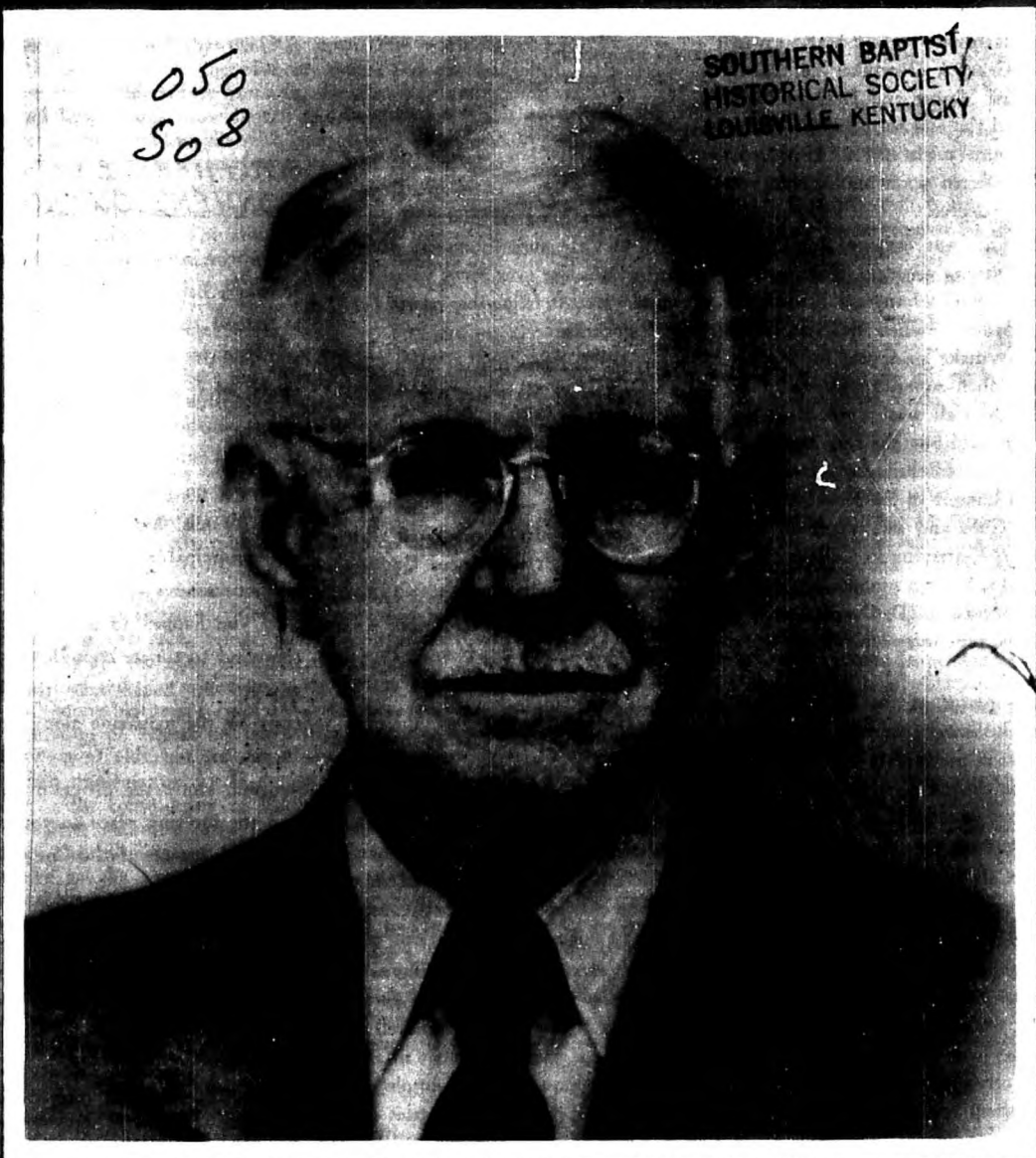




Missions and THE MARCH OF EVENTS

DR. McCALL PASSES AWAY

Dr. M. N. McCall, veteran missionary statesman, passed away at his son's home in Jacksonville, Florida, on March 8, 1947, after several months' illness.

Moses Nathaniel McCall was born in Sylvania, Georgia, December 16, 1874. He attended Mercer and Denison Universities and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. In 1912 Mississippi College conferred upon him the doctor of divinity degree.

Dr. McCall was ordained by Iyerly Baptist Church, Georgia, January 1, 1900, and was serving as pastor in Dalton, Georgia, when he heard Dr. B. D. Gray make an appeal for a principal for Cuban-American College, Havana. Dr. McCall was a volunteer for the foreign field but the frail health of his wife prevented their going to Brazil. He offered himself to the Home Mission Board for Cuba and was appointed November, 1904, arriving in Cuba on February 15, 1905. Two years later, on the resignation of Dr. C. D. Daniel, Dr. McCall became superintendent of the work in Cuba.

He was pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church during that time. In downtown Havana at Zulueta and Dragones Streets, the church grew under his leadership from one hundred members to over a thousand.

Dr. McCall was president of the Baptist Convention of Western Cuba from its organization in 1906 until his death.

He organized a seminary in 1906 with seven students. Later a training school for women was added. Under Dr. McCall's personal guidance a remarkable force of missionaries has been trained through whom Baptist work has become largely an indigenous movement in Western Cuba.

Dr. McCall spoke the Spanish language fluently, his sermons being broad-

cast over a Cuban network for many years. He was greatly beloved by the Cuban people. He so completely identified himself with his adopted land that he "thought Cuban."

He was perhaps the greatest authority on Latin-American life in evangelical work in his day.

Dr. Joe W. Burton writes a tribute under the caption "Nobleman of God," as follows:

"The homegoing on March 8 of Dr. M. N. McCall, superintendent of missions in Cuba for over forty years, takes from our present fellowship one of God's truest workmen.

"Dr. McCall was first of all a Christian gentleman. All who knew him appreciated him for his genuine Christian character. We loved him for his true worth. Indeed his accomplishments, amazing as they were, were really secondary to the quiet, consecrated Christian soul of this true man of God.

"When Dr. McCall reached Havana forty-two years ago, there were seven very weak congregations, some four of them organized into churches, with a total membership numbering around four hundred. Today the number of churches is above sixty and the additional preaching places total about 140, with the membership reaching above five thousand. In brief, the influence of Dr. McCall's work has resulted in the establishment of the Baptist cause in the Island during his generation.

"Two years ago I went to Havana on the occasion of Dr. McCall's fortieth anniversary. I saw fifteen hundred Cubans, some of them prominent in affairs of state but most of them simple earnest Christians, pay tribute to this noble man.

"His wife, equally gentle and patient in mission labors, survives her departed comrade. Sons in the States, bound no-

closer by blood ties that were thousands of Cuban Christians through spiritual affinity, also mourn his going.

"Southern Baptists, though grieved by his death, will still rejoice in the lasting results of his magnificent ministry."

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION PROGRAM

For the information of thousands of Southern Baptists who will not be able to attend the Convention at St. Louis and for the direction of several thousands who will go, *Southern Baptist Home Missions*, in co-operation with the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce, furnishes on page 8 a bird's eye view of St. Louis' Memorial Plaza showing the municipal auditorium where Convention sessions will be held.

If you happen to be one of the ten thousand fortunate enough to make the trip to St. Louis, take this souvenir copy of the magazine along with you. If you are not able to go to the Convention, study the program on page 9 and the meeting place so you can pray for every session of the Convention.

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SPIRITUAL PREPARATION FOR PEACE

By J. B. LAWRENCE

If there ever was a time when we needed to give ourselves wholly to Christ, that time is now. The world is aflame with hatred. Pillage and plunder, rapine and murder stalk across the world. Where yesterday were smiling courtyards and busy towns, now beaten and broken men and women watch their children die with hunger, and hug every desperate chance to keep themselves alive—the picture of a defeated, broken, bleeding world.

In all history, civilization has never faced a more grave and dangerous situation. The issue is far more important than the kind of government the world shall have in the future. It involves the very existence of civilization. The question is, can man survive his own folly? Hence, the need for spiritual preparation.

This global war which we have just passed through is a result; the cause reaches back into the past history of the race. This world conflict, with all its attendant social, political, economic, and religious upheavals, centers in and grows out of the two antagonistic philosophies of life.

The Christian philosophy stemming from the teachings of Jesus postulates that all men are God's creatures and should be free, that they have certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness, and the right to worship God without let or hindrance.

The pagan philosophy, which has existed from that remote past when man first began to think out systems of behavior for himself and the race, denies this. It affirms that the material things are the only values, that self-interest is the only rule of life, and that might makes right.

This philosophy has been formulated for the modern world by the teachings of Nietzsche, the atheistic philosopher of Germany. It was nurtured in the universities of Germany and has been implemented by Hitler. A by-product of this philosophy is the communism of Russia, which is as totalitarian as Hitler's administration in Germany. Communism stems from the teachings of Karl Marx.

Nietzsche taught that there were only two classes of people in the world—masters and slaves. The masters were the supermen, and the weaker races were the slaves. He taught that it was the duty of the superman to make slaves of the weaker races. He held that democracy stood in the way of the superman's achieving mastery of the world; hence, democracy must be destroyed. But, democracy could not be destroyed until Christianity was destroyed; hence, the attack upon Christianity.

Basically, the last world war was a struggle for the existence of Christianity, and let us not deceive ourselves by thinking that the victory we have won over Hitler will end the struggle. Hitler is crushed and the German armies are defeated, but the philosophy of Nietzsche has not been destroyed. Christianity still faces the pagan philosophy which gave birth to this world struggle.

During World War I, some doughboys who had been in the front line trenches for twenty-four hours were relieved and, muddy and tired, had worked their way back through No-Man's Land to a canteen where hot coffee was being served. As they drank their coffee, the Salvation Army lassie who had served them, hoping to cheer them up, said, "Well, fellows, it's tough and hard, but remember, you are building a new world."

"No," said one of the boys, "we are not building a new world, we are tearing down the old world. The new world will have to be built by soldiers of the cross."

We learned to our sorrow that what this doughboy said was true, and it remains true. We talk today, as men have always talked, about a peace to be secured by some sort of league of nations backed up by force. It never has worked, it never will work. If force is all we have to put behind our program for peace, then we may as well give up the hope of ever having peace, for those who live by the sword shall die by the sword.

We must put behind our program for peace a redeemed people. Only men of good will can build a world of good will.

We must make America—our homeland—a demonstration station for the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ. Out of this land of ours must go influences which make for world peace through brotherhood in Christ. To do this, however, something will have to take place in American life. We will have to develop a citizenship predominantly Christian so that in the internal legislation and in international relations the United States will be decidedly Christian and will influence the world to become Christian.

This makes missions in the homeland a present and supreme task. Whatever else we do, the evangelization of our land and the mobilization of the homeland forces for the world's evangelization must not be overlooked or sidetracked to an unimportant place. This business of getting ready for an all-out crusade for Christ is of vast and vital moment. Wisdom has surely departed from us if we do not now make the evangelization of our homeland a matter of supreme concern, so that we will be spiritually prepared for the world's evangelization when the opportunity fully arrives.

We need a new order in the world, the gospel order. The teachings of Jesus are to be translated into the conduct of the nation. We must win not only the souls of men, but also the systems in which men are caught and by which they are enslaved. William Lyons Phelps tells of the peculiar physical quality of Robert Browning's eyes. One eye was far-sighted, the other short-sighted. When Browning wished to see a distant landscape, he closed one eye. When he wished to read a book, he closed the other eye. As Christians we need this bifocal vision in order to see the long and the short of our task as world-kingdom builders.

What we need in America and what we must have to save the civilization of the world is a revival of religion. Christ for our country and Christ for the world, is the only thing that will save us and the world.

FOR forty years Moses, the servant of God, guided the people of Israel from the land of bondage across the desert to the borders of the Promised Land. For forty-two years Moses Nathaniel McCall, superintendent of the Baptist work in Western Cuba, directed that work with wisdom and patience.

It is said of Moses of the Exodus, "Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth" (Num. 12:3). And Jesus said, "Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth" (Matt. 5:5). Moses was not permitted to enter the land of Canaan, but centuries later he was with Jesus on the Mount of

Away," after which Dr. Rafael Silva spoke briefly on "Dr. McCall As Pastor." Dr. Lopez Munoz spoke on "Dr. McCall As Superintendent." The writer spoke on "Dr. McCall As Fellow Missionary."

Dr. Courts Redford brought a message in the name of the Home Mission Board, after which Dr. Lindsay spoke brief words of comfort to the family and friends. We were greatly moved when Brother Bailey sang, "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go." Rev. Walter L. Moore led in a brief prayer. The pastors present were honorary pallbearers, and six of the deacons of the church served as pallbearers.

Immediately after the service we be-

felt the call to the ministry. Baptists in the four provinces in which we work total 5,700. Certainly when we consider what Dr. McCall found when he arrived in Cuba on February 15, 1905, we must exclaim, "The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad."

But up to the present we have hardly more than reached the limits of the Promised Land. There is much more that we must do. There are more than forty municipalities (counties) in the four western provinces where we have no work, not a single mission. In many more municipalities there are large and important towns where we are not working. In the places where the work has grown most we must admit, "there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed."

What is our program for the future? We must provide for the fields which have work but are working with inadequate equipment. There are many churches which need church buildings and pastoriums.

We need a larger number of workers

"Moses My Servant Is Dead"

By HERBERT CAUDILL

Transfiguration. Our Moses McCall, also one of the meekest of men, failed to obtain many of the things which men consider of greatest importance on earth, but certainly he now dwells with Jesus.

I had the privilege of going to the airport on October 6, 1946, when Dr. McCall for the last time left the land that he loved. He hoped to return, and kept that hope until fifteen or twenty days before going to be with the Lord.

On March 8, 1947, at 6:10 in the afternoon, Dr. M. N. McCall breathed his last. Some of the members of the family were at the side of his bed.

Rev. A. Lopez Munoz, pastor of the Baptist church at Caibarien, Cuba, and Dr. Rafael Silva went with me to Jacksonville to the funeral. On Monday, March 10, we went to the funeral home to look once more upon him who had been to us our superintendent, pastor, teacher, counselor, friend, and father.

Tuesday before the hour announced for the funeral, we took the Cuban flag to the church and asked that it be placed over his casket, a symbol of the people whom he loved dearly.

At ten o'clock, accompanied by the notes of the organ, we entered the First Baptist Church at Jacksonville. The pastor, Dr. Homer G. Lindsay, began the service by reading several passages from the Word of God. Then Dr. A. M. Herrington, pastor of the Southside Church, led in prayer.

Rev. Elmer F. Bailey, accompanied by Mr. Ralph Grant Copeland at the piano, sang "There Is a Green Hill Far

gan the long trip to Apopka, Florida. At the grave it was the writer's privilege to read Psalm 90 and Psalm 23 and speak briefly, after which Rev. Lopez Munoz led in the closing prayer. We saw the grave covered with beautiful flowers, and we thought of him whose life had brought fragrance to thousands.

Dr. McCall wrought well in Cuba. We now have about sixty-five churches, many of which have adequate buildings and comfortable pastoriums. There are more than fifty pastors eager to work for the growth of the kingdom of God. There are many missionaries. We also have a group of students in our seminaries and training school. There are several young people in our churches who have

Rev. Herbert Caudill, missionary in Cuba, worked with Dr. McCall eighteen years, serving as pastor of the English-speaking congregation of Havana.



Moses Nathaniel McCall

We have consecrated pastors who have worked through the years. We have young pastors who are in the springtime of their work in the Lord's vineyard. We have young men and boys who desire to dedicate their lives to the preaching of the gospel but who will need to be trained. God's call is

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ON Saturday morning, March 8, 1947, in the Jacksonville home of his son Russell, the gentle spirit of one of the greatest missionaries of our day and generation was called to the Heavenly Home. Moses Nathaniel McCall had been an active missionary longer than is the fortune of most, forty-two years in Cuba, a service that spanned the growth of Baptist work in that land from small and troubled beginnings to rich and fruitful fulfillment.

Sent to Cuba in February, 1905, he soon became pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Havana and superintendent of the entire Baptist mission work for the Home Mission Board. Before the



On his fortieth anniversary in Cuba, Dr. McCall was honored by the Cuban government in recognition of his distinctive service as an educator.

Dr. M. N. McCall

By UNA ROBERTS LAWRENCE

first year ended there were two schools in the Baptist Temple.

Living in the Temple most of the forty-two years, Dr. McCall deliberately chose to lose himself in the heart of Cuban life. He became a master of the language, speaking it as his own. He was "sympatica," as the Spanish expresses an untranslatable sensitivity, a oneness with the spirit. He became so Cuban that often it was difficult for him to see the viewpoint of visitors from the States, or to reconcile himself to viewpoints he found in the States on his visits home.

His home was Cuba, not only its great capital city of Havana, but its countryside where on long trips he lived in the homes of the humble Cuban farmers and shared their meager but gracious hospitality.

There in Cuba he reared his family; there he formed lifetime friendships; there he literally gave the whole of his life in a single hearted undertaking and devotion.

Dr. McCall was the gentlest of men, but he was a man with integrity and nobility of character which gave power and strength to his purposes and plans. He had a remarkable capacity for tenacity. It was this which enabled him to stand before his Cuban Baptist brethren in a time of bitter hardship and preach from the text, "And the winds were contrary," such a sermon as lifted them to new levels of self sacrifice and devotion.

He began his missionary career as

the pastor of a church. That was his lifetime job. To him this was the highest service he could render, and no pressure of administrative responsibility could change his determination to remain in that service. Over and over he said, "I came to Cuba to preach the gospel, not to be a bookkeeper or to manage finances." Preaching always had the priority. From his Havana pulpit his sermons took the wings of radio, and in the last ten years his voice has been heard all over the West Indies, Central America, and along the northern coast of South America.



The Baptist Temple in downtown Havana. Under Dr. McCall's direction, the property was remodeled three times in the forty years. A third story was added to the original structure.

Calvary Baptist Church was a very small group of loyal Baptists, struggling against a tangle of complicated legal claims and intrigues when Dr. McCall became its pastor in 1905. There was no organized life, no settled rights to a building. From that small, weak group with a discredited standing in the community, El Calvario grew under his ministry into a strong, effective body of Christians whose influence now spreads over the whole land and is the pulsing center of unified Baptist life for the Republic.

On Sunday Dr. McCall taught the Berean Class for young men from which came much of the leadership for the church and the denomination.

A boy of Calvary Church from kindergarten days stood up in First Church, Jacksonville, at his funeral to testify what M. N. McCall meant to him as teacher, pastor, friend, and counselor. Rafael Silva, today a brilliant Christian

lawyer of Havana, was one of hundreds who could have paid such tribute.

Baptist missionaries in Cuba are Cuban. This was a definite missionary policy and an integral part of Dr. McCall's conception of mission work, based primarily upon his high estimate of the capacity and ability of Cuban Baptists to develop their own leadership in every area of life.

Because he believed in preaching as a primary necessity, Dr. McCall set himself to the making of preachers. Within a year after going to Cuba he found himself with a school for preachers in his home. Young men, with a zeal for the gospel but without knowledge, had to be taught its meaning and given training for its spread. Five of them came from various walks of life as a beginning, joined soon by four others. From that first group he received a hundred-fold return. Everyone became a trusted and effective preacher and leader. Except for a break of some seven years, during the difficult time from 1929 to 1936, this work of training preachers went on, the small seminary feeding into Cuban Baptist life men who knew the doctrines of the faith, the work of the ministry, and the task of the churches.

As the years passed, the Cuban work came to be wholly in the hands of Dr. McCall's sons in the ministry, and the work itself, in a remarkable way, the protection of his personality.

Because preachers needed churches in which to preach, he became a builder of churches. One of the earliest pictures of Dr. McCall in Cuba is of his

breaking the ground for a church building. It was prophetic of the activity that took much of his time. He had the patience needed to work out the details of building operations, which could be most exasperating in Spanish law and custom. He learned to let time do often what pressure could not.

He was wise in choosing Cuban architects and builders who kept the designs close to Cuban taste and feeling. He often was able to enlist for these projects talents that were far beyond the means of the churches or the Board to pay in regular fees. A great artist gave his



Dr. McCall was a wise administrator. He used good judgment in buying property and in the building of churches. The church in Vibora is an example.

Dr. McCall was an excellent administrator. He managed finances so well that Cuban work survived the combined calamities of depression, debts, revolutions, and hurricanes.

He wrote with equal facility and ability in both English and Spanish. His stories of the Cuban work, published in *Our Home Fields*, are polished gems of missionary literature. A Baptist paper, founded in the early days and edited by the scholarly J. V. Cova, called *El Son*, was a unifying agency in the work. A small Baptist press produced millions of leaflets for the evangelizing of Cuba. As years passed the paper was enlarged and re-named *La Voz Bautista* (The Baptist Voice) with Dr. McCall its editor for the past two decades. The Baptist press ventured successfully into the book business, producing needed theological, W.M.U., and Sunday school books and literature.

Dr. McCall had the gift of stirring up in others the best that lay in them. He could then leave them to the tasks committed to them, to work out in their own way their growth and development. From the young people who came under his influence there have come not only the preachers for Cuban churches, but writers and translators, teachers, doctors, printers, and the trained staff for the manifold activities centering at the Baptist Temple. As the result, we have not a Baptist mission in Cuba, but a Baptist denomination with a convention and board of missions, a Sunday school convention, and a Federation of Youth and Woman's Missionary Union.

Dr. McCall led Cuban Baptist churches into self-support and challenge.

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Dr. McCall and Dr. J. B. Lawrence on an inspection tour of the college site. One of Dr. McCall's greatest dreams has not yet materialized.

services to designing the small Vibora church which is a gem of architectural beauty. The Baptist Temple was remodeled three times, each time providing for expanding activities of the work that flourished under his hands.



A group of Dr. McCall's seminary boys.



During the years of his ministry as pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Havana, Dr. McCall was teacher of the Berean Bible Class for men.

The Baptist people with their distinctive message have come to the kingdom for such a time as this and have set before them a challenging program. This is true, not only in Texas, but all over the South. For us to be successful in meeting the demands of this age it is necessary for us to learn to mind our own business and not divert our energies and time to anything else.

For many years efforts have been made to bring us into the Federal Council of Churches. Pressure has been brought on all of our preachers to bring

Does that mean that Southern Baptists are isolationists or ignoramuses? Does that mean that they are unfriendly to new ideas and that they hesitate to co-operate with other Christians in feeding the hungry at home and abroad, or in driving evils from our land? Does it mean that they have held back in any worth-while projects where principles are not surrendered? It certainly does not.

According to the facts and figures, Southern Baptists have taken their place in caring for the spiritual and physical

Baptists Minding Their Own Business

By WALLACE BASSITT
Pastor, Cliff Temple Baptist Church, Dallas

this about. It is my conviction that we should stay with our own program and attend to our own business and let other people attend to theirs. I say, this in all kindness.

This does not mean that we shall be lacking in cordiality in our relations with other groups, nor does it mean we shall be unco-operative with all other good people in movements for the betterment of society. But it does mean that we shall not be brought into any overhead organization where others shall presume to speak for us or give directions to us about how we shall conduct our affairs.

The very genius of Baptist life is liberty. John Stuart Mill said, "The only freedom which deserves the name is that of pursuing our own good in our own way so long as we do not attempt to deprive others of theirs." Because Southern Baptists have persistently refused to join the Federal Council of Churches we have been called "The Problem Child of American Protestantism." This name-calling has rendered the cause of Christian love and co-operation a positive disservice.

Baptists are not ruled from the top down. They never were and they never will be. The very genius of their life cries out against the efforts being made to force them into any kind of organization that would deprive them of minding their own business.

needs of the world. Perhaps their affairs are in the prosperous condition they are in now because they have not surrendered convictions, but have been insistent in attending to their own business.

Note the condition of our mission boards, schools, colleges and seminaries. Note the many students for the ministry. Note the spirit of harmony among our people. All this is due to the fact that we have a distinctive message and are unwilling to compromise it.

If other evangelicals desire to merge their interests that is their business, but as one Southern Baptist preacher I insist that Baptists attend to their own business and let other people's business alone. As certain as we begin to meddle with an over-all organization we will be the losers.

We are not doing this to be discourteous or bigoted, but because it is our very nature to be free. In reality, the officers of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ do not speak for all of the people it claims to represent. How can a man in New York tell the world what Southern Baptists stand for and hope to do?

With courtesy to all and love in our hearts for every man who believes in the Lord Jesus, let us pursue our course of teaching, preaching, and healing to the ends of the earth.

What Readers Say About America Must Be Christian

"It is excellent. This information ought to be in the hands of every Southern Baptist."—Duke K. McCall

"The message of this book should be preached time and again from the pulpits of our Southern Baptist Convention as well as throughout the rest of the nation. You have produced a literary gem which is both scholarly and simple in its presentation. Every layman can follow it without difficulty and every pastor will find in it a challenge to his best thought and analysis of our present world situation."—H. H. Hobbs

"It is truly a timely book, strong, convincing, challenging . . . I have rarely read a book that has gripped me as this one has."—Mrs. Foy J. Farmer

"Never have I read such a stirring, thought-provoking discussion of our mission opportunity and the urgency of making Jesus known, now."—Mrs. F. B. Kinell, president, Missouri Woman's Missionary Union

"America Must Be Christian . . . is the most potent text published by the



Dr. H. C. Goerner, author "America Must Be Christian"

Home Mission Board in years."—Mrs. Gordon Maddrey

"I feel it is a book every Southern Baptist should read."—Mrs. D. C. Setser

"I would like to urge its immediate possession and use by every leader who is vitally interested in awakening our people to the truth of the 'Must' of the title."—Rev. V. E. Boyd

"It is terse but dynamic . . . a message and challenge which should be preached from every pulpit."—Mrs. Arthur E. Whedbee

"The last chapter, 'The Task of Southern Baptists,' certainly portrays to us our tremendous responsibility of spreading the faith here in our homeland."—Mrs. C. H. Ray



President Truman greeted thirty-one Baptist missionaries during a recent "World Mission Week" in the nation's capital.



Some of the missionaries who spoke in the twenty-five churches in Tampa Association, Florida, during the February school of missions.

President Truman Greets Baptist Missionaries

President Truman greeted thirty-one Baptist missionaries from five continents who were in Washington recently for a "World Mission Week."

The group was presented to the President by Representative A. Leonard Allen (D., La.), who, like the President, is also a Baptist layman. (See opposite page).

Representing all the areas of activity of both Northern and Southern Baptists, a combined membership of 7,000,000, the team of missionaries spoke to an

audience of 13,000 during the week of missionary emphasis.

Among the Southern Baptist missionaries was Dr. Jacob Gartenhaus, Home Mission Board ambassador to the Jews. During the interview Dr. Gartenhaus commended the President for his sympathetic attitude toward the Jews and for his firm stand in regard to the Palestine question.

"Don't you think that I am right in this?" the President asked Dr. Gartenhaus.

"Indeed you are, Mr. President," he replied.

In conclusion the President delivered a brief message in commendation of the missionaries' part in the accomplishment of world peace.

More About Schools Of Missions

Every week is a good time for a school of missions. Winter is particularly a good time in Florida where eleven schools of missions were conducted during the first two months of 1947.

For information and help in promoting a school of missions, the department, headed by Rev. Lewis W. Martin, of the Home Mission Board, stands ready to assist any group at any time in selecting missionaries and planning for schools of missions.

More than a half million people are enlisted in mission emphasis weeks in the course of a year, according to the annual report of Secretary Martin.

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**THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM
AND MISSIONS**

By JOHN CAYLOR



Dr. John Caylor, Managing Editor

"The Co-operative Program is the best plan that Baptists now know for the promotion of their work," says A. L. Goodrich, editor of *The Baptist Record*. In his statement he sums up what thousands of Southern Baptist leaders believe and practice. Dr. Goodrich offers this challenge to the people of Mississippi: "If anyone knows of a better plan than the Co-operative Program, tell us about it for we want to do the most we can with what we have."

Southern Baptists have been a long time developing the present plan used in the promotion of kingdom enterprises. Henry W. Tiffany in an article in *Religious Herald* discusses the Co-operative Program under four significant categories. First, he indicates that the principle of the Co-operative Program is that all our work is one, is missionary in purpose, and should have the support of every member of every Baptist church in the South. This principle is thoroughly Baptist. Each church is as much a part of the Southern Baptist Convention as it is of the local association.

The practice of the Co-operative Program, Dr. Tiffany states, insures the proper perspective of the members of the churches, the officers and officials of the state agencies and institutions, and of the Southwide agencies and institutions. It makes possible the co-operation of all in one common task, the correlation of all our forces, and the mobilization of our members and means for the fulfillment of the task entrusted to us. He says it removes conflicts and confusions which resulted from the earlier plan of direct appeal by agencies.

Dr. Tiffany discusses the problems and reminds his readers that at the end of the Seventy-Five Million Campaign Southern Baptists were faced with their failure to pay all they subscribed and at the same time confronted a financial collapse of the country. Depression and debt made problems, but the Co-operative Program came through.

Under the caption, "The Program Enlarged," Dr. Tiffany reports the hard work of the Executive Committee in making surveys, and in planning for the whole denominational program, local, home, and foreign, and makes a plea for genuine co-operation, both in enlarged giving and in a give-and-take attitude in the matter of enlargement.

Dr. W. C. Boone of Kentucky, in an article in the *Western Recorder* titled "Kentucky Baptists Do Believe in the Co-operative Program," goes back to 1915 in the General Association of Kentucky for the adoption of a "Unified Budget." H. Boyce Taylor was chairman of the committee which made the report. That first unified budget included a definite amount for foreign, home, and state missions and other denominational objects fostered by the General Association, and the Executive Board was charged with the responsibility of putting the budget system into operation. All causes were included in the budget as now. Dr. Boone says that Kentucky Baptists will give probably a million dollars this year through the Co-operative Program.

There is nothing wrong with our program. If it is not meeting our needs it is because the people are not giving as they might, or it could be because churches are not dividing their receipts as they might. A careful study of the local church budget and an earnest enlistment of the members in tithing will make it possible for almost any church to finance its local program and give a worthy proportion to mission causes.

This year's program to enlist a million men as titheers is a worthy effort in the right direction. Women are growing increasingly conscious of the necessity for tithing. Children are being taught to tithe. New churches established by mission agencies almost invariably set aside a proportion of their income for the Co-operative Program.

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**THE SUBTLE
INVASION**

By W. R. WHITE

First Baptist Church, Austin, Texas

The South is being invaded. Southern Baptists are being undermined by some astute forces that have designs on us. They are self-appointed missionaries seeking to reform us. They are determined that we shall not be "The Problem Child of Protestantism." They are out to unionize us.

The Federal Council of Churches and World Council of Churches, to them, constitute the hope of Christianity. There is another alternative for fellowship of Christians in America. It is certainly much nearer the New Testament pattern. Why be shut up to the Federal Council?

Southern Baptists are the most rapidly growing evangelical witness among the major denominations. Is there a delib-

erate plot to weaken us by this decisive issue? Do they wish to visit on us the blight that has come to those most under the influence of the Federal Council? The greatest evangelistic fervor is among those outside the Council. The masses are being largely reached by those not having membership with this set-up.

Results seem to have no weight with them. The United Church of Canada was going to bring a new era in the Dominion. It has brought a new period of decline. While Canadian Baptists did not join it, they collaborate with its program of religious education and are greatly influenced by its atmosphere. This new front was going to save Canada from Romanism. It has succeeded in letting Romanism forge ahead. A New Awakening was going to result but a deep sleep has fallen on the evangelical forces instead.

Practically all the major religious groups in England are in a co-operative

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HOME MISSIONS AND EVANGELISM

(Excerpts from Annual Report)

The annual report of the Home Mission Board for 1946 shows that 44,873 new members were added to the churches as a result of the ministry of the 720 full-time missionaries of the Board and the 200 summer workers from colleges and seminaries who served for ten weeks on the various fields. Of the number, 27,474 were reported as conversions.

To make the grand total of 920 missionaries (including 203 summer workers) 87 new missionaries were added during the past year. There was some turn-over in personnel, but the net gain in the number of missionaries was 69. These workers delivered 94,145 sermons and addresses, made 222,281 religious visits, and did personal work with 166,701 individuals.

Literature played an important part in the ministry of home missions. The missionaries distributed 19,855 Bibles and Gospels, 2,014,885 pages of tracts, the magazine, *Southern Baptist Home Missions*, reached a peak circulation of 121,800, four issues carried 24 pages and the other eight, sixteen. This would add 26,880,000 more pages to the amount of literature distributed. At the same time more than 73,000 books placed 8,000,000 other pages of home mission literature in the hands of the people.

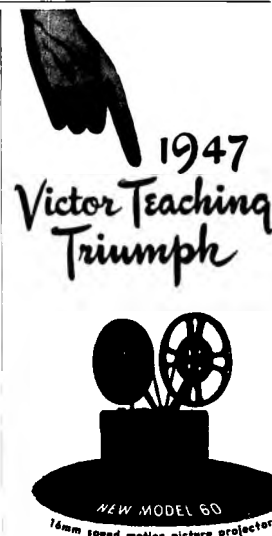
Besides the 7,317 revivals conducted by home missionaries, there were 12,841 mission classes taught, 161 missions opened, 131 new churches organized, 36 kindergartens maintained, and 1,815 Vacation Bible schools conducted in mission situations.

Building operations were rather extensive. The Home Mission Board built or improved 74 churches and chapels and 16 pastors' homes.

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lenged them to giving to the spread of the gospel beyond their communities and their country.

Widespread evangelism in Cuban towns and countryside was sponsored by the churches and manned by volunteers, while gifts to missions in Colombia, Spain, China, and many other lands marked the high points of enthusiasm even in years of depression.

To him came many honors from his brethren in Cuba and in the Southern states. Perhaps the crowning honor came from the Republic of Cuba on his fortieth anniversary, when he was given the highest decoration which the government of Cuba bestows upon a civilian, the Order of Carlos Manuel de Cespedes, in recognition of his work in Cuba as an educator.

There are strong sons in the gospel to take up the burden laid down by their loved leader. Because they love him, they will not falter in new responsibilities; because they love the Lord he served, they will go on with the work even while they mourn.

A Baptist denomination in a Catholic land is a monument to Moses Nathaniel McCall.

The Co-operative Program and Missions

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Christians are giving more money than they ever gave before. Baptists are teaching tithing as they have never taught it before.

It would be wonderful if all the facts were encouraging, but there is a note of pessimism in statistics. While the American public supports religious and philanthropic institutions with contributions of more than two billion dollars a year, the percentage of the national income going to such agencies has fallen to an all-time low of 1.35 per cent, according to Dr. Allen E. Claxton of the National Stewardship Institute in New York.

We are giving more money. The question is, are we giving a larger percentage?

Every Baptist giving his tithe through the local church, and every local church

dividing its income equitably between local work and the Co-operative Program, will guarantee for Baptists adequate financing of their work for the Lord.

The Subtle Invasion

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tie-up. Yet we hear lament after lament about the religious apathy in England. The Church of England is going into an all-out campaign to reach the multitudes which it has lost. Various efforts are being made to recapture lost ground. The situation is described as desperate. Why?

Russia had one great over-all church. There were very small dissenting sects here and there, that is, when the whole population is considered. The result was

chaos and Communism. Germany had one dominant faith in most of her area. The exception was Bavaria where there was another dominant faith. Everywhere there was impotence and confusion with Nazism finally taking over. In Italy it was largely one church and Fascism took charge of the field.

In a free democracy with separation of church and state there will be many groups. In America we have many denominations but we have had as many high ideals written into law as any country. We had the healthiest unity in this last war of any nation.

"Moses My Servant Is Dead"

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first a call to prepare oneself. We pray that some day in the not too distant future the Baptists of Cuba may be able to provide for the full education of the young people. Up to the present we have not been able to do so.

The Baptist work in Western Cuba must go forward. We have a great God. As He was with Dr. McCall, so will He be with us. We look toward the past only that we may see how far we have come. We look toward the future where the sun shines with greater brilliance.

The land is ours; but we must take it!

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AN ARMENIAN BOY ANSWERS THE CALL

By HELEN LAMBERT

Missionary in Illinois

Recently as I sat in my room upstairs in the Armenian home where I live, I heard some boys talking in the yard below. It sounded like one was reading the Bible, and I got up from my desk and looked out the window. One of the



Hampo Hagopian, 17-year-old Armenian, has answered the call of God to missions.

boys was lying on his back, quoting—not reading—a long Scripture passage that was used in the prayer service the night before.

I commended him for memorizing so quickly and with such joy, and he replied, "Oh, I know many of the Scriptures, and I have memorized my two

favorite chapters which are John 14 and 15."

This fine, consecrated, and brilliant 17-year-old Armenian boy, Hampo Hagopian, has since stated that he feels that God is calling him to preach the Gospel, and he has surrendered his life to do His will.

About three weeks ago he wrote a theme about the Bible for one of his classes at high school. The teacher thought it was so splendid she selected it as one of the ones to be read to the class. He had included the plan of salvation, for, said he, he knew there were young people in his class who were not Christians.

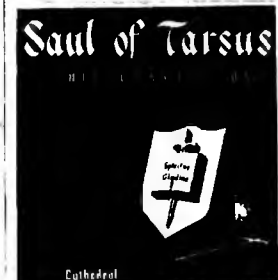
The pastor of our mission asked Hampo if he would like to preach at the mission and he replied, "Yes, I am ready." He preached for one hour and ten minutes, and it was glorious the way he used the Scriptures.

He is an exceptionally good basketball player and is on the high school team. An important game was scheduled

for that night, and the coach told him if he did not play he would take him off the team. Even though he loves to play and was proud of his place on the team, Hampo told the coach that it would be all right, for he always intended to put Christ and His work first in his life.

Other East St. Louis ministers have asked him to preach in their churches.

Pray that Hampo will be a great soul-winner. Pray that the way will open for him to go on to school next year after he graduates from high school.



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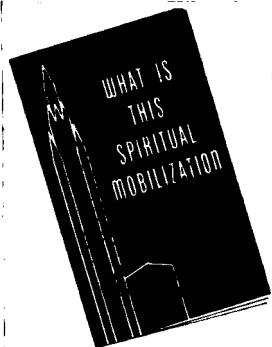
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