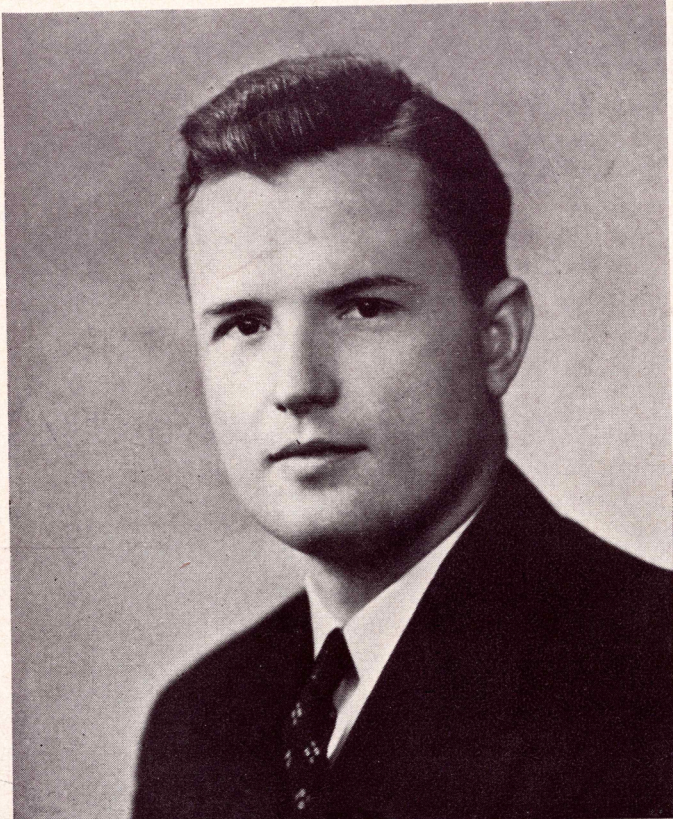


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When it comes to getting to the bottom of a matter and exhausting its possibilities, all will agree that Dr. E. P. Alldredge, the retiring editor, has no peers. As in the past THE QUARTERLY REVIEW will continue to survey the various fields of Southern Baptist progress as outlined by Dr. Alldredge in the first issue published in 1941. The latest statistical information in all areas which is of interest to Southern Baptist pastors and other leaders will be presented from time to time.

Effective Christian witnesses are always interesting personalities because they show what God can do through a surrendered life. In addition to more extended stories of Christian leaders, THE QUARTERLY REVIEW will present, starting this quarter on page 21, brief sketches of men and women in the individual associations who make Christian data continue with an upswing on the charts of time. For the reader who wants a comprehensive picture in one publication of what is happening in each state and in each mission agency, brief activity surveys will be presented each quarter.

Method has never been as important as marching orders to Baptists, but the *how* is important. Misunderstandings are avoided when the problems faced by our neighbors are known. To help understand the different problems faced in the individual states, THE QUARTERLY REVIEW will present a story each issue on "How We Carry On Our Work" until all of the states are covered. C. E. Bryant, able editor of the *Arkansas Baptist*, presents his state on page 10 in this issue.

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*The Editor*



At Poplarville, Mississippi, members of the American Legion voted to dedicate their new building by sponsoring a revival meeting. A chaplain was obtained to lead in the services.

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*Revised United States combat casualties now stand at 1,069,632 with 264,599 reported killed. Army casualties totaled 922,682, including 208,966 killed and Navy, Marine, and Coast Guard casualties totaled 146,950 with 55,633 reported killed.*

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The Bureau of Internal Revenue, reporting on the fiscal year ending June 30, shows that pay-rolls in the Southern states rose \$725,028,914 last year, while in the whole nation outside the South they rose by only \$1,344,050,130.

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*The single color page rate for the Saturday Evening Post is now \$9,200. The circulation is in excess of 3,700,000.*

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A recent survey in the *Architectural Forum* indicates that 2,778,000 or 7.5 per cent of the population of the United States want to buy or build new homes. Half want to spend less than \$6,000. Those with annual incomes under \$4,000 comprise 72 per cent of the market.

## The Cover

Duke K. McCall, thirty-one-year-old president of Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, Louisiana, has been elected secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention with offices in Nashville. Dr. McCall, a graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, served successfully as pastor of a rural church and a city church before going to New Orleans as B.B.I. president.

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## Suggestions for April - May - June

By WALTER M. GILMORE

What a fine opportunity the pastor has this quarter to emphasize so many vital features in our world mission program. His primary business is to preach Christ and him crucified as the only remedy for sin and to win the lost to an acceptance of Christ as a personal, living, loving Saviour. But his responsibility does not stop there. He must build the convert in the most holy faith.

By calling attention to the Calendar of Activities and doing something about each item listed, the pastor may greatly reinforce his efforts in the pulpit by informing and inspiring his people to carry out this program of teaching, training, and enlistment. He may thus enrich his ministry to a marked degree.

April 7-14, Training Union Youth Week, should result in the quickening of the interest of multitudes of young people in the church. Much emphasis is being placed today, and rightly so, on the proper training of young people. We are facing a serious crisis, not only in America but in the world, if we do not speed the moral and religious training of the oncoming generation.

Write J. E. Lambdin, secretary of the Training Union department, Sunday School Board, Nashville 3, Tennessee, or your state Training Union secretary for suggestions on how to make the most of Youth Week.

The Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, Texas, was established in 1918 for the pur-

pose of aiding retired or disabled ministers or their widows who need help. Southern Baptists are engaged in no finer or more worthy ministry. The Board has several plans by which this is done.

For those who have been unable to get in on any of the annuity plans, special provision is made to help with funds received through the Co-operative Program. A special offering is asked from each church some time during the year to help this cause. Write Secretary Thomas J. Watts for information.

Church libraries are being featured by the Sunday School Board, under the direction of Miss Florida Waite. There is a unique place in the church program for this type of work. Not only do we need something to counteract the flood of poisonous literature that is sweeping over the land at terrific speed but people need positive, substantial truths upon which to build character.

Write Miss Waite for specific instructions about starting a church library and the attractive offer made by the Sunday School Board to those establishing such a library. The final feature for April is the emphasis on Sunday school training courses, which are so essential to a trained leadership.

### Christian Home Week

May 5-12 has been designated for Christian Home Week. This should meet with wide favor. Christian Home Week, properly observed, is to the home what a good revival is to a church. It provides opportunities to rethink the home's problems for fostering spiritual development and brings a clearer

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## CALENDAR OF DENOMINATIONAL ACTIVITIES

### Second Quarter—1946

#### APRIL

- (1) Training Union Youth Week in the Churches, April 7-14
- (2) Relief and Annuity Board (and Offering for the Relief of Aged Ministers)
- (3) Christian Literature and Church Libraries
- (4) Sunday School Training Courses

#### MAY

- (1) Christian Home Week, May 5-12
- (2) Hospital Day on Mother's Day, May 12
- (3) Y. W. A. Focus Week, May 12-18
- (4) W. M. U. Annual Meeting
- (5) Southern Baptist Convention, May 15

#### JUNE

- (1) Vacation Bible Schools
- (2) Ridgecrest, State Assemblies and Camps
- (3) Christian Education Day (preferably June 30)

alignment of the home and the church. Our government can be no stronger and no greater than its homes. The Training Union department is featuring this movement.

Mother's Day, May 12, is also Hospital Day for Southern Baptists. In many states a special offering is taken in the churches on this day to help take care of those who need hospitalization in one of the Baptist hospitals but are unable to pay for the service. There is no more appropriate way to honor mothers than by participating in this offering. Write the Baptist hospital in your state for information and envelopes for free will offerings. Another feature in May is the Y.W.A. Focus Week, May 12-18.

#### Southern Baptist Convention

The next session of the Southern Baptist Convention, which had to be deferred last May on account of acute war conditions, will be held in Miami, Florida.

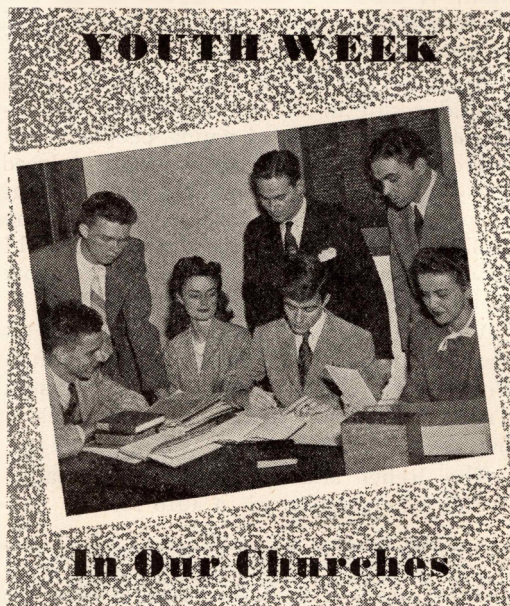
#### Vacation Bible Schools

June is the month for starting Vacation Bible schools. More schools are expected to be held throughout the Southern Baptist Convention territory this summer. These

schools have proved to be most vital factors in winning the lost to Christ and in strengthening the churches and their various organizations. Write Dr. Homer L. Grice, secretary of Vacation Bible School Department, Sunday School Board, Nashville 3, Tennessee, or to your state Sunday school secretary for full information. Begin now to plan for the best school you have ever had.

The Ridgecrest Assembly will be open in full force in 1946, making up for lost time last summer. The most attractive programs ever arranged for Ridgecrest will reward those who are fortunate enough to attend this year. Outstanding speakers have been engaged for each week. The schedule of meetings will follow the general pattern of those held heretofore. Write manager, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, North Carolina, for detailed information. Make your reservation soon.

The last feature on our denominational Calendar of Activities for June is Christian Education Day, June 30. This can be made a most effective event if the proper preparation is made. Watch your state paper and Sunday school periodicals for program and further particulars. Write to the president of a Baptist school in your state asking for special information.



Write your state Training Union secretary or Baptist Training Union Department, Nashville, Tennessee, for further information.



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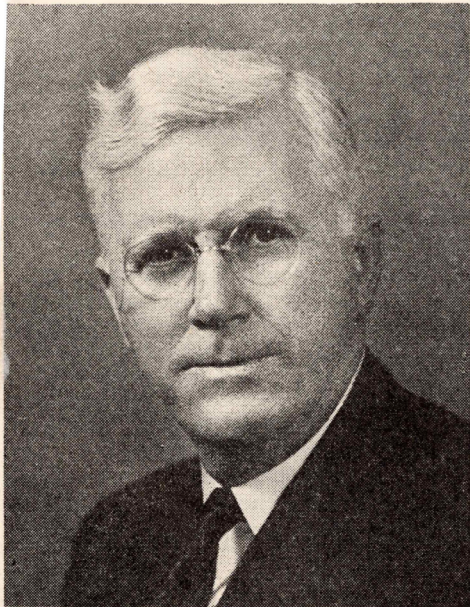
## W. M. U. CONVENTION

May 12-14, 1946

Miami, Florida



Miami, Florida, is a city of flowering beauty as the picture above shows. Miami's skyline is shown in the picture below. Dr. Charles H. Bolton (left), pastor of the Riverside Baptist Church, Miami, is president of the Florida Baptist Convention and general chairman of the Miami Convention committee.





# Six Million Dollar Program Suggested

By AUSTIN CROUCH

A six million dollar program for Southern Baptist institutional capital and operating needs has been suggested for 1946 by the Executive Committee.

Due to the fact that no meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention could be held in 1945 the Executive Committee had two special meetings in addition to its regular meetings and other special meetings of the administrative committee.

At the special meeting held in February, 1945, the Executive Committee realized that a forward-looking program needed to be worked out for 1946.

In order to learn the needs of the agencies of the Convention, the five subcommittees were appointed to make surveys of the various agencies of the Convention. These survey committees made their reports to the full meeting of the Executive Committee on September 19-20, 1945. To this meeting all of the Southwide executives, state secretaries, and editors of denominational papers were invited to be present. The surveys revealed the following long-range financial needs of the agencies of the Convention:

Foreign Mission Board .....	\$5,000,000.00
Home Mission Board .....	3,000,000.00
Relief and Annuity Board .....	3,000,000.00
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary .....	3,500,000.00
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary .....	3,000,000.00
Baptist Bible Institute .....	3,000,000.00
American Baptist Theological Seminary .....	250,000.00
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Total long-range capital needs .....	\$20,750,000.00

It was decided to undertake to raise \$3,-062,900 for immediate capital needs to be divided as follows and suggested as goals for 1946:

Foreign Mission Board .....	\$1,250,000.00
Home Mission Board .....	367,900.00
Relief and Annuity Board .....	100,000.00
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary .....	450,000.00
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary .....	450,000.00
Baptist Bible Institute .....	400,000.00
American Baptist Theological Seminary .....	45,000.00
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Total immediate capital needs .....	\$3,062,900.00

In addition to the goals for capital needs for 1946 there will be added the operating needs of the agencies. These current needs were determined at the December meeting when the budgets of the various agencies of the Convention were presented to the Executive Committee.

The total over-all goal for Southwide causes will be \$6,000,000. Upon this basis, goals were suggested for each of the states co-operating with the Southern Baptist Convention, as follows:

Alabama .....	\$ 301,800.00
Arizona .....	11,400.00
Arkansas .....	173,400.00
California .....	7,200.00
District of Columbia .....	27,600.00
Florida .....	285,600.00
Georgia .....	454,200.00
Illinois .....	114,600.00
Kentucky .....	525,600.00
Louisiana .....	277,800.00
Maryland .....	52,800.00
Mississippi .....	339,600.00
Missouri .....	307,800.00
New Mexico .....	43,200.00
North Carolina .....	714,600.00
Oklahoma .....	274,800.00
South Carolina .....	350,400.00
Tennessee .....	580,200.00
Texas .....	706,200.00
Virginia .....	451,200.00
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Total .....	\$6,000,000.00

Dr. Austin Crouch has served Southern Baptists since 1927 as chairman of the Executive Committee. He recently retired as active secretary and was elected emeritus.



# Higher Education and the New Day

J. E. DILLARD

Ours is a new day in every way. With the dropping of the atomic bomb we entered a new era in world history. We must rethink our thinking and revamp our programs and plans. This is especially true in the realm of education, and most especially in the realms of higher scientific and Christian education.

## Unprecedented Interest Awakened

Educators and educationists are awake to the situation. In fact, there has never been a time when there was so much interest in education as now. Nearly every great college and university—state, private, and denominational—has a committee studying basic educational questions and suggesting changes in equipment and curricula.

The reasons for this unprecedented interest are obvious: World War II demonstrated beyond question that something was wrong with education the world around. The problems of peace and rehabilitation demand acumen, information, and character hard to find; and the returnee has needs and desires that the *status quo* fails to satisfy. Then the coming of the atomic age makes it imperative that nations learn how to live together; else they will die together. To live at all we must let others live and help them to live.

The multitude of educationists studying this situation differ among themselves as to the prime purpose, place, and powers of education in a democracy; as to what courses should be required and what made electives; and as to the nature of religious education, and whether and how it can and should be integrated into the public school system. There are two points, however, upon which nearly all are agreed, namely; that our present system is inadequate to meet the needs of the new world and that it has failed most signally in the social, moral, and religious realm. We are not producing social and spiritual culture commensurate with scientific and material progress.

It will be illuminating to note what our



Scientists have expressed concern in recent months lest scientific advance not be matched by spiritual growth and man will destroy himself.

great, highly endowed institutions of learning are doing to meet the challenge of the times. And then we should ask what we Southern Baptists are doing to measure up to our opportunity and responsibility.

Two surveys have recently been made: a survey of twenty-five institutions of higher learning by the *New York Times*, and a survey of our twenty-six Southern Baptist senior colleges. This latter survey was conducted by correspondence and is not as complete as we could wish.

## Fifty Million for Science

The *Times* survey, as reported by Benjamin Pine, shows that these twenty-five great institutions are awake to the meaning, menace, and implications of the atomic bomb and the possibilities in the atomic era. They are planning for great research in this and kindred fields of science. More than \$50,000,000 will be spent shortly on the construction of buildings, laboratories, and equipment in their departments of science, especially physics and chemistry.

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For example, the University of Chicago has established three new institutes: the institute of nuclear studies, the institute of metals, and the institute of radio biology and biophysics. At the University of Virginia appropriations have been made for enlarging laboratories and science buildings to the extent of more than \$2,000,000. The University of South Carolina has plans for spending \$1,000,000 in science buildings and equipment.

The University of Pittsburgh is constructing a great cyclotron or atom smasher. I was at Johns Hopkins University a few days ago, and a student in physics told me they have one of these great machines. At the University of Illinois plans are under way for spending ten million dollars in new science laboratories. They are planning a 250,000,000 volt betatron, which will be the most powerful X-ray machine in the world. Similar stories could be told of Notre Dame, Carnegie Institute and universities of Michigan, Oklahoma, California, and Southern California.

#### Little Spent for Religion

Now the thing that impresses and disturbs me about this report is this: While tens and almost hundreds of millions of dollars are being spent in the study of the natural sciences, few changes or additions are reported as being made and comparatively small amounts are reported as being spent for the enlargement and improvement of studies in morals and religion. Yet, we are constantly being told that it is in this realm we have fallen lamentably short and that the hope of the world depends upon the cultivation of the Christian spirit among men.

Many of the educationists insist that it is in no sense the duty of state colleges and universities to teach religion, that religious or Christian education is the distinct duty of the churches and the denominational colleges. They say that if America has failed to give her citizenry a Christian education the blame is upon the churches and their schools.

#### Christian Colleges Needed

Whether we agree or disagree with the above statement, we all know that there is no good reason for the existence of the denominational college unless it does provide and even major upon Christian education.

Christian education is the plus—and a big plus it is—in the curricula of our church supported schools.

By Christian education we mean that education which recognizes, emphasizes, and exemplifies the facts, principles, institutions, and programs of Christianity under Christian auspices and for Christian ends.

Certainly, our denominational colleges must do standard work in all other departments as well as the department of Christian education. And they must be alive and awake to the new needs of our epochal day. Our Baptist college degree must be equal to the best; we cannot afford to cheat our own children. We must be loyal to Christ and seek first his kingdom and his righteousness.

#### Baptist Colleges Growing

A survey questionnaire was sent to all twenty-six Southern Baptist senior colleges. Briefly here is what the returns show:

1. All senior colleges except two show an increase in enrolment over last year. In some cases the increase is very large. The two colleges reporting a slight decrease were colleges for women. Their decrease is due to lack of dormitory room. All our colleges are filled to capacity.

2. Fifteen of the eighteen colleges admitting men report more than 1,100 ministerial students and almost as many veterans. One hundred and fourteen of these veterans are listed as ministerial students. (What an opportunity; what a responsibility!)

3. All Baptist colleges for men are giving special attention to the returnees: counselors are provided where needed, refresher and special courses are offered where desired, arrangements are made for returnees to enter at mid-term and receive credit. Credit is generally given for satisfactory work done while in service.

4. These colleges, almost without exception, have made careful studies of their courses of study and are making such changes and additions as seem needed to meet the exigencies of the day.

5. Of especial interest is the fact that all Baptist colleges, including those for women, provide for Christian activities, give courses in Christian education, and have as an objective the making of these courses as good as the best in the curricula. (This is of paramount importance.)



## Needs of Our Colleges

The most patent fact about Southern Baptist colleges is that all of them are in need of better facilities; they need more and better buildings and equipment, larger faculties, and more endowment. They have to compete with highly endowed and tax-supported institutions. They could do better if they had more to do with. Nearly all of them are in the field seeking funds. And how they need them! They are asking for approximately \$25,000,000 for buildings and endowment. (Last year they received only about \$3,600,000.)

We may think they are asking for a great deal, but when we compare their resources and income with their needs and with what their competitors have, it seems but a mere pittance. Harvard has more than six times as much endowment, five times as many volumes in its library, and nearly twice as many teachers as all Southern Baptist senior colleges combined. We need to wake up.

Southern Baptists must take care of their colleges or go out of the business. How can we do it?

## How We Can Help

1. By putting the colleges in the Co-operative Program in a larger way. Since these colleges are owned by the state conventions they should be supported out of state co-operative funds. We have been putting in a per cent for the operating expenses of our colleges, but we should provide also for the buildings, equipment, and endowment of our schools. The enlarged Co-operative Program contemplates this action in the states.

2. Every church should contribute to both the current and the capital needs of Baptist schools. If the church does not contribute through the Co-operative Program, it should put the colleges in its own budget.

3. Special gifts should be made to these schools by persons of means. Pastors can help by asking their members to make special gifts and to remember the colleges in their wills.

4. The representatives of these schools should be hospitably welcomed and helped in their effort to care for our schools. They are our servants. No one can present the needs of a college or other cause like the head of that institution himself. When he

has the co-operation of the pastor he can succeed.

5. Churches can help by providing scholarships, especially where some of its own young people need such help.

Of course, the same courtesy should be extended to the representatives of our Southwide seminaries as to those of the state schools. Theirs is the same great cause, in the same territory, with the same needs, appealing to the same people.

What a glorious way it would be to inaugurate a new century for Christ by providing adequately for all our schools for the preaching and teaching of the gospel for

## WINNING A WORLD TO CHRIST

## Southern Baptist Colleges and Universities

### SENIOR COLLEGES

Baylor University	Waco, Texas
Bessie Tift College	Forsyth, Georgia
Blue Mountain College	Blue Mountain, Mississippi
Carson-Newman College	Jefferson City, Tennessee
Cumberland University	Murfreesboro, Tennessee
East Texas Baptist College	Marshall, Texas
Furman University	Greenville, South Carolina
Georgetown College	Georgetown, Kentucky
Hardin-Simmons University	Abilene, Texas
Howard College	Birmingham, Alabama
Howard Payne College	Brownwood, Texas
Judson College	Marion, Alabama
Limestone College	Gaffney, South Carolina
Louisiana College	Pineville, Louisiana
Mary Hardin-Baylor College	Belton, Texas
Mercer University	Macon, Georgia
Meredith College	Raleigh, North Carolina
Mississippi College	Clinton, Mississippi
Oklahoma Baptist University	Shawnee, Oklahoma
Ouachita College	Arkadelphia, Arkansas
University of Richmond	Richmond, Virginia
Shorter College	Rome, Georgia
Stetson University	DeLand, Florida
Union University	Jackson, Tennessee
Wake Forest College	Wake Forest, North Carolina
William Jewell College	Liberty, Missouri

### JUNIOR COLLEGES

Anderson College	Anderson, South Carolina
Averett College	Danville, Virginia
Bethel Woman's College	Hopkinsville, Kentucky
Bluefield College	Bluefield, West Virginia
Brewton Parker College	Mount Vernon, Georgia
Campbell College	Buie's Creek, North Carolina
Campbellsville College	Campbellsville, Kentucky
Central College	Conway, Arkansas
Chowan Junior College	Murfreesboro, North Carolina
Cumberland College	Williamsburg, Kentucky
Decatur Baptist College	Decatur, Texas
Gardner-Webb College	Boiling Springs, North Carolina
Hannibal-Lagrand College	Hannibal, Missouri
Mars Hill College	Mars Hill, North Carolina
Norman Junior College	Norman Park, Georgia
North Greenville Bap. Acad. & Junior College	Tigerville, S. C.
Southwest Baptist College	Bolivar, Missouri
Stephens College	Columbia, Missouri
Virginia Intermount College	Bristol, Virginia
Wayland College	Plainview, Texas
Wingate Junior College	Wingate, North Carolina



# How Arkansas Baptists Work Together for Christ

By C. E. BRYANT

**B**APTISTS came to Arkansas about 1800, with historians varying between 1799 and 1818 as the date of the first Baptist church in the bounds of Arkansas territory. Co-operation among the churches began with organization of the first associations in 1824—and the co-operative spirit has persevered and promoted mission work since that date.

The early associations were of short life, but Saline, organized in 1836, survived. It was Saline Association Baptists who called representatives of all churches of the state together in 1848 to form a convention. With 23 of the state's estimated 140 Baptist churches present, the Arkansas Baptist State Convention had its origin. There were then 4,000 to 5,000 Baptists among a population of 210,000 in the state.

From the beginning the Convention sought "to aid the churches in their divinely commissioned work of evangelism, education and benevolence." The organization of more churches and associations, the sending out of missionaries, the establishing of a paper (1856) and good headway toward founding a Baptist school were achieved prior to the Civil War.

A reorganized convention in 1867 pulled together the pieces left torn by war, and gave renewed emphasis to evangelism. State missions was viewed an imperative in the reconstruction period, and interest was growing rapidly in educational activity. Baptist Historian J. S. Rogers said that co-operative efforts in state missions was continuous beginning in 1848—"except at three different times the Convention dropped that interest and it was embarrassing and disastrous. It was for only one year in each case."

A new paper was started in 1881, Ouachita College opened in 1886, Central College and Mountain Home College in 1892 and an or-

phanage in 1894. Women's work began in 1883, and by 1894 Sunday school work was pretty much a part of all churches. The 1890's brought more interest in home and foreign missions. These many activities made necessary a strong co-ordinating organization with efficient boards and a full-time state secretary.

## Convention Split in 1901

At the turn of the century, difficulties arose. Dr. Rogers explains "the Gospel train was running too fast." Divisions came over proposals for mission methods, boards, and the paid secretary. The objectors succeeded in a convention split in 1901 and, headed by Editor Ben M. Bogard, took the paper with them. Thousands of good brethren were lost to the convention, but organization of a new paper, the present *Arkansas Baptist*, in 1902 did much to unite the convention forces. Eventually more than half those lost came back. The state organization then started the denomination on its present forward pace.

Arkansas Baptists adopted unified co-operative mission budget plans along with Southern Baptist Convention forces. That co-operative effort has been a basic reason for unparalleled growth in all phases of the work these past fifteen years. Undesignated co-operative gifts increased from \$78,494.39 in 1930 to \$231,215.83 in 1944. Total contributions through the state mission board increased from \$143,167.26 in 1930 to \$372,492.18 in 1944. The 1945 figures will set an all-time record, and will almost triple the predepression peak year of 1928. The number of contributing churches has increased from 300 in 1930 to 828. Two hundred twenty-nine churches have been organized since 1935.

The Arkansas Baptist State Convention now lists as its objective "the awakening and stimulating among the churches the

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greatest possible activity in evangelism, missions, Christian education, and benevolent work throughout the state and to the ends of the earth; to cultivate a closer co-operation among the churches and promote concert of action in advancing all the interests of the Kingdom of God" (the proposed new convention constitution).

The state convention through its executive board helps support associational mission work, state mission work, Ouachita College, Central College, Bottoms' Baptist Orphanage, Baptist State Hospital, religious education activities and W. M. U. work in the state plus all Southwide and worldwide co-operative objectives.

These objectives are included in the state Co-operative Program budget which is planned by the executive board and adopted by the convention at its meeting each November. A three division budget is used; the first division for preferred items (primarily for promotional purposes), the second for state objectives, and the third for Southwide objectives. Money for state and Southwide objectives is divided on a fifty-fifty basis.

## 1946 Arkansas Budget

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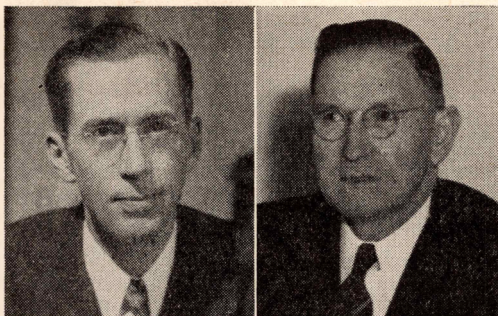
Administration .....	\$ 14,500
Arkansas Baptist .....	4,000
Brotherhood Work .....	2,500
(Supplemental to \$7,500 balance from 1945)	
Promotion and Convention .....	4,000
Religious Education Department .....	15,146
Retirement Plan .....	11,500
Widows Annuity .....	3,500
Woman's Missionary Union .....	10,000
Old Debts .....	25,000
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$ 90,146</b>

II

State Missions .....	\$ 47,500
Ouachita College .....	28,000
Central College .....	28,000
Bottoms' Baptist Orphanage .....	15,000
Radio Program .....	12,000
Ministerial Education .....	1,500
Negro Work .....	1,000
Emergency Reserve .....	2,000
History of Arkansas Baptists .....	2,000
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$137,000</b>

III

Southwide and Worldwide Causes .....	\$137,000
<b>GRAND TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$364,146</b>



Edwin S. Preston (left) is president of Central College. J. R. Grant is president of Ouachita College.

## Institutions Listed

Ouachita College at Arkadelphia is the senior co-educational college of Arkansas Baptists. Ouachita enrolls more than 600 students annually. Dr. J. R. Grant is president.

Central College at Conway is a junior college for girls. It was organized in 1892 and has served to train Christian homemakers through the years. Several proposals to merge Central with Ouachita have been voted down in past years and again met defeat at the last convention session. Edwin S. Preston is president.

Bottoms' Baptist Orphanage at Monticello cares for approximately eighty children. Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Pugh direct this work.

The *Arkansas Baptist* boasting a circulation of more than 26,000, reaches 60 per cent of all Baptist homes in the state. It is owned by the Convention and operated by the Executive Board. The paper paid its own expenses last year without any allocation from the Convention. All allocation was asked for 1946 to care for any financial losses which might come in the immediate post-war period. C. E. Bryant is the editor.

Baptist State Hospital at Little Rock is a financially independent unit controlled by a board of eighteen members which is named by the Convention. It treated 11,121 patients and rendered 86,380 patient days of service last year. John Dudley is administrator.

Southern Baptist College, an independent junior college at Pocahontas, is now in its fifth year of service to young people of the mountain area in northern Arkansas. In addition to its liberal arts course it specializes in training preachers for rural churches. H. E. Williams, an ordained minister, is president of the school. The recent conven-



tion recognized the institution as a Baptist college, but no co-operative program funds are given to it.

### Responsible to Convention

These Arkansas Baptist institutions are interrelated only as they are related to the convention. Arkansas Baptists generally have not been entirely satisfied with the relationship between institutions and the convention, and it is likely that changes will come when constitution revision will be considered next year.

A case in particular is that of the Baptist State Hospital which has figured in a controversy with the convention board the last two years. Facts briefly are these:

When Arkansas Baptists voted in November 1943 to repay former noteholders and bondholders who had lost in a compromise court settlement of the convention's indebtedness during the depression, Baptist Hospital trustees were asked to contribute \$30,000 from the hospital surplus for use in paying this moral obligation.

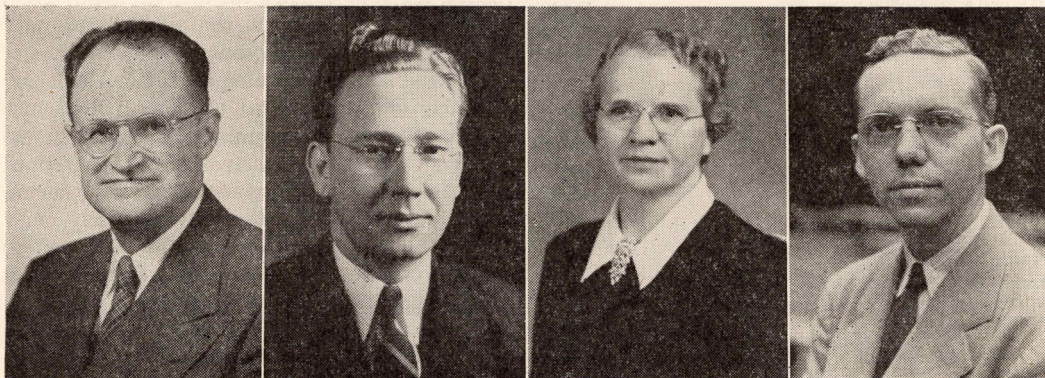
Hospital trustees by a divided vote questioned their authority to use hospital trust funds for this purpose in that the debts had been legally settled and asked Pulaski Chancery Court to rule on the matter. The chancery court upheld the trustees and said that such a transfer of funds could not be made. This opinion was reversed by the Arkansas Supreme Court in October, 1945, and the transfer was authorized. The supreme court decision simply stated that the trust fund could be used to pay the old debt in that the hospital had been a part of the original obligation; but it declined to answer

if the convention could force the hospital board to pay the money. This question of compulsion has been raised over and over again in the minds of convention leaders but was not incorporated in the legal appeal.

### Transfer of Title Discussed

Agitation has been considerable for the transfer of all institutional titles to the convention's executive board, but assurance by the Ouachita Board that it "recognizes the convention's jurisdiction over the college and pledges the college's allegiance to Convention control in all respects," and a more harmonious spirit with the hospital eased many questions to a great extent in the November meeting of the convention.

State Secretary B. L. Bridges describes the questions raised as growing pains: "The Orphanage has grown, the Hospital has grown, our colleges have grown, our mission work has grown and multiplied in its employment of missionaries and in the results of their work. Most of the difficulties that we have are simply growing pains. If we were not a growing, militant denomination we would not have so many difficulties. If we were unable to recognize and pay our moral obligations, there would be no quibbling at this point. There would be no point to quibble over. If we did not have to provide for more students who want to enter college, we would not have the worry of a financial campaign for Ouachita College. They are growing pains, but growing pains are the evidences of health, vitality, and development, and so is it with the Arkansas Baptists. God is gloriously opening the way for us to go forward."



Four full-time workers for Arkansas Baptists are shown above. They are (left to right) Edgar Williamson, superintendent of religious education; John Dudley, administrator of the Arkansas Baptist hospital; Mrs. C. H. Ray, W.M.U. executive secretary; and C. E. Bryant, editor, "Arkansas Baptist."



## Arkansas Growth for Quarter of a Century

Year	No. Churches	Member- ship	Baptisms	Total Gifts	Training Union Unions—Enrolment	Sunday Schools Number—Enrolment
1920	1,428	124,024	6,833	\$1,028,025	305 7,250	726 55,975
1921	1,135	98,376	7,912	824,164	199 6,248	618 56,582
1922	1,174	106,409	8,910	1,100,599	289 8,172	681 67,110
1923	1,653	148,084	9,711	1,175,255	409 11,168	969 88,837
1924	1,575	149,371	10,253	1,366,640	510 16,320	975 93,987
1925	1,608	154,156	10,567	1,288,882	546 13,729	1,099 106,823
1926	1,030	112,231	7,165	1,282,502	586 14,743	798 89,440
1927	961	108,961	6,936	1,215,465	636 14,755	765 88,686
1928	917	106,804	6,427	1,205,423	665 16,013	701 85,875
*1929	854	108,137	6,123	1,241,609	758 15,825	682 81,682
1930	827	108,860	6,848	1,218,694	783 15,747	676 84,339
1931	820	110,962	7,691	943,673	910 18,780	706 86,247
1932	803	112,815	8,668	778,897	972 20,281	754 87,995
1933	824	119,876	9,432	685,017	1,039 22,054	728 89,993
1934	822	125,827	8,414	746,220	1,080 23,087	722 90,985
1935	853	129,903	7,458	783,863	1,253 25,130	769 96,566
1936	872	132,870	7,462	878,648	1,464 29,450	797 99,182
1937	864	135,854	6,965	1,059,688	1,601 33,337	831 99,831
1938	892	145,386	10,501	1,032,898	1,849 35,013	859 108,089
1939	929	152,773	11,854	1,143,721	2,507 45,100	900 118,055
1940	946	160,714	11,665	1,290,587	2,731 49,252	937 126,012
1941	975	167,431	9,032	1,461,883	2,864 46,898	952 125,656
1942	973	170,017	8,046	1,745,615	2,539 36,090	955 118,526
1943	964	175,724	7,850	2,221,478	2,243 31,946	956 114,206
1944	975	180,088	7,729	2,491,200	2,360 34,306	952 114,296

\* Apparent decrease was due to dropping the Landmark and B.M.A. churches from Southern Baptist Convention.

### Mission Work Directed

Arkansas Baptists have participated in state mission work to some extent throughout the convention history. Only for the past year have we had an organization which approximately meets the need. Dr. Otto Whittington is employed by the executive board as superintendent of rural missions, and has under his direction five state missionaries who work in each of five districts of the state, and four county missionaries who are working in localized sections which cannot support their own mission program (such as Newton and Sharp counties which do not have a resident Baptist pastor in the county).

### 38 Associational Missionaries

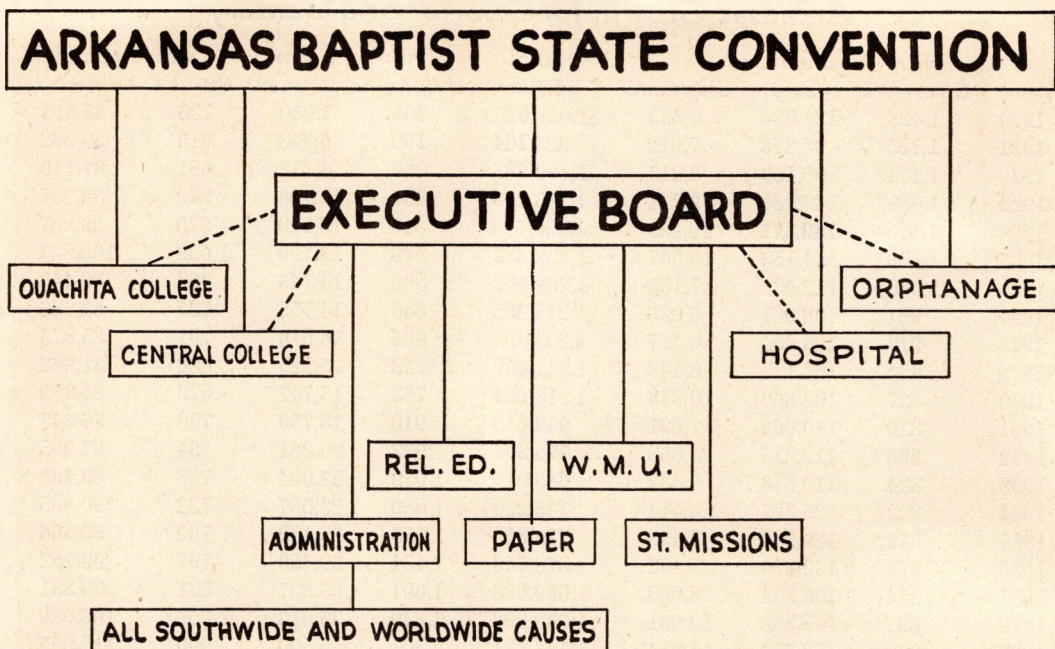
There are associational missionaries in thirty-eight of the forty-one associations of the state at this time and the executive board

assists at an average of \$50 per month to pay the salaries of thirty of these missionaries. The state convention has no authority over its associational missionaries but the missionaries voluntarily and willingly follow the convention program and Dr. Whittington's leadership.

During the past year the missionaries reported 1,452 professions of faith, organized 9 churches and 27 Sunday schools and held 228 revival meetings and 5,610 services. The 1946 program will include, in addition to previous provisions, financial aid to churches needing a new meetinghouse if population justifies and the church is able to bear the major part of the expenses. Consolidation of small Baptist churches in the same community into a strong church also will be aided.

Approximately 20 per cent of all Co-operative Program money that is kept in the state goes to state missions. Arkansas is a rural state and the country churches have stood





desperately in need of help. Approximately 175 churches are pastorless and 6,000 Baptist church members in the state are not in Sunday schools. It is estimated that there are 1,250,000 lost souls of gospel age in Arkansas.

The state mission program has sponsored a soldiers' center in Little Rock and one in Fort Smith to accommodate men in the camps there. The Fort Smith center has been discontinued since Camp Chaffee has ceased to be a training center. The Little Rock center, serving men at Camp Robinson, has averaged 4,000 servicemen visitors each month for the past year and there have been 330 conversions among the soldiers in the 5 years of its operation.

#### Designated Offerings Discouraged

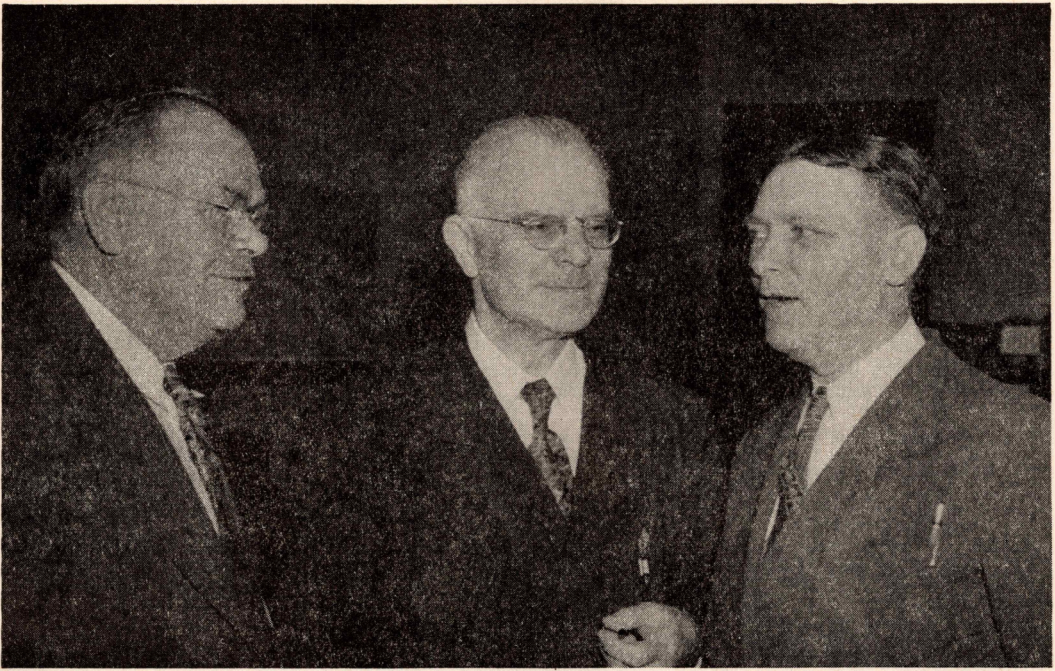
In Arkansas we are all-out for the Co-operative Program. As a general rule, designated offerings are discouraged. Two special campaigns will be in operation for designated gifts, however, during 1946. One campaign is the Baptist Honor Club, operated similar to the old Hundred Thousand

Club, for payment of the state's moral obligation to former creditors. The other is a special campaign for Ouachita College to be sponsored over the three-year period, 1946-48, with a \$1,000,000 objective. Half of that money will go to buildings and half to endowment.

In Arkansas our interpretation of co-operative funds are those moneys given through the churches and sent to the state executive board for distribution according to the regular Co-operative Program schedule adopted by the state and Southern conventions. Moneys which are given for special objectives and are not eligible for distribution on Co-operative Program percentages are termed as designated gifts.

The convention is composed of messengers from regular missionary Baptist churches which are in sympathy with the principles and purposes of the convention and which desire to co-operate with the other churches through the convention organization. Each co-operating church is entitled to three messengers with one additional messenger for each fifty members above the first one hundred.





State Secretary B. L. Bridges (right) discusses Arkansas Baptist plans for evangelism and promotion with Dr. J. E. Dillard (center) and Associational Missionary L. A. Thompson. Secretary Bridges has directed mission work in Arkansas since 1931 when he resigned the pastorate of the First Church, Little Rock, to accept the responsibility.

The convention, according to an unalterable article in the constitution, shall never exercise any authority whatever over any church nor shall it in any way interfere with the constitution of any church or with the exercise of the church's functions as the only ecclesiastical body. It always cheerfully recognizes and upholds the absolute independence of the churches.

Institutions of the convention are controlled by boards of trustees appointed by the convention. Members of each board are appointed for three-year terms, a third of the membership being named each year so that terms are staggered. The trustees are amenable to the convention.

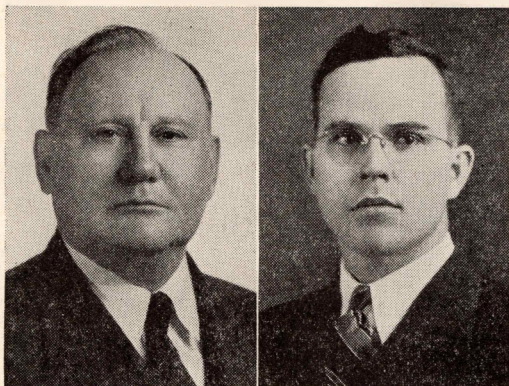
The executive board of the convention is composed of fifteen members chosen from the state at large and one additional member from each of the forty co-operating associations in the state. The board is constituted and empowered by the convention as its legal and business agent to administer all business committed to it by the convention. It employs such paid agents as it deems necessary

to carry on the missionary, educational, benevolent and financial enterprises. It is empowered to act for the convention between sessions, provided that it shall never exercise any authority contrary to the expressed will of the parent body.

The office of the executive board is the clearinghouse for the business and legal side of the convention's work and a headquarters for Baptist information. This board raises, collects, receives, and disburses all the funds for the Baptist Co-operative Program, both state and Southwide. It renders to the convention, annually, a complete and detailed statement of all its business for the year. Its books, records, and files are at all times open for the reference and inspection of any sympathetic member of a co-operative church.

All proposals requiring expenditure of money by the convention or by the executive board from the annual budget, are considered by the executive board, before being presented to the convention.





Dr. Otto Whittington (left) is superintendent of rural missions in Arkansas. H. E. Williams (right) is the founder and president of Southern Baptist College at Pocahontas, Arkansas.

When any unforeseen emergency occurs in any of the affairs of the convention, or in any of the interests it controls, that, in the judgment of the executive board, requires action before the next annual session, the executive board has authority to take such action as it thinks will be best in the interim, and all parties are bound by its action. In such cases, however, the board must report to the next session of the convention all the facts in each case and what action it took, and the action is subject to the convention's approval at that time. The executive board does not have authority to execute any matters already committed by

the convention to any of its boards of trustees, unless such boards decline to act.

The books of all of the boards and institutions of the convention are audited annually, with the audits accessible to the executive board and the convention.

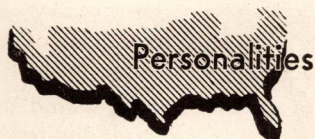
Trustees of the various institutions are amenable to the convention on all matters, and no trusteeship is permitted to conduct extra movements to raise money outside of its regular producing sources of revenue. Nor can a trusteeship incur a deficit on running expenses or create a debt, without the approval of the convention in session, or the executive board.

The trusteeships render to the convention at each annual session complete and detailed statements of all their business and other activities for the year and are subject to the will and direction of the convention.

All boards, agencies, and institutions submit to the executive board at its annual budget planning meeting in September—two months prior to the meeting of the general convention—a detailed statement of its sources of income and a budget of proposed expenditures for the ensuing year. When received and adopted by the convention these budgets become the basis of operations for the ensuing year. If a deficit occurs in operation of any of these agencies, the same is included in the budget of the following year.







## Fifty Years In the Ministry

**JACOB LEE WHITE** was born September 6, 1945, in Forsyth County, North Carolina, six miles north of Winston-Salem. His father, Jacob White, was a farmer. His mother, Martha Ellen Grubbs, was a woman of deep religious conviction. She taught her son to love the Bible and to believe in Jesus Christ. She died when he was only ten years old, but the son has ever felt the touch of her vanished hand.

Young White had unusual educational advantages for his day. When fourteen years old, he entered a private school in Winston, North Carolina. At seventeen, he enrolled in the Shelby, North Carolina, Academy. During his first year in this school he was converted in a prayer meeting at the school's Y. M. C. A. and united with the Shelby Baptist Church. At once he faced the crucial question of "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" A clear and definite answer after a night of prayer was his call to the gospel ministry.

The following Sunday J. L. White preached his first sermon in Zoar Baptist Church, which was located three miles south of Shelby. The text on that ever memorable occasion was Isaiah 38:19—"The living, the living, he shall praise thee." Completing his course in the Academy, he entered the sophomore class in Wake Forest College in the fall of 1881, graduating in June, 1886, with highest honors in his class. After commencement he went as pastor to the First Baptist Church, Raleigh, North Carolina. This pastorate was characterized by a great revival and the organization of a young people's prayer meeting, for young people and by young people, the first of the kind in Southern Baptist churches. Capacity crowds attended the services.

The young pastor accepted the call of the First Church, Durham, North Carolina, February, 1889. There were many additions to the church by baptism. Pastor White engineered and largely directed a city-wide evangelistic campaign with the eminent Sam Jones as preacher.

### Accepts Asheville Church

In February, 1892, he accepted the call of the First Church, Asheville, North Carolina. His first achievement was to complete and furnish the new auditorium with a seating capacity of one thousand. This pulpit was one of the greatest preaching opportunities in the South. Overflowing crowds attended the services and frequently there was from twenty-five to fifty professions of faith on a Sunday.

After three years of blessed fellowship with the Asheville church, a unanimous and urgent call came from the First Baptist Church, Macon, Georgia. This was accepted in February, 1895, and continued for twelve years with glorious fruitage. Mercer University and Wesleyan College were located in this city.

At Macon, the first move was to prepare for a revival for which the month of March was designated. Two steps were taken: first, to organize and train a personal soul-winning class; second, to arrange for an offering for foreign missions. Special offerings were the order of the day. The annual offering to this object had never been over \$450. The pastor called together twenty men to discuss the time and amount of offering. At once the question of how much? No one suggested more than \$500. Then the pastor was pressed to name an amount. He answered that he was praying that the sum



would be at least \$800. There was a prolonged silence! Then the pastor suggested that we agree to pray for the Lord's guidance and that the offering be taken on the last Sunday of the revival meeting as the pastor was to preach and no other offering was to be taken. After a season of prayer this was agreed upon. The revival meeting began on the first Sunday in March, 1895, and closed on the last Sunday in March. Results: One hundred and twenty-four were baptized and the offering on the last Sunday morning was twelve hundred and fifty dollars for foreign missions. Many shouted, "Praise the Lord."

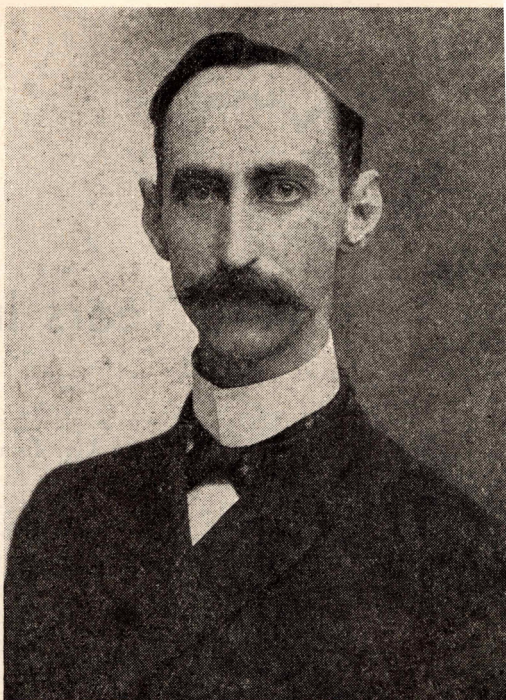
### Church Leads in Missions

At this time Dr. Ayers of China was pleading for a hospital. Dr. White conceived the idea, for the next year's offering, to raise at least \$3,500 to erect the first unit of the hospital, to be named "The Warren Memorial Hospital" in honor of his beloved predecessor. This suggestion met with the hearty approval of the entire congregation and the amount was gladly given. So the First Baptist Church of Macon, Georgia, erected the first hospital ever built by Southern Baptists in a foreign country. After this, for twelve years, this church led Southern Baptists in annual gifts to foreign missions.

Two other achievements are worthy of mention. In September of 1895, on the invitation of Dr. White and his church, preachers and laymen interested in young people's work, met and organized the B.Y.P.U. Convention of Georgia. Dr. White was chosen as the first president which office he filled for two years, editing a page in the *Christian Index* in the interest of B.Y.P.U. work. In the face of strong opposition, Dr. White prevailed upon the Georgia State Convention, meeting in Augusta, to accept the free gift of Monroe College, located at Forsyth, Georgia, which is now Bessie Tift College.

It may be added that Dr. White first mentioned the advisability of removing the Baptist orphanage from its cramped quarters in Atlanta to its present spacious location at Hapeville, Georgia.

Following this pastorate of twelve years were brief pastorates at First Church, Beaumont, Texas; First Church, Greensboro,



In the top picture, Dr. J. L. White is shown as he appeared in 1894. The bottom pictures show Dr. and Mrs. White in a recent photograph.

North Carolina; Central Church, Memphis, Tennessee; Vineville Church, Macon, Georgia; and the Baptist Tabernacle, Atlanta, Georgia. He resigned the Baptist Tabernacle to accept the call to First Baptist Church of Miami, Florida. He began his work in Miami on April 1, 1916. When he came to Miami it was a city with 13,000 population. The congregation worshiped in a small wooden building. The following quotation from the church calendar of April 3, 1932, gives a bird's-eye view of this pastorate:



## Long Pastorate at Miami

"Today our church is celebrating the sixteenth year of Dr. White's pastorate. Few pastors in the Southern Baptist Convention have achieved as much and have been more greatly blessed than our pastor.

"A brief review of the sixteen years shows remarkable growth in the life of our church. On the first Sunday in April 1916, Dr. White preached his first sermon in a small wooden structure on present location, which would seat about 300. In June of the same year this building was removed to the north-west section of our city and named Stanton Memorial Church, in honor of Dr. William E. Stanton, our first pastor. Then a concrete structure was erected on this same lot, which would seat 1,200. This building soon became too small for the rapidly growing congregation and Sunday school and during the boom days of 1925 it was torn down and this splendid edifice was erected and occupied February 1, 1928. This building is unique in its architectural plan and marked by its beauty and simplicity. It is modern in every way, with an auditorium seating 2,250, and Sunday school capacity in departmental arrangement for 2,500. It is four stories and has a fully equipped gymnasium.

"The growth in membership has kept pace with the growth of the city. Beginning with 450 members in 1916, the church has received into its fellowship 4,115 members, of these 1,294 were by baptism and 2,841 by letter. The present enrolment is 1,863. There were only two Baptist churches in the city in 1916, the First and Lemon City. Now there are seventeen and all of these have drawn largely from the membership of the First Church.

"The total contributions by our church, to all objects reported through the treasurers, have been \$943,194.86.

"The Southern Bible Conference conducted for fourteen years by Dr. White has been an outstanding factor in the religious life of the city. This conference is held annually beginning on the second Sunday in February and continuing through the fourth Sunday in February. Distinguished men from Europe, Canada, and the United States have been brought to Miami and have attracted visitors from all states and many foreign countries.

## Four Sons Are Ministers

*Four sons have been contributed to the ministry by the White family. J. L. White, Jr., is pastor at Newport News. Lee McBride White is pastor at Birmingham. Russell C. White is pastor in Dallas, Texas. Charles M. White has been serving as a chaplain in the United States Army.*

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"The church is now having its best days in its spiritual life. The year 1931 was one of its best with 152 baptisms. Dr. White is assisted by Rev. E. Powell Lee as educational director, Mrs. Frank A. Stakemiller, church visitor, and Miss Genevieve Barry, secretary. These are approved workers.

"We give thanks to God for the service of Dr. and Mrs. White and rededicate ourselves to the Lord and His service as we face another year."

### Retired in 1936

On April 12, 1936, Dr. White retired from this pastorate, having completed twenty years as pastor of this great church, and fifty years of active pastoral service. He was in his seventy-fourth year and felt that others younger might well bear the burdens. Before retiring, he arranged the union of the First and the Temple churches, and they changed the name to Central Baptist.

Dr. White has had large influence in the councils of Southern Baptists. Since his first Southern Baptist Convention in 1887, he has missed only six. Beginning with his first pastorate in Raleigh, he has been intimately and officially connected with the Foreign Mission Board. He knew George B. Taylor and H. A. Tupper, two venerable secretaries of this Board. He was officially associated with Drs. Willingham, Ray, Love, and Maddy. He was vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention and was called upon for frequent addresses before the Convention on foreign and home missions and ministerial education. He was a trustee of Mercer University and chairman of the board of trustees of Bessie Tift College for ten years. During his twenty years' pastorate in Florida, he was a member of the state mission board, president of the state convention for two years, and an influential member of the committee that secured the return



of John B. Stetson University into the Baptist fold.

During his active ministry he was in large demand for revival meetings. He conducted such meetings from San Antonio, Texas to Providence, Rhode Island and from Denver, Colorado to Key West, Florida.

The crowning event in this long ministry was when he preached the Southern Baptist Convention sermon in Washington, D. C., on Sunday afternoon, May 21, 1933. Of this occasion the *Washington Post* said:

"The outstanding event of the Southern Baptist Convention now in session in this city was the annual sermon Sunday afternoon. The great auditorium was filled at 3:00 o'clock. The unique feature was the fact that with Dr. White, the preacher, were his four minister sons who took part in the service. No incident like it ever occurred in a Southern Baptist Convention."

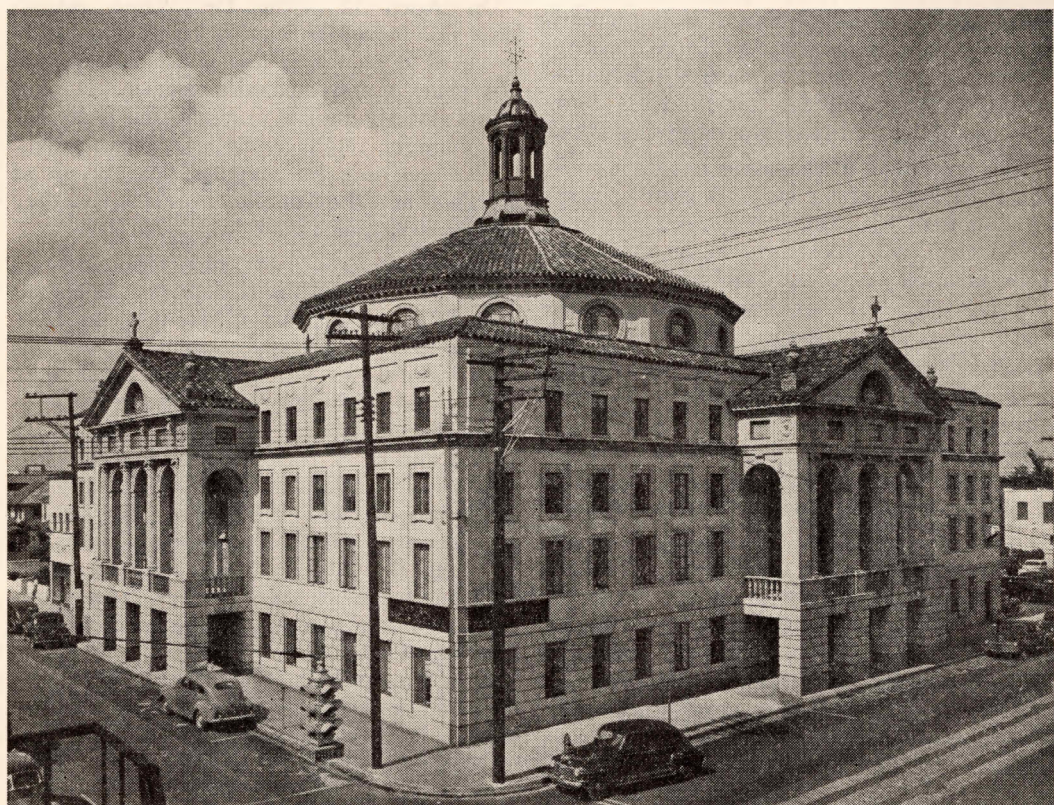
The subject of the sermon was "The slain Lamb Prevailing."

## White's Now Live in Miami

Dr. and Mrs. White are living a quiet life in Miami, close by their youngest son, a lawyer, and their only daughter. From that quiet retreat he sends this message to the brethren and sisters of the Southern Baptist Convention:

"I am now in my eighty-fourth year. My health is good and since my retirement I have been able to preach nearly every Sunday. It has been my joy to aid our smaller and weaker churches. My life's ministry has been built around Paul's definition of the Gospel in 1 Cor. 15: 3, 4. My favorite text: 'And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto myself,' John 12:32.

"Mrs. White and I are now sitting in the shadow of the myrtle tree, listening to the cooing of the Dove of Hope and looking for the blessed appearing of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ. Our love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen."



The Central Baptist Church of Miami built under Dr. White's ministry. The meeting of the Southwide W.M.U. will be held in this building May 12-14. Dr. C. Roy Angell is the present pastor.



# Baptist People Are Statistics

*People are statistics. Statistics represent the best efforts of a large number of people. The four-year-old girl who drops in a love gift on Sunday morning at the Sunday school makes the difference in the total amount given to missions in the Southern Baptist Convention territory each year. The country preacher who baptizes an old man in the creek adds to the total number of conversions reported each year.*

*These people behind the tabular figures shown in the minutes of the association and the Southern Baptist Handbook are interesting personalities. Representatives from a number of associations in the South have been asked to name individuals who have made a definite contribution to Baptist life in the association where they live. Representatives from other associations will be presented from quarter to quarter.*

## Asheville Pastor Leads Evangelistic Crusade

Pastor Nane Starnes of the West Asheville Church in North Carolina made a definite contribution to the Buncombe Association in North Carolina during 1945 through his leadership of the evangelistic emphasis week.

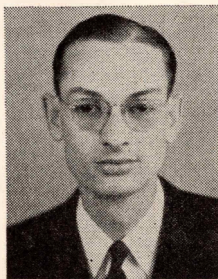
During the ten years Pastor Starnes has served as pastor of the West Asheville Church, the membership has climbed from 600 to more than 1,000, and the average Sunday school attendance is 350. During the past year there have been ninety-one additions for baptism and twenty-five by letter.

Nane Starnes was born in 1901, the son of Deacon and Mrs. George H. Starnes of the Calvary Church in Asheville. Four brothers are now deacons and a sister, Mable, is educational director for the Asheboro Street Church in Greensboro, North Carolina. While a student in Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, Pastor Starnes was state president of the Baptist Student Union. He attended the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and married a Texan, Miss Teanie Mae Reed of Waco.

He is now the Buncombe Association chairman of a committee to assist pastorless churches.

## Glen Lee Greene Is Louisiana Moderator

Ascension Association in Louisiana is forty miles long and twenty-five miles wide. Moderator Glen Lee Greene, pastor at Gonzales, not only has visited all sections of the association in behalf of associational missions but also has taken special work at Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans.



Moderator Greene was graduated from Louisiana College in 1939. He served as business manager for the college newspaper and won honors in debating. He served as pastor for the first youth week held in Louisiana. Mrs. Greene is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A.

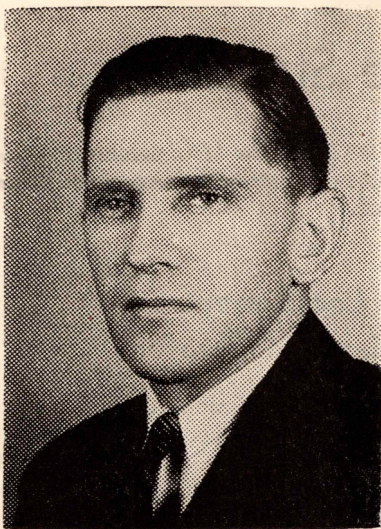
E. Prince of Hannibal, Missouri, where Dr. Prince serves as president of Hannibal La-Grange College.

Gonzales is a 90 per cent Catholic community. Baptisms climbed in 1945 from eight the preceding year to thirty. Gifts more than doubled. Plans are being made for the establishment of mission stations in adjacent communities.

## Mount Beulah Gains Inspire Anson Association

Since the gains of the Mount Beulah Church in North Carolina have inspired the entire Anson Association to greater progress, Pastor J. Tillman Lake has been elected moderator for 1946 and has made a real contribution to Southern Baptist associational life.





Tillman Lake

During the three years Pastor Lake has served in the rural church, services have been increased from half to full-time, a departmental system has been introduced in an enlarged Sunday school plant, gifts have increased from \$4,000 to more than \$17,000 a year, and 124 people have been added by letter and baptism.

Pastor Lake was born in Rowan County, North Carolina, in 1908, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lake. He was converted at the age of fourteen and joined the Stallings Memorial Church of Salisbury, North Carolina. In 1929, he was married to Wilda Freeze of Mooresville. They have two sons, Tim and Philip.

For several years, Mr. Lake was in business and did not surrender to the call of the ministry until 1933. He served as a lay preacher for several years before entering full-time service. As associational missionary of Rowan Association, he launched a mission program resulting in the organization of a growing church.

Pastor and Mrs. Lake came to Mount Beulah in 1942. Mrs. Lake has been a leader in the Women's Missionary Union work and has been an effective helper for her husband.

## Mrs. C. O. Walker Plans Camp for Bienville Association

Because she overcame wartime difficulties to provide a camp for boys and girls, Mrs. C. O. Walker, director of young people for the Women's Missionary Union and teacher of the young people in the Sunday school for the Baylor Baptist Church in Louisiana made a definite contribution to Baptist life in Bienville Baptist Association in 1945.



When many camps were being canceled, Mrs. Walker saw the need for camp life for the boys and girls in the eleven-sixteen-year group. She enlisted a staff of fourteen and directed a three-day camp for boys and another for girls with a total enrollment of sixty-one.

Two dedications for special Christian work resulted from the meetings. Plans are being made to make the camps annual affairs for the association.

Mrs. Walker is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Whitton of Ringgold, Louisiana. Her Baptist parents encouraged her to attend Louisiana College where she was voted the best all-around girl before her graduation in 1928. Mrs. Walker was married in 1931 after teaching in the public schools for three years. The Walkers have two daughters.

## Atlanta City Missionary Leads in Forming New Churches

E. E. Steele, superintendent of city missions in Atlanta, Georgia, has made a definite contribution to Baptist life in Atlanta Association during the past year through the organization of three new Baptist churches and the establishment of three new mission Sunday schools.

Under his leadership, the Jefferson Avenue Church at East Point, the Simsville First Church, and the North Decatur Road Church were organized in 1945. The Jefferson Ave-



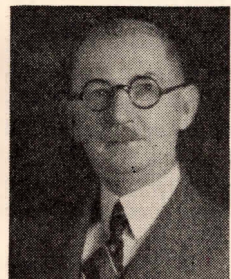
nue Church has grown to 167 members and has raised a building fund of more than \$7,000 in one year. Mission Sunday schools were established at Hightower Road, McElroy, and Inman Park.

Missionary Steele has also assisted the Bethel and the Boulevard Heights churches and has assisted smaller churches in the association in obtaining supplies.

The Atlanta superintendent of city missions was born in Lexington, Georgia, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Steele. He was graduated from Mercer in 1917 and from the Southern Seminary in 1920. He married Leila Burnette of Grays, Georgia, in 1920, and they served for six years as missionaries in China. Mr. Steele was pastor at Oakland City Church in Atlanta from 1933 until 1943 when he resigned to accept the work as superintendent of city missions.

## Virginia Pastor Serves One Church 35 Years

Through thirty-five years of service as pastor of the Broadus Memorial Church of Richmond, Dr. W. E. Gibson has made a definite contribution to the life of the Dover District Association of Virginia.



Now in his seventy-second year, Dr. Gibson still serves with efficiency. He has served on the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and on the Virginia Board of Missions. During the past year, he worked with Pastor Moffett C. Booker of the East

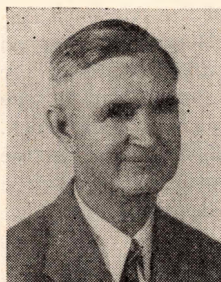
End Church in uniting the two congregations. The two ministers now serve as co-pastors.

The veteran Richmond pastor was born in Loudoun County, Virginia, June 2, 1873. He was graduated from the Richmond College and Crozer Theological Seminary. He received the Doctor of Divinity degree from University of Richmond in 1915.

He served as pastor of the First Church, Wichita, Kansas, and Brookland, District of Columbia, before returning to Virginia in 1906 as pastor at Middleburg and Long Branch. Since 1912, he has served at Broadus Memorial. He is the author of "Living in Tents," a book of sermons published by the Sunday School Board in 1935.

## Associational Missionary Assists in Colquitt Progress

Membership in the churches of Colquitt Association in Georgia has climbed from 5,900 to 9,100, and gifts have increased from \$28,000 to more than \$139,000 during the eight years Henry P. Melton has served as associational missionary.



Missionary Melton would be the last to claim credit for the increases but, according to Moderator E. W. Rhoden, he has made an outstanding contribution to associational life. Gifts to missions have increased from 17 per cent of the amount given to nearly 47 per

cent since 1937 and every church in the association now gives to the Co-operative Program. Three new churches have been started and nine new church houses have been built.

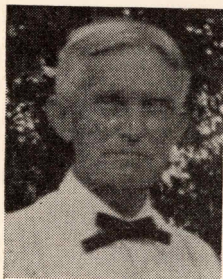
The Colquitt Association missionary was born at Dawson, Georgia, in 1888, the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Melton. He was graduated from Mercer University in 1909 and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1916. In 1923, he started the Lord's Acre Plan in Georgia and has recently served as chairman of a committee to assist in setting up an associational mission program for all of Georgia.

In addition to his regular mission program, Missionary Melton directs a radio program each Sunday, conducts study courses, and seeks to be a servant for all of the thirty-five churches in his association.



## 85-Year-Old Retired Minister Makes Associational Contribution

An eighty-five-year-old retired minister, F. F. Bledsoe of Poteet, Texas, has been designated by the Atascosa Association of Texas as the individual making the greatest contribution to Baptist growth in that section.



Mr. Bledsoe was born in Smith County, Texas, in 1860, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Bledsoe. He attended Texas A. and M. and Sam Houston Normal and then taught school for twenty years before he was ordained in 1902. For more than forty years he has

served as a pastor and associational missionary in Texas.

Since the organization of the Atascosa Association in 1941, Brother Bledsoe has served as a member of the executive board of the association, and his experience and advice has meant much in the progress of the work. Although he has retired from the active ministry, Mr. Bledsoe continues to teach a Bible class in the Poteet Baptist Church.

## Georgia Pastor Serves Rural Churches 30 Years

Because his devotion to rural churches has been an inspiration to the entire association, Pastor G. S. Morris of Post Oak and Nance's Creek churches in Alabama has made a definite contribution to the progress of Baptist life in Calhoun Association.

Pastor Morris was born and educated in the Baptist mission schools of Georgia. He did not answer God's call to the ministry until he was married and had a family. But his thirty years as a minister has meant much to the rural areas. Pastor Morris has done outstanding work in the remodeling and building of rural churches.

In September, 1945, Pastor Morris' churches were hosts to the annual associational meeting. This was unusual in that the meeting for the first day was held at Post Oak and for the second day at Nance's Creek.

During the past year, there have been nearly forty additions in the two churches.

## J. H. Thurman Makes Contribution to Blood River

Allegiance to Bible doctrines has made J. H. Thurman of Murray, Kentucky, of great value to the Blood River Association in that state.



Pastor Thurman was born in Calloway County sixty-seven years ago but has lived in Murray for several years. During the twenty years he has served as pastor, he has given most of his time to country churches. He is now pastor at Oak Grove, a half-time church,

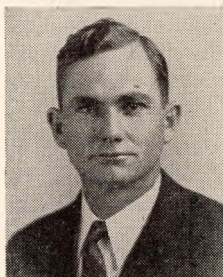
and Union Ridge and West Fork, two quarter-time churches.

This rural pastor has enlarged his ministry through the writing and distribution of many tracts. He has served as treasurer of the Blood River Association since 1931. He is a member of the state mission board in Kentucky and is a member of the board of trustees of the Glendale Orphans Home.

Pastor Thurman has been selected to preach the doctrinal sermon for the 1946 associational meeting. It is said that he knows more of the Bible by memory than any other minister in the association.

## Enon Association Churches Sponsor 23 Mission Stations

When Ross L. Hughes became associational missionary in Enon Association in Oklahoma in 1940, he had definite ideas and convictions about ways and means to meet the growing rural church problem, and he has stayed on the job long enough to see some of his ideas bear fruit.



In 1940, there were thirty-six churches and one mission point in Enon Association. At the last meeting of the association, forty-six churches were reported with twenty-three mission stations where the gospel is preached at least twice a month.



The associational mission budget has grown from less than \$1,000 in 1940 to more than \$5,000 last year. Vacation Bible schools have climbed in number from nine to thirty-three during the five years. Thirty-five mission revivals were conducted in 1945.

Missionary Hughes was born near Adair, Oklahoma, in 1908. He is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University at Shawnee and the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He was married while attending Southwestern, and there are now two sons in the family.

## Woodrow Medlock Serves Five Churches as Pastor

By serving as pastor of five churches at a time when there was a shortage of ministers, Woodrow Medlock has made a definite contribution to the growth of Baptist life in Concord Association in Tennessee.

Pastor Medlock preached four times each Sunday and five times on some Sundays to minister to Westvue, Powells Chapel, New Hope, Mt. Carmel, and Wayside. He travels

100 miles each Sunday to reach these churches.

Just to keep busy, Pastor Medlock attended prayer meeting at three churches each week and found time to preach in ten revivals, direct five Vacation Bible schools and six study courses.

The Concord Association pastor was born in Paris, Tennessee, in 1913, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ode Medlock. He moved to Murfreesboro at the age of thirteen and attended the State Teachers College there and also night classes at the Tennessee College for Women. He was married to Miss Annabel Harrell in 1930. They have one son, Woodrow, Jr.

## Oklahoma Missionary Reaches Rural Areas

"I have visited and had prayer in many, many homes during the past year. Some of these visits resulted in the salvation of souls."

This sentence from the annual report to the Bryan Association in Oklahoma by As-

sociational Missionary E. O. Wright is brief, but Baptist pastors and laymen in the association know that it represents a needed emphasis on house-to-house evangelism in the rural areas.

E. O. Wright was born in Franklin County, Arkansas, on March 3, 1904. He was married to Beatrice Stephens in 1939, and they now have two children, Virginia Ann and Thomas Allen. Missionary Wright came to Oklahoma in 1920 but did not start preaching until 1928. He served as pastor at Oil Center, Roff, York, and Melrose before entering the mission activity. He served as missionary in McCurtain County and Banner Association before going to Bryan.

His annual report for 1945 showed 216 sermons, 7 revivals, 2 schools of missions, and 54 additions for baptism. He assisted in the organization of 2 mission Sunday schools, helped 7 churches secure pastors, personally took a religious census in 4 communities, and arranged for 10 mission revivals.

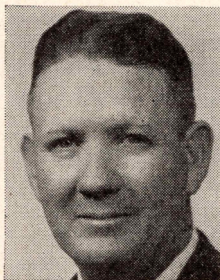
## Stanfill Leads City Mission Program in Little Rock

Taylor Stanfill, superintendent of city missions for Little Rock, Arkansas, made a lasting contribution to Pulaski County Baptist Association work in 1945 through the direction of a comprehensive mission program and the direction of a unified school of missions in 30 churches with a total attendance of 15,000.

One of the features of the Pulaski County mission program is the sponsorship of more than a dozen mission points by Little Rock churches and the supplementing of pastors' salaries in small county churches through the associational budget. This supplement makes it

possible for each church in the county to have full-time work.

Mr. Stanfill was born in Arkansas in 1897 and attended Maynard Baptist Academy and Ouachita College. He served as pastor at Amita, Mena, DeQueen, and Baring Cross in North Little Rock before accepting the work as superintendent of city missions.





## Georgia Farmer Leads in Living Memorial Idea

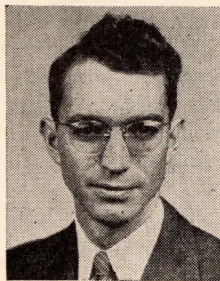
When Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Milner of Barnesville, Georgia, lost a grandson in combat in World War II, they thought of a memorial. They wanted a memorial that would live on in the lives of boys and girls in the days ahead.

Mr. Milner conferred with his pastor, Harvey R. Mitchell, and indicated that a building at the Children's Home at Hapeville would be a fitting memorial for the Baptist boys and girls of Georgia who had lost their lives in the war. Mr. Milner has lived on a farm near Barnesville for more than fifty years and has not made a fortune but he offered to put the first \$5,000 in the building. The church adopted the idea and then the Centennial Association. It now appears that a farmer's dream will become a reality in a \$100,000 building for needy children.

Mr. Milner was born in 1867 in Griffin, Georgia. He attended school at Griffin and moved to a farm near Barnesville at the age of eighteen. He soon married Mamie Dunbar and they have been married for fifty-five years. Out of their Christian home have come four daughters and one son, all active in Christian work today. The father and the mother and all of the children are titheers.

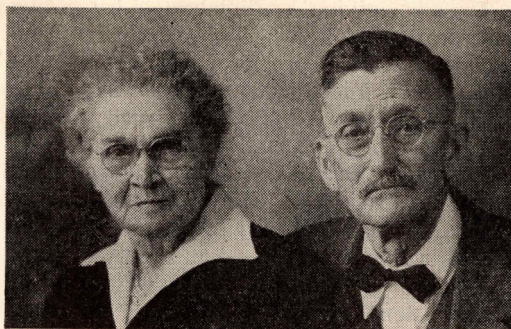
## Marion Pastor Rewrites Associational Constitution

Leadership in a forward-looking associational program for the Blue Ridge Association of North Carolina has made Pastor M. O. Owens, Jr., of real value to the progress of the work in that section.



At the suggestion of Clerk R. L. Smith, Pastor Owens rewrote the constitution for the Blue Ridge Association and it was unanimously adopted. He also led in securing an associational missionary to divide his time between Blue Ridge and the Green River associations.

The Marion church has more than doubled its gifts to this work.



Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Milner

Pastor Owens is the son of Pastor and Mrs. M. O. Owens of Lamar, South Carolina. He served as pastor at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, and Palmetto, Florida, before his acceptance of the call to Marion. He was graduated from Furman University with honors in 1933 and received his Th.M. degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1939.

## Woman Serves as Associational Missionary

Miss Elizabeth Campbell of Lenoir, North Carolina, has the distinction of being one of the few women in the South to serve as an associational missionary—and according to Baptists in Caldwell Association, she is getting the job done.



Miss Campbell is a product of the First Church of Hickory, North Carolina. She was graduated from Mars Hill College and then attended the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth. She was elected as missionary in the Caldwell Association in

June, 1944.

There are fifty-one churches in Caldwell Association, and Miss Campbell has been in most of them since her election, helping to stimulate their work and unify their program. Miss Campbell recently directed a school of missions in twenty-five of the churches in the association.



Pastors in the association say that her happy spirit of co-operation and work has resulted in a greater degree of unity in associational work and has been a definite contribution to associational progress during 1945.

## Associational Moderator Earns Doctor's Degree

To earn a doctor's degree at the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and at the same time lead out in a successful associational mission program as moderator is no small job—but that is the record of Dr. W. Leonard Stigler, moderator of Banner Association in Oklahoma and pastor of the First Church of Pauls Valley.

In the three and one-half years, Dr. Stigler has served at Pauls Valley, the average attendance in Sunday school has climbed from 190 to 325 and the Training Union average attendance from 45 to 130. The number of tithers has climbed from 60 to 203. Annual gifts

have jumped from \$6,000 to more than \$25,000.

The thirty-four-year-old Oklahoma pastor is the son of Dr. H. W. Stigler, pastor of the



First Church of Clinton, Oklahoma. He received his A.B. from Oklahoma Baptist University and his Th.M. from Southern Seminary before completing his doctorate at Southwestern. Mrs. Stigler is a graduate of O.B.U. and attended the Seminary at Louisville with her husband. They have two daughters.

## Missionary Paul N. Jolly Establishes Two Churches

Establishment of two new Baptist churches in Northeastern Association, New Mexico, resulted from the work of Associational Missionary Paul N. Jolly during 1945.

Missionary Jolly is a native of Illinois. He did not answer the call to preach until 1939, at the age of thirty-six. He attended Southern Illinois Normal University. He moved to Las Vegas, New Mexico, last year where he makes his headquarters for his missionary endeavor.

At Maxwell, New Mexico, he directed a revival and organized a Vacation Bible school. The result was a new Baptist church. At Koehler, an old bar had to be used for a revival meeting. There were nineteen professions of faith, and a church was organized with twenty members.

Under the leadership of Earl H. Brock, who served as missionary for the first part of 1945, and Missionary Jolly, baptisms during the associational year climbed from 63 in 1944 to 187 in 1945, an increase of 197 per cent.



## State Conventions Expand Activities

*After struggling with debts for many years, Southern Baptist state mission conventions from Maryland to California looked ahead in 1945 and planned long-range programs calling for more than \$20,000,000 in endowments and construction and enlarged mission forces to press the evangelistic crusade through 1946. Leaders in this mission advance in the various states are the state secretaries. One factor in the continued gains is the growing circulation of Baptist papers. Presidents of the various conventions and associations have been men of vision.*

### Alabama Baptists Go Forward

By A. HAMILTON REID

Two years ago Alabama Baptists owed \$594,000 on their colleges, children's home, and state board. Now, every Baptist institution and agency in Alabama is free of all debts. At the same time, local churches have paid their debts until, today, there are less than a dozen churches in the state with any debts.

While Alabama Baptists have been busy paying debts on local churches and state causes, they have not forgotten the Co-operative Program. The books at the close of the 1945 convention year, October 31, showed an increase in Co-operative Program contributions of approximately 90 per cent over the contributions two years ago and 40 per cent over those of one year ago.

Reports on the number of baptisms during the convention year are not yet in from the churches. It appears, however, that this will be the greatest year in soul-winning and baptisms in the history of Alabama Baptists. In addition to the number of souls won, the Centennial Crusade has done much to revive the spirit of evangelism among the pastors and in the churches.

There is a rising tide of interest among

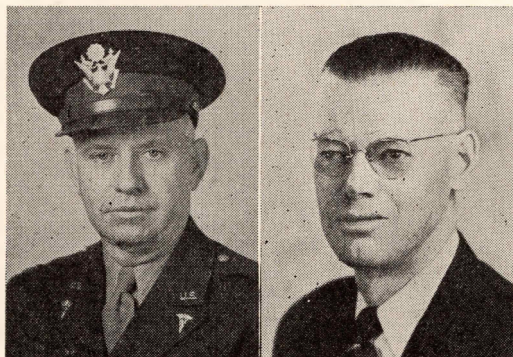
our pastors and churches in denominational causes, state and Southwide; and this, we believe, will be a sustained interest, resulting in more generous, consistent support of denominational causes.

### Four Churches Organized in Arizona Last Quarter

By WILLIS J. RAY

July 6, the first Southern Baptist Mexican Church in Arizona was organized at Chandler with eighteen charter members. Eight came by baptism. Juan Hernandez, a Portorican, is the pastor without pay. Rev. and Mrs. I. B. Williams, missionaries from the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, work with the 120,000 Mexicans in the state.

July 16, North Tucson Baptist Church was instituted in Tucson. There were thirty-two charter members with three coming for baptism. Andrew J. Priest, formerly of Dallas, Texas, came as pastor September 1. District Evangelist A. B. Barnes led in the Vacation Bible school and revival preparing the way for the new church. This gives three Southern churches and one Northern Baptist church in this city of 80,000 people.



Frank Tripp (left), Montgomery, Alabama, pastor, is president of the Alabama Baptist Convention. Wiley Henton, Casa Grande, Arizona, is president of the Arizona Baptist Convention.



On July 19, the First Southern Baptist Church of Flagstaff was organized with nine members. There were twenty-five professions of faith in a Vacation Bible school and revival under the direction of State Evangelist Milton E. Cunningham, assisted by three summer workers from the Home Mission Board. Flagstaff is a city of 7,500 people and the home of the State Teachers College.

The Central Church, Phoenix, Paul Vercher, pastor, and Margaret Jung, Home Mission Board worker, conducted a Vacation Bible school for the Chinese. There were fifty-seven enrolled and seventeen confessed Christ.

Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Frazier, missionaries to the Indians, conducted the second annual Bible institute at Sacaton. There were 301 in attendance with five Indian tribes represented and twenty-six Sino-Americans present. There were forty professions of faith with thirteen baptized. Rev. and Mrs. Luke Johnson, with the Fraziers, are missionaries to the 75,000 Indians in the state. Dr. J. B. Rounds, Wiley Henton, Willis J. Ray, Wilma Bucy, Pearl Todd, and others assisted with the Vacation Bible school in connection with the institute.

H. R. Spraker, Houston, Texas, was appointed in August by the Home Mission Board and state convention as evangelist for Central Association covering the northern half of Arizona.

The W. M. U. of Texas gave \$7,500 through the Home Mission Board to provide and assist in paying salaries for pastors for these new churches.

T. T. Reynolds of Houston, Texas, came as pastor of Kingman, September 1. The First Baptist Church there was one year old before it could secure a pastor. Kingman is a gold mining district city of 5,000 people. It was organized September 24, 1944, with twelve members. The nearest Baptist church to Kingman is seventy-five miles distant.

L. D. White of Houston, Texas, came as pastor of Calvary Church, Casa Grande, August 26. He succeeded Wiley Henton, who is now pastor of the eight-months-old church at Globe. This church, Trinity, now has 100 members.

H. L. Thornton of Lonsdale Church, Knoxville, Tennessee, succeeded Fred R. Barnes as pastor of the Columbia Street Baptist

Church, Tucson, September 16. Pastor Barnes went to San Jose, California, to start the first Southern Baptist church in that city of 125,000 people.

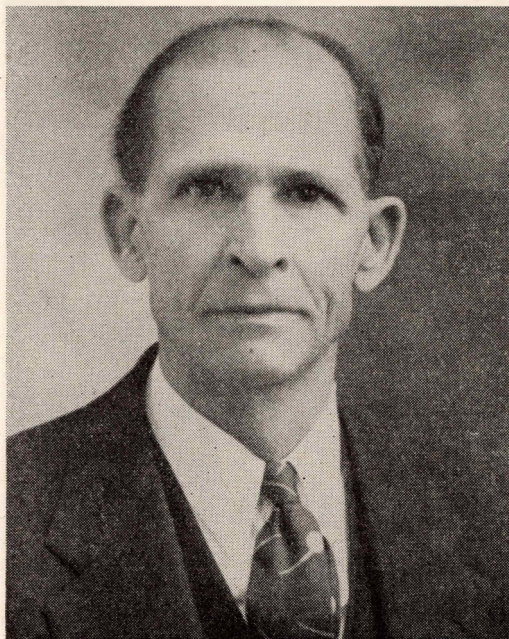
Haskell D. Beck, Thrift, Texas, began work as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Chandler, August 26. LaVern Lewis, a returnee and local member served as supply pastor during the interim of eight months while the church was trying to secure a pastor. LaVern is now in Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas.

## Arkansas Baptists Repay Moral Debt

By C. E. BRYANT

The determination of Arkansas Baptists to meet a "moral obligation" to former creditors who lost money in a 35 per cent compromise court settlement of the state convention's million dollar indebtedness in 1936 received a great boost from the state supreme court, October 29.

The high court, in a unanimous decision, praised the desire of the Baptists to meet this approximately \$600,000 debt, though legally settled, adding that the convention's determination "is nothing more than might be expected from a great, militant organiza-



W. J. Hinsley, Hot Springs, is president of the Arkansas Baptist Convention.

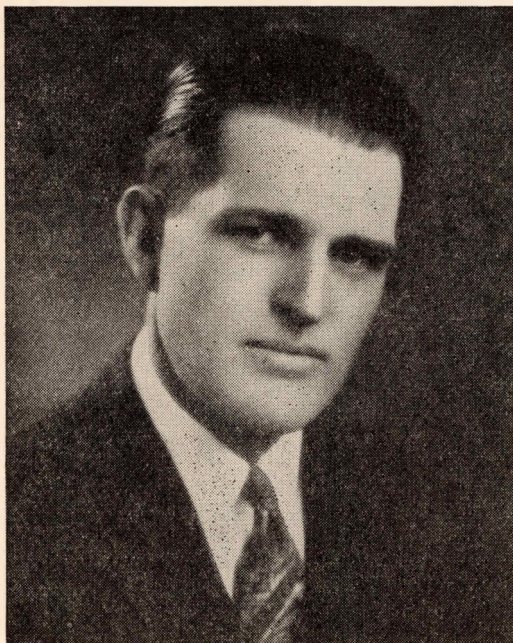


tion dedicated to promoting a religion whose cardinal principle is found in the commandment 'As ye would that men should do unto you, do ye also to them likewise.'"

The supreme court's decision, brought by an appeal from the state convention executive board, reversed a Pulaski Chancery Court ruling which forbade Baptist State Hospital trustees from contributing \$30,000 to retirement of the moral debt. The high court ruled that such a transfer can be made "without making any diversion of trust funds, and without affecting in any way the status of the hospital as a charitable institution."

On the day following the supreme court's announcement, the Rev. Robert O. Barker, hospital board chairman, handed the \$30,000 check to State Secretary B. L. Bridges. It ended a two-year difference of opinion in convention ranks.

Arkansas Baptists have registered great gains in soul-winning during the Centennial Year, though figures to date indicate that the 1946 goal was not fully realized. A strengthened state mission program, headed up by Dr. Otto Whittington and employing five state and forty associational missionaries, is largely responsible for the gain.



John O. Scott, Fresno, is president of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California.

A decided loss to the state was the resignation of Pastor Monroe F. Swilley, Jr., at Pine Bluff to accept the pastorate of Second-Ponce de Leon Church, Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Swilley was a leader in denominational affairs and chairman of the state missions committee.

## California Baptists Report 106 Churches

Southern Baptists of California reported 106 churches at their recent convention with nearly 10,000 now enrolled in Sunday school. Under the leadership of State Secretary A. F. Crittendon, progress is being made in every phase of work. Plans have been made for the provision of assembly grounds. The Seminary at Oakland has been taken over by the state convention and plans are being made to affiliate with one of the established Southern Baptist schools. Floyd Looney is editor of the California Baptist paper.

State convention offices are located in the Holland Building at Fresno, California. John Farmer is the Sunday school secretary.

## District of Columbia Reports 3047 Increase

By M. C. STITH

We are closing our Centennial Year of emphasis on evangelism with 1,236 baptisms reported by our churches, together with 1,811 other additions by letter, giving a total of 3,047 increase in membership of our churches for the year.

### Resignations:

Takoma Park—Wm. E. LaRue to retire in Glendale, California.

Mountain Memorial—W. Burtrum King to a pastorate in Atlanta, Georgia.

Kendall—Len F. Stevens to the pastorate of Arlington Baptist Church, Virginia.

Grace—Walton L. MacMillan to Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

Congress Heights—Aaron B. Kelly—Plans not yet announced.

Fountain Memorial Baptist Church called Rev. Frank Burress from Hawkins, Texas, who has accepted and is now active.

At the close of the fiscal year, October 31, 1945, total gifts for all purposes were \$231,000.00.

Mission gifts to Northern and Southern Conventions were \$64,555.00.



Budget adopted for 1945-46 calls for 35 per cent of total budget income to be equally divided between the Northern and Southern Baptist conventions.

Convention-wide School of Missions was planned for February 24 to March 1.

Calendar of activities not completed until convention met November 19, 20, and 21, 1945.

## Florida Elects New Men

By E. D. SOLOMON

Florida Baptists are making splendid progress along all lines. Stetson University launched a campaign last year for one million dollars for buildings and endowment. Half of this amount has been given and pledged. Dr. J. Harrison Griffin has been elected secretary of the Department of Christian Education of the Executive Board of the Florida Baptist Convention.

The Sunday School Department has been strengthened by the election of T. M. Collins as assistant secretary to Dr. W. W. Willian.

Dr. John Maguire, the new executive secretary is making progress. The goal for the Co-operative Program for 1946 is \$500,000.00 to be divided between state and Southwide causes, 65-35. Southwide causes 35 per cent, state 65 per cent. There will be two special offerings in 1946, one for John B. Stetson University in the spring and one for state missions in the fall.

The Board of Trustees of the Florida Baptist Children's Home has voted to move the Children's Home from Arcadia, Florida to Lakeland, Florida. This new home will be built on a fifty-six acre tract of land in the corporate limits of the city. The plan will be the cottage type buildings. Money for present buildings is in hand.

The thirty-five associations have been largely attended. Florida has 822 churches with a membership of 188,782 (1944), 788 Sunday schools with an enrolment of 120,654. The valuation of church property exceeds \$10,000,000. The total gifts in 1944 were \$3,555,273.14.

The Florida Baptist Convention met in the First Baptist Church, Jacksonville, January 15-18, 1946.

## Georgia Baptists Report All Convention Debts Are Paid

With all Georgia Baptist debts reported paid by State Mission Secretary James W. Merritt and with 1945 receipts going over the \$2,000,000 mark, plans for 1946 are being made for an expanded program.

The 1945 convention voted to establish a George Truett-F. M. McConnell Memorial Junior College in northeast Georgia, and a committee was selected to work out the details. For the first time in Georgia history, more than \$100,000 was set aside for Christian education.



Presidents of the state conventions in the District of Columbia, Georgia, and Illinois are pictured above left to right. They are C. H. Cooke, J. C. Wilkinson and I. E. Miller.



The *Christian Index*, edited by Dr. O. P. Gilbert, reported more than 35,000 circulation.

Atlanta Baptists were authorized to incorporate themselves to erect a \$700,000 Baptist Professional Building to be operated in connection with the Georgia Baptist Hospital.

A new orphans' home at Baxley will be accepted by Georgia Baptists if legal complications can be worked out.

New emphasis on evangelism has been reported, and a forward-looking program, "Launching a New Century with Christ," has been started.

Dr. Arthur Jackson reports progress in the work of the Georgia Baptist Foundation.

## Illinois Baptist Secretary Plans to Retire

By B. J. MURRIE

Illinois Baptists celebrated the Centennial with an all-time high in offering amounting to \$243,722.69 of which Southwide causes received \$192,105.80. The Co-operative Program receipts were divided 50-50 without any deductions for Southwide causes paying half the expenses. The same plan was voted for 1946. Budget for state work was set at \$126,000 for 1946.

A hospital committee has been appointed to report on founding the first Baptist hospital in the state.

The chapel and boys' dormitory units are now being constructed and are joined to the present administration unit at the Baptist Foundation in Carbondale. Money is in hand for the girls' dormitory which will be built in 1946.

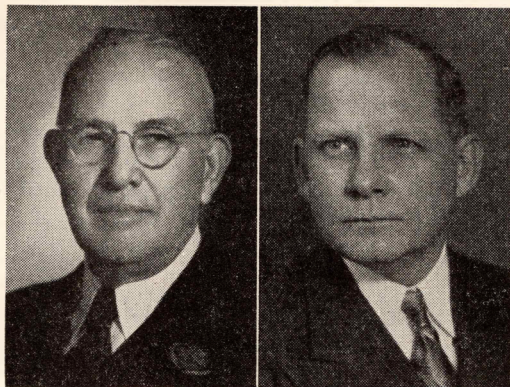
The Carmi Children's Home has \$18,000 raised on a \$100,000 expansion program. The state denominational paper has passed the 10,000 mark in subscriptions and has a goal of 15,000.

General Secretary E. W. Reeder, who has served for sixteen years, planned to retire on March 10, 1946. Dr. Noel M. Taylor, Marion, has been elected to take Dr. Reeder's place.

## Evangelism Is Stressed in Kentucky

By CARROL HUBBARD

W. C. Boone, Louisville pastor, has been elected executive secretary of the Kentucky



Mr. A. T. Siler (left) Williamsburg, Kentucky, is moderator of the Kentucky Baptist Association. W. L. Staggs, Lake Charles, is president of the Louisiana Convention.

Baptist Association to succeed Dr. J. W. Black who recently retired.

Kentucky Baptists are making progress! A remarkable spirit of unity and fellowship exists throughout the state.

The financial report for the past three months, just released by General Secretary-Treasurer J. W. Black, shows a splendid increase over the corresponding period of last year. The total gifts for the Centennial Year will closely approximate if not equal those of the peak year of the Seventy-Five Million Campaign.

When all reports are in, it is expected that Kentucky churches will have won to Christ and baptized at least twice as many people as in any previous year. The evangelistic crusade has greatly reinforced the work and inspired our people. Simultaneous campaigns were conducted in Lexington and Louisville.

Under the direction of Superintendents A. M. Vollmer and E. F. Glenn plans were made for a generous Thanksgiving offering for the orphanages at Louisville and Glendale. It was hoped that the offering would reach \$200,000.

The program of Kentucky Baptists for 1946 was largely determined in the meeting of the General Association, November 13-15, and in the annual session of the Executive Board, December 4. Matters of tremendous importance were considered. This much is sure: in the months ahead, as in 1945, great emphasis will be placed upon evangelism, stewardship, and missions.



## Louisiana Baptists Close Successful Year

By FINLEY W. TINNIN

Dr. W. H. Knight, secretary-treasurer, reported to the Louisiana State Convention, meeting at Winnfield, November 13-14, receipts through the Co-operative Program of \$445,891.31, which is almost double the goal for the Co-operative Program this year. Besides the Co-operative Program receipts Louisiana Baptists gave \$67,032.55 to their Children's Home and \$355,874.51 to other designated causes, making a grand total of gifts for the convention year of \$868,798.37.

This also has been our greatest year in evangelism. While we do not have the reports on baptisms from all the churches of the state, the missionaries and other employees of the Executive Board reported a total of 3,008 baptisms for 1945 which was an appreciable increase over any previous year for our state missionaries.

Some important pastoral changes in Louisiana during the past month include the resignation of Dr. W. E. B. Lockridge as director of the Louisiana Baptist Foundation to become superintendent of the new Baptist hospital in Baton Rouge; the resignation of Dr. John Caylor, pastor of the Highland Church of Shreveport, to become director of the Louisiana Baptist Foundation; the election of Otto Estes, recently discharged from the United States Navy, as secretary of the state Baptist student work; and the resignation of Dr. C. W. Culp as pastor of the Queens-

boro Church of Shreveport to join the state evangelistic staff.

## Maryland Baptists Register Gains in 1945

By JOSEPH T. WATTS

The Maryland Baptist Union Association closed its year, September 30, with total benevolent contributions of \$118,227 or \$4.70 per capita. Of that sum \$90,227 was given through the Co-operative Program; the rest was designated, coming from Women's Missionary Union groups, Sunday schools, and other special gifts.

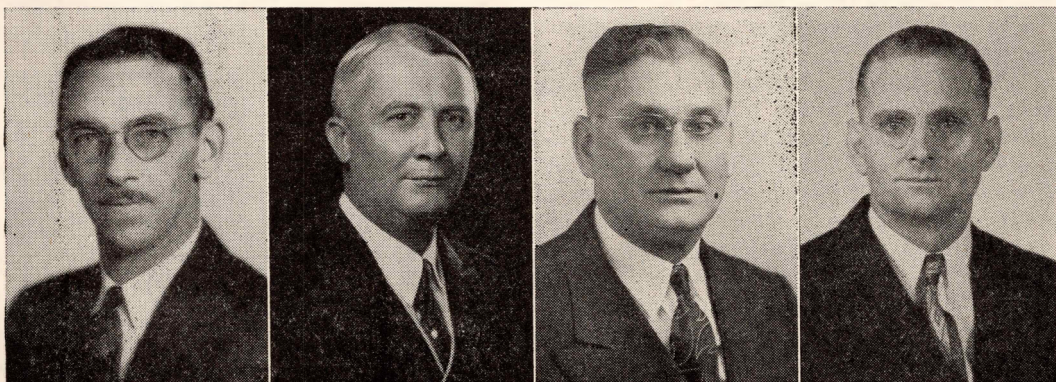
The association adopted a goal of \$100,000 for 1946, undesignated. The hope is that, with fair economic conditions in the country, we may be able to reach the goal.

Church membership increased by more than 1,000, to 26,000 plus, and our Sunday schools showed an enrolment of more than 23,000, recording a small net gain, as did the Training Unions.

Baptist work in Maryland is in better condition than at any time in our long history. We look forward to 1946 with enthusiasm.

The enrolment of messengers at the annual session held at University Church, Baltimore, was 727, a good indication of growing interest in the denomination.

Maryland Baptists will give Southwide causes \$52,600 in 1946, the goal suggested by the Executive Committee. This will be accomplished by individual gifts over and above those paid through the Co-operative Program.



Presidents of the state Baptist conventions in Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, and New Mexico are (left to right) R. Hardwood Bagby, Baltimore, Maryland; Norman W. Cox, Meridian, Mississippi; Forest A. Lowry, St. Louis, Missouri; and Earl R. Keating, Hobbs, New Mexico.



## Mississippi Baptists Add Three New Departments

By A. L. GOODRICH

During 1945, Mississippi Baptists added three new departments with Riley Munday as secretary of the Baptist Student Department, Luther Harrison as secretary of the Music Department, and J. H. Street as secretary of the Brotherhood Department.

On November 1, the new Baptist Building was occupied in Jackson, giving sufficient space for the workers to do efficient work.

Mississippi Baptists reported an increase in baptisms over 1944.

The campaign for the Mississippi Baptist Hospital at Jackson yielded more than \$300,000. Total receipts for all mission causes in 1945 were more than one million dollars.

The *Baptist Record* circulation reached an all-time high of 51,345 with an annual profit of nearly \$20,000.

Plans for 1946 have stressed gospel preaching, promotion of the Ministerial Retirement Plan, evangelistic conference at Clinton, February 25-28, and district stewardship conferences, May 19-22.

## Missouri Baptists in 1945

By JOSEPH E. BROWN

Co-operative Program receipts of Missouri Baptists in 1945 broke all records, reaching a total of \$432,644.46, more than doubling those in 1942.

The special campaign for \$250,000 for the endowment fund of William Jewell College was expected to reach its goal.

The other two colleges report excellent progress.

Missouri Baptist Hospital had its largest year, with more than a million dollars received and some \$450,000 outlay for improvements. The Children's Home and the Home for Aged Baptists reported good years.

Missouri Baptists are seeking to go forward in 1946 on the Co-operative Program alone, without special offerings. A Baptist Foundation is in process of organization and some funds have been set aside for a Baptist headquarters building. An assembly property has been purchased in the Ozarks and it awaits repairing and remodeling.

While Missouri churches did not reach

their Centennial goals in baptisms, there were good gains bringing the total membership to well over 300,000.

## New Mexico Shows Gain in Baptisms for 1945

New Mexico Baptists reported 1,929 baptisms for 1945, an increase of 478 over the 1944 figure and made plans to place more emphasis on spiritual conquests for 1946.

Plans for a \$85,000 Unified Program for 1946 have been adopted. The total budget calls for a total of \$123,000 for 1946.

The *Baptist New Mexican* goes into every Baptist home in the state where the church has a pastor. The circulation is now above the 8,000 mark. Harold Dye is the editor.

There are twelve Negro Baptist churches in New Mexico with A. B. Hanks serving as missionary. A student center building has been planned for the Baptist chair of religion at the Eastern New Mexico College at Portales. New Mexico Baptists do not operate a college or university.

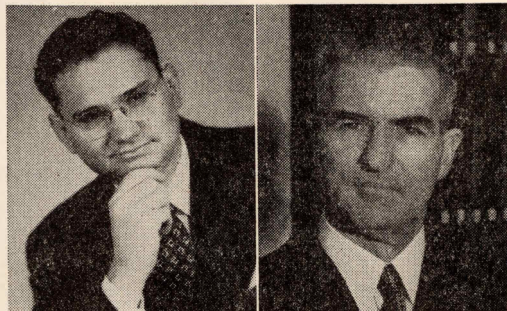
W. J. Lites was elected during the past year to serve as Sunday school and Brotherhood secretary to succeed E. A. Herron, who moved to Alabama.

According to Superintendent of Evangelism B. I. Carpenter, there are 500 villages and communities in New Mexico where no Baptist work is sponsored.

## North Carolina Reports 30 Per Cent Increase in Gifts

By M. A. HUGGINS

The North Carolina Convention staff members have been very busy attending annual



Thomas B. Lackey, Tulsa (left), is president of the Oklahoma Baptist Convention. C. C. Warren, Charlotte, is president of the North Carolina Baptist Convention.



meetings of the associations. In itself, this is not of particular significance except for the fact that the associations were unusually well attended. Of more significance is the fact that deep interest has been manifested. There is a growing conviction that Baptists must do something about the open doors and challenge of the new world. We must do it in a big way—bigger than we have ever done before.

North Carolina is happy to report an increase of about 30 per cent in receipts through the undesignated Co-operative Program in 1945 over 1944. Designations continue to be large, particularly for foreign missions, including relief work.

The state convention, meeting November 13-15, gave considerably less time than usual to regular reports of what *has been* done. Almost two whole sessions were devoted to the consideration of the task with which churches must come to grips in the postwar world. It was hoped by many that these discussions would create a desire for, and give some content to, a five- to ten-year program for North Carolina Baptists.

## Million Dollar Program Outlined in Oklahoma 1946 Plans

By ALBERT McCLELLAN

Early in 1945 Oklahoma Baptists made plans for 1946. It was agreed that there was not to be an extra drive for money. Certainly, there would be a special campaign but not an extra campaign.

The Unified Budget goal was set for a total of the various associational goals. Dr. Andrew Potter and his associates went afield to

contact the churches. It had been thought at the beginning that a total of \$605,000 would be pledged. Instead, there was a total of \$625,000. This \$625,000 will cover both capital and current needs. Out of it, liberal amounts will go to out-of-state causes in addition to the regular co-operative mission funds sent heretofore.

This \$625,000, however, represents only about half of what is actually expected to be raised. The usual designated offerings, including the Lottie Moon, Annie W. Armstrong, and other offerings will bring the total to an anticipated one and a quarter million dollars.

In the first ten months of 1945, Oklahoma raised \$403,307.40 for the Unified Budget; \$246,256.44 for the Centennial Thank Offering and \$170,477.55 for special offerings, a total of \$820,041.39 in ten months.

Using money already in hand and money to be raised, Oklahoma Baptists expect to spend one million for buildings in 1946. This new construction will include a Baptist Building in Oklahoma City; fine arts chapel, O.B.U.; men's dormitory, O.B.U.; improvement of Falls Creek Assembly grounds; improvement of hospitals; and construction of several new buildings at the Orphans' Home.

Other 1946 plans include an all-out spiritual program featuring doctrinal study, soul-winning, and stewardship. Regional rallies are planned for January and rural rallies for April.

The associations reported 15,000 baptisms in 1945, 3,000 more than the previous year.

## Tennessee Institutions Are Out of Debt

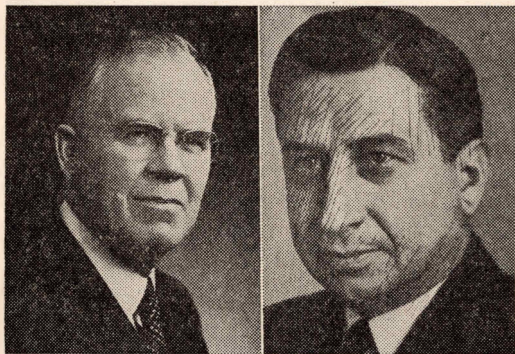
By CHAS. W. POPE

Tennessee Baptists have made notable progress in their denominational program during the past two years.

Two years ago every Baptist school, college, orphanage, and institution in Tennessee was in debt. Today there is no debt on any Baptist institution in the state.

Three years ago the Co-operative Program receipts for the convention year were \$381,393.87. In 1945 the receipts were \$933,971.03, or a gain of \$552,577.16.

The Tennessee Baptist Foundation has recently been re-organized and has launched



W. C. Campbell (left) is president of the South Carolina Convention. Mark Harris is president of the Tennessee group.



a campaign of \$5,500,000 for endowment for the schools and colleges of Tennessee. This campaign will be conducted in the field of private capital and will make no special appeal through the churches.

Tennessee Baptists are engaged in a million dollar Co-operative Program campaign with good prospects of success for 1946.

## South Carolina Report Increase in Conversions

By CHAS. F. SIMS

During the period August 1 to November 9, 1945, the thirty-eight district associations in South Carolina held their annual business meetings. In all the associations of the state, which were unusually well attended last year, carefully prepared reports on achievements of the past were heard and approved and challenging plans for the work next year, beyond anything yet undertaken by South Carolina Baptists, were adopted.

The sum total of the 1946 Co-operative Program goals of the thirty-eight associations is slightly above one million dollars, and approximately 10 per cent above the sum of the goals for last year.

Dr. W. S. Brooke, general secretary-treasurer, reported to the state convention in its recent session that \$728,289.37 had been received for the Co-operative Program for the first nine months of this year. This is \$181,060.16 more than the amount received for the same period last year, a \$493,808.71 increase over the contributions for the first nine months of 1940.

J. A. Howard, who resigned last year as state evangelist, reported a marked increase in the number of conversions reported by the churches during the first six months of 1945. The increase noted is about 15 per cent over the same period in 1944.

The *Baptist Courier*, Dr. J. M. Burnett, editor and R. F. Terrell, circulation manager, reports a circulation of 40,000, the largest in the history of the paper. It is worth noting that South Carolina Baptists in this year which marked their greatest financial support of the missionary enterprise have given to the state paper the largest circulation in its history.

## Texas Baptists Plan \$3,300,000 Budget

The Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas is organized for aggressive and efficient action. The ten departments under the general direction of the Executive Board report phenomenal progress and have perfected plans with definite objectives for the postwar world.

Dr. J. Howard Williams, pastor of the First Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, has been elected executive secretary to succeed Dr. W. W. Melton who has accepted the call of the Columbus Street Church, Waco, Texas.

Dr. J. Howard Williams, executive secretary, and R. A. Springer, treasurer, report: "In 1944-45 receipts for the Co-operative Program budget were \$2,293,373.38, and on endowment and enlargement \$650,997.24, making a grand total through the Dallas office of \$2,944,370.62.

"The goal for 1945-46 is \$1,100,000 for Southwide causes; \$1,100,000 for state causes, and \$1,100,000 for endowment and enlargement, making a total budget of \$3,300,000."

Dr. A. B. White has conducted a careful survey to find the needs of the 915 rural churches in Texas. He is now assembling a staff of competent, consecrated workers who



Dr. E. D. Head, president of Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, is president of the Texas Convention.



will not go out to talk about the "problems" but will recognize the possibilities and opportunities of rural churches. These workers will give full time to rural areas. Houses of worship will be built, or rebuilt, pastors' homes will be built, and salaries of pastors supplemented. We will quit calling our people in from rural communities to tell them how to put on a full program. The plan proposes to go into the country and stay with the task until it is done.

The seven evangelists report 963 conversions and 574 additions by letter during 1945.

Dr. G. S. Hopkins, Sunday school department secretary, reports that 33,376 Sunday school awards were received in Texas in 1944, and 47,729 in 1945. The award goal for 1946 is 60,000. The state convention will be held April 2-4.

Dr. T. C. Gardner, Training Union department secretary, says:

"At the close of World War I in 1918, there were 1,575 individual Training Unions with 34,194 members. At the close of World War II in 1945, there were 9,010 individual Training Unions with a combined membership of 177,879. In 1918 Texas Baptists earned 3,250 Training Union diplomas and seals; whereas, in 1945, Texas Baptists earned 65,439 Training Union diplomas and seals.

"Three objectives of the Baptist Training Union Department of Texas for 1946 are:

"1. To establish the Training Union in all Baptist churches in Texas and to enlist all Baptist soldiers that return to civilian life.

"2. To co-operate with the editor of the *Baptist Standard* in placing the denominational paper in every Baptist home in Texas.

"3. To establish Christ-centered and church-centered Saturday Night Youth Meetings and, thereby, challenge our Baptist youth to march for Christ and the church."

Secretary W. F. Howard of the Baptist Student Union Department says:

"The 1945 Texas BSU program majored in (1) personal evangelism, (2) extension service, and (3) missions.

"Objectives for 1946 continue to underscore these same fundamentals and look toward expansion, with a goal of ten new BSU's and 1,600 subscribers to *The Baptist Student*."

The Brotherhood department went from part-time to full-time basis in March, 1945.

L. H. Tapscott, a layman, is now state secretary. Objectives for 1946 are: more organizations, evangelism, Co-operative Program, more laymen serving.

J. D. Riddle, secretary department of church music, says:

"This department was established January 1, 1945. During the ten months of its ministry it has met with wide and popular reception. Its objectives are: a department of church music in every church, a music education program in the church open to all the church constituency, more worshipful music in the church, and participation in worship through singing by all the 'congregation of the saints.'"

Dr. J. W. Bruner makes a brief report of the department of endowment as follows: Total receipts of Baptist institutions in Texas, including Seminary, for convention year just closed: On endowment \$526,415.95; for buildings, cash \$3,115,472; unpaid subscriptions on buildings \$3,819,265.12; annual average receipts on endowment for past five years \$1,000,000.

Dr. A. C. Miller, secretary department of interracial co-operation, imparts:

Forty per cent of the total population of Texas is composed of people of other races and nationalities. Our aim is to organize our state work for effective service in these fields and to co-ordinate our work with the various other missionary agencies at work in them. Good progress has been made toward these objectives.

Dr. George J. Mason, executive secretary of the Baptist Foundation of Texas, reports:

"The Baptist Foundation of Texas is the creature of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. It was chartered early in 1931 with combined assets of \$2,000,000. After fourteen years the assets have grown to more than \$11,000,000. Since 1940 this corporation has grown at the rate of \$1,000,000 annually. During the past fiscal year, ending August 31, 1945, the directors of the foundation, through wise investments, produced an income of approximately \$450,000, which is distributed quarterly to the institutions served.

"The Co-operative Program budget, recently approved at the annual meeting of the state convention in November, 1945, in Fort Worth provides for a million dollars additional endowment for next year."





R. F. Hough, Salem, is president of the Virginia Baptist Convention.

The Woman's Missionary Union of Texas reports a total of 5,620 missionary organizations among the women and young people of the state; 562 of these were organized in this past year.

The undesignated gifts to the Co-operative Program the past year totaled \$445,793.14. The Lottie Moon Offering was \$293,494.36, Annie Armstrong \$83,675.11, Mary Hill Davis \$44,312.04. These gifts, together with other designated gifts make a grand total for missions of \$960,414.96. Special gifts to schools for buildings, scholarships, and endowments, for education have totaled \$86,725.97.

To Buckner Orphans' Home, the women have contributed \$75,605.37. For Ministerial Relief, in the day of prayer, the gifts reached \$22,402.61. A special gift to Memorial Hospital, Houston and gifts for charity in the other hospitals of the state make a total of \$140,118.11. There were other gifts for district and associational expense, charity, etc.,

which make the grand total for all causes outside of the local church for the convention year 1944-45, \$1,235,285.04.

## Sixty-six New Churches Started in Virginia

By JAMES R. BRYANT

Virginia Baptists made progress in 1945. Approximately sixty-six new churches have been organized in recent months. Special efforts have been put forth to win the lost to Christ. A program of enlistment has been promoted. We have tried to interest every Virginia Baptist in every phase of our work and encourage all of our people to support the work through the Co-operative Program.

Our plans for the new year are comprehensive. We believe in the threefold ministry which Jesus inaugurated. We are anxious to see preaching in every church every Sunday throughout our state. We want every church to be a worldwide church. We have found that the church with a worldwide vision generally provides for the local needs better than the church that is just interested in the local work. We want every member to contribute to every cause, and the best way we have found to develop the individual and to promote all of our work is through our Co-operative Program.

The *teaching* ministry has always been fundamental and basic with Virginia Baptists. We believe in Christian education.

Our plan is to support and control the Baptist schools of Virginia.

The *healing* ministry is growing in favor with Virginia Baptists. Special emphasis will be placed upon prevention work as we lengthen the arms of the hospital in providing relief for the sick.

Virginia Baptists want to see every phase of our work prosper—foreign, home, south-wide, and statewide. Our people have found the need of a home for aged Baptists and plans are being made now to provide for them. This plan has proved to be very popular in the minds of many of our people.



# California and Arizona

By E. P. ALLDREDGE

*Dr. E. P. Alldredge, for twenty-five years secretary of Survey, Statistics, and Information of the Baptist Sunday School Board, represented the Board at the meetings of the Arizona and California state conventions in November. In connection with this visit, he made extensive research regarding the Baptist possibilities in these two states and we present excerpts from addresses delivered before these two conventions showing the challenge and mission opportunity.*

California is the second largest state in area, and the third largest in population, in the United States. And, while only one fourth part of the state is given over to agriculture, it has already taken its place as the most highly developed section of this nation.

In fact, California is not merely one of the greatest states in America; it is a fabulous empire, larger than the British Isles, and no one can describe it and no one can characterize it. It has, for example, ten great, fast developing industries—intensive agriculture and horticulture; mining and oil production; forestry and lumbering; extensive fisheries; seven major lines of manufacturing; prodigious construction works; a great program of public works; the most gigantic and unbelievable aggregation of recreational and amusement institutions and agencies in the nation; great and growing trade and services industries; and the caring for 1,500,000 of out-of-state tourists who spend \$426,000,000 a year in California, besides an equal number of vacationists and sports fans who spend an additional \$542,000,000 in the state each year.

Then, what is of special concern to Baptists everywhere, California has the fastest growing population of any state or section of the United States. Look at these official figures and see in them a record of amazing and unmatched growth in this unique state:

## Population of California

In 1850.....	92,597	(year of admission)
In 1860.....	379,994	
In 1870.....	560,247	
In 1880.....	864,694	
In 1890.....	1,213,398	
In 1900.....	1,485,053	
In 1910.....	2,377,594	
In 1920.....	3,426,861	
In 1930.....	5,677,251	
In 1940.....	6,907,387	
In 1945.....	8,784,000	(State Chamber of Commerce estimates)

While a million or more war workers will perhaps return to their native states immediately, over half of them will eventually go back to California along with a great influx of newcomers. So that, while the population of California is now third among the states of the United States, its present rate of normal growth, as indicated in the tabulation above, will undoubtedly give it first place in population in the whole nation by 1970.

## A Destitute Mission Field

From a Baptist point of view, California is undoubtedly the most destitute mission field in America. For notwithstanding the fact that Northern Baptists entered California in 1849, with the rush of gold seekers, and have fostered two conventions in California since 1881, Northern Baptists now number only 120,365 church members in a population of 8,784,000—that is, one Baptist to every 72.9 persons in the population of California as compared to one to every 5.7 persons in the population of Oklahoma.

Moreover, according to the 1944 *Year Book of the Encyclopedia Americana*, there are 861 cities, towns, and villages, incorporated and unincorporated, in California, but Northern Baptists have churches or missions in only 228 of these localities, while 633 of these towns and villages and 98 per cent of all rural areas in the state are wholly destitute of Baptist life and work—and there are 2,500,000 people in the rural sections of California.



Not only so; but Northern Baptists have entered into special agreements with non-Baptist denominations to stay out of certain towns and sections in California, no matter how many Baptists such localities embrace.

What is the situation in the state of California as a whole?

Population (1945) .....	8,784,000
Unchurched population .....	4,500,000
Total cities, towns, and villages .....	861
Destitute of Baptist work.....	633
Population of rural sections.....	2,500,000
Destitute of Baptist work.....	98%
Total Baptists in California.....	170,365
Northern Baptists .....	120,365
Negro Baptists .....	37,500
Southern Baptists .....	7,500
Independent and Fundamentalists .....	5,000
Unaffiliated Baptists in California .....	600,000

So; California is not only faced with a staggering destitution from the Baptist point of view but in part it is a destitution which has been brought on by the agreements of Northern Baptists to turn over certain towns and sections to other denominations. We hold that all such agreements violate the basic principle of religious freedom.

### Reasons for Going On

*We should go on with the Southern Baptist program and work in California.* I venture to name several reasons why we ought to go on:

(1) Our Baptist principle of religious liberty demands that Southern Baptists be given the same right to worship and serve God according to the dictates of their consciences as any other religious group in the state or nation. A simple following of this basic principle will solve all the problems in California.

(2) Since the opportunity in California to win men to Christ and to enlist them in the work of our churches is greater than all Baptist groups can utilize, there is a distinct challenge to all groups to remain in this great state and to do their best, Southern Baptists in particular.

(3) God's special favor and blessing upon Southern Baptist work in California since 1941, certainly urges us to go on. Our work has doubled twice in the past four years.

(4) For the sake of the immortal souls of the 4,500,000 unchurched people of California for whom Christ died, and for the

sake of the 600,000 unaffiliated Baptists, we ought to go on.

(5) For the sake of the basic principles of all Baptist life and work and for the sake of all the distinctive doctrines of the New Testament Scriptures, Southern Baptists must go on in California. This will bring a great hour and a great challenge to all those who hold to the faith "once for all delivered to the Saints." That challenge and that hour have already come to all Southern Baptists in California! Let us stand upon our feet and go out to meet it like men!

### Summary of Arizona Towns, Villages (1940 Census)

Total towns and villages, incorporated and unincorporated, 167 with a population of 277,640.

Rural sections of Arizona have 221,621 inhabitants.

In the towns and villages are seventy Baptist churches, white and colored.

In the rural sections are only six churches. Total Baptist membership in the state, white and colored, 28,049.

There is one Baptist in Arizona to every eighteen persons in the population.

One hundred and thirty-nine small towns and villages are without Northern Baptist church work and 123 small towns and villages without any sort of Baptist work—also most of the rural sections of the state.

### Population Has Increased

The population of Arizona has increased from 491,262 in 1940 to 638,412 in 1944.

The destitution in Arizona embraces 123 small towns and villages and 98 per cent of the rural areas of the state—including 1,200 Chinese, 1,500 Jews, 40,000 Negroes, 75,000 Indians, 120,000 Mexicans and 400,000 Anglo-Americans without any church affiliation.

### Eight Indian Reservations

Besides the towns and villages, Arizona has eight Indian Reservations, as follows:

Hupai Reservation  
Navaho Reservation  
Hopi Reservation  
Fort Apache in Navaho County  
Papago Reservation  
San Xavier Reservation  
San Carlos Reservation  
Kaibab Reservation



Northern Baptists have missions in three of these reservations.

**Nine National Forests**

Also Arizona has nine national forests, comprising some 12,158,062 acres as follows:

Apache .....	707,989
Coconino .....	1,914,577
Coronado .....	1,370,391
Crook .....	1,452,483
Kaibab .....	1,865,396
Prescott .....	1,457,280
Sitgraves .....	883,919
Tonto .....	2,453,579
Santa Rita .....	52,448

Total .....12,158,062

**Mines, Agriculture, and Grazing**

The chief industry of Arizona, of course, is mining—gold, silver, copper, lead, and zinc—the output rising to \$81,509,300 annually.

The high mesas of the northern section of the state are given over to stock-raising—grazing cattle and sheep—while the rich valleys between the mountains in the southern and southwestern sections of the state are given over to farming, 90 per cent of which is by irrigation from deep wells or from one of the six main rivers of the state.

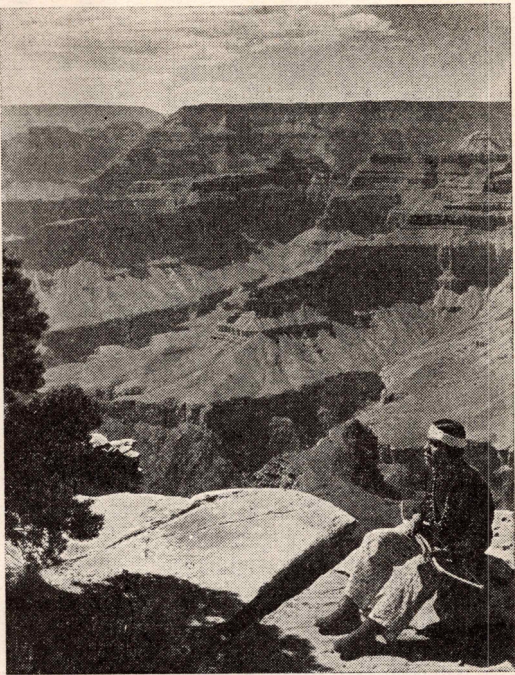
Total farms .....	18,468
Operated by owners.....	13,889
Operated by part owners....	1,946
Operated by managers.....	493
Operated by tenants.....	2,140
Value of farms, etc. ....	\$153,676,675
Land in farms.....	25,651,092 acres
Valuable for crops.....	992,631

**The Fivefold Call of Arizona Baptists**

1. *To Make Christ Pre-eminent.*—Not to extend the rule of the church, but to extend the rule and reign of Christ in the hearts and homes and lives of all men (John 14:6; Matt. 28:16; Acts 4:13). Not to get a better place to live but to make a better place for Christ to live and reign. Not to get a bigger job, but to push the biggest task on this earth—making Christ known!

2. *To Be Real Prophets of God*—of John the Baptist type—to declare the word and will of Christ to men, whether they will hear and heed it or reject it; to prepare the way of the Lord—make his coming easy and glorious.

3. *To Be Pioneers of the Cross*—to show



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people the way to follow Christ; not seeking a soft place for oneself but witnessing to all men how to exalt Christ.

4. *To Be Real Prayers*—to know how to ask God for Arizona and get it! Not to insult a great prayer-hearing God by asking him to join us in a little paltry, piddling program; but asking him for “great and mighty things which thou knowest not.”

5. *To Be Persecuted for Christ's Sake.* One Beatitude is for all true Baptists in Arizona and California—Matthew 5:10-12. We must be willing to serve and suffer with Christ, if we are to reign with him. Thirty times in John's Gospel alone, our Lord warned his people that the world would hate them and persecute them to the very end. And twice he warned us that our own people would strike at us, and would think that they were doing Christ's service in maligning and reviling us and casting us out. But nowhere did he tell us to falter or fail in presenting his message—though it should cost the life of us! Christ can only give the crown to those Arizona Baptists who trust in the blood of Christ for redemption, who rejoice to bear their testimony, and who spend themselves and are spent to bring his message to dying men and women of this new state.





## Mission Boards Open New Century

*Entering the second century of Southern Baptist Convention history, mission boards and agencies planned to match the demands of the new era with an accelerated program calling for more missionaries and an enlarged service to Christian forces. Readjustment at home and rehabilitation in foreign fields offered challenges to every agency and board of the Convention. How these groups are responding to this new age is demonstrated in the brief reports of activity presented below.*

### World Doors Open for Foreign Mission Board

DR. M. THERON RANKIN

**T**he Centennial Year of the Foreign Mission Board is memorable, not only because of the world events of 1945, but because of the revelation of progress in the Christian mission enterprise.

As the smoke and dust of modern warfare cleared, Americans saw stalwart Christian men and women ministering faithfully to their people without benefit of missionaries. Contact between the Christian churches of all nations had been re-established within thirty days after surrender. It confirmed the fact that the churches of China and Japan, Italy and the Balkan States were independent Christian bodies, able to survive on their own spiritual resources, although their houses of worship, schools, and hospitals were in ruins, and many of their members dead or barely alive.

Invasion of territory in Asia and Europe had forced 210 of the 550 foreign missionaries of Southern Baptists from their sta-

tions. During prolonged furlough they continued their ministry—in universities and seminaries as they studied or taught, in Japanese relocation centers and congested industrial areas, in the Territory of Hawaii and in the armed forces. Their refusal to be idle at home made possible schools of missions, world fellowship weeks, and Christian conferences throughout the South.

As a direct result, Southern Baptists' Centennial Year was a record of Christian stewardship in the churches. The Foreign Mission Board was able to meet its wartime budget of \$2,500,000 and to increase its reconstruction and rehabilitation fund, which will replace mission property abroad.

For an over-all postwar program requiring \$7,000,000, the churches of the South provided \$2,500,000. This program includes not only the restoration of facilities destroyed by war but the expansion of mission work into areas not yet penetrated by missionaries.

Increased information and more intelligent interest in the missionary movement expressed itself in requests from churches for missionaries to adopt, at \$800 a year. Yet, to fill a hundred strategic positions on foreign fields in 1945, the Board could appoint only thirty-eight qualified recruits. The appointments scarcely made up for the Board's loss of personnel through retirement and through death. The prospect for appointments in April is equally embarrassing.

During global war, the spiritual ministry of the 340 missionaries in 15 of the 19 mission fields continued without interruption. The Board has been totally unable to match the development of Baptist opportunities in Latin America, the Territory of Hawaii, and Africa. The Near East is a growing mission field,



demanding better facilities and greater resources. Events in Russia place the Board on its mettle to be ready for a share of the responsibility which Russian Baptists are trying to meet.

Before the end of 1946 the Board expects to have all evacuated missionaries back on duty in their respective fields. Japanese Baptists plead for American co-workers who can help them minister adequately to their people. Baptists of the Balkans, Italy, and Spain must have help. To rebuild the moral foundations of national life in Asia and Europe, the Christians of the world must share their resources of food, clothing, Bibles, and Christian agents. Five and a half million Southern Baptists must help meet world need.

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## Home Mission Board Adds 153 Missionaries

By J. B. LAWRENCE

**D**uring the past year the Home Mission Board has added 153 missionaries to its force, opened 82 mission stations, and has acquired 54 pieces of mission property. The Board now has 660 missionaries serving in every state of the South and is helping to maintain more than 550 churches and mission stations.

During the summer 204 students were employed to supplement the work of the regular missionaries. These students were assigned to nearly every mission field in the homeland in which the Home Board missionaries are serving. They reported 3,421 sermons and devotional talks, 31,505 home visits, 25,108 children taught, and 2,299 confessions of faith.

During 1944, the last full year for which complete records are available, the missionaries of this Board distributed 1,900,000 tracts, delivered 53,000 sermons and addresses, led more than 15,000 people to Christ, and received into fellowship of the churches 11,900 members.

It is quite certain that the records for 1945 will far exceed those of 1944. A number of the missionaries among the Indians have re-

ported outstanding achievements during the past ten months. The workers among the Seminoles in Florida, who reported only eight conversions in the eight years prior to January 1, 1945, have already reported ninety-two baptisms during this year.

Aaron Hancock, one of the Indian missionaries in Oklahoma, reported 19 baptisms in 1944, and has already reported 48 for the first six months of this year. Dr. J. B. Rounds reported 20 conversions in the All-Indian camp in New Mexico. Southern Baptists now report 190 Indian Baptist churches with 9,300 members. One out of twenty-seven of the Indians in the Southland is a Baptist.

Missionaries among the Italians reported 164 conversions last year as compared with only 24 the year before. We probably have no more than 1,000 Baptist Italians while we have an estimated Italian population in the South of 600,000. This means that only one of every 600 Italians in the South is a Baptist. The Home Mission Board has only one missionary for every 60,000 Italian people in this territory. The need for additional workers among the Italians and among the French constitutes one of our most pressing needs.

The work among the Spanish-speaking people has shown a phenomenal growth. There are approximately 1,750,000 Spanish-speaking people in the Convention territory. There are approximately 11,000 who belong to Baptist churches. This means that about one of every 150 is a Baptist. We have one missionary family for every 12,500 Mexican and Spanish people. Our workers among these people reported 3,539 conversions last year, an average of 22 per worker, and one conversion for every three members in our Spanish-speaking churches. We need at least 160 additional missions to meet their most pressing needs.

The Board is now serving 37 nationalities in the South. They have a total of more than 350 workers among the foreigners, Indians, and underprivileged. At least 180 additional workers are needed among these groups.

This Board is now supporting 23 missionaries in Panama with 14 mission stations, and is supporting 119 missionaries in Cuba, with



191 churches and mission stations. Many of these churches have no church building and the number of pastors is inadequate.

The western states in our Convention territory have the largest percentage of increase in population of any states in our Union. This is a pioneer field as far as Baptists are concerned. The western half of New Mexico has an area larger than any state east of the Mississippi River and has only 17 Baptist churches. At the beginning of this year the entire state of Arizona reported only 29 Southern Baptist churches. They have a population of over 700,000, which means that they have about 25,000 people for each Southern Baptist church reported at the beginning of this year.

It is estimated that California has at least 260,000 Baptists who have belonged to churches of the Southern Baptist Convention. More than 200,000 of these have joined no Baptist church since moving to California. We now have approximately one hundred Baptist churches in California which are affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention, but this gives us one such church for every 2,000 unenlisted Southern Baptists, and one such church for every 80,000 of the population.

### Rural Church Program

Approximately four of every five Baptist churches in the Southland may properly be classified as rural churches. Nearly 5,000 of these churches have fewer members than they had ten years ago. There are nearly 10,000 of these rural churches that have received little or no help from our denomination in developing an aggressive soul-winning enlistment and missionary program.

Included in the rural population of the South, which numbers about 22,000,000, we find approximately 8,000,000 that are living far below the accepted standards of living and at least 2,500,000 in the mountain areas that are far below the average in income, education, and religious development. The fact that thirteen of the states in the South are now co-operating with this Board in the support of a rural mission program indicates a growing interest of our Baptist people and a concerted effort to revitalize our country churches.

The Home Mission Board, through its missionary-teacher program designed to help train a Negro leadership, has reached more than 7,000 Negro leaders during the past year. The Board has now expanded its program for the Negroes and is establishing Negro centers in many of our large cities to help to train a leadership in these centers and to assist in correlating the efforts of the Negroes in a great evangelistic, educational, and missionary program.

The city mission program has been a vital factor in the establishment of mission points and in the promotion of a church-centered mission program in each of the 45 cities in which the Home Mission Board is co-operating with the respective state mission boards in the support of such a program. Recent surveys show that 60 per cent of the population of these cities is unchurched and that there are at least 500 large communities in these cities without churches.

Work among the 800,000 Jews, 300,000 migrants, 60,000 deaf, a mighty host of underprivileged, and the largest number of unevangelized that has ever been reported in the bounds of our Convention add to the responsibility and the challenge thus presented to the Home Mission Board.

Of the 46,000,000 people in the Southland, 25,000,000 are unchurched and more than 20,000,000 have come to the years of accountability without Christ. The Home Mission Board proposes to increase the emphasis on evangelism and has organized its forces under the leadership of a superintendent of evangelism to co-operate with state, associational boards, city mission boards, and other agencies in the support of a great mission program.

A very conservative study, based on a survey of needs that are now apparent and pressing, shows that the Home Mission Board now needs eighty-one new workers and \$900,000 for building and equipment to bring its present work up to a standard of efficiency. Within the next few years, it will need two hundred workers and \$1,300,000 to enter fields in the Southland which are now unreached, or in areas in which local and state forces cannot well meet the challenge of growing opportunities in evangelistic and missionary endeavor.



# Baptist Sunday School Board Offers Services to Churches

By T. L. HOLCOMB

As the Southern Baptist Convention enters a second century of Christian service, the Baptist Sunday School Board redoubles its efforts to be an effective service agency for and missionary ally to every Baptist church.

This atomic age makes new demands. The return of millions of service men constitutes a very real challenge. The migration of millions of workers from war work to civilian pursuits creates an unstable society. The shortage of suitable dwelling units results in added problems for the maintenance of normal home relationships.

These are merely a few of the situations which the Christian worker must face in launching any new program in 1946. They must be met intelligently and frankly. They must be met with the assurance that all things are possible through Christ.

A study of the plans suggested in the Denominational Calendar of Activities reveals that the Sunday school, the Training Union, and the Baptist Student Union are aware of times and you will find willing help by writing to your state mission office or to the Baptist Sunday School Board here in Nashville.

Without doubt, one of the critical problems of the day is the problem of the home and special attention is called to the Christian Home Week, May 5-12. This week is sponsored by both the Sunday school and Training Union forces and ought to deserve our best thought this year.

Plans are being made for an enlarged Ridgcrest in 1946 and the schedule is given as follows:

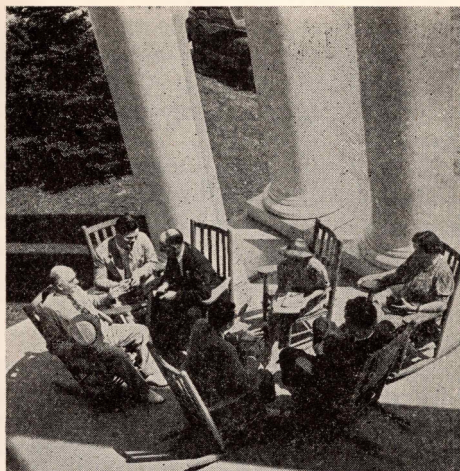
## RIDGCREST PROGRAM—1946

### June 5-12

*Southwide Baptist Student Retreat*—Under the direction of Frank H. Leavell and staff of the Department of Student Work, Sunday School Board, Nashville.

### June 12-16

*North Carolina Royal Ambassador Camp*—Spilman Lodge (Meals in Rhododendron Hall). Under the direction of A. T. Greene, Jr., Secretary, Royal Ambassadors, Raleigh.



### June 12-19

*Young Woman's Auxiliary Camp*—Under the direction of Juliette Mather, Secretary, Young People's Work of the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, Birmingham.

### June 20-26

*North Carolina Training Union Assembly*—Under the direction of Harvey T. Gibson, Baptist Training Union Secretary of North Carolina, Raleigh.

### June 27-July 3 (First Week)

### July 4-10 (Second Week)

*Southwide Sunday School and Associational Officer's Conference*—Under the direction of J. N. Barnette and associates of the Sunday School Department, Sunday School Board, Nashville.

Additional Conferences conducted on:

*Church Architecture—Visual Education—Church Library Service.*

### July 11-17 (First Week)

### July 18-24 (Second Week)

### July 25-31 (Third Week)

*Southwide Baptist Training Union Leadership Assembly*—Under the direction of J. E. Lambdin and associates of the Baptist Training Union Department, Sunday School Board, Nashville.

J. O. Williams, Secretary of the Division of Education and Promotion of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, will participate in the Sunday school and Training Union programs, and will be available for special conferences.

### August 1-7

*Home Mission Board Conference*—Under the direction of J. B. Lawrence, Executive



Secretary, Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

*Baptist Brotherhood Conference*—Under the direction of Lawson H. Cooke, General Secretary, Baptist Brotherhood of the South, Memphis.

*Editorial Conference*—Under the direction of Clifton J. Allen and associates of the Division of Editorial Service, Sunday School Board, Nashville. For lesson writers and editorial workers of the Board, but open to all interested in writing and editing.

#### August 8-14

*Woman's Missionary Union Conference*—Under the direction of Kathleen Mallory, Executive Secretary, Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, Birmingham.

*B.W.C.*—Under the direction of Mary Christian, Southwide Chairman, Business Women's Organization of the Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham.

#### August 15-21

*Foreign Mission Board Conference*—Under the direction of M. T. Rankin, Executive Secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond.

*Southwide Missionary Conference for Older R.A.'s*—Under the direction of J. I. Bishop, Secretary, Southern Baptist Missionary Organization for Boys, Birmingham.

#### August 22-30

*Ridgecrest Bible Conference*—Nine days. Led by representative preachers and Bible teachers. Under the direction of T. L. Holcomb, Executive Secretary Sunday School Board, Nashville.

*Southwide Church Music Emphasis Conference*—Under the direction of B. B. McKinney, Secretary of the Department of Church Music, Sunday School Board, Nashville, assisted by I. E. Reynolds, Inman Johnson, and Plunkett W. Martin of our Southwide institutions, and Warren Angell of the Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee.

*Relief and Annuity Board*—Under the direction of Thomas J. Watts, Executive Secretary, Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas.

*Christian Education Conference and Association of Southern Baptist Teachers of Bible and Religious Education*—Under the direction of Charles D. Johnson, Chairman, Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, Waco, and O. W. Yates, Arkadelphia.

*Meeting of the Southern Baptist Historical Society*—W. O. Carver, Chairman, Louisville.

## Southern Seminary Enters Eighty-Seventh Year

By ELLIS FULLER

The year 1945 saw the close of a notable session of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in May and the beginning of the eighty-seventh session in September with its promise of outstanding achievement.

During the session 1944-45 there were enrolled 654 men as students of the Seminary and 253 women as students of the Woman's Missionary Union Training School. This marks the high tide of enrolment since the beginning of these two institutions. A decline of about twenty students has occurred in the first term of the new session, 1945-46. This is accounted for by the fact that forty students were turned away because no places for them to live could be found. At least 100 others did not come to Louisville to look for places to live after they learned that the housing shortage in Louisville had become increasingly acute.

At the 1944-45 commencement, 135 men received degrees. During the session 18 men were appointed to the chaplaincy.

The movement on the part of the Seminary alumni to build a memorial chapel has gone forward steadily, with the goal now in sight. It is hoped that this building can be erected at an early date. During its long history the Seminary has never had an adequate place of worship. Its present assembly room will seat only about half the student body. A substantial beginning has been made toward the building of a much needed student apartment house. In September, 1945, construction was begun on a three-story wing of Norton Hall, to match the library wing. This addition, when completed, will provide an attractive student center, six urgently needed classrooms, together with smaller rooms for graduate classes.

President Fuller proposes a popular summer conference for pastors. "Refresher courses" are contemplated, designed for maximum helpfulness to busy pastors who desire to spend their vacation period taking popular courses in Bible, theology, history, missions, preaching, teaching, sociology, pastoral ministry, music and speech. Announce-



ment of these courses and detailed plans will be made in due time.

The school of church music has entered its second year with excellent enrolment, enlarged faculty, and increased facilities. This school gives promise of great usefulness and popularity.

The Seminary suffered a great loss in the death in September of Dr. J. McKee Adams.

Additions to the teaching staff were made during the year as follows: Findley Bartow Edge, A.B., Th.M., Th.D., instructor in religious education; Clyde Taylor Francisco, A.B., Th.M., Th.D., instructor in Old Testament interpretation; John Joseph Owens, A.B., Th.M., Th.D., instructor in Old Testament interpretation; Henry Eugene Turlington, A.B., Th.M., Th.D., instructor in New Testament interpretation; Dale Moody, A.B., Th.M., tutor in theology; and Wayne Oates, A.B., Th.M., director of clinical training.

## **Progress and Prospects Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary**

By E. D. HEAD

There has been progress at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary during the year just passed, and we have some suggestion as to future enlargement.

As we consider the financial progress, we find that the endowment, as of August 31, 1945, has increased \$604,216.11. This brings our endowment, actual and contingent, to a total of \$2,007,509.82.

A survey of the student body reveals an enrolment for the first semester of the 1945-46 session of 887, an increase of 25 over last year. Three hundred and thirty-three enrolled for the summer school, 1945, an increase of eight over the previous summer. For the summer school and first semester we have reached a grand total in enrolment, without duplication, of 1,007, while for the entire session, 1944-45, our total was 1,074. The total of graduates for the past year, 1944-45, was 182. There were twenty-three students enrolled under the GI Bill of Rights and seven under the V-12 Program for navy chaplains. Several other ex-servicemen are studying with us. By the close of the summer session 127 applications had been received for rooms for the fall session which we were unable to fill, although twenty-seven new rooms had been added.

Progress is reflected in our School of Religious Education by the addition of Departments of Elementary Education and Social Work. We have added seven new teachers. In the School of Sacred Music E. L. Carnett succeeded Dr. I. E. Reynolds as director of the school. Miss Sara Thompson has been elected teacher in theory, history of music, and orchestration; and S. D. Johnston, teacher in harmony, counterpoint, and composition. In the School of Religious Education, Miss Anna Bradford, associate professor of elementary education; Mrs. Alpha McDill, teacher of social work; and Miss Hazel Moseley, secretarial training. In the School of Theology, Cecil Hyatt has become instructor in beginner's Hebrew and Old Testament.

Fifteen foreign missionaries were appointed for this year from Southwestern graduates.

Students also began the publication of a semimonthly paper on the campus.

With reference to the prospects for enlargement, we are looking toward an increased teaching force to more effectively handle our large student body.

Our building program has in immediate contemplation the Truett-Scarborough Administration-Library Building, for which we have been raising funds now for something more than a year. We have a total of \$250,000.00 in cash toward the objective of \$500,000.00. The remainder in pledges brings the total to \$467,000.00, leaving only \$33,000.00 to be raised. We also contemplate a building for our School of Religious Education. The Baptist Sunday School Board has already given great encouragement toward this objective by an initial gift of \$25,000.00. We are looking to the day when we shall have a gymnasium; a health center; a guest residence for furloughed missionaries; a building composed of comfortable apartments for married couples; all of this calling for a minimum expenditure of \$1,100,000.00.

Our endowment goal for the future is five million dollars.

We are happy in the prospects for greater efficiency and enlargement for the future, and are inexpressibly grateful for the victorious spirit now prevailing in our Seminary family and the wondrous heritage which inspires us to go on with unceasing devotion.



## Baptist Bible Institute Enrolment Reaches Peak

**M**any marks of progress are found in the accomplishments of the school program at Baptist Bible Institute for 1945.

*Enrolment.*—The enrolment reached an all-time peak with nearly three hundred students, an increase over the enrolment of last session. There is a long waiting list due to the lack of housing facilities.

*New faculty members.*—Four new faculty members were added during 1945. On January 1, Dr. Frank Stagg became associate professor of New Testament interpretation. Dr. Eugene M. Patterson assumed his duties as associate professor of practical theology at the beginning of the fall session. Miss Helen Falls was elected dean of women and instructor in missionary education and English. Elliot A. Alexander joined the music department as instructor in music on October 1. He will also be minister of music at the First Baptist Church, New Orleans.

*Improvements.*—The campus underwent a complete renovation in 1945. Most of the buildings were painted and redecorated throughout. The old library building was remodeled into an apartment house with eight modern units. The library was moved to the assembly hall on the second floor of the administration building and equipped with fluorescent lighting. The residence on the corner of Washington Avenue and Camp Street was purchased and remodeled. The president and his family occupy the first floor while the second floor is given over to apartments. The residence formerly used by the president houses staff members and married students. A room on the third floor of the Education Annex has been made into an audio-visual aid workshop. Several new pieces of visual aid equipment have been purchased including a new Bell and Howell sound projector with accessories.

*Building fund drive.*—Our alumni have encouraged us much by their persistent effort to raise the necessary \$200,000.00 for the new men's dormitory. The fund has reached \$135,000.00. Plans call for the construction of a modern dormitory to accommodate approximately one hundred men. The building will be located on the northwest cor-

ner of Washington Avenue and Camp Street.

*Special features.*—The faculty for Homecoming Week included Dr. J. D. Grey, First Baptist Church, New Orleans; Dr. W. L. Howse, Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth; Miss Mary Christian, Southwide W.M.U. Headquarters, Birmingham; Philip B. Harris, Sunday School Board, Nashville; Dr. A. E. Tibbs, faculty representative.

Forty-four students were graduated in May with Dr. R. Paul Caudill, First Baptist Church, Memphis, delivering the commencement address. Dr. W. L. Stagg, First Church, Lake Charles, Louisiana, was the alumni speaker. The Foreign Mission Board appointed the following members of the 1945 graduating class as foreign missionaries: Miss Rebecca Eddinger, North Carolina; Rev. and Mrs. Ralph West, South Carolina; Miss Bertie Lee Kendrick, North Carolina; Miss Carree Speares, South Carolina.

During the week of October 14, Miss Mary Lucile Saunders and Miss Eva Baker of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, led in an Audio-Visual Education Conference. During the following week Dr. C. L. Odom, Professor of Psychology, Southwestern Louisiana Institute, Lafayette, spent several days on the campus giving the Otis Intelligence and Strong Vocational Interest Tests.

### Missionary Day Speakers

Missionary Day speakers included: Dr. D. A. McCall, executive secretary, Mississippi State Convention; Dr. M. T. Rankin, executive secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia; Rev. A. E. Pardue, city missionary, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Among the visiting chapel speakers are: Dr. Hyman Appelman, noted evangelist; Rev. F. W. Tinnin, editor, Louisiana Baptist paper; Dr. J. D. Grey, First Church, New Orleans; Rev. H. T. Whaley, St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church, New Orleans; Rev. Horatio Mitchell, Central Baptist Church, New Orleans; Chap. James C. Taylor, an alumnus stationed in Virginia; Rev. E. L. Carnett, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth; Dr. J. W. Marshall, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond; Miss Dora J. Armstrong, Belgian Congo; Dr. B. B. McKinney, Dr. J. O. Wil-



liams, Sibley Burnett, Sunday School Board, Nashville; Rev. W. L. Cooper, Argentina. The Inter-Seminary Conference was held at Baptist Bible Institute in January with the following attending: G. S. Dobbins, Dr. H. R. Peterson, Dr. E. D. Head, Dr. J. M. Price, Dr. S. A. Newman, and the faculty of B. B. I.

**Needs.**—Aside from a new men's building, perhaps the greatest single need of the Institute is housing facilities for married students. We need at least fifty new apartments to take care of our ever-growing waiting list. Many students have been forced to take apartments off the campus and at high rentals because of our inability to furnish accommodations. Other needs include a fireproof library building to house the 40,000 valuable volumes owned by the Institute, a practical activities building, eight new station wagons for mission work, a new home for the president, new dining hall, and a complete renovation of the present men's building.

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## Woman's Missionary Union Training School

By MISS CARRIE LITTLEJOHN

The present session finds the Woman's Missionary Union Training School at Louisville nearing its fortieth anniversary as an organized institution. Remembering that the Baptist women of Louisville maintained a home prior to the organization of the school for three years for the young women who came to "sit" in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary classes, the effort is well on its way to a half-century of service. All dormitory space is being used this year. The total enrolment for the first term, including day students, is 216.

Inasmuch as our Board of Trustees has not been able to have a meeting since the spring of 1944, no consideration has been given to the enlargement of our building. The Training School is contributing to the building of the classroom wing, however, at the Seminary to the extent of \$50,000, which was taken from the school's reserve funds by the W.M.U. Executive Committee and designated for this building project whose benefits the Training School will share. In view of the abnormal situation

that has doubtless contributed to the filling of our building during the last two years, we may find it wise to study the trend in enrolment during the next few years as a basis for future plans for enlargement.

The need for consecrated, well-prepared young women in missionary service at home and abroad and in promotional work through our denominational agencies and local churches was never more urgent than now. If we meet this need, however, as a denomination, we must enlist the interest of girls at an early age and guide them in the all-important preparation that must precede their work at the Training School. The worker who is equal to the demands for today must be intelligent, educated, capable, resourceful, and dedicated to the way of life that seeks "first the Kingdom of God."

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## Southern Hospital Grows

By FRANK GRONER

**S**outhern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, completing twenty years of service, has grown to become the second largest non-government hospital in the United States, from the standpoint of number of patients treated.

Recently, one of the outstanding medical authorities on the North American Continent said, "The development and service of the Southern Baptist Hospital is without question the greatest achievement in hospital administration in the annals of medical history." This has been accomplished through the Christian ministry to the spiritual as well as the physical needs of those who come to us for relief. We have tried to follow the Saviour's command to "heal the sick."

During the past year we admitted 24,804 patients, calling for 127,522 days of hospital service. Eleven hundred and sixty-one persons were given 14,987 days free service at a cost to the hospital of \$66,875.67. There were 2,688 births and 5,542 emergency room cases which were not hospitalized. We did the usual free work for representatives of boards and agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention. We cared for 39 missionaries of the Foreign Mission Board, 8 missionaries of the Home Mission Board and 52 inmates of the Home Board's Emergency



Home. We gave free service to scores of other denominational workers.

The physical plant of the hospital was enlarged during the past year by the completion of a six-story nurses' home, and by the erection of an incinerator. Our diagnostic facilities were improved through the purchase of modern equipment for our plasma and blood banks, and by the acquisition of additional X-ray machines. We also broadened our therapeutic service by obtaining modern oxygen therapy equipment and by the gift of an iron lung.

If the Southern Baptist Hospital is to retain its place of leadership in the field of Christian Service to the sick and distressed, we must increase our present facilities. Two years ago the hospital board approved a general plan of expansion. Additional quarters for our growing school of nursing have already been completed at a cost of \$225,000. The chronically ill present a challenge to Christian service. We have been obliged to decline scores of chronics because general hospitals are not prepared to take care of this type of case. Additional space is needed for maternity cases and our service should be extended to provide for physical therapy. We also have taken cognizance of the need for a building for recreational purposes for our student nurses.

We have a deep sense of gratitude to our Heavenly Father, who has brought us through the most difficult period of our history, an era filled with heartbreak and bloodshed; but a time in which he gave us our greatest opportunity to serve the sick in mind, spirit, and body. We enter the future with hope.

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## The Brotherhood Movement

By LAWSON H. COOKE

According to our denominational statistics there are nearly one million men, members of Southern Baptist churches, who show very little interest in anything their churches are doing, or plan to do.

The Baptist Brotherhood of the South and associated Brotherhoods in the states are

agencies through which it is hoped these men will be enlisted in a full participation of our entire denominational program.

At the present time there are functioning Brotherhoods in several thousand churches. It is estimated that the enrolment in these Brotherhoods runs above 125,000 men. While this is a long way from the total adult male membership of the churches, it does indicate that much progress is being made in the field of male enlistment.

Nine of the twenty states of the convention now have fully organized Brotherhood departments, and the conventions of four other states have authorized the employment of full-time Brotherhood secretaries. This means that soon there will be Brotherhood departments under the direction of full-time secretaries in more than one-half of the states of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the Brotherhood movement will be well on its way toward the consummation of the enormous task of enlisting A MILLION MEN FOR CHRIST.

Rarely a day passes that communications are not received by the Southwide Brotherhood offices telling of new Brotherhoods that have been organized, or that are in the process of being organized. It is estimated that 400 or 500 new Brotherhoods were organized in 1945, and this means that through the Brotherhood movement 15,000 men were added to those already actively enlisted in the work of their churches.

The Southwide Brotherhood offices are also receiving many communications from Brotherhoods telling of definite work these Brotherhoods are accomplishing for the good of the churches and for the advancement of the general program of the denomination.

The growing popularity of the *Southern Baptist Brotherhood Journal* is another witness to the increasing interest and activity on the part of the men of the churches.

The circulation of the *Journal* in 1945 shows an increase of approximately 25 per cent over 1944. The increase could have been larger had it not been for government restrictions on the use of paper.

When we understand that the *Brotherhood Journal* is the one denominational periodical published exclusively for men, we appreciate the potential influence of the publication.



This year, 1946, will be a great stewardship year for Southern Baptists. The financial goals are high and much promotional work will be needed to realize those goals.

It is agreed that the men of our churches must contribute the major portion of the money.

When we realize that the Brotherhood is the denominational agency most closely related to the men of our churches, we will have an idea of the part which the Brother-

hood movement will play in our great stewardship effort during 1946.

Present officers of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South are: John W. McCall, chairman of the executive committee; C. H. Heacock, treasurer; E. C. Smith, secretary; J. T. Henderson, general secretary emeritus; Lawson H. Cooke, executive secretary; and Hugh F. Latimer, associate secretary.

Offices are in the Commerce Title Building, Memphis, Tennessee.

## Vast Expansion Program in Radio Is Challenge

BY S. F. LOWE

Applications for 1400 new radio stations, Standard and FM have been made to the Federal Communications Commission as of November 15. One hundred and twenty-nine permits for new stations were granted between October 8 and November 10, 1945. A great network executive has predicted that in five years there will be from three to five thousand radio stations in our country as compared to fewer than one thousand at the war's end. Of course, many of these will be FM stations, but they are stations nevertheless. Thus, religious opportunity by radio will be increased from 300 to 500 per cent within five years.

Through its Radio Committee, the Southern Baptist Convention is seeking to lead Southern Baptists into a wider use of this growing channel of Christian service. Here are the high lights of the service of the Radio Committee in 1945:

THE BAPTIST HOUR ran six months in 1945. January through March thirty-seven stations covered the South, and March through June twenty stations covered the usual Baptist Hour territory except South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, and District of Columbia.

On May 6, a special Centennial program was broadcast over thirty-six stations covering almost the whole Convention territory, in which one hundred years progress of

Southern Baptists was featured. Coming at a time when the Southern Baptist Convention could not meet because of the war effort, this broadcast was of special value, and featured every agency and channel of service of the entire Southern Baptist Convention.

Added to the special Centennial network broadcast, a series of thirteen 15-minute special Centennial programs were recorded and broadcast over more than fifty stations, and in some churches. Thus by special broadcast and the transcribed programs featuring the Centennial of the organization of the Convention, the Radio Committee sought to bridge the gap created by the Convention not being held this year.

### Transcriptions Are Used

A major service of Southern Baptists through the Radio Committee is its transcription service. During the two years of 1944 and 1945, 177 stations broadcast 2,987 programs which were recorded and broadcast under the direction of and through the Radio Committee.

A growing transcription library prepared by the Radio Committee is available for use over local stations by pastors, local churches, associations, and groups of associations.

More than 700 sermon and music transcriptions were sent to chaplains for broadcast over stations and public address systems



during the war. These great messages and this inspiring music were heard by our military men overseas, on the seas, and in the camps in our own country.

The Radio Committee has plans under way to furnish 15-minute programs of song and message for broadcast over public address systems in government hospitals throughout the country. These programs will be prepared especially for use in government hospitals.

The Radio Committee makes itself available as a channel through which the agencies of the Convention may broadcast special or regular programs.

In 1945 the Radio Committee worked with the Sunday School Board in recording and effecting the broadcasting of two programs over eighty-six stations in connection with Intermediate Emphasis Week. Miss Mary Alice Biby and Versil S. Crenshaw were the speakers in these two programs and the Baptist Hour Choir furnished the music.

The Committee worked with the Brotherhood again this year in arranging for a large number of broadcasts on Layman's Day. The report of this is not complete.

The Committee is now working with the Home Mission Board in recording and broadcasting a transcribed evangelistic program every week in 1946. Announcement of the stations carrying this broadcast will appear in the Baptist press and the Home Mission Board magazine.

In this electronic and atomic age God has placed in our hands the radio, a mighty medium for preaching the good news. What a sin not to use it widely and wisely!

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## Relief and Annuity Board

By WALTER R. ALEXANDER

**T**he Centennial Year of Southern Baptists was the twenty-seventh year of the Relief and Annuity Board. With gratitude to God, the Board notes that every year of its history thus far has exceeded the preceding in every respect, either of growth or service. The year 1945 was high lighted by the following:

(1) Total assets of the Board now exceed nine million dollars.

(2) Total income (\$2,136,867.98 in 1944) promises to exceed two and a half millions this year.

(3) Executive Secretary Thomas J. Watts completed on November 1, twenty years of distinguished service as secretary of the Board.

(4) The Board voted to add two more floors to its headquarters building in Dallas, Texas, at the earliest possible date.

(5) Membership in all retirement plans greatly increased, with unusual interest in the Educational Institutions Plan. The following Baptist schools and colleges entered the plan during the year:

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky

Harrison Chilhowee Academy, Seymour, Tennessee

Southwest Baptist College, Bolivar, Missouri

Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton, Texas

Baylor University, Waco, Texas

Mercer University, Macon, Georgia

Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee

American Baptist Theological Seminary, Nashville, Tennessee

Campbell College, Buie's Creek, North Carolina

(6) July 1 saw the inauguration of the widows supplemental annuity plan in South Carolina.

(7) A Southwide Widows Supplemental Annuity Plan is being offered to the states, boards, and institutions of the Southern Baptist Convention for their approval, to be inaugurated July 1, 1946.

Many are the plans, prospects, and problems for the year ahead, but the immediate task of the Board becomes the enlistment of the twenty states in this new supplemental widows annuity plan, and the still larger task of enlistment of the boards, institutions, and other agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention in this same plan, hoping to have the entire Convention territory covered by July 1, 1946.



# New Buildings for the Negro Seminary

By E. P. ALLDREDGE, Chairman of Commission

**AS MOST** of our people know, Southern Baptists agreed to secure all the necessary grounds and erect all the necessary buildings for the American (Negro) Baptist Seminary at Nashville.

The first building (a dormitory) was erected in 1919. No other building was constructed until 1945 when a small cafe and bookstore building was completed. Two large new buildings have been started. The first is the Lawrence classroom building, the handsome three-story, fireproof, classroom building, gift of the Home Mission Board of Atlanta, Georgia.

While slow progress has been made on this building, we have begun a central heating plant, to cost \$15,000 or more. Mean-

time, we have been forced to spend \$14,000 to get a six-inch water main, laid to all our buildings and grounds. These new buildings, we hope, will enable us to care for 115 students at the seminary. By the end of next May (1946) we hope to start the erection of a \$70,000 library building and a nice home for the president of the seminary on the campus. As soon as we can secure funds we must erect a chapel costing \$100,000 and an apartment home for teachers to cost \$75,000.

We have turned away as many students as we have cared for this year. We hope that we shall have room for all who come to us next year.



Plan to attend Ridgecrest this summer.



## Facts Against Fiction

*Factual information is the best safeguard against error. Accurate information is the destroyer of rumor. And only when rumors are dispelled can there be constructive thinking and progressive action. This section of the QUARTERLY REVIEW is given to a collection of facts which will be of interest to Christian workers.*

### Twelve Per Cent of Civilians Moved During Period of War

Recent estimates released by the Bureau of Census, Department of Commerce, indicate that 12 per cent of the civilians in the United States lived in a different county at the close of the war from the place they lived when Pearl Harbor was attacked. This does not include the 12,000,000 men and women in the armed forces. The total number of migrants was estimated to be 27,300,000.

About 7,800,000, or more than half of the civilian migrants, crossed state lines. The move was predominantly westward. During the four-year period, the West made a net gain of about 1,200,000 in population. The South lost about 900,000 in the exchange. All together, more than 1,600,000 moved from the South during the period.

The emphasis on family movement is indicated through the report that children under fourteen years of age made up nearly one fourth of the migrants.

### Population Trend Starts Upward Swing in United States

After leveling off for several years, the population trend has started upward again and census experts believe the total population will reach the 145,900,000 mark by 1950.

A United States of 190,000,000 by 2000 is not impossible.

According to the latest estimates, there will be 27,115,000 children by 1950 under ten years of age, an increase of nearly two million over the 1946 figure and five million over the 1940 figure.

There will be a reduction of nearly two million in the teen-age group from ten to nineteen by 1950, due to the drop in birth rate during the depression days. The total will be nearly twenty-two million.

The largest segment in the population will be in the twenty to twenty-nine group with a million increase boosting the total to 23,806,000 by 1950. The group over sixty-five years of age will increase from 9,020,000 to 10,020,000 by 1950.

Churches will need to take these facts into consideration in planning building. There should be an increase in the primary groups and a slight decrease in the Intermediate and Young People's groups according to population trends. However, the church groups can offset these decreases by a more extensive program.

### Home Casualties More Than War During 1940-46 Period

Home front accidents reached 36,355,000 during the period from Pearl Harbor to V-J Day as compared with 1,070,000 casualties of the war, according to the National Safety Council.

The Council said that the report did not imply that home front activities compared with the battle front but merely showed the need to prevent accidents.

On the home front 355,000 were killed in accidents and 36,000,000 injured, including 1,250,000 permanently disabled. The traffic toll alone was 94,000 killed and 3,300,000 injured. Home accidents killed 118,000 and injured 17,500,000.



## 125 Million Spent Annually In Production of Comics

More than \$125,000,000 is spent annually in the production of comics, according to *Puck—The Comic Weekly*. It is estimated that printing presses in the United States produce fifty million copies of daily newspapers, fifty-five million weekly periodicals and ninety-five million monthly magazines. Total production of daily, weekly, and monthly religious publications is about thirteen million.

## 50 Million Spent Annually to Advertise Whiskey

Robert Barry, public relations director of the National Distillers Products Corporation, recently disclosed that the industry's advertising budget ran close to \$50,000,000 a year. In 1944, this advertising helped to produce a record-breaking sale of seven billion dollars for alcoholic beverages.

Total gifts to missions and benevolences for Southern Baptists in 1945 was only \$17,000,000.

## 379 Pound Mold of Glass Is Made for Prism

After two months of trial, glassmakers in Rochester, New York, produced a 379 pound piece of optical glass, the largest piece ever obtained for a scientific prism.

When annealed, ground, polished, and figured, the prism will be mounted in the world's fastest telescope at the Observatorio Astrofisico Nacional, Tonanzintla, Puebla, Mexico. It will be used to photograph stellar spectra more than 100,000 times fainter than the faintest star visible to the naked eye. The achievement was reported by the *New York Times*.

## Average American Smokes 100 Packs of Cigarettes Yearly

The Department of Agriculture recently reported that civilians in 1945 smoked 100 packages of cigarettes for every man, woman, and child in the United States, a 50 per cent increase over prewar smoking.

During the early days of the war when cigarettes were scarce, cigar smoking climbed to an average of forty-six a year. That figure has now dropped to thirty-six a year, or less than half as many as in 1917, according to the Department of Agriculture.

## Criminal Offenses Jump 10 Per Cent Over 1944 Period, FBI Reports

A 10.3 per cent jump in criminal offenses over the year 1944 was reported recently by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington.

From January through September murder and nonnegligent manslaughter increased 7.8 per cent, manslaughter by negligence 6.6 per cent, rape 7.8 per cent, robbery 17.5, aggravated assault 8.8, burglary 15.4, larceny 8.4, and automobile theft 14.2.

## Northern Baptists Plan \$14,000,- 000 Campaign for Postwar Service

Northern Baptists will attempt to raise \$14,000,000 in their Crusade for Christ postwar fund. The fund will be used in the following manner:

For the next two years of world relief and emergency, new missionary personnel at home and abroad, hospital supplies, travel to mission fields, evangelism, juvenile protection, and an expanded program of theological education and student work .....	\$4,000,000
For restoration of churches, schools, hospitals and advance in foreign missions .....	2,500,000
For advance in home missions, new churches, schools, hospitals in Latin America and among Indians .....	750,000
For church extension through cities and states in new permanent communities for Christian centers .....	3,500,000
For a national Baptist student loan and scholarship fund and for a building rehabilitation program for four Negro colleges .....	950,000
For the national pensions funds for Baptist ministers and missionaries .....	1,500,000
For missionary promotion, a stabilization and adjustment fund, and miscellaneous non-recurring items .....	800,000
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	\$14,000,000



## Three Million American Youth Now Under Catholic Instruction

The total number of American youths under Catholic instruction is estimated at 3,205,804 for 1945, an increase of 167,948 over the 1944 figure, according to the *Official Catholic Directory* for 1945.

According to the directory, the number of ordained clergymen—38,451—is the highest on record. A total of 138,079 nuns is recorded. Seminary students are listed as 21,523 with 92,426 in college.

A total of 84,908 converts were reported for 1945, a decrease from the 90,822 reported in 1944. Infant baptisms decreased by 11,786 to 710,648.

There are now 159 members of the American hierarchy, including one cardinal, 22 archbishops, and 136 priests.

## Infant and Maternal Death Rate Reaches New Low Mark

Maternal and infant death rates in the United States reached the lowest mark on record in 1944 in spite of wartime shortages in medical personnel and overtaxed hospital facilities.

Maternal deaths dropped to 2.3 per 1,000 live births and infant deaths fell to 39.8 per 1,000 live births, according to J. C. Capt, director of the Bureau of Census. There were 2,800,000 births reported in 1944.

## Secretary of Agriculture Believes South Must Industrialize

Industrialization of the South offers the greatest hope for a raised standard of living in the region, Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson believes.

With new competition in the foreign cotton markets and in rayon, nylon, spun glass, and paper cutting in the domestic markets, Mr. Anderson believes the South must: 1. Diversify its crops; 2. Shift 1,500,000 farmers, tenants, sharecroppers, and laborers to expanded clothing, home furnishings, paper and printing and residential construction industries.

## Returning Chaplains Desire Medium Sized Church

A survey of 175 Christian chaplains indicate that the majority of them want to return

to churches between 200 and 500 members. Only 5 per cent of the chaplains questioned expected to return to churches with a membership of more than 500.

Eleven per cent reported that they wanted to go to school before returning to a pastorate. More than 60 per cent want to return to a pastorate. Thirteen per cent indicated they desired to remain as a chaplain. Seventy-two per cent of the men expected to receive less than \$3,000 per year when they returned to a pastorate.

## Layman Elected President of Scottish Baptists

A layman, Alexander McKinlay of Edinburgh, has been elected president of the Baptist churches of Scotland.

For years, he has been an active worker in the Morningside Church of Edinburgh, serving as a deacon, organist, Sunday school teacher, and church secretary. He has served for many years as a lay preacher and has been a member of the Baptist Union Council for twenty years.

Since 1901, Mr. McKinley has served on the staff of the Registrar General in Edinburgh, being Statistical Officer for Scotland since 1907, a post which has made him responsible for all Scottish Vital Statistics.

## Negro Catholic Seminary Celebrates Silver Anniversary

The Silver Jubilee of the St. Augustine's Seminary for the education of a Negro clergy for Catholics was observed recently at Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi.

More than 300 have trained in the Seminary during its twenty-five year history. More than 500 priests are now giving their time to Negro work and more than 1,600 nuns are engaged in the work. There are more than 60,000 Negro children in Catholic schools and they are reporting 6,000 conversions each year. Many clinics and hospitals are also being started for the Negroes by the Catholics.

A general picture of the size of the larger religious bodies is given by the 1945 edition of the *Yearbook of American Churches*, edited by Benson Y. Landis of the Federal Council of Churches. The total church membership of 72,492,669 is the largest ever reported by churches in the United States. The total is 52.5 per cent of the population as compared with 22.2 per cent in 1890.



# Religious Bodies—with over 50,000 Members

(As reported in INFORMATION SERVICE)

## Larger Religious Bodies

	Year	No. of Churches Reported	Inclusive Church Membership	Membership 13 years of age and over
Seventh Day Adventists .....	1944	2,531	194,832	194,832
Assemblies of God .....	1944	5,055	227,349	227,349
Baptist Bodies:				
Northern Baptist Convention .....	1944	7,348	1,555,914	1,478,111*
Southern Baptist Convention .....	1944	25,965	5,667,926	5,384,530
National Baptist Convention, U. S. A., Inc. ....	1944	24,460	4,021,618	3,700,078*
National Baptist Convention of America .....	1944	1,064	115,022	93,955
American Baptist Asso. ....	1936	1,102	118,871	117,130*
Free Will Baptists .....	1940			
National Baptist Evangelical Life and Soul Assembly of U. S. A. ....	1944	451	59,743	48,137
Primitive Baptists .....	1936	1,726	69,157	68,881
United American Free Will Baptist Church .....	1936	350	75,000	66,000
Church of the Brethren .....	1944	7,286	2,352,339	2,117,091*
Buddhist Churches of America .....	1944	1,019	180,287	176,100
Church of Christ, Scientist .....	1944	46	70,000	52,000
Churches of God:				
Church of God .....	1936	2,113	268,915	268,915
Church of God (Anderson, Ind.) .....	1944	1,817	67,137	67,137
Church of God in Christ .....	1942	1,412	83,875	71,293*
Church of the Nazarene .....	1944	2,000	300,000	250,000
Churches of Christ .....	1944	2,965	187,082	187,082
Congregational Christian Churches .....	1936	3,815	309,551	309,551*
Disciples of Christ .....	1943	5,753	1,075,401	1,075,401
Eastern Orthodox Churches:				
Greek Orthodox Ch. (Hellenic) .....	1944	7,917	1,672,354	1,504,115*
Russian Orthodox Church .....	1942	280	250,000*	200,000*
Evangelical and Reformed Ch. ....	1942	300	300,000	200,000
Evangelical Church .....	1943	2,835	675,958	675,958
Federated Churches .....	1944	1,994	255,881	249,241
Religious Society of Friends (Five Years Meeting) .....	1936	508	88,411	88,093
Independent Fundamental Church of America .....	1944	453	70,000	58,350*
Jewish Congregations .....	1936	600	60,000	60,000*
Latter Day Saints:				
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints .....	1944	3,728	4,641,184	3,341,652*
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints .....	1944	563	113,064	102,071



# Lutherans:

American Lutheran Conf.:				
American Lutheran Church .....	1944	1,834	584,499	413,289
Evangelical Lutheran				
Augustana Synod of N. A. ....	1943	1,123	373,163	279,530
Norwegian Lutheran Churches				
of America .....	1943	2,522	595,034	422,383
Lutheran Synodical Conf., of N. A.:				
Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Mo.,				
Ohio, & other states .....	1944	4,073	1,356,655	948,371
Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of				
Wis. & other states .....	1943	914	324,492	191,008
The United Lutheran Church				
in America .....	1943	3,762	1,690,204	1,213,985
Mennonite Church .....	1944	500	51,813	50,000
Methodist Bodies:				
African M. E. Church .....	1942	7,265	868,735	667,035
African M. E. Zion Church .....	1940	2,252	489,244	382,316
Colored M. E. Church .....	1944	4,400	382,000	321,000
The Methodist Church .....	1944	41,067	8,046,129	7,400,000*
Polish National Catholic Church .....	1944	146	250,000	200,000
Presbyterian Bodies:				
Cumberland Presbyterian Church .....	1944	1,048	64,984	44,786*
Presbyterian Ch. in U. S. ....	1944	3,500	565,853	519,157*
Presbyterian Ch. in U. S. A. ....	1944	8,462	2,040,399	1,960,399
United Presbyterian Ch. of				
North America .....	1944	847	193,637	174,273*
The Protestant Episcopal Church .....	1944	7,894	2,227,524	1,501,777
Reformed Bodies:				
Christian Reformed Ch. ....	1944	310	128,914	71,831
Reformed Church in America .....	1944	736	169,390	169,390
The Roman Catholic Church .....	1944	14,791	23,419,701	17,330,558*
The Salvation Army .....	1944	1,474	208,329	91,664
International General Assembly of				
Spiritualists .....	1945	236	100,000	100,000
Unitarian Churches .....	1944	364	62,593	62,593
United Brethren in Christ .....	1944	2,748	433,480	390,132
Totals: No. of Bodies, 55		231,481	70,623,989	58,067,201

\*Estimated.

## Analysis of 1943-1944 Compilation

(From INFORMATION SERVICE)

	No. of Local Churches Reported	Inclusive Member- ship	Membership* 13 years and above
Roman Catholic Church .....	14,791	23,419,701	17,330,558
Old Catholic Churches .....	54	10,836	8,634
Eastern Orthodox Churches .....	834	686,287	502,730
Jewish Congregations .....	3,728	4,641,184	3,341,652
"Protestant" Bodies over 50,000 .....	212,336	41,943,104	36,942,911
Other Bodies .....	22,019	1,791,557	1,590,622
Totals .....	253,762	72,492,669	59,717,107

\*In many cases estimated.



# United Stewardship Council Statistics Issued for 1944

(From INFORMATION SERVICE)

	Gifts Per Capita for All Purposes Total	Gifts for Congregational Expenses Total	Gifts for All Purposes	Total Gifts for Benevolence	Reports for Year Ending
<i>Religious Body</i>					
1. Baptist, Northern .....	\$18.27	\$ 5,265,574	\$ 23,173,879	\$ 28,440,353	April 30, 1944
2. Baptist, Southern .....	12.09	13,455,640	49,611,443	63,067,083	Dec. 31, 1943
3. Brethren, Church of .....	16.08	995,983	1,900,000	2,895,983	Feb. 28, 1944
4. Brethren, United .....	18.73	1,478,496	5,377,638	6,856,134	Dec. 31, 1943
5. Congregational Christian .....	17.46	2,914,311	16,185,468	19,099,779	Dec. 31, 1943
6. Disciples of Christ .....	12.65	4,300,090	17,214,948	21,515,038	June 30, 1944
7. Episcopal, Protestant .....	24.51	6,418,544	29,480,454	35,898,998	Dec. 31, 1943
8. Evangelical Church .....	28.56	1,708,671	5,411,835	7,120,506	Sept. 30, 1944
9. Evangelical and Reformed .....	17.82	2,103,419	9,949,200	12,052,619	Dec. 31, 1943
10. Friends, Ohio (Damascus) .....	51.95	69,659	169,936	239,595	June 30, 1944
11. Lutheran, American .....	19.24	1,773,161	6,253,134	8,026,294	Dec. 31, 1943
12. Lutheran, Augustana .....	23.32	2,246,133	4,332,787	6,578,920	Dec. 31, 1943
13. Lutheran, United .....	17.40	4,426,222	17,524,433	21,950,655	Dec. 31, 1943
14. Methodist Church .....	12.50	17,000,336	82,478,579	99,478,915	Dec. 31, 1943
15. Nazarene, Church of .....	55.59	648,704	9,428,649	10,077,353	Dec. 31, 1943
16. Presbyterian, United .....	31.73	2,037,232	4,107,492	6,144,724	March 31, 1944
17. Presbyterian U. S. ....	27.90	4,398,914	11,391,428	15,790,342	March 31, 1944
18. Presbyterian, U. S. A. ....	26.26	8,865,837	44,148,189	53,014,026	March 31, 1944
19. Reformed in America .....	31.96	1,152,663	4,295,491	5,448,154	April 30, 1944
U. S., 1944 .....	\$16.57	\$81,259,589	\$342,434,983	\$423,695,471	
U. S., 1943 .....	\$15.69	\$66,098,076	\$309,789,995	\$376,946,958	



## Summary of Statistics of Baptist Churches of Canada 1945

<i>Provinces</i>	<i>Churches</i>	<i>Ordained Ministers</i>	<i>Baptisms</i>	<i>Member- ship</i>
<b>Maritime Provinces—</b>				
Nova Scotia .....	300	—	695	30,523
New Brunswick .....	260	—	661	29,642
Prince Edward Island .....	27	—	38	2,208
<b>Total for Maritime Provinces .....</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>1,394</b>	<b>62,373</b>
<b>Ontario and Quebec .....</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>1,541</b>	<b>52,175</b>
<b>Western Provinces—</b>				
Manitoba .....	29	—	90	2,830
Saskatchewan .....	27	—	126	3,124
Alberta .....	29	—	139	4,816
British Columbia .....	32	—	86	4,249
Non-English .....	92	—	329	7,907
<b>Total for Western Provinces .....</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>770</b>	<b>22,926</b>
<b>Total for all Canada .....</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>758</b>	<b>3,705</b>	<b>137,474</b>

Information is taken from the 1944-1945 Year Book of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec. Dr. H. H. Bingham, 223 Church Street, Toronto, is the editor.

## Comparative Summary of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America for the Past Five Years

<i>Items</i>	<i>1941</i>	<i>1942</i>	<i>1943</i>	<i>1944</i>	<i>1945</i>
Ministers .....	9,538	9,484	9,434	9,472	9,519
Candidates .....	1,191	1,193	1,300	1,297	1,304
Churches .....	8,733	8,674	8,628	8,630	8,604
Churches organized .....	22	17	21	29	24
Churches dissolved .....	70	65	47	57	60
Churches received .....	2	1	3	2	1
Churches dismissed .....	2	1	2	2	2
<b>Youth Budget Plan</b>					
Churches .....	—	—	1,388	1,539	1,665
<b>Communicants</b>					
Added, Profession .....	65,749	93,746	72,072	93,560	104,170
Added, Certificates .....	45,350	56,713	50,026	56,169	61,244
Restored .....	12,367	13,163	12,289	13,032	12,351
Dismissed, etc. ....	41,247	47,124	41,928	46,680	47,362
Susp. Roll .....	61,453	61,971	51,832	43,614	40,105
Deceased .....	25,347	24,194	24,487	26,157	25,264
Whole Number .....	2,013,247	2,040,492	2,051,869	2,098,091	2,161,872
Net increase or <i>decrease</i> .....	8,654	27,245	11,377	46,222	63,781
Baptisms, Profession .....	22,605	30,360	23,755	26,863	31,415
Baptisms, Infant .....	35,366	47,521	46,382	54,431	53,346
Sunday School Members .....	1,453,225	1,381,147	1,294,818	1,250,873	1,257,454

Information is taken from the Minutes of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. Dr. William B. Pugh, 514 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia, Pa., is the stated clerk.



**Table 1. Farm Residence in 1945 and in 1941, for the Civilian Population of the United States: March, 1945**

<i>Residence and Age, 1945</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Persons Who Lived On Farms in 1941</i>	<i>Persons Who Did Not Live On Farms in 1941</i>	<i>Persons Born After Dec. 7, 1941</i>
		<i>Number</i>	<i>Per Cent</i>	<i>Per Cent</i>
<i>(Statistics relate to the civilian noninstitutional population and are estimates based on the sample survey, the Monthly Report of the Labor Force.)</i>				
<i>All Ages</i> .....	125,590,000	26,190,000	100.0	8,750,000
<i>Farm</i> .....	25,290,000	20,750,000	79.2	2,050,000
<i>Nonfarm</i> .....	100,300,000	5,440,000	20.8	6,700,000
<i>Under 14 Years</i> .....	32,600,000	6,480,000	100.0	8,730,000
<i>Farm</i> .....	7,850,000	5,200,000	80.2	2,050,000
<i>Nonfarm</i> .....	24,750,000	1,280,000	19.8	6,700,000
<i>14 Years and Over</i> .....	92,990,000	19,710,000	100.0	
<i>Farm</i> .....	17,440,000	15,550,000	78.9	
<i>Nonfarm</i> .....	75,550,000	4,160,000	21.1	

**Table 2. Gains and Losses in the Farm Population Through Changes in Farm Residence of Civilians Between 1945 and 1941, for the United States**

<i>(Statistics relate to the civilian noninstitutional population and are estimates based on the sample survey, the Monthly Report of the Labor Force.)</i>			
	<i>Age in 1945</i>		
<i>Change in Farm Residence, 1941 to 1945</i>	<i>All Ages</i>	<i>Under 14 Yrs.</i>	<i>14 Yrs. and Over</i>
Gains in farm population (Persons living on farms in 1945 who did not live on farms in 1941) .....	2,510,000	620,000	1,890,000
Losses in farm population (Persons not living on farms in 1945 who lived on farms in 1941) .....	5,440,000	1,280,000	4,160,000
Net loss in farm population (Excess of losses over gains) .....	2,930,000	660,000	2,270,000
<i>Changes As Percentages of Persons Who Lived on Farms in 1941</i>			
Gains in farm population .....	9.6	9.6	9.6
Losses in farm population .....	20.8	19.8	21.1
Net Losses in farm population .....	11.2	10.2	11.5



## Estimated Total Population and Estimated Population 18 Years Old and over for States in Southern Baptist Conference

	1940	1944	18 years and over	
			1940	1944
Alabama .....	2,841,666	2,818,083	1,739,268	1,695,466
Arizona .....	501,773	638,412	318,082	411,939
Arkansas .....	1,953,430	1,776,446	1,224,054	1,090,517
California .....	6,964,131	8,746,989	5,270,518	6,652,446
D. C. ....	685,134	926,260	534,932	727,364
Florida .....	1,911,744	2,367,217	1,333,279	1,710,901
Georgia .....	3,129,911	3,223,727	1,975,225	2,055,939
Illinois .....	7,905,447	7,729,720	5,800,898	5,571,571
Kentucky .....	2,852,482	2,630,194	1,810,350	1,636,482
Louisiana .....	2,370,808	2,535,385	1,522,313	1,644,159
Maryland .....	1,826,515	2,127,874	1,294,738	1,504,634
Mississippi .....	2,190,222	2,175,877	1,336,582	1,347,294
Missouri .....	3,787,558	3,589,538	2,701,680	2,514,079
New Mexico .....	534,325	532,212	316,955	316,887
North Carolina .....	3,582,627	3,534,545	2,175,854	2,146,756
Oklahoma .....	2,333,208	2,064,679	1,507,554	1,314,698
South Carolina .....	1,909,886	1,923,354	1,130,941	1,147,490
Tennessee .....	2,924,974	2,870,158	1,888,363	1,801,690
Texas .....	6,423,577	6,876,248	4,244,164	4,589,836
Virginia .....	2,690,981	3,199,115	1,756,567	2,162,016
Total .....	59,320,399	62,286,033	39,882,317	42,042,164
United States .....	131,954,144	132,563,271	91,588,786	90,995,281

### South's Construction by Types

	October, 1945		Contracts Awarded First Ten Months 1945	Contracts Awarded First Ten Months 1944
	Contracts Awarded	Contracts to Be Awarded		
<b>PRIVATE BUILDING</b>				
Assembly (Churches, Theaters, Auditoriums, Fraternal) .....	\$ 3,308,000	\$ 15,872,000	\$ 11,629,000	\$ 5,176,000
Commercial (Stores, Restaurants, Filling Stations, Garages) .....	6,651,000	12,479,000	13,761,000	5,009,000
Residential (Apartments, Hotels, Dwellings) .....	6,105,000	20,513,000	32,322,000	43,953,000
Office .....	425,000	12,305,000	3,543,000	426,000
	\$ 16,489,000	\$ 61,169,000	\$ 61,255,000	\$ 54,564,000
<b>INDUSTRIAL</b> .....	\$ 49,271,000	\$ 173,643,000	\$ 392,392,000	\$ 165,962,000
<b>PUBLIC BUILDING</b>				
City, County, State, Federal, and Hospitals .....	\$ 16,654,000	\$ 113,071,000	\$ 164,147,000	\$ 198,405,000
Housing .....	735,000	30,000	18,623,000	45,183,000
Schools .....	2,759,000	66,168,000	24,010,000	17,463,000
	\$ 20,148,000	\$ 179,269,000	\$ 206,780,000	\$ 261,051,000



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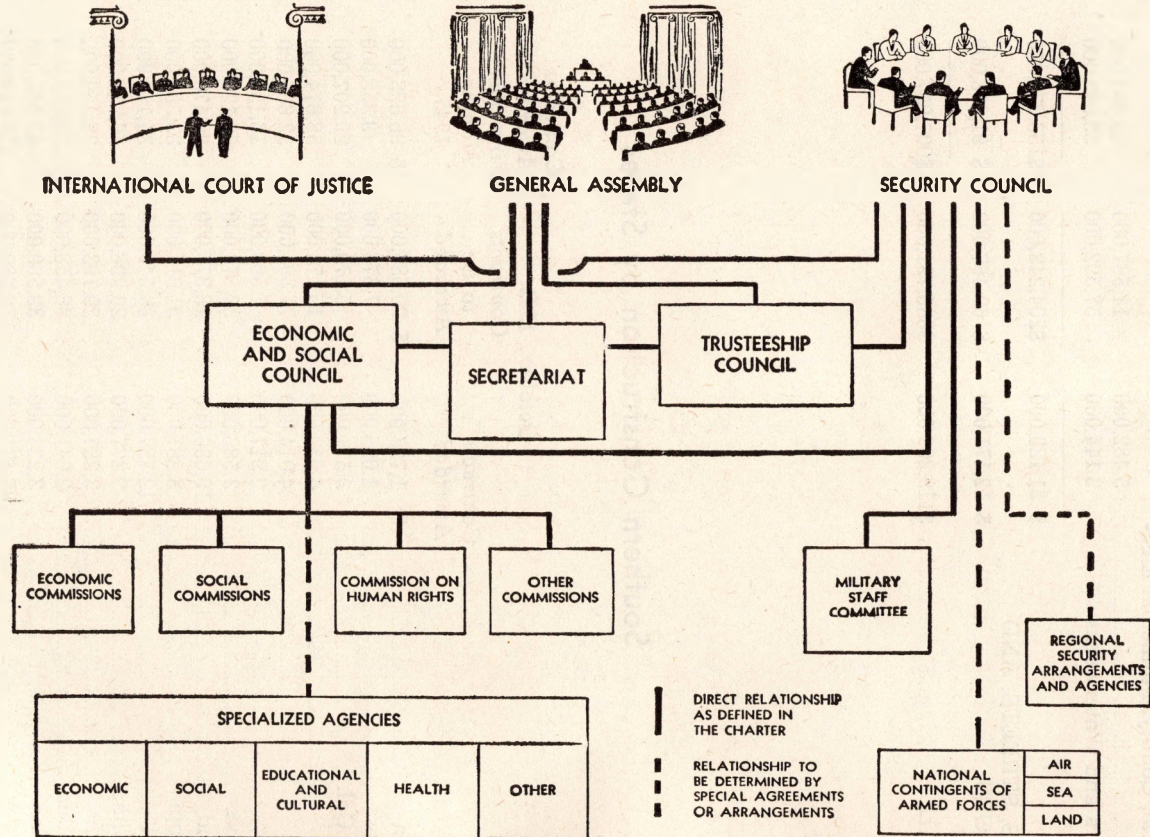
Dams, Drainage, Earthwork, and Airports .....	\$ 12,497,000	\$135,064,000	\$100,923,000	\$154,946,000
Federal, County, Municipal Elec- tric .....	5,482,000	11,587,000	19,404,000	1,025,000
Sewers and Waterworks .....	3,144,000	57,592,000	35,945,000	27,004,000
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	\$ 21,123,000	\$204,243,000	\$156,272,000	\$182,975,000
<b>ROADS, STREETS, AND BRIDGES</b> .....	<b>\$ 12,171,000</b>	<b>\$ 68,467,000</b>	<b>\$ 91,298,000</b>	<b>\$ 78,566,000</b>
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<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$119,202,000</b>	<b>\$686,791,000</b>	<b>\$907,997,000</b>	<b>\$743,118,000</b>

**Southern Construction by States**

	<i>October, 1945</i>	<i>Contracts</i>	<i>Contracts</i>	
	<i>Contracts</i>	<i>to Be</i>	<i>Awarded</i>	<i>Contracts</i>
	<i>Awarded</i>	<i>Awarded</i>	<i>First Ten</i>	<i>Awarded</i>
			<i>Months</i>	<i>First Ten</i>
			<i>1945</i>	<i>Months</i>
				<i>1944</i>
Alabama .....	\$ 1,725,000	\$ 29,587,000	\$ 96,698,000	\$ 31,071,000
Arkansas .....	1,055,000	7,378,000	9,358,000	67,244,000
Dist. of Col. ....	3,571,000	5,170,000	29,207,000	17,423,000
Florida .....	4,659,000	15,174,000	58,674,000	73,504,000
Georgia .....	4,014,000	71,394,000	32,665,000	40,441,000
Kentucky .....	2,917,000	7,580,000	16,154,000	20,476,000
Louisiana .....	3,586,000	37,874,000	50,129,000	52,598,000
Maryland .....	19,630,000	18,375,000	68,470,000	54,665,000
Mississippi .....	3,267,000	51,614,000	33,561,000	19,550,000
Missouri .....	12,787,000	38,549,000	34,179,000	43,093,000
N. Carolina .....	9,277,000	26,296,000	46,818,000	27,184,000
Oklahoma .....	3,287,000	20,793,000	28,459,000	20,223,000
S. Carolina .....	2,041,000	86,458,000	15,276,000	19,187,000
Tennessee .....	3,234,000	32,590,000	43,184,000	22,955,000
Texas .....	37,471,000	176,660,000	276,648,000	136,756,000
Virginia .....	4,201,000	51,797,000	53,204,000	77,636,000
W. Virginia .....	2,480,000	9,502,000	15,313,000	19,112,000
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# ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS





## Suggestions for Sermons

By JEROME O. WILLIAMS

*The editor has requested a brief statement about how each sermon outline developed. An effort is made to give this statement at the close of each outline and I trust it will be found helpful.*

### The Christ We Follow

*Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps. —1 Peter 2:21.*

IN THESE verses Peter presents the Christ we know and love and should follow. An earnest study of the passage will cause us to love Christ more and to desire to follow in his steps. See the Christ and seek to live for him.

#### 1. He Is the Suffering Christ

"Because Christ also suffered for us." "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh" (1 Peter 3:18). "He was despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief" (Isa. 53:3). There are eleven words in the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah that characterize Christ as the suffering One. They are: misunderstood, man of sorrows, acquainted with grief, despised, rejected, afflicted, oppressed, scourged, bruised, wounded, and crucified. His pain on the cross was more than physical. It was mental anguish and spiritual agony for a sinful world. Christ suffered and died for

us. We should be willing to suffer for him and his cause.

#### 2. He Is the Sinless Christ

"Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth" (v. 22). "He had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth" (Isa. 53:9). Christ lived in the world among men and could hurl the challenge to them "Which of you convinceth me of sin?" (John 8:46). Pilate examined him carefully and came out of the court and declared to the world: "I find no fault in him" (John 19:6). The centurion heard the trials, saw him beaten in the Pretorium, commanded the soldiers to drive the nails in his hands, and saw him die on the cross, and exclaimed, "Certainly this was a righteous man" (Luke 23:47); or, "truly this man was the son of God" (Mark 15:39). The malefactor on the cross by Christ said of him, "This man hath done nothing amiss" (Luke 23:41). Judas, the disciple who sold him for the price of a slave and who betrayed him with a kiss, cried in agony, "I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood" (Matt. 27:4). Jesus said, "I do always those things that please him" (John 8:29). He lived among sinful men and yet without sin. Christians should follow his example.

#### 3. He Is the Submissive Christ

"Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously" (v. 23). "He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth" (Isa. 53:7). When men spat on him he did not resist it; when they slapped him he did not strike back; when they struck him with reeds he did not resist; when they

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struck him he said not a word. He yielded himself to the oppression of sinful men and committed himself unto the mercies of the good Father, praying, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34). He is the submissive Christ. His followers should submit their lives to the will and way and work of the Father.

#### 4. *He Is the Sacrificial Christ*

"Who his own self bare [carried] our sins in his own body on the tree" (v. 24). "Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures" (1 Cor. 15:3). When he was on earth he had no place he could call home. He said, "Foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head" (Matt. 8:20). Jesus lived the sacrificial life. He died the sacrificial death. He had no cross of his own on which to die but was nailed to the cross of another. His dead body was placed in the grave of another. His followers should be willing to sacrifice all to him and for his cause.

#### 5. *He Is the Sufficient Christ*

"By whose stripes ye were healed." He died for our sins that we might live unto righteousness. Sinners may claim only the merit of Christ before the Father and this is sufficient. By faith in Jesus, sinners become heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ. He is the life and he imparts it to those who will trust. He is the way and gives souls power to walk in it. He is the truth and gives grace to live it. Followers should trust the sufficient Christ and live for him.

Look at the living Christ and renew allegiance to him.

*Sermons are produced by much prayer, study, and work. This sermon developed in the following manner: At some time, as I read the Bible, I marked the words "example, that ye should follow his steps." As I reread the passage later the subject was suggested—"The Christ We Follow." When I went back to study the passage more earnestly, I noticed the word "suffered." This word suggested the natural alliteration of the words in the text and context that characterize the Christ discussed in the paragraph—suffering, sinless, submissive, sacrificial, and sufficient. Thus the sermon grew into the message here recorded.*

## In Divine Service

*For we are labourers together with God.*  
—1 Corinthians 3:9.

THE LORD God is good and gracious to give eternal life to those who will believe in and accept the Lord Jesus Christ. But he does more than this. He gives Christians the blessed privilege of working with him in accomplishing his purpose and will in earth. We note some things about this privilege.

#### 1. *Christians Work with the Divine Person—God.*

What a gracious privilege to join hands, heads, and hearts with the God of the universe, to work with him. He is and has all power, all wisdom, all justice, all holiness, and all righteousness. When Christians unite with him by faith, he will give all of these and more for use in his kingdom work. He will never leave nor forsake his own. In him, his purpose can be accomplished.

#### 2. *Christians Work with the Divine Institution—the Church.*

The church is divine in its origin, organization, ordinances, and objectives. Christ is the founder and the head of the church. It is his institution and so divine. He directs the selection of pastors and deacons to work with him. He placed in the church the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper. The objective of each true church is to win souls to Christ, to help lives to grow like Christ, and to become efficient servants for Christ. What a privilege to labor in this divine institution. Christians have this privilege.

#### 3. *Christians Work with the Divine Message.*

Working with the Lord and his institution, Christians use the divine message as recorded in the Bible. The Bible is God's message. It is in our language. The Holy Spirit will lead each Christian into its eternal truth and guide in delivering just the right message in the right way to the right person at the right time. How happy Christians should be in this privilege.

#### 4. *Christians Work with the Divine Element in Life.*

Each human being is created with a body,



mind, and soul. It is a sacred thing to work with the body, as the doctor or dentist. It is a more sacred thing to work with the mind, as the teacher. But it is most sacred to work with the spiritual nature of man for this is eternal. Christians have this divine privilege. What a supreme joy! What a sacred task!

Let all Christians everywhere avail themselves of the blessed privilege of working with the Lord in his church to deliver his message for enriching the soul of man.

*This is a simple outline of a brief and familiar text, but it did not come to me in this way for years. I had heard other preachers use the text and had used it myself, but the uses did not satisfy me. After long study, the subject came to me in a flash—"In Divine Service." This led to search for the divine elements in the service, with the result as recorded.*

## The Spirit-led Life

*If ye be led of the Spirit.—Galatians 5:18.*

ONE OF the greatest joys of the Christian life is to know that the Holy Spirit dwells within and is ready, able, and willing to lead the life at all times. We point out only three things here that are true of the Spirit-led life.

### 1. It Is a Spiritual Life

"As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God" (Rom. 8:14). "The Spirit himself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are children of God" (Rom. 8:16). To be led by the spirit of God, one must be a child of God—born of God. Through the spiritual birth a life is given this spiritual nature. It can then discern spiritual things, appropriate spiritual blessings, and manifest spiritual influence. Only the spiritual life will be led by the Holy Spirit.

### 2. It Is a Victorious Life

The spiritual life will be able to overcome the work of the flesh. "Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh" (Gal. 5:16). "They that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts" (Gal. 5:24). The works of the flesh are enumerated in Galatians 5:19-21. Study each one of these *seventeen* words which

portray sin in all of its hideous aspects. The verses close "they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." The Spirit-led life will be able to overcome these works of the flesh.

### 3. It Is a Fruitful Life

Jesus said to his disciples, "I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain" (John 15:16). The Holy Spirit will produce the Christian character and cause it to bear Christian fruit. "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance" (Gal. 5:22). These *nine* Christian virtues characterize life as to its inward state (love, joy, peace); in expression toward man (long suffering, gentleness, goodness); and in expression toward God (faith, meekness, temperance). The Spirit-led life will be a fruit-bearing life.

The child of God can be led daily by the Holy Spirit and can overcome the world, flesh, and the devil and can bear much fruit to glorify God.

*The urgent need for the leadership of the Holy Spirit in my own life and the evident need of the same thing in the life of Christian leaders, called forth this little suggestion for a sermon. The purpose of the message led to the selection of the text and the text is in the heart of a great passage of Scripture which shows the necessity of possessing the spiritual life and what the Spirit will do for a life in leading from sin to success in Christ. The outcome is herewith recorded.*

## Lepers and the Lord

*There met him ten men that were lepers.—Luke 17:12.*

JESUS was on his way to Jerusalem. As he entered a village in Samaria he encountered ten lepers. Certain lessons come to us out of this event in our Lord's life.

### 1. The Lepers Revered the Lord

"Which stood afar off." Persons with leprosy were separated from society. When people approached, they would cry aloud, "Unclean! Unclean!" Thus, in this case the lepers did not rush to the Lord but stood afar off. Leprosy is taken as a symbol of



sin. No sinner can be so far away from the Lord that he cannot hear his cry for help. The Lord will hear the cry of sinners.

### 2. *The Lepers Prayed to the Lord*

"They lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." These men knew their terrible plight. No doubt they had sought in vain in many places for healing. It is possible that they had heard of Jesus and his ability to heal their loathsome disease. Their cry was a prayer. It was earnest and sincere. It was to the right Person, at the right time, and in the right way. The Lord will hear the earnest prayer of those who need him. He will not fail.

### 3. *The Lepers Obeyed the Lord*

"Go shew yourselves unto the priests." Jewish law prescribed tests by which the disease of leprosy was recognized and the priests examined the patients, declared them clean or unclean. When Jesus commanded these ten lepers to show themselves to the priests, they made no excuse, did not hesitate, but obeyed him immediately. All who hear and obey the voice of Jesus are to be commended. "Behold, I set before you this day a blessing. . . if ye obey the commandments of the Lord your God" (Deut. 11:26).

### 4. *The Lepers Were Blessed of the Lord*

"As they went, they were cleansed." The cleansing power of the Lord worked in the bodies of the men as they walked. We can imagine them observing closely the disease as it was healed and the happy hearts as they rushed along. Joy unspeakable must have been in their hearts when the priests declared them clean. Jesus has power to heal

the physical body of leprosy. He has power to cleanse the soul of sin. "The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin" (1 John 1:7). This is a blessing greater than that of healing the body. Receive the greater blessing from the Lord.

### 5. *One Leper Thanked the Lord*

"One of them, when he saw he was healed, turned back and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan." Only the stranger of Samaria went back to thank Jesus. The ungrateful nine were, presumably, Jews. Their ingratitude seems to have made the Lord sad. The thankful Samaritan received an added blessing and went on his way with increased faith.

It is a blessed thing to hear the voice of the Lord, to obey him, and to receive his blessings, and to rejoice in praising him.

*Every pastor should have a well-planned sermon garden where he will plant seed for sermons. The good seed with life will sprout and grow and produce the message that will meet the need of the people. A message is needed on how Jesus can help the infirmities of the body, mind, and soul of men. The reference in Luke 17:11-19 came to mind.*

*At one time in reading the passage, I had put a mark with ink about the word "lepers." At another reading I had underscored the words "lifted up their voices," "were cleansed," and "giving him thanks." In preparing the message to meet the need, the subject came—"Lepers and the Lord." Then the attitude of the lepers toward the Lord and his response to their need were noted.*

## Planning for the Future

Several thousand churches are making definite plans now for an enlarged plan and an enlarged plant in the future. These plans will not only include building of a physical plant but will also include plans for a more extended service to the community where they serve and for more extensive evangelistic efforts.

Representative of a number of the comprehensive plans suggested for the future is one by the First Baptist Church of Jacksonville, Florida. Homer G. Lindsey is the pastor. This plan is presented in the *QUARTERLY REVIEW* as a sugges-

tion for a city church. In other issues, we will present plans for the future worked out for town and rural churches.

### A Five Year Development Program—1945-1950 First Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida

1. A consistent program for perennial evangelism with the whole church seeking to win the lost week by week.
2. Two revivals each year using outstanding evangelists and pastors.



3. A worthy effort led by our deacons to enlist our entire membership in the full program of the church.
4. The enlistment of EVERY member of the church as a SYSTEMATIC AND PROPORTIONATE GIVER to the whole program of the church. (Always remembering that the tithe should be the minimum.)
5. The early erection of a modern educational building as already planned.
6. A Sunday school enrolment for the main school equal to the resident membership of our church, and an average attendance of not less than 800 for the year.
7. An enrolment of 500 in the Training Union with an average attendance of at least 300.
8. A churchwide visitation program that will make the attainment of these goals possible.
9. A constant and consistent training program that will provide necessary leaders for our expanded organization.
10. An increase from seven to twelve active circles in our Women's Missionary Society.
11. An enlargement program to enlist more of the young women of our church in the W.M.S.
12. A youth program that will attract and meet the spiritual and social needs of our young people.
13. A great church musical program with at least five choirs: The Junior Choristers, The Youth Choir, The Adult Choir, a Girls' Ensemble, and a Male Chorus.
14. The purchase of a concert grand piano for our sanctuary of worship.
15. The rebuilding of the solo section of our great four manual Pilcher organ.
16. The renovating, redecorating, and beautifying of our church auditorium to make a beautiful sanctuary of worship. This work to include necessary painting, modern tube lighting, carpeting the aisles, the altar, and the pulpit, new curtains on the choir rail and the baptismery.
17. Central heating and air-conditioning of our church and educational building as planned.
18. A Men's Fellowship Club composed of all the men of the church, to meet monthly for fun, food, and fellowship.
19. A much wider use of newspaper and radio publicity for the spread of the gospel.
20. An advantageous sale of the Myrtle Avenue property.
21. A worthy effort to fill every seat in our church auditorium at the Sunday services.
22. The amending of our church charter, and the revision of our by-laws (as already voted by the church) so as to bring them in conformity with historic Baptist principles, and modern present-day methods of operating Southern Baptist churches.
23. The purchase of a suitable church parsonage as soon as practicable and feasible, in keeping with the other aims of this five-year development program.
24. The raising of funds to create an Educational Loan Fund to assist worthy young people in our church who have surrendered themselves to full-time Christian work.
25. Continued and enlarged co-operation in all denominational work and greater Christian influence in the community, the state, the nation, and the world.

Presented by Dr. Lindsay and unanimously adopted by the church on Sunday, September 23, 1945.

## Launching A New Century For Christ



# Selected Pamphlets Listed for Distribution

**R**ecently, the Department of Research and Education of the Federal Council of Churches published a list of pamphlets on various social questions and current issues which might be of interest to pastors and laymen. The publication of this list does not imply any approval of the views expressed in the pamphlets but is presented as a service to those who might desire additional information on a number of subjects.

## General Pamphlets in Series

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS PAMPHLETS.** New York 20, Public Affairs Committee (30 Rockefeller Plaza). 10 cents each; quantity rates.

*Houses for Tomorrow.* By Thomas R. Carskadon. *Social Work and the Joneses.* By Ruth Lerrigo and Bradley Buell.

*Epilepsy.* By Herbert Yahraes. *What Foreign Trade Means to You.* By Maxwell S. Stewart.

*Small Farm and Big Farm.* By Carey McWilliams. *The Story of Blue Cross.* By Louis H. Pink. *Veteran's Guide.* By Dallas Johnson.

*Cartels or Free Enterprise.* By Thurman W. Arnold.

*Health Care for Americans.* By C. E. A. Winslow. *There Can Be Jobs for All.* By Maxwell S. Stewart.

*Straight Talk for Disabled Veterans.* By Edna Yost.

*Race Riots Aren't Necessary.* By Alfred McClung Lee.

*Youth and Your Community.* By Alice C. Weitz.

**PLANNING PAMPHLETS.** Washington 6, D. C., National Planning Association (800 21st St., N. W.). 25 cents each. Includes:

*Europe's Uprooted People; Strengthening the Congress.* By Robert Heller; *Fiscal Policy in Full Employment.* By John H. G. Pierson.

**LEAGUE FOR INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACY PAMPHLETS.** New York 3, The League (112 East 19th St.).

*Forty Years of Education; A Symposium.* 25 cents. *The Forward March of American Labor.* 15 cents.

*Recent Trends in British Trade Unionism.* By Noel Barou and *A Report of T.U.C. on Postwar Reconstruction; A Summary.* 15 cents.

*Postwar Planning for Full Employment; A Symposium.* 25 cents.

*Public Debt and Taxation in the Postwar World.* By William Withers. 15 cents.

## Religion and the Church

"ALL THAT IS PAST IS PROLOGUE": THE EMERGENCE OF INTERDENOMINATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AMONG PROTESTANT CHURCH WOMEN. Compiled and edited by Mrs. Fred S. Bennett, Florence G. Tyler, and Mrs. E. H. Goedeke. New York 10, United Council of Church Women (156 Fifth Ave.). 10 cents.

*BUILDING BRIDGES BETWEEN GROUPS THAT DIFFER.* By John H. Elliott. New York 16, National Confer-

ence of Christians and Jews (381 Fourth Ave.). 20 cents. A study course.

*BUILDING FOR WORSHIP.* By Elbert M. Conover. New York 10, Interdenominational Bureau of Architecture (297 Fourth Ave.). 50 cents. Practical suggestions.

*CATALOGUE OF FILMS FOR CHURCH AND COMMUNITY USE.* Rev. ed. New York 10, Religious Film Association (297 Fourth Ave.). 35 cents.

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3. Never pass by a word, a reference to historical or scientific fact, or anything else worth knowing, until it is understood.

4. Mark your books. In margins by single, double, or triple lines according to importance. Underline phrases or sentences. On fly leaves, make a brief index of valuable parts.

5. Read some books that tax all your powers; and some unattractive ones to call forth concentration of mental powers.

6. Let reading be varied. Turn from philosophy to romance or biography. This gives rest to the mental powers.

7. Buy only those books which you wish to keep as a permanent possession.—*The Christian Digest*, November, 1945.

### Gambling Is Improving Fast

In spite of the thirty-six day shortening of the racing period in New York, the receipts, according to the Associated Press were \$32,161,682 over all the records of the past years, the total amount publicly wagered on the races being \$421,156,932—which is \$31.25 per capita for every man, woman, and child in the state of New York, one day old and up, and about five times as much as the whole state contributes to all religious causes.

Perhaps nearly as many millions were added to this staggering total by private gambling. It seems that the state of New York really believes that its people can drink themselves into sobriety, gamble themselves into prosperity and play the fool long enough to come into sanity.

### Misery Money Grows

Allied Liquor Industries, Inc., has announced that the alcoholic beverage industry collected \$2,400,000,000 in Federal revenue for 1945, a 16 per cent increase over 1944 and six times the figure for 1934, the first full year following repeal.



## Youth in the Spotlight

By GEORGE W. CARD

Sabra Holbrook, founder and executive director of Youthbuilders, Inc., writes under the following caption, which we present to those interested in American youth:

### How to Influence the Youth Market

"I think, perhaps, the statement with which we have to start in discussing basic methods of appealing to children is that what children think and what grownups think children think, are two different things. This gap between what young people today are thinking and what we grownups imagine they think—basing our calculations on our recollections of our own childhood—can mean the difference between failure and success in reaching young people.

"Perhaps I can point up my meaning with this example:

"I had been asked to conduct a forum with youngsters that would show up their preferences in radio. For this purpose I played recordings of two programs; a program called 'The Little Lame Prince' and another program which was a biography of President Roosevelt.

"The two programs were similar in that the dramatization of the Little Lame Prince was intentionally an allegory on the life of the President. The other was the real McCoy. The children preferred the real program.

"Children are realists, you see. Why? If we are truly concerned with getting children 'to listen first,' as the little boy put it, then I think perhaps we have to analyze why it is that young people today are more skeptical, more mature, more realistic than we were at their ages.

"The three big reasons, I think are the radio, the movies, and the press.

"We didn't have radios as youngsters; we didn't have talking movies; certainly we had a less streamlined press. But young peo-

ple's interest in what is going on in the world today, stimulated by these three media, isn't a moral interest.

"Children today turn to realism for the same kind of thrill for which we, as youngsters, turned to fantasy. They just won't accept advertising copy which makes sweeping claims for a product unaccompanied by proof of what the product will do for them.

"Also, they want product identification; that is, they would like to have the advertisement contain a realistic picture of what the product is, so that if your advertisement does sell them they know what to look for on the counter. And they want accurate detail; they don't want exaggeration.

"Another thing children look for in advertising is either action or motion. They don't like static advertisements. The action can be in the photograph; it can also be in the layout and the way the type is set. They won't read too much of your advertisement; so as much of the story as can be told in the photograph and in big captions is what gets across. Also children read more easily if the layout is simple and clear and when the copy is logically organized.

"The language in which one attempts to appeal to the younger group is also important. Don't try to imitate theirs unless you actually speak it as naturally and as easily as they do. Straightforward talk, which doesn't try to be too smart, really does better than inaccurate imitation."

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## BIBLE

### Light on Our Path

By Mildred Luckhardt. Association, 1945, \$2.50

AUTHOR: Director of Religious Education, Presbyterian Church, Rye, New York.

Reviewed by Rev. Don J. Milam, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Guthrie, Oklahoma.

*Light on Our Path* is a book of Old Testament stories written for young people ten to fifteen years of age. The material provides a course of lessons for forty weeks.

The stories are well written and for the most part true to the narrative of the Old Testament, but the author seeks to explain away the supernatural. For example, in the story of the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, she says that the place "where these cities once stood is the scene of frequent earthquakes and that an earthquake or bolt of lightning striking the pitch wells could cause terrible destruction. Thus Sodom and Gomorrah were completely destroyed." (Page 22.)

She also states that these "stories were told for centuries before they were written down."

I cannot recommend the book. Better books that are pure in their narrative accounts of the plain Word of God are available for youth.

Other Reviewer: Dr. H. K. Masteller, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Asheboro, North Carolina.

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### Distinguished American Jews

Edited by P. Henry Lotz. Association, 1945, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Pastor of Methodist Church, Toulon, Illinois. Other books: *Creative Personalities*, Vol. 1, II, III, V.

Reviewed by Dr. Alonzo F. Cagle, Pastor, Third Baptist Church, Owensboro, Kentucky.

Dr. Philip Henry Lotz made a master stroke when he selected the twelve men and women from various walks of life to be used in this new volume of the "Creative Personalities Series." The sketches written for each character evidence a human heart—throb the world needs in 1945.

The most outstanding thing however that gripped my soul as I read and then reread most of the sketches was the absence of any selfishness on the part of any of the people being studied. On the other hand each chapter literally throbbed with earnestness, humility of spirit, and a working desire to be of real service to all humanity, regardless of the price to be paid.

Yes, this book could be profitably read by

all ages, but by all means by the youth of our land, whether they be Jew or Gentile.

Other Reviewers: Rev. M. B. Archibald, Pastor, Liberty Baptist Church, Wesconnett, Florida, and Dr. J. Glenn Blackburn, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Lumberton, North Carolina.

### Pathfinders of the World Missionary Crusade

By Sherwood Eddy. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, \$2.75

AUTHOR: Lecturer, world traveler, and missionary, author of more than thirty books on international, economic, social, and religious questions. Other books: *Maker of Men*; *Man Discovers God*; *A Century of Youth*; *A Portrait of Jesus*; *I Have Seen God Do It*.

Reviewed by Dr. C. E. Hereford, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Lubbock, Texas.

No person is better qualified to write of the personalities in the world missionary movement of our generation than is Sherwood Eddy.

For fifty years Mr. Eddy has traveled the mission fields of the earth, and has known most of our modern missionary pathfinders personally. He writes of them, as only one can who knows them, their fields, and labors. The pathfinders discussed individually are all from the Student Volunteer Movement. Out from our colleges in the past fifty years have gone these trail-blazers for missions on every continent.

The volume is divided into six divisions: "Missions as a Crusade"; "The Modern Student Missionary Movement"; "Pathfinders in India"; "Pathfinders in China"; "Pathfinders in Africa and the Moslem World"; and "World Statesmen and Evangelists."

The first chapter is a short story of the first eighteen hundred years of missionary endeavor. Then he writes of the giants who lifted missions into a crusade: Carey, Judson, and Morrison.

Several chapters are devoted to the missionary giants of our own times, in China, India, and Africa. He writes of those he has known among the Baptists, Presbyterians, Methodists, Episcopalians, Lutherans, and Congregationalists. He gives a sketch of their lives, and an appraisal of their work as he had judged it close-up. As Mr. Eddy places the work of these pathfinders side by side, you realize the missionary movement in our day has become a Crusade. The author merits a place in this volume of pathfinders for his half century of service.

*Pathfinders of the World Missionary Crusade* will be helpful to students, pastors, missionaries, and all those interested in the cause of missions.



Other Reviewers: Dr. Morris Ford, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee, and Rev. George J. Griffin, Pastor, Zebulon Baptist Church, Zebulon, North Carolina.

### Ten Men from Baylor

By J. M. Price. Central, 1945, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Director, School of Religious Education, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Other book: *Vital Problems in Christian Living*.

Reviewed by Rev. P. D. O'Brien, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Big Spring, Texas.

*Ten Men from Baylor*, is one of the most readable and inspiring books I have ever read. If you like biography, here it is at its best. Ten biographies by ten different writers in a book of 176 pages can mean but one thing—conciseness, freedom from bore-some detail.

Ten better subjects from Baylor's galaxy of greats, five preachers and five laymen, two living and eight dead, could not have been found. In the opinion of this reviewer, ten better qualified writers could not have been chosen to write these life stories. Just a recital of the list of names arouses interest: Bagby, Carroll, Brooks, Neff, McDaniel, Burleson, Truett, Graves, Scarborough, Connally! What an interesting number of fields of human activity these names suggest! Missionary work, law-making, education, administration, military achievements, preaching, and all at their best as done by these ten men.

What a mistake a little boy made when he asked me what I was reading and I answered, "*Ten Men from Baylor*." He laboriously wrote it down after this fashion, "Tin Men from Bayler." These are anything but tin men. They were and are men of steel, clothed with flesh and blood. Dr. Price and his collaborators have produced a masterpiece.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Wilbert V. Snider, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Taylor, Texas.

### The Wail of a Drug Addict

By D. C. van Slyke. Eerdmans, 1945, \$1.25

AUTHOR: Evangelist.

Reviewed by Rev. Gelbert B. Waud, Pastor, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Carlinville, Illinois.

The author of this book has really come to know the power of God to forgive sin and also to help one to conquer evil habits. He had gone about as low as he could go but he was enabled to come back and make something of his life. One can see the terrible condition which sin brings upon man.

The book is well written. Since the author is of the "holiness" group I did not

agree with all of his theology. In my estimation one does not have to go back for a "second blessing." God gives the power to overcome when we believe in him. Outside of this I can recommend this book to all. It will help those who know nothing about the effect of drugs to see what they will do to a man.

Other Reviewers: Dr. H. G. Williams, Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and Rev. T. J. Watts, Honey Grove Baptist Church, Honey Grove, Texas.

### CHRIST'S LIFE AND TEACHINGS

#### The Crises of the Christ

By Dr. G. Campbell Morgan. Pickering and Inglis, \$2.50

AUTHOR: Famous English clergyman and Bible teacher. Other books: *The Gospel According to Matthew*; *The Gospel According to Mark*; *The Gospel According to Luke*; *The Gospel According to John*; *Great Chapters of the Bible*; *The Great Physician*; *The Acts of the Apostles*; *Studies in the Prophecy of Jeremiah*; *The Ten Commandments*; and many others.

Reviewed by Rev. Charles J. Granade, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Attalla, Alabama.

This book has two great virtues. The first is that the author deals with great events. He lists and discusses seven crises in the life of Christ; namely, the Birth, Baptism, Temptation, Transfiguration, Crucifixion, Resurrection, and Ascension. The second great virtue of this book is that Dr. Morgan discusses well his subject. He comes back to this work of his early life and in reworking it gives to us the best that he has learned over a long period of years.

This book will add to our general understanding of the Bible and increase our appreciation of Christ. It will also be found very suggestive in sermon preparation.

Other Reviewers: Dr. Lawrence Hayes, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Gatesville, Texas, and Rev. C. Paul Rich, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Clayton, New Mexico.

### CHURCH

#### The Church and Demobilization

By J. Gordon Chamberlin. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, \$1.00

AUTHOR: Executive Secretary of the Boards of Education and Missions, New York Conference of the Methodist Church. Other book: *The Church and Its Young Adults*.

Reviewed by Rev. W. E. Pettit, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Forest City, North Carolina.

In this little book the author has written sanely and practically about a big subject. Every church in the country is now facing problems that have to do with demobilization. Every pastor and church leader should read this book which is probably the most sensible thing yet written on the subject.



The author maintains that we must begin now to renew our church contacts with servicemen, give them a worthy and challenging program, and seek to enlist them in the total church program—working with them, not for them. He does not believe that the church needs to be re-designed to meet their needs or desires. In the midst of all the current talk about counseling veterans, we must not forget the churches' other responsibilities to them, he declares.

The author has done work as youth director in the churches of Dr. John Haynes Holmes and Dr. Ralph W. Sockman. He is a specialist in young adult work, and for two years he has made an intensive study of facts concerning the return of servicemen. During this time he has been in contact with governmental and other agencies, churchmen from all denominations, and with the servicemen themselves.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Virgil A. Rose, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Kennett, Missouri, and Rev. B. B. Powers, Pastor, Mt. Juliet Baptist Church, Mt. Juliet, Tennessee.

### The Church in Our Town

By Rockwell C. Smith. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945.  
\$1.50

AUTHOR: Associate professor of rural church administration and sociology at Garrett Biblical Institute; twelve years a rural pastor in New England and the Middle West.

Reviewed by Rev. Garland A. Hendricks, Pastor, Olive Chapel Baptist Church, Apex, North Carolina.

The best book yet written about the rural church by a Protestant. Roman Catholics have pioneered in this field. Southern Baptists need some well-prepared literature along this line.

The book deals with the place of the church in the rural community. It assumes that a church is responsible for both its members and the community environment of which it is an inseparable part. The author writes as both a pastor and a sociologist.

Distinctions are drawn between rural and urban types of societies with respect to the rural family *versus* the urban individual as the social unit, the rural person *versus* the urban specific function as approach in social contact, rural custom *versus* urban contract as social bond, rural tradition *versus* urban novelty as basis for social values, rural direct action *versus* urban agencies as means of social control, environment, and rural kinship and locality *versus* urban special interests as social foci.

The author insists that "the work of the church is to safeguard and conserve what is essentially rich in this way of life while it amends and redeems whatever is evil." He suggests methods of doing pastoral work and for administering the affairs of the church; calls attention to the relation of rural people to the land; deals with relations of the church to other agencies and organizations of the community; to trade in rural life, the rural school, and recreation.

He declares that our human nature develops in the family, our civic nature in the school, and our divine nature in the church, and that the relationships of these institutions are important.

The greatest weakness of the book is that the author shows that he is more familiar with the New England and Western rural community than with the Southern rural community.

This is his closing statement: "Across the mountains and prairies of our great country are scattered thousands of little churches. They are, in a real sense, the hope of their world. Without them life grows coarse, family life suffers and decays, education becomes a device for personal aggrandizement, farming is merely a gambler's game. When they are strong, men are strong in the elemental qualities of honesty, fairness, tolerance, and pity. As we tend them, we fulfill the God-given task of spreading scriptural holiness throughout the land."

Other Reviewers: Rev. Paul G. Wiley, Pastor, Central Baptist Church, Midlothian, Virginia, and Rev. Wayne Rosecrans, Pastor, First Baptist Church, North Kansas City Missouri.

### The Human Life of Jesus

By John Erskine. Morrow, 1945, \$3.00

AUTHOR: Professor, Columbia University. Novelist, playwright, and musician of note. Other books: *A Song Without Words*; *The Delight of Great Books*; *Sonata, and Other Poems*; *Give Me Liberty*; *The Complete Life*.

Reviewed by Rev. Clyde Burke, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Fountain City, Tennessee.

To say that a book is interesting from first to last is to indulge in an extravagant use of the superlative; yet it is difficult to say less about this one. Anything said about Jesus is certain to quicken our interest.

The work will make its strongest appeal to maturity; those in the process of development may be offended by what they find here because the author is modernistic rather than orthodox.



He believes in the divinity of Jesus, but he seems somewhat unwilling to accept the supernatural powers ascribed to the Son of God: e.g., he believes in the miraculous healings, in some cases, but he does not believe that Lazarus was raised from the dead. The healings he calls Signs, and believes some of them to be true. Miracles like the raising of Lazarus, the raising of the widow's son at Nain, and the scene of the transfiguration he does not believe. These he calls Wonders, and he cannot accept them as being true.

On the resurrection he is somewhat obscure, but states quite clearly that he believes in a future life.

His reverence for Jesus, and for the Word of God will be appreciated—not a facetious word is spoken about either.

Dr. Erskine writes well. It is a delightful and a helpful book for anyone who can read it in the same spirit in which it is written.

(Other reviewer: "The book is penned in beautiful language and has a very readable style; it is, however, a very poor life of our Lord. The reviewer is very much aware of the profound scholarship of Dr. Erskine but one does not have to read very long before he becomes conscious that the author's scholarship is not in the religious field.")

Other Reviewers: Dr. Carl G. Campbell, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Jefferson City, Missouri, and Rev. Eddie Lieberman, Pastor, Holly Springs Baptist Church, Inman, South Carolina.

## The Hour of Power

By John E. Huss. Zondervan, 1945, \$1.25

AUTHOR: Pastor, Latonia Baptist Church, Covington, Kentucky.

Reviewed by Dr. Homer G. Lindsay, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida.

Brother John E. Huss has made a real contribution to the Evangelical churches of America. In his own church he has demonstrated that it is possible to have a great midweek church service. In his good church at Covington, Kentucky, he has proved that it is possible to have as many as fourteen hundred in a midweek service. This midweek service he calls the "Hour of Power."

It is not the old-fashioned midweek prayer service but a great worship hour. Instead of putting all his emphasis on the regular Sunday services with a mere announcement of the midweek prayer service on Wednesday night, he goes all out for this midweek

"Hour of Power." The accomplishments of his church are evidence of its potency.

In this book he takes us into his confidence to show how it is done. The book consists of these challenging chapters: "Making the Spiritual Pre-eminent"; "A Challenge to Pastoral Piety"; "Organization? Yes! And Power, Too"; "Adopting the Hour of Power Idea"; "The Growth of the Hour of Power"; "Publicity That Packs a Punch"; "The Loyal Legion"; "Magnifying the Word of God"; "The Ministry of Music in the Midweek Meeting"; "Other Unique Features of the Hour of Power."

Whether you wish to adopt his idea or not, the reading of this book should be helpful to any pastor and religious leader. This book is a real contribution to church literature. It should be worth many times the price.

Other Reviewers: Rev. H. Marshall Smith, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Stephenville, Texas, and Rev. Burton A. Miley, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Arcadia, Louisiana.

## CONSOLATION

### A Book of Comfort

Compiled by Eric Parker. Harper, 1944, \$1.50

Reviewed by Dr. Sankey L. Blanton, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Wilmington, North Carolina.

Mr. Parker has rendered a great service to ministers in compiling *A Book of Comfort*. The collection constitutes a rather full anthology of choice poems, letters, addresses, and passages of Scripture that bear on death and immortality. The compendium will be valuable to pastors. The book is also suitable as a gift to the bereaved. It has been a long time since the writer has seen a richer collection of choice bits of literature than is to be found in this little volume.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Bernard Guy, Pastor, West Park Baptist Church, Pecos, Texas, and Rev. John L. Waldrop, Pastor, West End Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

### How to Meet Your Troubles

By Paul Hutchens. Eerdmans, 1945, 75 cents

AUTHOR: Minister and author of religious books and pamphlets. Other books: *Morning Flight*; *Cup of Cold Water*; *Yesterday's Rain*; *The Sugar Creek Gang*; and many others.

Reviewed by Rev. W. Clyde Atkins, Pastor, Eutaw Place Baptist Church, Baltimore, Maryland.

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." The author of this book experienced the meaning of these words as he suffered from disease and passed through many other troubles. Writing out of his own experience, and relating a num-



ber of incidents from the experiences of others, he shows how to face trouble and to use it for the glory of our Lord. The book contains a very comforting message and will make an excellent gift to any person who is experiencing illness, or bereavement, or trouble of any kind.

Other Reviewer: Rev. L. H. Roseman, Pastor, Baptist Tabernacle, Little Rock, Arkansas.

### A Knight There Was

By Mary England. MacMillan, 1945, \$1.00

Reviewed by Dr. J. W. Storer, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Here is one of those little books that is indispensably opportune. It is beautiful in thought, discriminating in diction, and penetrating in its message.

This reviewer would unhesitatingly urge the reading of *A Knight There Was* by all who have given all to this last war, and to those who wish an understanding message of comfort for the broken hearts of mothers especially, here it is.

Other Reviewers: Rev. D. C. Sparks, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Kentucky, and Rev. M. M. Fulmer, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Uvalde, Texas.

### DEVOTIONS

#### The Cup of Demons

By Wm. Edward Biederwolf. Eerdmans, 1945, \$1.00

AUTHOR: Former Dean of Winona Bible Conferences.

Reviewed by Rev. James H. Landes, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, Texas.

This book is the first volume of Eerdmans "New Home Devotional Library." The book title is the subject of the first sermon. It is based upon 1 Corinthians 10:21, and, in a fashion, forms the theme for every sermon of the volume. The six sermons, "The Cup of Demons," "The Man Who Forgot God," "And He Made It Again," "Left Alone with God," "Back to Bethel," and "The Unspotted Life," drive home with considerable force the familiar thought that man is a responsible moral agent and in some sense the captain of his own destiny. He can drink from the cup of the devil or the cup of the Lord; he cannot drink from both at the same time and have spiritual peace or power.

There is nothing new in the book. It is line upon line and precept upon precept, but the sermons issue a vigorous, clear, and forceful call for better Christian living. One is challenged to square his life with high Christian standards and to live the unspotted life. The book is helpful devotional reading.

Other Reviewers: Rev. A. B. Wood, Ninth Avenue Baptist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina, and Rev. Robert O. Barker, Pastor, First Baptist Church, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

### Devotional Commentary on the Gospel of St. John

By J. C. Macaulay. Eerdmans, \$2.50

AUTHOR: Pastor, Wheaton Bible Church, Wheaton, Illinois. Other books: *The Word Made Flesh*, and *Obedient unto Death*.

Reviewed by Dr. Paul Wheeler, Pastor, Park Street Baptist Church, Columbia, South Carolina.

This is a worthy addition to the already long list of books on John's Gospel. The material of which the book is composed is the "condensed milk" of a series of sermons which the author delivered to the morning congregation of his church. It combines two former volumes by the same author: *The World Made Flesh* and *Obedient unto Death*.

The commentary is topical, beginning with "John Explains" and closing "Follow Thou Me," with fifty-five topics between. The subdivisions of the topics are based upon the Scripture. For example, "The Master Soul Winner at Work" (4:1-30), is discussed under the following subdivisions: (1) Jesus deals with a thirsty soul (vv. 7-15), (2) Jesus deals with a sinful soul (vv. 16-19), (3) Jesus deals with a seeking soul (vv. 20-26).

The messages are devotional in nature, scholarly in insight and exposition, and yet simply and beautifully written. They should be read with profit by the layman, student, and minister alike.

Other Reviewers: Dr. H. Grady Ketchum, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Alabama, and Rev. Ray Redburn, deceased, formerly Pastor, Kelly Memorial Baptist Church, Shreveport, Louisiana.

### When Christ Takes Over

By Simon Blocker. Eerdmans, 1945, \$1.25

AUTHOR: Professor of Practical Theology, Western Theological Seminary.

Reviewed by Dr. W. Edwin Richardson, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Columbia, Tennessee.

Here is a book that is "on the beam," short and very readable. In 105 pages the author, a minister of long experience, shows clearly what it means for a man to surrender the reins of his life to Christ. When Christ takes over life not only becomes tolerable, but interesting and worth while. That Christ is entirely adequate for the multifarious needs of man Dr. Blocker makes simply understandable.



The key verse is "Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." The theme running all through the book is "Christ matters supremely." Read it and you will want Christ to have complete control of your life. It is good for any pastor or layman who belongs to that large group "that labour and are heavy laden." It is not a sermon to re-work and preach but it will make one want to preach a Christ-centered message.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Preston Sellers, Pastor, Northwood Baptist Church, West Palm Beach, Florida, and Rev. Thomas L. Harris, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Camden, Arkansas.

## DOCTRINES

### Christ Transcendent

By A. Boylan Fitz-Gerald, Jr. Interstate Printing, 1945, \$1.25

AUTHOR: Pastor, Monroe Avenue Methodist Church, Plainfield, New Jersey

Reviewed by Rev. O. C. Rainwater, Pastor, Trenton Street Baptist Church, Harriman, Tennessee.

In this little book of 112 small pages, Dr. Fitz-Gerald has written for the deep thoughtful reader, on a wonderful theme, "Christ Transcendent." The theme is urged in each of the seven short chapters.

Though one might not agree in every particular with some of the statements, particularly in Chapters Five, "His Transcendent Body," and Six, "His Transcendent Kingdom," it will be profitable to read this book.

Dr. Fitz-Gerald takes no stock in the prevalent theories and arguments of deified humanity, nor the purely spiritual fulfilment of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. His Chapter Four on the Holy Spirit will be found encouraging.

Other Reviewers: Rev. John S. Rasco, Pastor, Avondale Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida, and Rev. Virgil M. Gardner, Pastor, Oxford Baptist Church, Oxford, Alabama.

### Things Important

Darwin Xavier Gass. Wilde, 1945, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Pastor, Heidelberg Evangelical and Reformed Church, Schwenksville, Pennsylvania; frequent contributor to religious periodicals.

Reviewed by Dr. Paul Wheeler, Pastor, Park Avenue Baptist Church, Danville, Kentucky.

This book is a statement of the great eternal convictions of the Christian religion. There is nothing new in the book, but it does strengthen the Christian to have brought out in a clear-cut way the great abiding truths of our religion. The author is orthodox in general and in only one or two instances would be objectionable to the average Baptist.

I had the feeling that I was reading just another book. I waited to be lifted, or challenged. I went on to the end with a sense of listening to an average preacher preaching the great eternal, but lacking that something that makes one reach the heights. Just an average good book.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., Pastor, Waynesboro Baptist Church, Waynesboro, Georgia, and Dr. James M. Baldwin, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Salem, Illinois.

## EVANGELISM

### His Touch Has Still Its Ancient Power

By Thomas B. Rees. Pickering & Inglis, 70 cents

AUTHOR: An outstanding English evangelist.

Reviewed by Dr. John J. Milford, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Huntsville, Alabama.

This is a stirring message on evangelism. The little book has twelve chapters and each chapter is packed full of experiences giving evidence of the vital "touch of his ancient power." Every minister should read the book for the new inspiration it offers. The illustrations are taken from personal experiences.

The book is well written, easy to read, and can be read in one hundred twenty minutes. Its message is needed in our day. I recommend it and urge that ministers read it.

Other Reviewers: Rev. John R. Blanchard, Pastor, Trenton Baptist Church, Trenton, North Carolina, and Rev. W. Ross Edwards, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Warrensburg, Missouri.

### A Workable Plan of Evangelism

By Dawson C. Bryan. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Pastor, St. Paul's Methodist Church, Houston, Texas. Other book: *The Art of Illustrating Sermons*.

Reviewed by Rev. E. H. Arendall, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Atmore, Alabama.

Although the author presents nothing startlingly new in this book, he does give in a practical and forceful way, the essentials of a good personal workers' campaign. The book is concise. The author wastes no time getting to the point, does not attempt to preach sermons as most authors of this type of book do, and arrives at a concrete plan for personal work.

His suggestions should prove of value to all evangelistic preachers, for they are pliable enough to be adapted to any situation. He tells how to find the prospects, how to secure capable workers to win them, how to train those workers, how to organize the campaign to get best results, and finally, how to assimilate the new members into active church life.



Of special interest to most preachers will be his talks to be given to the personal workers before they are sent out. They are excellent, and should prove of inestimable value to the personal workers.

Here is a book well worth the small cost. Every Baptist preacher should own a copy!

Other Reviewers: Rev. Roy Boatwright, Pastor, Baptist Church, Brookfield, Missouri, and Rev. L. W. Benedict, Third Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

## FICTION

### Behold Your King

By Florence Marvyne Bauer. Bobbs-Merrill, 1945, \$2.75

Reviewed by Rev. Guy N. Atkinson, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Baxley, Georgia.

*Behold Your King* is a novel telling the story of Jonathan, a young Jew of Cyrene, a nephew of Joseph of Arimathea, and his stay in the Holy Land during the public ministry of Jesus. Many familiar Bible characters play their part in the story. Jesus often appears on the scene with his marvelous power to heal. His presence is constantly felt in the background.

The story gives a splendid picture of Jewish life in the time of Christ, with the historical setting of the age-long dream of the Jewish people for a Messiah. This dream is fulfilled in Christ.

It is a splendid novel, a gripping story. On a par with *The Robe*, *The Nazarene*, and *The Apostle*.

Other Reviewers: Rev. H. B. Cross, Pastor, Judson Memorial Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee.

### Fog Over Hong Kong

By Ken Anderson. Zondervan, 1945, \$1.25

Other books: *Shadows Under the Midnight Sun*; *The Doctor's Return*; *Winky—Lost in the Rockies*; and many others.

Reviewed by Rev. E. N. Gardner, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Henderson, North Carolina.

Ken Anderson, pursuing his interest in war stories earlier portrayed in *Shadows Under the Midnight Sun*, has focused attention in this book upon Hong Kong at the time when the blow was struck, December 7, 1941. Tenseness in the atmosphere, fears of the approaching Japanese, relief work for Chinese refugees in the unoccupied areas to which they had fled—these conditions prevailed in Hong Kong Island at the outbreak of war between Japan and the Western Allies.

In the story of the beautiful Kaam Lin, wife of the stubborn traitor, Chung, the author has revealed the power of the gospel of

Christ to redeem and sustain in the midst of the most severe persecution. One wonders at the remarkable rapidity of her Christian development and knowledge but grants that license usually permitted in fiction.

Mr. Anderson tells a good story. Its interest is sustained and heightened as the book draws to a close. His style is choppy in places, "newspaperish," rather than of outstanding literary quality, yet the account is entirely readable, and the book may be commended especially to young people and to other lovers of the mission program.

Other Reviewers: Rev. O. P. Grobe, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Granite City, Illinois, and Rev. Parks Redwine, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Florala, Alabama.

### The Gauntlet

By James Street. Doubleday, 1945, \$2.75

AUTHOR: Well-known American novelist. Other books: *Tap Roots*; *Oh, Promised Land*; *By Valour and Arms*; and others.

Reviewed by Rev. W. W. Warmath, Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee.

*The Gauntlet* is the story of a young minister who was troubled over his call to the ministry and other teachings of the Christian faith. In spite of his misgivings he left the seminary to become pastor of a small church in a small Missouri town. In this environment he wades through the varied problems customarily associated with a typical church in an equally typical rural community.

His experiences include financial difficulties brought about by his wife's pregnancy, church disturbances brought about by the pettiness of some of the members, personal decisions forced by the call to larger churches, etc. As one reads this most entertaining and helpful little book he feels that he is hearing the gossip from the Baptist life of a neighboring town. Because the author was a student in a Baptist seminary and because he was the pastor of a Baptist church, he is well qualified to talk about the multiplicity of annoying details connected with the initial pastorate of a young preacher.

While the story ends with the death of the minister's most attractive young wife, it does bring to him the victory over his misgivings and his "quest" ends in a great triumph. The book is sheer entertainment, but it is entertainment of the type that most preachers—and others—will appreciate to the very fullest.

Other Reviewers: Rev. C. B. Hall, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Winnsboro, Louisiana.



## Home Is a One-Way Street

By William Heyliger. Westminster, 1945, \$2.00  
AUTHOR: Well-known writer of books for young readers. Other book: *High Benton*.  
Reviewed by Dr. Howard W. Lee, Pastor, West Main Baptist Church, Danville, Virginia.

It is most difficult to write an original novel with enough subtlety about it to make it live. This psychological novel is not original and not subtle. The plot is obvious and the title is tacked on as if the author thought of it near the end of his work and fitted it into the final pages. It may be that a lifetime of writing for young readers has handicapped the author in his first attempt at an adult work. At any rate this story is characterized by obviousness.

If it fails as a novel it quickly recovers prestige with a definite psychological contribution. Herein is its strength and its value. The hero of the story faces his postwar world with an inferiority complex, brought on by battle wounds, and a chip on his shoulder that drives everyone away from him. It will show the returning serviceman that his return to civilian life depends on him, and the author's ratio is 90/10, i.e., 90 per cent on the serviceman, 10 per cent on the civilians with whom he comes in contact. The book should be valuable to loved ones of servicemen for they will see in the hero of the story the same impatience and restlessness of their own soldier. It should be read by the serviceman himself to help him know that his mind can play some very mean tricks and his mental attitudes can upset all of the hopes and dreams that are rightfully his.

Other Reviewers: Dr. C. T. Ammerman, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Troy, Alabama, and Rev. W. Lowrey Compere, Pastor, Northside Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

## LITERATURE

### Great Writers as Interpreters of Religion

By Edwin Mims. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, \$1.50  
AUTHOR: Emeritus professor of English Literature, Vanderbilt University. Other books: Biographies of Sidney Lanier and Chancellor James H. Kirkland; *The Advancing South*, and *Adventurous America*.

Reviewed by Rev. Merrill D. Moore, Pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee.

Dr. Edwin Mims has devoted a lifetime to the study and interpretation of English and American literature. In this book he has given the burden of his teaching for those

fifty years, namely, the magnifying of the spiritual values and the religious elements in that literature. Out of his rich store he brings forth treasures from the English classics for the profit and enjoyment of his readers.

He leads us to a greater appreciation of the value of literature and of the essential harmony between culture and religion. Under his pen, moreover, we see the greatest writers, like Milton, Hawthorne, and Shakespeare, as champions of the moral law and proclaimers of the truth that sin against it brings remorse, retribution, and defeat upon individuals and nations. We see Carlyle, Ruskin, Emerson, and Whitman as prophets of righteousness and justice, "terribly in earnest and often violent" in their indictment of a complacent society.

Dr. Mims does not strictly confine himself in the classic writings to avowed Christians like Milton, Bunyan, Carlyle, and Browning, but also in "the indifferent Shakespeare, the atheist Shelley, and the doubting Arnold," he has emphasized passages that are "notable expressions of the great ideas and emotions of the spiritual life."

Dr. Mims does not offer literature in any sense as a substitute for God's own revealed Word, but he does convince us, or deepen our conviction, that literature is a handmaid of religion, a tool which religion should neither despise nor neglect, a "fellow helper to the truth." If one does not appreciate the great literature of the English language, he needs, acutely, to read this volume! If he does, he will rush to the bookstore for it, and hasten to read it. This small volume will be of tremendous value to every Christian and particularly to every preacher.

Other Reviewers: Rev. W. Leonard Stigler, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Pauls Valley, Oklahoma, and Dr. C. Roy Angell, Pastor, Central Baptist Church, Miami, Florida.

## MISSIONS

### From Victory unto Victory

By O. T. Binkley. Broadman, 1945, 25 cents  
AUTHOR: Professor of Christian Sociology, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

Reviewed by Dr. J. F. Murrell, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Hugo, Oklahoma.

This little book of sixty pages is concisely worded, and presents thought-provoking, soul-inspiring truths which should challenge the attention of every Christian



who is interested in world missions today. It sets forth the Christian missionary enterprise as the supreme task of this new day. Among other profoundly significant statements the author declares that, "There is grave danger at this hour that we shall proceed upon the false assumption that it is possible to get a better world without getting better men and women. . . . It will take more than skilful international diplomacy to mitigate the grief, to allay the fears, and to melt the hatreds which have been created by ruthless aggression and intensified by the necessity of military programs. These fundamental changes come not by surface manipulations and compromises, but through the spiritual regeneration of human nature and the renewal of human life by the Spirit of God."

The book abounds in appropriate Scripture references, and is well adapted for use in mission study classes. In his five brief chapters the author introduces Christ as our leader in the missionary enterprise, and portrays the vision, the task, the missionary, and the way to victory. It is especially appealing to young people, and should be read by everyone.

Other Reviewers: Dr. R. C. Gresham, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Moultrie, Georgia, and Rev. A. L. Gillespie, formerly Pastor, First Baptist Church, Owenton, Kentucky.

### An Outline of Missions

By John Aberly. Muhlenberg, 1945  
Reviewed by Dr. W. E. Denham, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Miami, Florida.

In Part One the author, beginning with the scriptural basis for missions, carries the reader rapidly through the history of Christian missions to the present day, dividing the story into eight periods. The work is well done.

In Part Two the world field is divided into eight parts, as follows: India, China, South-eastern Asia, Oceania, the Japanese Empire, the Near East and North Africa, and Africa and Latin America.

The last chapter is a brief discussion of missionary methods, results, and prospects. The author believes very strongly that to be ultimately successful mission work must be carried on by the people of the various lands themselves, although the change from outside work by missionaries from better established countries must not be made too rapidly.

The book is written from the Lutheran standpoint and naturally stresses that aspect most, but gives quite a comprehensive picture of missions, and is well worth reading. It is written for the student rather than for the general reader.

Other Reviewers: Dr. G. Allen West, Jr., Pastor, Woodmont Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, and Dr. Harry P. Clause, Pastor, Huntingdon Baptist Church, Baltimore, Maryland.

### To Whom I Now Send Thee

By John C. DeKorne. Eerdmans, 1945.  
AUTHOR: Secretary of Missions, Christian Reformed Church.  
Reviewed by Rev. R. O. Cawker, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Corpus Christi, Texas.

This little book of only ninety-seven pages is the interesting record of the mission work of the Christian Reformed Church in Nigeria. The conflict with Mohammedanism; the gross ignorance and abject need of the natives; the slow response of the Reformed Church in the United States combine to present a rather unusual story. "We are troubled on every side, yet not disturbed, we are perplexed but not in despair (2 Cor. 4:8)" reveals the situations faced.

From the opening story of Istifanus, a twice born African to the closing record of today's achievements in this needy field, one will find interesting reading.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Elmer Dee Holt, Pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Buckeye, Arizona, and Rev. Arnold Long, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Meosho, Missouri.

### MUSIC

#### A Treasure of Hymns

By Amos R. Wells. Wilde, 1945, \$2.00  
Reviewed by Rev. Ellis L. Carnett, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Mansfield, Louisiana.

This volume dealing with one hundred and twenty hymn writers is certain to find a happy response, as it will meet a need.

Dr. H. Augustine Smith has well expressed what surely will be a general feeling when, in his Preface, he says, "His style is simple, forceful, and prophetic." He has dared to go back and bring to the front some original stanzas which many of us have missed and wondered about their displacement.

A knowledge of the authors with some stories about the hymns, the naming of most of the important hymns, and the printing in full of the most famous and best-loved hymns of each author, gives a music lover and religious leader something of real value and information.



Let me urge a wide reading of this book which is perhaps the most valuable, and certainly the most practical, book on this subject in print today.

Other Reviewers: Rev. J. H. Kyzar, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Laurens, South Carolina, and Rev. C. Ford Deusner, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Monett, Missouri.

## NATIONAL AFFAIRS

### One America

Edited by Francis J. Brown and Joseph S. Roucek  
Prentice-Hall, 1945, \$5.00

AUTHOR: Francis J. Brown is professor of education at New York University and consultant for the American Council on Education; Joseph S. Roucek is chairman of the Department of Political Science and Sociology of Hofstra College.

Reviewed by Dr. G. Allen West, Jr., Pastor, Woodmont Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee.

*One America* is the revised edition of the volume, *Our Racial and National Minorities*, published by the same company in 1937. Because of many sweeping changes among our minority groups, accentuated by the World War II, the authors have rewritten several chapters, have omitted others, and have added still others.

This book can be used as a textbook for advanced students in the field of sociology and political science. The general problems are first presented with the various definitions of the minority groups, then more detailed analyses are made. The various chapters were written by men chosen from various fields of study and different colleges and universities. Thus a well-rounded picture can be obtained of the vast problems connected with making our people more united.

Part I presents the Introduction with two chapters: "The Meaning and Status of Minorities," and "Backgrounds of America's Heterogeneity." Part II presents "Our Minority Peoples," with nine chapters. Part III gives the "Activities of the Minority Groups"; Part IV the "Racial and Cultural Conflicts and Education"; and Part V indicates the "Trends Toward Cultural Democracy in America."

At the end of the book are found some excellent charts and indexes. This book should be very beneficial to the student of the real life of America.

Other Reviewers: Dr. I. L. Yearby, Pastor, Trinity Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Rev. Ray F. Dykes, Pastor, 41st Avenue Baptist Church, Meridian, Mississippi.

## PRAYER

### In His Name

By G. A. Cleveland Shrigley. Pulpit, 1945, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Executive Chairman of the World League of Endless Prayer for Peace and Justice. Other books: *Wartime Prayers for Those at Home*; *Prayers for Men in Service*; *101 Prayers for Peace*. Reviewed by Rev. Joe Weldon Bailey, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Vivian, Louisiana.

This book of over one hundred different prayers for many occasions can be very useful and helpful to those who care to get new ideas for public praying.

Among the different classifications one can find prayers on trust in God, faithfulness, consecration, growth in spirit, courage, worship, and other suggestions.

New ideas can be obtained from this book to make our public praying more effective—a vital need of the present-day pulpit.

Other Reviewers: Rev. L. E. Holt, Pastor, Highland Park Baptist Church, Texarkana, Texas, and Rev. E. R. Eller, Pastor, Crawford Avenue Baptist Church, Augusta, Georgia.

## PREACHING

### How to Improve Your Preaching

By Bob Jones, Jr. Revell, 1945, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Joint principal with his father of Bob Jones College, Cleveland, Tennessee; evangelist. Other books: *All Fullness Dwells*.

This book is a splendid approach to the art of preparing and delivering sermons. It is written from a practical rather than from a mere technical standpoint, with special reference to those who are young in the ministry or who have not had the privilege of theological training. Any preacher, however, will be greatly helped by giving it careful study.

Feeling that the delivery of a message is as important as preparing it, the author gives about an equal emphasis to each phase of the minister's work, though often the two are considered together. Helpful suggestions and information are found concerning many things, particularly types of sermons, texts, analysis of sermon construction, improving the literary quality of the sermon, method and bases of appeal, voice training, the matter of conducting services and even preaching over the radio.

The book is brief, clear, and convincing. Frequent reference is made to great preachers through the centuries. Any minister will be well rewarded by its reading.



Other Reviewers: Dr. W. Ross Edwards, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Warrensburg, Missouri, and Rev. R. Alton Reed, Pastor, Park Cities Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas.

### Preaching in Time of Reconstruction

By Andrew Watterson Blackwood. Pulpit, 1945, 50 cents

AUTHOR: Professor of Homiletics, Princeton Theological Seminary. Other books: *The Fine Art of Preaching*; *Preaching from the Bible*; *Planning a Year's Pulpit Work*; *The Funeral*; and many others.

Reviewed by Dr. Ronald E. Wall, Pastor, Blackwell Memorial Baptist Church, Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

Any book written by Dr. Blackwood on preaching is well worth reading. This is no exception. It is a small book of only sixty-three pages, but it serves as a good introduction to the preaching of thirteen outstanding men who preached with power and effectiveness during periods of reconstruction after war.

Dr. Blackwood introduces the reader to these master preachers in such a way as to make him want to get better acquainted with their books and their methods and manner of preaching.

After reading this book the young preacher will want to invest several dollars in the purchase of books about and by these men who have made a success out of the greatest business on earth: John Bunyan, Frederick W. Robertson, Henry Ward Beecher, Phillips Brooks, Dwight L. Moody, William M. Clow, Clovis G. Chappell, Clarence E. Macartney, Harry Emerson Fosdick, Karl Barth, George W. Truett, Arthur J. Gossip, and James S. Stewart.

Other Reviewers: Dr. W. R. Pettigrew, Citadel Square Baptist Church, Charleston, South Carolina, and Rev. P. C. Williams, Pastor, Third Baptist Church, Houston, Texas.

### PROPHECY

#### Millennium in the Church

By Professor D. H. Kromminga. Eerdmans, 1945, \$3.00

AUTHOR: Professor of Church History, Calvin Theological Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Other books: *The Christian Reformed Tradition* and *History of the Christian Church*.

Reviewed by Dr. John A. Davison, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Selma, Alabama.

This book fills a very great need. It is a reverent, scholarly study of the millennium question from the historical standpoint. The author is a devout, evangelical Christian; apparently without prejudice. For a study of the phenomenon of chiliasm in the early church and during the Middle Ages; for an understanding of pietism and of the chili-

astic organizations and sects, such as Mormonism, Russellism, Seventh-Day Adventists, etc.; for reliable guidance in an investigation of the issues between the varied forms of premillennialism and the postmillennialism of our day, probably no more satisfactory treatise has ever come from the press than this.

Other Reviewers: Rev. A. B. van Arsdale, Pastor, College Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, and Rev. R. W. Acree, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Blountstown, Florida.

### REVELATION: An Interpretation

By P. I. Lipsey. Author, 1945, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Editor, *Baptist Record*. Other book: *Tests of Faith*.

Reviewed by Rev. T. E. Walters, Pastor, Ridgecrest Baptist Church, Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

Dr. Lipsey gives in this book a running exegesis of the Apocalypse. Unlike many others biased by eschatological systems the author takes the book and lets it say what it wants to say. His argument is that Revelation is a great resume of what has gone before and he treats it in that light. The author sees in Revelation two parts: first, chapters one to eleven; and second, chapters twelve to twenty-two. "The first part gives in symbols the period of conflict and victory from the beginning of the gospel to the consummation of the Kingdom. The second part tells the same story but under different figures." The book is finely done and is evidence of deep and consistent devotion to the Bible.

As one reads the book, he is aware of the fact that a scholar has spoken. Out of rich experience both as pastor and editor, he writes. He has a master grip on the Holy Scriptures and draws freely from them to expound this book of which the meaning has been hidden to so many. Dr. A. T. Robertson once stated that Revelation was written in code and that before it could be fully understood the key must be found. The author finds the key in the Bible itself and makes the reader feel more satisfied with the conclusions made.

The book challenges thought. It is rich in sermon suggestions on the unfolding of events of our day. He finds many ideas in Revelation that apparently resemble the developments of our present time. The book has sound reason all the way through, and is lacking in the dogmatism found in many books of like nature. It is a treatment of the triumphant Christ.



This volume will be of great help to ministers and will be a source of comfort to others who long for a clearer understanding of the Apocalypse. In spite of a few typographical errors it is a good book.

Other Reviewers: Rev. E. R. Wall, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Albion, Illinois, and Rev. Carey T. Vinzant, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Fitzgerald, Georgia.

### The Second Coming of Jesus

By M. R. De Haan. Zondervan, 1944, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Teacher of the Radio Bible Class, Worldwide Gospel Broadcast. Other book: *The Chemistry of the Blood*.

Reviewed by Rev. R. H. Tharp, Pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Tucson, Arizona.

Prospective readers of this book will appreciate three words, by way of evaluation: the book's message, the author's evident purpose, the readers' response.

The message is a clear-cut presentation of premillennialism. It is vigorous in language, evangelistic in tone, and withal, very spiritual, making abundant use of Scripture quotations. The writer warns effectively about the nearness of Christ's return.

The purpose of the author: (1) He has an earnest spiritual desire to awaken lost men and arouse indifferent Christians; (2) He is anxious to convince fellow premillennialists that the pretribulation rapture of the church is the correct view; (3) He would make premillennialism a dominant element in the creed of all Christians.

As to the readers' reaction to the book: (1) All whose views on eschatology agree with the author will hail it as an unanswerable presentation. (2) Those who have other convictions about the doctrine of last things will pronounce the work dogmatic in teaching and tone, extremely literalistic in interpretation, and pessimistic in its estimate of the gospel's power. (3) All readers who are unbiased on millennialism will find the author's viewpoint to be interesting, and will rejoice in the "blessed hope" which he magnifies.

The book is quite readable, though weakened somewhat by too much repetition. It is worthy of a place in the library of preachers and Bible students who do not already have volumes setting forth this view of Christ's return.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Robert S. Scales, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Durant, Oklahoma, and Dr. Harold L. Fickett, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Galveston, Texas.

## PSYCHIATRY

### Thy Health Shall Spring Forth

By Russell Dicks. Macmillan, 1945, \$1.25

AUTHOR: Chaplain of Wesley Memorial Hospital, Chicago. Other books: *Pastoral Work and Personal Counseling*; *Who Is My Patient*; and co-author with Richard Cabot of *The Art of Ministering to the Sick*.

Reviewed by Dr. S. W. Eubanks, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Nevada, Missouri.

Here is the little book we have been waiting for. It is the right size, easy to read, and filled with material that is healing to the mind and body. The prayers are meaningful and practical. The meditations are as full of stimulating thought and suggestion as their titles are timely. Only out of a long and experienced hospital ministry can a writer present such healing meditations as "The Night Before an Operation," "For One Who Feels Guilty," and "For One Who Is Lonely."

It is a book for chaplains, ministers, sick people, and well people. Every pastor should have available a number of copies to put into the hands of those who are temporarily or chronically ill.

Other Reviewers: Rev. J. L. Clegg, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Dalton, Georgia, and Rev. D. B. Sumrall, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Palestine, Texas.

## PSYCHOLOGY

### Psychology of Religion

By Paul E. Johnson. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, \$2.00

AUTHOR: Professor of Psychology of Religion, Boston University.

Reviewed by Rev. Montague Cook, Pastor, First Baptist Church, LaGrange, Georgia.

Psychology is growing out of swaddling clothes. This book gives a clear picture of a modern trend in psychology that science is related to religion. Following the modern trend, he rejects atomistic elements in favor of organic wholes and subordinates static structures to dynamic processes.

The book is a scholarly presentation, yet clear and simple in style. The author is logical in his reasoning, and the work is well documented with particular reference to important writers in the field. It is a critical analysis of psychology. Dr. Johnson is an apostle of Gestalt psychology. Dr. Johnson states his aim "to follow a moderate course between the rocks and shoals of microscopic and telescopic fallacies. In so doing we must consider personality the unit of our investigation. Responses are to be seen as intro-activities of personality, even as society



is the inter-activity of personality." Every serious student of psychology of religion will want this book in his library.

Other Reviewers: Dr. G. Allen West, Jr., Pastor, Woodmont Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, and Rev. H. B. Anderson, Pastor, Grace Baptist Church, Durham, North Carolina.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### The Minister Teaches Religion

By Frank A. Lindhorst. Abingdon-Cokesbury, \$1.00

AUTHOR: Head of Department of Christian Community Administration, College of the Pacific.

Reviewed by Rev. T. B. Lackey, Pastor, Nogales Avenue Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

*The Minister Teaches Religion* is a handbook for ministers who are interested in improving their teaching ministry to all ages in the church, home, and community.

The author is practical in his suggestions of the things the preacher himself can do for those in his church and ways he can minister through others in teaching and training.

The program suggested is not in line with the Southern Baptist plan of teaching and the minister reading the book should do so with that in mind.

Other Reviewers: Rev. W. L. Lumpkin, Pastor, Manly Memorial Baptist Church, Lexington, Virginia, and Dr. James W. Middleton, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

## SCIENCE AND RELIGION

### After Materialism—What?

By Sir Richard Clifford Tute. Dutton, 1945, \$3.00

AUTHOR: Chief Justice of the Bahamas. He was born in India and educated at London University, served in France in the last war and has held important offices in the Near East.

Reviewed by Rev. J. J. Burson, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Shelby, Mississippi.

Penetrating analysis, clear historical perspective, as well as a masterful, scholarly approach combine to make *After Materialism—What?* one of the most interesting studies that one could make in connection with a subject which has reached hitherto unknown proportions in the field of science and religion.

Recent developments in the scientific field have produced an "atomic consciousness" on the part of a large number of people who have never sought to make any sort of relation between the material and the spiritual, and this work by Sir Richard Clifford Tute will be of incalculable benefit to those who seek to fathom the mysteries which apparently baffle and bewilder the strongest minds of the day.

While one may disagree in some measure to its prophetic import which does not harmonize to all intents and purposes with the accepted theological views, at the same time one is given a better understanding of the finite supremacy and power over matter, and doubts not that in the not far-distant future "Science and the Bible will come together on convergent lines and God will be proclaimed LORD OF ALL."

Other Reviewers: Dr. Robert E. Naylor, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Enid, Oklahoma, and Rev. Charles L. Cockrell, Pastor, Mart Baptist Church, Mart, Texas.

## SERMON PREPARATION

### The Pulpit Manual and Minister's Guidebook, 1945

Edited by Thomas H. Warner. Pulpit, 1945, \$1.00

This small volume does not hold much for those seeking new outlines or even fresh sermon suggestions, but it is well worth the price of the volume for the excellent illustrations it offers for the enrichment of sermons.

Mr. Warner has furnished sermon outlines for each Sunday in 1946, suggestions for lenten sermons, for funeral addresses, and for special days.

Other Reviewers: Rev. R. Don Gambrell, Pastor, Central Baptist Church, Winchester, Kentucky, and Rev. John E. Huss, Pastor, Latonia Baptist Church, Covington, Kentucky.

## SERMONS

### The American Pulpit Series, Book I

A Compilation. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, 25 cents

AUTHORS: Harold C. Phillips, First Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio; Joseph Fort Newton, St. Luke and the Epiphany Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Basil Miller, Journalist, Pasadena, California; Clovis G. Chappell, Galloway Memorial Methodist Church, Jackson, Mississippi; A. R. Clippinger, Bishop United Brethren Church, Dayton, Ohio; Samuel L. Joekel, Austin Presbyterian Seminary, Austin, Texas; Abdel Ross Wentz, Lutheran Seminary, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania; John S. Stamm, Bishop, Evangelical Church, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Reviewed by Rev. Cleates E. Hanan, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Fulton, Missouri.

Book I of "The American Pulpit Series" contains one sermon each by eight different men representing as many different denominations. They make good reading for both the laity and the clergy. They not only stimulate spiritual discernment, but, for the most part, meet the needs of people in this day of stress and change and spiritual hunger.



Some of the topics are: "An Angel in the Sun," "Our God Is Able," "The Eternalness of the Christ," and "Overflowing Mercy." Anyone interested in reading good sermons, or in informing himself as to the type and nature of contemporary American preaching can't afford to neglect purchasing this inexpensive little book of sermons.

Other Reviewers: Rev. A. L. Parker, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Honea Path, South Carolina, and Rev. R. Frank Marshburn, Pastor, Ingold Baptist Church, Salemburg, North Carolina.

### **The American Pulpit Series Book III**

A Compilation. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, 25 cents  
AUTHORS: Raymond Calkings, First Congregational Church, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Clarence E. Macartney, First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Edgar DeWitt Jones, Central Woodward Christian Church, Detroit, Michigan; Lloyd C. Douglas, Author, Los Angeles, California; Teunis E. Gouwens, Second Presbyterian Church, Louisville, Kentucky; E. Stanley Jones, Author and Missionary, Methodist Church, New York City; Theodore F. Adams, First Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia; Bernard Iddings Bell, St. John's Episcopal Cathedral, Providence, Rhode Island. Reviewed by Dr. Frank Weedon, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Denton, Texas.

Here are eight sermons written by as many authors from seven denominations whose average age is sixty-three years. They are outstanding authors, pastors, and Christian statesmen who are rich in experience, scholarship, and service. Their messages are typical of the renowned men from whose great hearts and brains they come.

It is our opinion that these messages of gripping interest should and will have a very wide reading. They are full of fresh and useful suggestions to preachers and can be read profitably by the laity. Any one of the messages is well worth the small price of the book. Your mind and soul will be fed and your heart will be warmed as you read these sermons.

Other Reviewers: Dr. C. H. Bolton, Pastor, Riverside Baptist Church, Miami, Florida, and Rev. Wade R. Kay, Pastor, North Side Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia.

### **The American Pulpit Series, Book III**

A Compilation. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, 25 cents  
AUTHORS: George A. Buttrick, Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York City; G. Ray Jordan, First Methodist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina; Frederick R. Daries, Zion Evangelical and Reformed Church, Indianapolis, Indiana; Justin Wroe Nixon, Colgate-Rochester Seminary, Rochester, New York; Ernest Fremont Tittle, First Methodist Church, Evanston, Illinois; Paul E. Scherer, Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity, New York City; Elbert Russell, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina; Walter Pope Binns, William Jewell College, Liberty, Missouri.

Reviewed by Rev. W. L. Stagg, Jr., Pastor, First Baptist Church, Lake Charles, Louisiana.

A brief biography of each contributor to this volume is interesting as a help to get the background of each sermon. Some of these sermons are really great. Enough of them are great enough to justify careful study. There is a timeliness and present-situation-urge in them which keeps the mind on our present-day problems.

The diagnosis of this sick world is clearly made by Scherer in "Life Never Says Please," and by Nixon in "The Deeper Remedy." The remedy is offered by all the writers, but it is not nearly as well stated as is the analysis of our troubles.

Other Reviewers: Rev. J. D. Thorn, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Belton, Texas, and Rev. Guy S. Wilson, Pastor, Reynolds Memorial Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas.

### **The American Pulpit Series, Book IV**

A Compilation. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, 25 cents  
AUTHORS: J. Harry Cotton, Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Chicago, Illinois; Edwin McNeill Poteat, Colgate-Rochester Seminary, Rochester, New York; George W. Richards, Reformed Church Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pennsylvania; Lynn Harold Hough, Drew Seminary, Madison, New Jersey; John L. Hill, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee; Walter Marshall Horton, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio; William O. Carrington, First A. M. E. Zion Church, Brooklyn, New York; John A. Mackay, Princeton Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey.

Reviewed by Rev. T. H. King, Pastor, First Baptist Church, West Frankfort, Illinois.

These eight outstanding ministers of America represent various denominations, have gained a wide hearing, and have a strong influence. I found reading of these sermons so profitable that I purchased the complete series. I believe that I have invested two dollars wisely.

It is to be expected that some of the sermons will prove to be more beneficial than others and that not all the statements made can be accepted. But that does not lessen the value of this work or the seven companion books.

Some of the values of this series: These books are small and can be easily carried in the coat pocket; the brief biographical sketches of these ministers are very helpful; a cross section of the ministerial life and of the American pulpit is presented.

Many of these messages have inspired me and challenged me. For one looking for good sermon literature then I commend this book and the seven companion books most heartily.



Other Reviewers: Dr. B. Frank Smith, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Magnolia, Mississippi, and Rev. Malcolm B. Knight, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Ocala, Florida.

### **The American Pulpit Series, Book V**

**A Compilation.** Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, 25 cents  
**AUTHORS:** Albert W. Palmer, Chicago Seminary, Chicago, Illinois; Henry Irving Rasmus, Central Park Methodist Church, Buffalo, New York; Stuart R. Oglesby, Central Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, Georgia; John M. Versteeg, Walnut Hills-Avondale Methodist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio; Clyde V. Hickerson, Baptist Temple, San Antonio, Texas; Elmer G. Homrighausen, Princeton Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey; Frank B. Fagerburg, First Baptist Church, Los Angeles, California; Laurence H. Howe, late of Olivet College, Kankakee, Illinois. Reviewed by Rev. Lloyd T. Householder, Pastor, Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tennessee.

These sermons represent a varied line of thought, but each of them presents practical truths for our times in an interesting manner. The book is a cross section of present-day preaching in the pulpits of America. The popular price has an appeal to the average reader. The price, however, has not cheapened the material. It is a valuable contribution to sermonic literature.

Other Reviewers: Rev. E. E. Griever, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Harrison, Arkansas, and Rev. H. G. M. Hatler, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Princeton, Kentucky.

### **The American Pulpit Series, Book VI**

**A Compilation.** Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, 25 cents  
**AUTHORS:** Roy L. Smith, Editor, *The Christian Advocate*, Chicago, Illinois; J. V. Moldenhawer, First Presbyterian Church, New York City; James Gordon Gilkey, South Congregational Church, Springfield, Massachusetts; Paul W. Quillian, First Methodist Church, Houston, Texas; Edward Hughes Pruden, First Baptist Church, Washington, D. C.; Oscar F. Blackwelder, Lutheran Church of the Reformation, Washington, D. C.; Stanley A. Hunter, St. John's Presbyterian Church, Berkeley, California; Stephen J. Corey, College of the Bible, Lexington, Kentucky.

Reviewed by Dr. Allen W. Graves, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Charlottesville, Virginia.

This little volume is the sixth in the series of eight books of sermons published in the "American Pulpit Series." Its small size and inexpensive binding make possible the very low price. Many volumes costing much more have much poorer content.

Preachers were selected to contribute sermons by a nation-wide group of booksellers who were asked to name those whose sermons had best met the needs of their customers. Those thus nominated were asked to contribute what he considered his best sermon for the needs of the people in this day of stress and change and spiritual hunger. The result is a most interesting

group of sermons on the spiritual problems of our day.

The closing of the war has not outmoded these sermons for we are still facing grave spiritual crises which these sermons will help us to meet. The subjects will indicate their appropriateness for our problems today: "We Beheld His Glory," "This Is Life Eternal," "Christianity's Message to the Modern World," "Crisis—A Time of Opportunity," "We Have the Solution," "Courage Without Hate," "The Nazareth Program," "The First Century Church—Its Missionary Passion."

The denominational affiliation of the authors indicates two Methodists, two Presbyterians, one each from the Baptists, Congregationalists, Lutherans, and Disciples of Christ.

These inexpensive pocket-size books ought to find a wide circulation not only among preachers but among those who enjoy the preaching of others from their places in the pew.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Searcy S. Garrison, Pastor, Bull Street Baptist Church, Savannah, Georgia, and Rev. T. Hollis Epton, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Gainesville, Texas.

### **The American Pulpit Series, Book VII**

**A Compilation.** Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, 25 cents  
**AUTHORS:** Albert E. Day, First Methodist Church, Pasadena, California; Henry P. van Dusen, Union Theological Seminary, New York City; W. E. McCulloch, Synodical Superintendent, United Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles, California; Henry Hitt Crane, Central Methodist Church, Detroit, Michigan; Douglas Horton, Secretary, Congregational and Christian Churches, New York City; Glenn Clark, Macalester College, St. Paul, Minnesota; Hampton Adams, Union Avenue Christian Church, St. Louis, Missouri; Ralph W. Sockman, Christ Methodist Church, New York City.

Reviewed by Rev. J. I. Edwards, Pastor, Dawson Memorial Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama.

The Abingdon-Cokesbury Press asked religious booksellers of nation-wide contacts to suggest the men whose sermons had best met the needs of their customers. Each preacher was asked to contribute his best sermon not previously published in a book. Sixty-four preachers contributed one sermon each and these are published in eight books, eight sermons to a book. Although there is no central theme, the lack is more than atoned for by the fact that the reader gets the best sermons from eight eminent pulpites. Volume 7 contains sermons from teachers, administrators, and pastors of large churches.



Other Reviewers: Rev. J. F. Burris, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Lancaster, South Carolina, and Rev. D. W. Edwards, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Smyrna, Georgia.

### **The American Pulpit Series, Book VIII**

A Compilation. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, 25 cents

**AUTHORS:** Joseph R. Sizoo, Collegiate Church of St. Nicholas, New York City; Alonzo W. Fortune, Central Christian Church, Lexington, Kentucky; Daniel A. Poling, Grace Baptist Temple, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Rufus M. Jones, Haverford College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Richard C. Raines, Hennepin Avenue Methodist Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Andrew W. Blackwood, Princeton Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey; Allan A. Hunter, Hollywood Congregational Church, Los Angeles, California; Ralph S. Cushman, Bishop, The Methodist Church, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Reviewed by Rev. L. H. Davis, Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

This is a book of eight sermons by world renowned preachers. Each message is designed for our day of unrest and forebodings for the future. All through the messages are seen rays of hope for all. This is truly a book of sermons with a purpose.

Other Reviewers: Rev. A. S. Day, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Chillicothe, Missouri, and Rev. R. Knolan Benfield, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Hickory, North Carolina.

### **Biblical Messengers of Encouragement**

By Ivan H. Hagedorn. Pulpit, 1945, \$2.00

**AUTHOR:** Pastor, Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Other book: *The Master Is Here.*

Reviewed by Rev. David N. Livingstone, Pastor, Lincoln Park Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tennessee.

This volume contains seventeen brief scriptural messages which, as the title suggests, are messages of consolation and encouragement. The author presents in each message a character from the Bible and shows how each one courageously and faithfully faced the difficulties and trials of his day and time. These men and women lived victoriously because of their faith in God. Since they faced their problems bravely and lived nobly, they are messengers of encouragement to us.

I would especially recommend the book to any preacher or teacher or other Christian worker who is laboring under difficulties.

Other Reviewers: Dr. J. C. Canipe, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Boone, North Carolina, and Dr. R. E. Humphreys, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Owensboro, Kentucky.

### **The Global Christ**

By Roy Lawson Tawes. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, \$1.00

**AUTHOR:** Pastor, Silverbrook Methodist Church, Wilmington, Delaware.

Reviewed by Rev. Vaughn M. Johnson, Pastor, Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, St. Petersburg, Florida.

The author of this splendid book of sermons does something which is seldom achieved, and that is to make sermons so vivid that the words fairly leap from the pages into the reader's consciousness where they stir the soul to new heights of inspiration. Each sermon is a jewel of truth set in the truths of the gospel of our Lord. The author has a style all his own in the use of short sentences, forceful language, and unusual construction.

This little book of fourteen sermons draws us to the powerful, Spirit-filled preaching of New Testament days where the cross shines forth in every sermon, the truth bursts forth regardless of consequences, and conviction comes as a natural result. I found myself wishing that I could preach such sermons to every individual in the whole world.

Says the author: "But what means this darkness? Bring back the light of the World! Why the boomerang of power? Bring back the sufficiency of God! Progress stopped? Bring back the Spirit in the wheels! Oh, we have not believed enough in the Holy Son, the Saviour!"

My judgment is that this should be a "must" book for every pastor.

Other Reviewers: Rev. John I. Kizer, Pastor, Westside Baptist Church, Rodessa, Louisiana, and Rev. J. T. Odle, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Crystal Springs, Mississippi.

### **The Supreme Possession**

By G. Ray Jordan. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, \$1.50

**AUTHOR:** Pastor, First Methodist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina. Other books: *Look at the Stars; Why the Cross; Adventures in Radiant Living; We Face Calvary—and Life; Faith That Propels; What Is Yours; We Believe: A Creed That Sings;* and others.

Reviewed by Dr. William Marshall Burns, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Madison, Florida.

G. Ray Jordan has in this volume of evangelistic messages given the needs that must be met in this day. Fervent in spirit, warm in their attractiveness, and powerful in their persuasion, they speak with sincerity the heart of the writer. They ring with the true spirit of evangelism, proclaiming the good news that God is a friend to man, a Saviour to lost men, and that the world through Christ can be saved. Our thinking is broadened, our spirits are lifted into higher channels of personal responsibility, and a challenge is issued to our lives as Christians to carry God's message in our everyday living and work.



In reading this volume of evangelistic sermons the reader is surely impelled to make religion real by giving his best, loving with his whole heart, and sharing and witnessing for Christ.

Other Reviewers: Rev. B. Frank Collins, Pastor, Brainerd Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee, and Rev. J. I. Cartledge, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Corsicana, Texas.

#### **What of Tomorrow?**

By Theodore Schaap. Zondervan, 1945, \$1.50  
AUTHOR: Pastor, Grace Reformed Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Reviewed by Rev. P. H. Anderson, Jr., Pastor, First Baptist Church, Plaquemine, Louisiana.

A book of sermons well worth reading. Typically treated they are exceedingly good as thought provokers, leading one to individual sermonic effort. The book, according to the author, is a result of his conviction that Christ's first century teachings must be applied to twentieth century life and that we, as Christians, must witness for our Saviour. Thus the book is produced with good motives.

The three main divisions with the number of sermons under each group are: Five Special Day Sermons (for the following special days: New Year's Day, Old Year's Day, Easter Sunday, Christmas Sunday, and a Sermon on Church Music); Four Evangelistic Sermons; and Five Sermons on the Christian Life. Alone worth the price of the book are the evangelistic sermon entitled "The King's Highway" and the sermons on Christian life entitled, "The Mystery of Suffering" and "A Walk with God."

An interesting style, a good flow of fine English, and a deep spiritual insight into today's problems make these sermons both fitting and applicable for these times. They are recommended heartily for one's own spiritual growth.

Other Reviewers: Dr. Harold L. Fickett, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Galveston, Texas, and Rev. Milo B. Arbuckle, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Frederick, Oklahoma.

#### **SOCIAL SERVICE**

##### **A Veteran Came Home Today**

By Charles A. Wells. Friendship, 1945, 10 cents  
AUTHOR: World Traveler, and Christian Lecturer.  
Reviewed by Dr. Carl G. Campbell, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Jefferson City, Missouri.

In typical style, Charles Wells presents the perplexing problem of the veteran who has just come home. He is changed. Things have happened to him and in him. His whole world is different; his geography; his political concepts; his view of races; his thought about the church and missions.

Mr. Wells thinks that the answer to the problem lies, in part, in the hands of the churches. Coming to understand the veteran's viewpoint and his need, the churches must re-vitalize their programs to enlist his energies and challenge his loyalties in sharing the world's agony.

This booklet is good, worth more than a dime!

Other Reviewers: Rev. Wayne Rosecrans, Pastor, First Baptist Church, North Kansas City, Missouri, and Dr. A. D. Foreman, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Amarillo, Texas.

#### **THEOLOGY**

##### **The Light of Faith**

By Albert W. Palmer. Macmillan, 1945, \$1.75  
AUTHOR: President of Chicago Theological Seminary; Professor of Practical Theology in the Federated Theological Faculty of the University of Chicago. Other books: *Come Let Us Worship*; *The Art of Conducting Public Worship*; *The Minister's Job*; *Orientalism in American Life*; *Paths to the Presence of God*.

Reviewed by Rev. Howard P. Giddens, Pastor, First Baptist Church, West Point, Georgia.

The author says that this is a book for laymen who are wondering what they can believe in these troubled days. It presents information he has gathered together over a period of forty years. It is based both on study and experience, and the language used is simple, clear, and forceful.

The book consists of twelve chapters, and deals with the great doctrines of the church. The doctrines are presented in such fashion that a layman can construct from them a philosophy of life. The first chapter is entitled "The God of Tomorrow," and the last chapter, "Some Modern Confessions of Faith." The author also deals with sin, suffering, evil, success, sorrows, right, wrong, miracles, immortality, the religion of Jesus, the resurrection, and religion in daily life.

This is an excellent little book and well worth the time that one will spend in studying it. It is a book for thought and will provoke thought. Every pastor should study it for his own use, and he will find it helpful. The book has one weakness and it is the leaning toward a naturalistic interpretation of these great doctrines. It seems to me that there should have been more emphasis on the revelation of God as given us in the Scriptures. An adequate, working philosophy of life cannot be had unless it is God-centered. This book puts the emphasis on the human side. It would be more balanced if both were given their proper place.



Other Reviewers: Rev. C. W. Williams, Pastor, Baptist Church, De Ridder, Louisiana, and Rev. A. B. Hawkes, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Rock Hill, South Carolina.

### The Will of God for These Days

By Kirby Page. Author, 1945, \$1.00

AUTHOR: Writer and lecturer of socioreligious subjects. Other books: *Living Abundantly*; *Living Creatively*; *Living Prayerfully*; and others.

Reviewed by Rev. Charles Alexander Maddry, Pastor, Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

This book was written, of course, while the war was still being waged. Mr. Page examines his own thinking, the Bible, and current religious thought to decide what is the will of God for us in these days. His conclusions are that the will of God can be known, that it demands extraordinary consecration in personal, economic, social and international life.

Those who have heard Mr. Page speak in former years will recognize much of his material as common to those talks. He believes that Jesus faced a similar world to our own and that he overcame that world. He contends that until Christians take that task seriously, they are merely touching the fringes of the Christian life. He still believes that we ought to have Jesus rather than "Christianity."

Other Reviewers: Rev. W. A. Corkern, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Orange, Texas, and Rev. M. F. Johnson, Pastor, Bethel Baptist Church, St. Louis, Missouri.

## WAR AND PEACE

### Bases of World Order

By Dr. Ernest Trice Thompson and others. Knox, 1945, 60 cents

AUTHOR: Professor of Church History in Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia. He was assisted in the preparation of this volume by Patrick H. Carmichael, Kenneth J. Foreman, J. M. Godard, Gilbert L. Lycan, and Lawrence I. Stell. Other book: *Changing Emphases in American Preaching*.

Reviewed by Dr. Herbert C. Gabhart, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Williamsburg, Kentucky.

This little book is the result of a seminar held at Montreat Leadership School in 1944. It is concerned with the church's responsibility and opportunity for the promotion and maintenance of a just and durable peace. The church's responsibility is clearly defined, and the purpose of the whole book is to stimulate thought on the part of the reader.

It is an excellent book for group discussions as it is more of a syllabus than a complete dissertation on the subject. One of the fine things about this little book is a bibli-

ography at the end of each chapter. The questions suggested for thought are well chosen and applicable.

Especially interesting is the last chapter, "What We Can Do About It," and one feels after having read the book that he does want to do something about it. This book is heartily recommended to all who have a part in shaping thought and action among Christians.

Other Reviewers: Rev. James P. Harrelson, Pastor, Cottageville Baptist Church, Cottageville, South Carolina, and Rev. J. V. Carlisle, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Rolla, Missouri.

### Soldier, You're It!

By Ralph Waldo Nelson. Association, 1945, \$1.00  
AUTHOR: Professor of Philosophy and the Philosophy of Jesus, Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma.

Other book: *The Experimental Logic of Jesus*. Reviewed by Dr. G. Earl Guinn, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Bossier City, Louisiana.

This book is designed to impress the servicemen with their responsibility in society. The soldier is "it" in that he must now use his influence to prevent war's recurrence and to usher in that type of world order for which he fought.

The author does not follow the beaten path but explores new regions and opens additional doors to social research. The reader probably will not agree with all the writer says, especially if he had been schooled in traditional Calvinism, but the pioneer spirit of investigation will be appreciated. Professor Nelson assumes that he correctly interprets the Bible, while the theologians have been mistaken due to the mold of Greek philosophy in which their thought has been cast. He would redeem the teachings of Jesus from the thought forms of Greek philosophy. He believes that our traditional method of thinking must be supplanted by knowledge based on experience if we are to realize intellectual, social, and religious redemption.

It seems to me that the writer minimizes the role of God in history and places too much emphasis upon the volitional element in man. While the book is addressed to the soldier, it will be read with interest by anyone concerned about the coming of God's kingdom on earth.

(Other reviewer: "Mr. Nelson's criticism of what he calls 'the wise men'—that is, scholars, theologians, and leaders of the churches, seems to me to be most unfortunate and unfair. If our servicemen should ever actually read his book, they probably



would be more harmed than helped in their attitude towards the churches and organized religion generally.”)

Other Reviewers: Rev. J. W. Hodges, Pastor, First Baptist Church, El Reno, Oklahoma, and Rev. Herman W. Cobb, Pastor, Pratt City Baptist Church, Pratt City, Alabama.

## WORLD AFFAIRS

### America and the New World

By Norman Angell, Hans Kohn, and others. Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1945, \$1.50

**AUTHORS:** Norman Angell, former member of the British Parliament, recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize; Hans Kohn, Czechoslovakian scholar, now professor of history in Smith College; Bernard Pares, former director of the School of Slavonic and East European Studies in the University of London; Maxwell S. Stewart, associate editor of *The Nation*; Robert Aura Smith, former staff correspondent for the *New York Times*; Charles Iglehart, Department of Missions, Union Theological Seminary; Joseph H. Ball, United States Senator from Minnesota.

Reviewed by Rev. J. T. Horton, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Columbia, Mississippi.

This book should prove interesting and helpful to the ones whose minds are turned toward American relations with other great powers in the world ahead. It is a book of lectures given in 1945 at Ohio Wesleyan University. Each lecture by a recognized authority considers a particular nation and points out, as the lecturer sees it, what America's attitude and action toward that nation should be. The powers considered are Britain, Germany, Soviet Russia, China, Japan, and the countries of Southeast Asia.

Much of the ground has been covered before in public articles. Some of the material has become obsolete, or in cases of speculation, has been proved false, by the events and end of the war. The book, however, still contains enough stimulative thought to make it worth the price.

Other Reviewers: Dr. Noel Taylor, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Marion, Illinois, and Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Tampa, Florida.

### Our Good Neighbors in Soviet Russia

By Wallace West and James P. Mitchell. Noble and Noble, 1945, \$2.00

**AUTHORS:** Wallace West, assistant foreign editor of *Newsweek*; James P. Mitchell, teacher and author of youth books. Other book: *Our Good Neighbors in Latin America*, Wallace West.

Reviewed by Dr. C. M. Coalson, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Cordele, Georgia.

Here is one of the most informative books extant about the country and peoples of the Soviet Union. The authors show clearly the advantages of the communist system of gov-

ernment and economics for the Russians, after their long and tragic experiences under the czars. It is made plain, too, that the miracles of progress made by Russia in the two Five Year Plans could not have been made under any other known system.

True, the book is written by frank admirers of the Russians and their social system. Sometimes what the Russians themselves are made to say is said from the typically American point of view rather than from that of Russia. Nevertheless the authors insist that they write not to get Americans to copy the Russians, but to understand them.

Either because of indifference or prejudice the average American is woefully ignorant of the real Russia since the Revolution of 1917. This book will go a long way toward dispelling this ignorance.

The style of *Our Good Neighbors in Soviet Russia* is adapted for juveniles, yet it contains great stores of valuable information which most adults lack and sorely need.

Other Reviewers: Rev. R. C. Foster, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Leaksville, North Carolina, and Rev. Hardie C. Bass, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Bessemer, Alabama.

## WORSHIP

### Religious Liberty

By M. Searle Bates. Harper, 1945, \$3.50

**AUTHOR:** Professor of History, Nanking University; former Rhodes Scholar. Other book: *The Establishment of the Chinese Empire*.

Reviewed by Dr. Allen W. Graves, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Here is a basic book on the subject of religious liberty. In this day when the right of religious liberty is being denied to those in many nations of our world, despite the efforts in that direction so hopefully stated in the Atlantic Charter and the efforts now being made in the writing of the peace, we need to study carefully the whole matter of the inalienable right of religious liberty.

The author begins at the point where the reader's interest is probably keenest—with a discussion of the problems of religious liberty today. Having been written before the end of the war it naturally does not present the picture as of today in those areas affected so seriously by the war, yet it is an invaluable study of the background of the immediate situation. It is a bit surprising that he devotes only twelve pages to the Latin American situation.



The second large section deals with the problems of religious liberty in history, a unique collection of facts necessary to a full understanding of the modern problem.

"What Is Religious Liberty?" the third main section, deals with definitions and specifications of religious liberty, relations of church and state, religious liberty in education, in relation with general liberties, and within and between denominations.

The remaining sections are entitled "The Grounds of Religious Liberty," "Religious Liberty in Law," and a concluding section "Conclusions and Proposals," which is a splendid and interesting piece of reading. We quote from his final paragraphs: "Liberty is of the nature of man. . . . Organized liberty is the deep demand of our age. . . . The need for religious liberty has not to be argued. It leaps from the world situation. . . . These are years of critical change, in which the patterns of destiny are reshaped. Against the manifold forces of oppression must be set the faith, the determination, and the co-operation of uncounted millions who in some form and degree value the potentialities of all mankind. . . . Let the cause of religious liberty be fitly joined in the broader effort for the civil and social liberties of men. Let the large struggle for general liberties enhance religious liberty among them."

Every Baptist should be thoroughly acquainted with the problems of religious liberty. I heartily recommend the study of this book as the basic background for further study of the whole problem.

Other Reviewers: Dr. W. R. Pettigrew, Pastor, Citadel Square Baptist Church, Charleston, South Carolina, and Dr. Louie D. Newton, Pastor, Druid Hills Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

## YOUTH

### Challenging Youth for Christ

By Mervin Rosell. Zondervan, 1945, \$1.00

AUTHOR: Youth evangelist and Bible teacher. Reviewed by Rev. R. L. Councilman, Pastor, Cashie Baptist Church, Windsor, North Carolina.

The very title of this book makes one want to read it. When we realize it is written by one who has been successful in his dealings with youth we are ready to listen. There is nothing new or startling about the book. The writer believes that the call of youth today is the age-long desire for facts about the Eternal God, "straight from the shoulder and right off the heart."

The book is made up of ten chapters in which the author seeks to advise youth as to the investment of life. You will be interested because of the appeal the book will make to young people. There are many good illustrations that help to clarify the author's messages.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Rel Gray, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Rogers, Arkansas, and Rev. I. Ferd Graves, Pastor, Franklin Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

### The Ease Era

By Paul Mallon. Eerdmans, 1945, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Famous Washington newspaper correspondent.

Reviewed by Rev. Russell Ware, Pastor, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

*The Ease Era* is a collection of twenty-two articles written for 261 daily newspapers with a certified circulation of 10,210,585. Paul Mallon's desk has become a clearing-house for the revealing of causes for our present juvenile delinquency problems, and these reprints of his work bring to the foreground the heart of the trouble. At last someone has dared to stand against the modern "progressive" education which has been pushing the children of our country into the working world without a proper foundation on which to build. His thesis is that "self-expression" has led to the increasing number of offenses, and the reviewer, for one, is inclined to agree with him.

He does not halt with revealing the underlying causes, but he offers the cure as being discipline in the home, school, and church. Teachers have been divided upon their reception of these articles—the administrators and the teachers of the younger age groups disagreeing with the author. On the other hand 79 per cent of the high school teachers, in the same community and school system as those disagreeing, agreed with his statements. Mr. Mallon explains well the disagreement and agreement on the part of each group.

These articles are thought provoking and are worthy of any Christian's attention.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Bailey E. Davis, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Springfield, Kentucky, and Dr. Bunyan Stephens, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Rome, Georgia.

### The Enrichment of Life

By Paul N. Elbin. Association, 1945, \$1.50

AUTHOR: President, West Liberty State College, Wheeling, West Virginia; also Executive Director, Oglebay Institute. Other books: *Bible Question Bee* and *Brotherhood Through Religion*.



Reviewed by Rev. Truman Loe Crouch, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Weatherford, Texas.

This is a small volume of ten special day chapel talks. Among these talks there is an address for the opening of school, an interesting message for the Thanksgiving season, an impressive Christmas message, also one for the beginning of a new year. A commencement address is included, and other special day messages which would appeal to high school or college groups. Although the addresses are not formal sermons, several have religious backgrounds. The author endeavors to show that the enrichment of life is truly an educational process.

Dr. Elbin's purpose for the publication is not only to stimulate interest in the college group who heard the author deliver the messages at West Liberty, but with the hope that to touch and inspire the lives of many high school and college students throughout America, as well as those who might teach or speak the messages.

Many touching personal experiences and illustrations are given which make these special day messages impressing and appealing.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Howard J. Dawkins, Pastor, Hertford Baptist Church, Hertford, North Carolina, and Dr. F. Orion Mixon, Pastor, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Raleigh, North Carolina.

### Modern Parables for Young Folks

By John Henry Sargent. Wilde, 1945, \$1.50

Other book: *105 Modern Parables for Young Folks*. Reviewed by Rev. Waymon C. Reese, Chaplain, Georgia Baptist Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia.

Here is one of the most interesting little books of illustrative material that I have seen in a long time. It was written for young people, but those looking for timely illustrations and thoughts to "prime the pump" will find it helpful. The author is a master at taking little everyday experiences, observations from life, and incidents likely to be forgotten by most of us and drawing timely and helpful lessons from them. He links these experiences up with some great spiritual truth that can be used by the teacher or preacher.

For those who like to read written prayers the author has compiled an excellent selection that has to do with the subject discussed. The Scripture passages selected are most suggestive. One of the most helpful features of this little book is the alphabetically arranged Table of Contents which

makes it easy for one to find an illustration on almost any subject desired. I commend it to those who work with young people and for church libraries.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Ewell Payne, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Pinckneyville, Illinois, and Dr. T. A. Patterson, Pastor, East Grand Avenue Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas.

### Today We Think of Our Tomorrows

By David D. Drummond. Dietz, 1945, \$2.00

AUTHOR: Lieutenant, U. S. Navy Reserve. Reviewed by Dr. Julian Atwood, Pastor, Highland Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas.

In times of great stress and strain like that through which the world has been passing during the past few years, abnormalities become the usual thing so that, paradoxical though it may seem, the abnormal becomes almost normal. Great emotional upheavals are rich soil on which extremists grow and develop. Doubtless the author of this book is somewhat affected by prevailing conditions and has given expression to it in this little volume.

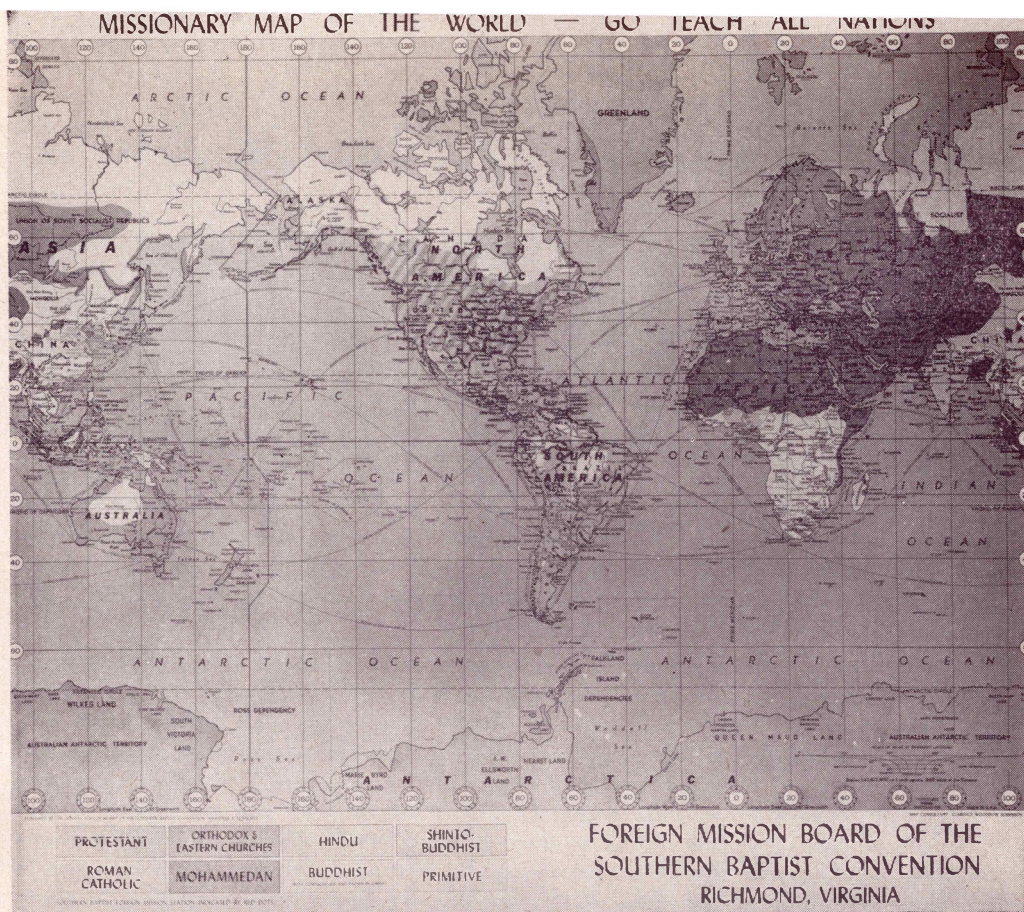
He proposes to take a broad view of life, but it is really a very narrow conception of what life can mean to the individual. His statement, "perhaps, being far from home physically, changes our perspectives spiritually" is doubtless true. Conditions through which we have been passing are probably changing many of our philosophies, sometimes for the better, sometimes for the worse.

The author shows a woeful ignorance of the teachings of Christ, and he is very free in his criticism of Christian attitudes and the church. He is very free in his criticism of all those stabilizing and uplifting agencies which have been the means of lifting man to the place he now occupies. His philosophy that "happiness is a state of mind resulting from impressions caused by external factors" is contrary to truth. Happiness is a result of conditions of the heart and the inner man and only pleasures come as a result of external factors.

Notwithstanding the many defects in his reasoning and the weakness of his philosophies, there are some things in the little book worthy of thought. Most of it, however, is unsound philosophy issuing from a false premise.

Other Reviewers: Rev. W. R. Hamilton, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Dyersburg, Tennessee, and Rev. Perry Carter, Pastor, Carlisle Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky.





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By J. McKee Adams

The Broadman Press counts it a privilege to announce the publication of *Ancient Records and the Bible*, and considers the event one of lasting significance in the field of biblical scholarship and research.

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Until his death in September, 1945, Dr. Adams was for many years Professor of Biblical Archeology in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. To the writing of *Ancient Records and the Bible* he devoted many years of extensive investigation and research, and travel in all the old Bible lands. The numerous maps and photographic illustrations make a valuable contribution to the text, as do the comprehensive appendixes, references, and other material. This is a "must" book for all who are interested in the historical backgrounds of ancient civilizations and cultures from the standpoint of their various religious aspects, and for ministerial students, preachers, and Bible teachers—in fact, a book for everyone who wishes to enrich and fill in the background of his Bible study.

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