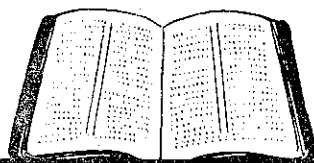
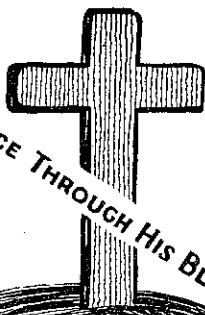


"CHRIST DIED FOR SINNERS"



THE BOOK

"PEACE THROUGH HIS BLOOD"



THE BLOOD

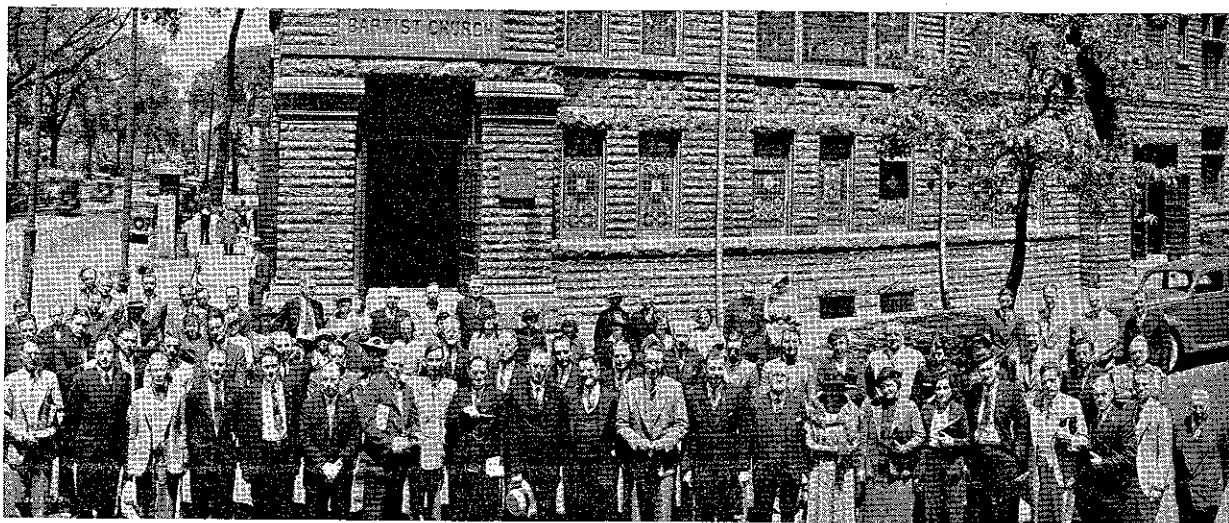
"BEHOLD HE COMETH WITH CLOUDS"



THE BLESSED HOPE

# Baptist Bulletin

for  
BIBLE-BELIEVING BAPTISTS



"YET I HAVE LEFT ME SEVEN THOUSAND . . . . . ALL THE KNEES WHICH HAVE NOT BOWED UNTO BAAL."—  
1 Kings 19:18.

A few of the ministers, missionaries and officers who gathered in Chicago for the 4th Annual Fellowship Conference of the General Association of Regular Baptists, May 25-28.

# CONFERENCE CLOSE-UPS

Never have we seen a finer spirit of cooperation and fellowship manifested at any gathering of Bible-believing Baptists. It was almost a perfect illustration of Phil 1:27. "standing fast in one Spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the Gospel."

**Brother Stevick** of Elyria brought out all the singing there was in the audience, and even the street cars couldn't drown us out!

**Ralph Neighbour**, brought us several unusual numbers of musical whistling. Done with a professional touch except for one thing, the talent is consecrated for the Lord, and not for the world.

**Bob Gillespie** of Elkhart, Indiana, sang for us at one session and blessed us with a song from his heart. **Rev. Harvey Morrison** from Detroit was anxious to know who that man "Kargarwai" was that **Dr. Strathearn** referred to in his book table talk!

Not once, but often have we wished we could play like **Brother Headley** of Grand Rapids. He proved a great help to the fellowship with his inspirational playing and the powerful message he delivered Tuesday afternoon.

We can't say too much about the cordiality and warmth of welcome shown us by the Belden Ave. church and its pastor, **Dr. Fulton**. We felt as if we had been members all our lives. And we wouldn't forget the splendid service of the janitor, **Mr. Wisdom**. There on the job from morning till night and nothing was too much trouble. We can't soon forget such hospitality and Christian friendship.

**Mrs. Hamm** of Indiana thrilled us with her marvelous singing. Not only a splendid voice but every word she uttered was a sermon in itself. She preached as she sang, the old Gospel message of His Cross and Shed Blood. And what born again believer doesn't thrill to it, tho a thousand times told!

The Belden Ave. choir was a great help and inspiration to the whole

conference. Everyone enjoyed the numbers of the choir.

And then that thrilling address Wednesday afternoon by **Rev. P. B. Chenault** of Waterloo, Iowa. We tell you here and now, with the leading of the Spirit, Brother Chenault is "going places" for the Lord. Pray for him in the "Baptist battle of Iowa."

Will you soon forget that crowd of young people standing around the pulpit at the close of **Dr. Ketcham's** stirring message Wednesday evening? And the adults that stood also? We believe it—God is moving among Baptists who will stand for the Bible, come what may.

## THE BEST THING — A FRANK EX- PLANATION

An incident occurred the first morning of the Regular Baptist fellowship which should be mentioned so there will be no misunderstanding.

A representative from the Watchman-Examiner, without asking permission from **Dr. Fulton** the pastor of the church, or **Dr. Ketcham** the President of the Association, secured a table and began taking subscriptions.

We explained to **Rev. Sullivan** as kindly and yet as clearly as possible that we could not sanction subscriptions being taken for the Watchman-Examiner. Were we afraid of competition? No, not for a moment. That never entered the minds of **Dr. Fulton** or **Dr. Ketcham**.

The reason was very plain. The G.A.R.B. was founded as an independent fellowship of Bible-believing Baptists which has gone on record as repudiating the "inclusive policy" that is, combining modernism and fundamentalism, whether on platforms or in periodicals, or on the mission field. Nor do we believe there is **any hope whatever** of "cleaning up from the inside."

The Watchman-Examiner has been ably edited for a number of years by **Dr. Laws**, but his policy and procedure we are diametrically opposed to. Could we—face it frankly—could we be consistent and endorse a Baptist paper that carries advertisements of Colgate-Rochester Divinity school or Crozier Theological Seminary, whose presidents, professors and students delight in "trampling under foot the Son of God," who boldly champion communism, socialism and modernism, and who have no more affinity with Bible-believing Baptists than black has with white?

It is time—and high time—for Baptists to get their eyes open to such a deadly policy and procedure which has been carried on by fundamentalists within the convention. It was refreshing, unfortunate tho this incident with **Rev. Sullivan** was—, to note the absolute unanimity of all the pastors concerning this matter.

There is no bitterness held whatever toward **Mr. Sullivan** or **Dr. Laws**, but there is a principle at stake, and we expect, God helping us, to stand for it.

## LINES FROM GOD'S LINE OF OVER- COMERS

"They Overcame by the Blood of the Lamb and the Word of Their Testimony"

**Mr. Kimball**, who was the means of **Mr. Moody's** conversion when seventeen years old, states it thus: "I found Moody in the back part of the building, wrapping up shoes. I went up to him at once, and, putting my hand on his shoulder I made what I afterwards felt was a very weak plea for Christ. I simply told him of Christ's love for him, and the love Christ wanted in return. It seemed that the young man was just ready for the light that then broke upon him, and there, in the back of that store he gave himself and his life to Christ." What an encouragement to soulwinners to "do likewise." (Luke 10:37)

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# 4TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF G. A. R. B. BRINGS RICHEST BLESSINGS

## No Axes to Grind, No Discord, but the Greatest Genuine Fellowship among Bible-Believing Baptists Experienced in Years

The Fourth Annual Meeting of the General Association of Regular Baptists was held in the Belden Avenue Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill., during the week of May 25. It was a marvelous time of good fellowship and the various men of God appearing on the program brought much spiritual refreshment and inspiration to the great crowds which filled the church. Christians were there from New York to California.

The music of the association was under the efficient leadership of Mr. **Harlie Stevick** of Elyria, Ohio; and the Belden choir with its organist and director was present every evening to do its part.

### CHRIST EXALTED AS GOD, AS OUR SACRIFICE

The meetings opened with a preliminary fellowship on Monday evening at which time **Dr. David Otis Fuller** of Grand Rapids exalted the Lord Jesus Christ as God incarnate, and said acquaintance with Him is the highest knowledge possible to man.

**Dr. Howard C. Fulton**, pastor of the Belden Avenue Baptist Church, welcomed the Association, referring to the fact that it had been born in Belden Church four years ago and had certainly made a healthy growth. He welcomed this stalwart young body because it stood for the historic doctrines of old fashioned Regular Baptists.

**Dr. T. T. Shields** of Toronto, Canada, delivered two rich and forceful messages from the Word, one dealing with the New Testament Church as a divine living organism, and the other presenting the Lord Jesus Christ as the one and only and all-sufficient sacrifice for sin.

### CHRIST PRESENTED AS ANSWER TO YOUTH'S PROBLEMS

**Dr. R. T. Ketcham**, president of the Association, brought a great message on the problems of Christian youth in a modern world, and presented Jesus Christ as the perfect solution of them all.

### APOSTOLIC METHODS FOR MISSIONS ADVOCATED

One entire day was given over to the consideration of missionary endeavor. **Dr. Earl Griffith**, chairman of the Missionary Committee, presented the report of the committee, and throughout the day many missions and missionaries were heard from. Among the speakers were **Rev. Harold Commons**, president of the Association of Baptists for Evangelism in the Orient, recently returned from a tour of the field. **Rev. M. E. Hawkins**, president of Mid-Missions; and **Rev. Paul Metzler**, a returned missionary from Africa under this board. **Rev. Harold Strathearn**, secretary of the Interstate Evangelistic Association, **Rev. Lenardo Mercado** of the Mexican Gospel Mission, Phoenix, Ariz., and a number of others were introduced. Apostolic methods and message, and New Testament evangelism were emphasized by all. **Rev. P. B. Chenault** of Waterloo, Iowa, told of the great battle for Christ and the Bible in the state of Iowa, and gave

a brief history of the Walnut St. Baptist Church's repudiation of the modernistic, communistic program of the Northern Baptist Convention, by withdrawing all cooperation and fellowship with it.

While **Dr. Shields** conducted a very helpful clinic with the ministers, **Mrs. E. R. Hill** of Allegan, Michigan, led the women in a season of good fellowship, and reminded them of the place and work of the women in the Church.

### SPEAKERS AGREE CHURCH'S BUSINESS IS WINNING SOULS

**Rev. Ford Porter** emphasized the need of a real concern for the lost, and love and compassion for them, that will lead us to go after them until we win them. He called for a true heart-fundamentalism, reminding us that modernism has to do with the head.

**Rev. Harvey Morrison** of Detroit delivered a splendid exposition of Acts, chapter one, calling attention to the meaning, purpose, and message of the Church. Said he: "When the Church fails in the divine purpose of evangelism and missions, she should go out of business!"

**Rev. William Headley** of Grand Rapids, Mich., centered his message around the word "Down" as found in God's Word, reminding us that God looked down and saw man in his sin and hopelessness, and came down in Christ to redeem, rescue, and regenerate man, and lift him up to Himself.

### HERRSTROM POINTS TO OUR HOPE IN WORLD EVENTS

The movements of God and the fulfillment of His prophetic Word were brought to our attention by **Rev. W. D. Herrstrom** of Los Angeles, Cal., in a forceful way, in the events taking place in the world, the church, the nations, etc.

The great victories for old fashioned Baptist principles and New Testament evangelism in the Southern Baptist Convention were reported to us by **Dr. J. Frank Norris** of Fort Worth, Texas; and he called us to a determined unrelenting war upon modernism and communism within the Northern Baptist Convention, and a renewed and revived preaching of the good old Gospel of Jesus Christ which is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth.

### ENTZMINGER PLEADS FOR WHOLE BIBLE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Association was thrilled with a stirring message on the Sunday school by **Rev. Louis Entzinger** of Detroit, Michigan. He especially emphasized the need of a whole Bible course for Regular Baptists in the Sunday Schools, showing how very little of the Bible is touched in all in the present International series and most of the graded series.

Some telling resolutions were presented by **Dr. G. Rector Dye** of San Diego, Cal., chairman of the Resolutions Committee. These were adopted by unanimous vote. They especially condemned the socialistic, modernistic, and communistic tendencies of the Northern Baptist Convention. The prayer and praise and devotional hours were times of great spiritual power and refreshing. They were led by **Rev. R. F. Hamilton**, **Rev. Leo Sandgren**, and **Rev. A. G. Annette**.

## NEW YORK BAPTIST STATE SECRETARY LAUDS KAGAWA

**Dr. John Smith Reaffirms N. B. C.  
Endorsement of Japanese  
"Evangelist"**

We have just received information concerning a message delivered the first of June in New York State by **Dr. John Smith**, Executive Secretary of the Baptist State Convention. This is just another endorsement by Convention officials of Toyohiko Kagawa, the so-called and self styled "evangelist," who has been revealed again and again through his writings as a communist, evolutionist, socialist, and utterly opposed to the cardinal, fundamental doctrines of the Scriptures. This is not hearsay, for we have the documentary evidence on file and many others have likewise. With "smooth speech and fair words" this Japanese comes into our midst and is almost deceiving "the very elect."

The following in part is what **Dr. Smith** has to say about **Kagawa**:

"Here comes a little brown man from Japan. His name is Kagawa. He made a trip all around this western world of ours. I heard him several occasions. He is one of the most Christlike men I have ever come in contact with, and he certainly has a most humble spirit. I talked with him and I could see the interest. I could see the very spirit of Jesus coming from his life."

Thus we see the apostasy deepening on all sides of us, but brethren, we refuse to be downhearted or discouraged. God Almighty is still on His throne, and there is no accident or chance with God. The imperative need today among those Baptists who truly believe the Bible is to ask God daily for spiritual discernment in order to detect the heresies and apostasy that surround us.

Surely the situation is becoming such that those Baptists who have been sleeping for years are awaking all over the country.

Again in this message of **Dr. Smith's** we find not one single reference to the saving grace of Jesus

Christ or His atoning blood. We hear no mention made of our Sovereign Lord and His absolute deity. These, and other facts, prove to be the lifeblood of Christianity, and when they are removed or slighted or ignored in any way, the only thing that we have left is the lifeless corpse, and that's exactly what every Denomination is becoming very rapidly. Surely we can't sit back and do nothing any longer. Time is too short, the Lord's coming draweth nigh! May God give us the grace and courage we need to stand for Him, come what may.

## RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT G. A. R. B. FELLOWSHIP

There were a number of fine resolutions passed at the General Association Fellowship. Space does not permit to mention them all, but the following are a few which we felt imperative to print. We urge you to read them carefully and prayerfully.

WHEREAS, In the providence of God the G. A. R. B. has arisen to afford a vitally needed medium of fellowship and service of the Lord, and has proven itself worthy of our utmost confidence and support, and

WHEREAS, none of its officers receive any salary whatever and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the unavoidable expenses of the Association be provided for, and

WHEREAS, the G. A. R. B. is now a genuine missionary agency,

THEREFORE, Be it resolved that an appeal be made to the Churches to put the G. A. R. B. on their missionary budget and make definite contributions to its expenses.

That this Association cordially invite into its fellowship other Baptist Churches who have asserted their historic independence from every form of ecclesiastical machinery but who as yet have not found any fellowship that stands upon like principles of faith and practice as expressed in the revised New Hampshire Confession:

That we declare the distinct difference between a convention and a denomination, and that the Northern Baptist Convention is not the denomination designated Baptist, but is what **Hiscox** defines in his book "The New Directory for Baptist Churches."

That Baptist Churches of this fellowship shall investigate and support such missionary enterprises as are recommended and endorsed by the Missionary Committee.

### III

WHEREAS, the Interstate Evangelistic Association has for the past eight years been doing a great and lasting home mission work among Bible believing Baptists,

AND WHEREAS we believe this work of the Interstate Evangelistic Association under the able and far-sighted leadership of **Dr. Harold Strathearn** should be supported by every fundamental Baptist church through their prayers and gifts.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the General Association of Regular Baptists heartily recommend the Interstate Evangelistic Association to all our constituency and strongly urge its whole-hearted support.

## Committees Appointed for the Coming Year

### Missionary Committee:

**Rev E. G. Griffith**, Johnson City, N. Y., Chm.  
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**Rev Norman McPherson**, Norwich, N. Y.  
**Rev. A. G. Annette**, Grundy Center, Iowa.  
**Rev Harry Ketcham**, Boonville, Ind.  
**G. Rector Dye**, D.D., San Diego, Calif.  
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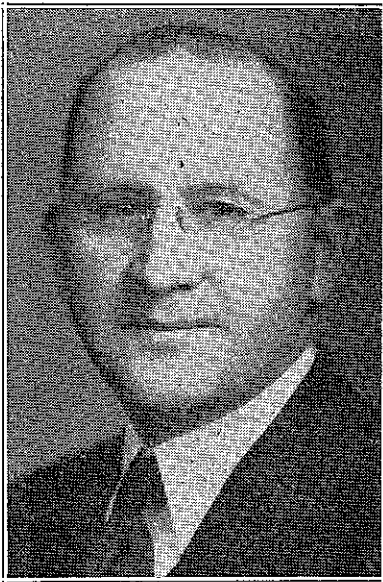
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**Rev. Joseph Stowell**, Gary, Ind.  
**Rev H. A. Lyon**, Grand Rapids, Mich.

### Appointed By Executive Committee:

**Rev. R. F. Hamilton**, Gary, Ind., Sec'y-Treas.

# INTERSTATE SECTION

Edited by J. Irving Reese, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Ithaca, New York.



REV. J. IRVING REESE

## Tabernacle-on-the-Lake

Great plans are in the making for Interstate Evangelistic Association's Bible conference grounds on Lake Canandaigua in the heart of the beautiful Finger Lakes region of New York state.

### Improvements Under Way

The new building, housing a finely equipped kitchen and dining room on the first floor and a sixty bed dormitory on the second, will soon be completed.

Other buildings, including an auditorium, will be erected in the near future. Beside these buildings a modern water system and a sanitary disposal plant are being installed.

### Conferences Scheduled

Three young people's and one general conference are being planned for this summer. The dates of the general conference are August 2nd to 9th. Leading Bible teachers and preachers will be on the program, the forenoons will be given to instruction by these, the afternoons will be spent in rest and recreation and the evenings in evangelistic efforts.

The young people's conferences are put on by separate groups, each one assuming full responsibility for

its own program. The only requirement being that only strictly fundamental teaching shall be given. Last season two such conferences were held, and were well attended and greatly appreciated by the young people.

### Vacation Center

It is the aim of the IEA to make the Tabernacle-on-the-Lake a vacation center for Christians who would come apart with the Lord and His people to rest awhile. Any one interested should write to the Rev. Harold Strathearn, D.D., 417 Temple Building, Rochester, New York.

### Young People's Institute

Over twenty churches of the Binghamton and Ithaca areas have been invited to participate in a Young People's Institute to be held at the Tabernacle-on-the-Lake, Canandaigua, N. Y., August 15th to the 23rd.

The Rev. M. L. Lowe has been engaged as special evangelistic help and a number of study courses are offered with competent teachers. Some of them are: Baptist Doctrine and Polity taught by Prof. E. H. Bancroft, D.D.; Personal Evangelist, Rev. Arthur F. Williams, B. A.; Christian Expression, Rev. Hildrith Wilcox; How We Got Our Bible, Rev. C. B. Hayden; Current Events in the Light of Prophecy, Rev. M. L. Lowe, and a course in Missions directed by Miss Irene Weinberger.

Not all the time will be given to these serious matters, however, as a committee on athletics has been appointed and there will be various races and contests, beside directed games in which all can share.

Those planning the conference have tried to keep the expense down to a minimum, and it is expected that five dollars will cover registration fee, board and lodging for the entire period. In order to make it still easier for young people to attend, arrangements have been made to allow a portion of this amount to be given in food for the table.

The Rev. John T. Roney, pastor of the Baptist church of Chemung, N. Y., is the dean. The corresponding secretary is Irene Weinberger,

622 Utica Street, N. Y. and young people desiring to attend the conference from churches not cooperating should communicate with her.

### Graduation at B. B. S.

It was this correspondent's privilege to attend the graduation exercises of the Baptist Seminary at Johnson City, N. Y., held in the First Baptist Church of that city, June 1st. No one could look at the fine class of ten young people going out into Christian work without thanking God for this new school which has been opened for the defense of the faith and the training of workers for the harvest field.

The two orations, the one by the class president, James T. Jeremiah, on the class motto, "To know Him and to make Him known," and the other by Gorton Houser on the class verse, Phil 3:10, would have done credit to older and more experienced preachers.

There was a dignity and spiritual depth about the whole proceedings which seemed personified in the two men of God who are the head of the school, the Rev. Earl Griffith, D.D., president, and the Rev. Harold Commons, B.A. retiring president and newly elected vice-president.

The program needed only the wooing winsome touches given it by the commencement speaker, the Rev. James McGinley, Pastor Central Baptist Church, London, Canada.

Surely God is moving in the origin and growth of this seminary which is true to its name, both Baptist and Biblical. May God lay its spiritual and financial support upon the hearts of many Bible believing Baptist!

### The Natural Man

He is in bondage (John 8:32).

He cannot think a Godly thought (II Cor 3:5).

He cannot receive God's Truth (I Cor 2:14).

He cannot believe (John 12:39).

He cannot please God (Rom. 8:8).

He cannot come to Christ (John 6:44).

## CAN YOU MAKE WAY FOR OSCAR WAGO?

Rev. Oscar Wago was a captain in the Austrian army and joined the World War. After the war he was an automotive engineer in Vienna. Through many remarkable dealings of God with this Jewish brother, he finally found himself in Pittsburgh. There he came into contact with the Pittsburgh Branch of the American Board of Missions to the Jews, of which our Brother Joseph Cohn is the General Secretary. Under the patient and Christ-like teaching of the Pittsburgh missionary, Rev. John Solomon, Mr. Wago found the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour and Messiah. Since that time Mr. Wago has given a testimony for the Lord Jesus Christ which has in it no uncertain sound, and the Lord has honored the testimony to the conversion of many wherever he has gone. He is now in charge of the Columbus, Ohio branch of the American Board of Missions to the Jews.

For the months of September and October, Brother Cohn has released him for deputation work in the states of Michigan, Indiana and Ohio. We are asking if you, who read these lines, will not open the door of your church so that Mr. Wago may have a large hearing and in this way your people will be much blessed. Also, you will invite Jewish and Gentile unbelievers to the meetings, and in prayerful faith trust that the Lord will touch their hearts through the stirring messages of this flaming evangel of God.

All that is asked as to financial arrangements, is that there shall be a free will offering taken for the work of the American Board of Missions to the Jews. If this Mission is not now on your Missionary budget, do you not think it is time that it should be? And do you not want to take advantage of this opportunity to let your people know about the work and their obligations in connection with it? It is the largest Jewish Mission work in America and its testimony has gone literally around the world.

Will you communicate promptly with Rev. Oscar Wago? His address is 1039 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio.



REV. OSCAR WAGO

## RAISE THE STANDARD

Isa 59:19

Suggested song for G. A. R. B Fellowship

TUNE: Regent Square

Holy Spirit, lift a standard  
'Gainst the rising tides of doubt;  
Call a people out to serve Thee  
Strong of faith, of courage stout  
Raise the standard,  
Raise the standard  
That shall turn the tides about!

Lord, we come, a humble people,  
But we love thy precious Word;  
Not a sentence do we question,  
All bears witness to our Lord  
Raise the standard,  
Raise the standard  
Of thy Spirit's mighty sword!

Christ we hold our one Redeemer,  
Son of God and Virgin-born;  
We will preach his Blood Atonement  
To all sinners, lost, forlorn.  
Raise the standard,  
Raise the standard,  
Till He ushers in earth's morn!

Holy Spirit, lift a standard,  
Error's hosts are proud and strong;  
Rally forth thy loyal forces,  
Help them triumph over wrong  
Raise the standard,  
Raise the standard,  
We will follow with a song!  
—Ralph T. Nordlund.

"Upon a life I did not live  
Upon a death I could not die;  
ANOTHER'S Life; ANOTHER'S  
Death  
I stake my whole Eternity."

## THERE MUST BE A "CATCH" IN IT

"Doth a Fountain send Forth at the Same Place Sweet Water and Bitter?"

We rubbed our eyes the other day and wondered if we saw aright. But, unless the newspaper deliberately falsified, there it was, with the headlines, "4 Divinity Students Start Gospel Tour to Coast. Rochester Seminarians give up Vacation for Preaching."

And here's the rest of it, "For-saking a summer vacation for preaching and hymn-singing, a quartet of students from Colgate-Rochester Divinity School today is on the first lap of a cross-country trip that will carry the youths to San Francisco and back conducting religious services. The youths, all completing their first year at the seminary, started out late yesterday in a trailer towed by a second-hand car purchased this week. The trailer, which includes living quarters and kitchen, was loaned by a retired Baptist minister, the Rev. Raymond Selhorn of East Lansing, Michigan. The youths style themselves the Gospel Team Quartet."

We ask ourselves in wonderment, "What has happened?" And we arrived at the conclusion, "It is only one of two things." The modernistic, communistic, atheistic Colgate-Rochester Divinity school is sending up a "smoke screen" of orthodoxy—a favorite ruse of the modernists when they are in a tight place—and is desirous of wooing back to the "fold" those who have been scared off by their "red" activities, OR somehow or other four students managed to get thru the first year without having their faith shattered and are going out to make up for lost time.

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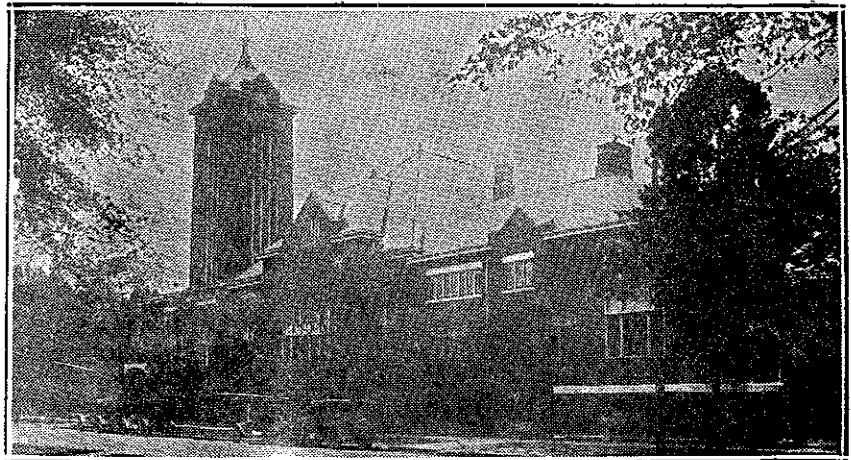
## THE LORD GOD OF ELIJAH STILL LIVES

### Walnut St. Baptist Church, Waterloo, Ia., Experiences Overwhelming Victory in Convention Controversy

Another great victory for our blessed Saviour has been experienced in the Walnut Street Baptist Church, the object of attack by the leaders of the Iowa State Convention for the past ninety days. A few weeks ago we wrote an article for the Fundamentalists in which we rejoiced to announce the coming of three of the greatest Baptist preachers of America. **Dr. J. Frank Norris, Dr. R. T. Ketcham, and Dr. Harold Strathearn.** Prior to their coming three challenges had been issued by the Iowa State Baptist Convention. The pastor has accepted all three challenges, and without exception the Convention backed down and to date we have not seen either **Dr. Anderson** or any member of the Board of Managers.

The last proposition presented by the group was that I should meet them in a private meeting in Waterloo on any date between June 1st and 15th. Said meeting to be either in the Y W C A or Y. M. C. A. Their own terms I herewith quote. "You will be permitted to bring such persons as may support your charges." This condition I accepted. Immediately I invited **Norris, Ketcham, and Strathearn** and they kindly accepted the invitation.

No sooner had the news spread abroad than the Board of Managers immediately notified us that they would not meet us under any such conditions. The only reason they gave for not meeting us in this private hearing was, according to their statement, "**Norris, Ketcham, and Strathearn** are in 'ill repute'." This might have satisfied them, but it has not satisfied the public by any manner of means, neither has it satisfied the thousands of Baptists throughout the State of Iowa.



The Great Walnut Street Baptist Church, with a membership of 1800, who with its courageous Pastor, **Rev. P. B. Chenault**, has exposed the rank Communism and Modernism within the N. E. C.

#### The Operation

**Dr. R. T. Ketcham** arrived in the city of Waterloo early Monday morning, June 8th. **Dr. Norris**, and **Dr. Strathearn** were unable to be present Monday night because of the critical condition of a "patient" in Aurora, Ill. It was necessary for them to stop over and perform an emergency operation.

Every one of the hundreds present Monday night will agree that **R. T. Ketcham** is a master. After preliminary remarks he took the seventeen page letter from **Dr. Frank Anderson**, State Executive Secretary, which was the official reply to the pastor's two sermons which form the basis of the withdrawal. **Dr. Ketcham** tore this reply to pieces, paragraph by paragraph and answered **Anderson's** weak arguments, in a most powerful and convincing manner. The audience sat spellbound for exactly two hours during the message, many times breaking into applause to the extent that one would think it would raise the roof.

#### Chenault Defies "Machine"

At the conclusion of his address, at 10:30, the pastor came to the platform and made the following statement. "**Dr. Frank Anderson**, Executive Secretary of the Iowa State Convention and the Board of Managers have, through the press and the 'Baptist Record', their official organ, repeatedly made fun and slurring remarks concerning the fact that only 168 members of the Walnut Street Church voted on the night of the withdrawal. They never gave the

public an explanation of the fact it was during a snow storm and blizzard in Waterloo at the time, nor have they ever told that their representative filibustered until after 11:00 o'clock before the vote was taken, and of course many people had gone home. Therefore, I desire to present the issue of the Walnut Street Baptist Church for a second vote.

"Will all the members of the Walnut Street Church please stand? (Between four and five hundred people stood to their feet.) Thank you—be seated. Now, will all the members of Walnut Street Church who are present tonight, regardless of how you voted on the night we withdrew from the Northern Baptist Convention, if you now are in agreement with our withdrawal, you are glad we are no longer affiliated with the Northern Baptist Convention or the Iowa State Convention, please stand to your feet?" (Every member stood to his feet and there was a great applause from several hundred visitors).

"Now I should like to ask those of you present tonight, as our guests, members of some nearly twenty Baptist churches and many of you representing as many other various denominations, if you believe that the Walnut Street Church has taken the right step and you are in sympathy with us and our withdrawal from the convention, will you please stand to your feet?" Every person in the house, to our knowledge and as far as we could see, stood to their feet. (Continued on next page)

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## "If God Be For Us—You're Up Against It!"

(A child's translation of the text to her Mother)

Three days and four nights of fellowship in the Lord Jesus Christ among Bible-believing Baptists. No one had any axe to grind. No one wanted to have the limelight or argue about the validity of the statement "stay in the machine and fight it out."

The days of pussy footers, compromisers, middle-of-the-roads, peace-at-any-prices are just about over. The futility of trying to clean the Augean stables of denominationalism is clear as daylight to all but those who are "so blind they will not see."

Were there great crowds attending the sessions? What do you mean by "great"? Numerically? No. The numbers were not large, but what we would like to know is this, "When has God Almighty ever banked on large numbers?" Gideon had 32,000 to lead into battle. "Too many," God said, "Weed out 31,700. Take these 300 and win victories for My Name." And Gideon did.

Poor old Elijah plodded his lonely way up Mt. Carmel with 450 prophets of Baal ready to tear him in pieces, and the nation of Israel backing them up. But they failed to reckon with God! And what a miracle was wrought that day against the forces of the devil.

But tho the numbers were not great, the spirit of Christian fellowship was great, and after all that is what counts most. They came from the Pacific coast, California; from New York, Nebraska, Indiana, Michigan, Iowa, Texas, Not a big man among them, but a gathering of little men with a great God for our Leader.

The thing which impressed this writer the most was the almost mira-

## OVERWHELMING VICTORY

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with the exception of two Baptist pastors, both Convention men, one a product of Colgate Rochester Divinity School, and they did not seem very comfortable while they sat.

Facts Brethren! Read Them!

Dr. Ketcham feels that he is conservative when he states that there are at least one thousand Baptist Churches in the Northern Baptist Convention that are no longer in sympathy with the program of the convention and refuse to cooperate. He stated that more than thirty-five churches declared themselves in fellowship with the Regular Baptists of America last year. It is expected that one hundred and fifty or two hundred will do so this year. He stated that from his own personal experience he knew of more than two hundred and sixty churches that have completely separated themselves from the Northern Baptist Convention and their State Convention. Right at present the movement is gaining such momentum it is impossible to keep track of all of them. Thirteen withdrew in one association in New York State at one time, recently. We prophesy that the greatest landslide will take place in the State of Iowa. Baptists are waking up, blind eyes are being opened, preachers are coming to their senses, laymen are demanding to know the truth.

culous way in which God had led since a year ago. Things "breaking" among Baptists right and left. Scores of churches "seeing the light" and taking an uncompromising stand.

Brethren, don't forget this one thing. We stand to pray for one another. Chenault, with that battle against the forces of evil in Iowa; President Ketcham and his great work in Indiana; Dr. Fulton and that true witness he is raising in Chicago; the men without churches, put out by the "machine"; Dr. Strathearn and the Interstate.

This is no time for ministers to be jealous of one another, or to bicker or find fault or criticize or condemn on a moment's notice. Pray—"Fight the good fight of Faith"—"Stand fast"—"Preach the Word"—"the coming of the Lord draweth nigh."



## SECOND CORINTHIANS 8:9

**"For Ye Know the Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He Was Rich, yet for Your Sakes He became Poor, that Ye through His Poverty Might Be Rich."**

They borrowed a bed to lay His Head  
When Christ the Lord came down.  
They borrowed an ass in the mountain pass  
For Him to ride to town  
But the crown that He wore,  
And the Cross that He bore,  
Were His own,  
The Cross was His own

He borrowed the bread when the crowd He fed  
On the grassy mountain side.  
He borrowed the dish of broken fish  
With which He satisfied.  
But the crown that He wore,  
And the Cross that He bore,  
Were His own.  
The Cross was His own.

He borrowed a ship in which to sit  
To teach the multitudes  
He borrowed a nest in which to rest  
He had never a home so rude.  
But the crown that He wore  
And the Cross that He bore,  
Were His own,  
The Cross was His own

He borrowed a room on His way to the tomb  
The passover lamb to eat;  
They borrowed a cave—for Him a grave  
They borrowed a winding sheet;  
But the crown that He wore,  
And the Cross that He bore  
Were His own,  
The Cross was His own.

The crown that He wore was worn in my stead,  
For me the Saviour died,  
For guilt of my sin the nails drove in,  
When Him they crucified.  
Though the crown that He wore  
And the Cross that He bore  
Were His own,  
They rightly were mine.

—Selected

### AND THE LANDSLIDE GAINS MOMENTUM

**First Baptist Church of Merrimac,  
Mass., Severs all Ties with NBC  
and Mass. Baptist Convention**

In a letter received by the Editor under date of May 30th, the Rev. Otis B. Read, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Merrimac, Mass. informs us of the courageous action taken by that church as their annual meeting May 14th last.

The fires spread; the landslide is daily moving faster; the summer zephyr is turning into a "nor-easter." But let Brother Read tell you in his own words just what happened.

Dear Brother Fuller:

The First Baptist Church of Merrimac, Massachusetts voted unanimously to withdraw from the Northern

Baptist Convention and the Massachusetts Baptist Convention, at a largely attended annual meeting on May 14th. The usual resolutions were submitted by Robert J. Ayer, the newly elected superintendent of the Bible school. For two years the church has not supported the denominational mission program because of modernism in the mission program and leadership at home and abroad. The fact of only 41.88 cents of every missionary dollar going for truly mission work, is not generally known. Out of this must come the large salaries of the many secretaries at home and their office expenses which would reduce the amount by at least one third.

Every Baptist should know the facts about these things and then we will see them move to make the correction. God is purging His Church these days of all that is offensive to Him. He has richly blessed us in the salvation of 143 precious souls in this New England village of 2,200 people with three other resident pastors of churches,

during the past three years. The best is yet to be . . . . .

Yours in His Precious Name,  
Otis B. Read.

We rejoice with the members and pastor of this splendid group who have taken their necks out of the noose of "machine" control and denomination. Every independent church affiliated with the General Association is asked to pray for the Bible-believing Baptists in Merrimac.

(In another section of this issue will be found an account of the independent ordination of Rev Read's son to the Gospel Ministry. The Baptists who are true to the Word and the Son of God in Massachusetts will not need very many more straws like this one to tell them which way the wind is blowing.

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## THE UNREACHED LITHUANIANS



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## DR. MACHEN PUT OUT OF CHURCH

### Presbyterian General Assembly Shamelessly Decrees Expulsion

With Hitlerlike precision and tactics the Presbyterian General Assembly at the last meeting held in Syracuse, N. Y., expelled from its fellowship the Rev. Dr. J. Gresham Machen. The issue was clear cut from the beginning of the battle which has raged for a decade or more within Presbyterian ranks.

Dr. Machen with his followers stood foursquare for the Word of God as opposed to the dictates of a modernistic, ecclesiastical machine. We have known Dr. Machen personally for a number of years, and we consider him one of the greatest scholars and Christian gentlemen of this century.

The reason Dr. Machen has had so many bitter enemies is because he does not know the meaning of the word "compromise." Even those who have been closely associated with him in the past, and recently have withdrawn their support, for one reason or another, could not or would not look at the issue with the same forethought and clarity of vision.

The identical issue is being raised within the Baptist ranks but sad to say, at present, the number of Bible-believing Baptists both ministers and laymen who see the issue and have the courage to act upon what they see, are few and far between. Recently, signs appearing in many parts of the country tell us that the awakening is not far off.

The great advantage that Baptists have over other denominations is the absolute sovereignty and independence of the local church. This freedom when used rightly and wisely can prove an immense blessing to the church. At present, the theory of the independence of the local church is still with us, but the practice is quite opposite. The Baptist state secretaries have their instructions from "headquarters." These "head-

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## MACHEN SHAMELESSLY EXPELLED

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quarters," permeated as they are with communism, socialism, modernism and shameless compromise, issue the orders, and woe be unto the Baptist state secretary that refuses to obey!

But dark tho the picture may be, never should we be discouraged. God is still on His Throne. Jesus Christ, the Eternal Son of God still lives and is coming soon, and we are convinced that God has a great work ahead for all Bible-believing Baptists who have counted the cost and are willing "to pay the price"

## YOU'LL BE INTERESTED

### Regarding our Story Strip

As you have noticed, we have negotiated for the story strip entitled "A Christian Goes to College." We have learned just recently from Mr. Phil Saint that in order to make this pay it will have to be syndicated to a number of different Christian magazines

We are asking our readers, that if they feel led, to write us a word about this story strip, giving their reactions, whether or not they enjoy it—just a word by way of encouragement—so that we may send these letters to Mr. Saint to show him the way in which this strip is being received.

We just received a most encouraging communication from the calendar of Rev. Howard Keithley of Buffalo, N. Y. which we are mighty glad to make mention of at this time.

### THE PASTOR'S VISIT TO BELFAST

No, not Ireland. Nor is it a proposed visit. It is already history.

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Belfast is a lovely village about 65 miles from Buffalo. Brother Travis is the faithful pastor of the Baptist Church there. At the invitation of the church I met with them on Monday evening and led them in withdrawing from Allegheny Association and thus the N. Y. State Convention and the Northern Baptist Convention

The only logical position for a child of God to take toward modernism is separation from it. Indeed we are allowed to protest against it, and we should, but to support it with our funds and our cooperation, never!

Thank God, this church has, 100% thrown off the yoke of an ecclesiastical over-lordship that is hand and glove in league with modernism. The pastor is to be congratulated for his faithful work, and the people for the display of spiritual discernment they have shown. Pray for them.

### THANK GOD FOR BROTHER CLASPER!

We have just received another good word from Brother Clasper of Lapeer, Mich.

In a small independent Baptist Church in a town of 5,000, a total amount of \$466.80 has been given for mission endeavor during the past year. Brother Clasper cannot refrain from making mention of the fact that the great million dollar church in Grand Rapids, not so far from the Wealthy Street Baptist Temple, did not give one dime to missions according to the Michigan annual report for 1935. All of this we mention. Why? Because we are more convinced than ever that a Church which is on fire for missions, solves practically all of its problems. We thank God for Brother Clasper and his fine work.

### FACTS FOR BAPTISTS TO FACE

We call attention to a much needed pamphlet just off the press from the pen of Dr. Robt. T. Ketcham of Gary, entitled "Facts for Baptists to Face," and brethren, they are facts! If you wish to know the things that are going on under the guise of missionary endeavor and Christian work here in the homeland, by all means

secure a copy of this book. The price is 10c a copy, 5c in lots of 50 or more. Place your order through the Interstate Evangelistic Association, Temple Building, Rochester, New York

### "RE-THINKING THE N. B. C."

Another splendid pamphlet has just been printed by Rev. Ralph T. Nordlund, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Pella, Iowa, entitled, "Re-Thinking The Northern Baptist Convention." You can secure this pamphlet for 10c each, or \$3.00 per hundred. We can highly recommend it as giving facts that are irrefutable, and information that is sorely needed among Bible believing Baptists today.

### REV. FRANKLIN LOGSDON GOES TO ERIE, PA.

It is with a great deal of satisfaction that we learn of the call extended to Rev. S. Franklin Logsdon to the Bethel Baptist Temple of Erie, Penna. Brother Logsdon succeeds Dr. Earle Griffith in this great and influential pulpit. He was formerly pastor of the Grace Baptist Tabernacle, Kenmore, N. Y. We do thank God for making it possible for this testimony in Erie to continue in the power of God and the winning of souls as it has done in the past.

### QUALIFICATIONS OF A PASTOR

Someone told us recently of a congregation meeting that took place where a church was calling a pastor. The pastor and his wife were present, and such questions as these were asked:

"Would you play golf on Sunday?"

"Will you take an interest in the Young People's parties?"

"Are you a good mixer and a good sport?"

The minister answered all these in the affirmative, and the most outstanding and prominent question was then asked:

"Will your wife play bridge?"

Not once during the evening was he asked anything about the Bible, or his relation to God, nor the stand

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**YOU'LL BE INTERESTED**

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he took on spiritual subjects. What a commentary! What a terrific condemnation of the ever deepening apostasy in the churches these days! Such instances as this we mention give us but one more excellent reason for the work of such organizations as the Interstate Evangelistic Association and the G.A.R.B.

**REV. C. ELMER GARVIN—  
NEWLY ELECTED PRES**

We had a delightful conversation with Rev. C. Elmer Garvin, newly elected President of the Ohio Association of Independent Baptist Churches. Brother Garvin was passing through Grand Rapids recently, and although his stay was brief, yet we felt we had met a kindred spirit, one who was earnestly contending for the faith. We do thank God for the stalwart testimony that is being raised in Ohio by this splendid group.

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**DR. C. ELMER GOTTSCHALK**  
Pastor of the Altadena Baptist  
Church, Altadena, Calif.

We are happy to introduce to our readers Dr. C. Elmer Gottschalk, courageous Baptist Pastor of the West Coast.

We had the privilege of meeting Dr. Gottschalk at the General Association in Chicago, last May, and we are glad to have fellowship with him in the things of like precious faith.

We have arranged with Dr. Gottschalk for him to take charge of editing a special section of Baptist news in the State of California which will be published from time to time in the Bulletin.

We met several other brethren from California during the Conference and were refreshed with the fellowship we had. We hope and we believe that this fellowship will continue, and we shall be bound together in one desire of making known the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. We have our differences, and we would not be human if we didn't, but at the same time on the great fundamentals of the faith we can stand united as one, and in the minor things, agree to disagree.

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# LETTERS OF INFORMATION - WARNING - ENCOURAGEMENT

## AN APPEAL FOR PRAYER

Dear Brother Fuller:

The last two issues of the Baptist Bulletin have been received and read with real pleasure and profit. We here are glad for the way the Lord is using you and the brethren of the Regular Baptist Association. We stand with you 100 per cent and are praying power to your stand for the old fashioned Baptist position.

You may be interested in the following information on China, showing more clearly than I can ever describe it, the utter hopelessness of these people. During the year 1935, in Shanghai alone, there were 29,147 bodies of dead Chinese thrown out into alleys, into garbage cans,—the unwanted remains of unwanted relatives. The Shanghai authorities daily send out bands of coolies to collect these remains for disposal, as a health precaution. In 1933 the number amounted to 25,753; and in 1934 mounted to over 30,000; and the vast majority of these corpses have been babies.

One does not need to stretch the imagination to see the moral stagnation and spiritual blindness that results in such a condition as this. It is an example of the wages of sin as found in China. . . . If you feel that publication of this information would stir the readers of The Baptist Bulletin to pray for China, we would appreciate your printing it.

May God bless you and all our brethren of the Fundamental Baptist Churches, is the prayer of

Yours sincerely, in the Gospel,

Rev and Mrs. F. S. Donnelson,  
Sweet Baptist Mission,  
Hanchow, Chekiang, China

## HOW CAN WE GET SOMEWHERE?

Dear Sir:—

I am a subscriber to "The Baptist Bulletin"—hence this letter! A number of the members of our Church have for some time been dissatisfied regarding our missionary budget and the distribution of the money. Recently "The Baptist Bulletin" was sent to me, and my eyes

were partly opened. I passed my copies on to our Pastor, who this year is Moderator for the—Association to which our Church belongs, and he at once spoke to the ministers (Baptist) in our adjoining territory and found that they too were questioning many things with no definite facts.

In the meantime a representative from the State Board came to our Pastor's home to interview him about having a State Board man speak at our—Association Convention May 1 and 2, and as it happened to be on the day of our Women's Missionary Meeting, she was invited to speak to us, which she did, presenting the facts of the decrease in missionary contributions last year, and presenting the program of the N.B.C. known as the "Forward Fund" movement. Her work was to go about Eastern Penna arranging for groups of churches to get together to talk this plan over, and a State representative to be the speaker, etc etc. Well, it was arranged that such a group was to meet at our Church consisting of representatives from four churches.

So we were to have as our speaker, sent by the State Board, to present this movement and give us enlightening facts.

Each Church was represented, but I'm afraid the "enlightenment" was reversed, and Mr. ——— was the one to learn the facts. I understand he is a new officer on the State Board, and we found him a sincere, fundamental, honest Christian pastor, but like hundreds of others "blinded from the real facts." The meeting closed with a motion that the Pastor be appointed to voice the sentiment of our meeting to the Convention in May.

None of these men had ever seen or heard of "The Baptist Bulletin," so I am writing this letter requesting that a sample copy be sent each of the following that they may have time to digest it before the May Convention. It may be only a faltering step, but if only a few of our churches may be awakened it will be worth the effort. Can you suggest any plan whereby we can get

somewhere? How can we little local churches reach the ones in authority?

Yours for true Baptists  
From Pennsylvania

## PRAISE GOD FOR THE AWAKENING

Dear Brother in Christ:—

I rejoice in the News of the May Bulletin. Praise God for the awakening. One can feel the "ground swell" as the sailors—the tide is daily running stronger through the "Golden Gate" of Truth. Here in the East a few signs appear that some of our Baptists are **thinking**—because they are reading—"the Bulletin."

I wish you would send four one year-copies.

I hope to receive great encouragement in the June report of the G.A.R.B.—Wish I could have been present.

I will send you in another list for sample copies as soon as I make it up.

Charles F. Eldredge,  
Niantic, Conn.

Dear Dr. Fuller:—

Due to the fact that we of the First Baptist Church of East Stroudsburg, Pa., cannot conscientiously continue giving our money through the Northern Baptist Board we are seeking information from you as to where the best places are to give our missionary money where it will be used to the greatest good in the service of our Lord.

Hoping this will not inconvenience you too much and praying God's blessing upon you and the stand you are taking in upholding the "Faith once delivered unto the Saints." I am

Yours in His service,  
DEE E REICHEL,  
Stroudsburg, Pa

## HIS DEITY

By Elizabeth Cheney

Though scholars disagree,

I prove it daily true,  
Christ Jesus does for me,

What only God can do

—From S. S. Times,  
Issue May 30, 1936.

## A CHRISTIAN GOES TO COLLEGE

## Part 8

By Phil Saint





## INDEPENDENT ORDINATIONS OF BAPTIST MINISTERS

REV JOHN ALTA

At the call of the East Leonard Baptist Church of Grand Rapids, Mich., a council met and convened at 2:00 p. m. on Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1936, for the purpose of examination and ordination of brother **John Alta**, Pastor of said Church. After the opening service of song and prayer, **Pastor C. E. Wood** was chosen moderator, and **Pastor Lloyd D. Welton**, Clerk. Fifteen churches, represented by thirty-four delegates, responded to roll call. After examination, the council unanimously recommended that the church proceed with the ordination which was conducted the same evening with the following program: Song service, **Rev. Shreve**; Scripture, **Rev. Reynhout**; Prayer **Rev. Veltman**; Ordination Sermon, **Rev. Fuller**; Charge to the Church, **Rev. Knol**; Charge to the candidate, **Rev. C. F. Fields**; Ordination prayer, **Rev. Headley**; Right hand of fellowship, **Rev. Hill**; Benediction, **Rev. John Alta**.

REV OTIS B READ, Jr

Twenty-seven messengers from ten churches convened at the call of the First Baptist Church at Rowley, Massachusetts, on May 18th, to consider the advisability of ordaining their pastor **Otis B. Read, Jr.**, to the work of the Gospel Ministry. After a season of prayer the messengers formed themselves into an examining council by electing **Rev. David W. Buzzell**, Chairman and **Rev. Otis B. Read, Sr.**, Clerk.

The candidate made a statement on his conversion, call to the ministry and views of Bible doctrine. The council then questioned him thoroughly on the important points and later went into executive session when statements were made by Deacon **Job B. McCormick** and Miss **Mae Abby Adams** of the local church who commended their young pastor for his leadership in both the spiritual and administrative affairs of the church. Special mention was made of the work with the young people

and that the affairs of the church were the best in ten years. It was then moved and carried unanimously that the council is satisfied with the candidate's fitness and belief and recommends with commendation, that the local church proceed with the ordination of its pastor.

The ordination service in the Rowley church was held on the evening of May 28th. **Rev. David W. Buzzell**, pastor of the Market St. Baptist church, Amesbury presided. The sermon was preached by the **Rev. William J. Wilson**, pastor of the Baptist church in Newton, N. H.; the charge to the candidate by the **Rev. Austin F. Staples**, pastor of the Kittery Point, Maine Baptist church; charge to the church by the **Rev. H. L. Sthengaard**, pastor of Immanuel Baptist church, Cambridge, Mass.; ordination prayer by the **Rev. Otis B. Read**, pastor of the Baptist church in Merrimac, Mass., father of the candidate and benediction by **Rev. Otis B. Read, Jr.**

REV W R. HUNRICH

A special meeting was called by the Bethel Baptist Temple of Erie, Pa., at 3:00 P. M. May 12th, for the purpose of examining and ordaining Brother **W. R. Hunrich** to the Gospel ministry. The meeting was called to order by **Rev. Gilbert Lloyd**, who immediately proceeded with the calling of the roll of the delegates. **Rev. John Reinert** of Mayville, New York, acted as moderator, and **Mr. Leland A. Becker** of Bethel Temple, as clerk.

Brother **Hunrich** gave a very comprehensive statement as to his salvation, his call to the Lord's work, and his doctrinal belief.

After questioning in open meeting, and with due deliberation in executive session, the session went on record as being perfectly satisfied as to Brother **Hunrich's** doctrinal statement, and recommended that the Church proceed with the ordination.

The ordination service took place in the evening at which time the Charge to the Candidate was given by **Rev. Ernest Hook**, the Charge to the Church, by **Rev. Kenneth Kinney**, the Ordination Sermon by **Rev. Stanley Thorpe**, and the Ordaining prayer by **Rev. T. P. Kelly**. The benediction was pronounced by **Rev. W. R. Hunrich**.

## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF BAPTIST BIBLE SEMINARY

The annual commencement exercises of the Baptist Bible Seminary, Johnson City, New York, were opened Friday evening May 29 and closed Monday evening June 1st. The annual banquet, given in honor of the graduating class was held Friday evening with **Mr. Harry N. Livingstone**, President of the Board of Directors, presiding. The Baccalaureate service was held in the neighboring city of Binghamton, New York, on Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m., with the Calvary Baptist Church. **Rev. Harold T. Commons** was the speaker of the afternoon and **Rev. Earle G. Griffith** presided. The Sunday evening service conducted by the graduating class. They chose as their subject, "The Glorious Gospel," the theme being presented in four different phases by eight members of the class.

On Monday, June 1st the Board of Directors met in a special business session. Three new names were added to the Board of Directors, including **Rev. Robert Ketcham**, Gary, Indiana; **Mr. Clifton Brainard**, Binghamton, N. Y., and **Mr. Tracy Cole**, also of Binghamton. At **Rev. H. T. Commons'** request, **Rev. Earle G. Griffith** was elected President of the Seminary and **Rev. Harold T. Commons**, Vice-president.

The climax of the commencement was reached Monday evening when the closing service was held. The commencement address was given by **Rev. James McGinlay** of London, Ontario, who chose as his subject, "The Christian's Love for Christ."

The commencement address was followed by the presentation of diplomas to four young women and six young men, by **Rev. H. T. Commons**, and the President of the Board of Directors, **Harry N. Livingstone**.

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## WE STAND WITH SPURGEON

Gal 1:6-9

The idea of a progressive gospel seems to have fascinated many. To us that notion is a sort of cross-breed between nonsense and blasphemy. After the gospel has been found effectual in the eternal salvation of untold multitudes, it seems rather late in the day to alter it; and, since it is the revelation of the all-wise and unchanging God, it appears somewhat audacious to attempt its improvement.

Is there no doctrine left which is to be maintained? Is there no revelation? Or is that revelation a nose of wax to be shaped by the finger of fashion? Are the skeptics so much to the fore that no man will open his mouth against them? Are all the orthodox afraid of the ridicule of the "Cultured"? We cannot believe it.

There must come with decision for truth a corresponding protest against error. Let those who will keep the narrow way keep it, and suffer for their choice; but to hope to follow the broad road at the same time is an absurdity. What communion hath Christ with Belial?

To pursue union at the expense of truth is treason to the Lord Jesus. If we are prepared to enter into solemn league and covenant for the defense of the crown rights of King Jesus, we cannot give up the crown jewels of His gospel for the sake of a larger charity. He is our Master and Lord, and we will keep His words: to tamper with His doctrine would be to be traitors to Himself.

Fellowship with known and vital error is participation in sin. The conflict to which the faithful are now summoned is not less arduous than that in which the Reformers were engaged. So much of subtlety is mixed up with the whole business that the sword seems to fall upon a sack of wool, or to miss its mark.

It is the Bible or no Bible, atonement or no atonement which we have now to settle. Stripped of beclouding terms and phrases, this lies at the bottom of the discussion; and every lover of the Lord Jesus should feel himself called upon to take his part in an earnest contention for the faith once for all delivered to the saints.

Brethren, we want grace to say "I

can be poor; I can be ridiculed; I can be abused; but I cannot be false to my Lord"—Charles H. Spurgeon.

## EXTRACTS FROM JOHN CALVIN

### "He Being Dead yet Speaketh"

John Calvin of Geneva, Switzerland, died in the year 1564 at the age of fifty-five, in the prime of life. Apart from the Apostle Paul and the great Augustine, never has the world seen such a giant intellect dedicated to the proclamation of the Gospel.

His influence profoundly affected the Protestant Reformation. His some 45 volumes, commentaries on the Scriptures, have never been equalled. The mighty truths Calvin and the other reformers fought for, bled and died for, are needed in these days of apostasy.

They put iron in the blood, courage in the heart, joy in the soul of the individual or church which believes them and proclaims them. The following are extracts taken from his "Institutes of the Christian Religion."

### "The Knowledge of God"

Since therefore there has never been a country, a city, or a home without some sense of religion, we have in this a kind of tacit confession that man naturally knows that there is a God. Even idolatry proves this; for we see that man, proud as he is, will rather bow down to a log of wood or a block of stone than be thought to have no God.

Men think that any kind of religious zeal, however ridiculous, is sufficient; forgetting that true religion must take for its perpetual rule the will of God, and that God is always like unto Himself, not an imaginary being who can be altered to every man's liking.

Indeed if we know not Him, it makes but little difference whether we acknowledge one God or many; not having Him for our God, we have nothing but an accursed idol.

The guilt of sinners appears also in this, that they never think of God unless they are forced to do so; their fear of Him is slavish and constrained, wrung from them by the terrors of His judgment, which, because they

cannot escape from it, they dread and hate.

What? Shall we have the gift of discerning between right and wrong, and shall there be no Judge in heaven? Shall we have some understanding left to us even in sleep, and shall no God be awake to govern the world?

Nor is His eternal justice obscured by the fact that He sometimes allows the guilty to triumph for a season, while He leaves the innocent to suffer adversity and to be oppressed by the malice of the wicked. On the contrary, when He punishes one crime we should learn from this that He hates all crimes; and when we see that He leaves many for the present unpunished, this should convince us that there is a judgment to come.

In vain therefore do the works of Creation shine around us like so many lamps to show forth the glory of its Author; with all their brilliancy they are by no means able to lead us on in the right way. They leave us indeed without excuse for our wilful ignorance of God; but we need another guide, a brighter light to bring us into the true knowledge of our Creator.

## LINES FROM GOD'S LINE OF OVERCOMERS

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C. H. Spurgeon, nearing the close of life, replied, "Tranquil and happy, though very weak, my theology now is very simple. I can express it in four words. I don't say they contain all you should preach or that they are sufficient to live by, but I know they are enough to die on. Now, what are they?" After a pause, he said slowly: "JESUS DIED FOR ME." How like the apostle in Galatians 2:20 and 2 Tim 1:12.

"Groanings which cannot be uttered are often prayers which cannot be refused."—C. H. Spurgeon.

"When one has faith, one does not retire; one stops the enemy where he finds him"—Marshal Foch.

"Unbelief says, 'How can such and such things be?' It is full of 'hows,' but faith has one great answer to the ten thousand 'hows,' and that answer is—GOD!"—C. H. M.