church, Second Church (then Friendship), of Jacksonville.

Mrs. Wilson is the former Miss Mary Wright of DeQueen. The Wilsons have two sons and a daughter: Guy S. Jr., who received the B.A. degree in music from Arkansas State Teachers College and the M.A. degree in music from the University of Texas and who now teaches music and voice at Mary Hardin Baylor College, Belton, Tex.; Donald James, a junior this year at Little Rock University, where he is majoring in political science; and Rebecca Ann (Mrs. Herbert Keller III), Little Rock, whose husband is in the U. S. Navy.

The Cover



Mr. Wilson is a Mason, belonging to the Arkansas Consistory of Scottish Rite and Scimitar Temple Shrine. For seven years he served on the Board of Censors for the city of Little Rock, three years as chairman of the board. He was first president of the Board of Governors of the Little Rock YMCA softball league and took a leading part in the lighting of playing fields.

His hobbies are hunting and fishing. He has a cottage on Harris Brake Lake, where he does the most of his fishing. On a trip to the lake a few years ago, he noted that one of the ducklings that frequented the lake near his cabin was missing. Later, in dressing a large bass he had caught, he found the missing duckling inside the fish. He admits that this would be a better story if he could report that the duck promptly swam away to join its family.

If we had time we'd tell about the time he was casting for bass and caught a full-grown owl that swooped down to take the bait. (Paging Doc Outdoors!)

On a float trip down the White River, some years ago, Preacher Wilson took advantage of the opportunity to preach to the people along the way and to give out Bibles to those who had no Bibles. He met a man in a houseboat who had been converted sometime previously while listening to one of his radio sermons.

Wilson also is a vegetable gardner and boasts he has harvested a nine-bushel crop of Irish potatoes and six bushels of sweet potatoes. He alleges his deep-freeze is full of good things he has "caught, bagged, gathered or dug."
—ELM

THE CASE FOR THE BAPTIST COLLEGE

BY BEN M. ELROD

WHEN I address myself to the topic, "The Case for the Baptist College," I do not attempt to justify its existence. To do so would be to question the wisdom of some of the greatest who ever walked among us—Truett, Carroll, Scarborough, Mullins—all of the strong advocates of the Baptist colleges. In fact, it has been the consistently-repeated story of Baptists throughout their history in America that the moment a group of them felt strong enough to support a college, they have organized one. In the pioneer areas of our work today, the first institution of new conventions is usually a college. There must be a reason why it has ever been so and is so today.

Therefore, it is not my purpose to try to justify the existence of Baptist colleges, but rather to try

to interpret the historical devotion of Baptists to these institutions. Why have Baptists felt their colleges to be so important?

I. Because they are vital in the training of denominational leadership.

I AM well aware that we can point with great pride to the occasional bright young preacher who emerges from the BSU of the state institutions—and I am as pleased as anyone that some of the 80 percent of Baptist boys and girls in Arkansas who are in state-supported colleges and universities are being claimed for Christian service. But the fact remains that the full-time Christian workers who do so emerge are relatively few.

In 1964, our 37 senior Southern Baptist colleges and universities graduated 8,072 students, and of these

Editor's Note: This is the first of a two-part article by Dr. Elrod, Vice President for Development of Ouachita University. For the concluding installment, see next week's paper.

3,139 were ministerial students;
960 were home and foreign mission volunteers;
674 were religious education majors;
723 were church music volunteers.

According to a recent survey, 77 percent of missionaries from Arkansas serving in foreign fields received their degrees from Baptist colleges.¹ Here is the great mainstream of the flow of denominational leadership. And no other institutions on the college level on earth have the programs, insights, relations, and skills to train them as well for service in Baptist churches.

The state-supported institutions are not structured so as to accomplish this task. In fact, to do so would be unlawful, especially in the light of some recent Supreme Court decisions. They have no business teaching distinctively Baptist matters. And, for any organization of the state college campus to take over the task of training denominational leadership would require provision for the equivalent of a Baptist college within the state institution. In that case, we are back where we started—with a Baptist college!

Is such leadership needed today? In a recent year, the population of the world increased 2,280 times the number of converts won in our Southern Baptist foreign mission program.²

It would appear, in light of such facts, that the need is for more and more such trained leadership.

Proof of the truth of this thesis is that the location of a denominational college or university in an area inevitably strengthens the total work of the denomination. The other side of the coin is the fact that new conventions move as quickly as possible to establish a college or university.

At Ouachita, we quite regularly receive letters from Baptists in the pioneer areas of our work, seeking admission for a boy who has answered the call to the ministry or some other avenue of full-time Christian service. Other letters are received inquiring about the steps necessary to establish a Baptist college. Such letters all add weight to our contention that a significant part of the case for the Baptist college is in its training of denominational leadership.

II. Because Baptist colleges and universities are uniquely free to deal with the whole truth and the whole man.

THE Greeks looked upon man as a two-part being. He was body and soul. Plato used the analogy of the oyster in the shell to show the relation of the soul to the body.

The Hebrew, however, thought of man as a whole being—an embodied spirit. Thus, they felt that one could not effectively minister to man unless he

ministered to all of man. Immortality meant nothing to the Hebrew without resurrection of the body.

The philosophy of the Baptist college follows the conviction of the Hebrew. We believe that to neglect to educate a student concerning his relationship to God is to neglect the most significant part of the total student.

If you can imagine a person with a head the size of a washtub and a body the size of a boxcar, but with a soul the size of a navy bean, you get the picture of the person whose education neglects the religious dimension!

Is a person educated who has not been taught the meaning of compassion—the compassion that will take a medical degree with a multi-million dollar potential for self and offer it to the poor, suffering masses of the world who can never pay for such services?

Is a person educated who has not been taught that he is his brother's keeper, so made by the mandate of Almighty God?

Is a man educated who has not learned that man—real man—is never fully man until he becomes whole in Jesus Christ? It is no wonder that so much of modern art and drama is fatalistic, pessimistic, hopeless. Such art and drama emerge from education which teaches only what man is. What this world needs today more than anything else is to see not the ugly, sordid mess that man is, but to see, by the grace of God in Jesus Christ, what man can be.

Baptist higher education rests on the proposition that man cannot be educated apart from Jesus Christ.

Phillips Brooks wrote:

"Nineteen wide centuries have come and gone and today He is the centerpiece of the human race and the leader of progress. I am well within the mark when I say that

all the armies that ever marched
all the navies that were ever built
all the parliaments that ever sat
all the kings that ever reigned

Have not affected the life of man upon earth as powerfully as this one solitary life."

No man is fully educated who has not learned of Christ.

¹John R. Sampey, "Southern Colleges Train Baptist Missionaries," THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST EDUCATOR, February, 1966.

²Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., "Annual Report of Ouachita Baptist University," 1965.

³This matter is dealt with at length in "Communicating the Christian Faith in the Liberal Arts College," an address by Ray Summers delivered at Minister's Day, Baylor University, Waco, Texas. Indebtedness to Dr. Summers is gratefully acknowledged.

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20 years with ABSC

The employees of the Baptist Building at Little Rock honored Ruth Skiles with a reception Sept. 7 commemorating her 20th anniversary as an employee of the Arkansas State Convention.

Born in Trenton, Tenn., Miss Skiles came to Little Rock in 1928. For 12 years she was office assistant in the Woman's Missionary Union and in 1959 organized the consolidated tract room of the Baptist Building. Over 400,000 tracts are distributed annually through her office.

Miss Skiles rarely misses an annual meeting of the WMU and State Convention. She attended the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Kansas City and has participated in conferences at Glorieta and Ridgecrest. Attendance at these meetings consumed her annual vacation time.

Miss Skiles is an active member of Little Rock's First Church. She is Sunday School Superintendent of the 5-6 grade department, Training Union secretary and member of a night circle. Her spare time is spent visiting for the Sunday School department.

Degrees to Arkansas

Six from Arkansas were listed among the summer graduates of Baylor University, Waco, Tex., receiving degrees Aug. 26.

James Arthur Bynum, Augusta, received his Ph.D. An MA was awarded to Benjamin J. McRoberts, Little Rock, an MM to Joseph Wayne Crowder, McGehee, and a BS to Sharon Louise Moore, North Little Rock.

Thomas Taylor Tatum, Pine Bluff, received his LL.B., and Roy Sandra Powell, Texarkana, a BA.

Named PR man

John W. Cutsinger, business manager for the Arkansas State Convention, has been named public relations director for the state convention, according to an announcement by Dr. S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary.

Mr. Cutsinger joined the Arkansas Convention staff in February of 1965. In his new capacity, he will develop and coordinate public relations activities of the convention's Executive Board programs.

A native of Missouri, he is a graduate of William Jewell College, (Baptist) Liberty, Mo., and Southwestern Seminary, Ft Worth.



PLAN CHANGES—Studying proposed changes for topography of the **ARKANSAS BAPTIST NEWSMAGAZINE** are (left to right) Wesley M. (Pat) Pattillo, Louisville, Ky., advisor, Editor Erwin L. McDonald and Managing Editor Betty Woods. See "Personally Speaking," page 2.

Four added to Ouachita faculty

Four have joined the faculty of Ouachita University, according to a recent announcement by President



JOHN JOHNSTON
ta, Southwestern Seminary and Kansas State University.

Dr. Victor Lord Oliver is professor of biology and chairman of the biology department.

Professor of biology at Mobile (Ala.) College since 1963, he formerly was assistant professor of biology at Ouachita. He is a graduate of Ouachita, Peabody College and the University of Alabama.

Wayne Smith will be director of student aids and Mrs. Smith will be assistant professor of speech.

Mr. Smith has been serving as assistant to the president of Mobile College. He is a graduate of Baylor University, Southern Seminary and Ouachita.

In his new position, Mr. Smith will be in charge of all student loans, scholarships, work-study program and campus student employment.

Mrs. Smith, who has been a member of the speech faculty at Mobile College, is a graduate of Baylor and North Texas State University. She is a certified speech therapist.

To graduate tonight

Rivers Ann Teague, West Memphis, is one of nine graduating tonight from the School of Medical Technology of Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis.

The hospital's School for Medical Record Librarians held its graduation program earlier in August with seven, including Elsa Henry, Little Rock, receiving certificates.

Ministers are cleared in DeWitt court

Two Baptist ministers, charged with assault and battery were found not guilty by an Arkansas County Circuit Court jury.

Trials of the two, Walter K. Ayers Jr., Conway and George W. Hurst, Jacksonville, were merged for hearing at DeWitt.

Mr. Ayers is staff evangelist of First Church, Little Rock. Mr. Hurst is pastor of a Jacksonville church.

The two were arrested and charged at Gillett following an incident Mar. 28 at a service station operated by Mr. and Mrs. Burl Cromwell. They were tried the following day in a mayor's court at Gillett.

The two had gone to Gillett to determine the circumstances of the arrest and hospitalization of Mr. Ayers' father a few days earlier.

Mr. Ayers originally had been charged with two counts of assault and battery, one count of impersonating an officer and another of disturbing the peace. The latter two charges were appealed and were dismissed by the prosecution prior to the trial. One case of assault and battery was lodged against Mr. Hurst. The jury returned its not guilty verdicts for the two in 12 minutes.

Gearing ends 13th year

On Sept. 1, Missionary John D. Gearing, Mississippi County Association, had served the association for 13 years.

The 1965 figures, the last available until the October associational meeting, show an increase in total membership from 12,718 to 15,089, during the period since 1953. Value of church property has increased from \$1,454,061 to \$3,045,233.

Total receipts for all causes show a jump from \$358,533 to \$613,857. Gifts to the Cooperative Program, \$37,888 in 1953, were \$74,876 in 1965.

Four years, 24 churches

When Aug. 31 arrived, Minor E. Cole had been in retirement for four years, and during that time had served 24 churches.

He has just completed his third pastorate of First Church, Warren, and is serving his second interim at Greenlee Church, Pine Bluff. This is his third interim pastorate in three years. He has spoken 500 times in his retirement.

Mr. Cole says, "We are convinced that the way to stay young and happy when you are old is to stay busy for the Lord."



Feminine intuition

by Harriet Hall

To be loved by a child

In September we see the ever-old, ever-new thrill of children who are entering the world of school for the first time.

Once a person has loved a child, life can never be quite the same. Cicero asks, "What gift has Providence bestowed on man that is so dear to him as his children?"

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me. . . for to such as these the kingdom of God belongs" (Mark 10:14, Williams translation).

Alan Beck in his delightful essays has given us some very descriptive phrasing on the subject of children: "A boy is a composite—he has the appetite of a horse, the digestion of a sword swallower, the energy of a pocket-sized atomic bomb, the curiosity of a cat, the lungs of a dictator, the imagination of a Paul Bunyan, the shyness of a violet, the audacity of a steel trap, the enthusiasm of a firecracker, and when he makes something he has five thumbs on each hand. . . A boy is a magical creature—you can lock him out of your workshop, but you can't lock him out of your heart. You can get him out of your study, but you can't get him out of your mind. Might as well give up—he is your captor, your jailor, your boss, and your master—a freckle-faced, pint-sized cat-chasing, bundle of noise. But when you come home at night with only the shattered pieces of your hopes and dreams, he can mend them like new with the two magic words, 'Hi, Dad!'"

And then comes the feminine side of the pictorial description:

"Little girls are the nicest things that happen to people. They are born with a little bit of angel-shine about them, and though it wears thin sometimes, there is always enough left to lasso your heart—even when they are sitting in the mud, or crying temperamental tears, or parading up the street in Mother's best clothes.

"God borrows from many creatures to make a little girl. He uses the song of a bird, the squeal of a pig, the stubbornness of a mule, the antics of a monkey, the spryness of a grasshopper, the curiosity of a cat, the speed of a gazelle, the slyness of a fox, the softness of a kitten, and to top it all off He adds the mysterious mind of a woman. . . .

"Yes, she is a nerve-racking nuisance, just a noisy bundle of mischief. But when your dreams tumble down and the world is a mess. . . she climbs on your knee and whispers, 'I love you best of all!'"

On one occasion Jesus called a little child to him and said, "Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 18:3).

Happy the child who has for a friend an older person who wants to love and be loved by the young eager personality—and who is willing to give more encouragement than discouragement.

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Comments, questions, or suggestions may be addressed to:

Mrs. Andrew Hall
Mount Sequoyah Drive
Fayetteville, Ark.

from the churches

Plan relocation

Grace Church, Camden, has purchased a lot on US Highway 79 South and Tate Road for the relocating of the church. The present church building is located on Union Street.

The church has secured building plans for the construction of an educational Sunday School. This building will also serve as the sanctuary for a period

while future growth and prospects determine the size needed for a permanent auditorium.

The church members plan to do most of the labor in the construction of the building. Work will start immediately, according to Heyward L. Adams, pastor.

Youth award made

The Fourth Annual Youth Award, given to the young person who in the

opinion of a secret committee has done the most for Christ through Pine Bluff's Immanuel Church this year was presented to Linda Wallace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wallace.

She has won associational and state sword drill contests, placed first in the hymn playing contest and was honor camper at Ouachita Music Conference. She played the piano at the Batesville City-Wide Crusade.

Beacon lights of Baptist history

One may find a way

No doubt much of our church work goes lacking because we are prone to give up too easily. One can always find a good reason for doing or not doing a thing, and church leaders have been as guilty of excuses as anyone else.

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Building plans accepted

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He said Southern Baptists contribute to flood relief but avoid flood control. They feed the hungry, but avoid unemployment problems. They send chaplains to youth at war, but remain ignorant of international relations.

"We rebuild Negro churches, but fail to get at the prejudice which lights the fires that burned them. Such failure has cost us leadership in shaping the direction in which things will go in our country. People pay no attention to what we do, not because they do not care for the church, but they believe the church does not care about them," he said.

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"We have said, 'just get people converted, and all these problems will be solved.' But a lot of converted people haven't solved all their problems morally or socially, or in many other ways" he said. "Our preachers do not say when people are converted, 'there is no use preaching about stewardship, or prayer, or other matters.'"

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Mace advocated teaching young people the principle of self-control because sex "is so good, because it is so precious, because it is so rich."

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State Convention Proposed budget, 1967

Budget up over current year for State Convention

On this page of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine is a copy of the proposed budget for 1967 which will be presented to the convention in the annual meeting, Nov. 7, 8, 9, 1966. This budget represents a nine percent increase over that of the budget for this year, or approximately \$200,000.

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The Bible Conference for pastors and all Sunday School workers will meet Sept. 26-27 at First Church, Little Rock.

Starting Monday afternoon, Earl Mead, dean of ministers of education, will lead five conferences for pastors and general officers.

Mr. Mead served the Cliff Temple Church, Dallas, Tex., as minister of education for many years, being one of the first men in full time service in the capacity of minister of education in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Presently Mr. Mead is speaker and staff counselor at Glorieta Assembly.

Participating in the conference also will be Dr. Gordon Clinard, who will preach five sermons on Amos, the suggested January Bible Study, and Dr. Donald Ackland who will teach five lesson units from the new Life and Work Curriculum Sunday School lessons.

Age group conferences will be conducted for all departmental age group workers: Adults, Bob McKee; Young People, Mrs. Bob McKee, Park Hill Church, North Little Rock; Intermediate, Gale Bone, Second Church, Hot Springs; Junior, Mrs. John Danner Jr., First Church, Searcy; Primary, Harold Vernon, Beech Street Church, Texarkana; Beginner, Mrs. Robert Prescott, First Church, Jefferson City, Mo.; Nursery, Mrs. Mary Emma Humphrey, state Elementary director, Little Rock; Cradle Roll and Extension, Mrs. A. C. Kolb, Pulaski Heights Church, Little Rock.—Lawson Hatfield, State Sunday School secretary



STUDENT WEEK—More than 90 Arkansas students and student directors attended Student Week at Glorieta recently. The Arkansas A. and M. group comprised the largest in the Arkansas Delegation with 38 students.

Churches prepare for life, work curriculum

A unit of study is now available to help churches prepare for the use of the Training Union Life and Work Curriculum.

This undated unit "How to Use Life and Work Curriculum" is carried in the first issue of the Adult Training Guide (Oct.-Dec., 1966) — The Adult leader's periodical for use in the Training Union Life and Work Curriculum.

Churches that have already placed their literature orders for the Life and Work Curriculum materials should receive their periodicals in time to conduct this study during the month of September. Churches that placed their orders Sept. 1 or later should plan for a study of this unit during October.

Churches that ordered copies of the Adult Training Guide with their regular literature order will not need to order additional copies. Only four to six copies of the periodical are needed for each group studying the unit.

This unit consists of five study articles with a group training procedure for each article. The unit is written to the leader who will conduct the training sessions. The subjects of the study articles are:

1. What is Curriculum?
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3. Using Life and Work Curriculum in a Church
4. Using Life and Work Curriculum in Church Groups
5. Using Life and Work Curriculum as Individuals

This unit may be studied at any time a church chooses to schedule it. Some possible times are:

1. During Training Union.
2. Wednesday evening during Officers' and Teachers' Meeting.
3. Special times during the week. The five sessions lend themselves to a week of study, taking one session each evening.—Ralph W. Davis



HOME MISSIONS WEEK—Seventy Arkansans, including several attending the Convention for the Deaf, were at Ridgecrest, N. C., Assembly for Home Missions Week Conference Aug. 18-24. Included also were seven missionaries, six chairmen of evangelism, and six state staffers there for the summer. Director of Evangelism Jesse Reed was in charge of the annual Arkansas watermelon cutting Saturday night.

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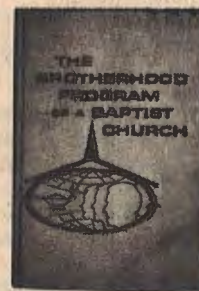
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In smaller churches it may be necessary to combine the Baptist Young Men with the Baptist Men in the men's organization; and also the small number of boys available may necessitate the setting up of a joint Royal Ambassador Chapter.

The Brotherhood director, even in a church which presently does not have any of the above organizations, can serve effectively to enlist men, young men, and boys in the vital areas of mission study and mission action.

Write the Brotherhood Department for printed helps concerning the New Dimensions of Brotherhood, and for details of the organizations which make up a Church Brotherhood; and call upon the department for any personal service it can render in helping you to set up a working Brotherhood in your church.—Nelson Tull

Takes Seminary post

NEW ORLEANS — The board of trustees for New Orleans Seminary here has elected Joe H. Courson director of development and public relations. A native of Florida and a New Orleans graduate, Courson has served as assistant to the president for the past two years promoting foundations, recruitment and alumni affairs. (BP)

Mims is PR man

NEW ORLEANS—New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary has named George M. Mims Jr., recent graduate from the University of Florida School of Journalism, as director of press relations.

A native of Jacksonville, Fla., Mims has worked as a reporter and sports editor for the St. Augustine (Fla.) Record, and has done free lance features and news photography. (BP)

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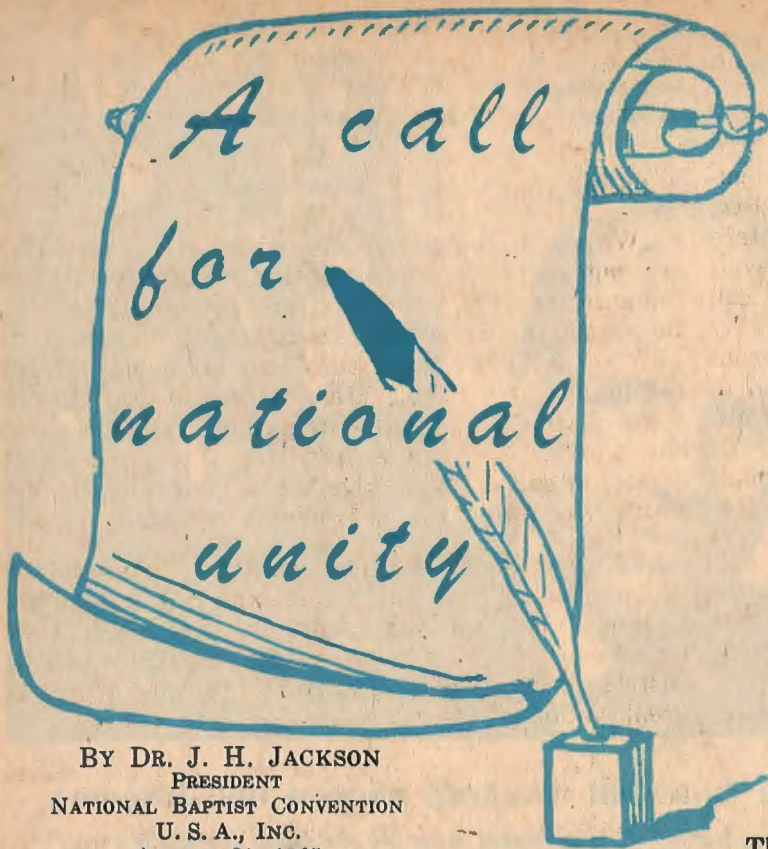
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BY DR. J. H. JACKSON
PRESIDENT
NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION
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AUGUST 31, 1965

The following call to National Unity was unanimously adopted by the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc. in its eighty-fifth session in Jacksonville, Florida, September, 1965. The call grew out of the conviction that all American citizens and that all groups within the confines of the nation must work together not only to attain the good things of life for themselves but also to fulfill the nation's life.

The National Baptist Convention has a membership of five and one-half million and is the largest organized body of Negroes in the United States—Copyrighted, November, 1965 by J. H. Jackson

Dr. J. H. Jackson, in a personal conference, has given his permission to reprint this. Since the work of the Race Relations Department is with National (Negro) Baptist, our program will succeed in proportion with our ability to relate to and communicate with the main stream of National Baptist life as it is structured through the National Baptist Conventions. This "A Call For National Unity" is very important if we are to attempt to understand the position of the largest National Baptist Convention, as well as the largest organized body of Negroes in the United States.

In this day when so many forces are trying to divide and destroy our Nation this call to National Unity, coming from a great Negro Baptist leader, should be a source of hope and encouragement to all of us.

Dr. J. H. Jackson, President of this convention, is in my opinion, the number one Negro Baptist leader in the United States today.—Clyde Hart, Director

ing an integrationist serves their purpose to negate the nation's life, they will become integrationists and work through integration to achieve their negative ends. They will also play one group against another to divide and to weaken the nation.

THE United States of America is a great democratic republic dedicated to human dignity, justice, freedom, and equality of opportunity for all. Here supreme law, the Federal Constitution, is so constructed and so structured that it allows for political, social, and economic evolution and basic changes by amendments. Therefore, all Americans—both conservatives and liberals—can support and be loyal to the Federal Constitution and to the nation itself. All citizens can obey its fundamental principles and take part in its evolutionary changes through amendments when time, experience, and change demand it.

In this hour of crisis we call upon all American citizens and all groups to support the fundamental principles of the nation's life. We would call upon all to support the following ideas:

Fundamental principles

1. Unqualified loyalty to and support of the nation as a whole.

2. Risk all that we have and possess for the life, soul, and salvation of the nation, and trust a just nation to protect and save us as citizens and all that we hold dear, so long as it does not include the values of religion which are above the dominion of the state.

3. Let us recognize that our common enemies are those persons and groups who by ideology and purpose are committed to the destruction of this nation and that these enemies make use of all of our divisions to weaken and to destroy this republic.

4. We must recognize the fact that it is better to live in an imperfect America with the freedom to work for its improvement and fulfillment than to be a helpless slave in a perfect totalitarian state without the freedom even to question its policies or to change its evil practices.

'Protect these differences'

5. Let us always recognize the right of freedom of thought, freedom of expression, and freedom of action as well as the right to differ with and to be different from others. But let us never seek to defend and protect these differences by denying to others their constitutional, just, and God-given rights as free men in a free society.

6. Let us be as wise as the enemies of this nation who—when it is to their advantage—will join with any groups in the United States and work through them for their evil purposes. If being a segregationist furthers their cause, these enemies will join the ranks of segregationists. If and when they find be-

A bloody conflict

We are in a national crisis and at this moment are engaged in a bloody conflict with international communism in Vietnam and are potentially in conflict with the same forces throughout the world as well as at home. Americans can no longer afford the luxury and the negative weight of past prejudices, hatred, envy, discrimination, disrespect for one another, race riots, and blood-shed. All of us must unite and work together as one for the nation's life and cause, or we will eventually perish.

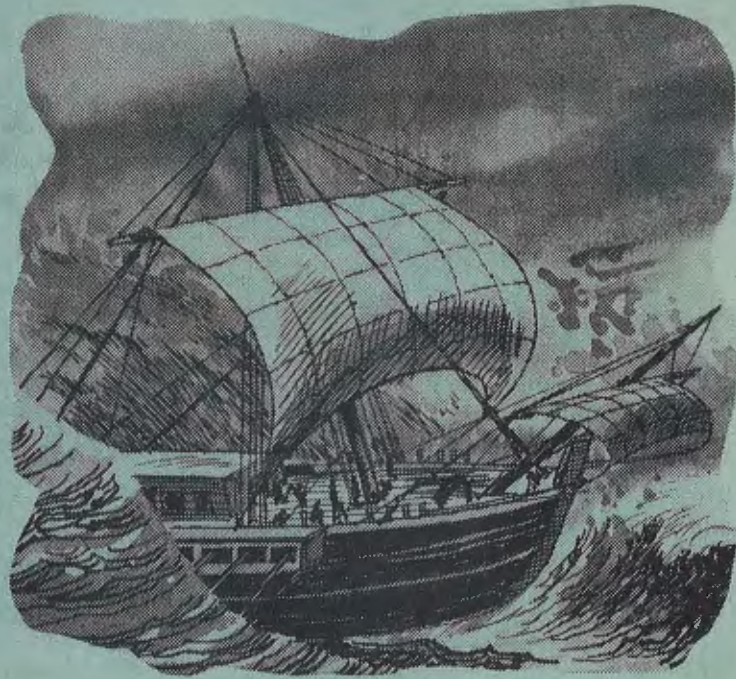
7. All groups are called upon to rise above the differences of creed, color, caste and to join together as Americans in order to work for, live for, and—if need be—die for the ideals, values, and principles of justice, freedom, and equality as proclaimed by this great nation.

8. We are called upon not only to obey federal law, but also to rise above it and make a good-neighbor policy of our own by which we will build a community spirit and erect community organizations based on goodwill for the education of our children, for the security and development of our family, for the advancement of culture, and for the moral and spiritual growth of all who dwell therein. This can be done only by cooperation and not by contest and conflict. Such community spirit will not only enrich our several communities but also will greatly strengthen our national government both at home and abroad.

Positive thinking, action

9. This call is for positive thinking and for positive action. It is not enough to be anti-communist, anti-poverty, anti-segregationist, anti-integrationist; we must be pro-America, pro-freedom, pro-justice, and pro-goodwill. A commitment to build a great democratic society for the enrichment of human personality is far more elevating and far more lofty than setting ourselves to the task of destroying the enemies that disturb us.

10. A cooperative venture among the citizens of the United States for the advancement of the ideals of justice and freedom does not in any way jeopardize the legitimate privileges and the moral goods of free enterprise nor does it imperil the personal rights of individuals and groups. To paraphrase the historic statement of the great educator, Booker T. Washington, in all things strictly personal and in all matters purely private we can be as separate as the fingers, but one as the hand in all things tending toward the mutual progress of the individual, of groups, as well as the fulfillment of the nation's life itself.



SHIPBUILDERS

BY THELMA C. CARTER

In Bible times, the narrow land area lying north of Egypt and along the eastern coast of the Mediterranean Sea was filled with palm trees. The land was called Phoenicia, which means the "Land of the Palm Trees."

On the east of Phoenicia were the rocky, towering mountains of Lebanon. Because the Phoenicians were shut in by these mountains, they could not make a living on the land. They were forced to turn to the sea for a way of life.

Thus, they became fishermen and traders. Later, they became famous for their shipbuilding. They had the largest and strongest ships on the seas. Their ships were made from the tall cedars and other strong trees growing on the slopes of the mountains of Lebanon.

If you have ever seen pictures of the Phoenician ships, you know they had large square sails gaily

painted in red, purple, and blue. They carried big crews of men.

There was a reason for the large crews. If the winds were not right for sailing, oars were used to move the big ships. Many oars were needed to move the heavy cargoes of gold, silver, bronze, precious stones, ebony, perfumes, and spices.

One man was required to manage each oar. Sometimes a ship had more than one hundred oars and rowers. The rowers sat on benches one above another. The oars were stuck through openings in the sides of the ship.

Sometimes two or three rows of oars were on each side. A man sat in the middle of the boat and beat time to keep all the rowers pulling together. Only very strong men were used as rowers.

King Solomon was permitted by King Hiram to use Phoenician seamen.

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the bookshelf

God Planted Five Seeds, by Jean Oye Johnson, Harper and Row, 1966, \$4.95

Ten years before the slaying of Jim Elliott and his friends by Auca Indians, five young missionaries and the wives of three of them traveled to the edge of the Bolivian Jungle. They hoped to bring the message of the Gospel to the Ayores, a native tribe, never before contacted by white people.

In Santa Cruz the missionaries went on alone, leaving the women in the care of a trusted helper, Joe Moreno. The five men were never seen again.

This book is the dramatic story of the mission and disappearance of the young men, told by the wife of one of them.

Whistle up the Bay, by Nancy Stone, Eerdmans, 1966, \$3.95

Professor of History L. S. Stavrianos of Northwestern University has described this book as "a heart-warming true story of pioneering days in northern Michigan."

The drama unfolds in Antrim County, Michigan, on Grand Traverse Bay, with three young orphaned sons of a Swiss immigrant. It is the story of the struggle to make their way in the world, eking out a living on the marginal farm left by their father, working in lumber camps, and loading ships. The main events of the book are reported to be Michigan history.

The Wider Place, by Eugenia Price, Zondervan, 1966, \$3.95

This is the thirteenth book from the pen of Miss Price, whose books have been bought by more than a million readers.

Writes Miss Price in *The Wider Place*: "Our world fights and struggles for freedom. There would be no need for the struggle if man could bring himself to accept and begin to use the freedom God offers to everyone... We as disciples of Jesus Christ do not act as though we have been given inner freedom. We are too often bound by prejudice and bigotry and fear and doubt and dullness and condemnation and pietistic posturing."

Monganga Paul, by Lois Carlson, Harper & Row, 1966, \$4.95

This is the story of the modern martyr Dr. Paul Carlson, his family, his Congolese associates and the people he served, and his life as a prisoner and death as a hero.

The horror of Dr. Carlson's death on a side street in Stanleyville as rescuers raced toward him shocked much of the world. Mrs. Carlson traces with directness the story of the man as he grew and developed.



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When inner disciplines go

BY RALPH A. PHELPS JR.
PRESIDENT, OUACHITA UNIVERSITY
TEXT: PROVERBS 23:31-33; LUKE 21:34-36;
EPHESIANS 5:15-18
SEPTEMBER 18, 1966

A pastor of one of our largest Baptist churches in a nearby state said recently, "Alcohol is a major problem in my church, but I dare not speak a word against it from the pulpit. I would offend too many of our members."

Have Southern Baptists so identified themselves with contemporary mores that even a minister is afraid to speak out on the question of drinking? Has the pastor felt subtle but real pressure such as that of the prominent Sunday School teacher who finds it necessary each year to be "out of town" on the one day the lesson subject is temperance?

With the American public spending as much money annually on liquor as on education, with the number of alcoholics conservatively estimated at 7,000,000, and with alcohol a casual factor in half the fatal automobile accidents, no apology is needed for discussing from the pulpit or in Sunday School the subject of today's lesson.

I. The peril of drinking.

Proverbs 23:31-33 is one of several Biblical passages pointing out the dan-

ger of alcoholic drink. Solomon admonishes, "Do not look at wine when it is red, when it sparkles in the cup and goes down smoothly. At the last it bites like a serpent, and stings like an adder. Your eyes will see strange things, and your mind utter perverse things."

In these brief verses there is a vivid contrast between the attractiveness of wine (alcoholic content: approximately 16 percent) as it is drunk and the end products of the drinking. Its red color sparkles in the cup in a manner to attract the drinker, and when it goes down its sensation is pleasant to the throat. Swallowing it is no problem, according to the Wisdom writer.

The ultimate consequences, however, are quite different. The wine bites like a snake, stings like an adder, causes the drinker to see strange things, and makes the mind think strange thoughts. How well the writer pictures the alcoholic! This "end product of the brewer's art" suffers from hallucinations and tortures of a living hell as alcohol destroys his brain and his body.

The wino on skid row spends his days begging or stealing to try to quench his unquenchable thirst, then at night lies down in a borrowed doorway and covers himself with old newspapers to await another bitter day. He may once have been a successful doctor, lawyer, business man; but long since, he lost his job or practice, his family, his reputation, his self respect. "At the last, it bites like a serpent."

For the alcoholic, one drink is too many and a carload not enough. True, all people who drink will not become alcoholics; but it is equally true that there is no way to predict which drinker will become addicted and which will not. Compulsive drinking is deeply rooted in the human personality which, for all our scientific progress, is still little understood. But no teetotaler ever became an alcoholic. Total abstinence is the only completely safe course, for there is no way for dependence on alcohol to develop in the non-drinker.

II. The way to control.

Phillips' translation of Jesus' words recorded in Luke 21:34-36 brings out

clearly a course toward self-control: "Be on your guard—see to it that your minds are never clouded by dissipation or drunkenness or the worries of this life, or else that day may catch you like the springing of a trap—for it will come upon every inhabitant of the whole earth. You must be vigilant at all times, praying that you may be strong enough to come safely through all that is going to happen, and stand in the presence of the Son of Man."

Our Lord's suggested program is twofold: (1) vigilance against the possible dangers of self-indulgence and (2) prayer for strength to come safely through the days ahead.

Alcoholics Anonymous, an organization that has helped so many alcoholics attain sobriety, has incorporated both these principles in its program. The alcoholic must recognize that he has a problem over which he cannot exercise control without help and must, under no circumstances, take even one drink. Alertness to the dangers of drinking is an important part of his therapy.

For the non-alcoholic, Jesus' suggestions are also pertinent. Prayer for strength to withstand the pressures of the times can produce resources which will make dependence on liquor unnecessary.

III. The walk of wisdom.

Paul in Ephesians 5:15-18 urges Christians to walk (i.e., live) as wise men, not as fools. The walk of wisdom includes (1) a sense of responsibility for a purposive life, (2) a wise use of time though the days be difficult, (3) a grasp of the will of the Lord, (4) avoidance of the false stimulus of strong drink, and (5) a filling of one's life by the Holy Spirit.

A Christian doesn't need to get his "kicks" from a bottle; he has a source of strength, a sense of purpose, and a spirit of excitement adequate for his needs. Nor should he set an example which will cause those with fewer resources to stumble (1 Cor. 10:24, 28). Paul truly says, "You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons." (1 Cor. 10:21).

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CHICAGO—Full integration of Negro congregations into the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ) was urged here by a top Disciples' official.

Dr. A. Dale Fiers of Indianapolis, Ind., executive secretary, told some 500 delegates to the 50th annual assembly of the National Christian Missionary Convention (NCMC) that merging of its program with the Disciples' United Christian Missionary Society was a "great step."

"At the same time," he told the Negro church representatives, "we must complete restructure."

Dr. Fiers referred to the proposed plan to reorganize the Disciples, unifying its many agencies and congregations. (EP)

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A Smile or Two

Shoot for the stars

IT was his first tour of guard duty and the young recruit was a bit nervous. His orders were to admit only those cars which had a special windshield sticker. As luck would have it, one of the first cars he halted at the gate was a chauffeur-driven staff car with a high-ranking officer in the back seat and no sticker on the windshield.

"Drive right on in," the officer instructed his driver.

"I'm sorry, sir," the recruit said meekly, "but, since your car has no sticker, I can't let you pass."

"Drive on," the officer roared at the driver.

"Begging your pardon, sir," the recruit said quietly, "but I'm new at this. Who do I shoot, you or the driver?"

Baby talk

IT can get quite boring when new parents talk on and on about their baby. Your only hope is that they'll have to get up and change the subject.

Steps for economy

A HUSBAND was telling his friend that he had made up his mind to speak to his wife about using a little more economy in the household. The next day when his friend saw him, however, he looked pretty glum.

"What happened?" asked the friend. "Wasn't your lecture effective?"

"You bet it was," said the husband. "I'm going to give up bowling and walk to work."

Lucky one

I MUST tell you. I'm the kind of a person . . . if it were raining soup, I'd be standing there with a fork.

Customer service

LAUNDRY sign: "We do not tear your laundry with machinery. We do it by hand."

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Attendance Report

Church	September 4, 1966		
	Sunday School	Training Union	Ch. Adns.
Alzheimer First	189	74	
Ashdown Hicks First Blytheville	48		
Gosnell	182	46	
Trinity	181	60	4
Camden			
Cullendale First	388	181	
First	427	119	4
Crossett Mt. Olive	245	122	4
El Dorado			
Caledonia	48	37	
First	668	445	
Immanuel	413	138	
Greenwood First	272	119	
Jacksonville			
Bayou Meto	112	80	
First	346	86	1
Marshall Road	218	111	
Little Rock Rosedale	252	94	
Magnolia Central	541	180	2
Manila First	186	67	
Monticello Second	226	113	4
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	542	110	
South Side	38	16	1
Calvary	441	171	3
Gravel Ridge First	150	79	
Runyan Chapel	57	35	
Park Hill	871	259	20
Sixteenth St.	44	23	
Paragould First	455	138	1
Piggott First	367	160	1
Pine Bluff	211	89	
Springdale Elmdale	248	82	6
Star City North Side	105	77	2
Vandervoort First	52	26	
Warren First	364	118	5
Southside	94	79	
West Memphis			
Calvary	262	117	5
Ingram Blvd.	278	123	4



"And tell the little Bassen boy that when you do get engaged, it'll be with a ring, and not a cross-eyed hoppy-toad!"

Clergy criticizes war

NEW YORK—Criticism of the U. S. war in Vietnam is dominant among American clergymen, says Dr. John C. Bennett, president of Union Theological Seminary here in an exclusive article to the Los Angeles Times.

"This criticism is not a reflection of long standing pacifist positions," Bennett said, "but cuts across the division between pacifist and non-pacifist."

The educator said he sees the same trend among the leaders of Judaism, particularly among rabbis related to Conservative and Reform synagogues. The Roman Catholics, he said, have been "very quiet."

"The spectacle of the world's greatest power pounding so continuously for years a small Asian nation in order to impose an unrepresentative junta upon it, and in order to avoid the risk that South Vietnam may follow a course contrary to American objectives, is terrible and unbelievable to behold," Bennett said. (EP)

Storm expected on SS queries

WASHINGTON, D. C. — A top research official of the National Council of Churches warned members of the House committee considering inclusion of questions about religion in the 1970 census that an entirely different query—the Social Security number of the individual—could stimulate more of a protest than the religious affiliation issue.

In a statement to the House Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, Dr. Lauris Whitman, executive director of the NCC's department of research, cautioned that the question of includ-

ing Social Security numbers on census forms "has not received much attention as yet from church groups."

"But," he added, "it is bound to come, sooner or later—and I suggest that you get ready for the avalanche when it comes."

On the question of including religious questions, Dr. Whitman said, professional church statisticians are almost unanimously agreed that the data acquired would be of great value. At the same time, he stressed that there is a wide diversity of official church opinion on the issue in view of its church-state separation implications. (EP)

Transfusion a threat?

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—Some 18,000 Jehovah's Witnesses were told here that the greatest threat to American democracy today is the "new priesthood of the scientific elite."

Grant Suiter of Brooklyn, secretary of the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society, addressing the Witnesses' district convention, said that "these scientists have a specialized knowledge that gives them truly formidable authority in the councils of political power."

The "take-over by scientific technologists" already is threatening the religious liberty of Jehovah's Witnesses in the matter of blood transfusions, Mr. Suiter added.

"Many medical doctors," he charged, "have tried to set themselves up as a priesthood of public health to compel all citizens to submit to their medical opinions and yield to their medical treatment against the will and desire of the patient, under force, and contrary to the patient's constitutional rights." (EP)

Chinese guards purge

PEKING—Seized by the crusading spirit of Mao Tse-tung's order to rid China of all foreign influence and to tear out its own cultural and historical roots as well, frenzied mobs of Red Guards plastered the walls of the Sacred Heart Convent here with posters reading, "Get out, foreign devils!" and suspended classes. Five of the nuns were reportedly forced to sit in a gutter while the Guards publicly berated them.

The Communists stormed the few churches in this capital city, defacing walls and replacing religious statues with busts of Mao.

Guards dragged a Moslem leader from a mosque and whipped him, invaded a lamasery and took out statues of Buddha. In Hangchow they smeared a statue of Buddha with posters reading "Destroy the Old World! Build the New World!" (EP)

Urge youth appeal

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—An appeal to churches to consider using newspapers, movies and television to strengthen their appeal to younger members was favored here by delegates to the Luther League, youth auxiliary of the 3,800,000-member Lutheran Church in America.

"The realistic insights sometimes offered by movies, plays and television produce an immediate impact . . . for the individual person," according to a report issued after a series of workshops on methods of revitalizing the youth ministry. (EP)

Inter-faith digest

. . . . More than 30,000 Jehovah's Witnesses participated in a recent district assembly in Dallas, Tex., which was said to be the largest religious convention ever held in the state. On several occasions during the assembly, the city's Market Hall was packed by 26,500 persons—6,000 more than the estimated capacity—and thousands more filled tents outside. During the meeting, the Witnesses baptized 580 men and women.

. . . . For the first time in history, Christian Scriptures are being distributed in St. Denis, Reunion, an island in the West Indian Ocean. This report comes from D. M. S. Cohe, secretary of the Bible Society on the neighboring island of Mauritius. There has been no report as to the reception given God's Word by this overseas department of France with some 350,000 people.

. . . . Credit unions serving members of the United States Protestant churches increased to 426 in 1965, from the previous high of 406 the year before. CUNA International, Inc., reports a total of 493 church-based credit unions worldwide, including 47 in Canada and 20 in other foreign countries.—The Survey Bulletin

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