

Some Information As To Rising Cost Of Publications

Since 1939, four-fifths of the "big" periodicals in America — 28 out of 35 — have increased their prices, some of them more than once, on account of enlarged publishing costs, which have mounted to from 65 per cent to 100 per cent above 1939 levels.

Here are some examples:

	1939	1947
Good Housekeeping	25c	35c
House and Garden	35	50
Ladies' Home Journal	10	25
McCall's	10	25
Woman's Home Com.	10	25
Life	10	15
Saturday Evening Post	5	15
Collier's	5	10
Time	15	20
Newsweek	10	20

In order that none of our readers will suffer, and so that we shall have as wide a circulation as possible for the spreading of the truth, we have endeavored to hold to our present subscription price, 50 cents per year. We need your help, however — your prayer, and a bit of salesmanship on your part to make THE BAPTIST EXAMINER known.

Please tell others about this paper. We can only continue this at this price as our friends support with their offerings and gifts.

The Baptist Examiner

"To the law and to the testimony; if they speak not according to this word it is because there is no light in them."—Isaiah 8:20

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The Rankest Of Rank Modernism Delivered By Andover-Newton Professor In Gay Lectures Before Students And Faculty At Louisville Seminary

"Pillars of Faith" is the title of the book containing the Gay Lectures delivered by Nels F. S. Ferre (professor of Christian Theology of Andover Newton Theological School) to the students and faculty of the Louisville Seminary.

The title—the best part of the book by far—surely belies its contents. It would have been far better to have named it "Harmful Heresies" or "Theological Tommyrot" or "Ferre's Fanciful Flights" or "Unscriptural Vagaries."

When I finished reading it, I turned to my wife and said, "That's the most dangerous book I ever read." Its modernism, its infidelity, and utter disregard for God's Word make it a book of anti-Scriptural poison. In all its 128 pages there is

only one verse of Scripture quoted (P. 85—II Pet. 1, 20), and even then, this verse was taken out of its setting and misapplied. However, that made no difference as Mr. Ferre's audience didn't know the Bible, and certainly don't care for, nor love it, else they would never have tolerated his heretical ministry.

The lectures were most dangerous in view of a few good statements which were interwoven with the heresy of Mr. Ferre. As an example he says:

"To rebuild the church and the world, we must rebuild the family altar . . . as a nation we are facing spiritual illiteracy, and perhaps moral bankruptcy." (P. 115).

Such utterances as these trap the unwary and beguile the simple. However, such statements are few and far between as the

most of these lectures were rankly modernistic.

Mr. Ferre speaks of the NEW BIRTH yet he does not mean, by it what the Bible loving Christian means by the term. When he explains his meaning of the term, he says:

And why, if God made us in the first place, should we be born again. Everyone who is born is in some sense, of course, born of God. God made all people. To deny that man as he is, is born of God is to deny that God is creator of all there is. . . . In some sense every ragweed and every rabbit is born of God." (P. 38).

This is but a sample of Mr. Ferre's many heresies. Here are some more of his utterances:

He declared that the Bible was NOT INSPIRED.

"There are those who know that the age for inspiration is still open." (P. 48).

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The Seminary Plays The Harlot Once More

A conference on evangelism, attended by 52 representatives from 45 theological seminaries from the United States and Canada, was held in Louisville, Ky., January 8, 9. This was the first time the teachers of evangelism in the seminaries and Bible training schools had ever come together to discuss and consider their work. This group met the first day in the Presbyterian Theological Seminary and on the second day at the Southern Seminary under facilities provided by the president, Dr. Ellis A. Fuller. There are over 150 seminaries and Bible training schools in the United States and Canada, and this was a fair representation. The conference was arranged by Dr. Jesse M. Bader, department of evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches.—The Watchman-Examiner, January 29, 1948.

Here's another news item which proves the untrustworthiness of the Seminary. Judas Iscariot and Benedict Arnold were gentlemen in comparison. No greater traitor to the Truth has ever been foisted upon Baptists at large than the Louisville preacher factory.

Instead of teaching young Baptist preachers the truth about unionism, they silently condone and tacitly encourage unionism by their example.

Our Lord's churches (true Baptist Churches) should be chaste. "I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ." II Cor. 11:2.

All false churches are truly likened to fallen women. The (Continued on page four)

How Some Of Our Friends Appreciate And Enjoy The Message Of This Paper

"Enclosed please find one dollar for BAPTIST EXAMINER. I enjoy it very much and receive much help from it."

Mrs. Pearl Stephens
South Portsmouth, Ky.

"I would just like to say again that THE BAPTIST EXAMINER coming to the homes of the Seventh Street Baptist Church is a great help to the building up of our people. I know many good, sound New Testament preachers, but personally I believe you are doing more to 'hold the line for truth' than any man I know of. Hardly a Sunday passes but what someone holds you up to God in prayer in our worship services."

Jacob Seibert
Cannelton, Indiana

"I like the way THE BAPTIST EXAMINER stands up for the truth and I am truly glad that we still have a few

preachers who believe in the faith of our Fathers and are not afraid to attack this damnable thing called 'Modernism' that is leading so many of our people astray."

Cecil W. McComas
Clendenin, W. Va.

"Your paper is to me as an expression I saw in the last issue: 'An oasis in the desert, and as a breath of fresh air in the fetid jungle. They encourage faltering spirits and strengthen trembling knees.'"

I. T. Gibson
Owenton, Ky.

"We enjoy THE BAPTIST EXAMINER very much and we pray for you and your wonderful work. Please keep THE BAPTIST EXAMINER coming to us."

Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Jones
Grand Rapids, Michigan

A GIFT FROM A NOBLE KENTUCKY PASTOR WHO IS SICK OF HIERARCHY

Dear Brother Gilpin:

Enclosed you will find check for \$50.00. I wish I could make it one hundred. Please apply this toward the expense of the Linotype mats. Perhaps we can do more later. My wife and I enjoy your paper very much. I have often thanked God that when it pleased Him, to remove from this earth Boyce Taylor that he gave to you the grace and ability to put in print the great truths of God's Word that our denominational leaders are dodging that the greatness of man may be built up instead of the greatness of God.

For example, a church in my knowledge has literally been torn to pieces by the board of deacons trying to take the leadership in their own hands instead of submitting to the leadership of the Spirit. I asked one of the deacons to permit me to bring my Bible and for them (Continued on page four)

An Apology To C. Oscar Johnson As To His Dancing As Reported In Fairview Spotlight

Of recent date, we carried an article from the Fairview Spotlight (Ashland, Ky.), which made mention of C. Oscar Johnson's dancing on the ship when he returned from the World's Baptist Alliance.

Bro. Johnson writes saying that this is untrue. Checking back to the source of the article I find that Bro. Johnson is right and that the information about him is fallacious and untrue. The brother who was misquoted says that the preacher who was dancing was Harold Phillips, who is pastor of one of the large Baptist churches in Cleveland, Ohio.

I am most happy to retract this article and hereby offer my most sincere apologies to Bro. Johnson for having injured him without cause. It is a policy of this paper to hit hard, but fair. While the article in question was copied from another paper, and was

verified to me by the editor (he in turn had been told it was true), since we now find this to be a mistake, we take pleasure in both retracting and apologizing to Bro. Johnson.

Ordinarily it is our policy to write the person in question before making any public charges. I did not write Bro. Johnson since the article was verified to me and furthermore, I WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN SURPRISED IF THIS WERE TRUE.

In this respect, let it be noted that Bro. Johnson has done far worse things than dance. His dancing does not bring Baptists into near so much disrepute as other compromises he has made. In view of these many compromises, he's just the type preacher whom I would expect to be guilty of dancing or most any other indiscretion.

He has played kite-tail with (Continued on page four)

A STRANGE CHURCH

At Pine Mountain, Georgia, according to Revelation, a church has been named for Franklin D. Roosevelt. In it Baptists, Methodists, Disciples, Presbyterians, Nazarinians, Episcopalians, Primitive Baptists, Seventh-Day Adventists, Mormons, Assembly of God and other worshippers meet together with never a hint of discord over tenet, creed or belief. The church was built during the war with government funds in connection with a project.

These people may be able to sit together in the same building, but there can be no Christian fellowship over the precious doctrines of the faith once delivered to the saints. How can there be agreement when the Mormons accept the book of (Continued on page four)

The First Baptist Pulpit

"GOD'S SAINTS"

"Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes our brother, Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be SAINTS, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both their's and our's." — I Cor. 1:1, 2.

There are at least two definite false ideas in the world as to saints. There is the Catholic idea as to saints, which is definitely and positively a perversion of

God's Book. I had a Catholic priest tell me once that a saint was that individual who had lived on earth such an exemplary life, and when he died it was found that he had more good deeds than were necessary for his salvation, and that accordingly, all those surplus deeds that he did not need, were put into a common pool so that other poor souls who had been less fortunate in life than himself, might draw upon that common pool for their salvation. The church then calls him a "saint."

Just about on the same plain of equality, is the idea of the Holiness folk concerning a saint, for they say that a saint is one who has been saved and who at a later date, comes back to an altar of prayer and prays thru to the extent that all of his carnality and all of his depravity and all of his old nature is taken away so that the individual cannot sin, and since he cannot sin, he, therefore, becomes a saint.

Beloved, I cannot conceive of any individual in his right mind (Continued on page two)

WHAT!—NO SANTA?

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — G. I.'s of the Fifteenth Air Force cancelled their Christmas party for orphans after the superintendent of the home told them their youngsters did not believe in Santa Claus.

A 275-pound sergeant had planned to pose as Santa Claus, arriving by plane "from the North Pole," and lead a mass parade to the Non-Commissioned Officers' Club.

Mr. Walden, the superintendent, said in explanation: "We have taught the youngsters to believe in the truly religious form of Christmas rather than the commercialized Santa Claus version."

Our hats are off to this head of an orphan's home. He speaks our language. — Good News Broadcaster.

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HOW SOME PAPERS ARE SUPPORTED BY PRIVATE SUBSIDY

The Arkansas Baptist, convention paper for Arkansas, published in a recent issue, that there is taken from the Convention treasury, the large sum of EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$8,000.00) a year to keep the paper going. This shows the paper could not live if its dependence was on its subscriptions.

The Temple Trumpet, Little Rock, an excellent paper, has stated that it has received donations from the church and individuals to enable it to keep going and besides, it published advertisements. Otherwise, it could not have continued, the good paper it is.

The American Baptist has a large amount of advertising—one issue more than half the pages in advertisement—had to have the advertisements to pay the printer.

Frank Norris announced in a recent issue of the Fundamentalist, that this paper receives TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS A YEAR (\$20,000.00) from the Detroit Church and the First Baptist Church, Fort Worth, to enable it to live, and besides this, the paper is nearly half advertising.

THE ORTHODOX BAPTIST SEARCHLIGHT does not get any help from anybody on the side or any way and does NOT TAKE A LINE OF PAID ADVERTISING and depends entirely on its subscriptions for support and it keeps going in the good work.—Orthodox Baptist Searchlight.

Brother Bogard ought not have made this statement. When the editor was in his home in March, 1940, and preached for him in his church, he told me that his paper was supported by contributions of friends as well as subscribers. Anyhow, it's a good paper and deserves support. Its readers ought not only keep their subscriptions paid up—they ought to contribute toward the expense of publishing it.

Let me tell you about THE BAPTIST EXAMINER. It has no paid advertisements. It has no private subsidy. While some churches send contributions occasionally, no church supports it as stated concerning the papers listed above.

However, we do have lots of friends who believe in the Truth this paper stands for and who contribute liberally toward its support. Thank God for every one of them.

Anyone who stops to think, knows that our subscription price of 50c per year won't anything like support the paper. The editor for the past three years has worked better than 40 hours each week in the shop, without salary, in order to send out its message of Truth.

How long has it been since you sent an offering for the work of the paper? Or did you ever do so? I know you have intended doing so; therefore, why not today?

Let me tell you that we need your support NOW. Send us a fine list of new "subs" today and sometime this month send a contribution—even a dollar will be greatly appreciated. Let me urge all our readers who believe in the work of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER to give us a greenback shower by March 1. It will greatly ease your editor's peace of mind and your financial assistance will be deeply appreciated.

"It has been my desire for sometime to express my appreciation as a believer in my Sav-

I Should Like To Know....

Q. Is it scriptural for a preacher to baptize a new convert without church authority?

A. Certainly not. The Commission was given to the First Church, and not to the apostles as such; it is as unscriptural to baptize without church authority as it is to observe the Lord's Supper without church authority. The reason Baptists do not invite others to the Lord's Supper is because others have no New Testament baptism.

Q. Is there anything a church member can do that would justify exclusion without sending a committee to wait on him?

A. There are six things mentioned in the New Testament for which the offender ought to be excluded at the first business meeting of the church: fornication, covetousness, idolatry, railing, drunkenness, extortion. I Cor. 5:11.

Q. Why was the Sabbath day

changed to Sunday?

A. It wasn't. Saturday was the Sabbath. The first day of the week is the Lord's Day, not the Sabbath. The Sabbath was nailed to the cross and done away with when all the other feast days of the Jews were done away. Hosea 2:11; Col. 2:14-17.

Q. Can a church of Jesus Christ authorize one of its deacons to baptize a convert into its fellowship?

A. A church cannot make valid by vote what the Bible doesn't authorize.

Q. Were there regularly ordained deaconesses in the churches in New Testament days?

A. No. There were no deaconesses in New Testament churches. That is one of the modern inventions some of the weak Baptists have borrowed from the heretics.

"SAINTS"

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being able to believe in any wise that the position of the Catholics and the position of the Holiness in this respect, is in any sense at all Scriptural.

I
LET ME TELL YOU IN THE VERY FIRST PLACE HOW YOU CAN BECOME A SAINT. No individual is naturally a saint. In fact, beloved, we are all born with a depraved nature, and because of that depraved nature, it is necessary that we be born again to get into the family of God. Listen:

"Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." — John 3:3.

This verse would tell us that a man has to have an experience with God in order to get into His family — in order to be a part of His kingdom — in order to be one of His saints. I repeat, beloved, that no man naturally is a saint of God.

"In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them." — 2 Cor. 4:4.

Here's a verse that tells us that the Devil has blinded every one of Adam's fallen descendants — blinded us to the extent that we cannot see nor understand the Gospel until the Lord removes that spiritual deathcap from our eyes and thereby enables us to believe and become a part of His family.

In the light of these two verses and many others which we might read, I insist that no man is naturally born a saint. Since it is necessary that we be born again to get into God's family, then of necessity no man naturally was born a saint of God.

In fact, beloved, in order to attain unto sainthood here in this life, many grope about in

our and Redeemer, the Lord Jesus Christ, for the Christian privilege that is mine in receiving THE BAPTIST EXAMINER each week. Truly I feel THE BAPTIST EXAMINER to be the very best Christian periodical that is published today of all the very good ones I receive. It is true to the Word of God and holds forth the Word as it is in Christ Jesus and inspired by the Holy Spirit."

J. H. Kain

West Cape May, N. J.

to them that believe on his name." — John 1:12.

"Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes our brother, Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, CALLED TO BE SAINTS, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both their's and our's." — I Cor. 1:1, 2.

Beloved, tonight do you want to know how to become a saint? I say that it isn't by natural birth; it isn't by anything that we do; it isn't in any way that we grope about in the darkness; it isn't by prayer, as the Holiness teach; it isn't as the Catholics teach, by an over-abundance of good deeds; but rather, if a man is to be a saint of God, he has to be called of the Holy Spirit, washed in the blood of the Lamb, and redeemed by the grace of God. No man will ever be a saint who comes in any way other than by the blood.

II

NOTICE THE SINS OF THE SAINTS. When God saves a man, He gives him a new nature. Listen:

"Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be PARTAKERS OF THE DIVINE NATURE, having es-

caped the corruption that is the world through lust." — Peter 1:4.

The day the Lord saved you partook of something which you had never before partaken. You had never known what it was to have the nature of God actively operating within you before, but the day the Lord saved you, you were made a partaker of Divine nature. This meant that that very day there were two natures operating within you.

Paul tells us how these two natures operate, for he gives us his own experience. Listen:

"For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that I do not; but what I hate, that I do. If then I do that which would not, I consent unto the law that it is good. Now this it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me." Romans 7:15-17.

Paul tells us that the two things he wants to do, he does not do; and the things that he doesn't want to do, they are the things he does do; and the things that he hates are the things that dominate his life thereby declaring that he has two natures — one nature that desires to do the things of God and to serve Him according to God's will; the other nature the nature of the flesh, desiring to do the things of the flesh. (Continued on page three)

EXCHANGE - FOR WHAT!

You say,
Give up my CHRIST who died for me,
Who saved my soul and made me free,
A member of His Family—
Give up my CHRIST — for WHAT!

Give up the BOOK that shows God's face,
His matchless love and marvelous grace;
His plan to save a fallen race —
Give up the BOOK — for WHAT!

WHAT do you offer in exchange:
For ANSWERED PRAYER in Jesus' Name;
For CHRIST who hath the power to save,
And give us life beyond the grave;
For HOPE of meeting loved ones There;
For Peace of soul, and joy so rare;
For BOOK that shows the way to Heaven;
For CHURCH where fellowship is given—
WHAT can you exchange — for THAT!

Exchange my CHRIST: for cocktail, gin;
Two bleary eyes and silly grin;
For fun that crackles as of tin—
Exchange my CHRIST — for THAT!

Exchange my HOPE: for social gain
Which crumbles with its tarnished name;
For gold which vanishes like rain —
Exchange my HOPE — for THAT!

Exchange my PEACE who lives with me:
For vanity, unholy glee;
For sleepless nights of misery—
Exchange my PEACE — for THAT!

Exchange the BOOK that shows the way
To God, Himself, and Sinless Day;
For one that leads us far astray —
Exchange the BOOK — for THAT!

You say, "Phooey, there is no God,
We simply die as does a dog;
And then decay just like a log, we're done—"
Should I exchange — for THAT!

Oh, please, do listen — IT IS TRUE;
There is a God who cared for you
Enough, to send His Son from Heaven,
To die, that you might be forgiven;
That one day, you'll before Him stand
Blood-washed, and in Immanuel's Land,
Triumphant in God's grace alone,
You'll sing of Him around the Throne:
"Hallelujah, 'tis done, I believe on the Son,
I'm saved by the blood of the Crucified One!"
—Florence Dolby Wolfe