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Tearless retirement

TODAY (Oct. 8) is moving day for Dr. and Mrs. C. Gordon Bayless. They are vacating the parsonage at Central Church, North Little Rock, to occupy what Dr.



ERWIN L.

Bayless has described as "20 Acres and Contentment," 12 miles west of Little Rock and half a mile to the left (as you go west) off an extension of 12th Street. After nearly 131½ years as pastor at Central, Dr. Bayless, who recently observed his 65th birthday, is retiring from the pastorate but not from the ministry. That he still plans to go "full steam ahead" is indicated by the fact he and Mrs. Bayless left North Little Rock the day of his official retirement, Sept. 26, for Texas City, Tex., where he was to be the visiting evangelist for a revival meeting. And in November, he will be the devotional speaker opening sessions of the annual meeting of the Oklahoma Baptist State Convention.

Since I have had Dr. Bayless as my pastor for more than seven of his years at Central, I know personally of the high regard the church has for him and that he has for the church. Incidentally, a bonus the church handed him at a reception honoring him and Mrs. Bayless—a check for several hundred dollars to make the final payments on his retirement home—was tangible evidence of the church's love. But there were few tears in the farewell service. The retiring pastor steered it away from that.

The Baylesses have been getting ready to retire and now that this time in life has come, they are ready and eager to begin what will doubtless be for them a new venture. Surely this is the way retirement should be accepted.

As long as his health is good, Dr. Bayless plans to be busy preaching and writing and enjoying the outdoors at "Paradise Valley," the official name of the Bayless retirement home. They do not have a telephone as yet, but they do have runnin' water, electric lights, a fireplace that burns real firewood, and they get their mail at Ferncliff, General Delivery.

Best wishes, folks. And keep on your prayer list those of us who are still in the heat of the battle. May we not be envious of you and others like you, who "have it made."

Erwin L. McDonald

OFF again on a visit to Russia will go W. O. Vaught Jr. of Little Rock. Why he's making the second trip behind the Iron Curtain is explained by Immanuel's pastor, on page 13.

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EL DORADO'S municipal auditorium will be the setting for most of the sessions of the Arkansas State Convention when it meets next month with First Church, El Dorado, as host. The program is on page 5.

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DEMANDING parents can sometimes ruin a young marriage. The problem of the younger couple keeping together its own home is the one Rosalind Street faces today in her "Courtship, Marriage and the Home," page 6.

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ARKANSAS WMU members will find special interest in Bernes K. Selph's "Beacon Lights." He's in the midst of a series on the forerunner of their organization in the state.

SEE page 8.

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CHRISTIAN writers must be "mature, honest, humble and courageous," says Elisabeth Elliott, whose Protestant Press Month feature appears on page 9. Christian readers will here find a guide and a yardstick for better understanding of their religious literature.

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RALPH Phelps, president of Ouachita College and of Churches United Against Gambling, speaks a word for Arkansas' often maligned spa, Hot Springs. We bring you, on page 14, part of Dr. Phelps' address at a recent meeting of the Greater Little Rock Ministerial Association.

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Our main crop

IT is a little late now, after the school elections have just been held, to be taking note of an outstanding Baptist layman and his firm stand for higher school taxes even though it meant a considerable advance in his own taxes.

The layman is Paul Meers, of Little Rock, who owns extensive property across Arkansas and whose outspoken support for higher school tax assessment was featured in a story on the back page of the *Arkansas Gazette* of Sept. 28.

According to the *Gazette* report, several months ago Mr. Meers wrote a letter to the *Van Buren County Democrat*, Clinton, in which he expressed concern that the county stood to lose some of its state school aid money because its real estate assessments were below the minimum figure set by the state.

Van Buren County, according to the news report, was one of 11 counties in the state which in 1963 had been warned to bring their assessment levels up to standard or lose some aid. And Van Buren County was to be the last of the 11 to meet the requirements.

"I do not live in your County but I do have substantial real estate holdings there, in the form of cut-over mountain timberland," wrote Mr. Meers, in a letter that has since been reprinted in a monthly newsletter of the National Committee for the Support of the Public Schools, Washington, D. C.

"I am spending a considerable sum each year to improve my timber stands from which I will realize very little financial return for several years," Meers' letter continued. "It is obvious, therefore, that I need a favorable tax rate until my trees get big enough to sell.

"Nevertheless, I think the tax rate on land such as mine should be increased sufficiently for the County to qualify for the state aid to education that is threatened. I think it is more important that your children be educated than it is that I receive the maximum return on my investment."

With no attempt to play the role of big-hearted hero or self-sacrificing martyr, Mr. Meers continued:

"In the long run, I do not consider money spent for our schools an expense but a prime investment; an investment that will yield a handsome dividend in cold cash. In other words, I think each acre of our land and the crops it produces will be more valuable if we have good schools and a well-educated citizenry."

After the letter appeared in the *Van Buren County Democrat*, Mr. Meers received commendation from a number of people who appreciated his stand. The National School Committee reprinted the letter as a "unique expression of an enlightened businessman's belief in the process and purposes of public education."

Mr. Meers likes to think that his letter may have

helped in the action Van Buren County has since taken to meet the minimum assessment required for participation in state education funds. He comments: "There's a lot of satisfaction in being educated, and I was denied the chance at the education I would have liked. I'm grateful for what I have. But I think what I did can be justified purely from the standpoint of investment, much more so now than in the past."

Whether or not Mr. Meers ever reaps any extra benefits through accruals to his land values brought about by having better schools in Van Buren County, he is sure to receive great dividends of personal satisfaction in having had a part in building better schools, and, what is even more important, better citizens through the improved schools. Our chief crops will never be pines, or cotton, or rice, or anything else of the fields, but our boys and girls. And who should be more concerned than Christians that we provide for our youth the best possible opportunities for them to grow and develop into the best possible men and women for the future?—ELM

Cloud over Arkansas

—By Alice D. Miller



"Might AS WEN vote for it, Joe. WHAT HARM CAN it DO?"

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.

Sense of values

WHAT would you think if a shoe manufacturer would hire only those who wore no shoes? What would you think if a flour mill refused to employ people who eat bread? What would you think of a governor who refused favors to those who voted for him?

Yet, our churches are guilty of staffing important positions of leadership with people who will do that job ALONE, and fail to attend worship services, or prayer services. How can you teach a little child the love of Jesus Christ, and dedication to His work, and then when the bell rings for Sunday School to come to a close, hurry out the door and forget all about the worship service? A solemn word should be said here, "... it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he cast into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones..."

Some years ago I visited a large distillery in Louisville, Ky., and the guide told me that they had one rule that they had to continually enforce, "NO ONE COULD WORK IN THAT DISTILLERY WHO DRANK." Our churches don't even require this.

I have held several revival meetings in Hot Springs. One of the track employees said, "WE CAN'T AFFORD TO WORK GAMBLERS IN THIS PLACE."

Yes, there are some places that do not want the people involved to participate in their product, but the church is not one of them. We want every participant to be involved.

How we need to take a fresh look at our "Cross Bought" responsibility and re-think our sense of values.—Bill G. Hickem, pastor, First Baptist Church, Crossett

'Greatest moral issue'

MIND a fellow-editor horning in with his two-bits?

I get a real lift from reading the editorials and special articles in the ARKANSAS BAPTIST Newsmagazine, and usually I read every word of Letters to the Editor. Your response to some of these Letters, especially those which take you to task for your generous spirit toward other religious groups, is admired and appreciated.

One is completely intrigued by the letters from some of your readers, those

who contend we ought to stay out of politics. At this point they mean taking a stand as a church on the Garland County Lawful Wagering Amendment.

Erwin, how naive can some people get? At the moment, and from now until election day, this amendment will not be political, but let it become a part of the state constitution and see how fast it will become political. Political in a sordid sense, political in the fashion that other state commissions can be taken over for personal gain. In my 30 years in Arkansas, this amendment is the greatest moral issue, along with the pari-mutuel horse racing issue, to hit the ballot in any election. Let this amendment pass, and we will have one more source of immorality, lust and greed.

Thanks for listening.—Lester M. Bickford, Managing Editor THE ARKANSAS CHRISTIAN, Little Rock

Information requested

I have "memorial moments" on Convention program at El Dorado.

Would it be asking too much for you to put a request in Arkansas Baptist for those who know ministers who have passed on during the year to send their names to: Burton A. Miley, Box 146, Springdale

Missionary speaker

ONE of our fine Arkansas missionaries is going to come back to the United States to attend the Baptist World Alliance, and he will be here May 29 through June 30. I refer to Rev. Thomas E. Halsell, who is one of our faithful missionaries in Brazil.

He is very anxious to have preaching opportunities while he is in the states and he only has one engagement. On June 6, he will preach at his father's boyhood church at Brown Springs. Therefore, he will be available for preaching on May 30, June 13 and June 20.

If there is any way that we can help him, I certainly want to do so. Even though there will be other missionaries coming to the Alliance, since he is our Arkansas man, I thought we might give him some help and let the brethren know that he will be in these parts at that time.—W. O. Vaught, Jr., Pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock

The Cover



Bishop Doane on His Dog

I am quite sure he thinks that I am God—

Since he is God on whom each one depends

For life, and all things that His bounty sends—

My dear old dog, most constant of all friends;

Not quick to mind, but quicker far than I

To Him whom God I know and own; his eye,

Deep brown and liquid, watches for my nod;

He is more patient underneath the rod

Than I, when God His wise corrections sends.

He looks love at me, deep as words e'er spake;

And from me never crumb nor sup will take

But he wags thanks with his most vocal tail;

And when some crashing noise wakes all his fear,

He is content and quiet, if I am near,

Secure that my protection will prevail.

So, faithful, mindful, thankful, trustful, he

Tells me what I unto my God should be.

—George Washington Doane

ARKANSAS STATE CONVENTION

MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM
EL DORADO
NOV. 2-5, 1964

One Hundred Eleventh Annual Session
One Hundred Sixteenth Year

Theme: "Deepening Our Ministry Through Worship"

Scripture: "O come, let us worship, and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God . . ." Psalm 95:6-7a.

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MONDAY EVENING, NOV. 2, 1964
MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, EL DORADO

7:05 Scripture and prayer Dan Cameron
Psalm 95
7:20 Enrollment of Messengers
7:25 Committee on Order of Business
Appointment of Committees
7:30 "Our Strategy for Growth" Elaine Dickson,
Victor N. Varner, W. L. Howse
8:30 Message H. Franklin Paschall
Closing Prayer Ed Claybrook

TUESDAY MORNING

MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM

9:05 Scripture and prayer Jim Tillman
9:20 Introduction of new Pastors, Ministers
of Music and Education S. A. Whitlow
9:35 Fraternal Greetings—other conventions
9:40 Baptist Book Store Robert Bauman
9:55 President's Address Walter L. Yeldell
10:25 Election of Officers
10:40 Miscellaneous Business
10:55 Arkansas Baptist Home for
Children John R. Price
11:15 Annual Sermon E. E. Griever
Alternate: Vester Wolber
Closing Prayer Eugene Ryan

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM

2:05 Scripture and Prayer Billy Pierce
Psalm 84
2:20 Woman's Missionary Union Nancy Cooper
2:40 Annuity T. K. Rucker
2:55 Memorial Moments Burton A. Miley
3:05 Arkansas Baptist History
Commission George T. Blackmon
3:15 Miscellaneous Business
3:40 Message Foy Valentine
Closing Prayer Dean Newberry

TUESDAY EVENING

MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM

7:05 Scripture and Prayer J. C. Myers
Psalm 91
7:20 Stewardship Ralph Douglas
7:40 Race Relations Clyde Hart
7:50 MISSIONS-EVANGELISM C. W. Caldwell
Jesse Reed
Message H. Franklin Paschall
Closing Prayer Irving M. Prince

WEDNESDAY MORNING
MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM

9:05 Scripture and Prayer Jeff Cheatham
Psalm 96
9:20 Civic Morality Lee I. Dance
9:30 Arkansas Baptist
Foundation Ed F. McDonald Jr.
9:40 Miscellaneous Business
10:00 EXECUTIVE BOARD
R. L. South, S. A. Whitlow
11:00 Radio Television
Commission Andrew Hall
11:25 Message Paul M. Stevens
Closing Prayer E. Butler Abington

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON
MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM

2:05 Scripture (Psalm 99) and Prayer
L. H. Coleman
2:20 Hospital Report John A. Gilbreath
2:45 Seminaries Harold K. Graves
3:05 Miscellaneous Business-
Resolutions Committee
3:30 Message Paul M. Stevens
Closing Prayer Conway Sawyers

WEDNESDAY EVENING
MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM
YOUTH NIGHT

7:05 Scripture and Prayer Marvin Gennings
Psalm 100
7:20 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORTS
Southern Baptist College H. E. Williams
Ouachita Baptist College
Ralph A. Phelps, Jr.
8:05 Message Chester Swor
Closing Prayer Paul Myers

THURSDAY MORNING
FIRST CHURCH

9:05 Scripture and Prayer Delbert McAtee
Psalm 138
9:20 Report of Nominating Committee
Lloyd Hunnicutt
9:40 Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine
Erwin L. McDonald
9:55 Miscellaneous Business
10:15 Message Wayne Dehoney
Closing Prayer Conway Sawyers

'My parents



interfere with my marriage'

QUESTION: "Please explain these two Scriptures: Genesis 2:24 — 'Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife; and they shall be one flesh.' Exodus 20:12 — 'Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.'

"I love my parents dearly, but they are making it hard for me to have a happy home with my husband..."

ANSWER: Your letter, most of which I am withholding from publication, indicates a good spirit on your part.

Your devotion and duty to your husband should have central place in your life.

How blessed you are to have a Christian companion who wants to give loyalty and service to his church.

There is no conflict between the two Scripture passages, for cleaving unto one's spouse does not mean turning one's back upon one's parents.

More directly to the matter about which you wrote: An average of one week-end visit with your parents within every three months and one visit from them

in your home within that same period of time strikes me as a reasonable plan, especially with mail and telephone communications between visits. Christian parents should be so gratified to have a daughter and the daughter's husband actively involved in their own church life that they would cheerfully forego more frequent week-end visits with them. It seems to me that the normal reaction would be, "Certainly we have a natural desire to see you often, but nothing brings us more joy than knowing that you two are happy together and that you are giving priority to your church responsibilities."

Deal kindly and lovingly with your parents, but hold to your present plan. Refrain from remarks designed to hurt your mother and/or father, but do talk over with them your purpose to continue your present plan.

It is very hard for some parents to relinquish their hold upon daughters and sons who are now adults, entitled to live their own lives in their own homes and in their own way.

Try not to take too seriously your parents' "nagging" for more time with you. Complaining to family and friends that they do not visit them often enough nor long enough is merely a habit with some people.

Ask your father and mother in advance to come spend a specific week-end with you; let this positive invitation be a subtle suggestion that it makes for happier relationship for you not to be expected to have them for more frequent visits.

Two fundamental approaches should be helpful.

The parent-slant should be remembering that all specialists counsel it is better for in-laws to visit their married children only upon invitation. Tactfully bring to the reading attention of your "folks" articles, books, and pamphlets that deal with the in-law relationship. Such material will point up the importance of parental maturity in recognizing their marrieds as fellow adults now —

still to be loved, but treated with the same courtesy, thoughtfulness, and considerateness as other adult friends.

Do your parents read our denominational publication, *Home Life Magazine*? Almost every issue carries some helpful article concerning this area of life.

Your slant on the matter must be prayer, gentleness, and patient firmness. The Scriptures cited mean simply that one's companion and children must be at the center of one's family relationships; but parents are not to be neglected, ignored. Be careful to deal with the situation in such a way that there will be no lingering regrets to haunt you in the days ahead.

Maybe this is "dealing in futures" to an extreme degree; nevertheless it is true that someday your children will leave your home nest to build nests of their own. Try to prepare your hearts for that day, and treat your parents now in the way you hope your children will treat you when that time comes.

Major upon the blessings of your family ties and guard against magnifying out of proportion your problems you meet.

Here is a bit of wise counsel from *Homemade Happiness* by Dr. Wayne Dehoney, president of the Southern Baptist Convention: "On the part of the in-laws it takes a special kind of self-effacing love to cut the emotional apron strings and release your children. But turn them loose! Let the young couple establish their own lives with an attitude of 'hands off' but 'prayers on', 'mouths closed' but 'hearts open'."

President Dehoney has a word for the young couple, too: "Don't carry an 'in-law chip' on your shoulder. And remember, cutting the apron string is a two-way proposition!"

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Let's Not Fool Ourselves!



Not one valid argument can be advanced on legal gambling's behalf. The total experience of mankind argues eloquently against it. Gambling drains the salaries, savings and investments of a community into a business enterprise that serves no human need. It is incredible that intelligent people can seriously recommend that the State should engage in this dirty business in order to clean it up.

FACT 1. NOT A REVENUE RAISER—

The idea that legalized gambling will be a revenue-raiser is an illusion. Facts prove that for every dollar raised from such sources, five dollars must be spent in higher police costs, higher court costs, higher penitentiary costs, and higher expenditure by government and private agencies for welfare purposes. Legalized gambling does not lighten the tax load, but simply shifts more of it to moderate and low-income families.

FACT 2. INDUSTRIALISTS VOTE NO!

The county manager of metropolitan Dade County (Miami), Florida, sent questionnaires to leading industrialists throughout the nation asking them to consider Dade County with its legal gambling for industrial plant locations. More than 70 per cent of the answers mentioned unfavorably the 'gold coast' atmosphere of the county and the fact that gambling attractions would create a great deal of absenteeism and unfavorable economic situations for management and employees. Look at Nevada, "one of the least important states in the Union in manufacturing."

FACT 3. NO WALL HIGH ENOUGH—

Evil cannot be contained. The followers of legal gambling—bookies, dope peddlers, prostitutes, and others that are in evidence around any casino—would be a scourge to any decent community. Facts show that they do not stay within small confines of the area where gambling is permitted. There is no such thing as controlled, legal gambling. It may be licensed locally, but it is always syndicate owned.

FACT 4. GAMBLING AND CRIME GO HAND IN HAND—

Legalized gambling in Nevada has given it the highest crime rate in the United States, and Las Vegas the largest necessary police force for any town its size. Nevada appears to be a cesspool of death and violence when compared to Arkansas. Is any decent citizen ready to legalize gambling and accept the by-products of murder, robbery, larceny, rape, suicide and violence?

FACT 5. ARKANSAS DOESN'T NEED THE 'GAMBLING' TOURIST!

Opening the doors of the State to legalized casino gambling is like opening Pandora's Box. You run the risk of releasing all manner of dangerous and uncontrollable influences. Even if gambling is 'needed' to attract some customers, let other places have those customers. They bring more problems than prosperity. We want visitors to tell others back home that Arkansas is a place where the good in people, not the bad, is brought to the front.

FACT 6. A FOOT IN THE DOOR—

Gambling breeds gamblers! Arkansas needs new business and new workers, not an army of hangers-on. Real wealth and prosperity was never produced by the "something for nothing" crowd. With a foot in the door, powerful forces push for more gambling. Who would be next? Fayetteville? Jonesboro? El Dorado? Texarkana? It should be obvious that the criminal element does not enter a business or an activity because it is legal or illegal, or because it is licensed or unlicensed. The sole interest of the underworld is in the lucrative nature of the business and the opportunities presented for easy money.

FACT 7. THE PROFIT GOES TO THE CASINO HOODLUM—

The professional gambling profits in the United States is known to exceed \$10 billion dollars! Compare this with the net profits of the 100 largest manufacturing corporations in the U. S. which is \$8 billion, or with the total amount of money given for all welfare and religious activities which is \$5 billion. The hoodlum's profit from casino gambling is used for the support of organized vice, and to organize violence.

FACT 8. LET'S KEEP ARKANSAS CLEAN—

Money made from the control of gambling has always been a source of political corruption. We neither want nor need a Phenix City, Alabama, or a Newport (Sintown), Kentucky, or a Las Vegas, Nevada. Legalized gambling has always been attractive to the criminal and racketeering elements. The migration of many of the nation's biggest racketeers to Nevada, the only state where casino gambling is legal, is the logical and inevitable result of legalization schemes.

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TACTFUL

BY J. I. COSSEY

The Women's Central Committee

MISSIONARY interest among Baptist women of the South arose sharply after the Civil War.



DR. SELPH

The Southern Baptist Convention's Committee on Women's Work suggested in 1878 that a central committee be organized in each state. They in turn were to

organize societies for this work and stimulate interest in missions.

In July, 1883, Rev. D. M. Early of Morrilton, vice president of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, issued a call through the *Evangel* for such a meeting. The meeting was to be held in First Church, Russellville, Sept. 19.

A small number of women responded to Mr. Early's call in September and formed the first Arkansas Women's Committee. Five officers were elected, Mrs. J. P. Eagle, president.

Four preachers attended this meeting to lend encouragement. They were: J. P. Eagle, J. B. Searcy, D. M. Early, and Mr. Weaver. Mr. Searcy led the devotional at the meeting.

The president and secretary were authorized to write a circular letter in the *Evangel* addressing every pastor and society in the state setting forth the advantages of organized effort and calling for their support.

A free will offering taken for the needs of the secretary amounted to \$2.75.

On Nov. 1, 1883, this committee made its first report to the Convention, meeting at Fayetteville. Eleven new societies had been formed that summer and \$168.75 received.

When the committee was seven months old the secretary wrote:

A TACTFUL person is one who practices the art of dealing with others. It is the sense of refinement and culture.



MR. COSSEY

Tact qualifies one for ease in any kind of society. Without tact one is a misfit in all kinds of society, and with tact one is a perfect fit with any group of people. Tact

has more to do with behavior than with knowledge. Whether one is learned or unlearned, if he is tactful, he may enjoy top success.

Tact seems to be a problem with sensitive people. With some people extreme tact is required at all times or their feelings are hurt. Sensitive people are to be pitied and helped because they are miserable. In the presence of these sensitive people, one has to be extremely tactful to get along with

"An advance movement has been made and though we have taken but few steps, yet these steps are in the right direction, though but few soldiers have enlisted we trust they are enrolled for war. We are yet in our infancy. The importance of 'Woman's Work to Women' is not felt because it is not known. Our sisters in other States have long since been in the field, have already gathered many heavy sheaves for the Master, and we must emulate their noble example. In order to do this the darkness must be dissipated, the ignorance dispelled" (Massey, *At the King's Command*, p. 21).

The personal element was emphasized with, "We must talk missions, we must write missions, and then each one of us must become, herself, a missionary, not in name, but in deed—be willing to sacrifice till we feel it, for a sacrifice without a cost is not acceptable to God" (Ibid).

them. Perhaps carefully watched tact is necessary to a warm relationship with some of your best friends. But the price is not too much to pay for a good and true friendship. I get a real kick out of watching my efforts at tact work in communicating with some of my best friends. It is worth the effort as an interesting study.

I know a preacher with high ideals and moral character, handsome, well poised, has good delivery, a student of the Bible and loyal to the truth and is a loyal Baptist. He has a nice family. He is well trained and of excellent behavior, but he is not tactful. He hurts the feelings of his people. He embarrasses them with his general procedure. He is tactless and is lacking in common sense. This man of high character has spent so much of his valuable time looking for another location. Tact, in brief, is treating others just like you like to be treated.

Tact is one of the essential elements in a marriage partnership. A man should be as tactful with his wife as he was with her as his sweetheart. Tact in a home is a healing art. Tact holds love just as the light fixture holds the light.

Tact with a disobedient son or daughter is as important as the discipline itself. The tactful way a thing is done is as important as doing the thing. It is possible to do the right thing in the wrong way and miss the point altogether. I once knew a man who lived with his wife forty years and most of the forty years he chewed tobacco and his wife never knew it. It is very interesting to see any person who is big enough and tactful enough not to embarrass his family with all of his idiosyncrasies.

HOMEMADE Happiness, a Broadman Press book by SBC President Wayne Dehoney, will be used as the basis of the five November programs in the National Broadcasting Company radio series "Faith in Action." Dr. Dehoney will discuss these topics: "Are You Fit to Be Tied?" "Look Before You Leap," "How Good a Mate Are You?" "Fireside Religion" and "The Best Is Yet to Be."

An author's limitation

A Protestant Press Month feature

BY ELISABETH ELLIOT

WRITING must be a personal expression of what the writer himself perceives as truth. The book of the prophet Isaiah is introduced as "the vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz *which he saw*" (italics mine). Jeremiah says, "Now the word of the Lord came to *me*." Ezekiel says "I saw visions of God." Expressions like these are repeated many times in Scripture.

God was willing to limit Himself to the ability of individual men to apprehend the particular facet of Truth which He wanted to show them. The men who received these revelations had to be willing to lay down their lives—i.e. their own reputations, their prior frames of reference, their security—and to put down faithfully what they saw, without fear of the labels which might mark them or the accusations of heterodoxy or fantasy which must have come to them from some of their readers.

Christian writers must be willing to write what they know firsthand without trying to please a constituency, without fear of what the truth may lead to, without rigid categories into which the truth must somehow be fitted. One cannot *create* so long as he is "preaching"—i.e., reiterating axioms which he has not actually lived, and learned by living. He must see a thing firsthand in order to make it meaningful to another. His perception must be personal, and unobscured by the "conditioned reflex" of pat phraseology.

Too much that goes by the name of Christian writing postulates a knowledge of the answers. The author assumes that he already knows the solution to the ultimate mysteries, and therefore has no incentive to question, to search, and to contemplate the truth with humility and purity of heart. It is this, I believe, which has hindered Christians from producing anything in recent generations which is worthy of the name of truly great art.

Christian readers too often feel threatened when honest questions are raised. Anxiously they scan their favorite periodicals for the shibboleths which assure them that they are on familiar ground—for familiar ground, to them, is "safe" ground. They have not been willing to "leave behind the elementary teaching about Christ and go forward to adult understanding," as the writer to the Jewish Christians said, but have insisted on laying "over and over again the foundation truths."

A writer should be mature enough, honest enough, humble enough and courageous enough to admit that there is a vast area beyond the "foundation truths" which he does not know, questions of the most fundamental nature which he knows he cannot possibly answer.

The writer who, in the integrity of his heart, presents only what he perceives at a given time, without attempting to fill in all the gaps by drawing on someone else's vision, will probably be charged with one-sidedness. Jeremiah must have been so charged in his day. In ours he is called "The Weeping Prophet." He wrote the word that came to *him*, pessimistic and shocking as it was. But he did not consider his own reputation. Jesus said of the man who does not consider his own reputation, "There can be no dishonesty about him." Jeremiah did not boggle at the possible consequences to his readers of what he had written.

It is not only cowardly to evade the truth because of what it may do to us or to our work, it is immoral. It is the sheerest casuistry to apply the pragmatic test to truth—to ask, "What will this do to our

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The Bookshelf

Hart's Guide to New York City, by Harold H. Hart, Hart Publishing Co., 1964, \$7.95

More than a mere guide book, this volume constitutes something of an encyclopedia of New York City. It is designed not only for those who go to New York City occasionally but for those who have lived there all their lives. The 1,400 pages offer tremendous coverage, reporting on a total of 2,200 places in New York City.

The visitor to New York will find this book a valuable timesaver. It gives special attention to sightseeing tours, shopping, and dining, and hotel accommodations. A map section of 64 pages in full color provides complete geographic orientation. A feature of the book is its detailed index.

The Douglass Sunday School Lessons, 1965, edited by Earl L. Douglass, Macmillan, 1964, \$3.25

The Douglass Sunday School Lessons has long had a wide acceptance among Sunday School teachers for its dependability in the expositions of the International Sunday School Lessons. This latest volume provides, for every Sunday in the year 1965, the full resources needed by the average person to teach the Sunday School lessons with real impact for teen-agers and adults. While intended primarily to be used by Sunday School teachers, this book also has wide use among ministers in sermon preparation. The Bible text is in the King James Version and each lesson has a detailed lesson plan.

The Advocate, A Manual of Persuasion, by Elton Abernathy, McKay, 1964, \$5

Here are 300 pages of real help for those who are interested in proving their ability as speech writers and speakers. The author received his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the State University of Iowa and since 1946 has been professor of speech and Chairman of the Department of Speech at Southwest Texas State College.

Dr. Abernathy attempts here to integrate the principles of logic, rhetoric, semantics, and social psychology into practical techniques of speechmaking, based upon scholarly research.

The Road to Salvation, by Theodor Bovet, a handbook on the Christian care of persons, Doubleday, 1964, \$4.95

Dr. Bovet, an imminent theologian and psychiatrist, analyzes here the weapons of psychology which every clergyman must utilize in combatting the problems of his parishioners. Pastoral psychology is discussed at length in this handbook. The author analyzes the problems of sin and prayer, repression of desires and neuroses, sex, marriage, and sex perversion, the powers of man and demonic influences.

Arkansas All Over

Scholarship memorial

A \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP fund for Ouachita College in memory of Bo Rowland, who died Sept. 23 in Little Rock, has been established by an anonymous donor.

Income from the fund will benefit deserving and worthy students. Anyone wishing to augment the fund may send a contribution to the Development Office at Ouachita.

A native of Arkadelphia, Rowland coached six years at Henderson and one year at Ouachita before becoming assistant coach at Oklahoma University, Syracuse, and Cornell. He was head coach at The Citadel, Oklahoma City University, and George Washington University. For the last 12 years he had been a special assistant to the vice president of Reynolds Metals Company.

Mission now church

SHANNON Road Mission of South Side Church, Pine Bluff, became Shannon Road Church Oct. 4.

The mission was organized Apr. 2, 1961. For the past two years John Hurd has been pastor.

Among those on the program were Mr. Hurd and Dr. Tal D. Bonham, pastor of South Side.

Donna sings, speaks



—U. of A. photo

DONNA AXUM, of El Dorado, the immediate past Miss America, will be guest participant in the Oct. 11 evening services of Immanuel Church, Little Rock, Dr. W. O. Vaught Jr., pastor, has announced. Miss Axum, now in her senior year at the University of Arkansas, will sing a solo and speak on three separate occasions—before the young people and high school Training Union groups, at 6:15 p.m.; in the regular worship service, at 7:30 p.m.; and at youth fellowship, at 8:30 p.m.

Dove leaves Rye Hill

THOMAS DOVE, who has served Rye Hill Church for 18 months and has also served as associational treasurer, has resigned to accept the View Acres Church in Tulsa, Okla.

C. W. CALDWELL, executive secretary of missions and evangelism of the Arkansas State Convention, held a recent revival with Pastor Doyle Lumpkin and First Church, Lavaca. There were 12 additions to the church. Horace Hogan, minister of music for the church, directed the music.

THE CONCORD Seminary Center has begun its eight consecutive year. On the first night, 21 preachers and laymen enrolled for the course, "The Rural Church," by Dr. Garland Hendricks. Dr. Earl Humble, pastor of Immanuel Church, Ft. Smith, is the instructor.

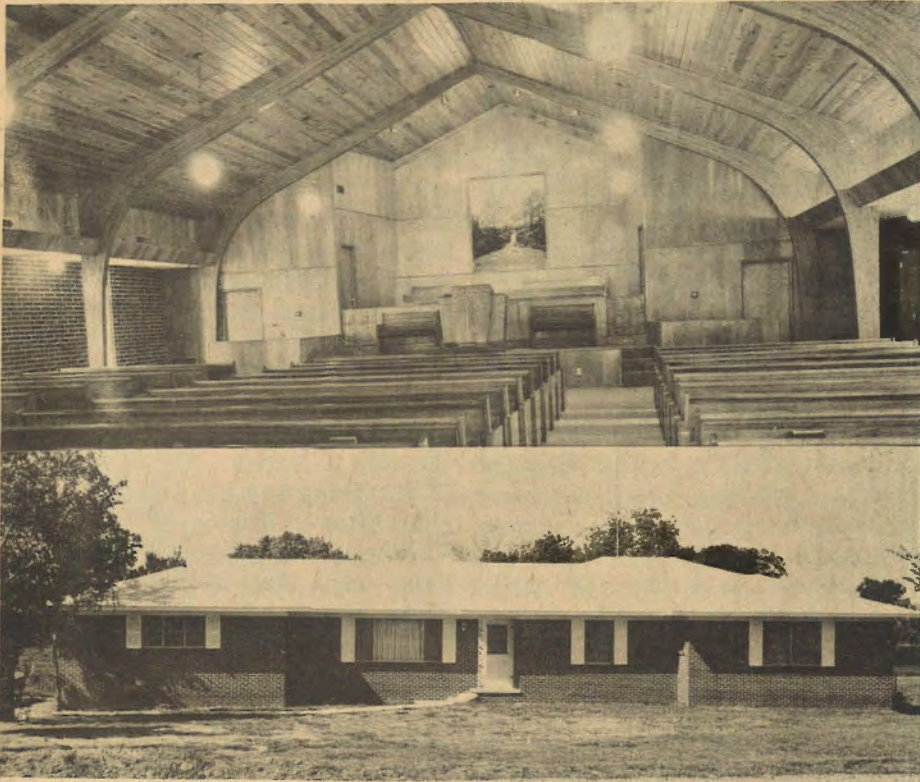
During the past eight years 368 students have been enrolled and 300 of these have finished one or more courses. Seven have qualified for the certificate in Pastoral Ministry. Three or four will qualify for the certificate during this semester.—Reporter



OAK CLIFF COMPLETES SANCTUARY — Oak Cliff Church, Ft. Smith, dedicated its new \$85,000 sanctuary, seating 500, Sept. 27, with Dr. Ralph Douglas, associate executive secretary, Arkansas State Convention, as speaker. The interior of the brick structure has exposed wooden beams. The

sanctuary is the fourth unit of the planned building program. Three educational buildings were already completed. Organized in 1960 with 16 members, the church now boasts a church membership of 361, with 324 enrolled in Sunday School and 206 in Training Union. Murl Walker is pastor.

Kibler burns and rebuilds



KIBLER Church auditorium and educational building burned July 23, 1963. On Aug. 23, 1964, a new 9800-square-foot church plant was dedicated, together with a new four-bedroom, year-round air conditioned parsonage.

The church met for three months in an adjoining school, and in the new educational building until July 12, when the first worship service was held in the new auditorium.

The educational building provides for eight complete departments. The auditorium seats 270. The buildings are brick with architectural laminated beams in the auditorium.

Serving on the finance and building committee were J. O. Crabtree, Arthur Arnold, Otis Arnold, James A. Arnold, O. J. Figley, Jack Keller, Dibrell Jackson, T. W. Arnold, John Gunn and Neal Preston.

The estimated value of the church and parsonage is \$100,000. Rev. Charles Chesser Jr. is pastor.

The dedication was followed by a week's revival led by Rev. Zane Chesser, pastor, First Church, Norphlet. There were 4 additions by letter and 2 by baptism.

Thompson to Arizona

CHARLES A. Thompson, pastor of First Church, Marvell, for four years, has resigned to accept a teaching position in the Salome, Ariz., High School. At present the nearest Southern Baptist Church is 60 miles distant.

During his pastorate, the Marvell Church had 137 additions. The church redecorated its sanctuary, installed a new heating and cooling system and a rheostat lighting system. A lot for building a new parsonage was purchased.

Ouachitonian commended

MRS. Charlene Sampson Orton, a 1964 graduate of Ouachita College, has been commended for her work this summer in the Biochemistry Department at the University of Arkansas Medical Center, Little Rock.

Mrs. Orton did research on microbial enzymes in the biosynthesis of amino acids, under the direction of Dr. Robert L. Wixom.

Mrs. Orton has now secured a laboratory position in biochemical genetics at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in Baltimore.

E. E. Griever honored

FIRST Church, Hamburg, marked the pastor's 13th anniversary with a special service Sept. 13. Rev. E. E. Griever Sr. came to the church Sept. 16, 1951, after a 21-year pastorate with First Church, Harrison.

Among those present were the pastor's sister, Mrs. Zora Hilliard, Little Rock; his daughter, Mrs. Lois Etheridge, and family, Brinkley; his sons, Elmer Jr., and family, Harrison, and Lewis, and family, Hamburg; and Dr. S. A. Whitlow, executive secretary, Arkansas State Convention.

Events brought out about Mr. Griever were his pastorates at Holland and Wooster, Faulkner County, Unity, near Arkadelphia, Rector, Star City and Gould; his 23 years as a member of the Arkansas State Convention Executive Board; two terms as vice president of the Convention; presidency of the Central College Board of Trustees; membership on the Arkansas Baptist Hospital board; his years as moderator of the association.

He is married to the former Myrtle Aaron.

A large mantle mirror was installed in their home as a gift from the church.

Prescott groundbreaking

GROUNDBREAKING ceremonies were held Sept. 13 by First Church, Prescott, for a new educational building. This building will increase the Sunday School capacity of the church to approximately 450.

The new building will accommodate three Nursery departments, two Beginner, three Primary, one Adult, a dining room and kitchen facilities.

The cost of the building is approximately \$50,000, according to the pastor, D. D. Smothers.

FRED Sudduth, former missionary in Tri-County, is now serving in Carroll County.

ALICIA Church, Black River Association, held open house recently in their new parsonage.

Nashville mission progressing



UNDER the leadership of Mike Carozza, pastor, First Church, Nashville, a mission was organized Oct. 6, 1963, with an enrollment of 17 in Sunday School and seven in Training Union.

Edward W. Turner, ministerial student at Ouachita College, was called as the first pastor. Bob Griffin, deacon of First Church, is Sunday School superintendent, Deacon Joe Goodwin is Training

Union director, and Miss Camille Bishop is pianist.

Two revivals have been held at the mission since it began last October. There have been 26 additions by baptism and 14 by letter. The present enrollment in Sunday School is 59 with a high attendance of 61.

Three lots have been purchased for a new educational building and sanctuary.



GROUND BREAKING ceremonies for the new educational building of Calvary Church, Little Rock, were held Sept. 20. Emil Williams, pastor, Fred Helms, director of Music-Youth; Art Hope, chairman of the building committee; and Dr. Owen Beard, chairman of the board of deacons participated.

The new building will contain 16,248 square feet of space. The church offices, conference room and various Sunday School departments will be housed in the building. The building is of structural steel framing with combination masonry and glass curtain walls. Covered walkway and covered balcony will connect the new educational building with the present educational building and church sanctuary. The approximate cost of the building will be \$221,000.

Rev. L. W. Williams

REV. L. W. Williams, 64, pastor of Wilmot Church, died in Waco, Tex., Sept. 24 while visiting a daughter there. Mr. Williams was a native of Turner, and later moved to Holly Grove as a child, where he finished high school. He graduated from Central College when it was located in Little Rock. The Rev. Williams was ordained as a Baptist minister in 1937 at Marianna. He was formerly the pastor of the North Crossett Church and had been pastor at Wilmot for seven years. He was a Mason.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lucille Sims Williams; a son, Max Williams, San Jose, Calif.; two daughters, Mrs. Harold Osborne, Waco, Tex., and Mrs. L. H. Autry, Hot Springs; four brothers, John Williams, Shreveport, La., Willis Williams, Cape Girardeau, Mo.; Hugh Williams, Marvell, and Andrew Williams, Holly Grove; three sisters, Miss Mamie Williams and Miss Bertha Williams, both of Marvell, and Mrs. Claudia Jones, Chicago, Ill.

Funeral services were held at the Wilmot Church Sept. 26, with Rev. Roy Bunch and Rev. Noel Barlow in charge. Burial was in the Wilmot cemetery, with Jones Funeral Home in charge.

May to Paragould

REV. Marvin May, who has served as pastor of the Hardin Church for the past three years and 10 months, has resigned to accept the pastorate of Immanuel Church, Paragould.

During his ministry at Hardin, the church added 75 to its membership by profession of faith and baptism; the church budget increased from \$7,500 to \$17,000; and the church purchased 4½ acres of land for expansion and one acre has been developed for a parking lot.

An educational building was erected and an auditorium which includes office space and seats 340. Total church property is now valued at \$50,000.

Mr. May has served on a number of associational committees.



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Baptist tour to Russia

BY W. O. VAUGHT JR.

PASTOR, IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

I AM going to take a small party to visit Russia during August, 1965. Having been in the



DR. VAUGHT

Soviet Union in 1959, I will probably be asked the question, Why visit Russia again?

I was in Russia during a very interesting time, for at that time

former Vice President Richard Nixon was there to open an American Exhibition. I spent quite some time with Mr. Nixon and Mr. Khrushchev on the day of the famous "Kitchen Debate." I got to see some interesting scenes "inside" the Soviet Union. Best of all, we got to visit the Baptist churches and worship with the Russian Baptists. And this is the reason why we plan to visit Russia again.

Maurice Hindus has written a very thrilling book on Russia entitled, *House Without a Roof*. Born in Russia in 1891, he emigrated to America in 1905. He was graduated a Phi Beta Kappa from Colgate University and later attended Harvard. He has visited Russia on many occasions, and in this most recent book on Russia he devotes Chapter 7 to the subject, "Religion—Triumph of the Baptists." This is an amazing analysis of how the Baptists have been able not only to survive under Communism, but have actually been able to triumph and increase.

Mr. Hindus says of the Baptists in Russia: "The Baptist faith is the only religion that has triumphantly breasted the turbulent tides of atheism."

Mr. Hindus has travelled all over Russia, and he frequently was an over-night guest in Baptist homes. Says he, "They always have a very clean house." He says

that the police do not raid Baptist homes, for they know they will find no vodka there.

This may be the finest tribute in print today of the faithfulness of our Baptist brothers in the Soviet Union. He says, "The membership in the Baptist churches keeps growing and the militant atheist is at a loss to combat this growth. . . . In truth, the Baptist is the despair of the Communist propagandist."

I commend this book to anyone who really wants to know what is going on inside Russia today.

Some months ago Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor of First Church, Dallas, Tex., was guest preacher in my church for a revival meeting. During the week he was here I showed him the pictures I made in Russia during my trip, in 1959. When he had finished viewing the film, he turned to me and said, "Will you take me to Russia in the summer of 1965?"

As a result of that conversation, we planned this trip to visit a number of the centers of Europe, with emphasis on the Soviet Union. We plan to take a small party of not more than 15, and our main emphasis will be to study the Baptists of Russia.

This journey will include a brief visit to London, with emphasis on the scenes connected with Charles Haddon Spurgeon and John Wesley. Moving north we will visit Moulton and Kettering, the land of William Carey. We will visit Shakespeare's country and the scenes connected with the life of John Bunyan.

After visiting Scotland, Norway, and Sweden and Finland, our Russian trip will begin in Leningrad. The Baptists have strong churches in Leningrad, Moscow, and Kiev, and all of these centers will be visited. However, Baptists are strongest in Southern Russia, and here we will spend about ten days visiting with Baptist leaders in the Ukraine.

Returning from Russia, the group will visit Vienna, Prague, and Berlin before returning to the United States.

Another interesting feature of this journey will be the evening "seminars" concerning the deeper Christian life. Up to this time, those who have made tentative plans to journey with Dr. Criswell and me are the following: E. V. Appling, Haynesville, La.; Kermit Canterbury, Jackson, Miss.; Stafford Hebert, Jacksonville, Fla.; Bob N. Ramsay, Brookhaven, Miss.; George W. Sinquefield, Madison, Ala.; John P. Vandercook, New Orleans, La.; Robert White, Bastrop, La.; and R. E. Wilkins, Decatur, Ala. Those who might be interested in this trip should contact me at Immanuel Baptist Church, 1000 Bishop, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Facts of interest

. . . . IN the past year, according to metropolitan police, juvenile crime in Washington, D. C., rose by 25 per cent, continuing a steady increase that started in 1959. The report, covering the year that ended June 30, 1964, said that 3,348 youths involved in 5,498 complaints were sent to juvenile court. In the previous year, there were 2,674 youths and 4,255 complaints. Deputy Police Chief John E. Winters, who heads the Youth Aid Division, said: "The most significant increase was in robbery, particularly robberies involving force and violence."

. . . . Cataracts were removed from the eyes of six persons within ninety minutes in Pittsburg several days ago by a new method of surgery. The method, developed by Dr. Charles Kelman of New York City, employs a small probe cooled electrically to forty degrees below zero. Because little pressure is exerted on the eye, the possibility of complications is reduced.

. . . . An experimental meal-service car is being tested by the Canadian National trains between Montreal and Ottawa. Its main feature is a microwave oven. Meals are precooked and refrigerated, and then brought up to serving temperature in a matter of seconds by use of the oven's microwave energy.—The Survey Bulletin

A word for Hot Springs

BY RALPH A. PHELPS JR.

PRESIDENT OF OUACHITA COLLEGE AND OF CHURCHES UNITED AGAINST GAMBLING

I WANT to say a word in defense of Hot Springs—or a large portion of it, anyway. I firmly believe that some of its citizens who are promoting Proposed Amendment 55 are doing a grave injustice to their city.

Before defending Hot Springs against some of its own leadership, let me say that as a neighbor I have been in that city many times. I have spoken on countless occasions for churches, civic clubs, P.T.A.'s, fund-raising drives, youth groups, and conventions of practically every known group except gamblers and brewers. Our family has shopped, boated, fished, and vacationed in Hot Springs often. We have a great host of personal friends there.

(This material from an address by Dr. Phelps before the Greater Little Rock Ministerial Association, Sept. 28, with other releases is suggested for use by Sunday School teachers who may wish to have special lessons dealing with the gambling issue—The Editor)

As a matter of fact, we have liked Hot Springs so well that a few months ago we acquired property there with a view of making this city our retirement home. We are not so sure now that this will be possible, but we still love the good things and the good people of Hot Springs.

Some of the spokesmen for gambling have cried in recent weeks that Hot Springs is in desperate condition since the illegal gambling casinos were closed down following the Legislature's resolution condemning them. To hear these advocates of legalized crap-shooting tell it, Hot Springs is a ghost town and probably won't need any government except a nightwatchman if Arkansas does not set aside all of her present gambling laws for the spa city so that guests can do what the laws at home won't allow.

The first thing I protest is the implication that Hot Springs is a city that crime built. Some of the proponents of Amendment 55 have stated in one breath that the city has had 100 years of gambling and in the next breath that business is in desperate condition since the gambling joints have been shut down. Since gambling has been and is a felony in Arkansas, the logic of this argument is that Hot Springs has been built on penitentiary offenses—and with the hearty endorsement of the community as a whole.

There is no denying that some of Hot Springs' economy—the plush casinos and those housing and eating accommodations that catered primarily to the customers of same—were geared to an illegal economy. But as S. H. Allman, a widely known retired

Hot Springs business man has said, "The city of Hot Springs was built on sound business principles by unselfish, hardworking, philosophical Americans, offering to those in need, healing waters and clean, honorable physical recreation."

The second thing that I protest is the implication that Hot Springs has nothing to offer the world except gambling and no future unless its economy is geared to slot machines, roulette wheels, crap tables, and blackjack dealers. With its therapeutic baths, great natural beauty, three magnificent lakes adjacent to it, and numerous tourist attractions within easy driving distance, it has far more to offer than other resort cities I have visited over the country, which cities were booming without legal or illegal gambling. To its old motto, "We bathe the world," Hot Springs does not have to add, "We pluck the suckers!" in order to draw visitors. With its wealth of water and proximity to power sources, it might even become an industrial center as well as a resort.

The third thing I protest is the way certain Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce officials are filtering out the facts from the rest of the state of Arkansas concerning the present state of affairs in their city. First, we are led to believe that everyone in Hot Springs is for legalized gambling, and this is just flatly untrue. Many business and professional men, some of them members of the Chamber of Commerce, are unalterably opposed to Amendment 55. Second, we are given only those facts which are helpful to gambling interests. Why does the group pushing gambling not mention the increase in savings and loan deposits, in utility connections, and in retail sales in many establishments since the gambling shutdown? Are they afraid that people might draw the conclusion that dollars which once went into the pockets of gambling interests are now going into other businesses?

A leading Hot Springs businessman told me that his retail establishment in 1964 is doing the best business in its entire history and that no amount of brow-beating was going to make him vote for gambling. A small business man said, "Even if the loss of gambling hurt my business, I'd be against legalization, for gambling is bad for my city."

I predict that when the people of Hot Springs go into the privacy of the ballot box and vote on the destiny of their city, a surprisingly large number of them are going to vote against Amendment 55. Because of fear of reprisals, they are not saying much publicly; but they are opposed to this vicious

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Departments

Church Music

Music training

CHURCH Study Course awards are down in all areas this year. Percentagewise, music has faired better than other areas, but our total is still below last year's report. Last year, Arkansas churches reported 563 study course awards in the music category, No. 19. This year, through August, only 329 awards have been reported.



MR. MULKEY

Of course, it is understood that there are many awards that should be given which are earned but which are never reported and this, of course, hurts our record. Also, we realize that there is much more training in the field of church music taking place in our churches and associations for which credit is not earned because of lack of enough study hours and for other reasons. So we feel that this record is not really a true picture of the training which is going on in our state. I would encourage our churches and associations to report their study course awards to the state office and to make application for these awards through the Sunday School Board in Nashville. Also, if training courses are held for which credit is not given, we would like to at least know in the state office that this training is taking place, so we can get a little better picture of how our work is progressing.

I would like to recommend that our pastors or music directors write for some free helps from our literature department in the Baptist Building. We have many general pamphlets and training pamphlets, graded choir pamphlets, as well as posters and special folders to help you in your promotion and training in the church music ministry. I especially recommend that you write for copies of the pamphlet, "Organize Your Course of Study For Better Church Music"

Evangelism

Public or corporate worship

HEBREWS 10:25 says, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together." Worship is essential to the individual. It is essential to evangelism. Not all who worship are witnesses, but all who witness worship. No one will witness regularly unless he worships regularly.



MR. REED

The Department of Evangelism will promote corporate worship from the platform of our Evangelism conferences and clinics. We shall in all our revivals and crusades promote regular worship as an essential for the consecrated individual as well as for a sustained spirit for evangelism.

We shall encourage our pastors to prevent our worship services from being formal and cold, by keeping the services Christ-centered and filled with the spirit.

Religious Education

October training schedule

THE important training sessions for associational officers to be held in the districts Oct. 19, 20, 22, and 23, will begin promptly at 7 p.m. and conclude at 9 p.m.



MR. ELLIFF

Due to the brevity of time those attending will be directed to their conference rooms without a general assembly for all in attendance. The district representative and the "I-MAP" pamphlet, which is a personal music development program for home study. All these materials are free, of course, and we are delighted to send you the quantity of any of these that you will need, but you must request them.—Hoyt A. Mulkey, Secretary

We shall encourage our music leaders to use warm-hearted hymns and gospel songs. While all worship will have some order or form, "we must be careful to guard against two evils:

- "1. The evil of formalism
- "2. The evil of formlessness"

—John Bob Riddle

There should be a spirit of worship in every meeting of each organization of the church. We should, however, distinguish between worship in a Sunday School Department assembly and the regular worship or preaching service. Superintendents would do well not to preach sermons during the assembly program. Nothing can take the place of people of all ages worshipping together Sunday morning and evening, when the anointed man of God proclaims the Word after hungry hearts have been stirred by the singing of beautiful songs. This is when and where God speaks to his people, at which time the people have the opportunity to respond publicly to God's personal message. Yours for a more meaningful worship service.—Jesse S. Reed, Director of Evangelism

representative will preside either for the whole conference (in the case of Music and Brotherhood) or until the Sunday School and Training Union age group conferences meet. Most of the time will be spent in age group conferences.

We are listing again the places and date of meetings:

Date	District	Place
Oct. 19	1	First Church Springdale
Oct. 23	2	West Church Batesville
Oct. 23	3	First Church Jonesboro
Oct. 20	4	First Church Paris
Oct. 23	5	Immanuel Church Little Rock
Oct. 22	6	First Church Brinkley
Oct. 20	7	First Church Hope
Oct. 22	8	First Church Warren

—J. T. Elliff, director

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10:00 A.M. — 2:45 P.M.

District	Date	Place
NORTHWEST	October 19	First Baptist Church, ROGERS
WEST CENTRAL	October 20	First Baptist Church, BOONEVILLE
SOUTHWEST	October 21	First Baptist Church, HOPE
SOUTHEAST	October 22	First Baptist Church, MONTICELLO
CENTRAL	October 23	Park Hill Baptist Church, NORTH LITTLE ROCK
NORTH CENTRAL	October 26	First Baptist Church, MOUNTAIN HOME
NORTHEAST	October 27	First Baptist Church, JONESBORO
EAST CENTRAL	October 28	First Baptist Church, FORREST CITY

Bring Sack Lunch

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Nursery Open

Training Union

Something new

SEVERAL new items have been released recently that workers with Nursery, Beginner, and Primary children will want to include in their purchase list for the new church year.



MR. DAVIS

Music — Nursery children will enjoy the new singing games and activities of marching, and jumping as suggested in the book, *Let's Play and Sing* by Mary Justis. Four's and five's will be delighted with the new song book and recording of *A Child's Life In Song* by Claud Rhea. Primaries will find the new, long awaited *Songs for Primaries* book and recordings well worth waiting for.

Books — Beginner four's and five's will learn many spiritual

truths from the new books, *My Money Helps* by Nora Padgett, *Christmas At Kyles House* by Melva Cook, and *Who Are Johnny's Friends* by Robert Watts.

Planning — Primary workers will appreciate the new recording, *Planning With Primaries* by La-

Verne Ashby, that gives an actual conversation of a planning session with primary children. It will inspire you and compel you to try the method of letting the primary children plan a unit work.—Ralph W. Davis, Secretary, Training Union Department

Author's limitation

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work?" or "Where might this lead?" when the only really valid question is, "Is this true?" The apostle Paul said to the Corinthians, "I earnestly want you to find the right answer even if that should make me no real Christian... We can make no progress against the truth, we can only work for the truth."

May God grant us courage to face the truth as we ourselves perceive it and to take whatever risks may be necessary to state it.

We may be mistaken, but it is infinitely better to be mistaken than to bluff.

We may be ignorant, but the admission of ignorance has sometimes cleared the way for the statement of truth. The reader is arrested by the recognition of common ground with the writer and is prepared to receive the message as he would not be had the writer tried to overpower him with bluff. None of us is big enough to contemplate, let alone to write, the whole truth. For God Himself is Truth. What we see of it or of Him at a given moment is what we are responsible to reproduce.

Sunday in San Cristobal

SUNDAY in San Cristobal, Venezuela, begins at dawn unless one is a heavy sleeper, for the church



DR. LOGUE

bells begin early to awaken the people. The Sunday which I spent there recently was noisier than usual, for with the bells there was the continuous noise of exploding firecrackers. It was a religious holiday.

Sunday of my week in visiting the Gerald Counds, Arkansas Peace Corps workers, was as busy as the other days there. Gerald, who was voted the Neil Martin Trophy in 1962 as Arkansas' outstanding athlete, and I began the day by visiting an 8 o'clock service at the Catholic Church at the central plaza of the city. The beautiful and elaborate church was almost full, an army band arrived by bus and added much to the music, but all during the service firecrackers on the outside were booming.

Waiting on the outside before the service began, we noticed the assistant to the priest making several trips from the church to the man who was shooting the small "canon" in the plaza. Either the noise was a part of the church's celebration or he could not stop it.

Because the Baptist church only has Sunday School in the morning, we attended an Evangelical Church in the morning. TEAM (The Evangelical Alliance Mission) has the strongest evangelical work in that part of Venezuela. They have a boarding school at the edge of the city and several churches in the city. Mariette ("Bitsy") Cound, Gerald's wife, joined us at the service.

The church was bare, by our standards, but attended by perhaps 200 that Sunday. The national pastor preached, and the missionaries were unnoticed. Later in the week we had supper in the

home of one of the missionaries. One of the TEAM couples is Southern Baptist.

Several of Gerald's basketball players, took us driving Sunday afternoon, but we returned early enough for the evening service at the Baptist Church of San Cristobal.

There are no Southern Baptist missionaries in the city, but at one time there had been some, the TEAM missionaries told us. The bottom floor of the rented building housed a meeting place for the church and a barber shop. The pastor and his family lived on the second floor.

I was attending the third service of our Sunday in San Cristobal and again I understood nothing. I did recognize the hymns and sang them softly in English, while the congregation sang in Spanish.

In a city of 100,000 there were less than 20 in the Baptist service that night. The church building was small, bare, and unattractive, though the pastor stated that the rent for the building was \$125 per month. People seemed to sit more as families in this small church, and they stayed to visit after the service.

It was Sunday in San Cristobal. But really every day was like Sunday for me there, for the lives of these two Arkansans was an unusual witness.

Gerald and Bitsy (Spinks) Cound were both BSU presidents at Arkansas State Teachers College. The Christian faith meant much to them as students. It has continued to do so.

They have not felt that they must accept all the ways of a people to communicate with them. They politely refuse to drink, while other Americans have lost their conviction. They have numerous opportunities to express their faith to others. Constantly Venezuelans are dropping by their apartment, and, being near the border, their home is headquarters for traveling Peace Corps workers.



Gerald and George stand before the new school (left) and typical slum housing (left).



Gerald and Bitsy stand before her school. Communists' signs from last winter's election are still visible. Bitsy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Spinks of North Little Rock. She was a BSU summer missionary to Colorado in 1962 and president at ASTC in the spring of 1963. Gerald is the son of Mrs. H. E. Stuart of Grannis and E. J. Cound of El Paso. He was BSU president at ASTC in the fall and winter of 1962 and president of his senior class.

Gerald and Bitsy are in the fifth Peace Corps group to come to Venezuela. They teach Physical Education in two different schools in the city. Their living conditions are very pleasant in contrast to some of the other Peace Corps groups, such as community development, in which the corpsmen may live in primitive circumstances.

On street corners, in air terminals, and in hotel lobbies I spoke with almost 20 Peace Corps work-

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THIS WE DON'T NEED

Hot Springs

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measure. I join with that group of people in the firm belief that Hot Springs and Arkansas have more to offer the world than a chance to misbehave. I'd like to believe that people would come to Arkansas for reasons other than to do what 49 of the 50 states believe to be economically hurtful, socially disastrous, politically corrupting, and educationally misleading.

One day the promoters of Amendment 55 tell us that Hot Springs is going to have gambling anyway whether this passes or not, then the next day they tell us this must be passed to save their city. Why don't they consider a third and far more desirable possibility for the development of Arkansas, namely, abiding by the present laws? Ultimately, this would be better for everyone, including Hot Springs.

Let's not fool ourselves!

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Fact 9

Legalized gambling is no assurance that criminals will be eliminated from control of gambling. In fact it may only serve to legitimize their major source of income. Organized crime participates in legal as well as illegal gambling enterprises. Direct government operation of casino gambling is no assurance against criminal activity. We are just fooling ourselves if we believe legal gambling will eliminate criminals.

Fact 10

This proposed amendment is a shocking, immoral and indecent proposal. It is immoral to encourage belief in gambling as a source of family income, immoral for the government to benefit from casino gambling with implied assumption that games of chance are a fair substitute or a settlement to the honorable business of producing the goods and services of which people live. It will be indecent for the government to falsely finance itself from the weaknesses of the people. The entire history of legalized gambling shows that it has brought nothing but poverty, crime and corruption.

(From the brochure, "The Case

Against Gambling," distributed by Churches United Against Gambling, Walden Building, Little Rock, Ark.)

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ers during the short visit to Colombia and Venezuela. Without a doubt this is one of the wisest moves America has made in recent years.

If they did no work in their chosen field, which of course they do, the Peace Corps worker is giving the world a second look at America. He is usually in tee shirt and blue jeans, carrying his own bag, tipping lightly, and more important, speaking the language of the people. The government wisely holds part of the salary until the end of the two years' service and forbids owning automobiles.

And the Peace Corps has been good for Southern Baptists, too. We had the genius of the idea in the Summer Mission program before the government had it, but we had not developed it into a large program. Now we have been "shocked" into it. The Foreign Mission Board has recently announced its "Missionary Journeyman Program" and the Home Mission Board its "U-2 Program." These are two-year programs for college graduates and require no seminary training.

I think of Gerald and Bitsy often. Their vision of a world

could never be small now. They soon will have invested two years of their lives, not only for the free way of life which we Americans proclaim, but for a way of faith without which our American way of life will someday crumble.

It was Sunday in San Cristobal.

Revivals

SOUTHERN College, Walnut Ridge, Oct. 11-16; G. B. Hickem, pastor, First Church, Crossett, evangelist; directed by College City Church, Dale Taylor, pastor, and Baptist Student Union, sponsored by Professor J. T. Midkiff, Arliss Dickerson, Piggott, president.

LAVACA Church, C. W. Caldwell, Missions-Evangelism Department, Arkansas State Convention, evangelist; Horace Hogan, music director; 13 additions; 7 for baptism; 5 by letter, 1 by statement; Doyle Lumpkin, pastor.

FIRST Church, Mountain View, tent revival; Walter Ayers, evangelist; Red Johnson, song leader; 11 by profession of faith; 7 by baptism; 2 by letter; Jack Porter, pastor.

FIRST Church, Knobel, Sept. 13-23; John Bliss, pastor, Horseshoe Church, evangelist; Gail Wilson, Harrison, song director; 1 profession of faith; 1 by letter; James A. Mueller, pastor.

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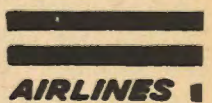
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When the waitress has taken your order at an ice-cream stand, how many times have you said, "Make mine chocolate?"

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This delicacy was made from beans of a tropical tree called the

cacahuatl. This name was shortened to cacao and then Americanized to cocoa. The cacao beans were valuable, not only as food, but also as money. A good slave could be bought for one hundred beans. When Cortes returned to Spain, he took along some of the beans. Soon cacao trees were flourishing in Spanish colonies.

One day an adventuresome cook discovered this drink tasted better when made with milk, instead of water, then slightly sweetened. It soon became popular everywhere, and chocolate houses were opened. There people could order this new drink and enjoy it at

take



By Winona MacMullan

their leisure. Today more than 650,000,000 pounds of cacao beans are shipped to the United States yearly. That will make many candy bars.

The cacao tree prefers the warm moist climate close to the equator in South America and Central America, the East and West Indies, and Africa. It grows twenty to twenty-five feet tall. Large green leaves almost hide the lovely pink blossoms. After

A Bible fruit

By Alice Rogers

A small brown fruit the Hebrews ate. It's rich and sweet; it's called a

Answer
date

the beans are sun dried, they are shipped around the world.

A little town in Pennsylvania receives and processes many millions of pounds of these beans. Its streets are called by such fascinating names as Chocolate Avenue, Cocoa Avenue, and Vanilla Street. The town is Hershey, named after its founder. Milton Hershey started a candy business in his kitchen and built it into a multimillion-dollar business.

In the factory at Hershey, many processes are needed to turn the beans into the finished products. Cleaning, roasting, pressing, smoothing, cooling, molding, and packaging are a few of them. After pressing, the rich brown liquid that remains becomes the dark squares your mother uses when she makes cakes, puddings, and fudge.

Another finished product is cocoa, which becomes a nourishing drink that tastes good on cold, wintry mornings. When pulverized sugar and rich milk are added to cocoa in the proper amounts, it becomes the candy bars that are so popular. Cocoa passes through many machines that do the work of human hands, even to wrapping the delicate bars in waxed paper. Before you can say "I'll take a chocolate bar," it is on its way to the supermarket and school cafeteria.

The next time you let that smooth mouthful of milk chocolate melt on your tongue, stop a moment. Think of the many work-

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Salvation for sinners

BY D. D. SMOTHERS, PASTOR
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TEXT: I TIM. 1:12; 2:15

OCTOBER 11, 1964

SALVATION for sinners? Indeed, and who else could salvation be for? The Bible says, "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).



D. D. SMOTHERS

Jesus did many wonderful things while on earth. He healed the sick. The blind were made to see. Even the lepers were cleansed. No one can deny that these were worthwhile deeds. But the salvation which Jesus came to bestow meant more than this. Theologians are thinking in terms of the whole man today, and they should, but physical fitness can not be equated with the salvation which Jesus came to give.

Paul said, "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief" (I Tim. 1:15).

His Christian experience was Paul's greatest offensive weapon. He told it on numerous occasions. Paul's Christian experience is told at least eight times. Each time it is used for a different purpose. The following references will show the importance attached to the telling of the experience in becoming a Christian:

Luke tells of Paul's conversion (Acts 9:1-18);

Barnabas tells about Paul's encounter with Christ (Acts 9:26, 27); six times Paul tells of it himself (Acts 22:1-16; 26:1-8; Rom. 7:9-25; Phil. 3:4-14; I Tim. 1:12-17; II Tim. 1-12).

The conversion of Khrushchev would cause no greater stir today

than did the conversion of Saul of Tarsus in his day. Paul considered himself at the extreme end of the unsavable. He considered himself the "chief of sinners." Paul thought that God was demonstrating His power, mercy, and long-suffering in bringing him, the "chief of sinners," to salvation (I Tim. 1:16).

Amazing grace

THE grace of God is so amazing that many pass it by without a consideration of its reality. The story of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32) shows both the grace of God and the unbelief of the Pharisees. The Jew could not, and can not today, believe that God would forgive sin on the basis of repentance and faith. All sinners are in ignorance of the matchless grace of our Heavenly Father.

Peter attributed the conduct of the Jews to spiritual ignorance (Acts 3:17). We are to believe that God can and will save anyone who will repent of his sins and put his trust in Christ.

Paul seemed to believe that prayer was a mighty instrument through which the believer could bring about the conversion of the lost. Could it be that he was thinking of the prayer of Stephen (Acts 7:60)? Paul exhorts Timothy to pray for all men... for kings, and for all that are in authority" (I Tim. 2:1-3).

Nearness of God

TO many people, God is thought of as being far away. Jacob found the ladder reaching from earth to Heaven, with angels ascending and descending, an indication that God was nearer than he had previously believed (Gen. 28-16).

Job's plight was aggravated by his belief that there was no way whereby he could get God to take note of his condition. His lament was, "neither is there any daysman betwixt us, that might lay his hand upon us both" (Job 9:33).

But the Apostle Paul gives a much different concept in I Timothy 2:5, 6 when he says "For there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time." The sinner can be saved any moment he will let Christ come into his life (Rom. 10:8-13).

Great committal

THE apostle (I Tim. 1:18) is committing into the hands of Timothy the responsibility of making known the matchless grace of God. He indicates that there are those who have not held the faith in a good conscience and have, thereby, made shipwreck of their faith (I Tim. 1:19). This is true of the churches today.

Lloyd C. Douglas gives a good description of many churches in his sermon "The Bethesda Pool," when he says, "Some of our churches are like that pool of Bethesda. They are equipped handsomely; nobody can say that considerable care has not been exercised in making them commodious and comfortable. Some of them have 'five porches' and many of them have cushioned pews. But there seems to be such a noticeable lack of provision for bringing in just the people who are in obvious need of its curative agencies. How frequently is the case that each Sabbath Day finds the same people wading into the pool who have been going there weekly, throughout their lives,

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passing on their way scores who have no notion of its benefits."

Perhaps we all need to restudy our relationship to Christ. Jesus said that if He be lifted up, He would draw all men unto Himself. We need to be able to see Christ in the services of our churches and in the conduct of Christian people.

Every teacher should be able to present the plan of salvation; and in every lesson, to some extent, it should be mentioned. Such Scriptures as Romans 3:23, 6:23; John 1:11, 12; 3:14-19 and others can be used with success in making the way of salvation plain.

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New dimensions

"IN the world's concern with Left and Right," says the Langford (S. D.) Bugle, "it seems to us that most people have forgotten that there is an Above and Below."

—The Baptist Program

WORK is something which when we have it we wish we didn't; when we don't have it we wish we did; and the object of most of it is to be able to afford not to do any of it some day.

A Smile or Two

Child psychology

A MODERN mother, finding some difficulty in getting her young son to take a spoonful of caster oil, reminded him, "Now, Wilbur, all you have to do is to keep saying to yourself, 'It tastes good! It tastes good!' and it won't be hard to take at all."

Suddenly Wilbur had an inspiration. "Mother," he cried, "I know a better thing to say. I'll say, 'I've already taken it! I've already taken it!' and then I shan't have to take it at all."

Can they play a duet?

"MY grandfather plays the piano by ear."

"Well, if we must boast — my grandfather fiddles with his beard."

What else?

THE teacher was explaining: "Quite a number of the plants and flowers have the prefix 'dog.' There's the dog-rose and the dog-violet, for instance. Can any pupil name another?"

There was a silence, then a happy look appeared on the face of a youngster in the back row.

"Please, teacher," he asked politely, "how about collie-flower?"

Shape of things to come

"AND now, gentlemen," continued the congressman, "I wish to tax your memories."

"Gracious," muttered a colleague, "why haven't we thought of that before?"

Like father . . .

WELL, your baby is certainly a cute little rascal. Does he take after his father?"

Mother: "Well, yes, in a way. His father is not quite so cute, but more of a rascal."

A LOCAL clergyman, upon hearing that liberalism was creeping into the churches, remarked, "If that is true, I hope it will soon strike the contribution box."

Attendance Report

September 27, 1964

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Berryville, Freeman Hgts.	171	76	
Biscoe	50	30	
Blytheville			
First	530	154	
Chapel	31		
Trinity	144	91	
Camden			
Cullendale First	464	163	3
First	570	187	
Conway, Pickles Gap	79	46	
Crossett			
First	543	106	3
Mt. Olive	229	80	
El Dorado			
East Main	299	104	
First	853	142	
Parkview	201	88	1
Forrest City First	547	126	2
Midway	44	22	
Ft. Smith Grand Ave.	695	312	3
Mission	20		
Greenwood First	217	97	
Gurdon Beech St.	162	65	
Harrison Eagle Hgts.	228	95	2
Huntsville Calvary	35		2
Jacksonville			
Berea	75	54	1
First	373	121	
Jonesboro			
Central	403	198	8
Nettleton	171	105	4
Lavaca	248	143	
Little Rock			
Forest Highlands	130	103	6
Immanuel	985	414	4
Forest Tower	37	16	3
Kerr	31	24	3
Rosedale	224	102	6
McGehee First	385	118	
Chapel	84	39	
Magnolia Central	759	285	12
Marked Tree			
First	168	58	
Neiswander	105	72	
Monticello Second	285	103	
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	544	177	1
Southside	32	17	
Camp Robinson	23		
Calvary	372	108	2
Gravel Ridge First	146	91	
Park Hill	756	242	4
Sherwood First	172	109	1
Sylvan Hills First	229	82	1
Pine Bluff South Side	736	224	1
Tucker	28	11	
Siloam' Springs First	308	196	
Springdale			
Elmdale	234	89	1
First	480	172	
Van Buren			
First	441	166	
Second	81	42	3
Vandervoort First	41	34	
Ward Cacklebur	45	20	
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First	426	110	
Southside	57	45	
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Prelate, bartender approve Dr. Graham

Boston, Mass. (CNB)—A Roman Catholic prelate and a honkytonk bartender, each in words of his own choosing, put the seal of approval on the Billy Graham Greater Boston Crusade which attracted some 67,000 persons to its first five services in the Boston Garden.

Said Richard Cardinal Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, before he left to attend the third session of Vatican Council II in Rome:

"It is the prayer of Catholics in the Boston area that God will bless his (Billy's) preaching and crusade and will lead many to the knowledge and love of our Lord."

Said the bartender in Boston's notorious South End, which the evangelist visited at the suggestion of a police officer driving him from the Garden to his hotel:

"You tell 'em, Billy!"

The cardinal's prayer, and the prayers of thousands of other Christians around the world, were answered. Members of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Team said that in the first half of the 10-day Crusade 5.8 per cent of the audiences responded to Billy's invitation to make a decision for Christ. Night after night men and women from the staid, conservative suburbs of Boston stood shoulder to shoulder with members of the city's demi-monde before the platform as they sought counsel that would help them make their decisions become realities.

Backs Amish stand

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP)—Republican Presidential nominee Barry M. Goldwater, in a statement defending a bill he co-sponsored which would exempt the Old Order Amish from participating in Social Security provisions, denounced previous attempts to enforce the law, saying it "demonstrates the ethical distortion into which our sense of moral values has decayed."

The amendment, which won approval in the Senate, would exempt a member of the sect, which proscribes insurance for religious reasons, from paying the tax upon agreement to waive all benefits from Social Security.

The bill, now in conference, has strong support in the House. Last year, however, the bill failed to clear a conference committee, many House members feeling the version was unconstitutional. A legal opinion handed down by the Treasury Department this year, however, bolsters the new version's chances of passage.

Said Senator Goldwater:

"The Amish people are almost a perfect personification of the traditional American virtues. They are thrifty, honest, industrious, and they carry the principle of self-reliance close to its absolute limits.

"Despite the advent during the past three decades of innumerable federal activities and programs, and government intervention generally, the Amish rely exclusively on themselves and on the practice of mutual self-help; they avoid, almost completely, any form of assistance from the government. Crime, relief, poverty are virtually unknown among them."

Anti-Semitic literature

TORONTO, Ont. (EP)—Anti-Semitic "hate literature" appeared here during the Jewish observance of Rosh Hashanah. Handbills were distributed outside Maple Leaf Gardens during the performance of the British quartet, the Beatles. The handbills suggested the Beatles were part of a Jewish plot to corrupt the world. Later, window stickers on stores charged "Communism is Jewish."

School men back ban

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP)—The nation's largest organization of public school superintendents and principals said it "accepts and supports" the U. S. Supreme Court's ban on prayer and Bible reading in public schools, maintaining the ban holds "no threat to the individual, to religion, or to the common good."

But while the group did not see difficulty in the public school devotions issue as it now stands, it did see several areas where educators still face dilemmas in handling matters of religious import.

Its report was made public by a special commission formed by the American Association of School Administrators, headed by Sidney P. Marland, Jr., superintendent of schools in Pittsburgh. Earlier this year he testified against the so-called Becker amendment before the House Judiciary Committee.

The AASA recommended that work be done on the public school curriculum to give proper attention to the religious influences and implications in man's development. This would possibly be worked out in offering courses in comparative religion and history of religion, officials said.

They admitted, however, that to date it is inconclusive that high school students are mature enough to grasp the comparisons and to distinguish objectively what is being taught.

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