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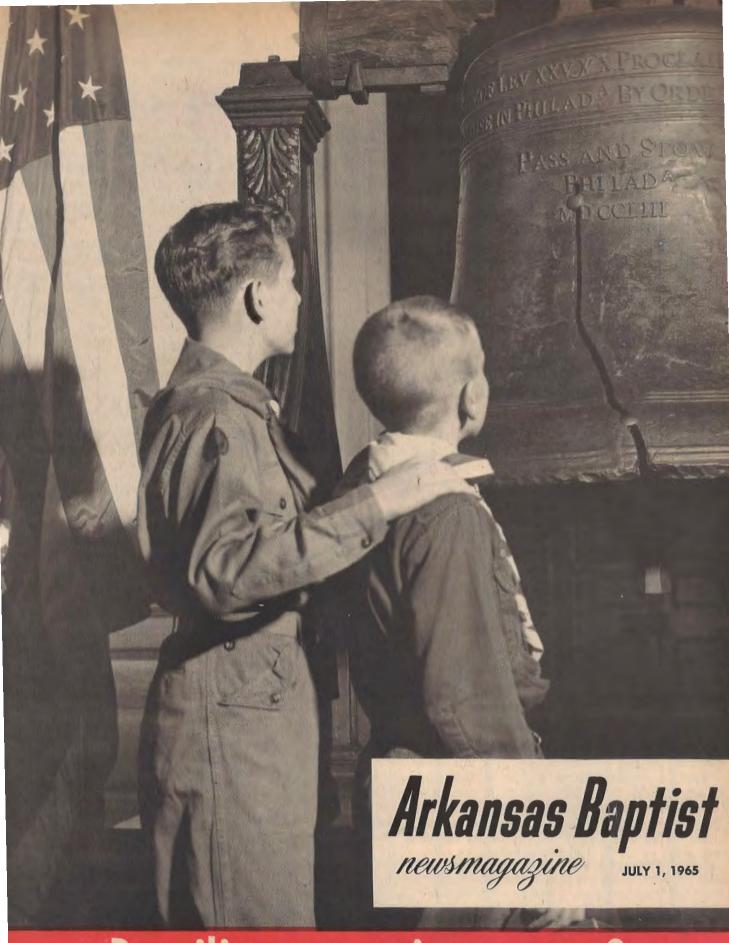
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# personally speaking

## Parental influence



BROOKS Hays tells about an old moonshiner from "up above Dover" who used to spend the most of his time in the penitentiary, for obvious reasons. After many years of this, somebody asked the old fellow how his son turned out.

"That boy just never did amount to much, after they took me off to the pen and deprived him of his father's influence!" he replied.

AS the readers of this column know, I try to stay off of controversial matters here, since we have more than enough controversy elsewhere. But once in a while I overstep the bounds, as I did week before last in "getting smart" about smoking. I have just finished the editorial (page 3) "American independence" and still have my blood pressure up over hoodlums. So, here I go again!

I am reminded of a thing or two from my boyhood down on Bunker.

It used to be, in the days of the old London Mercantile Company (Pope County), that just about everything stores sold would be shipped to them in wooden boxes. And one of the attractive things then about going to the store to buy something was that you could nearly always pick up some of the discarded wooden boxes after the merchants had emptied them of the wares.

But this was not always a blessing. While there were lots of things a boy could do with those boxes, with his saw and hammer, parents sometimes took some of the timber to make paddles. There were two types of boxes in particular that seemed "tailor made" for such usage—the boxes baking soda and matches had come in. On at least one slat of the soda box would be the trade name,

"Arm and Hammer," and on a slat of the match crate would be the slogan, "Strike anywhere."

Some of us kids had reason to believe that parents often misinterpreted the original intent of these slogans!

MY Uncle Robert used to say, when he would see a boy misbehaving, "He needs some 'Arm and Hammer!"

IT could be that one thing that's wrong with our country today is that everything comes in paper or pasteboard cartons. There's just not enough paddle material anymore!

Edwin L. M Donald

## IN THIS ISSUE:

EN ROUTE to the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas, the Editor had the opportunity to visit with Memphis Pastor Gerald Martin, who recently returned from the spring Brazilian evangelistic crusade. Many of the adventures he related in person are included in his intensely interesting written report on pages 8 and 9.

JULY Sunday School lessons have been prepared for you by an able gentleman who is minister of music and education at Cullendale First Church. Since there will be no paper published next week, we are today bringing you lessons for both July 4 and July 11, by Malcolm Sample, on pages 21 and 22.

SOCIETY as a whole has some rights, the Editor declares in his Independence Day editorial, page 3. "American independence" was penned after reading newspaper accounts of the rioting at Laconia, N. H. His indignation may mirror your own.

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# American independence

AS we approach another anniversary of the official declaration of our nation's independence, something Thomas Jefferson said about freedom and ignorance might be worthy of another look from all of us:

"If a nation expects to be ignorant and free, in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never

will be."

There are far too many bands of lawless hoodlums—one is too many!—who are desecrating the land through warped senses of individual liberty and personal rights.

One of the latest outbreaks of irresponsible hoodlumism occurred in Laconia, N. H., on Sunday, June 20, the anniversary, incidentally, of the adoption by Congress (on June 20, 1782) of the Great Seal of the United States. Six hundred National Guardsmen, state troopers and policemen, some from as far away as Maine, were required to quell rioting by 2,000 beer-drinking, townwrecking, leather-jacketed cyclists who had gathered for a racing event.

Press reports indicated that the main street of Lake Winnipesaukee summer resort "was left a mass of rubble, littered with beer cans and bottles, overturned garbage cans and the smoldering ruins of a burned automobile."

The senseless hoods set fire to automobiles, an arcade, a bowling alley and parts of a boardwalk and hurled bricks and bottles through store windows before their rioting was finally put down with tear gas.

The riot started when a number of the young smart alecks stopped an automobile as it was being driven up the resort's main street, rocked it sideways, then turned it over, and set fire to it seconds after its occupants—a man, a woman and two small children—had climbed out.

Who is the greater enemy of our country—young Viet Cong guerrillas in the far-away jungles of Vietnam or such young hoodlums as these, running loose in our own land? What will it profit us to put down Communism on the other side of the world from us if we can do nothing about hoodlumism in our own streets?

We are reaping the sorry harvest of years of disrespect for law and order—for anything resembling discipline, period. We are going to have to do something to strengthen the hands of parents, pastors, and law enforcement officers. This should begin in our homes, but it ought to carry over into our churches, our schools, and even into our courts.

No doubt a part of our problem is a lack of applied Christianity in our everyday affairs. If we could have more discipline applied by God-fearing parents, teachers, and officials, the courts might have much lighter dockets. But a part of the problem is an apparent leaning over backwards of our courts to protect alleged personal rights of hoodlums, once they are brought before what is supposed to be "the bar of justice." We all need to remember that society as a whole has some rights.

Thought for Independence Day: A nation, no matter how enlightened and how prosperous, is no greater than its people.

# New racial pattern

THE marvelous power of the gospel of Christ to bring about reconciliation among men, as well as between men and God, has been demonstrated again, this time in the heart of Alabama.

The response of Negroes and whites alike to the Billy Graham crusade concluded only recently in Montgomery is one of the brightest bits of news on the front of race relations in many weeks. On the basis of this, Dr. Graham predicts that Alabama may set the pace for the rest of the nation in solving its racial problems.

According to Dr. Graham's report on the eight-day crusade in the Alabama capital, the nightly crusade meetings were "completely interracial," with more than a fourth of the audiences being Negro, and "the only need we have had for policemen was to direct traffic."

Night after night, reports Graham, "I watched hundreds...march—people of both races—not with hatred, but in unity and a spirit of love as Christ drew them together..."

And not the least significant item of the report was that these marchers were singing "How Great Thou Art," not "We Shall Overcome!" This is putting the emphasis where it must inevitably be for any lasting solution of

#### In Communist Countries -- Supreme Dedication



human and race relations. For until men's hearts are right toward God and themselves, their relations cannot

be right in person-to-person contacts.

Dr. Graham, who conferred during the week with leaders of both races, including Governor George C. Wallace, said he found in Alabama "a change in the spiritual and social climate of major proportions." He said that "by and large, the Negroes and whites in Alabama are close personal friends."

"I am convinced," he said, "that the moral and spiritual resources are now available in Alabama for a rapid growth in racial understanding."

#### Guest editorial

# A report on 'Faith Healing'

AN interesting report has just been received by the United Church of Canada dealing with so-called "faith healing." A twelve-man committee had been appointed to explore the matter. The committee says that "faith healers" in general make seven major mistakes.

Those mistakes were listed as follows:

"The practice of almost all faith-healers is based on the assumption that sickness is due either to the work of Satan or to the sin of man, and that healing is always God's reward for faithful obedience. . . This is a highly questionable if not dangerous assumption. . .

"Faith healing rests also on the equally dubious assumption that there is a difference between natural and

supernatural healing. . .

"Sufficient evidence has been accumulated to indicate that the claims of faith-healers are not always to be trusted.

"We recognize that, in a small number of cases, authentic healings do take place. . . presumably because the faith-healer has stumbled upon certain psychosomatic mentally-induced principles which govern the relative health or illness of man.

"While acknowledging that a few people do find healing this way, it is difficult to exaggerate the spiritual agony and heartbreak which is suffered by the multitudes who are not healed.

"Many faith-healers openly disparage the role of the doctor and fanatically oppose the use of medicine.

"Finally, there is the fact that the enormous sums of money contributed to the work of faith healing could be invested in some more helpful cause.

Each Christian needs to decide for himself just what he thinks about "faith healing." The wide variety of opinions on the teaching among certain groups makes this desirable. It is well for the matter to be given thorough consideration at a time in life when health is good, and when it is easy to consider the entire matter on the basis of the teachings of the Bible, and when one may view without prejudice the conditions which exist in the world today, determining for himself just what his position will be.

Baptists believe in divine healing, but not in "divine healers." The ministry of healing was close to the heart of the Saviour during the days of His ministry upon earth. He had great compassion for the sick and suffering, and we have every reason to believe that He still cares. We must never doubt either the concern of God for the sick, or His power to heal. Actually all healing is divine healing, for without the understanding God gives to medical men, and without the means which have been placed at their disposal by the God who cares about people, and without ability to respond which God gives, there could be no healing. The farmer who depends upon the rain to grow his crops is no more dependent upon God than the physician who has at his disposal only what God has permitted medical science to produce, and who must rely upon God for the patient's response to treatment.

Great good comes from the labors of the physician who has a deep faith in God, who works diligently to provide for his patients the finest treatments known to man, but who at the same time realize that he is powerless without God's blessing upon what he does. We need more such people in the world. Physicians and ranchers and teachers and all the rest of us need to have a constant awareness of our dependence upon God.

We deplore the abuse that Christianity has received at the hands of some who style themselves as "divine healers." Some of those people seem to preach the gospel when they are not occupying themselves with their profitable sideline. Hence in the minds of many who are in need of the gospel, there is no accurate understanding of Christianity.

Probably most Baptists share with us in having mixed emotions when "healing campaigns" come into the areas where we live. We rejoice when the word is preached and people receive the gospel. At the same time we regret deeply the confusion which results, and the poor public relations created for Christianity in general. Our sympathy is aroused for those who sought healing but just "didn't have enough faith" to be healed. We have seen people disappointed, and we have heard some of these "healers" make statements which seemed to us to be blasphemous and dangerous.

Not all Christians are going to interpret all portions of the Bible in the same manner. We do well to seek leadership of the Holy Spirit as we determine our positions on important truths. Christianity is also the religion of a sound mind. Our minds and our eyes must be open.

Perhaps the report of the committee in Canada's United Church will be helpful to many. — Editor Harold F. Burns, in Baptist New Mexican

In 1963, Southern Baptists gave over \$2,000,000 through the Cooperative Program to the support of 750 active and 526 reserve chaplains in military service; 97 in air patrol; 40 army national guard; 53 in V. A. hospitals; 87 in institutional and industrial plants; 121 in hospitals.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# the people SPEAK

THE spelling and sentence structure in this department are those of the writers. The only editing of letters to the editor is the writing of headlines and, occasionally, deletion of parts that are not regarded as essential.

#### A Brazilian testimony

I WORK with the Brotherhood and Royal Ambassadors in Brazil. One day when I arrived for the Brotherhood meeting at the Second Baptist Church in Macae, about 130 miles from Rio de Janeiro, the program was already in progress. The speaker had in his hand an old Bible which had lost its cover. As he finished speaking he carefully wrapped the Bible in the paper he had brought it in, and sat down.

I had only heard part of the man's testimony, but was so impressed that later I asked the Brotherhood president to provide me a written copy, which he promised to do. When I asked for this written testimony I was thinking of our Brazilian Brotherhood Journal, O Cooperador, for which I am responsible. However, I would like also to share an English translation with you:

"As a member of a traditionally Catholic family I was sure I was on the right road, certainly with the majority, and it never occurred to me to find out about other religions. With this attitude it was only natural when I bought a certain farm, to think of building a chapel at the side of the house, where I enthroned an image of Santo Antonio, the saint of my devotion.

"All of the expenses of constructing the chapel, furnishings, and purchasing of the image were paid by myself. Besides this, I was always careful to promote each year a 'festa' in honor of Santo Antonio.

"Later I sold my rural property and together with my sons bought an automobile parts business in Macae. As we were making an inventory of the merchandise, I found among various books a package that contained a thick volume, without a cover, and lacking several pages. I was curious to read it and for this reason took it home with me, where for several days I examined carefully this unknown book. I was making an intense research for some reference to the saint of my devotion. Instead, much to my surprise, I found in Psalm 115 a most strong condemnation to the worship of images.

"Recognizing my error, I sought to visit an evangelical church. I went to the one nearest my residence. Visiting the Second Baptist Church I received sufficient enlightment to change my thinking about true worship of God. Thanks to Him, I can affirm that by means of the Holy Bible I am today a member of a Baptist church and as such I am engaged in the Great Evangelistic Campaign. I consider it a great privilege to distribute Bibles, New Testaments and Gospels because even though they may not be read by those to whom we offer them, they will serve to awaken others, just as it happened in my case."-Alvin Hatton, Southern Baptist missionary in Brazil since 1948, engaged in Royal Ambassador and Brotherhood promotion.

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#### Cover boy

I'VE been patted on the back.

The editor and the staff of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine have really tried to make me feel good. But "The father of the year, 1965," cannot be W. B. O'Neal. W. B. is not capable of walking in space, so why try to tout him up?

Once, when he delivered an oration upon graduating from high school, he had so many flattering compliments that he could scarcely stay down to earth but when, two days later, his father put him to breaking soil filled with flinty stones and trumpled to rigidity by many cattle and doing the job with a contrary mule and a wooden plow stock,—well, he soon got to where he could say aloud and with conviction, "This is just Walter O'Neal."—"The Preacher Poet"

#### The Cover



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#### My Country. Tis of Thee

OUR fathers' God to Thee, Author of liberty, To Thee we sing: Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light; Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King.

-Samuel F. Smith

#### Pastoral kudos

I TAKE great pleasure in introducing to Arkansas Baptists, H. D. Mc-Carty, the new pastor of the University Baptist Church, Fayetteville. Brother McCarty has been associate pastor of our church for more than five years while attending Southwestern Seminary in our city. He is deeply dedicated, well trained, and shows great promise as a preacher and pastor. I commend him to Arkansas Baptists and urge you to receive him and use him. I prophesy a blessed relationship between him and the University Church.-James G. Harris, pastor University Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Texas

### Facts of interest

... When you look closely at the people who make up the 3.7 million Americans unemployed, the problem is not all it seems to be. Nearly 20 percent of all jobless are married women, and in most cases their husbands are working.

.... Nearly one tenth of all unemployed are teen-age girls, often living at home and looking only for part-time jobs. Teen-age boys make up almost one eighth of the unemployed. Many are living with parents or attending school and seeking only part-time work.

.... Married men with families account for less than one third of the jobless. Of these, most have been out of work less than fifteen weeks and are collecting unemployment compensation. One hundred thirty-five thousand married men with families have been out of work for six months or longer. This is the "hard core" of the unemployment problem.

... The tax load on each man, woman, and child in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1965, will be \$853, the Tax Foundation estimates. It was \$832 in fiscal 1964. Of the newest figure, \$564 will go to the Federal Government, \$156 to state governments, and \$133 to local governments.—The Survey Bulletin

#### Courtship, Marriage and the Home

# IN THE MAIL



THE thing any columnist wants most is response from readers. Even when the response is someone's taking issue or disagreeing with what has been said.

week's mail has been This the real fulfilling of a writer's dream: More applications for places in the Correspondence Circle; a request for further information about Dr. Mace's book, Success in Marriage (available at the Baptist Book Store), expressions of understanding and agreement with the jealousy suggestions, sharp disagreement with same, accusations of too-high expectations of wives and too-little criticism of husbands, and appeals for help in other jealousy tangles.

Add to loneliness experiences with jealousy and, I am convinced, you have touched the nerve center of life.

Without any quotes from the communication expressing sharp disagreement, certain facts must be cited for the writer's consideration.

The letter that prompted the jealousy column was not published. The situation described indicated a husband true to his wife, although he had been thoughtless and indiscreet. He showed a readiness to make amends and prove his loyalty. The wife was simply having a continued struggle with her own fears of losing his love. A wide divergence in their backgrounds entered in. My suggestions to her stand unaltered.

It is never wise for one to evaluate any certain situation without knowing all the facts.



It is very hard for one who is suffering some of the experiences my critic is having not to ascribe to another woman's marriage partner the motivation and unworthy behaviour patterns which are evidently an ingrained part of the character of my critic's husband.

The only insurance any woman has against the grief of being married to a philandering husband, or one who is irrationally jealous, is to make the period of her courtship extensive enough to ascertain the real character of the man she plans to marry. At best there will be plenty of post-marriage lessons to learn about each partner that the other simply could not know before marriage. But with careful and earnest effort one can get a pretty accurate personality and character profile before the committal "for better or for worse . . . until death does us part."

Finding herself already married to a cruelly-jealous or immature spouse, one has only limited alternatives.

She may try to be as nearly as possible her better self, taking each day as it comes, praying for wisdom to meet each difficulty with poise, gleaning from life whatever portion of happiness she can salvage. She will learn to take in stride the "fights," learning to live with the inevitable pain just as diabetics or victims of arthritis learn to live with the discomforts of these diseases. Uncontrolled jealousy grows into a disease—sometimes even a form of insanity.

Another alternative is to become a pawn moved about on the board of life by the inconsiderate, suspicious companion. This sort of living neutralizes one's personality and subdues one companion's state of being to the moods and attitudes of the other.

Then there is the complete break by way of the divorce route. One taking this step must be prepared to face the loneliness and oftentimes the blame for the failure of the marriage. These may prove harder to endure than the sufferings involved in the first two possibilities.

Whichever choice you make, disconsolate wife, be very careful to rise above your problems and make the most of your circumstances. Don't wear your troubles nor your feelings on your sleeve! Pour out your heart in prayer and unburden your soul *once* to a trusted friend. Having availed yourself of these outlets, meet the world with a smile and a genial disposition.

Guard your own integrity and find your joy in creating happiness for others. This is not a popular philosophy; but it still works.

As for those men in churchrelated vocations who are risking the happiness of their families and the effectiveness of their reputations upon "innocent flirtations," they also have limited alternatives.

One is to continue their indiscreet ways and find themselves ultimately bereft of stable family life, of the confidence of their fellowmen and perhaps work opportunities in their chosen vocations.

A second is to right-about-face; overcome their indiscretions and unworthy habits and regain confidence of people and approval of God.

A third way is to admit the lack of Christian strength to be a credit to the Christian calling, and make honest adjustments.

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# We got a dud

BY J. I. COSSEY

A DEACON made the statement "We got a dud," to me one day. I said, "What do you mean?" He answered, "We called a pastor and he is not a good leader. Our church is dying." I said to myself, "What does 'dud' mean?" The dictionary says dud means, "cast off clothes; rags; a bomb that fails to explode because of a defective fuse; ineffective; a flat failure and without energy."

Another deacon said to me several years ago, "Do you have a whale?" I replied "No, what would I want with a whale? He said, "We have a Jonah over here in our parsonage and we need a whale to swallow him."

We wonder if a "dud" in the pulpit and a church in need of a whale has any connection with our dead church problems? We have often wondered why some preachers make a substantial success on most any church field, and other preachers make a decided failure on the same field. Some churches seem disappointed and grieved when a certain pastor resigns and the same churches seem happy and glad when some other pastor leaves. We want to know what it is that makes one preacher a glorious success and what it is that makes another preacher a "dud." Is the fault in the church or in the preacher?

Another deacon said to me one day, "We have never had a preacher from the college who has done our church any good. Our church does not grow under their leadership. What is wrong?" I said, "How much do you pay your pastor?" He said, "We have always paid \$25 per trip." I replied, "The only kind of student pastor you can get for \$25 or less per trip is one with no experience or some older man who has not succeeded in his ministerial work. Most of our students who have had experience in preaching receive per trip \$35,

\$40, \$45, \$50, \$55, and one of our students at this time receives \$67.50 per week with home and all utilities paid."

You get what you pay for and you pay for what you get. The student with push and enthusiasm always gets a good church and has a fruitful ministry during his days as a student.

Last week I received a letter from a retired preacher who had been an outstanding servant of the Lord, in which he gave a resume of his appointments and earnings from the year 1964. He had preached in revivals, conducted Bible schools and supplied pulpits in many churches. His average in-

come per week was \$12.95 and his average gifts back into the churches were \$8.68 per week.

I know churches that paid \$25 per week for pulpit supplies when their budget was \$50 per week. Now their budget in many cases is around \$200 per week, but they will still pay \$25 per week for a pulpit supply. Everything has gone up but preaching. One church said, "We ought to pay our interim pastor \$50 per week, but we have a church debt. We will pay our preacher \$25 and apply the other \$25 on the debt." The church little-izes itself by making the poor preacher pay the church debt.

Beacon Lights
of Baplist History

By BERNES K. SELPH, Th.D.

Pastor, 1st Baptist Church, Benton

#### Dr. R. H. Graves

DR. R. H. Graves, missionary to China for more than 50 years, attended the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in 1880. He spoke "and greatly stirred the messengers."

He was born in Baltimore, Maryland, May 19, 1833, and was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1856. He lived in the cities Shiuking and Canton, but worked in the West, Fu and North River areas of South China. His greatest work was in preaching, teaching and writing. Though he never established a hospital he practiced medicine on his travels, making use of his former studies in this field.

Dr. Graves mastered the Chinese language, a thing few Americans ever do. He was a prolific writer and his books and tracts covered the whole field of Christian doctrine and experience. One tract, "Truth Manifested," went through successive editions for more than 50 years. Many attributed their conversion to reading and studying this tract.

His ability was widely recognized and respected. He was chosen as one of the best Chinese scholars to work on the committee for

the Bible translation.

He recognized the need of a trained ministry if Christianity was to make a permanent impact upon his beloved Chinese. He founded Graves Theological Seminary. He started this school in his home, inviting prospective preachers in to study. In the early days of this program he sought to balance the student with education and action. He combined three months of study with three months of preaching. During the 75 years of this school's history hundreds of Chinese pastors were trained.

Graves emphasized the fact that prospective pastors demonstrate character, fitness and ability before ordination. He encouraged churches to pay their pastors.

Dr. Graves died in Canton, China, June 3, 1912.

This man is indirectly connected with the Women's Missionary organization and work of the Convention. Baptist Southern Shortly after he went to China, his mother, Mrs. Ann Graves, organized a Female Missionary Prayer Meeting to pray for missions. Her son was a prime target for their prayers. When the Southern Baptist Convention met in Baltimore in 1868, Mrs. Graves invited the women attending this meeting to meet in the basement of the church. This is considered the first general meeting of Baptist women in interest of missions.



CAMPANHA NACIONAL DE EVANGELIZAÇÃO

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# BRAZILIAN EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN

By Gerald Martin, pastor Poplar Avenue Baptist Church Memphis, Tenn. THE retired Brazilian Army general said to his pastor, "I've been through two revolutions and fought in one World War, but I was more nervous over taking this census than anything I've done."

The pastor is Rev. Nilson Fanini of First Baptist Church, Niteroi, a city of a million population across the bay from Rio De Janeiro. First Church is a rapidly growing church. The pastor is progressive and challenged his people to take a census, something they had never done on a large scale. This retired Army general discovered that God's business is a very daring business.

The youth of the church visited more than 11,600 homes during the census. It is not surprising to learn that Pastor Fanini baptized 14 on a recent Sunday, has 50 awaiting baptism, has 34 Sunday School classes meeting in the church auditorium, and the building packed with more than 1,000 people for each service.

This is just one story taken from many in Brazil where the Holy Spirit is quickening the hearts of missionaries, giving a renewed evangelistic zeal to the pastors, stirring the compassion of Christians, and reviving the churches. All across the nation reports are very similar in this respect. God pours out His Spirit upon His people: they are revived, they are witnessing, and souls are being saved.

#### Challenge to Brazil

Dr. Reubens Lopes, for ten years the president of the Brazilian Baptist Convention, challenged the Baptists of Brazil to launch out in this tremendous campaign to win one for one, or 250,000 unsaved to Christ. They also have the goal of 300 new churches and are "calling out the called" to fill the places of responsibility created by such a vast enlargement. The Baptists of Brazil accepted his challenge enthusiastically.

The title or theme of this campaign is "Christo A Unica Esperanza," Christ the Only Hope. This theme was chosen because the Baptists of Brazil feel the only hope for their great nation is Christ.

The youth of Brazil took as one of their responsibilities painting this theme on every noticeable spot is Brazil. Wherever one travels in that nation he sees in letters four or five feet tall and twenty-five to fifty feet long the theme "Christo A Unica Esperanza."

These young people have painted in white this theme on black bridges over rivers, red clay banks along highways, gray walls of buildings, dark concrete water ducts carrying water to Rio, and every available spot.

A traveling salesman said to a pastor, "You can't go anywhere in Brazil that you don't see 'Christo A Unica Esperanza.'"

A boy ran away from his home in Sao Paulo and went to the north. He soon returned home telling the influences of this theme upon his life. He said, "On the bus going north I closed my eyes but everytime I opened them there were those words once again, 'Christo A Unica Esperanza.' I got off the bus, took a room in a hotel, looked out the window toward a little 'praca' (park) and there was the message, 'Christo A Unica Esperanza.'" He returned home immediately and said to his dad, "I've broken your's and mother's hearts by running away. I know my hope is not in leaving home, but Christ is my only hope!"

#### Gospels, tracts

Missionary Earl Peacock, a native of Atlanta, Ga., was chosen as the executive secretary-treasurer for the campaign. In this position he has done yeoman service, traveling over and over again across the nation to coordinate, to encourage, and to assist in the local areas of the campaign.

He has handled the printing of 10 million gospels of John, 20 million tracts, thousands of "cartize" (posters), and numerous other items for advertisement and enlistment.

He has preached and spoken in more places than he can remember. His enthusiasm has caused others to become enthused. His optimistic spirit has motivated optimism in others. His heart of love has overflowed upon missionaries, pastors, evangelists, and the people of Brazil. "Pastor Peacocky" is a prime favorite across Brazil and used of God mightily.

In one chapel service of Colegio Americana the sponsibility of visiting the governor in every state and presenting to him a New Testament with his name engraved on the cover in gold. He and Missionary Peacock visited the president of the land, in Brasilia. They told him of the campaign, then presented him one of these New Testaments with his name engraved upon the cover. Tears came to the president's eyes as he accepted the New Testament. He said, "This reminds me of my boyhood days when you Baptists were known as 'believers."

#### Good attendance

The attendance at the services in the local churches has been astounding. A church with 300 members averaged over 600 present throughout the week. In the closing service over 1,000 were in attendance.

A church which was capable of seating 400 was forced to move to a city auditorium to care for crowds which more than doubled the seating capacity of their own auditorium.

Dr. Reubens Lopes took upon himself the re-Holy Spirit came in power and a glorious experience



took place. The writer was asked by Missionary Walter McNeely to give up his lunch to speak to one of the chapel groups. Missionary McNeely said, "You may see one or two saved. We have had as many as fourteen to come in a service."

The opportunity was accepted. The simple gospel story was presented, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." The invitation was extended to trust Christ and profess Him publicly. Over 100 of these youth came to take the evangelists by the hand, saying they were trusting Jesus to save them.

#### Plans for 1970

Dr. Lopes, for ten years the president of the Brazilian Baptist Convention, challenged 150,000 in Rio to have a Latin American Crusade in 1970. They accepted with excitement replying, "Sim, sim, sim" (Yes, yes, yes). It is on his heart to challenge all of North America to join hands with Latin America—Central and South—for a gigantic crusade of all the Americas in 1970.

The need for such a revival is very evident. North American Christians, are we ready to accept the challenge of God and see a great moving of God's Spirit all across this hemisphere?

(Editor's Note: Dr. Lopes' challenge to the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas was accepted enthusiastically by the Convention for a simultaneous evangelistic crusade in all of the Western Hemisphere.)

# Arkansas All Over-

#### Parker to Batesville

DR. Paul W. Parker has been appointed professor of Education at Arkansas College, Batesville, President Paul M. McCain has announced.

Dr. Parker, who is presently teaching at the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg, will assume his new teaching duties in September.

A native of Greenwood, Ark., Dr. Parker is a graduate of Arkansas State Teachers College and took his master's degree and doctor of education degree at the University of Arkansas.

Dr. Parker has taught at USM since September 1963. He is currently serving on the doctoral committee of candidates pursuing degrees in the area of Elementary School Administration.

Dr. and Mrs. Parker are Baptists. They have two children.

#### Revivals

BARNETT Memorial, Little Rock, June 14-20; Ed Walker, evangelist; Bob Mann, song director; 2 by profession of faith; 1 by letter; 51 rededications; Charles Trammell, pastor.

MOUNTAIN Pine Church, Wayne B. pastor, evangelist; Herbert "Red" Johnson, music director; 21 professions of faith; 4 by letter.

FELLOWSHIP Church, Dubach, La., June 13-20; Gary Hawkins, pastor, evangelist; Adrian Cobb, Jasper, singer; 3 for baptism; 1 by statement.



JEFF P. CHEATHAM JR.

#### New Jacksonville pastor

JEFF P. Cheatham Jr. has resigned as pastor of First Church, Monticello, to become pastor of First Church, Jacksonville, During his tenure at Monticello he served on the Executive Board of the Arkansas State Convention and was vice-moderator of the Bartholomew Association.

He has also served as pastor in churches in Texas and Missouri and has also served as chaplain in the U.S. Navy. He is a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Naval Reserve.

He is married to the former Donna Lynn Stewart, Dallas, Tex., and they have three children.

#### Chapel named for Richmond

THE Board of the Arkansas Boys' Training School has placed a plaque on the front of the school chapel, officially naming the building for the man whose idea it was to build it and who saw that it was built.

It is the Richmond Chapel. named for E. A. Richmond, school chaplain for the past ten years, the only full time chaplain the school has ever had.

Mr. Richmond took the job at the request of the Arkansas State Baptist Missions Department.

The Pine Bluff Commercial, in an editorial, says: "The chapel was finished in 1959, but it was not really completed until last week. That was when, appropriately, a plaque was installed naming it Richmond Chapel. E. A. Richmond is a builder—not only of chapels. but of men."

#### **Gravel Hill homecoming**

GRAVEL Hill Church, Route 2, Benton, will celebrate its 70th year with a homecoming day on July 4.

All former pastors and members are invited to attend. Rev. Charles J. Holcomb, Hot Springs, is pastor.

SHERRY Shults. Pine Bluff. has been elected to the staff council representing 387 college students serving on the staff at the Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Assemblv.









SIX students from Quachita University have been appointed by the Home Missions Board to serve as summer missionaries in four Western States.

Appointed to serve in the Washington-Oregon area are (left to right) Lillian Greathouse, Cherry-







ville, Mo., and Sherry Reynolds, Mena. Named to California fields are Virginia Andrews, Searcy, Melissa Carter, Springdale, and Racine Richardson, Caraway, Carol Wenzel, North Little Rock, was assigned to Wyoming.

## Denver church flood damage \$100,000

By W. O. Vaught
Pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock



DENVER FLOOD—A grim-faced pastor surveys the wreckage. Rev. Bob McPherson stands in mud, water and debris at Riverside Baptist Church in Denver, Colo. The church sustained an estimated \$100,000 damages during the worst flood in Denver history, June 16.

WHEN the disastrous flood roared down the South Platte River through Denver, Colo., Wednesday night, June 16, it completely ruined the lower floors and the lower auditorium of Denver's largest Southern Baptist Church. Fortunately the water did not get into the church sanctuary.

The Rocky Mountain News of Denver estimated the damage to the Church to be \$100,000. The loss included ten new pianos, all new partitions, ceilings, office equipment and furniture, wiring, heating and air - conditioning equipment, duct work, windows, drains, parking lot and yard improvements.

When the wall of water hit Denver 150 prayer meeting worshippers were driven from their lower auditorium to higher ground in Riverside Church. Rev. Robert McPherson is the pastor of this 1,027-member church, which moved into their completely new church plant in September, 1964.

V. O. Purvis, formerly of Little Rock, is chairman of the deacons of the church. The church is growing rapidly, with 509 average attendance in Sunday School during the month of May. In April there were 43 additions to the church and in May 45 additions. The church has already baptized 113 this year.

The church pushed themselves to the limit of financial burden when they erected their new plant. At present they have a debt of \$445,791 and are unable to borrow any money to repair the flood damage. The church carried no flood insurance.

No services can be held in the Riverside Baptist Church until extensive repairs have been made to the foundation and educational units.

Pastor McPherson can be reached at 455 S. Platte River Drive, Denver, Colo. 80223

MISS Amanda Tinkle, Southern Baptist missionary to Nigeria, arrived in the States June 4 for furlough. A native of Benton, she may be addressed at Rt. 2, Box 165, Scott, Ark, 72142.

#### Ingle to Oak Cliff

REV. Rick Ingle, for the past two years pastor of First Church, Ponder, Tex., is the new pastor of Oak Cliff Church, Ft. Smith.

A native of Coeburn, Va., Pastor Ingle moved with his parents to Philadelphia, Pa., when he was 14. He served as a petty officer in the U. S. Naval Air Corps from 1948 through 1952. He was ordained to the ministry at Patrick Church, Ferris, Tex., on June 14, 1959.

Mrs. Ingle is the former Miss Betty Lou Bywaters of Laredo, Tex. The Ingles have three children: Deborah, 11; Stephen, 8; and Rebecca, 6.

Mr. Ingle received his education at Baptist Evangelical School, Dallas, and at Trinity College, Clearwater, and has studied for the last two years at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth.

Prior to his pastorate at Ponder, Mr. Ingle served as a fulltime evangelist.

The Oak Cliff Church, one of the newer churches of the Fort Smith area, has a membership of 366 and a Sunday School attendance of 200.



RICK INGLE

#### **Boone-Newton Ass'n**

DON Mulford has resigned the Deer and Cassville Church to accept the pastorate of Southside Church, Lead Hill.

# Beech Street plans construction



A JOINT recommendation of the board of deacons and the building committee to construct a three-story educational building, at a cost of approximately onehalf million dollars, was unanimously approved by a standing vote of the congregation of Beech Street Church, Texarkana, June 16.

The new building will provide Sunday School and Training Union space for 1,275 persons in 24 departments for all ages, birth through 16, and two departments for married young people.

Ground breaking ceremonies are planned for Dec. 4, 1965, and construction will begin immediately, according to the pastor, Milton DuPriest.

E. M. Jones Sr. is chairman of the building committee and Roscoe Powers is chairman of the deacons.

# From the churches.

#### Stuttgart First

RUSS Burbank, our new youth director, came up with a novel plan to help the young people of our church to become better acquainted with adults other than their parents. In our June 17 issue of the bulletin appeared this notice:

Would someone please adopt me?

I AM an Intermediate, or possibly a Young Person. But on Sunday, June 27, I am going to be without any parents

unless someone adopts me!

Please look on the bulletin board Sunday for a list of Orphans. It will be outside the auditorium. Won't you sign up to take me on Adoption Day? I promise to be good, and then when church is over that evening we can have fun with everyone else in the Fellowship Hell.

#### Magnolia Central

RICKY Erwin was named Miss CPC of 1965 in the beauty pageant held during the after-church fellowship recently. Approximately 100 teenagers and adults were present to see M. C. Ronnie Ellison crown Rickey as this year's beauty.

#### Little Rock Immanuel

DR. W. O. Vaught Jr., pastor, reports that the recently concluded Vacation Bible School had an enrollment of 729, with an average attendance of 559 and 13 conversions. The offering of \$342 will be contributed to the Arch Street Baptist Church (negro).

#### Springdale First

THE church recently added a new experience to its list of fellowships and family services. Deacons sponsored a Hobby Show which drew a total of 42 exhibits.

exhibits.

Exhibitors ranged from 2 to 81 years in age and exhibits included: antiques, glass work, painting, quilting, post card collection, archery, astronomy, model cars, cooking, needlework, sewing, woodwork, stamp collections, photography, ham radio, poetry, bees, leathercraft, floral arrangements, water skiing, rocks, sea shells, gardening, knives, and pencil collection.

The event was a climax to Christian Home Week activities.

#### Piggott First

DR. Hillard Duckworth was ordained by our church June 13.

#### **OBU** honor students

ELEVEN students made the President's List with perfect grades and another 41 made the Dean's List during the spring semester at Ouachita University, according to honors lists released by Mrs. Laurie Rodgers, registrar.

Two of those on the President's List, Rose Ray, Poplar Bluff, Mo., and Mary Jo Stilger, Dayton, O., also had perfect (4.0) grades dur-

ing the fall semester.

Others on the President's List were Mary Ann Briscoe Campbell and Peggy Gullage, Little Rock; William Edward Coulter, Hot Springs; Rozanne Eubank, Pine Bluff; Judy Grisham, Altheimer; Joe Jeffers, Warren; Glenn Jent, Neosho, Mo.; Larry Kircher, Independence, Mo.; and Susanne Russell, Warren.

Those on the Dean's List (3.5 or more) were Dana Jean Balfour, Dona Joan Balfour, Julie Barrett, Mack Blackwell, Thomas W. Bolton, James N. Davis, Quincy Grigson, Marikay Howard, Bobby Ridgell and Jean Walz, Little Rock; Barbara Bell and Cheryl Friday, North Little Rock.

Carolyn Blazin and Kenneth Mac Roberson, Arkadelphia; Robert Bray and Walter R. Ellis, Malvern; Brenda Cash, Lonoke; Ronnie Crouthers, England; Sharon Duvall and Beverly Tucker, El Dorado; William Merl Estep, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Gail Floyd, Glenwood; Nancy Margo Hicks and

Shelby Stewman, Mena.

Phillip Johnston, Welch, Okla.;
Thelma Libhart, Tillar; Steve
Lester, Lewisville; Marian Mack,
Russellville; Sherry May, Altheimer; Gerald Wayne McGraw,
Jacksonville, Fla.; Dan C. McKinney, Paragould; Pat Newborn,
Waldron; James T. Phelan, Donaldson; Lindi Stilger, Dayton, O.;
Hoy Speer, Osceola; Dale Welch,
St. Louis, Mo.; John R. Williamson, Waldo; Gerald L. Young,
Berkeley, Mo.; Dan Gaske and
Johnny Owen, Pine Bluff.

#### **DeQueen First**

THE church will prepare a directory for the entire membership July 15-25. Family pictures will be included.

By the BAPTIST PRESS

#### Racial study set

ATLANTA (BP) — A national study in 21 metropolitan areas will seek new ways to help churches develop effective ministries in racially changing communities.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention announced the \$7,500 study would be made by G. Willis Bennett, Louisville, associate professor of Christian ethics at Southern Seminary.

In the study, expected to be completed by November, Dr. Bennett will seek answers to the following questions:

—What happens to Negroes and Spanish-speaking people when they converge in the inner-city of metropolitan centers?

—What happens in and to Southern Baptist churches in these areas when the people move in?

—What are Southern Baptist churches and other churches doing, or not doing, to meet the needs of these people?

How can Southern Baptists, through churches, associations, state conventions, and the Home Mission Board, develop a constructive team approach to meet the needs of these people?

Victor Glass, Atlanta, secretary of the department of work with National (Negro) Baptists for the mission agency, said the study was a cooperative one among his, the language missions, and the metropolitan missions departments.

#### Take new jobs

TWO staff members of the public relations department of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and writers for the alumni magazine, Southwestern News, have accepted new positions.

Eugene W. Baker, news direcor since September 1963, is now minister of education, Handley Church, Ft. Worth, Tex.

Gwen Lawton, part-time reporter for the *News* since September 1962, will become instructor of English and journalism, North Greenville Junior College, Tigerville, S. C.

# Faculty conference speakers



NASHVILLE—Program guests at the Southwestern Baptist faculty conference July 15-17 at Majestic Hotel, Hot Springs, will be: (top row) Dr. W. L. Hendricks, associate professor of theology, Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth; Dr. Albert McClellan, program planning secretary, Southern Baptist Executive Committee, Baptist Convention. Nashville; and Dr. O. William Rhodenhiser, chairman of department of religion, University of Richmond.

(Bottom row) Dr. William M. Pinson Jr., assistant professor of Christian ethics, Southwestern Seminary; Dr. Kenneth Pepper, associate professor of pastoral care, The Institute of Religion, Texas Medical Center, Houston; and W. Howard Bramlette, director, student work—Baptist colleges, faculty fellowship, Sunday School Board, who will direct the

conference

Purpose of the conference is to strengthen the Christian witness of Baptist faculty members in the academic community. Guest lecturers will present papers, lead discussions, conduct Bible study and assist in directing workgroups.

Participants for the southwestern conference are being invited from Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, western Tennessee, and Texas.

MISS Annie Hoover, Southern Baptist missionary to Japan, arrived in the States recently for furlough. She may be addressed at 3008 E. Fourth St., North Little Rock, 72114. Born in Pulaski County, she grew up in North Little Rock.

Foundation

#### **Foundation**

TODAY marks the fourth anniversary of service as your Foundation executive-secretary. The



MR. McDONALD

years have passed quickly and some progress has been made. All the figures are not up to date so we will look at those for the end of 1964.

During the past four years our assets have in-

creased from \$82,000 to \$135,000 and our investment income has amounted to more than \$16,000. Many wills have been written which include the Foundation as trustee for various Baptist causes.

A summary of the history of the Foundation is worthy of consideration. Total assets (book value) at the end of 1964 were \$135,-641.23. Total investment income from beginning to end of 1964 has been \$29,394.41. These added together amount to \$165,035.64. During the entire history of the Foundation, the Convention. through the Co-operative Program, has supported this work at a cost of \$98,900. The gain to the Convention has been \$66,135.44. One of the questions often asked about any business is, "Does it show a profit?" The above figures answer the question.

Four years is longer than any other has served as your Foundation secretary. Dr. Freeman started the work and served seven months. Brother W. A. Jackson served three years and four months. Dr. Bridges officially served about 14 months. Your secretary is grateful for this opportunity to serve and invites you to call on him when he can come to serve you or your church. Write or call Ed. F. McDonald, Jr., Arkansas Baptist Foundation, 401 West Capitol Ave., Little Rock, Ark. 72201.

#### For all Baptists

Church Music

"A DAY of Singing and Praise'
.... For Baptists, who love to sing anyway, "A Day of Singing and Praise" should not only strengthen congregational singing, but should prove to be something everyone can enjoy. Will your church have a part?

Although the occasion will include Scripture reading and various types of music, congregational singing will be emphasized.

"Music Expansion Week" is scheduled for Aug. 15-20, 1965, as a part of Church Music Month. Sunday, Aug. 15, is suggested as the alternate date. The special day can be scheduled as the introduction to the week, or as an appropriate conclusion. If these dates are not convenient, the church may want to schedule "A Day of Singing and Praise" at some other time.

In some communities, groups of churches may wish to combine for the special observance, or associations may promote the project. However, the purpose is to magnify music and congregational singing in each church, so the most effective plan would be for individual churches to plan the special day's program. Perhaps groups of churches might observe a second or third day later in the year.

The morning service should follow the pattern of any other Sunday morning, but the suggestion is that the sermon be related to some phase of music and worship. All parts of the service should feature praise to God and should relate to other services and activities planned for the day.

Resource materials available for the evening service are suggested services and song sermons. These are primarily for guidance. The pastor, music director, organist, pianist, and other leaders will plan the day, adapting these aids to their own situations. For help in general planning is the pamphlet A Day of Singing and Praise. Also an attractive poster is available. (Your church should have already received this pamphlet

and poster. A follow-up mailing should reach you in a few days.)

The keys to a special day which can be meaningful to the entire town are planning and good promotion. It can be a day in which a record attendance is planned—and reached.

Music secretaries in the various states have set goals for this music activity. Arkansas hopes to have at least 250 churches participating in this event sometime this fall. The total for all the states is 7,550 churches participating.

Begin now to plan "A Day of Singing and Praise" in your church. And don't forget to make a report to the Church Music Department on the report form in the pamphlet.—Hoyt A. Mulkey, Secretary

Sunday School

#### Kindergartens

HOW many church kindergartens do we have in Arkansas? Do you want your kindergarten reported along with the 633 reporting kindergartens in the Southern Baptist Convention? According to the latest report we have there are 159 known kindergartens which have not been reported. We are anxious to know what percentage of these are in Arkansas, also, how many church kindergartens do we have that nothing is known about?

The following is the list we know were or are still being operated: Camden, First; Mc-Gehee, First; El Dorado, First; Fort Smith, First; Hot Springs, Second; Warren, First; West Helena, First; Jonesboro, Central; Paragould, First; Pine Bluff, Second, Southside, Immanuel; and



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Are you operating a kindergarten and are not included in this list? Call or write us for a report blank. We would love so much to know about the good work you are doing.

New Kindergarten Curriculum will be available July 15 for weekday kindergarten teachers. The title of the new book will be The Kindergarten Resource Book available in the Baptist Book Stores. It comes as the result of several years of planning, writing, testing and editing. Dr. James C. Barry, consultant in Weekday and Vacation Bible School Unit says, "This book is long past due and should help to meet a definite need in the area of kindergarten education."

The title of the book is descriptive in its contents. There are nine major units, as well as 22 subunits. This book was not intended to give day-by-day guidance for the kindergarten teacher. However, it offers an abundance of resource materials for kindergarten teachers to use throughout the year.

The authors of this book are many, each being selected on the basis of years of experience, both as writers and as kindergarten workers.

The Kindergarten Resource Book will not meet all of the needs of kindergarten teachers, but it does offer more practical help than can be found in any other single volume available.—Mary Emma Humphrey, Elementary Director



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#### Training Union

#### **New church members**

YOUR church receives new members every year—often more than 10 percent of your total church membership. More than half come "by letter" of recommendation from another Baptist church, and soon they contribute a stream of experience beginning by "back home we..." A third or more come "by baptism."

We welcome these new members. It is Christ's will that every person become a disciple. But there is nothing more destructive than the half-informed person with enthusiasm. Full information need not destroy enthusiasm, but it will keep enthusiasm from being destructive.

How does your church receive and orient church members? Does your church have a plan? Does it include all new members, or do you take it for granted that some of them "should know"?

The New Church Membership Orientation Manual, now available at Baptist Book Store, is a carefully researched answer to this need. The materials include the basic manual, plus a new member's manual and teacher's guide for each of four age-groups (Junior through-Adult). The intended schedule can cover a period of 3 months. Put it in your church calendar now. The Training Union Department will send the basic Manual free to the first 100 pastors requesting it.—Ralph Davis, Secretary



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Two hardback children's books from Broadman Press include: Bart's Wide World, by Ella Mae Charlton; and New Boy Next Door, by Barbara Bates.

Another Broadman paperback is Broadman Comments, 1965, for the quarter of October, November and De-

The Letters of Paul, by F. F. Bruce, 1965, \$4.95

The author is a member of the faculty of the University of Manchester, England, and general editor of the International Commentary on the New Testament. He is a native of Scotland and received his education at the universities of Aberdeen, Cambridge, and Vi-

In addition to Professor Bruce's text is his continuous narrative of the life of Paul which appears in between the various epistles, arranged so as to follow Paul's life.

The Invisible War, by Donald Grey Barnhouse, Zondervan, 1965, \$4.95

The war referred to here is the great conflict that continues to go on between good and evil within the spiritua! realm. Dr. Barnhouse traces this vast spiritual conflict back to the period before the beginning of recorded time. He then follows its unfolding to the final battle at the end of time. He deals with questions that have troubled many thinking people-concerning the trials, sufferings and difficulties of life. He gives helpful suggestions for facing life's obstacles.

Concordance to the New English Bible New Testament, compiled by E. Elder,

Zondervan, 1964, \$4.95

Here is another excellent tool for Bible scholars. It will enable the student to find words different from or not in the same verse as The Authorized Version.

The great popularity of the New English Bible New Testament has created a great demand for this helpful book. The compiler has based his Concordance on the most recent printing of the New English Bible, embodying all the latest corrections it was found necessary to make.

#### Revivals (continued)

*Evangeusm* 

PERSONAL witnessing: The one great preacher during the revival is the church. The preacher is merely the voice of the local church during the revival.

The evangelist, at the time of the preaching of the gospel, is but a part, a voice of the body of Christ. The whole church is to be a witnessing agency. A church is an evangelistic unit. It is the connecting link between Jesus and a lost and dying world. It is the distributing agency of the "good news." People will respond to the sermon by the evangelist according to the way the people have gone out and witnessed between sermons.

To win a person to Christ is the greatest thing one person can do for another. It is something one person, a Christian, can do that another person who is not a Christian cannot do. Every Christian will have to give an account to God for his witnessing. Could it be that the reason many people are not happy in their Christian life today is because they have never helped anyone come to Jesus? Any Christian should be able to give a first-hand experience — what has happened to him. This takes little or no training. It will help the one who listens to the testimony. We need an army of Christians who know what has happened to them and are not afraid to tell this to others.

Preaching: Dr. C. E. Autrey says, "Evangelism is an invitation to a redeeming encounter with God that results in the transformation of a life." The only way Baptists grow in membership is through winning and baptizing people. Preaching is making plain the gospel of Christ. It is coming to the pulpit to proclaim aloud the message of God. Preaching is a proclamation of the truth of God with an objective of getting people to do the will of God. It is aiming at something definite. We are to open the Book and, as we do, preach the message of God to the hearts of men.

It is my conviction that after

#### Challenge of a crusade

Brotherhood

WE thank God for those Arkansas Baptist men who are planning to engage in the 1965 Pioneer Crusade. We are just as grateful to God for men who in years past have joined hands to take the Gospel to a pioneer area.

To date, Arkansas men have engaged in a crusade in Ohio, in three crusades in Western Nebraska and Northeastern Colorado, and in the great West Coast Laymen's Crusade of 1964. In addition, several of our men have gone to Hawaii, to Alaska, and to Mexico.

This year's crusade will involve the Western Nebraska association, and the Platte Valley and the Long's Peak associations in Northeastern Colorado. About 16 churches and missions are involved.

About 40 men (laymen and pastors) are needed for the crusade this summer. It is scheduled for July 11-18. It is wonderful for a church to send its pastor and two laymen to labor with him in a pioneer field.

We need more men in order to supply to each church a wellrounded complement of workers. We can use every man who will go!

Every man will be responsible for his own travel expense. Entertainment is generally provided by the host church.

If you will go, or if you can lead or help some other man to go, write Harold Anderson, Crusade Director, Heber Springs, Ark.; or write the Brotherhood Department.

And pray with us that this year's crusade shall be used of the Lord to set forward His work in a wonderful way in all the areas involved.-Nelson Tull, Secretary

much prayer, personal work and the preaching of the word, lost people will be saved .-- Yours for more souls saved, Jesse S. Reed, Director

#### **Opportunities galore!**

THE week of Aug. 16 is destined to be one of rich experiences for associational and local WMU leaders!

On the afternoon and evening of Aug. 16, representatives from the state WMU executive board will join associational WMU presidents, prayer and community missions directors in a prayer retreat. Emphasis will be upon proclamation and witness — the denominational emphasis for the coming year. Plans are in charge of Mrs. Paul Hogue, state prayer director, and Mrs. J. A. Hogan, state community missions director.

Beginning at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 17, and closing Wednesday afternoon, the 18th, leadership training will be offered associational WMU officers.

On Thursday and Friday, Aug. 18 and 19, local officers will gather for the annual WMU Houseparty where a close-up look will be taken of WMU tasks and ways of accomplishing them at the grass roots—the local church.

Missionaries who will participate in these meetings will be Dr. and Mrs. John Abernathy of the Orient, and Miss Josephine Scaggs of Nigeria. All will speak of their mission work, and Dr. Abernathy will lead periods of Bible study.

These three activities will be at Ouachita University, Information concerning each will be sent WMU leadership. Advance registration is necessary and can be made only at State WMU Office, 310 Baptist Building, Little Rock.

GA camps in session

The first of five Girls' Auxiliary camps to be held at the new Baptist Camp at Paron is now in session under the direction of Miss Jackie Burton. Registration for the second and third camps was closed two weeks ago. However, there is still room for girls in both the fourth and fifth camps scheduled for July 19-24 and July 26-31.

During the two camps, for which reservations are now being



OUACHITA University recently received a \$1,000 grant for unrestricted use from Gulf Oil Corporation. Dr. Ralph Phelps (left), Ouachita president, accepts the check from J. A. Griffey, area sales manager for Gulf.

accepted, missionary guests will include Mrs. Alvin Hatton and Mrs. W. H. Berry of Brazil, Miss DeVellyn Oliver of Philippines, Miss Nan Owens from Nigeria, and Miss Annie Hoover from Japan.

Reservations accompanied by \$3 registration fee should be forwarded immediately to State WMU Office: They are accepted on basis of "first come, first served."—Nancy Cooper, Executive Secretary and Treasurer

#### **Tithe Now**

DUE to many requests for the Tithe Now! items that were available in the Tithe Now!—Stewardship Commission Booth at the Southern Baptist Convention, the Stewardship Commission has made arrangements to make the following items available:

Tithe Now!
Pocket Hankies—9c each
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Lifesavers (60 rolls per box)
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(Orders received by July 1 will be shipped by August 15.)

If check, in full payment of order, is enclosed with order, postage will be prepaid. Mail all orders to: Tithe Now! Materials, Room 212, 460 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, Tennessee 37219. July 10 will be the deadline for receiving orders. Mail your order now.



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by Dietrich Bonhoeffer These revolutionary writings reveal the martyred German theologian's private wrestling with basic religious concepts and his resolution of them. (9h) \$4.50

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# PIONEER CHILDREN



BY ERNIE HOLYER









HAVE you ever tried to imagine how exciting and adventurous the life of pioneer children must have been over one hundred years ago? How would you have liked to pack all you owned on a prairie schooner and set out to settle the American West?

Actually, the journey in a wagon train was not all excitement for the boys and girls who turned their faces westward. At the beginning of the great trek, they learned that they had to abandon dear friends and cherished belongings.

Once on the trail, varied duties helped them forget their sacrifices. While Father hunted for game, water, and pasture, Mother drove the wagon or walked beside it to relieve the gaunt, hard-working oxen. Someone else had to care for younger brothers and sisters. Firewood, in the form of sticks and buffalo chips, had to be gathered for cooking the meals.

Uncounted days were spent in shimmering heat. Water became scarce and lips felt parched. Some nights strange noises kept the children awake and they huddled together in prayer. Eventually, they became used to the coyotes' howl, the air-rending yells of Indians, and the rumble of buffalo herds in the distance.

Not all who had started out toward the mysterious West reached their destination. Diseases, Indian attacks, and hardships of the trip claimed many lives. Before the journey was over, the wagon train left many a freshly dug grave on the trail.

Then one day the long, hard pilgrimage was over. The family inspected the land that was to be theirs. With the help of future neighbors, a log cabin was built in a short time.

The girls learned to balance iron kettles over the hot coals in the fireplace. They also helped their mothers with cooking and with weaving on the loom.

The glowing fire demanded a steady wood supply. The boys filled the ever-empty woodbox.

At first, the new household lacked many things. Then in time the wooden utensils and crude furniture increased, thanks to the family's united efforts.

The youngsters missed church, school, and books. Mothers taught them the three R's and the Word of God as well as they knew how. On Sunday the whole family would join in worship.

With the nearest neighbors a long distance away and the Indian threat ever present, the pioneer family became closer knit than it had been in the more densely settled area back East. The breath of freedom made the settlers belong to their new country. Freed from lords and creditors, they stood up straight. The backwood life made them self-reliant, independent, and unafraid.

Pioneer children, doing their everyday chores, became heroes for later generations. As their conduct helped America to greatness in the past, the conduct of youth today will help to determine our country's future.

# The foundation of the Christian church

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I Cor.: 3; Cor. 5:11-20
JULY 4, 1965

THE foundation of the Christian Church, as indicated in the lesson text for this Sunday, points

MR. SAMPLE

out the principle that the carnal mind does not receive spiritual things, nor the immature mind solid food. This is relation to God's different builders, and their responsibili-

ty to the kind of materials that they put into it. Therefore, we must build on the solid foundation of Christ.

#### Carnal Nature

PAUL preached the simple Gospel of Christ crucified because the Corinthian Christians were not advanced enough to receive the wisdom of the mature.

Carnal is the natural and comes from the word meaning flesh. which is the sinful man opposed to the regenerate. As Paul states here, it means your sinful nature and it is true that human nature is sinful instead of holy. This does not mean that the Corinthian Church members were not Christians, but it does mean that they were "babes in Christ," which indicates that they were infants as far as the Christian way of life is concerned, and that they had a long way to go in becoming the kind of Christians that Paul is talking about. The word "babes" means beginners or those in the first stages of Christian experience.

The New Testament represents the renewed man as one in whom a new principle of righteousness has been introduced by the side of the old sinful way, and his growth consists in the gradual removal of the old by the new. The comparison is not between the two principles, as if the carnal principle predominated, but between their present state and the advanced stage of Christian growth.

The Great Commission given by Jesus Christ our Lord says something very important to Christians of all ages. In this statement of Jesus, it includes "teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Somewhere along the way some have failed to obey the command of Jesus, and many are, therefore, still in their carnal state.

In order to reach maturity there is only one place to begin and that is with the Christian individual where he is. That is why Paul said, "I have fed you with milk, and not meat." The Corinthian Christians were not yet strong; so Paul fed them with milk, not with solid food adapted to the mature. The Corinthians are still weak because they are still engaged in carnal activities and attitudes.

"We never outgrow our need for milk" say those who know nutrition. Likewise, Christians never outgrow the need for Bible Study and training which the church has to offer. This will help us to "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus," and to become mature Christians in exchange for the carnal nature of man.

#### We are God's co-laborers

PAUL takes up the matter of party division among the members of the church at Corinth, when he says in verse four, "For while one saith, I am of Paul and another, I am Apollos . . ." This division in the church is agitated by those who are carnal.

The apostle replied to their ac-

cusations by asking a question, "Who then is Paul and who is Apollos?" Or it could be interpreted, What then is Paul and what is Apollos? This form of the question relates to the office or position, not with their personal identity.

Ministers are servants of Christ, and their success in making men believe is the gift from God and has been bestowed upon them. Christ, therefore, is Lord and Master of their lives. Paul and Apollos hold a secondary position. So God is the real cause of their conversion, not something made

possible by man.

The church at Corinth is represented as the field of God. There Paul and Apollos have an instrumental part in producing the faith of the Corinthians, but God is the real cause of their faith. Paul planted, and Apollos watered that faith, but it was God who caused it to grow. Paul was the means of producing, and, Apollos, of developing the faith, but God was the real power. Since God is the real cause of their faith, the teachers are comparatively nothing, and are not to be lifted to the position above God.

Every Christian. especially Christian leaders, should be fellow workmen under God. Paul was interested and concerned about every Christian working together to build up the Kingdom of Christ. He did not want credit for the work that had been accomplished. neither did he think it right to give credit to any one individual. He wanted God to have the glory and honor and all the Christians to work at the task together with God in order to build a strong spiritual church in that great city.

There are two ways in which the building of the church may go on. This is either by the increase of its membership with each member being regarded as a stone in the building, or by the building up of Christian character through instruction in Christian truth.

The church should be built on the foundation of Jesus Christ, and faith in Christ is what gives it its distinctive character. This foundation of the doctrine of Christ is what Paul built on.

#### The temple of God

IN verse 16 the word for temple does not mean the whole structure, but the shrine in which the Divine dwelt. In the Jewish temple, this was the Holy of Holies.

If anyone defile, or destroy the temple of God, by building into this temple bad material, he shall be destroyed by God. This term was commonly used by the Jews in the defiling of their temple.

Then Paul states, "Which temple ye are?," referring to the individual rather than the temple. Christians are holy by God's Spir-

it within; therefore, they are the temple of God. God commanded the punishment of death on whoever defiled the actual Temple (Ex. 28:43; Lev. 16:27) because it was holy unto the Lord, and His presence dwelt there. So they, having the Spirit of God in them, were a temple also holy unto the Lord, and God would not let a Christian go unpunished who destroyed or marred this spiritual temple. So we must be careful and guard against what goes into our bodies, and our minds.

Conclusion

THE factors mentioned in this

lesson all contribute to the building of the foundation of the Christian church. We must first rid ourselves of our carnal or immature nature and work under Jesus Christ as our master, and keep our bodies and minds clean and pure for His service, growing "in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3:18). Thus we build towards the kind of life and fellowship that would be pleasing to God and point the lost and the unenlisted to His kingdom, where all may abound in the riches of Christ Jesus.

# Our continuing response

ROMANS 1:26-28, PHIL. 3:7-16 JULY 11, 1965

BEFORE Paul was converted to Christianity, he was a blameless and zealous Pharisee. In obeying the Jewish law few men could equal him, and there he had no rivals.

All of these advantages he had as a Jew were to be counted but nothing now that he had found Christ to replace these things that had gained him fame. These things had given him a reputation among the people and had built up his hopes during the time before God had revealed His plans to him. But, now, after his conversion experience, these advantages were of no value to him.

The many things he had once considered so important to him, he now dismisses with one word, loss. If he was going to have Christ in his heart and life, he must do away with all other claims, which would be a hindrance to his perfect trust in his new master.

Paul goes even further than his first statement and says, "Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss." Here he gives emphasis to "all things," which goes beyond his earlier statement, and makes it include every claim and merit from a human standpoint. For the knowledge of Christ was so much greater than anything else of value, and he has no regrets. Christ is now swelling in his heart by

faith, and he is rooted and grounded in that love; because he knows the love of Christ which is much greater than all knowledge.

So he counted all these things as refuse or rubbish and hated the things he once liked and gained pleasure from, and they were utterly cast out of his heart and life, just as rubbish would be swept out of doors.

That I may win Christ

PAUL already has Christ at this point, but he has a desire to possess him even more richly than previously. By winning Christ Paul means that he is becoming so united and close to Christ that he can say, "He is mine." Christ gives him everything that he desires and needs, such as righteousness, wisdom, sanctification, and redemption. It is impossible to win Christ and to hold onto Jewish customs. So he renounces them, all gladly, for he has found the

richer treasure.

In the words "and be found in him," we have a good description of true righteousness, which is the result of Paul winning Christ. His own unworthiness has been cast aside, and Christ has taken his place. God does not look at the sinner who has won Christ. He sees only Christ and His righteousness, and the Christian does not claim any righteousness of his

own. The Pharisees boasted of their righteousness, but Paul no longer wanted to be like them, because their righteousness was nothing more than their obedience to the law,

God's righteousness is opposed to the righteousness and faith in the law. Legal righteousness looks to the law to justify and is by works. Christian righteousness depends on faith because faith is the essential condition of true righteousness. This faith is in Christ, not in the law.

That I may know Christ

PAUL had a desire and yearning to know Christ. This was not a desire in an intellectual way, but was an experimental and saving knowledge. This kind of knowledge comes only from union with Christ. That is why Paul said (2 Tim. 1:12) "I know whom I have believed." This knowledge that Paul had in Christ continued to grow richer and deeper.

With this knowledge of Christ, Paul was able to obtain the power of His resurrection. The knowledge of the resurrection was not the same as an unbeliever, because he could accept the resurrection as an historical fact. The Power of the resurrection is something that only the believer in Christ can know.

The resurrection of Christ was the divine seal of Christ's authority and was the guarantee of our complete redemption and the assurance of our future resurrection and is a real and vital power in our lives. This was the power of

the resurrection that Paul desired to know and feel always.

I press toward the mark

PAUL proclaimed in Philippians 3:14: "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." In ancient games the prize was usually a wreath which was hung at the goal. For Paul this meant that he was continuing to strive for perfection, the prize of the high calling, the reward of God through His Son. The perfect on earth are those who seek perfection, and have come to a certain maturity of faith and knowledge and are no longer babes in Christ. "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich" (II Cor. 8:9).

#### **Attendance Report**

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Camden First	431	114	
Crossett	401	114	
First	523	122	9
Mt. Olive	185	81	9
Dumas First	287	71	1
El Dorado	201	14	
Ebenezer	175	61	1
First	731	459	2
Trinity	187	77	-
Forrest City First	462	149	4
Greenwood First	256	101	- 5
Gurdon Beech St.	175	51	3
Harrison Eagle Heights	241	94	2
Hope First	490	104	
Jacksonville			
First	870	104	1
Marshall Rd.	132	70	
Second	206	96	3
Jenny Lind	163	106	
Jonesboro			
Central	499	167	8
Nettleton	273	106	3
Little Rock		40.1	
Immanuel	1,095	404	
Rosedale	- 283	56	2
McGehee First	373	122	
Chapel Control	62	38	
Magnolia Central Monticello Second	600	209	1
North Little Rock	213	100	
Baring Cross	599	159	4
Southside	42	26	4
Calvary	358	98	1
Central	230	106	8
Forty-Seventh St.	168	78	2
Grace	92	43	-
Gravel Ridge	148	70	
Runyan Chapel	43	25	
Park Hill	744	226	4
Sixteenth St.	29	16	
Sylvan Hills First	278	106	3
Pine Bluff			1
Second	197	96	1
Watson Chapel	158	58	100
Springdale First	414	122	
Star City First North Side	231	80	
North Side	86	52	
Texarkana Beech St.	430	162	6
Mission	54		
Van Buren			
First	427	158	1
Second	59	28	
Vandervoort First	53	37	2
Ward Cocklebur	62	85	
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First	407	112	1
Southside	91	75	1
Immanuel	287	88	
Westside	87	87	

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"You must be nuts," said the friend, "to have married a girl of 17. Why, in 10 years you'll be 80, and she'll be only 27."

"It doesn't matter one bit," explained the new groom. "When a. fellow's truly in love he doesn't care one bit when his wife begins to age."

#### Only manners

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#### Sex morality kit

NEW YORK (EP)—A sex morality education kit that includes recorded talks by specialists in family life, Christian ethics and psychiatry has been produced by the Young Women's Christian Association.

The kit also includes a leader's guide which tells how the material may best be used with age groups ranging from nine to eighteen.

Mrs. Helen F. Southard, psychologist and YWCA staff specialist in family life, who prepared the kit, stressed that the material also was planned to make adults "aware of the situation and meaning of sex in our present society."

#### Winds of change

BARCELONA, Spain (EP)— The month of May was one of the most significant in the history of Spanish evangelicals. Three events marked it as such:

1. The opening of the first evangelical bookstore to operate with government permission.

2. The opening of the last church closed by government order.

3. The largest evangelistic meetings ever attempted by the minority Protestant community.

The bookstore was opened in Barcelona by Harold Kregel, an American missionary under the Worldwide European Fellowship. A sign over the door identifying it as "Libreria Evangelica" (Evangelical Bookstore) is the first public display allowed for anything of a Protestant nature.

The church, in Chiclana de Segura, was opened on May 18 by Dr. Jose Cardona, executive secretary of the Evangelical Defense

Committee, through whose efforts permission was secured for both the bookstore and church opening. At one time—in 1960—more than 50 churches were closed. Now all are open, although about 30 per cent of them still lack the official permit issued by the government.

Fernando Vangioni, as associate evangelist on the Billy Graham team from Buenos Aires, Argentina, led crusades in four cities during May and June. Churches in Madrid, Zaragoza, Barcelona and Sevilla cooperated in the meetings. In some instances it marked the first joint effort for the churches.

Capacity crowds were reported in every place and in Barcelona, where 22 churches cooperated, closed circuit television had to be installed in a hall adjoining the Calle Verdi Baptist Church to accommodate the overflow crowds.

#### **Queen raises Beatles**

LONDON (EP) — Queen Elizabeth II Friday elevated the four Beatles into one of the most staid of British institutions.

For important services to their country, she made them members of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire. From now on, John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison and Ringo Starr can place the coveted initials M. B.C. after their names.

They became the first group of popular singers in history to be so honored.

#### Closing unconstitutional

ROCHESTER, Minn. (EP)—Rochester's Sunday closing ordinance has been ruled unconstitutional by Olmsted County District Judge Arnold Hatfield.

Whether the city would appeal was not determined immediately. A similar case from Richfield is before the Minnesota Supreme Court.

Judge Hatfield held that a clause of the Rochester ordinance violated equality, because it limited application of the Sunday closing ordinance to businesses employing six or more persons.

#### 'Bus aid' passes

HARRISBURG (EP) — The Pennsylvania Senate, by a vote of 32 to 16, passed the controversial bill authorizing private and parochial school bus transportation and sent the measure to Gov. William W. Scranton who said he would sign it.

Under terms of the pending law, public funds may be used for transportation of parochial and other non-profit private school students on established public school bus routes.

The Scranton administration, which backed the proposal, claim-

ed it was introduced as a health and welfare measure providing public service to students.

Protestant - affiliated groups fought the program, contending it was unconstitutional from the standpoint of church-state separation.

#### Methodist rule

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (EP)—
The Holston Methodist Conference, at its annual meeting here, authorized local churches to "withhold payment to any item in general Church administration funds," after three congregations within the conference sought to do so.

Central Methodist Church here and Wesley Memorial and Asbury Methodist Churches in Chattanooga had withheld funds allotted to the denomination's World Service and Finance Commission, which in turn gives conference funds to the National Council of Churches.

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