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personally speaking

Sermon in flesh

WE denominational "serpents" (servants) receive all sorts of introductions as we get out among our fellow Baptists of Arkansas. One of the introductions I liked best for myself was published in the weekly bulletin of Rowe's Chapel Baptist Church in Mt. Zion Association, where I was the supply preacher recently:

"We extend a hearty welcome to our guest speaker today, Bro. Erwin McDonald, former resident of Bunker, now editor of our *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine*."

A little private snooping revealed that this was composed by Brother Lawrence Earl (L. E.) Sanders, who gets out the church bulletin each week. Brother L. E., who has been paralyzed for 21 years as the result of having his neck broken in a car accident, is forced by his physical condition to spend a big part of his time in bed but still manages to attend all of the services of his church and to be one of its most active members.

As his introductory note on me would indicate, he reads this column and gets a kick out of the things I spill once in a while on life "down on Bunker." He was still chuckling over my Bunker Hill friend Clabe Hankins' thinking that Woman Suffrage was the right of "wimmin to vote the way their husbands tells them."

The life of one such as L. E. Sanders is a sharp rebuke to the most of us, who, being able-bodied by contrast with him, actually do so little in our churches and with life in general.

L. E. had a hard time living, during the recent heat wave. His sweat pores are paralyzed and on those days when the temperature soared above 100 degrees, his body temperature would match the outside temperature, giving him high fever. It took some experimenting to get the kind of air conditioning installed that would bring his temperature back to normal.

He has learned that he must go to bed for three hours each afternoon, customarily from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Every other morning comes an enema and a bath. With a bath tub installed alongside and even with the top of his bed, and by pulling himself up by horizontal bars over his bed and tub, he can bathe himself.

A year spent at the Mayo Clinic, at tremendous expense to his family, "was worth all it cost many times over," according to his mother. Without this training he would have been hopelessly and helplessly confined to his bed for the rest of his life. Now he goes about in a wheelchair and even drives a car, not to mention keeping books for his mother and his brother Henry Dean Sanders, both of whom farm on large scale.

Thanks, L. E., for the wonderful sermon you continually preach with your life.

Erwin L. McDonald

ARKANSAS State Convention preview: Far-reaching proposals for the Baptist cause, following the Executive Board's meeting at Little Rock. Heading the agenda in importance will be the request from the Arkansas Baptist Medical Center that it be allowed to sever its official relationship with the Convention. The Editor's review of the meeting is on pages 3 and 4.

MANY Arkansas Baptists will be making plans to attend assemblies at either Glorieta or Ridgecrest during 1967. For their convenience we are today printing the dates of conferences for the year on page 5.

THE Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments has voted the Dirksen amendment on prayer out to the full committee without recommendation. Barry Garrett covered the event for the Baptist Press, page 11.

WITH real pleasure we welcome to our pages a new feature by Dr. Ralph A. Phelps Jr., president of Ouachita University. An outdoors enthusiast, Dr. Phelps begins his series, page 17, with a thank-you to those Arkansans who introduced him to the wonders of Arkansas.

A TOUR of Europe, highlighted by the Billy Graham Crusade in London, was a summer thrill for one Arkansan. Mrs. Edgar Williamson, pages 18-19, tells us all about it. At the end of her story is an admonition to all of us travelers, European or American, by Malcolm Tolbert, associate professor of New Testament at New Orleans Seminary.

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AB Associational Bulletin; EPBS: European Baptist Press Service

Board actions

FAR REACHING proposals for the Baptist cause in Arkansas will be before the Baptist State Convention in November as a result of actions taken here last week by the Executive Board of the State Convention.

Heading the agenda in importance will be the proposal that the State Convention sever its official relationship with the Arkansas Baptist Medical Center, permitting the center to operate as a private institution and leaving it free to accept federal funds.

Under the plan proposed by the Medical Center board, as presented to the Executive Board by A. James Linder of Little Rock, a lawyer and member of the MC board, the MC would have a self-perpetuating board made up of present and former board members and other Baptists elected from time to time. It would be the desire of the Medical Center to continue to carry the name "Baptist" as a part of its title.

Some of the Executive Board members indicated they prefer continuing the center as an institution of the State Convention and permitting it to accept federal funds, due to the services rendered for the general public. Dr. John Gilbreath, administrator of the center, said that this would be the preference of his board, but that he felt the Convention would not favor such a plan. He said that the administration of the center wanted to avoid a division of the Convention over the issue of separation of church and state.

There will be time for full consideration by the Baptists of the state between now and November and this paper will cooperate with the Medical Center administration in doing everything possible to present all aspects of the proposal.

NOT too far behind the Medical Center proposal in importance was one approved for Ouachita Baptist University, which, if acceptable to the November Convention, would permit the University to issue first-mortgage bonds up to \$2 million for a building expansion program long overdue.

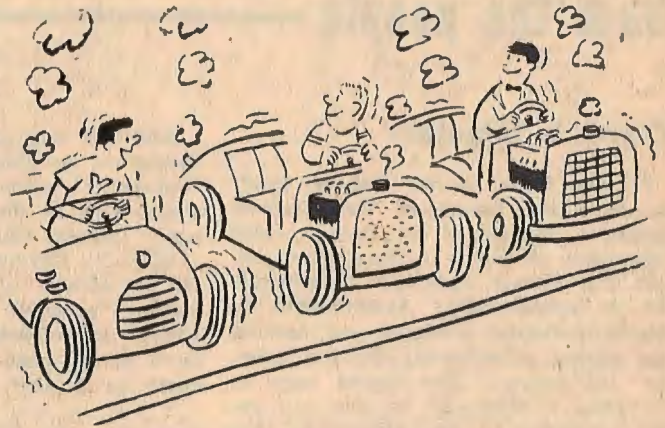
Speaking for the University, Dr. Ralph A. Phelps Jr., president, pointed out that the Ouachita student body had grown from 400 in 1953 to 1,800 at present and is expected to reach 2,500 by 1980. He said the bond issue was needed to enlarge science and library facilities, both of which need to be doubled, and improvement and enlargement of student housing, including extensive remodeling of Cone-Bottoms dormitory for women, which was built in 1923 and has had little upkeep since then. Also included would be an enlargement of Mitchell Hall, the University auditorium-music building, which has a seating capacity of only 1,100.

The approval of the bond proposal would permit Ouachita to meet its building crisis with no violation of the principle of church-state separation.

Dr. Phelps said that Ouachita, with an annual budget of \$2,200,000, has a present indebtedness of \$1,722,000, all of which is secured by buildings for which the money was used. The buildings constructed out of funds raised in the proposed bond issue would stand as the sole security for the new debt.

AS previously announced in this paper, the proposed State Convention budget for 1967 will total \$2,366,092, an increase of nearly \$200,000 over the budget this year. Major increases are proposed for the Missions-Evangelism department, \$109,479 as compared with \$80,750 this year; and for the Baptist Student Union department, which would move up from the total of \$70,000 this year to \$85,750.

THE deliberations of the 72-member Executive Committee were characterized by a maximum of light and a minimum of heat, reflecting an encouraging maturity of



"Let's have a race to Main Street."



reason and judgment. There is much to indicate the Arkansas Baptist jet is on the runway and ready to take off for an eventful flight in 1967.

From an insider

THE criticism offered by Dr. Joe Bates on Arkansas' school system, at a luncheon the other day for new teachers in the Little Rock schools, is doubly worthy of our consideration since Dr. Bates is a native of Arkansas and one who loves his home state.

Arkansas schools are currently designed to turn out "second-class" citizens—those content merely with making a living for themselves and their families without devoting themselves to the improvement of their respective communities, said Dr. Bates.

"It is no longer possible to just teach the basic fundamentals and let the student go," said the assistant professor of Internal Medicine at the University of Arkansas Medical Center. "We must now teach things other than the basic facts—things which are much more difficult to teach.

"We must concentrate on developing an inquiring mind in the student. We must develop the idea of being a lifetime student, teaching the students that they must keep teaching themselves throughout their lives.

"Most of all, we must develop an appreciation of excellence in scholarship. There is far too much anti-intellectualism in Arkansas. Students should be shown that they cannot be satisfied with anything but the best in education and knowledge, and should not tolerate mediocrity.

"Finally, teachers should be aware that the future leaders of the community, the state and the nation are passing through their classes, and be humble before the fact that they have an opportunity to influence these future leaders."

Teachers who had Joe Bates in their classes can be proud of their product. We need to educate and hold in the state more like him.

Easy answer

THE chief reasons cited as the cause of alcoholism, according to a recent survey by Louis Harris, are family problems, an inherent craving for alcohol, emotional need to drink, personal insecurity tracing back to childhood, and a desire to escape the realities of life.

But no survey is needed to determine the *real* reason for alcoholism. It can be answered in two words: drinking liquor.

from the people

Prayer is voluntary

IN one issue of our Baptist paper we have the report of Dr. Carlson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, going before the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments, to oppose "building a chapel and naming and paying a leadership for the activity" (of prayer). Two weeks later in "Worship in Vietnam" we find our paper approving, if not applauding, the very thing that Baptists paid Dr. Carlson to go before this Senate Committee to oppose.

While Baptists are opposing "providing for or permitting" prayer in our schools, they are not, or did not, oppose providing for prayer at the U. N., in the Army camps across the country and in foreign lands. Neither have they opposed chaplains in the United States armed forces, which, of course, is paid leadership.

Children have been praying and singing the National Anthem in our public schools for a long time now and, to my knowledge, Baptists have never before opposed. Why did they wait for a Maryland atheist and the American Civil Liberties Union to alert this nation to this grave danger?

And will some one please tell me the danger of providing for or permitting "voluntary" prayer in school or any where else in the world?—Mrs. Rosemary Looney, Charleston, Ark.

REPLY: Government has no authority in affairs of religion. So it can neither "provide" nor "permit" prayer. Prayer is necessarily "voluntary." We have all we need in the First Amendment as it now stands!—ELM

Which way, Cabot?

THE Cabot church points the way to what? [See page 16, our issue of Aug. 18.] The height of mission spirit? The sacrifice of the year? A plea for sympathy? The article raised many questions.

Why put people in inadequate facilities in 1962? Would any of the First Baptist Church members like to meet in a building with no nursery or no rest room?

Would more people have been reached for the First Baptist Church and the Mission if construction of the new plant had taken place some years ago?

Why should churches get mission mileage out of worshiping in facilities which have been in definite need for many years.

Perhaps it's pure paganism, but I can't be stirred toward sympathy or missions by the Cabot article.—Archie V. Lawrence, First Baptist Church, Malvern, Ark.

Two-party system

I READ with interest your excellent editorial in the August 11th issue of Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine.

While thousands of people are now working within the framework of a developing two-party system, we of course will not have such a system in fact until men and women are elected to public office from both political parties.

I am hoping that this November we will reach this important objective.

I feel very strongly, as you apparently do, that political choices are best presented to the public through two opposing parties rather than the "ins" and "outs" of one party which is seeking in itself to dominate a state's political life.

Again, let me congratulate you on your thoughtful and correct observations.

Yours for a better Arkansas—Winthrop Rockefeller, 530 Tower Building, Little Rock, Ark.

1967 Schedules for Glorieta, Ridgecrest

NASHVILLE—The 1967 schedule of conferences for Glorieta (N. M.) and Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist assemblies has been announced by Hubert B. Smotherers, director of the Sunday School Board's service division.

DATE	GLORIETA	RIDGECREST
June 8-14	Training Union Leadership Conference Training Union Youth Conference (ages 13-24)	Student Conference Writers' Conference
June 15-21	Training Union Leadership Conference Training Union Youth Conference (ages 13-24)	Foreign Missions Conference
June 22-28	Sunday School Leadership Conference	World Missions Conference
June 29-July 5	Sunday School Leadership Conference	Music Leadership Conference
July 6-12	Sunday School Leadership Conference	Training Union Leadership Conference Training Union Youth Conf. (ages 13-24)
July 13-19	Music Leadership Conference	Training Union Leadership Conference Training Union Youth Conf. (ages 13-24)
July 20-26	Woman's Missionary Union Conference	Training Union Leadership Conference Training Union Youth Conf. (ages 13-24)
July 27-Aug. 2	Young Woman's Auxiliary Conference	Sunday School Leadership Conference
Aug. 3-9	Home Missions Conference Writers' Conference	Sunday School Leadership Conference
Aug. 10-16	Bible Conference Church Library Conference Church Recreation Leadership Conference Church and Denominational Statistics and History Conference Church Buildings and Architecture Conf. Christian Life Conference	Woman's Missionary Union Conference
Aug. 17-23	Foreign Missions Conference	Home Missions Conference
Aug. 24-30	Student Conference	Bible Conference Church Library Conference Church Recreation Leadership Conf. Church and Denominational Statistics and History Conference Church Buildings and Architecture Conf. Christian Life Conference
Sept. 1-4	Single Adult Conference	Single Adult Conference

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CAMP RIDGECREST FOR BOYS

Ridgecrest, N. C.

First session: June 7-July 9
Second session: July 12-Aug. 13

CAMP CRESTRIDGE FOR GIRLS

Ridgecrest, N. C.

First session: June 7-July 10
Second session: July 12-Aug. 14

arkansas all over

On OBU staff

WILLIAM D. (Bill) Downs Jr., Little Rock, has been named assistant professor of journalism and assistant director of the news bureau at Ouachita University, according to Dr. Ralph A. Phelps Jr., president.

During the past year, Mr. Downs has served as vice president of the Arkansas Canteen Service, Inc., in Little Rock. Before that he served as manager of the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce, 1961-65, and as a state representative for the National Foundation of the March of Dimes in Nebraska, 1959-61.

Mr. Downs received a B.A. degree from the University of Arkansas with a major in English and a minor in journalism, and the master-in-journalism degree from the University of Missouri.

Mr. Downs graduated from Batesville High School and attended Little Rock Junior College before going to the University of Arkansas.

He is a veteran of the U. S. Air Force and is married and has three children. In Little Rock he is chairman of the Business and Public Affairs Committee of the Downtown Kiwanis Club, scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 358, and a member of the Sales and Marketing Executives Club.



WILLIAM D. DOWNS JR.



YOUTH EVANGELISM TEAM.—This evangelism team is available for week-end youth evangelistic services in Baptist churches of Arkansas. They are, left to right, Larry Aldridge and Ginger Murdoch, both of Atkins, musicians, and Gary Dennis, Russellville, minister. Mr. Aldridge will be a junior at Ouachita University this year, Miss Murdoch a senior at Atkins High School, and Mr. Dennis a freshman at Arkansas Tech. The trio may be contacted through Mr. Dennis, at 612 South Knoxville, Russellville, telephone 967-2754.



.... "TELEVISION is moving toward infantilism so fast that soon a four-year-old viewer may be the norm (it is) shooting for. It used to be the twelve-year-old. Last year, it was on an eight-year-old level. And now, with 'Bat Man' and a whole slew of comic strips that will follow in its wake, the standard will be halved again," spoke one critic in a panel program produced by National Educational Television (quoted in Changing Times, August, 1966 issue). Advice offered by the panel: "Do something about it. Turn off the set. Read a book. Embrace your wife. Kiss your child. Then write letters to the sponsors and to: Tom Moore, ABC (1330 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N. Y. 10019); Mort Werner, NBC (30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, N. Y. 10020); Mike Dann, CBS (51 W. 52nd Street, New York, N. Y. 10019). Nothing gets faster action than great numbers of people writing in and tuning out"

THOMAS Simmons, Route 4, Clinton, has resigned as pastor of Rupert Church and is available for supply or interim pastorate as he enters semi-retirement.

During the five years of his pastorate at Rupert, there were 52 additions to the church, 34 by baptism. At the time he accepted a call to the church there were 35 members, with only 30 of them residents. A one-room community building was used for worship. Mr. Simmons lead the church to build a new structure with four Sunday School rooms and a sanctuary seating 175. The building is debt free.

Rupert gives 10 percent of its offerings to the Cooperative program. Each family receives the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* and *Home Life Magazine*.

Mr. Simmons previously served churches at Lexington, Evening Shade, Corinth, Halfmoon and Cotton Plant.

Mrs. Simmons is the former Miss Grace Clark of Shirley. They have a son, Tommy, Mountain View.

To Kentucky church

BILLY N. Siress, minister of education for Pulaski Heights Church, Little Rock, for five years, has resigned to accept the call of First Church, Mayfield, Ky., to become minister of education, Sept. 15.

Mr. Siress was graduated from Murray State University, Murray, Ky. He holds the Master of Religious Education degree from Southern Seminary and the Bachelor of Divinity degree from Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forrest, N. C.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Siress are natives of Kentucky. They have one son, Jim, 3.



MR. SIRESS



CURTIS L. MATHIS

Leaves Jonesboro

CURTIS L. Mathis has accepted the pastorate of First Church, Athens, Tex, effective Sept. 18.

Mr. Mathis has been pastor of Central Church, Jonesboro, since 1958. During his eight years as pastor Central Church has had 1,216 additions with 378 coming by baptism.

The church budget has increased from \$53,000 to the present \$105,502. The cooperative program gifts have increased from 10 percent to 17 percent, a 300 percent increase.

Central Church sent Mr. and Mrs. Mathis on a mission tour to Scotland and to the Holy Land during the summer of 1965. Mr. Mathis has been a member of the Arkansas State Convention Executive Board, President of the Arkansas Baptist Pastor's Conference, and moderator of Mt. Zion Association.

He is a graduate of Baylor University and Southwestern Seminary. He is married to the former Miss Anna Louise Inman, St. Petersburg, Fla. They have two children, Curtis L. Mathis Jr., 13, and Cynthia Ann, 9.

The Ways of Friendship, by Ignace Lepp, Macmillan, 1966, \$3.95

The author is a practicing psychotherapist in Paris and a priest in the Roman Catholic Church. He makes it clear that friendship is the one relationship that endures throughout our lives. He shows how adult friendships enrich the lives of men and women but warns of the implicit danger of friendship between married men and women, which may lead to erotic love. But he does not maintain that friendship between a man and woman is an impossible ideal. The author illuminates his theories by case histories.

Patterns for the Pilgrimage, by Darold H. Morgan, Abingdon, 1966, \$2.75

Can a faith based on biblical revelation be relevant for our times? Dr. Morgan believes that it can. Here he gives his reasons for such faith, as he deals with such questions as: "Just how does one become a Christian?"; "Must I give up my faith in God?"; "Is witnessing the job of the minister or the individual Christian?"

Semantics and Common Sense, by Louis B. Salomon, Holt, Rinehart, Winston, 1966, \$3.95

Aware of the fact that the reader is often confronted with a tangled profusion of abstractions, syntax, and pedantry in attempting a study of semantics, the author has taken pains to sidestep all of this. Here is a good book for those looking for a deeper understanding of how language conveys ideas. Dr. Salomon does not attempt to provide final answers. Rather, he offers an approach to words and their meaning that will increase the awareness of any reader who has more than superficial curiosity about language.

Preachers in Purgatory, by Lester Mondale, Beacon Press, 1966, \$4.95

Why is it that ever so often there are churches and pastors who find themselves involved in a sort of warfare that often makes it necessary for the pastor to resign? Mr. Mondale seeks to bring this contradictory phenomenon—this periodic lapse of Christian demeanor at the very heart of the church—into the open, so that it can be anticipated, discussed reasonably, and perhaps avoided.

The Table Is for Eating, by Bruce W. Neal, Abingdon, 1966, \$2.50

The author, pastor of James Street Baptist Church, Hamilton, Ontario, provides here twelve sermons on the Lord's Supper. The meditations reflect an awareness of the problems of the modern world and show a deep understanding of the traditional accents of the Christian faith.

Music-youth director

TOM Love, Music-youth director, Emmanuel Church, Webb City, Mo., has accepted the same position at First Church, Harrison.

Mr. Love was born in Danville, W. Va., and is the son of a Baptist preacher.

He attended Oklahoma Baptist University at



MR. LOVE

Shawnee, Okla.

Mrs. Love is the former Janis Karen Cook. The Loves have one child, Mark Thomas, 3.

Mr. Love has studied private voice seven years in high school and college. He has served several churches as music-youth director.

McNair leaves Immanuel

WILLIAM F. McNair Jr., minister of Music-Youth at Immanuel Church, Ft. Smith, has resigned to accept a similar position at First Church, Clinton, Tenn.

A native of Shreveport, La., he is a graduate of Baylor University and Southwestern Seminary.

He has served as minister of Music-Youth at Immanuel since February, 1964. Previous places of service include Central Church, Carthage, Texas, Mildred Church, Corsicana, Tex., and Broadmoor Church, Shreveport, La.

He will assume his duties at Clinton Sept. 1.

Washington-Madison

GERALD Hays, Ft. Worth, Tex., is the new pastor of Prairie Grove Church. Mr. Hays graduated from Southwestern Seminary this year.

PROPERTY has been purchased in Greenland for the establishment of a new work.

JERRY Mann, pastor of Oak Grove Church, is leaving for Lake Charles, La., to teach in the college there. The Oak Grove Church is building nine classrooms, the first unit of several buildings to

Beacon Lights of Baptist History

Young People's Missionary Societies

BY BERNES K. SELPH, TH. D.
PASTOR FIRST CHURCH, BENTON

THE youth were caught up in the expansion of missions at the beginning of the 19th century.

The first Baptist young people's society originated with the young men of the Second Baptist Church in Boston in 1800. They met on Sunday evenings. Public worship at the evening hour had not been established then. The purpose was primarily devotional. It is possible that there was no formal organization in these early meetings.

By the winter of 1802 the subject of missions began to be discussed. They expressed a desire to do something for God and to be more useful to their fellowman. The young men called upon their pastor, Dr. Thomas Baldwin, and made known their interests. He expressed full sympathy with their request and promised to take up the matter with Dr. Samuel Stillman, pastor of the First Baptist Church. The result was the organization of the Massachusetts Missionary Society the following May.

The great revival of 1803, and onward, broke out simultaneously with the mission movement. Public worship services were instituted on the Lord's Day evening, and the young men's meeting was absorbed in the larger meetings. Later, the records show that the church permitted the young men to meet on Friday evening when the sanctuary was not in use.

The Baptist Youth's Missionary

be erected as the church develops.

JAMIE Coleman, pastor, Ridgeview Church, Fayetteville, for more than five years, has resigned to enter evangelistic work. During his pastorate there were 131 additions by baptism and 200

Assistant Society of New York City was organized July 23, 1806. It was made up of both sexes. The officers were young men whose age was not to exceed a certain limitation. They must be members of a Baptist church, and in good standing in some church of that denomination. Good moral standards were demanded.

A meeting was held monthly for business, was opened and closed with prayers. Appropriate songs were sung. They held a monthly missionary prayer meeting.

The idea of the young peoples missionary society probably originated in England two years before. Though current periodicals carry the announcement of a dearth of religious interest in England today this seemed not to be true in 1804. The *English Baptist Missionary Magazine* of 1811 carried an account of the young people's work a few years earlier.

It stated that a number of societies had sprung up as "assistants" to the English Baptist Missionary Society. They sought to raise money by receiving from their members one shilling per quarter, and to direct interest in prayers. A committee of 12 and a secretary and treasurer directed the affairs of the societies. One society sent four pounds, two shillings and one penny to Dr. William Carey when his publishing house burned in Serampore.

by letter. The church auditorium was enlarged and classrooms added.

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LARRY Neal, Ouachita University junior from Benton, is serving as music and youth director of First Church, DeWitt.

MOARK Church, Current River Association, Aug. 8-21; Clifford G. Rice, evangelist; 17 professions of faith; 3 by letter; Walter L. Callison, pastor.

MALVERN Third Church, Aug. 14-21; Dr. C. W. Caldwell, Little Rock, evangelist; Charles Mayor, music director, First Church, Benton, music director; 7 by profession of faith; 2 by letter; 5 for baptism; Homer Shirley, pastor.

TEXARKANA Trinity Church, Sept. 18-25, Dr. C. W. Caldwell, Little Rock, evangelist; John Cauthron, music director, Trinity, song director; Leo Hughes, pastor.

ARKANSAS VALLEY ASSOCIATION:

LAMBROOK Church, Lester Aldridge, evangelist; 9 by baptism.

FRIENDSHIP Church, Eugene Hughes, pastor, East Side Church, DeWitt, evangelist; Carl Fawcett, associational missionary, song director; 2 by baptism; 2 by letter; Don Coon, pastor.—Reporter

NORTH LITTLE ROCK Calvary, William L. Kreis, pastor, evangelist; Dennis Baw, Graves Memorial Church, song director; 25 professions of faith; 11 by letter; 127 rededications; 2 surrendered to preach.

SHADY GROVE Church, Aug. 21-28; Ed Walker, evangelist; Raymond Bull, Sunset Lane Church, singer; 1 profession of faith for baptism; 1 by letter; 2 for special service; 41 rededications; Walter Adkins, pastor.

PINE BLUFF Centennial Church, Sept. 18-25; Billy Walker, evangelist; Carbon Sims, singer; J. W. Whitley, pastor.

LITTLE ROCK Baptist Tabernacle, Sept. 18-25; Dr. Lloyd Honeycutt, pastor, Central Church, Magnolia, evangelist; Ray McClung, minister of education and music, music director; Don Hook, pastor.

FT. SMITH Oak Cliff, Sept. 12-18; Tommy Phelps, Hereford, Tex., pastor, former professional wrestler under the name of "Nature Boy", evangelist; Rick Ingle, pastor.

CLEAR CREEK ASSOCIATION:

CLARKSVILLE First, Rev. Sam Cathey, Michigan, Jack Price, evangelistic team; 4 by profession of faith; 1 by letter; 125 rededications.

OZARK First, Rev. Billy Walker, Walnut Ridge, Charles Gwaltney, San Antonio, Tex., evangelistic team; 2 by letter; 5 by baptism; 25 rededications. Gerald Jackson, pastor.

VAN BUREN, sponsored by 14 churches of association in Crawford County at Blakemore Stadium; Rev. John Bisagno and John Jolly, both of Oklahoma, evangelistic team; 45 conversions, 107 rededications and decisions for special service; Charles D. Graves, pastor, First Church, Van Buren, chairman.—Reporter

FT. SMITH Immanuel, Sept. 12-18; Walker K. Ayers, evangelist; Jack Haz-elwood, singer; L. B. Stallings, pastor.

SHELL LAKE Church, Aug. 7-14; O. K. Hazlewood, evangelist; by profession of faith; 2 by letter; J. D. Webb, pastor.

MT. IDA Fanny church, Aug. 14-21; 16 rededications; no pastor, sponsored by Associational Missionary W. Woodson.

CAVE CITY East Side Southern Baptist July 24-31; Jesse Reed, evangelist; Mark Short, song director; Mrs. Short, pianist; 10 by profession of faith; W. L. Bunch, pastor.

Dumas First, Aug. 21-28; Walter Ayers, evangelist; Ken Martin, singer; 5 baptisms; 4 by letter; Mason Bondurant, pastor.

EL DORADO Caledonia, Aug. 22-28; Jerry Wilson, pastor, Westside Church, El Dorado, evangelist; Ray Bromley, youth director, Ebenezer Church, El Dorado; music director; 1 by letter; 3 rededications; Hugh Nelson, pastor.

from the churches

Newport First

NOW, that's a family: When the family and visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Osburn trooped into church Sunday morning, some members surmised that one of the other churches in the vicinity had dismissed its services and its members had come to First Baptist in a body.

Forty-two persons, many of them grandchildren, of the Osburn tribe comfortably filled three of the long pews in the church. The three sons and five daughters all were reared in Newport, the family having lived in their present home for 23 years. All eight children were baptized in the church. The three boys and at least one of the girls worked at the Strand theatre during their teen years. Now they're scattered from Newport to McCrory to Clinton, Okla., to Grand View, Tex., to Hampton, Va., to High Point, N. C., to Howell, Mich.

They were here especially to see baby-sister, Sandra, married to Kenny Gates Sunday afternoon. All of the daughters and two of the sons are married. Mr. Osburn is a crain operator for Mobley Construction Company. Mrs.

Osburn is the former Geneva Massey. Doting grandmother (and great grandmother) is Mrs. Ethel Massey.—The Jackson County Record

North Little Rock

Amboy

THEME of the Summer Reading Club was "A Trip to the Moon."

The top five and the number of books each read: Carmen Arick, 164; Vonda Prater, 152; Martin Baw, 149; Julie Chonnell, 76; Andy Thompson, 50. Each had a book placed in the library in his honor.

A total of 2,073 books was checked out during the six weeks of the program. Mrs. Iva Vines is librarian, and Miss Marilyn Vines, assistant. Arnold Teel is pastor.

Diaz

THIS church in the Black River Association was recently awarded the "Advanced Standard of Excellence" in our Sunday School. The banner was

presented to Superintendent G. L. Balch by Cecil Guthrie, associational missionary. Sedic D. Wesson is pastor.

In reaching the Advanced Award, the school has 90 new members since Oct. 1, 1965, and the church has 28 additions by baptism and 20 by letter.

Mission gifts have increased from two to ten percent of total church income. There has been a 30 percent increase in total giving.

The church has reached the Standard of Excellence every year since 1957 and this is the second time to reach the Advanced Award.

West Helena

THE youth choir went to Sardis, Miss., recently for a day of swimming and relaxation. The group included 17 young people, four adults and two younger children.

A short vesper service was held by R. L. Powell, minister of music.

Other activities planned for the choir include the possibility of a trip next summer to Ohio to help a church in a revival meeting.

PERSPECTIVE

by
Robert J. Hastings

Light of the world

WHEN W. S. Porter (better known as O. Henry) lay dying on June 5, 1910, he looked to his nurse and said, "Turn up the lights, raise the shades. I don't want to go home in the dark."

Fear of the dark is one of the oldest dreads of man. Whether it's O. Henry afraid to die in the dark, or a child scared to sleep alone in the dark, most of us prefer light to darkness.

The first recorded words of God were, "Let there be light" (Gen. 1:3), so that Thomas Fuller describes light as "God's eldest daughter." Psalms 27:1 says, "The Lord

is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?" The first epistle of John includes two simple, beautiful definitions of God: "God is love" and "God is light."

We are not surprised, then, that Christ, the express image of God, should claim that "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world" (John 9:5). What does amaze us is Jesus' words in Matthew 5:14, "Ye are the light of the world." This is perhaps the finest compliment Jesus ever gave the Christian, for in it he commands us to be what he himself claimed to be!

And if we sometimes get discouraged by the evil darkness of the world, remember that all the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the weakest flame. Therefore "Let your light so shine before men, that they may . . . glorify your Father" (Matt. 5:16).

Rural work planned

DALE Barnett, pastor of Jenny Lind Church, has been elected to serve as rural missions worker in the northern section of Arkansas.



MR. BARNETT

Mr. Barnett's ministry will be altogether with rural churches, in which he will conduct revivals and direct in a development ministry. In this capacity he will augment both evangelism and our church development activities.

The Barnetts will reside in Yellville.

During his 17 years in the ministry, Mr. Barnett has served as pastor and associational missionary and missions speaker. He has served extensively as an evangelist and has helped numerous struggling churches to establish stable ministries. Statistics show that he has conducted 110 revivals in 17 years with 635 professions for baptism. These revivals have been conducted mainly in rural churches.

Martin to lecture

WAKE FOREST, N. C. (BP)—James Alfred Martin Jr., Danforth professor of religion in higher education at Union Theological Seminary, New York, will give the fall convocation lectures at Southeastern Seminary here. The lectures are scheduled in the seminary chapel, Sept. 8 and 9, at 10:00 a.m.

Prayers required

PENANG, Malaya (EP)—Muslims in Malaya can be fined for not attending prayer services on Fridays. If convicted, the amount each one will have to pay is \$80. Islamic religious authorities are currently keeping count of the number of Muslims who fail to attend their Friday prayers for three consecutive weeks.

The Cover



A BRAZILIAN calf grits its teeth and takes vaccination like a man. Plunging the needle is Robert S. Erwin, Southern Baptist missionary journeyman who works on the Baptist farm near Tupa, Brazil. Two other farmhands lend assistance. Mr. Erwin, whose home is in Concord, Tenn., recently began the second of his two years as a missionary journeyman. (Photo by Gerald Harney for Foreign Mission Board)

DEATHS

Mrs. Hattie Fowler, 82, Friendship, Aug. 18. She was the oldest charter member of Riverside Church. Her Sunday School class was named in her honor, "The Hattie Fowler Class."

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Hortice Garrett, Friendship, and Mrs. Roberta Cox, Smackover; and five sons, Loyd, Friendship; Gilbert, Jonesboro; Ambrose, Arkadelphia; Ed, Lancaster, Calif.; and Rev. Graham Fowler, of Hot Springs.

Smithville anniversary

SMITHVILLE Church, Black River Association, observed its centennial anniversary with an all-day program Aug. 28, followed by a week's revival with Billy Walker as evangelist.

During the day's observance Dwayne Shelton, a former pastor, delivered the morning sermon, and another former pastor, J. I. Cossey, Harrisburg, spoke during the afternoon.

Dinner was served on the grounds at noon.

Prayer proposal takes turn

BY BARRY GARRETT

WASHINGTON (BP) — Developments in the status of the Dirksen "Prayer Amendment" took an unexpected turn by action of the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments.

The subcommittee has voted the Dirksen amendment out to the full Judiciary Committee "without recommendation," and Senator Everett M. Dirksen (R., Ill.) announced that he would not force the issue to the floor of the Senate (on Aug. 30) as he had previously intended.

It is reported that Dirksen has counted 11 out of the 16 members of the Senate Judiciary Committee as favorable to his amendment. Hence, he says he is willing to let the proposed constitutional amendment take its normal course in the legislative process, rather than forcing direct action on the floor of the Senate.

Other counts, however, estimate that seven in the Judiciary Committee are opposed to the amendment, six are for it, and three are undecided, but leaning toward opposition.

This new action means that the Dirksen amendment is now on the calendar of the Senate Judiciary Committee. No time has been set for action on it.

The present schedule seems to be that the debate on the prayer amendment will come after action on the Civil Rights Bill which is scheduled to begin the second week in September. No one knows how long this may take, but it is anticipated that the prayer amendment may be scheduled in the Senate sometime the first part of October.

In the meantime, those opposed to the Dirksen amendment are seeking a way to substitute some kind of resolution giving the "sense of the Senate" on the sub-

ject of the Supreme Court decisions on prayer and Bible reading in public schools.



BRITISH Baptist answer to the Beatles: Jancis Harvey, a 22-year-old office secretary and Sunday School teacher at the Baptist church in Great Shelford, near Cambridge, England, communicates Christianity through folk music. Miss Harvey composes and sings modern folk songs with a Christian message. A guitar enthusiast from the age of 16, she says she taught herself to play the guitar because of her love for folk music. Some of her folk songs have been recorded by an evangelical recording studio in London. She has also appeared on the British Broadcasting Corp., singing her gospel folk songs. Recently, she sang and played before a nationwide Baptist youth rally in London. (European Baptist Press Photo)

Dirksen's proposal would give power to certain public authorities to "provide for" and "permit" the recitation of voluntary prayers in schools and other public buildings.

The Senate Judiciary Committee on Constitutional Amendments concluded a week and a half of extensive hearings on Aug. 8.

Developments in the progress of the Dirksen Prayer Amendment have not followed a straight line. They have been so erratic and events have taken such sudden turns that it has been almost impossible to predict with accuracy what might happen.

Even with the above report, either Dirksen or those trying to head off his amendment may come up with something different next week that will again change the picture.

\$15 million in grants

WASHINGTON (BP) — Two Baptist colleges, both related to the American Baptist Convention, are among 43 church-related colleges to receive \$14,953,218 in grants under the Higher Education Facilities Act of 1963 for the last part of fiscal 1966; according to a report from the U. S. Office of Education.

Colorado Woman's College, Denver, got \$587,142 to apply on a fine arts building. Ricker College, Houlton, Maine, received \$227,804 to apply on a library.

Among the other church-related colleges receiving grants for the last of fiscal 1966 were 24 Roman Catholic, five Lutheran, four Methodist, three Presbyterian, and one each of Evangelical Reformed, Assembly of God, Disciples of Christ, Church of the Brethren, and one unidentified.

In its report the U. S. Office of Education summed up its grants to colleges for the year. Grants and loans for a total of about \$627 million were made to 864 different colleges, universities, and branch campuses.

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Report from California

DEAR Baptist Students,

Can it really be possible that I have almost completed two weeks of missionary work out here in California? How the time has flown! I have been so busy. I have met so many wonderful people. I have had so many different and inspiring experiences. My work has brought me in contact with all races and ages of people, and my privilege has been to help them learn about Christ.

This summer I have truly come to realize the need for home missions. California has everything. However, the one thing it needs



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most, God, seems to be the thing wanted least. An eternal life is something one tries not to think about. This makes Christ's work so challenging.

I have worked in four wonderful Bible Schools. To me the most impressive one was the San Fernando Valley Associational Bible School. It was held in Pacoima, California, at a small park. The classes were held under the trees. The enrollment reached 255 and many decisions were made for Christ.

This week I am at the First Baptist Church of Cresenta Valley in the city of LaCresenta, California. I am doing survey work by day and teaching a study course by night. Although the membership of this church is 160, the average attendance is 45. The people have the faith and trust in God that makes them determined that their church will come out of this "rut," though. They have really been working hard contacting inactive members and inviting visitors. Christ is with them in their quest, so how can they fail?

Next week, I plan to attend student week at Glorietta. Since this is to be my very first visit to Glorietta, I am very anxious. I know I shall receive a great blessing from the assembly. I am sure, too, that it will be wonderful to hear from so many of my other summer missionary friends who will be there.

This summer has helped me in so many ways. I know that I am a more mature Christian as a result. I have learned that I, through God, can do so many things that I before thought to be impossible. My experiences have been so varied and so challenging! How could I have ever considered attending summer school this summer? I thank God and the Arkansas BSU for making this such a wonderful summer. There is truly no work so wonderful and rewarding as God's work.

Yours truly,
Lynda Dickens

Cathedral Christmas cards

WASHINGTON, D. C. — This fall for the 41st consecutive year, more than 150,000 families of all Christian denominations in 50 states and several foreign countries will send nearly four million Washington National Cathedral Christmas cards.

As in the past, the 1966 Cathedral selection will have 10 different four-color designs that include an illuminated manuscript, a "Three Kings" scene from an altar cloth, several religious paintings by both old masters and modern artists, and a photograph of the Cathedral's magnificent High Altar. An appropriate seasonal verse is printed in each card.

Each October, samples of the 10 designs are boxed and mailed on approval to families that have shown previous interest. Most families keep the sample box and write for additional cards. They may order any assortment, from multiple boxes of all 10 cards to many copies of only one style.

Despite the continuing rise in production costs, the suggested price of 10 cents per card or \$9 for 100 has remained constant through the years. This uniform rate has been made possible, it is reported, by "a small, efficient Cathedral organization and by increased sales volume." Many families also use this means to support the work of the Cathedral by contributing more than the suggested price for each box.

All profits from the sales help finance the Cathedral's national ministry. As a national church, the Cathedral speaks directly to Federal Government officials and foreign embassy personnel whose work affects the lives of millions of persons throughout the world. As an ecumenical "House of Prayer for All People," the Cathedral arranges many of its 1,800 annual services for a wide variety of religious, civic and governmental organizations.



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Baptist Beliefs

JESUS, A TEACHER OR GOD?

BY HERSCHEL H. HOBBS
Pastor, First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and past president, Southern Baptist Convention

"Why callest thou me good? none is good, save one, that is, God" (Luke 18:19).

SOME see in this Jesus' denial of a claim to deity. On the contrary it is an indirect claim to such.

The rich young ruler had addressed Jesus as "Good Master" or "Good Teacher." Plummer notes that no Jewish rabbi (teacher) was called "good" in direct address. Evidently Jesus' reply hinges on this fact.

He points out that absolute goodness belongs only to God. It should not be used in this sense with reference to a man. Yet the young man had used it without any qualification, at the same time calling Jesus a "teacher." Thus he used the word loosely. And he violated custom in applying it to Jesus merely as a teacher.

Therefore, Jesus was saying that the young man should get his thinking straight. If Jesus were well placed, then He was more than a teacher. Since the term "good" in the absolute sense should be applied only to God,

then if He deserved the title "good" He also deserved to be called "God."

Thus instead of denying His deity, Jesus was seeking to lead the rich young ruler to recognize Him for who He was. He was not merely a "good teacher." He was God Himself in the flesh.

There is in this a much needed lesson for us today. It is not enough for us to call Jesus a "good teacher" or a "good" anything short of deity. If He were not deity, then He was not even "good." For He claimed to be God. If He were not, then His claim was false.

But the New Testament ascribes deity to Him. History avows the ascription. And those who have surrendered to Him in faith know Him as "My Lord, and my God."

Plan for Conference

PLAN now to attend the Sunday School Bible Conference, First Baptist Church, Little Rock, Sept. 26-27.

In these two short days there will be a significance to the figure five. There will be five features presented five times—all fresh, informative and inspirational. They are: group worship opportunities, Bible messages from the Book of Amos, preview studies from the Life and Work literature, promotional features and age-group leadership conferences.



DR. ACKLAND

Now is the time to become better acquainted with the new Life and Work Curriculum for Young People and Adults which you have been hearing about. Dr. Donald Ackland, supervisor

of Adult Editorial Unit, Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will teach five lessons from this new literature.

Come for the inspiration and information to go back to your church and enter whole-heartedly into the Church Growth Plan which gives each of us a place of service.—Mary Emma Humphrey, Elementary Director

facts of interest

... INTERNAL Revenue collections for the year ended June 30 totaled \$128.8 billion, an increase of 12.5 percent over the preceding fiscal year. Largest increase was in income taxes from individuals, which yielded \$61.3 billion, compared with the previous year's \$53.7 billion. Number of individual income tax returns filed was 68.6 million, up 2.4 million. Increased revenues were more than matched in increased spending by the Government, so that a deficit occurred in budget accounts during the year.

... The Negro population of the United States is increasing at a faster rate than the white population. If fertility rates stay the same as in the 1962-65 period, the nonwhite population is expected to climb to between 32 and 38 million by 1985—or roughly 13 to 14 percent of the total U. S. population. The Census Bureau now estimates the nonwhite population at 23.6 million, or 11.9 percent of the total. Negroes numbered 21.7 million, or 11 percent of the population. Other nonwhites total 1.9 million, or about 1 percent.—The Survey Bulletin

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WILLIAM L. HOOPER

God is dead?

GOD'S GRAVE

BY the way some people live, one might conclude that the God of the Bible is dead. But where does such worship lead?

Edna St. Vincent Millay has expressed the sad plight of some in the following words:

Man has never been the same since
God died;
He has taken it very hard.
Why, you'd think it was only
yesterday,
The way he takes it.
Not that he says much, but he
laughs much louder than he used to,
And he can't bear to be left alone
even for a moment.
And he can't sit still. . . .
He gets along pretty well as long
as its daylight:
He works very hard,
And he amuses himself very hard
with the many cunning amusements
This clever age affords.
But it's no use; the moment it
begins to get dark,
As soon as it's night
He goes out and howls over the
grave of God.

DR. William L. Hooper, of New Orleans Seminary, will be guest director of the statewide Adult Choir Festival on Sept 15. The festival will be at Immanuel Church, Little Rock, from 7 to 10 p.m.

Dr. Hooper is dean of the School of Church Music at New Orleans Seminary. He has served as minister of music in Tennessee, as professor of music at Southwest Baptist College, Bolivar, Mo, and as public school music teacher in Iowa.

Dean Hooper is a graduate of William Jewell College, the University of Iowa, and received the Ph. D. from George Peabody College. His major teaching area is voice, conducting, and choral arranging.

The Little Rock festival will be the only adult festival in the state as the other three originally planned have been cancelled. Adult choirs from around the state are all expected to participate in the one festival. Guests are invited to come hear the various choirs and observe Dr. Hooper as he works with the massed choir.

—Tal D. Bonham

Help! Help! Help!

HELP Cuban refugees! An urgent appeal for clothing has come from the Baptist Refugee Relief Center of Miami. Clothing is one of the provisions that affords the center an opportunity to witness to many Cuban refugees.

Hubert O. Hurt, missionary to language groups in Florida, said the flow of refugees has stepped up to about 1,000 a week, double the figure reported earlier this year. Approximately 15 families seek help from the center each week.

"Most of these refugees arrive with almost no personal possessions, so such emergency help means much to them and provides an entree for us to help them with their spiritual as well as material needs," Hurt said.

The center also has helped resettle more than 2,070 Cuban individuals, working through Baptist churches that volunteer to sponsor refugee families. Is there an opportunity to resettle a Cuban refugee family in your community?

Yes, HELP CUBAN REFUGEES by sending good, clean outgrown or unneeded clothing of any type to the Baptist Refugee Relief Center, 1452 N.W. 36 St., Miami, Fla.

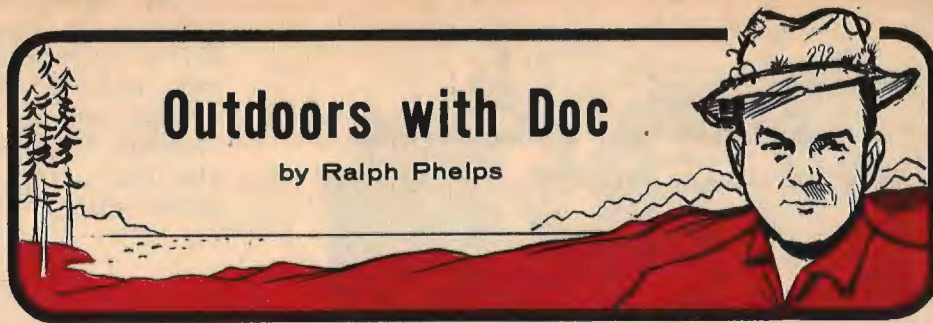
New materials for new leaders!

ORGANIZATIONAL helps will be sent to certain 1966-67 WMU leadership when names and addresses are received at the State WMU Office. Forms for reporting these were sent to all WMU presidents. They should be completed and returned as soon as possible for materials include valuable suggestions for leaders as they prepare for the new year.

Regular quarterly mailings are also sent to WMU and WMS presidents, youth directors, counselors and leaders, so it is important that every addition or change in leadership be reported to State WMU Office, 310 Baptist Bldg., Little Rock, Ark. 72201.—Nancy Cooper, Executive Secretary and Treasurer.

Outdoors with Doc

by Ralph Phelps



OUTDOOR MENTOR FOR AN EX-GOLFER

HAVING hunting and fishing as hobbies in Arkansas needs no defense, but when one compounds the felony by adding sports writing (which is more than a little suspect in some quarters), an explanation is probably needed.

Before moving to this great state in 1953, I had devoted a good part of my free time to playing golf. Although those golfs are mean to clean and tough to eat, the courses on which they are found are the nearest thing in a big city to the natural world which the good Lord made. With a game like mine, I had to enjoy the scenery or quit.

In Arkansas I soon learned the wonders of sports much closer to nature than golfing is. The late Rab Rodgers of Ouachita taught me quail hunting, and he and John (Little Man) Anderson of Arkadelphia introduced me to the wonders of float fishing on the rivers of Southwest Arkansas.

The late John Plumlee of Hot Springs and his partner, Ralph Pyron, gave me a wonderful introduction to lake fishing for big bass.

C. C. Cox and Dr. Jack Kennedy of Boswell and Arkadelphia introduced me to deer hunting, and Buddy Young of Smackover show-

ed me what it is like to hear the fox hounds run.

B. T. Harris of Little Rock and Fremont Ferguson of DeWitt took me on my first duck hunts, and Rev. Harold White of Paris introduced me to turkey hunting.

Chief Justice Carleton Harris of the Supreme Court took me on my first camping trip to the ox-bow lakes of the lower White River country; and for 10 straight years he, together with Wilbur Botts and Thadys Smith of DeWitt, and I have repeated that great experience.

With such great outdoor partners in an outdoor state, the sports writing seemed logical, what with a college background in the field. For several years I have written columns for two daily papers of the state, so when Editor McDonald asked if I'd have a four-week try at a similar effort for his paper I agreed. Goals? Increasing appreciation for the natural world God has given us in such abundance, encouraging the preservation of our natural resources, and sharing the enjoyment of a memorable catch or kill with other sportsmen. If you have a good story to share, send it to me at Ouachita Baptist University and we'll try it here for credibility.





GREAT MOMENTS IN EUROPE

BY MRS. EDGAR WILLIAMSON

NO one was more surprised than I that I went on a tour of Europe this summer. The invitation came, from the Billy Graham Train Committee of Nashville, Tenn., with travel arrangements by Wheaton Travel Agency.

We left Nashville June 9 by plane for New York. From there we traveled by jet to London.

After such a short trip, just six hours to span the Atlantic, it was difficult to believe we were in London, England. We attended the Billy Graham Crusade each night for five nights and toured London and parts of England in the daytime. We then flew to Paris and visited eight other European countries, arriving back in Nashville June 29, just 21 days from the day of our departure.

We were fortunate to be in London when Queen Elizabeth celebrated her fortieth birthday with a parade. She and her husband rode on beautiful horses and the Queen Mother, Princess Margaret and her husband, and the Queen's children followed in a royal coach. The royal guard was out in all its finery.

IN the British Museum we saw the Magna Charter and the Rosetta Stone among many other historical collections. In the London Art Gallery we saw separate rooms of collections of paintings of artists, such as Rembrandt, Van Dyke, Botticello, Raphael, Millet, Caro, etc. etc. It was thrilling to see the originals of so many reproductions we are familiar with.

Saw crown jewels

We were very fortunate to see the crown jewels. The Queen's crown is by far the most beautiful. Her scepter has in it the most brilliant and the largest diamond in the world.

We saw Bloody Mary's torture chamber where she persecuted and murdered Protestants. We saw the block where Ann Boleyn was beheaded by King Henry VIII.

Other points of interest included Buckingham Palace, Westminster Abbey (where I attended church on Sunday morning), House of Parliament, Whitehall, St. Paul's Cathedral, the London Bridge, Tower of London, Picadilly Circus, Trafalgar Square, Big Ben and the shopping areas.

One day we went up to the Shakespearean country, Stratford-on-Avon, and visited the Ann Hathaway Cottage and Shakespeare's birthplace and the Memorial Theater on the Banks of River Avon. On the way up we went through Oxford and saw the Oxford University.

IN Paris we visited the Louvre and saw Winged Victory, Venus de Milo and Mona Lisa along with many other famous statues and paintings. No reproduction has ever caught the beauty of Mona Lisa.

Sightseeing in Paris also included the Sacre Coeur, Montmarte, Champs Elysees, Arc de Triomphe, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Notre Dame, Eiffel Tower, Hotel les Invalides (where Napoleon is buried), Place de Concord, and Opera.

We reached the Mediterranean at Marseilles and traveled on the beautiful Riviera for two days, stopping at Nice for the night and then going on through Monaco, past Monte Carlo, through Genoa to Pisa (where we saw the Leaning Tower of Pisa), then on to Rome. The Riviera reminds me so much of the beaches in California—even the flowers, which are geranium. They are everywhere and seem to be the flower of Europe. The Riviera is unsurpassed in beauty and it was a thrill to see the blue Mediterranean.

Tours 'Eternal City'

SIGHTSEEING in Rome included the Colosseum, the Forum of the Caesars, St. Peter's Square, St. Paul's Outside the Walls, the Vatican, the Vatican

Museum, the Sistine Chapel, the Pantheon, the Appian Way, the Baths of Caracalla, Hadrian's Tomb—these are some of the high spots.

We also visited the Fountain of Trevi of the "Three Coins in a Fountain" fame, and we tossed our coins over our left shoulder and made our wishes.

The Sistine Chapel is one of the finest examples of art in the world. This is perhaps the crowning achievement of Michaelangelo, who painted the ceiling Biblical scenes while lying on his back on a platform 60 feet above the floor. The 10,000 square feet of painting took him four years to complete. One never-to-be-forgotten experience in Rome was going down into the place where Paul was imprisoned. The most moving and emotion-packed experience was viewing the statue of Moses by Michaelangelo.

Sightseeing in Florence included the Medici Chapel with Michaelangelo's masterpieces, including the statue of David, and the cathedral and baptistry of St. John and Ponte Vecchio. Florence is Michaelangelo's home town and where he is buried.

In Venice we were taken to our hotel in Gondolas. In the evening we enjoyed a seranata by gondola on the canal. The night and music were both beautiful.

ON the next day we were on our way to Austria, through the spectacular Dolomite Alps, over Brenner Pass and over the Arlberg Pass, through the breathtakingly beautiful Tyrol region to Lucerne, Switzerland. As the steeple chase races were on, we

could view the International meet from our hotel window on the fourth floor. The track was across the street. The horses were beautiful and an American woman's entry took first place.

Into the Black Forest

Then, it was on into Germany, where we went through the Black Forest to Heidelberg. Sightseeing included the university and the castle. The next day we traveled through the Duchy of Luxembourg to Brussels, in Belgium. The next morning we flew to Paris and then took a jet for home.

The highlight of the entire tour was the Billy Graham Crusade. The first night we were there, there were about 35,000 people present, with over 70 percent of them under 25 years of age. This was filmed to be telecast in America. There were about 1,500 decisions. Ethel Waters sang and she wafted us to the skies with, "Oh, How I Love Jesus." Billy Graham's messages were God given for this day and time and he stirred our souls to the depths. Truly he is God's man for the hour. We felt very fortunate to have a part in it.

The most exciting part of taking a trip to Europe or any other country is the joy of returning to good old U. S. A. This expressed the sentiment of us all:

"Happy did we go; happy have we been,
Happier are we now to return again."

'As you go'

BY MALCOLM TOLBERT
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THE imperative of the Commission (Mt. 28:19) is not the first verb, as it appears to be in most English translations and as we have taken it to be in so much teaching and preaching. The first verbal is a participle and, translated literally, should be rendered "going." The sense may be given by a clause such as these: "As you go," or "When you go," or "In your going."

The imperative is the second verb "make disciples." Jesus was intensely concerned that

his followers take advantage of the contacts that they had in their going to influence people to become his followers.

The wrong idea has been left in the minds of many by the teaching that the imperative of Jesus' command is "GO." A typical example is the lady who had a deep sense of guilt because she could not "go to be a missionary," as she phrased it.

All of us are on the go—to the drugstore, to the supermarket, to Disneyland, to Europe. Our problem is that we do not take advantage of the opportunities presented to us "in our going" to make disciples for Jesus Christ.



Arrowhead, anyone?

BY ADELINE FIXMAN

"DAD, see what I found."

"Why, that's an old arrowhead, Paul. Did I ever tell you that your grandfather found a femur bone here many years ago?"

Paul and his father were exploring Monks Mound near East St. Louis, Ill., the largest pyramid mound in the Mississippi Valley. This flat-topped temple towers 100 feet high. It is 1,080 by 710 feet at the base and has stairs leading from the ground level up to the roof.

"Who do you suppose made this arrowhead? Indians?" asked Paul.

"The same ones who built this mound, probably ancestors of the American Indian. That's what archaeologists seem to think."

Glowing with the excitement of discovery, Paul examined his arrowhead more closely.

"Could the Indians really hunt with these, Dad?"

"Yes, and hunting knives have been found in the mounds, too. The people who built the mounds must have killed wild animals for food and clothing, then skinned them with hunting knives."

"Were animal skins all they wore?" Paul wondered.

"They must not have depended entirely upon animal skins for clothes, Paul. Bits of spun, woven cloth were found in some of the mounds. Bone needles were dug up nearby. Apparently, the people knew how to sew, too."

Paul leaned over to examine the ground on which he stood.

"This is like being a history detective and finding clues about people who lived a long time ago,"

"The mounds do tell us a great deal about how people lived through things they left behind. For example, flint axes and hatchets have been discovered. Thus, we know the people were able to cut down trees and work with wood. They had some artistic ability. The carved copper and shell

School prayer

BY JO ALICE HAIGH

Father, we pray for help to learn
As school begins anew;
Help us to study as we should
And to thy ways be true.

ornaments they left behind tell us that. When archaeologists found spades and hoes in the mounds, they knew their builders did farming and cultivated the soil."

"Yes, but they were able to grow and enjoy other foods along with the meat of wild animals."

Shading his eyes, Paul looked up to the top of the temple mound.

"How long ago do you suppose it was built?"

"Probably between A.D. 1400 and 1600. Other mounds were built by different wandering tribes. They're scattered throughout the country. This one is the more recent type."

"How can you tell that?" asked Paul.

"See, it's shaped like a pyramid. The earlier ones were dome shaped. Some effigy mounds were even built in the forms of animals."

"Why did the Indians build the mounds?"

"For different reasons. This one was built as a temple. Some covered graves as monuments. Explorers have found bones and ornaments, sometimes even weapons, in these because the people believed they were needed by the dead. Some were built as places of sacrifice. Others were fortresses for protection during wartime."

"How did they build them, Dad?"

"With their hands. The mound builders carried loads of earth, shell, clay, or stone back and forth on their shoulders in skins or baskets. Sounds like quite a job, doesn't it?"

"It must have taken them a long time."

"And plenty of hard work."

Paul and his father walked slowly back to their car. They were reluctant to leave the historical spot that had sparked their imaginations.

"Some smaller mounds are a few miles from here. While we're so close, let's drive over and look at those, too," Paul's father suggested.

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'HOW CAN WE KEEP OUR MARRIAGE HAPPY?'

BY HARRIET HALL

A NEWLY-WED couple asks, "How can we be sure that twenty years later we will be as happy as we are now?"

Neither my minister-husband nor I would profess to know all of the answers to this question. We have, however, had occasion to talk to many couples, separately and together, because pastors and their wives often get caught up in the marriage entanglements of their people.

Sometimes there is very little we can do. When minds are set we can only watch the fragments shatter as a marriage disintegrates. With pathos and horror we see the tragedy of bitterness unfold—the charges, counter-charges, and acts of revenge that cause a home to tumble and crash. This is especially difficult and sad when there are children involved.

Then there are days when one or both of us may have an opportunity to help two people kiss and make up.

The psalmist said, "The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage" (Psalms 16:6).

I shall be eternally grateful for having grown up in a home in which contentment and happiness abounded.

Here is a dictionary description of these words: Happiness results from attainment of what one considers good; it is a state of well-being. Contentment is a peaceful kind of happiness in which one rests without desires, even though every wish may not have been gratified.

All couples, whether young, mature, or older, need to continually seek to keep their marriage and home on an even keel and within the confines and atmosphere of love.

It would be difficult to establish a sure-fire set of rules for happiness in marriage, for each wedding represents its own unique pattern.

Marriage does not make two imperfect people perfect overnight. Each must accept the fact that the other has certain imperfections. He learns that she squeezes the toothpaste tube from the middle, and she learns that he lets his clothes fall in a heap on the floor.

Part of maturity is recognizing our own areas of immaturity. We learn that togetherness does not mean that a couple has to be with each other every minute; it means independence of each other without resentment on the part of the other.

Here are some questions for thought:

1. Are you seeking to create happiness for yourself or for the other?

2. Can you say, "I'm sorry" and mean it—or does it come out as a flippant "Sorry about that!"

3. Can you laugh at yourself? Turn on your own Candid Camera for laughs, and your problems will probably shrink.

4. Do you always have to have things *your* way?

Ladies wanting jobs—

here are free tips

So You're Thinking of Returning to Office Work is a free booklet by Dr. Joyce Brothers for Manpower Inc.

Beamed primarily at housewives and mothers, the booklet has valuable tips for any woman considering accepting employment, whether on a permanent or a temporary basis.

Considered here are various factors that cause women to re-enter the labor markets. Prominent among these are the ever-growing demands of industry for more workers and the resulting importance of women in the labor force, and the increasing costs of maintaining families and educating children.

Ladies desiring free copies of Dr. Brother's booklet may have them by writing to: Mrs. Frieda Biehl, ABN, Manpower Inc., 820 N. Plankinton Ave., Milwaukee, Wis. 53203.

5. Do you try to keep your mind free from needless worry? Are you majoring on minors?

6. Are you staying attractive—inside and outside?

7. Is the atmosphere around you and your home one of love, laughter, understanding, respect, kindness, patience, and prayer? If not, is it full of bickering, shouting, or cursing?

8. When disagreements do occur, are the lines of communication left open?

9. Can you get through to his or her inner self?

10. Is your marriage only for each other, or are you trying to walk together in service to God?

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WHEN GREED CONTROLS

BY RALPH A. PHELPS JR., PRESIDENT
OUACHITA UNIVERSITY

TEXT: EXODUS 20:17; LUKE 12:13-21; 29-34

SEPTEMBER 11, 1966

IN a sense, the Tenth Commandment differs from the first nine and at the same time impinges on all of them.

Discussing the radicalism of the Decalogue, Boardman says, "The other commandments are, so to speak, outward, moving in the sphere of conduct, or visible behaviour; this commandment is inward, moving in the sphere of character, or invisible life." In this respect, it closely resembles Jesus' approach to law.

Covetousness, forbidden by this commandment, may tempt man to violate all the other commandments. In this respect it is related to the rest of the moral law.

1. The Mosaic commandment.

In Exodus 20:17, the words of God to Moses are recorded thus: "Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's." That statement was broad enough to cover all that a fellow possessed.

According to Webster's NEW WORLD DICTIONARY, "covet" means "to desire ardently (especially, something that another person has); crave; long for." To covet means to have an inordinate desire for something which belongs to another.

This commandment does not condemn the accumulation of property, something clearly recognized in the Eighth Commandment. Nor does it prohibit appreciation or admiration for another's possessions. A man can appreciate another's house, horse, wife, or bird dog without coveting same.

What is forbidden is accumulation at the expense of others. The

emphasis is on "neighbor's." A man does not have the right to gain property when his doing so entails loss by another of what is rightfully his.

II. The Master's position.

Jesus' attitude toward uncontrollable desire for possessions is clearly shown in Luke 12:13-21, 29-34.

The scene opens when a man comes up to Jesus and asks him to help with an estate hassle within a family. "Master, tell my brother to share his legacy with me," Phillips translates the request. While we do not know the details of the situation which had eventuated in this family split, we do know that the fellow making the request wanted what his brother would or could not give him. This was not the last family to have trouble over an estate.

Quite bluntly Jesus replies, "My dear man, who appointed me a judge or arbitrator in your affairs?" He refused to intervene in a matter that was the province of civil courts and then reprimanded the fellow's cupidity.

Turning to his disciples he said, "Notice that, and be on your guard against covetousness in any shape or form. For a man's real life in no way depends upon the number of his possessions" (Phillips' translation).

To illustrate his point, our Lord then relates the parable of the rich fool. Already a wealthy man, the farmer had such a bountiful harvest that his barns could not hold the produce. In his perplexity over what to do, he apparently did not devote a moment's consideration to giving away anything which was his, even though he could not possibly use all his fields had produced. His solution to the

problem was simple: tear down his old barns and build bigger ones. "I can say to my soul, Soul, you have plenty of good things stored up there for years to come. Relax! Eat, drink and have a good time!"

But divine intervention in the man's security equation changed things abruptly. God said to him, "You fool, this very night you will be asked for your soul! Then who is going to possess all that you have prepared?"

That Jesus shared God's evaluation of the hoarder is seen in his comment, "That is what happens to the man who hoards things for himself and is not rich where God is concerned."

Then follows Jesus' peerless discussion about freedom from anxiety for the material things of life. He urges his followers not to tear themselves to pieces over physical necessities—food, drink, clothing. "Your Father knows you need these things," he says simply; this being true, man need not grow frantic in his scramble for physical wants.

The first concern of the believer should be God's kingdom (12:31). In fact, he should be so independent of his material possessions that he could sell them and give away the money, confident that the heavenly treasure which he had laid up would be adequate to meet his needs. What's more, this divine bank would have the advantage of being secure against thieves and other destructive elements.

Then Jesus says something that towers against the sky as one of the great truths of all ages: "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (12:34). If wealth is our primary interest in life, then will our efforts be keyed to the acquisition of it. If the kingdom of God is our abiding concern, then will our efforts be directed toward its upbuilding. Every person has to decide which will be paramount in his own order—"my wealth" or "thy kingdom, Lord."

One of the great weaknesses of contemporary Christianity is that professing believers have been so caught up in the philosophy of the wealthy fool they have become slaves of the very things they think they possess. So much time is spent in trying to pay for the good things of the affluent society that there is no time or energy for the work of the kingdom. Sooner or later God is going to require final accounting of each life. Then whose possessions will our "good things" be?

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A Smile or Two

Correction

THE pretty schoolteacher wrote this sentence on the blackboard, "I didn't have no fun over the weekend."

"Now, Jimmy," she asked, "How should I correct this?" "Get yourself a boy friend," Jimmy suggested promptly.

Any size?

SHOE department manager to customer: "Yes, we have quite a selection of loafers. I'll see if I can get one to wait on you."

Joy delayed

The greatness of Jehovah sometimes cannot be seen Because man gets so busy with false, Adamic things.

He fails to see the grandeur of the mountains towering high, He fails to see the beauty of the waters rippling by.

He wants to know, but cannot, for his heart has turned away And the joy of his salvation must await another day

—John (Billy) Crawford

Attendance Report

August 28, 1966

Church	Sunday Training		Ch.
	School	Union	
Altheimer First	136	75	6
Ashdown Hlks	42		
Berryville Freeman Heights	139	60	2
Blytheville			
Gosnell	224	66	
New Liberty	128	49	
Trinity	184	68	3
Camden			
Cullendale First	407	127	1
First	438	119	
Crossett First	579	137	
Dumas First	300	89	9
El Dorado			
Calpodonia	55	2	1
Ebenezer	169	80	3
First	739	474	1
Immanuel	455	162	2
Foreman First	158	40	5
Greenwood First	287	129	1
Harrison Eagle Heights	237	71	
Hoxie First	109	49	6
Jacksonville			
Bayou Meto	126	90	
First	432	106	4
Marshall Rd.	235	95	3
Jonesboro			
Central	495	201	1
Nettleton	280	132	
Little Rock			
Immanuel	1,068	394	
Rosedale	277	104	6
Magnolia Central	620	245	
Manila First	160	76	
Monticello Second	237	132	
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	597	169	
South Side	39	13	
Calvary	212	26	
Gravel Ridge First	157	78	
Runyan	56	37	
Harmony	60	40	
Forty-Seventh Street	198	103	3
Sixteenth Street	55	32	
Paragould First	509	172	
Piggott First	378	170	4
Pine Bluff			
Centennial	271	109	7
First	810	230	4
Green Meadows	130		
Second	214	69	
South Side	707	33	1
Tucker	33	25	1
Springdale			
Elmdale	298	78	
First	398	117	
Star City First	230	81	2
Sylvan Hills First	288	124	2
Texas Arkansas Beech Street	509	94	4
Community	33		
Vandervoort	61	33	3
Van Buren			
First	485	200	4
Oak Grove	184	112	3
Second	64	45	7
Ward Cacklebur	46	73	
Warren			
First	408	90	
Southside	115	91	
Immanuel	282	93	3
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Very peculiar!

Teacher: "James, name three animals peculiar to the Arctic."

James: "Lion, tiger, monkey."

Teacher: "What makes you think that?"

James: "Because it would be peculiar if they were there."

Lullaby

TEACHER: "History tells us that Sir Arthur Sullivan composed most of his music in bed. What kind of music did he compose?"

Student: "Sheet music."

WHEN your mind goes blank, turn off the sound.

IT'S becoming increasingly hard for most folks to reconcile their net income with their gross habits.

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Missionary slain

CARTAGENA, Colombia (EP)—Ernest Fowler, 58, a veteran missionary of the Latin America Mission, was shot and killed on Aug. 3 by a gang of seven bandits masquerading as policemen as he was ministering among the Motilon Indians in the Colombian mountains bordering Venezuela. The brigands also sacked the house which his wife Eve and their children were occupying, terrorizing the family for nearly an hour.

Fowler was returning to the house when the heavily-armed men intercepted him on the trail, took away his rifle and machete, and then shot him twice through the head and once in the back after he had fallen, in the presence of his 14-year-old daughter Valerie and a Colombian girl who lived with the family. The bandits had already stripped all food and valuables from the house and had locked Mrs. Fowler, their children John, 13, Alison, 10, and David Howard Jr., 14, a guest, in one of the rooms.

After making sure the gunmen had left, the older boys recovered Fowler's body from the trail and buried him 36 hours later.

Birth control advance

BIRMINGHAM, England (EP)—Major ethical problems and complex decisions which face the churches over the issue of birth control were raised here by a British Methodist leader in a speech before a world Methodist study meeting on family life.

The Rev. Kenneth G. Greer, secretary of the Department of Citizenship of the British Methodist Church, referred to the way science had revolutionized the approach to control of conception, the "explosive rate" of population increase and "the dire conse-

... PRESIDENT Johnson has issued a message expressing hope that National Bible Week, Oct. 17-23, "evokes awareness in all men that the Bible is not ours for occasional recourse, but for eternal strength." The message was sent to Spyros P. Skouras, national chairman of the observance sponsored by the Laymen's National Committee. The greeting also stated: "In the Scriptures there is inspiration. It is there for persons of every belief, of every nation, of every circumstance. It need only be discovered—and once found, rediscovered. The Bible gives grace of life and hope to humanity. On its sacred pages the message of peace, brotherhood, and faith is forever enshrined."

... Membership in the North American Lutheran Churches increased by nearly 100,000 between 1964 and 1965, bringing the total for ten denominational groupings to 9,098,792. An annual report listed 8,799,425 Lutherans in the United States and 299,367 in affiliated groups in Canada at the end of 1965. The total reflected an increase of 1.06 percent over the 9,002,969 figure at the end of 1964. The overall total represents all baptized children and adults.

... Methods of "pioneering" new Assemblies of God churches across the nation was the main topic of discussion of the denomination's church extension officials in a one-day home missions seminar in Springfield, Mo., Aug. 29.—The Survey Bulletin

quences which may flow from the unhindered proliferation of people."

"Not only is this a grave problem," he added, "but it is a growing problem. Every year there are more than 50 million new mouths to feed."

Beatle: 'I'm sorry'

CHICAGO (EP) — John Lennon, the Beatle whose "we're more popular than Jesus" remark touched off a virtually worldwide response, said here that he was sorry he said it—but that it was true.

Sitting before reporters as the group arrived here for their first concert of an 18-day tour, the Beatles were solemn if not penitent.

"I wasn't saying whatever they're saying I was saying," Lennon said. "I was sort of deploring the attitude toward Christianity..."

"I suppose if I had said television was more popular than Jesus, I would have got away with it. I am sorry I opened my mouth."

The Beatle also insisted that he is not "anti-God, anti-Christ or anti-religion."

"I was not knocking it," he said "I was not saying we are greater or better."

Prayers meaningless?

NEW YORK (EP)—"We have killed prayer by making it phony," says the Aug. 27 issue of *The Saturday Evening Post*, quoting the Rev. Malcolm Boyd in "Speaking Out." The Episcopalian pastor says religion does, in fact, "become an opiate of the people when prayer is reduced to a supplication, however heartfelt, that life remain as it is."

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