



**WINS AWARD**—Winner of the annual Front Page Award of the New York Newspaper Women's club, Sylvia Porter, whose column, "Your Money's Worth" is distributed to more than 300 newspapers, including the Mail Tribune, by the Hall Syndicate, receives the citation from Kitty Hanson, club president. Miss Porter was honored in the "criticism or column in any field" category for her column of May 29, 1962, "Behind Monday's Historic Stock Break."

### Tanganyika Bars Louisiana Senator

Dar-es-Salaam, Tanganyika (UPI)—Tanganyika Tuesday became the second African nation to bar Sen. Allen J. Ellender of Louisiana from its territory because of a statement considered derogatory to Africans.

The Tanganyika government announced that Ellender, 72, would be asked to leave.

Uganda barred the Democrat Monday although it was not known whether he had planned to visit that newly independent nation on his current tour of Africa.

### CHARGE FILED

La Grande (UPI)—A charge of manslaughter has been filed against Dennis Ray Williams, 19, North Powder, in connection with the fatal shooting last Friday of Rickey D. Henderson, 19, also North Powder.

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### Selma Section of Highway Planned

Salem (UPI)—The State Highway Commission has announced plans to rebuild the Hegan creek to Selma section of the Redwood Highway south of Selma in Josephine county.

The proposed construction will eliminate a long, curving section of the highway, and a new bridge with a 30-foot road-way will replace the existing narrow span over Deer creek.

Length of the proposed construction is 1.37 miles. The highway would be built to modern standards and would have 12-foot travel lanes with 10-foot shoulders. The relocated section would be to the east of the existing highway, the department said.

A map showing the proposed project has been presented to the Josephine County Court. Persons wishing to express opinions for consideration in the final plans may request a hearing before representatives of the commission by contacting the Josephine County Court, the commission announced.

## Diversities, Relationships Of Church Groups Studied

Eugene—A deep theological gulf exists between members of the Baptist and Methodist clergy in Oregon, and this difference of opinion is reflected in the ministers' attitudes on political questions. These findings have resulted from a research survey conducted early this fall by Dr. G. Benton Johnson, associate professor of sociology at the University of Oregon.

Questionnaires were sent to all Baptist clergymen in Oregon affiliated with the Conservative, Southern, American, Swedish, and German divisions of the faith, and to all pastors of The Methodist church in the state. This is the largest Methodist body in the U. S. and does not include the Wesleyan or the Free Methodists.

Among the Baptists, 67 per cent responded, and 82 per cent of the Methodists returned the questionnaires.

Purpose of the study, according to Dr. Johnson, was "to find out the extent of the theological diversity between the two denominations in this state and also to find out the relationship, if any, between these theological commitments and attitudes toward public issues."

### Conducting Studies

Dr. Johnson for the past several years has been conducting studies of the ties between religious faith and participation, political affiliation, social attitudes, and voting behavior.

"The Baptists are overwhelmingly theologically and politically conservative," Dr. Johnson reported, "and this is true of all the Baptist denominations surveyed."

Although elsewhere in the country, the American Baptists include theological liberals, "those in Oregon are almost unanimously of conservative theological opinion," he observed.

A majority of the Methodists turned out to be relatively liberal in theology and politics, although there is a strong conservative minority among them, Dr. Johnson reported.

One of the major areas of theological difference involves attitudes toward eschatology, which deals with such matters as death, resurrection, judgment, and the second coming of Christ, the report revealed.

**Premillennialist Beliefs**  
In this area, "a large majority of Baptists said that they believed in premillennialism, while virtually no Methodist minister reported belief in it," Dr. Johnson said.

The doctrine of premillennialism holds that the second coming of Christ will precede and usher in the millennium and often carries with it the assumption that the moral condition of the world is not improving and there is little that Christians can do to make it better.

Apparently reflecting these theological differences, "some of the sharpest differences among the clergymen are to be found in the area of politics," according to Dr. Johnson's findings.

Ninety per cent of the Baptist pastors reported that they considered themselves "politically conservative," and 83 per cent of them said that they had tended to support the Republican party during the last five years.

"On the other hand," Dr. Johnson pointed out, "two-thirds of the Methodist ministers reported that they were political liberals, although slightly more than half of them indicated that they had supported the Republican party in recent years. This perhaps reflects the conservative strain which is still found among the Methodists."

**Condemn Gambling**  
In the field of morals, "both groups equally and overwhelmingly condemn gambling and are rather solidly opposed to the use of alcohol," Dr. Johnson said.

In general, the Baptists are more opposed to smoking, card-playing, and theatergoing than are the Methodists, he noted.

"The divergences noted in the study probably represent cleavages of long standing, differences which have developed over the last one hundred years at least," Dr. Johnson explained.

"In the early part of the century, the Methodist church took an active part in the Social Gospel movement, which was dedicated to changing society along the lines advocated by political liberals. Although many Baptists were involved in this movement, the great body of Baptists, especially in the West, were opposed to it," he continued.

**Fundamentalist - Modernist**  
"Furthermore, many of the theological differences are a legacy of the fundamentalist-modernist controversy which shook a good many Protestant denominations in the 1930s," he pointed out.

### Navy Dependents May Return To Guantanamo

Washington (UPI)—The Navy may announce today that 3,500 wives and children of servicemen will be able to spend Christmas at the Guantanamo Naval Base in Cuba.

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The similarity in attitude toward such matters as drinking and gambling "may be traced to the historical unity which a great many Protestant denominations have

ant denominations have forged on certain moral questions," Dr. Johnson said.

"It undoubtedly reflects the Puritan tradition which is still a part of the American culture," he added.

This unanimity in matters of conventional morality fits in very well with the fact that both the Baptist and Methodist denominations were strong supporters of the Prohibition movement in the 1920s, Dr. Johnson observed.

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