

January 8, 1952

DIRECTOR'S NOTES:

THANKS for the many Holiday Greetings we received from Chaplains. The number was close to 100. Their make-up varied drastically. They came from every section of Z.I. and around world. The spirit they revealed was one and the same. Response in our hearts hit one cord.

WESTERN MISSION CONFERENCE, March 10 through 13, Phoenix, Ariz., First Southern Baptist Church, Dr. C. Vaughn Rock, pastor. All Southern Baptist agencies and boards represented, together with all the Baptist forces of these states. Actually this is a Southern Baptist Convention for the Western States. One thousand expected to attend. Program in printed form will be enclosed in February bulletin. Chaplains' conference each afternoon at 3:15 - other conference periods if desired. We also are scheduled for two addresses. Reservations - write Mrs. J.V. Jones, Box 590, Phoenix. No entertainment or transportation expenses provided.

All Chaplains in Western States should attend. This is a must for denominational meetings. Glorietta Assembly will not be available this year. Southern Baptist Convention meets in Miami, Florida, May 13-18. Ridgecrest Assembly in North Carolina, August 14-19 for Home Mission Conference, which includes Chaplains' Retreat. Therefore, this Western meeting in Phoenix is a must for Chaplains in that area.

Send me THREE items - Suggestions for above conference periods - That you plan to attend - If you desire a letter from this office to your C.O. regarding your attendance.

Itinerary of Seminaries, December 4-7, in company with Chaplain John H. Craven of Chief of Navy Chaplains' office, was profitable from every angle. We were given chapel services, conducted group conferences and personal interviews. Forty-eight commitments to the Chaplaincy from those graduating in May. Twice that many earnest inquirers. Interest in Chaplaincy on part of faculty and students increasing. Chaplain George Cummins, Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro, Santa Ana, Calif., will visit Golden Gate Seminary in January. Director will contact Southeastern this month.

Preaching Mission at Biggs Air Force Base, El Paso, December 9-16, was even beyond my expectations. Chaplain Charles L. Lack, Wing Chaplain, assisted by Chaplains Carlton D. Garrison and Fred A. DeLashaw, made thorough preparation. Have never had such thorough co-operation from officers. Family groups attended evening chapel services, above par of civilian church. Character Guidance lectures well attended. It was a good revival, in Baptist parlance.

Two new tracts, "Who are the Baptists?" and "Salvation Symbolized" (latter on baptism and copy enclosed), available Baptist Sunday School Board, 161 Eighth Avenue, N., Nashville, Tenn.

Preaching Missions this year are using an increased number of outstanding Southern Baptist preachers.

Seminary Extension Department (of all our Seminaries) has headquarters at Jackson 5, Mississippi, Baptist Building, Box 530, Lee Gallman, director. He has mailed you detailed material.

BAPTIST NEWS:

Eternal Promotions for Baptist leaders this month: Dr. W. H. Knight, heart ailment, for 13 years Mission Secretary for Louisiana, well-known pastor and educator. Dr. Henry Bennett, airplane crash in Iran, together with Mrs. Bennett. President Oklahoma A&M College, Stillwater, serving as leader of President Truman's Point Four Program - Outstanding Baptist layman.

Dr. R. G. Lee, former President of Southern Baptist Convention, recovering from recent surgery.

Hays Brooks, Rep. (D.Ark.) named "Layman of the year," by Washington, D.C., Federation of Churches. Member, House Foreign Affairs Committee, active Baptist layman of Little Rock.

W. A. Harrell, completes 25 years service with Sunday School Board. Last eleven with Department of Church Architecture.

Florida, - 37 of 38 associations in state report every church giving

to missions.

Dallas, Texas, First Baptist Church, oversubscribed in one day 1952 budget of \$566,797.12 by \$107,000.00.

Orphanages operated by State Baptist Conventions care for more than 4,500 children.

Brotherhood of Southern Baptist Convention elects Geo. W. Schroeder, who has served as Assoc. Secretary, to the position of Secretary to succeed Lawson Cook. During Secretary Cook's leadership, organization has grown to 200,000 members in 10,000 organizations. Annual budget is \$60,000.

Southern Baptists gave \$11,319,964.00 to Co-Operative Missions first eleven months of '51.

Sunday School Board reports gross sales of \$8,635,633.00 past year.

Home Mission Board reports 839 Missionaries and workers.

Ridgecrest - Home Mission Week is Aug. 14-19 - includes Chaplains' Conference.

Brazil - Forty-seven Baptist churches in Recife report 748 conversions in week of evangelistic campaign. There are more Baptist churches in capital city of Brazil than in capital city of the U.S.

New Mexico Baptists gave State Mission Secretary, Harry P. Stagg, and wife expense paid trip to Holy Land in appreciation of their 14 years of service.

Glorieta Assembly (N.Mex.) will conduct only one week of activity in 1952.

T.V. - Chief of Army Chaplains, Roy H. Parker, was on T.V. night of Jan. 2nd. He revealed the value of spiritual ministry of the chaplain, with emphasis on the mission activity of chaplains in occupied areas by their care of national orphans.

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

Theological Seminaries in U.S. are only institutions of higher learning showing increase in enrollment during 1950-51.

Berlin - Commy leaders discourage Christmas parties in favor of celebration honoring birthday of Marshall Stalin on December 21.

Yankee Clipper - Joe DiMaggio played 1,738 games of professional baseball - batted 6,281 times, played in 51 World Series and earned an estimated \$704,769.00, during his career from 1936 until recent retirement.

U.M.T. legislation scheduled for hearing when Congress reassembles January 8.

Liquidated in Korea are 450 known pastors and other full-time Christian workers.

Deficit of 114,890 (lbs.) reported last year by British Baptists.

Food Production per capita is less than at beginning of World War II. Half the people do not receive sufficient food to maintain normal health, to supply normal growth for childhood, nor sufficient energy for working men.

PROMOTIONS:

ARMY - To Captaincy, Jesse I. Hart, Hq. 24th Med Bn., APO 24, San Francisco, Calif.

CALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY:

ARMY - Herbert L. Redd, Fort Bragg, N. C.

George E. Roberts, Jr., Hq. AAA RTC, Ft. Bliss, Texas

NAVY - Alvin C. Collins, Myrtle, Mississippi

VET. - Lemuel Hall, V.A. Hospital, Bonham, Texas

ADMINIS. George D. McClelland, V.A. Hospital, (Part-time) Wichita, Kansas.

AMONG THE CHAPLAINS:

Bulletins - The varied bulletins and newsletters regularly coming to this office from all branches of the services were dressed up in their finest regalia and expressed the most triumphant spirit during Holiday Season. Our Prize goes to Third Naval District bulletin for December. Chaplain Joshua Goldberg is Dist. Chaplain. Pictorial display - material make-up, reading content - well, from every angle, it was tops.

Civil Air Patrol - has approximately 225 chaplains. Led by our Chaplain Robert P. Taylor, Bolling AFB, Washington, D.C.

B. N. Wolfe, % Div. Chaplain, 1st Mar. Div., FMF-PAC, San Francisco,

Before leaving Camp Pendleton was assisting 4 Marine preachers in sermon preparation, also a group in Bible study on each Wednesday night

Geo. L. Youman, Hq. 53rd Abn. Inf. Regt., Camp Breckinridge, Ky., -

"Starting Sunday night services, also trying out a Bible Forum. Indications are it will be profitable."

-Aaron Backus, Hq. 6107th Air Base Sq., APO 15, San Francisco, "God is blessing work - several professions, some baptized. Our missionaries doing wonderful job in Japan."
Maira Lasandra Dickson, size 6 lbs 6 oz., just arrived at home of Chaplain and Mrs. L. A. Dickson, Jr., Walker AFB, Roswell, N. Mex.
Cletus E. Wilch, Hq. 29th, AAA AW Bn., APO 919, San Francisco, "Baptized 6 this month, 4 of which were Japanese."
James A. Wood, Hqs. 16th Inf. Regt., APO 696, New York, his outfit assisting local Baptist church in constructing house of worship - Needing additional help.
Frank E. Deese, 102nd Inf. Regt., 43rd Div., APO 112, New York, "Spiritual interest at all-time high - Chapel filled to standing room."
John W. Johnston, Sr., Hq. 83rd Engr. Const. Bn., APO 21, New York, "Spent week in November in Munich Hospital - Just missed taking C-82 that crashed." Lucky John!
Homer L. Schnick, Marine Barracks, Camp Pendleton, Calif., - Father in hospital, Norton, Kansas
David E. Weaver, 101st Airborne Div., Camp Breckinridge, Ky., - Awarded BRONZE STAR medal for service in Korea.
Robert K. Bamberg, Hq. ADSEC EUCOM, Com. Z, APO 58, New York; "Rainy season on - Men in tents - Some drop in church attendance - Great day and service Thanksgiving."
Wm. F. Shearin, Hq. 6th Inf. Reg., APO 742, New York - Sponsors weekly service at Refugee Camp with young German minister preaching.
David K. Shelton, Hq & Hq Sq. 8th F.B. Wing, APO 970, San Francisco, Reports 11 professions. Baptized 3 Koreans and sent picture of same.
Carl H. Hudson, 8169th U.S. Army Hosp., APO 50, San Francisco, - Mrs. Hudson joined him on post first week in December.
Floyd R. Merrill, Hq. Co., 279th Inf. Regt., APO 86, San Francisco: "Have 7 awaiting baptism - Streams frozen over and swimming pool drained."
L. L. Prewitt, 335 Ord. Ammo. Bn., APO 59, San Francisco: "We are sending 2 Korean students to States."
Chester L. Bishop, 682nd Engr. Bn., Camp Rucker, Ala. - "Mrs. Bishop's father, W. G. McGuire, died at Dewey, Okla. He has three sons-in-law in the service."
J.C. Brown, Jr., Box 366, MCRD, Parris Island, S.C. - "28 professions of faith, baptized 18."
Oliver R. Harris, Hq. 2349th Pers. Processing Gp., Camp Stoneman, Calif., "Baptized 5 in October - 4 in November."
Carl L. Mabra, Amarillo AF Base, Texas, "Two Southern Baptist churches plan a Baptist meeting one night a week in order that Baptists on Base will have place for fellowship and Bible study."
Edgar C. Andrews, Pier 37, Seattle, Wash. "Coordinator of Community Chest drive. Raised \$71,762.21."
James O. Mattox, Married to Doris Meekins of Raleigh, N.C., at Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, November 17. Bride is graduate of Mars Hill and Peabody. Congratulations and good luck, happiness, and prosperity!
Ralph W. Below, U.S. Naval Trg. Center, Great Lakes, Ill. - Son, Barclay, age 7, victim of polio - Lost day old baby daughter - Both during November - Son much improved and wife recovered.
Carl D. Moorhead, Sheppard AF Base, Texas, "During December 189 accepted Christ as Saviour and 59 rededicated life."
Thomas N. Pettus, Box 44, Ft. Lyon, Colo., new V.A. Chaplain, appreciates news bulletin and literature from denomination.
Charles A. Meek, Hq & Hq. 508th Abn. Inf. Reg., Ft. Benning, Ga. - Wife still in hospital at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Mason E. Bondurant, 213 Hqs. 1X Corps, Arty, APO 264, San Francisco, "I am the proud father of a bouncing baby boy, John Lee, weight 8½ lbs. born November 1."

Chaplains Attending State Conventions:

<u>Geo. L. Youman</u> ,	Kentucky, at Bowling Green.
<u>H. H. Day</u> ,	Alabama, at Montgomery.
<u>J. E. Turnage</u> ,	Missouri, at Springfield.
<u>Seba E. Marshall</u> ,	Illinois, at Carbondale.

Chaplains Conducting Preaching Missions:

R. G. Alexander, 60th AAA AW Bn., APO 179, New York, "With our outfit, 8 professions of faith, many rededications, four called to ministry."

Alford V. Bradley, 141st Gen. Hosp., APO 1005, San Francisco, "Assisted Sidney W. Cowles of Hq. Camp Kokura in 8-day mission. Chaplain Cowles expresses appreciation for success of Mission."

Elvin A. Burgess, Hq. Bad Nauheim Sub Post, APO 807, New York: "Novem-

ber was memorable month for this Chaplain in Germany. Held revival on his outfit where they said it could not be done. Six conversions including his 10 year old daughter. Several rededications.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Jesse M. Ashcraft, Naval Aux. Air Station, El Centro, Calif.
Robert H. Alston, 196th R.C.T., Ft. Richardson, APO 949, P.M.
Seattle Washington
James M. Bragan, Off. of the Chaplain, Hqs. Co., 406th Eng. Brigade,
Camp Rucker, Ala.
John M. Danielsen, Chaplain's Office, NAAS, Sanford, Fla.
H. H. Day, 3275th AF Indoc. Wg., Parks Air Force Base, Calif.
Otis O. Holladay, 511 AC &W Group, APO 919, P.M., San Francisco, Calif.
O. J. Harris, USS NEWPORT NEWS CA 148, FPO, New York, N.Y.
William D. Kirkpatrick, Post Chapel, Camp Polk, La.
Edward J. Lee, Jr., USS JARNALL DD 541, FPO, San Francisco, Calif.
Robert L. Morrill, 6012th Air Base Sqd., APO 68, P.M. 86, San Francisco,
L. E. McGowen, USS TTRIPOLI, FPO, New York, N. Y.
Earl W. Minor, 7558th Air Base Sqd., APO 124-1, New York.
George E. Mattocks, 56th Ftr.-Intcp Wing, Selfridge Field, Michigan.
Paul A. Montgomery, 3550 Trg. Wg., Moody Air Force Base, Valdosta, Ga.
Ben S. Price, 402d Q.M. Bn. Ft. Devens, Mass.
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Roy F. Reynolds, Room 216, Buder Bldg., 7th & Market Sts., St. Louis,
Missouri.
Morris S. Roe, Office of the Post Chaplain, Fort Lewis, Washington
Henry C. Stamey, Ward 1A, V.A. Hospital, Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Leonard W. Storey, Div. Artillery, 2nd Armd. Div., APO 42, P.M.,
New York.
Chester L. Smith, Hq. 3205th Drone Gp., Aux. Field #3, Eglin AFB, Fla.
Myron H. Stagg, 118th AC&W Sq., 154th AC&W GP, APO 30, P.M., New York.
Wilbur M. Sheaffer, 504 A.I.R., 82nd Abn., Div., Fort Bragg, N.C.
Grover E. Stillwagon, 6550th Air Base Wing, Patrick AFB, Fla.
Donald E. Trump, 31 Totty St., Ettrick, Va.
Melvin Torstrick, 1st Short Party Bn., 1st Marine Div., FMF, FPO,
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