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Central Church, Jonesboro

CENTRAL Church, Jonesboro, has used the Forward Program of Church Finance five times, and plans to use it again this year.



Facts and figures show that the Program has helped the church increase its total financial receipts, but it has helped in other areas as well.

Recently it was the writer's privilege to preach in this church both Sunday morning and Sunday evening

DR. DOUGLAS as well as at a ground-breaking service in the afternoon.

The people in this church know what the church is trying to do and are therefore responding to the needs. They have an excellent spirit and all, seemingly, have a mind to work.

The present church building, even though new, is now taxed to capacity and work has started on a new edu-

cational building.

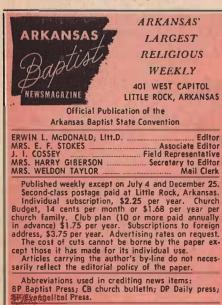
The Forward Program of Church Finance has helped, but the leaders, Brother Curtis Mathis, pastor, and Brother Charles Gwaltney, minister of education, know how to lead their people. Of course, much of their "know how" is based on the solid principle of genuine love. They make an excellent team.

If anyone doubts that a church should spend time using the entire Forward Program each year, then we suggest that you contact anyone in Central Bap-

tist Church, Jonesboro.

We do not try to use this column to praise people and "backslap" in order to "win friends and influence people," but we do believe in using names if it will help some other churches and other pastors to do a better job in Kingdom work.

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Foreign agency cancels church aid statement

THE Agency for International Development (AID) has withdrawn its "policy determination" on the use of religious organizations in United States foreign aid programs.

Administrator Fowler Hamilton said that due to "misconceptions concerning the policy of the agency... it is hereby withdrawn and has no further force and effect."

The administrator explained, "henceforth the agency will continue to pursue the same policies that it and predecessor agencies have pursued in this regard during the past period of more than 10 years.

"In view of the confusion that has arisen I wish to make perfectly clear that the agency in administering the funds for which it is responsible will do so in full accord with the traditional constitutional principles that are applicable to this area," he concluded.

President agrees

PRESIDENT Kennedy in a standard reply to inquiries on the subject says that "Mr. Hamilton is in complete agreement with the necessity of conforming AID policies and procedures with the Constitutional principles which you and I support most strongly."

The President further says that "the problem of extending our foreign assistance through private institutions abroad is complex, but I share your view that in utilizing such facilities we must exercise the most vigilant care in respecting our own Constitutional tradition."

Commenting on the issuance and withdrawal of the "policy determination," C. Emanuel Carlson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, said that this "opens for church-state analysis the whole policy field as developed in recent administrations."

Donald B. Easum, executive secretary of the AID, explained the short-lived "policy determination" to a representative of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs. He said that it was a pulling together and putting in written form policies that had governed the foreign aid programs of the United States for a number of years.

The extent to which the new "policy determination" expanded the policies already in existence is not known at the present time. Extensive research of the policies for the past dozen years will be necessary before this can be known.

The "Policy Determination No. 10" was formulated on July 16, but it was not generally known by the public until Aug. 15, when United Press International and Baptist Press released stories about it. Copies of the policy had previously been sent to denominational agencies that maintain overseas programs that might be used to implement U. S. foreign aid programs. On Aug. 21 the new policy statement was withdrawn.

Change still needed

LOUIE D. Newton of Atlanta, president of Protestants and Other Americans United (PO-AU), said the policy remains to be changed despite withdrawal of the policy statement. Newton, a former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, issued the following statement:

"All true Americans commend President Kennedy and Director Fowler Hamilton of the Agency for International Development for withdrawing the program policy statement issued by the division. We have no indication that the program itself is being corrected. There will be widespread apprehension and misunderstanding until the program of the international development agency is actually changed to comply with constitutional law.

"It doesn't make sense to use public tax dollars to build church establishments abroad when it is a direct violation of the Constitution to use the public tax dollar this way at home."

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The Cover



Plan Japan crusade

NAME IN LIGHTS — James Sapp (center), promotions director of the Brotherhood Commission, gets a visual idea of the poster program planned when he and 600 other Southern Baptist men participate in a nation-wide revival crusade in Japan next spring. Making the presentation are Baptist Missionary William H. Jackson, Jr. (left) and Shuichi Matsamura, director of the Japanese New Life Movement. The visitors were in Memphis on a personnel enlistment mission.

Japan Crusade leaders enlist revival help

MEMPHIS (BP) — A Japanese pastor and an American missionary made a stop at the Brotherhood ommission office here in a two-week whirlwind trip across the United States to enlist help in a nationwide revival crusade planned or Japan next spring.

Shuichi Matsamura, director of the Japanese New Life Movement and pastor of a Tokyo Baptist church, and William H. Jackson a Southern Baptist missionary Japan, got the assurances of tree Memphians to participate.

They are James M. Sapp, promodirector of the Southern Baptonvention Brotherhood Commission, who recently returned from a laymen and young people's laymen and young Pollard, pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church, and Gerald Martin, pastor of Poplar Avenue Baptist Church.

The crusade, known as the New Life Movement, will start in Tokyo March 26, spread to other metropolitan cities in city-wide revivals and climax with evangelistic services in the Baptist churches. It will last about 40 days.

Texas Baptists, who will provide about 600 pastors and laymen to the Japanese churches during the crusade, have underwritten the New Life Movement with a minimum pledge of \$300,000, Jackson said. Matsamura said he hopes to enlist other outstanding Baptists for the crusade. Evangelist Billy Graham and Ethel Waters, famous Negro singer, have agreed to help.

Other churches wanting to participate in this manner can write T. A. Patterson, chairman of the

Japan New Life Movement Committee, Baptist Building, Dallas, Tex.

Arkansan named to new post

JAMES P. Guenther, a native of Little Rock and formerly with Baptist Sunday School Board, assumed the newly-created position of legal and financial officer in the office of management services on Sept. 1. Guenther will provide counsel on investments, taxes, insurance and other legal matters.

He attended the University of Arkansas and was graduated from Vanderbilt University with a bachelor of arts degree in political science and English, and a bachelor of laws degree from Vanderbilt School of Law. He was admitted to the Tennessee State Bar in August, 1958.

First, Hope, to dedicate building

FIRST Church, Hope, will dedicate a new, \$125,000 education building Sunday afternoon (Sept. 23) at 2:30, with Ray Lawrence, of Nashville, a former deacon of the church, as the dedication speaker, Dr. George L. Balentine, pastor, has announced.

Editor Erwin L. McDonald, of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, will represent the Arkansas Baptist State Convention at the dedication and will give his illustrated lecture, "Crusade to the Holy Land," at the Sunday evening worship service, at 7:30 p.m., Dr. Balentine has announced.

Mr. Lawrence served as chairman of the Building committee of the church which helped to work out long-range plans several years ago.

The education building, designed primarily for the Junior and Young People's departments, is the second of four units planned for the church, all of which are to be completed ahead of the centennial of the church, in 1968.

The sanctuary, first unit of the brick, Georgian Colonial plant, was built several years ago, while Dr. S. A. Whitlow, now executive secretary of the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, was pastor.

Next unit to be started will be a chapel, which will have columns across its front to harmonize with those on the front of the sanctuary. The last of the units will be a primary department building.

The new education building was started a year ago, a few months before Dr. Balentine became pastor of the church. It will be put into use for the first time Thursday night of this week, when an officers' and teachers' banquet is held in its dining room.

Directing a Sunday School Enlargement Campaign for the church this week, concluding Thursday night, is Rev. Lawson Hatfield, Sunday School secretary for the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

The First Church Sunday School currently has 875 enrolled with from 500 to 550 in attendance.

The Editor's Page

The 'fadeouts'

PUPILS who quit school without graduating are "fadeouts" rather than "dropouts," Superintendent Floyd W. Parsons, of the Little Rock Public Schools, said the other day, in an appearance before the Delegate Assembly of the Pulaski County Health and Welfare Council.

Students do not just decide one afternoon to quit and then fail to show up thereafter. Rather, the quitting process stretches out into months, Mr. Parsons said. And parents unconsciously can be a part of it, he indicated, citing a parent who said several times in one conversation: "if Joe finishes high school" instead of "when Joe finishes high school."

The school official pointed out that many a student for all practical purposes withdraws from school "mentally, emotionally, socially" a long time before he stops meeting classes.

The "fadcout" or "dropout" problem of the schools is of real concern, or should be, for all church people. For the great concern of the church is the stewardship of life. And nothing is quite so sacred as a human life. The failure of the schools to be able to help, or the failure of boys and girls and young people to take advantage of the opportunities the schools afford for growth of bodies, minds, and souls, is a matter of great import.

But the church also has its "fadeouts." And what Mr. Parsons has said about the situation in the schools can be said also of the church.

It certainly is true that few backsliders become backsliders overnight. One who has been loyal starts dropping out occasionally for one thing or another, and before he realizes what is happening, he has replaced old habits of faithfulness with new habits of unfaithfulness. The church makes the sad discovery one day that here is one with his name still on the roll who can no longer be counted on to carry his share of the load. He no longer attends the church services with any regularity; or he does not pledge tithes and offerings to the support of the church and its world mission program, or pledges but does not "pay." If he is given an office in the church, he accepts the office as a personal "honor" but not as a responsibility. Should he be contacted to teach a class, he is ready with a barrage of "reasons" why he cannot serve.

Should one who is growing cold in his spiritual life look into his own heart, he would find less and less time for Bible study and prayer and meditation. And there will be evidence of more and more worldliness as seen in the attitudes of mind and heart, the places such a one goes, the things he does.

Sometimes the "fadeout" starts with working overtime or on Sundays. The one who has been faithful at church now "can't" attend. But the fellow who likes sports and has to quit church because of his work seldom has to quit his fishing, hunting, or going to the games. He can still work these things in, But going to church on Wednesday nights or Sunday nights can so easily be ruled out.

Going away to college sometimes is all that it takes to get some church members out of the habit of going to church. Time after time, the young man or young woman who has been faithful in the home church, transferred to a distant college campus, goes into a sort of church and spiritual eclipse. Many of these do not even move their memberships through the whole course of their college years. Others will move their memberships but go little beyond this.

The churches, too, have the "fadeouts" who still go to the church services, at least occasionally, but go just out of habit, or because others are going, or because someone pressures them, or it is the respectable thing to do. Any atmosphere of worship, as the best of sermons or lessons, is lost on these. And from these is likely to come at least 90 percent of the kicking and scarcely 10 percent of the pulling to "keep the church on the road."

Surely, the "fadeouts" or "dropouts" constitute everybody's problem, whether they are in school or in church.

'Before you quit school, kid, take a good look at me.'



Jon Kennedy in ARKANSAS DEMOCEA

THE PEOPLE SPEAK

Pull-time evangelist

I WOULD like to take this opporto introduce the readers of the Artansas Baptist Newsmagazine to Rev. Virgil Tarvin. Bro. Tarvin has recently entered full time evangelism and living in Paragould. His address is 16 N. 7½ Street, Phone CE 6-7500.

Bro. Tarvin has preached in my pulpit three times since moving to Paragould, and has done an excellent job each time. I have asked him to preach our Spring revival in 1963.

If you are looking for a good evangelist who will do his best in preaching and personal soul winning, you would not go wrong by asking Bro. Tarvin to be your evangelist. I most heartily recommend him.-Lendol Jackson, Pastor, East Side Baptist Church, Paragould.

Among us 'Babtist'

Re. "Pet peeves of an old preacher." We all need to use our best English in speaking of all things pertaining to Kingdom affairs.

However, Brother Paulus failed to speak of one of the most inexcusable faults of Southern Baptists. That is calling our denomination Babtist and talking of babtizing. It grates on my nerves most of all.

Yours for better English and cleaner living.-Charles L. Hopkins, Eureka

Toreadors, attention!

DURING the second week of Siloam Encampment our group stayed in the Fayetteville dorm. Due to a death I had to leave early and when the group left, a cardboard box containing a Toreador outfit (blouse, trousers, jacket, and belt) and some black material was left behind. The caretaker there reports that it has not been found and thinks someone else might have gotten it mixed in with another group's possessions.

Would it be possible for you to make mention of this in the paper asking if anyone has it to please get in touch with me. It is not that it is so valuable but that it belongs to several other people. Your help in this will be greatly appreciated.—W. H. Heard, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Walnut Ridge

Marilyn Monroe

MARILYN Monroe failed to find personal happiness. Why? It was not any fault of her own. It was because her parents failed to give her the love and affection necessary for her emotional and psychological maturity.

If a child is to reach physical maturity as a normal healthy mental, emotional, moral, psychological human being it must have love from its earliest infancy. As it grows it must be made to feel that it is loved, wanted. It must be guided, trained, restrained.

None of these came to Marilyn Monroe from her infancy to maturity. She was kept in a dozen foster homes. Millions of other babies have suffered in like manner as did Marilyn Monroe and millions of others are now suffering from the same neglect-unloved, unwanted, untrained, unrestrained, maybe just largely neglected.

The greatest difference between a human animal and other animals is that the human animal has a soul. This soul must be fed on love if it is to reach a happy, useful maturity.

An old proverb says "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." But in the growth of a baby into adulthood an ounce of prevention is worth a ton of cure.

The increased juvenile delinquency and crime in our youth is one of our greatest unsolved problems. Apparently no thought is being given to the prevention of these growing ills and crimes. The cause may be found in the unhappy home life of these children.

Of course some mothers do have to work to keep the wolf from the door. Neglected, unwanted and unloved 'babies' will cry even though all their physical wants are satisfied.

No child is born bad, they are made bad by the wrong kind of parents.

Whether your baby is breast fed or bottle fed the mother should cradle the child in her arms at each feeding. This very act lets the baby know that it is loved and wanted and makes it happy.

Mother, if you wish your child to grow up into a happy normal human being stay with it and love it, if at all possible, during its formative years. You and your child will be happier in later years because you loved and cared for your

NOTE - The above is based on many years of study, experience, and observation by one who is a college graduate and is now a great grandfather.-R. D. Caudle, Box 6, Russellville.

Personally speaking

Saying what you mean

IT takes two people to communicate, somebody to "send" and somebody else to "receive." And your effectiveness as a

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communicator is no better than the understanding of the one you are communicating with. It's like somebody about measuring your intelligence the measure of your intelligence is intelligence of one measuring you.

All of which sets me up to tell a cat story which I was going to tell whether or not I could figure out a way to make a point with it.

Now the name of this cat is not Alley Ooph. But he is quite a cat-aracter, even though he is just an ordinary alley cat. Or, at least, that's how he got his start.

This particular feline made his appearance one day on the premises of a Dothan, Ala., family. (He showed awfully good cat sense in stopping at a place that had five kids, all of whom were cat lovers from the word Go.)

Well, the cat's sojourn started out on a temporary basis. The parents agreed to let the kids keep the cat and feed it and fondle it till it went away. And cats just don't go away on that basis! So the presence of the cat got to be more and more a problem for the parents of the cat-loving kids.

The fact that he was not permitted to enter the house did not bother the cat. He would sleep each night on the motor of the family car, crawling to his upper berth from down below, as automobile mechanics are wont to make their costly approaches.

Each morning as the head of the home would open the door of his car to crank up for the run to his office, the cat would wake up and dash to safety ahead of the first turn of the motor. But one morning he over-slept he'd been out late the night before. He got himself all cut up in the fan of the whirring motor. His excruciating yells curdled the blood of the driver. Stopping the motor, he raised the hood and pulled out the bloody, quivering "remains."

Even the cat-loving kiddos had to

agree there was nothing that could be done except to take the suffering pet to a vet and have him put to sleep. So. Dad hauled the patient to the Dog & Cat Hospital. Handing it to the vet he said, "Here, take care of him."

The household settled down and after a few days of mourning, everything was as normal as it had been before the cat came. Then the phone rang one morning, about a month after the "tragedy." It was the yet calling Dad. "We managed to pull the cat through," he an-

"You did what!" the Dad exploded. "We saved your cat, but he nearly died," replied the vet. "We had to operate."

"But I told you to put him to sleep," said the Dad.

"Oh, I'm sorry," replied the vet. "You said 'Take care of him,' and we thought you meant save him. You can pick him up anytime. He's fully recovered."

So, pick him up the Dad did — with the vet's \$130 bill.

Now the Dad is trying every conscious moment to say what he means and mean what he says.

Edwin L. M Bonels

Make an investment in life

By Mrs. J. H. STREET

Over back where they speak of life as staying ('You couldn't call it living, for it ain't')
There was an old, old house renewed with paint,
And in it a piano loudly playing.

Out in the ploughed ground in the cold a digger Among unearthed potatoes standing still Was counting winter dinners, one a hill, With half an ear to the piano's vigor.

All that piano and new paint back there, Was it some money suddenly come into? Was it some extravagance young love had been to? Or old love on an impulse not to care—

Not to sink under being man and wife, But get some color and music out of life?

-Robert Frost ("The Investment")

What "investments" are we making, you and I, "not to sink under being man and wife, But get some color and music out of life?"?

They are among the most important investments of our lives.

The other day a young mother ran by our house on an errand. When I asked her to stay and visit, she said, "No, I must go. My husband is taking me out to dinner tonight and I want to be ready when he comes home."

Our hearts felt something of the tingle in hers as she went on her way to join her husband in an investment to "get some color and music" into their life as "man and wife."

Maybe your budget is too limited to provide for a baby-sitter and dinner out together.

But there are other investments besides money.

Why not invest some time right now letting your thoughts dwell upon those personality traits, character qualities, tender expressions that attracted you and drew you to your husband, back in your courtship days?

Corral your will power and push

out of your mood for now the disappointments, the weaknesses, the faults that have disillusioned you and produced some tensions, touchy irritations, and indifference in your attitude.

Spend some of the moments of this time-investment making a mental list of the fine qualities that he does have. It would be a good idea to write in your diary, or on a stray piece of note paper, that list of his positive assets.

Add to this deliberate use of time, an investment of prayer.

Manage somehow to find a spot where you can be alone. Get on your knees, open your heart to our Heavenly Father. Tell Him everything. Ask Him to give you wisdom and energy to get the day's tasks done well and quickly. Ask help, then, to be your most attractive self for your husband.

Rise from your knees to make a generous investment of effort. You will be able to turn off your work more efficiently and smoothly after your prayer time.

Spend more effort to be looking your best when your husband comes home. Generously expend

will power to see that you refrain from any look or word of complaint.

Add some *special touch* to the food and do something different to make the table pretty. Draw heavily upon your reserve of *know-how* and *resourcefulness* and understanding of what he likes.

Do invest lavishly of affection, compliments, and those certain ego-lifters that only you know will work with him. Remember, marriage gave you the privilege of initiative at these points.

If his reaction to your effort is a bit disappointing, don't, "chicken out." Invest patience and persistence.

A wholesome short story by Virginia Laughlin is about a couple who kept trying to save for a trip to Hawaii together. Just as the savings would begin to grow, there'd be a new baby, or some emergency to take the savings bit and they'd have to start over. Here are the lines that make the story.

"Curt: 'So long as we plan on it, dream about it, and look forward to it, some part of us won't ever be smothered by bills and the routine of daily living.'

"Allison understood.

"And she thought with wonder: This stubborn, valiant man I'm married to is determined to keep alive the girl and young man who met one day in April of a certain year...

"'That's the trouble. Too many couples forget the magic yester-days which could build bridges to all the lovely islands in the world — and in each other . . . "

If you have no "magic yester-days" to remember, put your best into filling today with "color and music." Then tomorrow you will have begun a savings account of "magic yesterdays."

Invest!

Rosalind Street

[Mail should be addressed Mrs. Street at No. 3 Fairmon Little Rock, Ark.]

Baptist beliefs

SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD

By HERSCHEL H. HOBBS
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THE sovereignty of God means that God is sovereign or bears the rule in His universe (Ps. 10:16;



Jer. 10:10). This relates to both nature and man. In the New Testament the word "kimptom" may well be rendered "sovereignty" (cf. Rev. 11:15). Satam claims world

(Man. 4.8 ff.). In Christ God asserted His somereignty in history (Man. 4:27). It will be realized fully through His redemptive work (I Car. 15:24 ff.).

In the abstract sense, God's sovereignty could mean that God, being all-powerful, may act as He wishes without regard to any other being or the attributes of His nature (Matt. 20:1-16). But in the concrete sense it means that He can do as He wills, said will being in accord with His nature which involves such attributes as His truth, holiness, righteousness, and love.

In this sense, God has placed certain limitations on Himself. He has villed not to violate the free-will of man (Gen. 3; see next week). He does not act contrary to his own nature (Gen. 18:25). The God cannot regard evil as the cannot ignore sin. He deny His love. He cannot make two plus two equal the self-imposed limitations are not an evidence of God's weak-mest but of His omnipotence.

Gen. 1:24-25; 8.22; Rom.
These laws are beneficent become punitive violated. But God is

when necessary to accomplish His moral and spiritual ends. Even here He does not act by caprice, but according to higher laws known to Him but unknown to man.

To the finite mind, it is impossible to harmonize the sovereignty of God and the free-will of man. But in the infinite mind of God there is no conflict. Finite minds can only accept both as facts in experience. The sovereignty of God hever violates man's freedom. But it does

require responsibility in man's choices.

The sovereignty of God is dedicated to the accomplishment of His spiritual purpose in history. He "keeps the reins of government in his hands. He guides the universe to his own glorious end. That end embodies the highest ideals of holiness and love" (Mullins; cf. Isaiah 54:8, 55:1-9; Jer. 31:3; I Cor. 15:24-27; Eph. 3:1-11; Rev. 11:15).

The preacher poet

Matthew 25:40

I never have gotten quite over the fence

Where success is measured by dollars and cents,

But I have learned truly that measure of worth

Is judged by the service one renders on earth.

-W. B. O'Neal

Gleanings from the Greek New Testament

Stammering, stuttering prayer

By V. WAYNE BARTON

DO YOU stammer when you pray? I suppose we all do from time to time. As a matter of fact, there is no special virtue in a well organized, planned, and delivered prayer. Yet I have known many people, especially laymen, who are reluctant to pray in public because they fear that they will stutter or stammer when they pray.

Indeed, Jesus literally said, "Don't stammer when you pray" (Mt. 6:7). However, there is reason to believe that He should not be taken literally at this point. For He went on to say concerning the heathen: "They think that they shall be heard for their much speaking." Hence the translation: "When ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do."

The question is: In what sense did the heathen stammer? In the sense that they flooded the channel of communication with a flow of words which choked up the channel. The result was that their

words stumbled over each other in their utterance. Their object was not so much to converse with God as to monopolize the conversation with God, to make a good impression on Him with the language of their prayers. Some heathen actually wrote out their prayers and pasted them on wheels and thought that the more they turned the wheels the more they were heard of God.

In the light of these considerations, when Jesus said, "Don't stammer when you pray," He had in mind a matter of motive and not of utterance. It is an improper motive to pray in order to impress God (or man) with the beauty of rhetoric or the resonance of voice. For that which is rhetorical and resonant to the ear of man is but stammering and stuttering to the ear of God.

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Arkansas All Over

Children's Home head resigns



MR. SEEFELDT

THE REV. H. C. Seefeldt, superintendent, Arkansas Baptist Home for Children, Monticello, tendered his resignation to the Board of Trustees of the Home in its Sept. 11 meeting. Mr. Seefeldt expressed the desire that the resignation be "effective as of the end of September, or as soon thereafter as a successor can be secured."

Mr. Seefeldt has served as superintendent of the Home since 1948. During the 14 years of his leadership the Home has made remarkable progress. Earlier in the year the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine carried an account setting forth some of the accomplishments of his administration and a resolution by the board of trustees in which appreciation was expressed to Mr. and Mrs. Seefeldt for their wonderful service through the years.

The following members of the Board were appointed as a committee to nominate a successor to Mr. Seefeldt: Dr. Horace Thompson, Little Rock, chairman; Mr. Harold Echols, Arkadelphia; Mr. L. C. Sanderson, Mena; Mrs. Allen Toney, Helena; Mrs. Albert Greenwell, Wilson.

Arkansans train for S. S. Witnessing Campaign

TWO hundred persons from eight state conventions participated in the second training session for directors of the new Sunday School Witnessing Campaign at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., Aug. 13-14.

Harold Bennett, who led in the development of the campaign while serving as superintendent of new work in the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, served as director of the training session. He is now superintendent of city missions, Home Missions Board, Atlanta, Ga

Three other men who contribute to the development of the programs and materials served on the training session program. They are: Dr. Othal Feather, professor of religious education, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth; Jack Stanton, associate, Division of Evangelism Home Mission Board, Dallas, Tex.; and Kenneth Chafin, professor of evangelism, Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth.

Other training sessions for directors were held at Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, and Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

When the fifth training session is completed at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary in Mill Valley, California, Oct. 10-11, more than 500 directors will have been trained from the 28 state conventions.

This campaign is a joint project between the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board and the Division of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board, with the two corresponding departments of the state conventions participating. The objective of the training phase is to prepare one director for every two associations in the entire Convention.

A total of 23 Arkansas pastors and ministers of education participated in the training session. These men are available to help direct Associational Sunday School Witnessing programs in Arkansas.

The directors will conduct a Sunday School Witnessing Campaign in their own churches this fall. They will assist the state Sunday School secretary who has initial responsibility for promotion of the Campaign in the state, in arranging for and conducting the campaigns in the neighboring associations.

Associations interested in participating in a campaign should contact the Sunday School Department at the Baptist Building in Little Rock, or Jesse Reed, evangelism secretary. A large percentage of the campaigns will be conducted in 1963, with a goal of reaching every association with a campaign by 1964, the year of Southern B a ptist emphasis on evangelism in the Baptist Jubilee Advance.—Lawson Hatfield

Pastor is ordained

REV. James Michael Wolf was ordained to the full gospel ministry by Freeman Heights Church, Berryville, Sept. 2.

The council included R. E. Fowler, moderator; Gus Poole, interrogator, Noel Tanner, who presented the Bible; Carl Overton, who led the ordination prayer; and Rev. Clifford Palmer, pastor of First Church, Siloam Springs, who brought the charge and message. Eighteen other pastors and deacons from sister churches participated.

Mr. Wolf has been called as pastor of Rock Springs Church, in Carroll County Association, located near Berryville, and has begun his work there.

Four new members complete OBC staff

bers have been announced by Ralph A. Phelps Jr., president, Ouachita College. A total of 10 additions now complete the achita staff.

The four are Marvin A: Lawson, sistant professor of music; Gil-Morris, assistant professor of English; George Johnson, assistpublic relations director; and ass Maud Davis, part-time in-

ructor in math. New teaching ellows include C. W. Hamil, refgion; Miss Rosemary Langley, music; and Elton McCann, English

Lawson, who has been band director at Hazen during 1956-62, will direct the Ouachita band for Francis McBeth, who is on a year's leave of absence while working on a doctorate at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y. Lawson holds a B.M. from Hendrix College and an M.M. from the University of Texas.

Morris, who taught at Neelyville High School during 1960-62, holds a B.A. and an M.S.E. from Arkansas State College. Johnson, pastor of the Linwood Baptist Church near Pine Bluff during 1960-62, holds a B.A. from Ouachita. Miss Davis, a math instructor at Waldron High School during 1943-62, holds a B.A. and an M.S.E. from Henderson State Teachers College.

Faculty members previously anounced include Dr., Cyril Linduist, chairman of the division of usiness; Clay Costner, assistant rofessor of physical education; liss Margaret Downing, assistant rofessor of physical education; erry Upton, assistant professor of siness; Mrs. Ruth Johnson, diactor of BSU and student activies; and Mrs. Hazel Goff, assist-professor of physical educa-

astor Woodell hospital

REV. W. R. Woodell, pastor of rst Church, Prescott, was to ungo surgery on Monday of this at Arkansas Baptist Hos-

To make world tour

THE Cullendale First Baptist Church, Camden, voted recently to sponsor its pastor, Rev. Robert A. Parker, for a six weeks study tour of Europe and the Near East.

The tour, which is to leave New York City next July 3, is under the direction of Dr. John P. Newport, professor of philosophy of religion at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas.

The trip is to feature visits to major spots of religious and historical interest in fifteen countries and will include attendance at The Baptist World Youth Conference to be held in Beirut, Lebanon.

Bailey Smith called to Waldo

REV. Bailey Smith, May, 1962, graduate of Ouachita College, has been called as pastor of Memorial Church in Waldo.

Mr. Smith came to Ouachita from Dallas, Tex. While at Ouachita he served as a summer missionary to Hawaii, and as a senior was elected BSU president and chosen for Who's Who among students in American Colleges and Universities.

Memorial Church is the first Southern Baptist Church in Waldo and has recently completed a new educational building with many outstanding qualities including year-around air-conditioning, Pastor Smith reports.

OBC teacher training approved

THE program of teacher education at Ouachita College has been accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., Ouachita president, has announced.

The 19-man council, meeting in Washington, D. C., sent a letter to Ouachita which stated:

"You are authorized to announce in your catalogue and other published documents that Ouachita Baptist College is accredited for the preparation of elementary and secondary teachers with bachelor's degree as the highest degree approved."

NCATE is the national organization for teacher education programs in colleges and universities. Among approximately 1,200 institutions which prepare teachers, 250 have received accreditation from NCATE. The NCATE accreditation team normally visits the colleges and universities once during each 10 years.

"NCATE accreditation is a giant step forward in Ouachita's attempt to build a teacher education program second to none," Dr. Phelps said. "We believe that one of the best contributions we can make to America is to graduate professionally trained teachers who have an educational background of liberal arts and a philosophy of Christian idealism."

Dr. A. B. Wetherington, chairman of the division of education, stated that the efforts of the cooperating schools where Ouachita student teahers worked during their professional semester had been a factor in accomplishing this goal.

"This is also a compliment to the entire faculty and administrative staff for their co-operative efforts to develop a concept of teacher education which includes resources of the entire college," Dr. Wetherington added.

Last year a total of 93 students from Ouachita did practice teaching. A survey conducted during the spring semester indicated some 400 students plan teaching as a vocational objective.

Mel Mintz resigns

REV. Mel Mintz has resigned as pastor of Sherwood First Church, North Little Rock.



MR. MINT

Mr. Mintz has had extensive experience in the field of evangelism and is entering this field full-time with emphasis on solo work and revivals. His first two meetings are at Cen-

tral Church, Jonesboro, Sept. 16-23 and Hebron Church, Little Rock, Sept. 24-Oct. 3.

To contact him, phone Fr 2-3673 in Little Rock or write: Mel Mintz, 122 Riverside, Little Rock, Ark.

Dr. Heacock to speak

FIRST Church, Tyronza, will climax "Leadership Preparation Week" with a "Workers Rally" Friday evening, Sept. 21. Dr. Joe Davis Heacock, dean of the school of Religious Education at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., will fly to Tyronza to be the main speaker for the evening.

Dr. Heacock's message, which is to be a challenge to the leadership of both the Sunday School and Training Union, will mark the climax of a week of intensive study and planning, on the part of the newly-elected workers of the Sunday School and Training Union, for the coming year.

The evening's program will conclude with a "coffee and cake" social for all workers, their husbands and wives. About 100 are expected to be present for the meeting.

Monday and Tuesday, of the week, will be spent in two two-hour sessions of intensive preparation from all Sunday School workers, under the leadership of this year's Sunday School superintendent, Jack Glover. Wednesday and Thursday will include the same

schedule, and type of program for all Training Union workers, under the direction of Wally Burnett.

-Church Reporter

Gus Poole resigns

REV. Gus Poole has resigned as pastor of First Church, Green Forest, effective the last of September.

He will be available for supply after Oct. 1 and, after a short rest, for revivals. Mr. Poole may be contacted at Box 314, Green Forest, Ark.

Revivals

FIRST Church, Springdale, Burton A. Miley, pastor; Oct. 7-14 with Rev. Walter Yeldell, evangelist.

FIRST Church, Gravel Ridge, Jack Livingston, pastor; Aug. 19-26 with Rev. Jesse Reed, evangelist; Mark Short, music; eight for baptism, three by letter, 11 rededications.

FIRST Church, Merkel, Tex., William B. Sawyer, pastor; Dr. Joe Henry Hankins, Little Rock, evangelist; Dr. Joe Trussell, Brownwood, Tex., music; 10 by letter, 12 for baptism, over 200 rededications.

HARMONY Church, Jack Hogue, pastor; Aug. 26 - Sept. 1 with E. F. Simmons, evangelist; four by letter.

FIRST Church, Mammoth Spring, Billy L. Cartwright, pastor; Aug. 26-Sept. 2 with Rev. Bill Lewis, Paragould, evangelist; Herbert "Red" Johnson, Mountain Home, music; 14 for baptism, three by letter, several rededications.

MT. PISGAH, Bay, Mt. Zion Association, Aug. 19-29 with Pastor Elbert Ragsdale, evangelist; Steve Brinkly, Mt. Pisgah, and Helen Montgomery, Bay, music; nine for baptism, two by letter, 23 rededications.

Floyd Emmerling to Little Rock church

REV. Floyd L. Emmerling, pastor of First Church, Leon, Okla., for the past four years, has ac-



cepted a call from Mountain View Church, Little Rock.

His other pastorates have included Woodmere Church, Detroit, Mich., and Harmony Church, near Jacksonville.

MR. EMMERLING

He is a 1954 graduate of Ouachita College and received his bachelor-of-divinity degree from Southwestern Seminary this last May.

Mrs. Emmerling, the former Miss Ida Nantze, of North Little Rock, holds the diploma of associate in religious education from Southwestern. The family includes a son, David, 8, and a daughter, Laura Kaye, 5.

S. S. Teaching Clinic

FIRST Church, West Memphis, will conduct a Sunday School Teaching Clinic the week of Oct. 1-5, according to Robert Holley, educational director. Although the clinic is not an association - sponsored event, Sunday School leadership from other churches in the Tri-County Association are invited to attend.

The faculty for the clinic will be as follows: Adults, Elmer Bailey, associate pastor, Bellevue Church, Memphis; Young People, Rev. Horace Duke, pastor of First Church, Tyronza; Intermediate, Miss Doris Blattner, educational director, Whitehaven Church, Memphis; Junior, Miss Mary Witt, youth director at Eudora Church, Memphis; Primary, Mrs. Mertie Chapman, Primary worker from First Church, Memphis; Beginner, Mrs. J. H. McCutchen, Beginner worker from Second Church in Memphis: and Nursery, Mrs. Finley Ammons, nursery superintendent, Highland Heights Church in Memphis.

Arkansas All Over-



MR. PERKINS

J. Richard Perkins moves to Texas

REV. J. Richard Perkins, pastor of Gaines Street Church, Little Rock, has resigned to accept the pastorate of First Church, Galveston, Tex. He will leave for his new post on Oct. 1.

He began his services at Gaines Street in October, 1958, coming to Little Rock from First Church in Nashville. During this time, 588 have joined the church, 159 by profession of faith.

The Galveston church, oldest Baptist church in Texas, has a membership of about 2,400, with Sunday School attendance averaging between 900 and 1,000.

First pastor of the historic church, organized Jan. 30, 1840, was Dr. James Huckins, one of the founders of Baylor University. The first person baptized into the membership was Gail Borden, Jr., inventor of condensed milk and an outstanding Christian.

A new \$720,000 building was occupied in 1954. The church sponors a full-time mission for Span-speaking people.

Expressing regret over Mr. Perins' leaving, Earl B. North, chairan of the Gaines Street deacons,
efined "deepening of the spiritual
derstanding of our people" as
number one contribution of the
stor to the Little Rock church.
A native of Missouri, Mr. Peris a graduate of Southern

Baptist College, Ouachita Baptist College, and Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth. He and Mrs. Perkins, the former Miss Jane Crutchfield of Nashville, are the parents of two sons, Jim, 7, and Peter, 3.

Larry O'Kelley moves to Brinkley

IT was "Vol. 1, No. 1" for Larry D. O'Kelley Sunday as pastor of First Church, Brinkley. In his first sermon as pastor of the Brinkley church, the young minister spoke on the text, Isaiah 54:2-6.

"God requires that a church be more than an ordinary church, for no ordinary church can perform its duty to itself and to the world," he declared.

For the past five years, Mr. O'Kelley has been pastor of First Church, Rogers, having gone to the Rogers church from two years as a Naval chaplain in the Southwest Pacific.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Argus O'Kelley of Russellville and a graduate of Russellville High School, Ouachita College and Southern Seminary. Mrs. O'Kelley is the former Miss Joanne Wilson of Huntington. They have a son, Scotty, age 2½.

Pastor O'Kelley was formally presented to the Brinkley church by Rev. Fritz E. Goodbar, of Little Rock, who has served as interim pastor of the church for the past four months.

The O'Kelleys and the Goodbars were honored Sunday afternoon at a reception at the Brinkley church.

On Sunday night, the congregation of the Brinkley Methodist Church dismissed its evening services to attend the services at First Baptist Church, welcoming the new pastor.—The Editor

Executive Board

(Continued from page 2)

We are grateful for the good work that all our churches and pastors do, but we believe in mentioning extraordinary work, in order to encourage and commend. — Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary

The Bookshelf

Horizon, Sept. 1962, 551 Fifth Ave.,New York 17, N. Y., \$4.50 per copy;\$21 per year.

IF you are a book lover, you may have to transfer your affection to microfilm, suggests an article by John Radar Platt, "Where Will the Books Go?" in this latest issue of this bimonthly book-magazine. A scientist, Mr. Platt sees the possibility of printing books so small that eventually whole volumes can be contained on the head of an ordinary pin. Then every living from could contain a library of the entire written record of the human race. The article suggests what such a revolution means for the reader and how it re-emphasizes the necessity of the reader to discriminate between temporary and lasting values.

Altogether there are 22 articles and 123 pictures, 41 in full color, in this issue of Horizon.

Cannibal Valley, by Russell T. Hitt, Harper and Row, 1962, \$3.95

Here is the thrilling story of the spiritual advance into Dutch New Guinea by intrepid Christian missionaries who risk their lives daily to take the gospel to the Stone Age Dani tribesmen. The "valley that time forgot" was first discovered in 1938. Sixteen years later, after several attempts, American missionaries established a mission there and found cannibalism, wife-stealing, orgiastic feasts, barbaric funeral rites, quick friendliness and sudden threats of murder.

The writer is author of the bestselling Jungle Pilot and editor of Eternity magazine.

Chats with Young People on Growing Up, by E. Margaret Clarkson, Eerdmans, 1962, \$2.50

Miss Clarkson, author of Susie's Babies, has produced a sequel to her best-seller. This book, as the first, is for boys and girls approaching teenage or in their early teens. Centering in the fascinating life of Silver, a pet hamster, the author deals with "Maturity and Immaturity," "What Price Maturity?" "Different Kinds of Maturity," "Sexual Maturity," "Handling Our Maturity," and "Spiritual Maturity."

The Spontaneous Expansion of the Church, by Roland Allen, Eerdmans, 1962, paperback, \$1.65

Written more than 30 years ago, this book combines insight and foresight, retaining a lasting validity. It will be of real value to those seeking a better perspective on the history and purpose of the church.

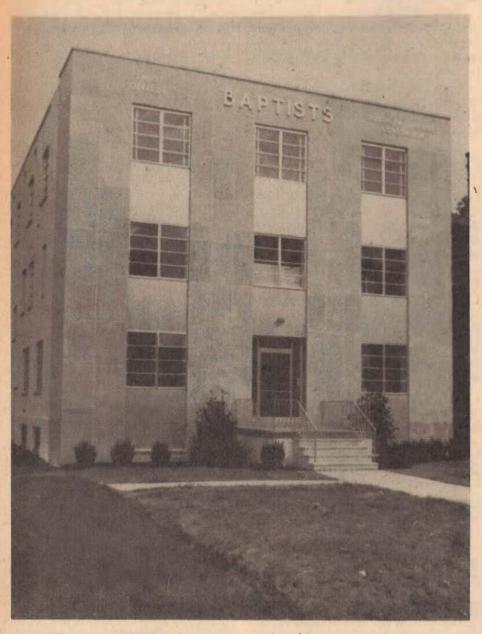
saw a miracle in Ohio

By W. O. VAUGHT, JR.

Pastor, Immanuel Church, Little Rock

THE big plane settled down on the runway at the municipal airport of Columbus, Ohio, and soon we were secured at the ramp. As I emerged from the plane there stood Rev. and Mrs. Willard Jarvis of the White Hall Baptist Church, ready to drive me one hundred miles east of Columbus to the Seneca Lake Encampment, the encampment grounds of Southern Baptists in the State of Ohio.

The story of the progress of this amazing growth of the Southern Baptist Convention in this part of our nation far surpasses anything I have seen. Just ten years ago Rev. Ray Roberts left the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Danville, Ky., to go to Ohio and direct the work for Southern Baptists. Today, the Southern Baptists of Ohio compose a state convention of over 40,000.



HEADQUARTERS building of the Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio.

When Mr. Roberts arrived in Ohio, just ten years ago, he found there were only 19 Southern Baptist Churches and six small missions. Today there are 267 Southern Baptist Churches and 108 missions.

During 1952 Southern Baptists of Ohio contributed less than \$5,000 to the Cooperative Program. The 1961 minutes of the State Convention in Ohio report contributions to the Cooperative Program that year reached a total of \$236,344,47.

In 1951 there were few who believed that Southern Baptists would ever be a vital force in Ohio. But the decade which has just passed has erased that thought from all minds. Riding out East Broad Street in Columbus, Southern Baptists point with pride to their lovely three-story, air-conditioned Baptist Headquarters building. Athriving Baptist Book Store, located in Columbus, serves the churches of that vast area.

Western New York, Pennsylvania, and Western West Virginia compose a part of the Ohio Convention and cooperate with them in all their work.

I discovered that three-fourths of the pastors in this area are seminary graduates. Rarely have I witnessed such zeal and devotion in the work of the Lord. Going into these areas these preachers often begin on a shoestring. Often a tent is erected and from a Vacation Bible School and a revival meeting prospects are discovered for the nucleus of a Baptist congregation. Through the assistance of the Home Mission Board a site for a church is purchased. Bonds are sold for the erection of the original church unit and soon the congregation is a thriving and growing church. This story can be duplicated in almost every section of Ohio.

Such is the story of William and Millie Jarvis, who have just completed ten years of service with the White Hall Baptist Church of Columbus. Mr. Jarvis has just been graduated from Southern Seminary and Millie had just been graduated from Georgetown College when they received the call to Ohio. There wasn't any church to



MR. ROBERTS

come to, for no church had yet been erected in that part of the vast city of Columbus. They erected a tent and led in a three-weeks revival meeting. At the end of that meeting nineteen people banded together to form the White Hall Baptist Church.

Soon they secured the property owned by a small Lutheran church and the White Hall congregation called Jarvis as pastor. In these ten years that have transpired, the church has erected three units of their building and have sponsored eight missions that are now fulltime Southern Baptist churches. White Hall Baptist Church now has 500 members, and has sent out more than 400 members to start other Baptist churches. They have just called their first educational director and the church is ready for a future of expansion.

I found that it is not the desire of Ray Roberts and the Southern Baptists of Ohio to come in conflict with their American Baptist friends. There are such vast areas where there is no Baptist witness that there is room for all. Though American Baptists have witnessed in Ohio for over a hundred years, and Southern Baptists have been there for only ten years, Mr. Roberts stated that within the next few months Southern Baptists will have more churches in Ohio than American Baptists.

I sat in the office of Secretary Roberts in Columbus and heard

him relat ethe thrilling story of these years of progress. Through sacrifice, often small beginnings, many times inadequate salaries, these noble pastors are carving out a great denomination in that part of the nation. Not one church has defaulted on one dollar of debt, and often the bonds have been paid off in advance of schedule.

I returned from Ohio and this week spent in their Pastors' Camp with a new appreciation of the amazing work which is theirs. One day they will be one of the strongest of our state conventions.

Oppose grid prayers

ROCKDALE, Tex. (EP) — The Rockdale Ministerial Association has gone on record here as opposing mass prayers before the start of public high school football games.

The Rev. Frank Buechley, pastor of First Christian Church and president of the association, said members had voted to discontinue participation in pre-game prayers.

"It wasn't a conducive atmosphere for that type of thing," he said. "There is a time to pray and

a time to play."

Middle of the Road

By J. I. Cossey Walnut Ridge, Arkansas Field Representative Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine



MR. COSSEY

MAD. Do you ever get mad? I have in the past and I am ashamed of it. When a person who is trying to do right gets mad, that one is sorry, hurt and ashamed. He goes to the Lord in a prayer of confession.

We should try never to get mad. It makes a person hate himself, It is too much of a strain on the physical, mental, and spiritual health to be permitted.

In describing the word "mad," Webster uses such words as imbecile, senseless, angry, frantic, and affected with rabies. A dog affected with rabies is called a "mad dog." Often human beings act like "mad dogs" and might be even more dangerous.

Many people get mad, but only fools brag about it. Good and wise people will regret getting mad and will quickly ask for forgiveness.

"When you see a married couple coming down the street, the one who is two or three steps ahead is the one that's mad."

I recently found this quotation: "The homeliest thing that is known in human society is a pretty girl when she gets mad." The next time any of you girls become angry, please rush to a mirror and shout at yourselves "H-Y-E-N-A."

"I positively refuse to submit to the cruel slavery of a bad temper."

"There is no form of savagery so manifest as anger. Nothing is more uncalled for, accomplishes less good nor makes people more unhappy than the curse of a bad temper. Nothing was ever accomplished by it except blighting the flowers of the human heart and poisoning its springs. It is the brutal expression of supreme selfishness. No gentleman will ever stoop to the vulgarity of anger. It is an unnecessary attack of temporary insanity that is damaging not only to the mental powers but the physical as well."

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Summer work in Colorado



MISS SPINKS

BITSY Spinks is a junior education major at Arkansas State Teachers College. She is one of six student summer missionaries sent to various points by Arkansas Baptist students this year. Listed below are excerpts from her summer's letters:

June 15, 1962

"I will be working in the Denver area all summer, except for two weeks at camp. Right now I'm working in a church of about 130 enrollment. This city is truly a great mission area! Ten summer students are working in the Denver area. There are 38 other workers who are working in the other four and one-half states that make up the Colorado Association.

"Our three-day clinic which was held in Denver was tremendous. We had a chance to become acquainted with all the summer missionaries and the area missionaries plus the heads of the Colorado

"My summer partner, Ruth Humble from North Texas State, and I have a house to ourselves. A family in Derby left on a summer vacation and offered us their house for the summer. We're having fun keeping house, although we're getting tired of lunchmeat!

"I feel sure that this is going to be an unforgettable summer for me."

July 9, 1962

"We've just finished a two-week VBS in Derby. This was really a tremendous school, although the numbers may not have shown it. There were 195 enrolled, two professions of faith, four volunteers for full-time service, and many rededications. . . .

"Colorado is truly a pioneer area for Southern Baptists. Organized Convention work is only six years old, and the oldest church is only eleven years old. In Derby, an average of one and one-half families on a square block attend church of any denomination. If Southern Baptists need missionaries anywhere, they need them in Colorado.

"Now I'm at the camp grounds in Colorado Springs. We're in GA camp this week, and will have a Youth Camp next week. I think I'm having more fun than the campers. I hate to judge, but I believe Colorado is as pretty as Arkansas!"

July 20, 1962

"It's hard to realize that the summer is nearly over. It seems as if we've been in Colorado only a few weeks. The time has really flown.

"We're in the midst of a two-week VBS. We're having a good school. . . . I'm certainly having an incomparable experience with 20 primaries!

"Last week, four of us (summer workers) held a Bible School and revival in a community 30 miles outside of Denver. There hadn't been a revival in that community for over 30 years. An old man who attended several services had only been in church once since 1900. I hope that enough interest was created to begin a mission.

"Next week we teach at a Bible Conference and hold Intermediate Bible School at night.

"I'm anxious to share my summer

with everyone. My only regret is that every Arkansas BSU'er couldn't have the same experience."—Tom J. Logue, Secretary

Training Union

A testimony

FIRST Baptist Church, Fort Smith, bulletin gives this testimony of how Training Union can be a vital part of

the church life:

"Back in the day when Training Union was known as B.Y.P.U., a man by the name of Paul Harrup was the sponsor for a Junior Union at the Southside Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama. Mr. Harrup received the following letter:

"Dear Mr. Harrup:

"Do you remember a little freckle-faced boy in your Junior B.Y.P.U. at Southside away back in 1920? You taught that boy to make his first speech in public, before B.Y.P.U. He was a most unlikely prospect, and you and others may have thought, at times, that you were wasting your tine on Sunday night, especially on him. Well, I thought it might help to know that the boy finally grew up, and was called to preach, and is now the pastor of the First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City.

"Thank you my friend!
"Sincerely,
"H. H. HOBBS."
-Ralph W. Davis, Secretary

Annuity Board

Protection Plan a wonderful thing!

SO THE testimony of Brother S. A. Wiles, Ozark, states. His full testimony is as follows:

"Regarding the Protection Program of the Relief and Annuity Board, I would say that for me it has been a 'Protection Program' rather than a 'Retirement Program.' I think this is what it should be.

"When it became evident that I could not effectively carry the load of former years, I was not forced to impose on the generosity of a grateful people by hanging on to a job that I knew a younger man could do more effectively.

"However, for me 'protection' has not meant 'retirement.' It has meant protection from financial embarrassment, as I have sought to serve in needed areas, where there was no adequate remuneration. I believe the 18 months of my so-called 'retirement' have been as fruitful for the Lord as any comparable period during my ministry. However, the work I have done would have been impossible without the monthly checks from the Annuity Board.

"Maybe you wonder what I have been doing. When I resigned as superintend-

ent of missions for Clear Creek Association, I led the association to organize and sponsor a Seminary Extension Center at Clarksville, under the direction of the Southern Baptist Seminary Extension Department, Jackson, Miss. I have served as instructor for this class in which 10, or more, rural preachers have received training that they otherwise would not have gotten. Their progress and expressions of gratitude have been a great joy to my heart. Other church leaders have enrolled in the class. In addition to this seminary work, I preach every Sunday in mission areas unable to pay a regular pastor. During the past month I have baptized four people, and will conduct a funeral this afternoon.

"Yes, the Southern Baptist Protection Plan is a wonderful thing! It should not be used by preachers as an excuse for quitting work, but as a means to do service for which there is no adequate financial remuneration."

So—let us all profit and heed to the advice of Brother Wiles. Take advantage of the Southern Baptist Protection Plan now.—T. K. Rucker, Field Representative

Attention, new directors

ELECTION time for the leadership of the various programs of our churches is here. Although we do not approve of



MR. McCLARD Concept of Task —
Our task is to teach music; train per-

sons to lead singing and play music; lead persons to participate in congregational singing; understand Christian hymnody; assist in the worship, proclamation, education, and ministry of the

To fully understand this responsibility, let me suggest that the new music director read or re-read: Chapters 1 and 2 of the Church Music Manual by Sims, Chapter 5 of Music in Worship by Ford, Chapter 2 of Music in the Bible by McCommon, and at least Chapter 1 of the Graded Choir Handbook by Williams. It would be well if you would also secure a copy of the Curriculum Guide by Allen and House.

In addition to these materials from our music training course series, I would suggest that you secure at least one of the following books: Church Music for the Glory of God by Urang, The Fine Art of Public Worship by Blackwood, and Music and Worship in the Church by Lovelace and Rice. These materials will broaden the concept of the music director as to the opportunities for spiritual service in the music ministry.

Course of Action — As trite and commonplace as it may seem, I still think that the Standard of Excellence provides a guide to a comprehensive music ministry that is within the range of every church in Arkansas. You will also want to secure the 1962 Church Music Ministry Calendar of Activities pamphlet and Expanding the Church Music Ministry pamphlet, as well as a list of festival music and a calendar of activities promoted by the Church Music Department of our state. All of these materials are free upon request to our department.

Christ Centered Program—Ours is a spiritual ministry. We must remember always that we are dealing with people whom God loves in a world that is in spiritual darkness. If we accomplish anything at all, it must not be by our own might, but by the power of the Spirit of God. We can only be led by the Spirit when we are completely dedicated and surrendered to the Will of our God. We can only move in the right direction as we are directed by God.

Let us remember always to pray every day that all of our music may be for the purpose of exalting Christ and helping our fellowman respond to the highest revelation that we have in Jesus Christ.—LeRoy McClard, Director

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One of them is Rev. David Sellers, a recent graduate of Fort Worth Seminary and the son of Brother Sellers at the book store. His address is 3704 South Henderson Street, Ft. Worth, Texas. He graduated this spring from Fort Worth Seminary with a Master of Theology degree.

The other is Rev. Elson Herndon. His address is Lon Avenue Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo. His telephone number is DE 1-2375. Brother Herndon was pastor in Camden for five years before going to the seminary. He received his

master's degree this spring.

We also have the name of a fine prospect as minister of music and education for some church. He is the son of one of our fine pastors, Brother C. R. McCallum. He is Mr. Robert R. McCallum of 328 South Roosevelt, Liberal, Kansas; telephone MA 4-3568. Brother McCallum would like very much to come to his native state and has had several years experience in music and educational work.

Perhaps it would be good for these men if they could have this information put in the paper.—J. T. Elliff, Religious Education Department, Arkansas Baptist State Convention

Departments

Missions-Evangelism

Around and about

ARKANSAS' quota for Schools of Missions in 1964 is six. Already four associations—Arkansas Valley, Central, Little Red River and



Benton County-have set dates and have been approved. Two more associations can qualify. The dates open, however, are: Feb. 23-28; Sept. 13-27; and Nov. 15-20. Which associations want to qualify? Get your request in immediately.

E. A. RICHMOND will be on Channel 4 TV program "Little Rock Today" Sept. 24. He will be interviewed by Bud Campbell. Hear him tell about his work with the boys in Arkansas Training School.

BOYD BAKER, chaplain in the State Sanitorium, Booneville, served as camp pastor for Pioneer Royal Ambassador Camp the last week in July. There were 10 rededications, three conversions and two for special service.

THE PROGRAM of Church Development Ministry is proving a great blessing to the churches participating. Cave City Missions has sent in their enrollment for participation. Dr. Lewis Newman and M. E. Wiles will be holding additional conferences in Clear Creek Association this week.

MARSHALL ROAD Church of Jacksonville will have dedication of their new building Sept. 30 with the superintendent of state missions as the speaker .-C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent of Missions

'By all means win some'

Commitment Day

BROTHER Pastor, your church should be challenged to a new commitment for personal soul winning, Sunday, Jan. 6.



Mark this date on your calendar now. This can be one of the greatest days in your church if you honestly and earnestly plan, pray and work toward it.

Why not begin now working on a special message to bring Sunday morning Jan. 6. Pray for God to break your heart and set

your soul on fire for that message: Let the essence of your prayers be for God to burden the hearts of your people for the unsaved that are around them. Our people will not have much concern for the lost until their pastors have compassion in their souls first.

Order soul-winning commitment cards (E-9) from the Baptist Bookstore now, at 1 cent each. The more you order the cheaper they will be. These cards should be mailed to each church member and made available at the Sunday School and worship services. At the close of the message on Jan. 6, make an earnest appeal for the church family to promise to try to win souls, not just to win one soul.

What if one promised to win one and won him the second week in January? Would you expect him to go the remainder of the year without trying to win another soul? This is nonsense. Ask those who have signed cards to stand near the pulpit. Lay the cards on the table and have a prayer of dedication and ask God's blessings on those who have pledged to attempt to win souls.

Who should attempt to win souls? The pastor, first, and then every member of the church. Yours for more souls won in 1963.-Jesse S. Reed, Director of Evangelism

Sunday School

VBS reports in?

THIS is the final appeal to churches which conducted Vacation Schools to report them.



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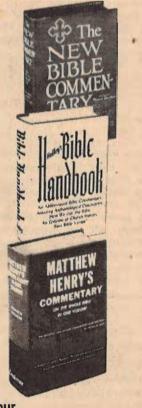
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Religious Education

1963 Siloam dates

IN 1963 the Siloam Religious Education Division Assemblies will be held for three weeks instead of two, as this past



summer. This change is necessary in order not to tax the Assembly's facilities with too many people during any one week. The dates for the three weeks will be July 8 through 13, July 15 through 20, and July 22 through 27.

Ordinarily the SiMR. ELLIFF loam dates would be
set up one week earlier, but in 1963 this
later date is necessary so as not to conflict with a denominational-wide Evangelistic Conference in Texas.

For several years there has been a pattern of attendance which suggests the following division of the state:

1st Week Associations

Benton County, Boone County, Buckner, Carroll County, Clear Creek, Concord, Washington-Madison, Dardanelle-Russellville, Hope, Little River, Newton Ouachita, and Red River.

2nd Week Associations

Buckville, Central, Conway - Perry, Faulkner County, and North Pulaski.

3rd Week Associations

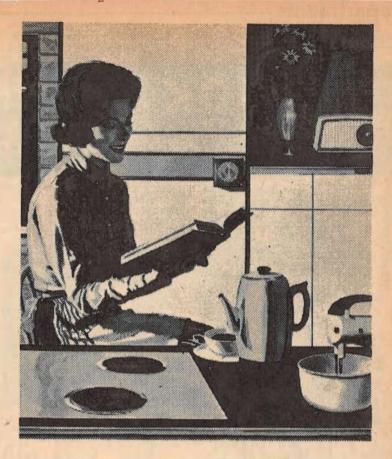
Ashley, Arkansas Valley, Bartholomew, Big Creek, Black River, Calvary, Caroline, Centennial, Carey, Delta, Current River, Gainesville, Greene County, Harmony, Independence, Liberty, Little Red River, Mississippi County, Rocky Bayou, Stone-Van Buren Searcy, and Trinity.

Dr. Jessie Northcutt of Southwestern Seminary will' be the evening speaker for 1963. He will also conduct one of the sessions for preachers and missionaries on the ministry of the Holy Spirit.—J. T. Elliff, Director

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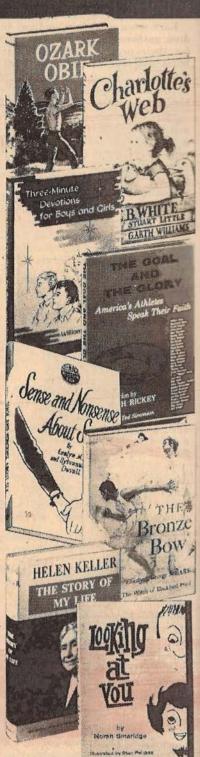
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Father of hymnody

By THEODORE J. KLEINHANS

ENOCH Watts was a stern schoolmaster in Southampton. To eke out his income, he also ran a boardinghouse. His own family numbered nine children and almost made up a boardinghouse all its own.

Each morning father, mother, and children gathered round the breakfast table for their prayers. One day little Isaac burst out laughing in the midst of devotions.

"Isaac, why did you laugh?" asked his father.

"Sir, I saw a mouse on the bell rope, and I thought of the rhyme, 'There was a mouse, for lack of stairs, run up a rope to say his prayers.'"

Without a word Enoch Watts reached for the willow rod. Isaac fell to his knees, pleading "Oh, Father, Father, pity take, and I will never verses make."

Isaac Watts went on to write hundreds of hymns. The church was greatly blessed by his pen. His father was a Nonconformist in the day when those who were not of the Church of England were often thrown into prison. In fact, Enoch was in jail when Isaac was born.

A wealthy doctor offered Isaac a scholarship at Oxford. Going to the university would have required him to be an Anglican. Because he wished to remain a Dissenter, he went to a private seminary at Stoke Newington.

In the 1700's good hymns were few. Young Isaac hated the awkward wording and stumbling rhythms at his church. When he complained, the deacon encouraged him to write better ones. He did in a book called "Hymns and Spiritual Songs."

This book was so excellent that it earned for Isaac the title of "Father of English Hymnody." His songs quickly spread among all the English-speaking churches. The opening stanza of his famous book read,

"Behold the glories of the Lamb Amidst his Father's throne; Prepare new honors for His name And songs before unknown."

Watts became pastor of a Free Church in London. His health was never good, and he remained a bachelor all his life. He was a dwarf of a man, only five feet tall.

During one of his illnesses, the lord mayor of London invited him to spend a week at his estate. Isaac was so popular with the mayor's children that he spent the rest of his life there, thirty-six years in all

His poetry for children has the loving touch of a friend. "Hush, my dear, lie still and slumber," he writes, "holy angels guard thy bed."

Some people argue that all of Isaac Watt's poetry is childlike. Yet his standard of excellence and his simple faith

have appealed to believers of all ages.

Of six hundred hymns, the best known include "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun," "Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come," "Am I a Soldier of the Cross," "At the Cross," and "O God, Our Help in Ages Past."

The last of these he wrote just after the death of Queen Anne. She had ordered those who were not Anglican to suffer imprisonment. Under King George I came freedom again. Isaac, whose own father had weathered many a month in prison, expressed the hope of all believers when he wrote,

"O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home!"

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Make a motto







By EVALYN M. BLISS

WOULD you like to make a motto for someone or a pretty picture to lang in your room?

You will need half a sheet of construction paper, any color, a small lace paper doily, and a flower cut from used greeting cards. For letters, you can use alphabet soup letters or gummed letters.

Put dots of paste on the back of the paper doily and paste it at the bottom part of the construction paper. Now paste the cutout flower over the lace paper doily, letting the lacy edges show around the flower.

Across the top, a little above the doily, use the letters to spell out a motto, such as "Jesus Saves" or "Prayer Changes Things." Paste the letters carefully to the paper.

About an inch down from the top, punch two holes about two inches apart. Thread with ribbon and tie in a bow. Now your motto is ready to hang in your room or to give as a gift to a friend.

Make one with a cheery message, such as "Jesus Cares" or "God Loves You," for someone who is sick or shut-in.

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Which grow faster?

By THELMA C. CARTER

WHICH grow faster, plants or animals? Does the pet dog that runs about your yard grow as fast as the flowers in the garden?

How mysterious are the ways of the Creator. We can never know all the answers. "Remember his marvellous works that he hath done" (Psalm 105:5).

We are likely to think that because birds, animals, and sea creatures move with great speed they grow faster than plant life.

Birds burn up great amounts of energy in search of food and in travel.

Large and small animals, such as prairie dogs, squirrels, and rabbits, use great amounts of food and energy racing up mountain slopes, on prairies, and along riverbanks. Every time your dog wags his tail and barks or your cat twitches its ear, food and energy are used.

When food and energy are used exten-

sively, growth is not so great. Accordingly, naturalists tell us that most plants grow faster than animals.

Plants do not have to move about to get food and water. These things come to them in the air, earth, and rainfall. Then, too, many plants stay rooted in one place their entire lives. Only branches move, flower petals fold together, and blossoms turn their faces to the sun.

Think of the strenuous running and work of horses and mules, the swift movements of whales and sharks. Then remember how sea plants, such as seaweed and sea lettuce, stay usually in one place, feeding upon food elements that come to them in ocean waters.

Naturalists tell us that plant life cannot see, hear, smell, or taste. Yet how wonderfully God cares for and protects plant life that it may grow fast and strong.

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A call for dedication

By B. G. HICKEM
Pastor, First Church, Crossett

September 23, 1962 Bible Material: Malachi

BEFORE you go any further in reading this lesson, take time to read the entire book of Malachi. (Well, I didn't think you would.)

MR. HICKEM

Since Malachi appears as the last book of the Old Testament it is difficult for us to realize that his ministfy probably falls between Zechariah and the work of Ezra and Nehemiah. Socrates was lecturing in Athens at the same time Malachi was preaching in Jerusalem. The Temple

had been built and the people felt the promises had not been fulfilled. The Nebetians drove the Edomites out of Edom during this period, and they had settled in southern Judea. As you read this book you are made aware of the intense dislike between the returning Jews and the Edomites. Also, you see the comparison that is made between the Edomites and the unrighteous (1:4) In order to understand the language the prophet attributes to God concerning the hate He had toward Edom, it is enlightening to know that in Hebrew love means, "to love more," and hate—"to love less."

You will find the book divided into four chapters, which embody six addresses composed in the unusual form of a dialogue. That is, the prophet states his basic theme, then describes the question or protest of the people to it, and finally answers the protest. The reason for this type of preaching was due to the lethargy and deadness of the people in their spiritual condition. It is as though the prophet himself creates a dialogue within his message because there is no answer, no response to prophecy from the people. This is the same type of situation that Elijah faced on Mt. Carmel, ". . . and they answered him not a word . . ." The curse of our churches today is due to the sin of not caring either way.

These people who had returned from the exile were not weary in well doing, but they were weary of not doing well. We see the great disappointment that had taken hold of their spirits since the prophecies of Isaiah were not literally fulfilled. Like too many of us today, these people had forgotten that most of the blessings of serving our Lord, are not tangible, but intangible.

A test of a true Christian is found in how well he can serve when things are not going well. Too many times during this period of difficulty we see the professed Christian developing a belligerent attitude, bitter spirit, or vindictive approach. Why? Like the returned exiles, his faith and worship become routine—and where the worship of the living God becomes routine, it is on the way out. Adverse and unrighteous conditions, become the product of this type of worship. The message of Malachi was for such times; isn't it also a message for our time?

I. Heretical priesthood 2:1-9

THE Levitical priests held their office because God had chosen Levi and his descendants and ordained their service to him. (Deut. 33:8ff).) Malachi's message to the priesthood points up the fact that they had completely forgotten their call, and had turned aside to their own ways.

The priests were meant to be the one stabilizing factor for spiritual prosperity. It was their duty to live, speak, and to teach by word and conduct, "the fear of the Lord." (v. 6) Too often it is thought that the classical function of Israel's priesthood was to conduct the sacrificial worship; but this is not so, the heaviest duty placed upon them by the call of God was to instruct the people in the knowledge of God. They were to so present the message of God, that men would be turned from their injunity.

Our churches need to be reminded today of this primary task of the ministry. Some of our preachers are no more than "ecclesiastical bell-boys" running every little errand of the church, because some underdeveloped Christian, in an over-developed position of authority, says piously, "that is your duty." Since it is easier to "run errands" than to be the bearer of "... thus saith the Lord," our ministry justifies this insipid position by saying, "that is what the people want." So, we run out in all directions, slapping people on the back, giving them that "real good feeling," (the preacher noticed me), and carry on like a "divine cheerleader" who is trying to prop up the spirit of the church and the moods of the people before they become aware that the Lord is not in any of our ritualistic contortions.

Above every other duty the priest was to be "... the messenger of the Lord of hosts." (2:7) The priest had failed. What he had said and did turned men away from the way of the Lord. Their instruction had been given in partiality, that is, they had trimmed their mes-

sages to the times and to suit the leading people. (2:9) They had more concern for this world than for God's truth. They had become irreverent themselv so that they handled the knowledge of God with careless, compromising boredom.

Now before you get too angry with the present-day ministry, take time to remember that we Christians are all priests. Jesus pointed out that every believer was to be a priest in his own right. Therefore, my Christian friend, how are you dealing with the knowledge of God in your life? Are men turned from iniquity by your instruction? It would be well for every one of us who are Christians to read the 7th verse of chapter 2, and decide that our life will follow this pattern.

II. God's response to man's failure, 3:1-4

IN answer to the cynical and weary question of 2:17, we hear the prophet speaking of the marvelous love, and divine intervention of Almighty God. You will recognize this passage as one of the loveliest portions of Handel's Messiah. God himself will answer their cynicism.

First, He will send his messenger to prepare the way, to proclaim God's advent, to make ready the redemptive work for the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Then, the Lord Himself would be present in person to do the painful work of judgment, first in the priests (y. 3), and then on the people. (v. 5)

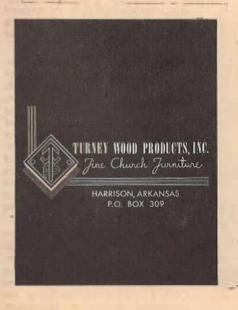
His work of purification would be like a refiner's fire that burns so hot, you can see yourself in the metallic reflection. (3:3&4; 4:2&3) He is saying that his purification will cleanse the righteous. (The Hebrew meaning of the word consume does not mean an "end," but an "eternal end"). You hear the overtones of Jesus in this passage, "... he that believeth on him is not condemned but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." (John 3:18)

The messenger of God, Malachi, prophesying to a people too weary for reverence, and too cynical for faith. Yet, all of this must be seen as a whole, and not as a discouraging present. For after all, the future is in the hands of God. All of this leads us to the door that opens into the New Testament. There we have the glorious privilege of seeing every Christian as a priest in his own right, and that he does not have to live apart from eternal help, but through Jesus Christ our Lord, who gives us the victory of sin and defeat.

You will do well to teach this lesson standing on the bright promises of Malachi, instead of the dark failures of men. After all, we are the recipients of the love, promises, and salvation that the prophet tried so earnestly to bring the needy souls who listened to him teach.

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A Smile or Two

Reasonable query

LITTLE 'Janie was sitting on her grandfather's knee one day and, after looking at him intently for some time, she asked:

"Grandpa, were you in the ark with Noah?"

"Certainly not, my dear," he replied in

"Then," said the child, "why weren't you drowned?"

Small-fry viewpoint

THE visitor was trying to make friends with the young son of the house as he waited for the older sister. "I think I've met all your family except your Uncle Harry," he said. "What does he look.like? I mean, which side of the house does he resemble?"

The little boy considered. "I guess," I said finally, "the side with the bay window."

Investment

MARY Jane's new beau called at-her house in a slick foreign sports car, but upon meeting him and conversing with him a short while her parents felt he left plenty to be desired. Later, her father cornered her. "Your new boy friend hasn't got much to him," he grumbled. "What does he do anyway?"

Without hesitation, Mary Jane exclaimed, "He inherits, that's what!"-Jim Henry.

Anatomy lesson

LITTLE Billy was saluting the American flag but his teacher noticed him putting his hand on the seat of his

"Billy," she asked, "don't you know where your heart is?"

"I thought I did," answered Billy, "whenever Grandma comes over she pats me and says, 'God bless your little heart!" "-Capper's Weekly.

Texas-size

THE cowboy was making his first trip to the big city. At a party he was invited to, an awe-struck friend saw an enormous diamond ring.

"Is that diamond genuine?" the friend

"If it ain't," the cowboy drawled, "I sure been beat out of a dollar and a half." — Nashville Banner.

Take your choice

A MINISTER in a small rural church surprised his congregation one Sunday morning by beginning his sermon thus: "Friends, I have prepared a fifty-dollar sermon, a twenty-dollar sermon and a ten-dollar sermon. We will now take up the collection and see which one it will be."-Herm Albright.

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First, Fifth Amendments

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo. (EP) — In a resolution adopted by The Church of God at its 58th annual General Assembly here, Congress was asked to "restudy all U.S. Constitutional amendments, especially the First and Fifth."

The resolution cnarged that the First Amendment had resulted in "controversies" regarding freedom of religion and Church-State separation and said its interpretation has "sharply limited" religious liberty.

Concerning the Fifth Amendment, which protects witnesses from testifying against themselves, the resolution asserted that it has served to "darken judgment."

In another resolution, delegates authorized Bishop Homer A. Tomlinson of Queens Village, N. Y., head of the denomination since 1943, to visit Rome when the Second Vatican Council opens in October.

The Church of God, with a membership of about 74,000, is not connected with any other group having a similar name. It is evangelical in doctrine and episcopal in

administration and a number of other pentecostal and holiness bodies have stemmed from it.

'Wall of peace'

BERLIN (EP) — Pastor Karl Kleinschmidt of Schwerin, pro-Communist East German Protestant clergyman, has defended Berlin's Red Wall by describing it as a "wall of peace."

In letters sent to pastors and members of German Evangelical parishes abroad, the Rev. Kleinschmidt said the wall was erected "against the warriors" by people whose ultimate aim is the removal of all barriers and borders separating peaceful men and nations.

The pastor said it is a "protective dam . . . necessary to guard the peaceful part of Germany against the mischief planned by those forces who have thrown our country into the abyss of World War II and who are now trying to do it again."

Pastor Kleinschmidt said he was "deeply grateful for any wall which keeps war out of Germany."

Catholic publications

NEW YORK (EP) — Circulation of Canadian Catholic publications, as listed in the 1962-63 edition of the Catholic Press Directory, has increased by 169,084—a jump of 12 per cent — over last year's figure of 1,301,240.

Total circulation of the 43 Canadian publications listed this year is 1,470,324. Last year there were 39 newspapers and magazines included in the directory published here annually by the Catholic Press Association.

Facts of interest

newspapers so the newsprint can be reused. Approximately forty publishers in New Jersey are using this new technique developed by Garden State Paper Company.

. . . Cartographers from forty-three countries met in Bonn, Germany, for a conference on drafting a new map of the world. The conference under auspices of the United Nations, is the first of its kind since 1913.

The gross national product rose to a record annual rate of \$552 billion in the quarter ended June 30, the Commerce Department has reported. This was \$7 billion above the rate for the first quarter. The gross national product measures the value of all goods and services produced in the United States.

. . . A new "mechanical heart" which may be substituted up to twenty-four hours for a seriously injured human heart is being developed by the Swedish Hospital in Stockholm. The technique is based on methods resulting from teamwork between Swedish and American surgeons.—The Survey Bulletin

'Authority of God'

JOHANNESBURG, So. Africa (EP) — A noted Protestant the ologian here has said that with the rise of Christian nationalism have arisen politicians who speak "with the authority of God" for their own purposes.

Prof. Albert S. Geyser, former lecturer at the University of Pretoria, warned that politicians transgress in the field of religion by claiming that a particular political party has been chosen by God and that its ideology "is God's will."

He advocated non-violence, but persistent protest by citizens of political groups seek to usurp religious authority. There is danger, he said, that the distinction between religion and politics would fade because of an increased political ideological onslaught on man's mind.

July construction up

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) — During July, 1962, church construction totaled \$86 million. This equaled the 1961 figure for the same month, and was \$4 million more than in June, according to Census Bureau estimates. Construction of churches is estimated at \$547 million for the first seven months of 1962, an increase of \$8 million over the comparable 1961 figure.

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