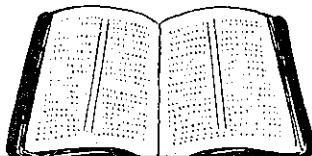


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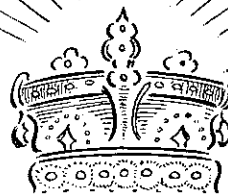
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"PEACE THROUGH HIS BLOOD"



THE BLOOD

"BEHOLD HE COMETH WITH CLOUDS"



THE BLESSED HOPE

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WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

"To Mr. T. J. Parsons, Executive Secretary, Indiana Baptist Convention Re account in Baptist Observer stating hand of fellowship was withdrawn from Central Baptist Church and pastor October 4, 1935 beg to advise that Central Baptist Church and pastor withdrew hand of fellowship from Conventions and Calumet Association February 13, 1935, your article therefore is reverse of the truth Stop Re my standing with Convention beg to advise that if I am in good standing with heaven I should worry about my standing with Indiana headquarters."

(Signed) R. T. KETCHAM, D. D.,
Pastor of Central Baptist Church, Gary, Ind.,
and President of G. A. R. B.

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IT SOUNDS ALMOST TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE

But It IS True and Not Only That, It Actually Happened a Few Weeks Ago to a Baptist Minister

The question is, "How to begin?" We'll try to report it as accurately as possible and when you finish this, if you are a born again, Bible-believing Baptist you'll say with us, "Praise God!"

Robert and Frances McCarthy have faithfully labored for three years or more in the mountains of Kentucky as home missionaries supported by the Wealthy St. Baptist Temple of Grand Rapids, Mich. The Lord signally blessed their ministry and gave them many souls and numerous opportunities to preach the Gospel of Christ, His Cross and Redeeming Grace.

Last fall a man and his wife, members of a Baptist church in Indianapolis, Indiana, were driving through Kentucky. They lost their way and finally stopped for the night in a town near where the McCarthys were working. It was Sunday evening. A church bell was ringing. They attended service and were blessed by the true message from God's Word given by the minister of the church.

Upon their return home the couple were pondering these things which had happened, thinking it strange and wondering just what the Lord would bring from it. Little did they realize what was coming.

Their church in Indianapolis was without a pastor. They suggested this man to the board as a possible candidate. They wrote asking him to come and hold a series of meetings. He did, and the Power of the Holy Spirit was manifested. He

was asked if he would accept a call. He thanked them, but declined, as he had only been on his field in Kentucky a short time and felt no call of the Lord to leave.

When he returned to Kentucky he felt led to write this church and recommend the name of Robert McCarthy whom he knew personally, but he said nothing about it.

Came a letter with an application blank to be filled out to Brother McCarthy, as a possible candidate for the church. He returned the blank unfilled, stating that he did not feel that he could conscientiously apply for a church in that way. The Lord had led them there to Kentucky, and until the Lord showed him definitely otherwise he was contented to stay.

Then came a long distance call asking him if he would be willing to come to Indianapolis and supply the pulpit one Sunday. He said he would pray about the matter and wire them. He finally decided to go. Saints were blessed, sinners were saved.

But now comes the marvelous and miraculous part of it all. The church board met the next night and voted unanimously to call Brother McCarthy, **AND THIS IN THE FACE OF THIRTY APPLICATIONS THEY HAD ON FILE FROM BAPTIST MINISTERS WITH COLLEGE AND SEMINARY TRAINING ALL SEEKING THE PASTORATE!**

And what shall we say to these things? One thing we can say, God

is working in these days as never before, placing His servants where He would have them, raising up witnesses to His Cross and Shed Blood in these last and perilous times.

Another thing we learn from this, God has His own methods and means of calling men to different pulpits. What a stinging rebuke this incident should be to those who have entered the ministry only for the purpose of getting a "job" and "bettering themselves" by "pulling wires" and "getting in" with "higher ups" to secure a larger church!

This which happened in Indianapolis, Indiana, in one Baptist church is illustrative of what is happening all over the country. The General Association of Regular Baptists is in constant touch with men of God who love the Lord Jesus Christ and have gone through persecution because of their stand for Him. The Interstate Evangelistic Association of Rochester has had 10 years of valuable experience in placing fundamental Baptist preachers in pulpits. Either of these organizations stands ready at any time to help any church which is in need of and desirous of securing a minister who preaches the Book, the Blood and the Blessed Hope. If you know of a church which is vacant and in search of a fundamental minister, write Harold Strathearn, D. D., Temple Bldg, Franklin St., Rochester, N. Y., or David Otis Fuller, 1318 Sigsbee St., Grand Rapids, Mich. They will be glad to help you in any way possible and without charge.

ANOTHER VICTORY WON, THIS TIME IN PENNSYLVANIA

Calvary Baptist Church of Taylor, Pa. Wholeheartedly Support their Pastor as Court Rules in Their Favor

Truly, the Lord God of Elijah still lives and "if God be for us who can be against us?" We've just received word through Dr. Harold Strathearn of a great victory for the Lord won in a court case in Pennsylvania.

The newspaper headlines are as follows, "DEWEY FACTION WINS AGAIN IN CHURCH TUFF." Judge Leach, Reviewing Ecclesiastical Law, Holds Complaint Fails to Make

Charges Against Pastor Specific

Members of the Calvary Baptist Church of Taylor who are supporting their pastor, Rev. E. Carlton Dewey, in their legal battle to secure possession of the church property, won another round in their fight today when Presiding Judge Will Leach sustained their objections to the bill of the plaintiffs—

The following is a letter from the

Rev. Carlton Dewey to Dr. Strathearn under date of January 24th:

Taylor, Pa., Jan. 24, 1936.

"Dear Brother Strathearn:

"I know that you will be interested in the enclosed clipping. Thanks for the brief and findings from the Iowa case. I had already secured them from Rust. **We feel confident that the Lord is going to give us a**

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PRESIDENT COMMONS WRITES OF GREAT MISSION WORK

BETTY SCOTT STAM'S PRAYER

"She Loved not Her Life unto the Death, but Overcame by the Blood of the Lamb and the Word of Her Testimony"

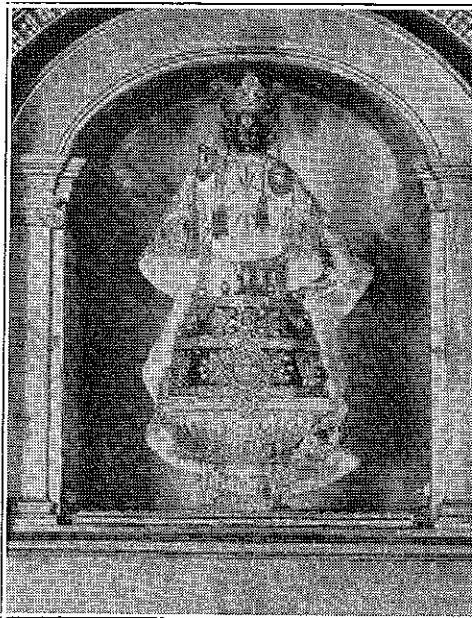
(Ed. Note: We had the privilege of meeting Betty Scott Stam only once, some years ago while in Seminary. Little did we realize at the time that in a few years she would suffer martyrdom in China for her Lord and Savior. The disciples prayer in Acts 4 should be ours these days, "And now, Lord, behold their threatenings; and grant unto Thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak Thy Word.")

"Open my eyes, that I may see
This one and that one needing
Thee,
Hearts that are dumb, unsatisfied,
Lives that are dead, for whom
Christ died

"Open my eyes in sympathy,
Clear into man's deep soul to
see;
Wise with Thy wisdom to discern,
And with Thy heart of love to
yearn.

"Open my eyes in faith, I pray;
Give me strength to speak today
Someone to bring, dear Lord, to
Thee;
Use me, O Lord, use even me"

(Poem found in home of the Stams, China Inland Mission, after their martyrdom, December 8, 1934.)



The Black Christ Child of Cebu

"Nothing but pagan heathenism
and idolatry"

THEY CALL IT "CRISIS" NOW

**But What Else Could It Be when the
"Inclusive Policy" Still Rules and
43.8% of Mission Funds
Go for Overhead?**

We received another communication from NBC headquarters recently. One enclosure on the first page had only one word, but what a word! By actual measurement 3 inches high! That word was CRISIS! (We haven't the space to give actual size)

Beneath the word was a rope with all
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Raw Paganism in Philippines Under Guise of Christianity

Already the Association of Baptists for Evangelism in the Orient Inc. has felt the wise and courageous leadership of its new President, Rev. Harold T. Commons.

President Commons has only recently arrived in Manila but he has accomplished a startling amount of work even in the short time since his landing.

The following letter received from him the middle of January will tell our readers something of "the powers of darkness" which missionaries must constantly face as they preach the Gospel. Pray for the work and for Mr. Commons as he travels to the different mission stations.

On board "S. S. Mayon,"
Philippine Inter-Island
Steamship Co.,
December 20, 1935

"Dear Brother Fuller:

"I am enclosing a picture of the famous 'Black Christ Child' which Magellan brought over from Spain in 1521, and which has been through fire, water, and plunder; and was lost for forty years, so they tell me, and then finally recovered by the Spaniards. It is now kept under lock and key in the Church of Saint Augustin in Cebu, and is only shown by the priests to visitors upon request

"It is black because the Span-
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"THE DANGER OF ONE TALENT"

REV. HUBERT REYNHOUT, Jr., Pastor of First Baptist Church, Ensley Center, Michigan

The parable of the talents as told by our Lord in Matthew 25, concerns a master—who is our Lord Himself, and three servants—who are indicative of humans under obligation to serve Him.

Many truths are derived from this parable. Look, however, at only this one: the temptation to those possessing only small capacities and little abilities with which to serve the Lord Jesus Christ, to bury those talents and not use them at all.

There were three servants mentioned; but only one "hid his Lord's money," and he the one with the smallest amount, one talent. Is there not often that spirit in those who believe their talents to be few or mean, to sit idle and neglect the gifts they do have?

Here is a church member: I can't preach or teach or sing or pray, or do this or that like others. I've so very little ability. There's no use in my doing anything for the Lord! So instead of using his talent of personal work or private prayer or missionary giving or joyful living, he utterly neglects The King's Business.

Or here is a small church: We are

only small, with no really talented members; we can't do much for the Lord. And many times they don't do the little they can do, in making Christ known in their small way, being too concerned with their helplessness.

Or here is the pastor of a small church: My church is so small, and her influence so confined. Now if I were here or there, or had this striking ability—! And he drags along, without effort or life, without a passion for the souls in his little sphere of labor.

But hear what the Lord says.

FIRST, He declares that these talents, abilities, capacities, whether many or few, are His Own. We are simply stewards of our Lord's talents, and are to do as He directs, to use them, one or many, all for His service.

SECONDLY, He labels that servant who will hide His Lord's talent as—**wicked**, because he disregarded his Lord's will and purpose; **slothful**, because he hid the talent and lazily sat with folded hands; **unprofitable**, for he not only was useless, but a hindrance as well. One talent car-

ries with it accountability, as well as five talents.

THIRDLY, There is a dreadful judgment meted out to those who bury their Lord's talents, loaf on their Lord's time, and would lay the blame for their uselessness on God. How much better to work hard with the abilities with which He has entrusted us!

Are we to say which talents are useful, are great—which are less useful, small? Are we to wish we could do this or that, and neglect doing what He has created us to do? Are we not rather, whether possessors of talents many or few, to use them for Him? We can say—we should say—whether we have five, two, or one talents: "They are Thine, Lord; enable me to use them entirely for Thee, rejoicing at such wonderful opportunity." And if we are among those who have only one talent, shall we not take special pains, and pray special consecration, that He, our Lovely Lord, is blessed with the whole of it? Since it is only one, and so little, all the more reason that He be glorified in all of it!

Read again I Corinthians 12

WHAT ARE THE LENGTHS TO WHICH THEY WILL GO?

Will Modernists Use "Gangster Methods" Before Long?

The following is a concrete illustration of the way in which Bible believers in all denominations are being slandered and persecuted when they oppose the falsehood and apostasy of a church "machine."

The quotation is taken from another denomination, but it could easily find its counterpart among Baptists.

"In the past few months not only the Pacific Northwest but other parts of the country seem to have been systematically flooded with utterly false rumors concerning Dr. B. Because these things should stop, the Christian public ought to be informed of them. Here are some (not all) of these rumors, each one absolutely untrue:

"Dr. B. is a Jew. (If he were he would not be ashamed of belonging

to the race of which our Lord came in the flesh.)

"Dr. B. paid \$600 for a D. D. degree from ——— College.

"There were four warrants out for Dr. B.'s arrest.

"Dr. B., in July, ran to Canada with \$1,000 belonging to the ——— Church of T.

"Dr. B.'s congregation took with it monies belonging to that church.

"Dr. B. is a drunkard.

"Dr. B.'s family can't get along with him.

"Dr. B. raised his own salary twice in the First Church of T. (Actually he insisted on a decrease of \$200 per month.)

"Dr. B. was 'sent' to T. for the express purpose of splitting the church.

"Dr. B. has been a member of

three different denominations and has caused trouble in all three.

All these, and others.

"What a terrible indictment—not of Dr. B., but of those who would, to serve any cause, circulate such untruths! Nor has Dr. B. been the only one subjected to such a campaign of character assassination by slander and innuendo.

"Blessed are ye when men shall revile you and persecute you, and you shall say all manner of evil against you, falsely, for my sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad; for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you."

We predict that the thin veneer of civilization will never serve to keep modernists from using the identical tactics employed by gangsters these

days. It may take time, but it will come, we fear. Cain, the brother of Abel, was but one generation removed from perfection enjoyed by Adam and Eve in the garden, and yet he killed his brother in cold blood—and the issue was a religious one.

The time is coming when the church ecclesiasts will do anything, go to any lengths "to get their man," the man who opposes their apostate program.

We recall a visit we had with that "grandest warrior of them all," Dr. I. M. Haldeman, 50 years pastor of the First Baptist Church, New York City. In his study one evening we were conversing together. During the course of the conversation he remarked:

"It was back in 1922 when the Interchurch World Movement was on. I opposed it with all my strength. Preached against it, wrote against it.

"Threats came to me from all quarters. They said, 'If you don't let this movement alone we will carry you out on a stretcher one of these days.'"

Brethren, the battle is on. Be sure you are on the right side. Then "fight the good fight of faith" with every ounce of strength God can give you. And though all of hell's legions be pitted against your every move, to "get you," they can't lay one finger on you with God as your Protector and Defender.

THEY CALL IT "CRISIS" NOW

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its strands breaking on the verge of parting asunder. Inside were pictures of what the missionaries have been doing as contrast, drawings of what may happen if funds are not forthcoming. A missionary home in decay—a hospital closed—a mission worker going on a long furlough.

The figures the NBC give are tragic. In 1923, 603 missionaries. Today—426. A drop in 12 years of 177. AND they tell us they may have to drop 70 more! What are they relying upon to help them? The back page furnishes the answer. Our old friend the "forward fund" (See art. "More Straws in the Wind") The F. F. has taken the place of prayer evidently; replaced the simple Gos-

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GIFTS! DONATIONS! NEEDED



REV. R. F. HAMILTON, B. A.
Secy.-Treas. G. A. R. B.
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Asst. Pastor of the Central
Baptist Church, Gary, Ind.

This is the first year that the Baptist Bulletin has been on a subscription basis; heretofore it has been furnished free. The subscription rate has been made so low that practically no one could refuse to subscribe because of the cost. Anyone familiar with publications knows, however, that a paper of the quality of the Baptist Bulletin cannot be wholly financed with such a low subscription rate. Carrying practically no advertising, it becomes necessary for Bible believing Baptists to supplement the income of the Baptist Bulletin by voluntary contributions. The last move we wish to make is to cut the quality of the paper in order to bring it within our present income, and we are confident that those who love the cause for which this paper stands will not want the publication committee to do so. Will you, therefore, who find it within your means to do so, send in your contributions as soon as possible to either the editor of the paper or to the associational treasurer;

R. F. Hamilton, specifying, "Special Contribution to the Baptist Bulletin?" Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this appeal. 2 Cor. 9:8.

YOU'LL BE INTERESTED

HOW EXTRAORDINARY!

Word comes from Rev. P. R. Halvosen in Kasson, Minn., that though they have a small membership of 80, last year they were enabled to give \$155 to Missions; coming to the annual meeting with all debts paid and \$70 in the treasury. They are planning special evangelistic meetings with Phil Ward through the month of June. Remember this work in prayer.

PRAISE GOD FOR THE FOLLOWING

A little country girl of fourteen came to us late the other afternoon with a letter from her principal saying she had learned 500 Bible verses, which entitled her to either a Bible or Camp, and asking us to discuss camp with her and help her decide. We showed her the Bible, also pictures of our last camp and told her many happy incidents of the days spent there. She stood thumbing the Bible and trying to decide. Finally she said, "I think I'll take the Bible," and then, almost in the same breath, "Won't you let me learn another 500 verses for camp—I do so want that Bible and yet I want to come to camp too." Just think—she wanted a Bible bad enough to memorize 1,000 verses. Of course, we readily granted her request.

The above is a sample of the great work that is being done in the rural day schools of the South, where thousands of children are being reached for God. Rev. G. A. Field, traveling secretary for the Southern Branch of the Shantyman's Christian Assn., has had not only an acceptable ministry in telling of God's miracle working power in the Southern day schools, but as a Bible teacher as well. His work is on a faith basis, and he can be secured by addressing G. A. Field, Deputation Secretary, 18403 Farmington Dr., Detroit, Mich.

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EDITORIALS

What Will YOU Do?

We are convinced that the "Bulletin" through the plain presentation of facts is rousing Baptists to the true conditions which exist in the denomination. We have definite proof for this in the many letters on file which we have received.

BUT there are hundreds and thousands of other Baptists that do not know and would like to know. What will YOU do? You who are reading this issue of the Bulletin, you who are a subscriber already? We're not mind readers. We can't sit down and cogitate until names come to our mind who would like to know the facts. YOU know many of those names however.

DO THIS. Sit down now—or as soon as possible—and send us a list of people whom you believe would be benefitted and enlightened by receiving the Bulletin. Some have done this already. And we thank you for it. As you send us names we would be glad for a few of them, or more, to be subscriptions.

WE MAKE NO APOLOGY for seeking contributions or donations to further this work. All bills are paid to date, but such a work cannot stand still. The time is short, life is uncertain, souls are in the balance and we have a commission from God Almighty to "PREACH THE WORD."

HOW DO YOU KNOW but your help at this time by sending us names or subscriptions or donations—or all three—would be the very means of waking up some Baptist church in the clutches of modernism, and start the fires of evangelism and revolt against ecclesiasticism in that community? We KNOW that such is beginning to happen all over the country. YOU may be the one to do just that. Pray—and then act.

LINES FROM GOD'S LINE OF OVERCOMERS

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

"The beginning of anxiety is the end of faith, and the beginning of true faith is the end of anxiety!"

—George Mueller

D. L. Moody made this plain statement: "You take the great doctrine of Substitution out of the preaching of Paul, Peter, John, James, Philip, and all other holy men, and you take out all that they preached. There does not seem to be one ray of hope for men that ignore the blessed subject of the Atonement." (Exod. 30:10, 15; Lev. 16:10; Rom. 5:11.)

"God does not comfort us to make us comfortable, but to make us comforters!"—Dr. Jowett.

D. L. Moody was asked if we would know each other in Heaven, and replied, "It is not likely that we will be more foolish in Heaven than on earth." We know each other here, therefore "we shall know as we are known" (1 Cor. 13:12)

ANOTHER VICTORY WON THIS TIME IN PENNA.

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complete victory here. If you are familiar with the bill of complaint as filed against the Fundamentalists in the Indiana, Pa., case you have also seen the ones that were filed against us for they were copied from them. At the present time we have been successful by the Lord's Grace in cutting the heart out of that document. Unless they can amend it to suit the Judge within fifteen days they will be out of court with no chance to file again.

"As you know it will be pretty difficult for them to file in compliance with the Judge's decision and be honest about it. They may lie about it just to get it into court but when they are proven liars it is going to look pretty bad for them. The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad.

In His Name,

(Signed) E. CARLTON DEWEY"

WE INTRODUCE -- Some of the State Vice Presidents of the G. A. R. B.



Rev. Earle G. Griffith
Johnson City, N. Y.
(Vice-Pres for Penn)

Is a graduate of Bethany College, Bethany, Ohio. Served as pastor of the Baptist Church of Toledo for 12 years and the Baptist Temple of Erie, Pa, for the past 3 years. He has just recently accepted the call of the Johnson City Baptist Church and Seminary in New York, taking up his duties there the latter part of December. He has been elected vice-president of the Seminary to work with Rev. Harold T. Commons, the president, who is also president of the Association of Baptists for Evangelism in the Orient.

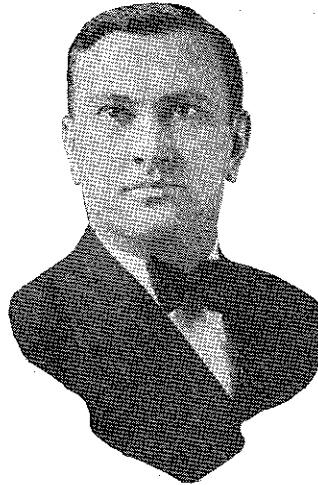
Rev. T. J. Gibson, pastor of the Verona Memorial Baptist Church, came to the Church in November, 1928, from Harlan, Iowa. A bit of the history of this Church is very interesting as it goes back before the Civil War days. On February 17, 1855, eight people with the Rev. Moses Rowley, met in a little log school house situated where the Dane county asylum buildings now stand, and organized the South Verona Baptist Church. This nucleus was soon enlarged by the addition of a small membership from the North Verona Church, which had been started in 1851.



Rev. T. J. Gibson
Verona, Wisc

The meeting place was later transferred to a school house on the site of the present graded school. Services were held once in two weeks and people came from 10 or 12 miles, sometimes on foot and often

with heavy lumber wagons drawn by oxen. In 1860 the first church edifice was erected on the present site, but not until 1883 were services held each Sunday.



Rev. A. G. Annette
Grundy Center, Iowa

I was a railroad fireman on the Erie Railroad at Marion, Ohio, when called of God into the Gospel ministry. Spent 2 years and 8 months at the Moody Bible Institute, and graduated from the Bible Music course, also a graduate of the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary. Entered Moody January, 1921, and in thirty days had a student-pastorate and have never lost a week in His service since that date. For six and one-half years pastor of the First Baptist Church, Plainfield, Illinois, and will finish sixth year as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Grundy Center, March 1st. God has used and blessed my ministry to others in Evangelistic and Bible Conference work and I feel I am just beginning to realize what a great Savior we have.

Mr. Fargo graduated from the Practical Training Bible School, Bible School Park, N. Y., with the class of 1919. Held student pastorates in the Griswald St. Mission of Binghamton, New York, and the Union Church of Lester, N. Y. From 1919 to 1929 has held pastorates in Genoa, N. Y., Crooked Creek, Charleston, and Covington, Pa. Great blessing also attended evangelistic meetings held in many places. In 1929 he was called to the pastorate of

Prattsburg and Italy Hill, N. Y.

He was a member of the B. B. U. from its beginning, and in November, 1925, invited the



Rev. R. A. Fargo
Prattsburg, N. Y.

churches of the Tioga Baptist Association to come to the Middlebury Church to form a local B. B. U. Many churches responded. As time went on churches in New York State wished to fellowship with us, so now there are churches in three counties. The Association is now known as Tioga-Steuben & Yates Association of Regular Baptist Churches.

Born in a log cabin in North Dakota in 1891. Born again in a homestead shack farther out on the wind-swept prairies. Moved to Grand Forks in 1909 where he came in contact with the Salvation Army in 1910. Attended their Training College in Chicago and was commissioned as an officer and held three appointments under them. Went to the Moody Bible Institute in 1914. Accepted by the American Sunday School Union in 1916. Worked in the Y. M. C. A. as physical director during the war. Ordained to the Baptist Ministry in 1918. Attended Northwestern Bible School, Minneapolis. Took his first pastorate in 1920 at Huntley, Minn., remained there 3 years, 8 months. Called to Detroit Lakes, Minn., where he was pastor for 6 years, 3 months, then went to Parkers Prairie, Minn. where he remained for 2 years and 4 months. Now pastor of the First Baptist Church, Austin, Minn., where he has been for nearly four years.



Rev. Leo Sandgren
Austin, Minn.

HERE'S THE ISSUE PLAIN AND CLEAR CUT THIS SHOULD HAVE BEEN DONE LONG AGO BY BAPTISTS

A group of Methodist laymen in Chicago recently mailed the following "Parable for Preachers" to several thousand ministers of their denomination:

- 1 Now it came to pass in those days that a church called a certain man to be its minister; and the church agreed to pay two thousand shekels in silver, a house, and a leave of absence each year.
- 2 And, lo! the man was glad to accept the call.
- 3 Now the minister prided himself on being very much up to date; and after a while he said to himself, This church is behind the times and it needeth the Social Gospel.
- 4 So instead of preaching Christ and Him crucified, he preached Old Age Insurance, Unemployment Relief, the Abolition of the Profit Motive, and Reduction of Armaments.
- 5 Moreover, he seemed more interested in Socialism than in Salvation.
- 6 And the hearts of the people were heavy, for they longed for the Old-Fashioned Gospel.
- 7 And, behold! they sent a delegation to the minister and asked him to preach something they did not read about six days out of seven.
- 8 And the minister was angry and said, I believe in the Freedom of the Pulpit. I know what you need much better than you know yourselves. I shall continue to preach the Social Gospel. If you do not like it, depart unto Gehenna.
- 9 And the hearts of the people were sore, but they held their peace.
- 10 Now the minister had purchased a farm in a far country, where the owner had starved to death, but there was a very fair set of buildings on the farm.
- 11 For the minister had said within himself, It may come to pass when I am old and well stricken in years that no church will desire me, and I shall stand all the day idle in the market place, so I will buy this farm as a place of refuge against that day.
- 12 And, behold! he and his family did spend their summer vacations there.
- 13 Now the buildings on the farm sorely needed paint, and the minister agreed with a local painter for two shekels a day to paint the buildings white.
- 14 And when the bill came in the minister did send his check to pay it.
- 15 And in due time the minister visited his farm, and, lo! instead of painting the buildings white the painter had painted them red.
- 16 And the minister was very wroth and he sent for the painter and said unto him,
- 17 Thou wicked and deceitful painter! Did I not agree with thee to paint my buildings white, and, lo! thou hast painted them red.
- 18 And the painter answered and said, Go to now! It is true thou didst order me to paint thy buildings white, but I believe in the **Freedom of the Painter**. Red is a much better color than white. Moreover, it seemeth to be a popular color at this time.
- 19 And suddenly there shined about the minister a light from heaven and he said, I do see my sin this day. Why should I rebuke this man for painting my buildings red when I commanded him to paint them white, when I am called to preach Christ and Him crucified and I preach the Social Gospel?
- 20 I will return to my people, and I will say to them, I know now what Jesus meant when He said, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God; for verily the only way unto a better world is through better men.

THEY CALL IT "CRISIS" NOW

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pel of Christ and salvation through His Blood.

The CIM (China Inland Mission) has never retrenched since its founding, sending out missionaries today more than ever. An Independent Board in one denomination formed as a protest against "modernism" and the "inclusive policy" has sent out 13 new missionaries in the past two years! What's wrong? Wherein lies the reason for such tragedy in the NBC? One word of 10 letters sums it all up. You know what it is. You ought to know. C-o-m-p-r-o-m-i-s-e.

It doesn't pay to pussyfoot (compromise). Start it and your toboggan slide will start. Our hearts ache for many of the missionaries on the field under the NBC. They're sound in the faith, but that which they're under is corrupted with the leaven of the Saducees and Herod, modernism and communism.

Pray for these who face dwindling salaries, returning on extended furloughs. Many when they sailed for heathen lands the first time, went out under a sound board and denomination. Today, those at home in charge of funds and plans have "crucified their Lord afresh and put Him to an open shame." They will deny this if you face them with it, but they can't do anything else if they would save their face. And "saving one's face" is more important than making a clean breast of things,—it seems.

SPURGEON ON HOLY SPIRIT POWER

"If we do not have the Spirit of God, it were better to shut the churches, to nail up the doors, to put a black cross on them, and say, 'God have mercy on us!' If you ministers have not the Spirit of God, you had better not preach, and you people had better stay at home. I think I speak not too strongly when I say that a church in the land without the Spirit of God is rather a curse than a blessing. If you have not the Spirit of God, Christian worker, remember that you stand in somebody else's way; you are as a tree bearing no

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LETTERS of INFORMATION - WARNING - ENCOURAGEMENT

WE'RE IN THE "CLASS"? OF THE POLICE GAZETTE!

Dear Rev. Fuller:

For some time I have threatened to write you concerning your paper the Baptist Bulletin. It was not until I received your February issue that I would get this thing off my mind. I most heartily agree with the writer from Hackensack, N. J.

I have been convinced that if you would use your time and paper to teach the Word instead of fighting the convention that it would be more to the glory of God.

Please understand I am a FUNDAMENTALIST, my membership being in a Fundamental Church. I fail to see the necessity to fight, the fight is over, the convention is licked, what we need as Christians to do is to teach the Word. It most certainly has the Power to change Hearts and Lives even though they be the Hearts and Lives of persons belonging to Baptists who retain their membership in Convention Churches.

I recently had lunch with a missionary and a Bible teacher of no little note. The conversation drifted around to your work and The Baptist Bulletin, and one of these persons exclaimed that your paper reminded them of the Police Gazette. Now, please understand we were all agreed as to the position we as Independents should take, but we were also agreed that the methods of the Bulletin are not popular as well as proper. Please take this letter in the spirit it is written; I am only writing what I sincerely believe and what I know many other Christians believe. Use your paper to teach us who need your teaching so that we may teach others.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Kenneth Brown,
1213 East 20th Street.
Erie, Pa.

IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO KEEP SILENT

Dear Mr. Brown:

The letter which you said you had threatened to write for some time, has been received. We appreciate

your interest, though it seems to be quite negative.

You mention that it would be the best course to pursue in the Bulletin of teaching the Word, instead of fighting the Convention.

We are seeking to proclaim the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and at the same time publish facts which have been kept under cover too long already. May I say here and now the prevailing sin among Christians throughout the country today is that of getting filled with all the Bible teaching they can hold — stuffed Christians as it were, bickering and wrangling over minor details such as the chronological events of the Tribulation and the Millennium, and letting the world go merrily on toward hell for all they care. It is time that sleek and well fed Christians wake up to the facts staring them in the face, and instead of sitting still and doing nothing but squabbling among themselves, get out and reach out as far as possible to win lost souls to Christ.

I have no quarrel with sound Biblical teaching, nor sound Conferences, but I do have a legitimate quarrel with this particular type that I have mentioned.

To hear about the missionary and the Bible teacher with whom you had lunch recently, and over the tea-table proceeded to dissect the Bulletin and its editor, was quite interesting. I think perhaps both missionary and Bible teacher need to get out and do a little more soul saving, and by doing that they would have less time for picking other Christian to pieces and other periodicals.

You mention in your letter, "I fail to see the necessity to fight, the fight is over, the Convention is licked." Evidently you have never taken the time to acquaint yourself with the facts. I firmly believe that the Convention is "on the way out" but at present the Modernists are riding high and mighty in the saddle, and it is every Christian's duty to be aware of the danger. The sad part is that there are hundreds and thousands blinded either willfully or unwittingly by the smoke-screen of the Machine.

It is high time that born again Bible believing Baptists find out for

themselves what the issues and principles are which are at stake these days, and then stand for them without compromise. When we do this we will be accomplishing something by the grace of God instead of disgracing the name of Christian.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) David Otis Fuller.

COMMENTS PRO AND CON

"I am a 'Bible Believing Baptist' but I cannot endorse the spirit revealed in many of the articles you publish in the 'Baptist Bulletin.' I do not care to have it come to my home, please do not send me any more

Clayton Demarest,
Hackensack, N. J.

My Dear Brother Fuller:

I am receiving the Baptist Bulletin, and thank you very much for remembering me. I enjoy reading its pages. I rejoice in your faithful testimony for the Truth, but my heart is sad as I realize how serious is the departure from the Truth on the part of the N. B. C.

I am a Bible Believing Baptist with my whole heart, but have hesitated thus far to break with my brethren in the State Convention, the majority of whom are true to the Word; but the official utterances and platform of the N. B. C. give such evidence of a radical departure from the Truth, that I have felt of late the impossibility of continuing in fellowship with them.

As I know my own heart, I desire to follow my Lord in loyalty to His Word. I am praying for the General Association of Baptists, and for guidance as to the Lord's will in my case. May God richly bless you in your work. I enclose a subscription in stamps for the "Bulletin."

Sincerely yours in the Faith,

Wm. E. Rix,
Vevay, Ind.

The Baptist Bulletin:

I enclose the price of a subscription for your paper. I have had a copy of the "Bulletin" handed me, and am in perfect accord with its purpose.

I am pastor of a little flock in the

country, and am teaching them to love the Word of God, and His blessing attends our ministry. For years I have watched the trend of the N. B. C. and have wondered how much longer such men as Dr. Riley would stay in with them. May the Lord help him and others to cut loose from that "political gang" and come clear out. I am the only Baptist minister of Eastern Connecticut known to me that takes this position. The days of the martyrs can come again. God help us to stand.

Sincerely yours for the furtherance of the Gospel.

Charles F. Eldredge,
Connecticut

Dear Dr. Fuller:

The Bulletin is filling a need of the first magnitude. It should have support from all the Churches and pastors. I believe that its columns will accomplish more than any other single effort that we can make. You are doing a good job of editing and publishing.

On a recent Sunday evening I had the joy of baptizing twelve young people in the Brooklyn Heights Church. Others are interested. We have cause for thanksgiving and rejoicing.

—California

SPURGEON ON HOLY SPIRIT POWER

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fruit standing where another fruitful tree might grow. This is a solemn work; the Holy Spirit or nothing, and worse than nothing. Death and condemnation to a church that is not yearning after the Spirit, and crying and groaning until the Spirit has wrought mightily in her midst. He is here; He has never gone back since He descended at Pentecost. He is grieved and vexed, for He is peculiarly jealous and sensitive, and the one sin never forgiven has to do with His blessed person; therefore let us be very tender toward Him, walk humbly before Him, wait on Him very earnestly, and resolve that there should be nothing knowingly continued which should prevent Him dwelling in us, and being with us henceforth and forever. Brethren, peace be unto you and your spirit!"

—Charles H. Spurgeon.

THE DEVIL'S GAME TODAY

Are YOU Helping Him to Play It?

By Franklin G. Huling, M. A.

ANSWERS TO EXCUSES OFFERED FOR SUPPORTING THE DEVIL'S GAME

(Continued from February issue)

7. "The time is not ripe for taking such a step." In this age, of which Satan is the "God" (II Cor. 4:4), it never seems to be the time to obey God. The unsaved think it is not time to accept Christ, and the saved think, too many times, that it is not time to obey Christ. But the time to obey God is the minute you know what the will of the Lord is. The fact of the matter is, that those who sincerely love God's Word, would have no difficulty seeing clearly and instantly, the consistency and necessity of withdrawing all support from Modernism, if it were not for one thing, namely, the cost of taking that step. Yes, it will cost. It always costs to do the will of God. But remember, "THE COST OF DOING GOD'S WILL NEVER EQUALS THE COST OF NOT DOING IT." Which cost do you prefer to pay, the cost of obedience or the cost of disobedience? Satan tempts us to think that the latter is cheaper, but we know "He is a liar." (John 8:44)

When seeking to ascertain the will of God, it is never safe to consider consequences. They will blind your eyes so that you cannot discern the will of God. You are not responsible for consequences. "Do your duty and leave the rest to Providence." And what is our duty but to obey God? When we do that we can leave all the consequences with Him.

In the Word of God we read of "Men that have hazarded their lives for the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Acts 15:26). Has that race died out? Have we come upon times when men will not even hazard their jobs for the Lord Jesus Christ? God forbid, but it seems to be the case, except in rare instances. Had we not better starve than sell our souls to Modernism for a chance to be in "one of the priests' offices," that we "may eat a piece of bread?" (I Sam 2:36)

"A Man Must Live!"

"A man must live!" did you say?

Ah, no!

Does God's Word or history teach us so?

Have not all through the ages men laid down

Their lives for right and received a crown?

Is life more precious than being true, And doing what duty demands that you do?

When life at such a cost we buy, We pay a price that's far too high! Are we made of such soft and flabby stuff,

That we throw up our hands, and say, "I've had enough Of this battle, and think it is time to quit,

Else I'm likely to get the worst of it?"

Christ gave up His life that men might live,

Then, for His dear sake, let us freely give

Our ease, our money, our friends, yea life,

Till He come from Heaven and end the strife.

—F. G. H.

We have too many "safety first" Christians today. They are waiting until it is "safe" to obey God! It never will be till Jesus comes. He is seeking for those who will obey Him when it is not safe, from an earthly standpoint. Great will be their reward. The last words of the Marquis of Argyle, a martyr of the Scotch Covenanters, were: "These times are likely to be very sinning or suffering times; and let them make their choice. There is a sad dilemma in this business, sin or suffer and surely, he that will choose the better part will choose to suffer." When God's people are willing to suffer, they will easily discern the will of God.

One of the greatest evils of our time is the unequal yoking together of believers with unbelievers in supporting Modernism. It is tragically true that thousands who love God's Word, are being used to support Modernism,—grinding corn for the Philistines! Many laymen are doing this ignorantly, because their unfaithful shepherds do not dare to tell them what they are doing and urge them to stop it. To such shepherds, the Word of God says: "Thus saith the

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A CHRISTIAN GOES TO COLLEGE

Part 5

By Phil Saint



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Lord God; Behold, I am against the shepherds; and I will require My flock at their hand" (Ezekiel 34:10) In time of war, those who aid and abet the enemy are called traitors and are courtmartialled. This is a time of war, and God does not excuse cowards and slackers "because we are not all built alike." It is true that all will not obey God, and cease supporting Modernism, but that does not excuse anyone from his individual responsibility.

How Can the Devil's Game Be Stopped?

By giving only to independent Missionary Societies which are absolutely untainted with Modernism. There are many such, praise God, and they urgently need, and richly deserve your liberal and prayerful support. We must not let the devil fool us and make us think that because of the corruption of the denominational missionary societies, we are therefore excused from the obligation of missionary giving. Our Lord Jesus said, "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest" (John 4:35.) "The time is short." (I Cor 7:29) "Redeeming the time, because the days are evil." (Eph 5:16)

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PRES. COMMONS WRITES OF GREAT MISSION WORK

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ish wanted to make the Filipinos feel that Christ was one of them, and also because Asiatics and colored races in general have felt that the devil was white, and that white people were evil.

"Catholicism in these islands is more idolatrous, if possible, than in the States. In ignorance and blindness the people are bowing down and praying to sticks and stones, relics and images. In the central plaza of Cebu, which I visited today, and which is the place where Magellan first landed in the islands, there stands a tall cross which is supposed to be Magellan's. All around this cross there is a litter of half-burned candles, and people are continually kneeling on the ground in front of

that cross, muttering their 'Ave Marias,' telling their beads, and burning candles galore, which are sold to them on the spot. And no ordinary candle will do. They must be candles which are made by the church and blessed by the priest. It is not only the grossest form of idolatry, but also a 'racket' from start to finish. The system of candles being sold in every church is the exact modern counterpart of the money changers of Christ's day conducting a 'racket' in the sale of the animals and doves for the sacrifices, and compelling the people to buy them. Would that our Lord might scourge out these modern religious racketeers, and remove the veil of blindness from these poor bound souls, releasing them into 'the glorious light and liberty of the children of God.'

"Romanism in these islands is nothing but pagan heathenism and idolatry. If space permitted I would like to tell you of some of the other heathen practices such as the 'flagellantes' or those who on certain feast days scourge themselves until their backs are lacerated and the blood flows freely, all in a vain attempt to purify themselves and atone for their own sins.

"Or I might tell you of the iniquitous system of masses for the dead, and the farming out of these masses by the bishops or priests, at a handsome profit to themselves, while the people are bled of their money, and the souls of the dead are most certainly not benefitted.

"These and other superstitions of Romanism clothed in an outward garb and name of Christianity render our work here more difficult than that in purely pagan territory; but oh how much the real message of salvation by grace through faith in the finished work of Christ is needed in the midst of this darkness! Pray for

these islands, and call upon Bible-believing Christians everywhere to remember the Philippines before God in these crucial days of the birth of a new nation. Especially may volumes of prayer be going up continually for our missionaries and native workers, that hundreds of souls may be saved and thoroughly instructed in the Word of God through their ministry.

"With continued prayer for the work of your church and for the ministry of the 'Bulletin' believe me

Yours in the bonds of the Gospel,
(Signed) Harold T. Commons"

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