

MAY

1959

OFFICE ITEMS

Commission meeting, April 2: Denominational endorsements given as follows.
 Army: Staff Specialist - 2, Reserve - 7, National Guard - 1.
 Air Force: Regular - 1, Reserve - 2, CAP - 3.
 Industrial chaplaincy - 1.

Voted to defray expenses of chaplains and families attending Baptist assembly in Germany (May 4-8) on same basis as those attending Baptist assemblies in the States.

Recommended to HMB the election of James C. Peck as secretary for institutional and industrial chaplaincy. He will begin work about May 1. Native of Louisiana, BS from Southern La. Institute, BD from Southwestern Seminary, MRE from New Orleans Seminary, served with US Maritime (engineering) WW II, pastoral experience of six years, Hospital chaplain 1 year, chaplain for 4 years at Broyhill Furniture Factories (11 plants), Lenoir, N. C.

523 is new home for Chaplains Division at HMB headquarters. Here we have more commodious quarters for the enlarged program in keeping with reorganization and expansion of Board. The Chaplains Commission is transferred from a department status to that of a Division. Director Carpenter and Associate Director Cummins will continue to care for military and VA chaplains plus other hospital chaplains. Chaplain E. L. Ackiss is secretary of ministeries to military personnel. Chaplain James C. Peck secretary of the two new phases as mentioned above. In other words, we are now set up to assist and be of service to any Southern Baptist minister serving in any phase of the chaplaincy. The total picture of Southern Baptist Chaplaincy is large and comprehensive. Four field men and three office secretaries comprise our staff. Come see us when possible.

A Reminder - mail should be addressed to Chaplains Commission, Home Mission Board, 161 Spring St., N. W., Atlanta 3, Georgia. If to an individual then "Attention to-"

CONVENTION - Louisville, Kentucky, May 19-22. See last month's bulletin for details on reservations. Luncheon - Chaplains Association at Beechmont Baptist Church, 4574 South 3rd Street. Thursday, 12:30 pm - price \$1.75. Tickets secured at Chaplains' Booth, Exhibit Hall - meet your friends there.

Assemblies - Glorieta - July 31 to August 5. Ridgecrest - August 13 to 19. Excellent program arranged and large number indicating attendance. "Come thou with us and we will do thee good."

PROMOTIONS

Hinderer, G. Milton, USS Tanner, FPO, N. Y. to Lt., USNR
 Sims, Floyd E., USS Courtney, FPO, N. Y. to Lt., USNR
 Clardy, Wm. J., Mobile Constr. Bn., Seven, FPO, N. Y. to Lt., USNR
 Andress, Gene Bishop, Bldg. 1411, R T C, USNTC, Great Lakes, Ill., to Lt., USN
 Sebastian, D. F., Jr., 412th Ftr. Grp, Wurtsmith AFB, Oscoda, Mich. to Reg. AF.
 Morris, Martin B., B559 Ellington AFB, Texas to Reg. AF.
 Esch, Geo., B67, 3615 Plt Tr Wng, Craig AFB, Ala, to Reg AF.
 Propst, Roy A., Jr., Com Des Ron, Four, FPO, N. Y. to Lt., USNR

COMMENDATIONS

Young, Willis F., Yuma Test Sta, Arizona, by CO for outstanding performance/service. of
 Graham, Wm. O., 435 Battery Ave., Brooklyn 9, N. Y., by CO for exceptional service while aboard UPSHUR (T AP 198).

Waters, Howard E., MCAF, Santa Ana, Calif., received presidential citation ribbon bar for marine duty in Korea.

Wiggins, Edgar L., Fort Carson, Colo., by CO for outstanding service.

DIRECTOR'S MEANDERINGS

April 7-9 -- to D. C. One day contacting the several Chiefs' offices. Chaplain Robert Whiteside, hospital chaplain at Andrews AFB was of vital assistance. Enjoyed renewed fellowship with him. Two days with the General Commission on Chaplains in their mid-year meeting. It was a historic meeting, in that the Commission remains in business on its own rather than under wing of National Council of Churches. One day with VA serving with a group of nine as consultants in chaplains' ministeries.

April 15 -- at Southwestern Seminary consulting with called committee regarding chaplains work. Spent some time out at Radio and TV Commission Hdqs. They have a top-level program in this field and equipment to match the challenge.

(Director's Meanderings Continued)

April 16 -- at Waco on an unplanned mission. At VA Hospital, Thomas Pettus had the day off and failed to contact John P. Neal. At 12th AF Hdqs., Murphy Lanning was on TDY. At James Connally AFB, Ray Riddle fed me some fine Baptist fellowship. Enjoyed brief visit to home with coffee and view of new baby.

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR'S PRESENT ITINERARY

April 20 -- Visited with Chaplain Wm. P. Moore at the Lexington, Ky. VA Hospital. Evidence of a very effective program here reaching the patients through many channels with good help from the surrounding churches.

April 21 -- Missed Chaplain Leon Gilbert at Ft. Thomas. He is recovering from an operation and was recuperating in a very fine way and had gone to visit in Lexington, Ky.

April 22 -- Wright-Patterson AFB where Chaplain Richard Graham is base chaplain. Good visit with CO of base and the office of the Air Material Staff Chaplain. Enjoyed a good lunch prepared by Mrs. Graham.

April 23 -- Missed Chaplain E. W. O'Neil at Fairbourne AFB, Columbus, Ohio. He was away TDY at Akron, Ohio.

April 25 -- Griffis AFB, Rome, N. Y. found Chaplain John S. Garrenton holding forth as base chaplain. Good visit and fine fellowship at evening meal.

SECRETARY-MILITARY PERSONNEL MINISTERIES

Southern Baptist chaplains are of great assistance in Intermediate RA state camps. Through their volunteer help, our 1959 Intermediate RA state camps in five states will be staffed with active duty chaplains. The contribution of these volunteers will be incalculable to these fine RAs who are at the stage of admiration for stalwart, outstanding Christian men who have "been there and returned."

A visit to Southern Baptist military groups in Portsmouth, N. H., Springfield, Mass., and Dover, Del. was a thrilling and inspiring one. Dedicated and witnessing Southern Baptists are at kingdom work in these areas. Our chaplains, service personnel, and their dependents are "witnessing" for our Master with courage and effectiveness. A northwest itinerary will include the following military installations, in the interest of closer church-contacts between our churches and Southern Baptist military personnel and their dependents (to being June 1): Selfridge, Truax, Richard Bong, Minn. Int. Airport, Grand Forks AFB, Minot AFB, Ellsworth AFB, Great Falls AFB, Geiger, Fairchild, Larson; NAB Whidbey Island, Paine AFB, Fort Lawson, PSNYd, Fort Lewis, McChord, Portland AFB, activities in and around San Francisco, Los Angeles, and San Diego. Chaplains will be advised in advance of arrival dates.

BAPTIST NEWS

Family Life, published quarterly by Home Educational Department, SSB, Joe W. Burton, editor, is 6x9, 8 page. Should sufficient number of chaplains indicate to this office that you desire copies we will seek to secure same.

1959-year of evangelistic emphasis for all North American Baptists seems to be catching fire. Current reports for Southern Baptists are encouraging. Each Baptist preacher, no matter what his assignment, should do his best plus all the Lord can do through him.

Overseas Baptist churches affiliated with SBC had considerable increase in baptisms for 1958 or total of 29,990.

Baptist World Alliance figures show 23 million Baptists in more than 100 countries. Revival Crusade in Alaska with the 27 Baptist churches produced more than 300 additions.

Colleges calling for chaplains. R. C. Gresham, chaplain at Berry Schools for 9 years, becomes chaplain at Norman College in September.

Brooks Hayes, president of SBC, on two weeks tour of mission fields in Central and South America.

Okla. Baptists open their 10th hospital. This one, a 200 bed, in Okla. City with T. P. Haskins as chaplain.

Missouri Baptists plan 8 story, 500 bed, hospital in St. Louis.

Ray Summers, after 21 years at Southwestern teaching New Testament, transfers to Southern Seminary in same field.

New Baptist Colleges - Houston, Texas to open in 1960 - Dallas, Texas to open 1961 - Atlanta, Ga. open 1959 - Louisville, Ky. to open 1960.

German Baptists during past 10 years received 4 million dollars plus for reconstruction of 180 places of worship. Plans are to assist with 80 additional church buildings, 20 of which are in Soviet Zone.

Harms, Sudderth A., APO, New York, preached at Baptist Church in Hunstanton, Norfolk, England - will be helping while they are locating pastor.

Lewis, Estes L., Glendale, Ariz., held preaching service for Helping Hand Mission.

Brickey, Riley A., spoke at Chapel, Osborne High School, Marietta, Georgia.

Stafford, George J., VAH, Dublin, Ga., re-elected President of Georgia Chaplains Fellowship.

Weaver, David, Station, Ky., reports that mission where he was pastor became the Ashby Lane Baptist Church and he was called as pastor.

Tabb, Robert W., Langley AFB, Va., joined the Liberty Baptist Church of Hampton.

Palmer, Elmer, Fort Knox, Ky., preached revival for Cove Baptist Church, Fairdale.

Callahan, Elias, VAH, Tuscaloosa, Ala., addressed the joint dinner session of the pastors and staff of the Demopolis Hospital, Ala.

Arms, Ralph R., Fort McClellan, Ala., taught "Personal Soul Winning" 1st Baptist Church, Piedmont.

Tollett, Vaughn H., APO, San Francisco, Calif., conducted Southern Baptist Retreat at 8th Army Retreat Center and used 6 American Missionaries on program.

Heard, Dow H., VAH, Houston, Texas, was guest speaker at S. Main Baptist Church for evening service.

Israel, Kenneth, Pease AFB, N.H. baptized 14 into membership of Southern Baptist Mission in Newington, N.H., which is a mission of the Manhattan Baptist Church.

Whiteside, Robert R., Washington, D. C., mother had slight stroke but is improved now.

Thompson, Leslie A., APO, New York, visited Athens, the Holy Land and Egypt for very inspiring and helpful trip while on leave.

Llewellyn, Stanley A., APO, New York, is starting program for care of a Protestant orphanage.

Holland, H. W., FPO, New York, taught Bible study for adults of Bayview Church, Norfolk, Va. Also joined Bayview Church.

Lambrides, John G., Washington, D.C., participated in simultaneous revival during April 12-26, in N. C. and Va.

Williams, Deyo J., Swannanoa, N. C., attended Army reserve class at Raleigh, accepted as member of National Academy of Religion and Health.

Sheffield, Lexington O., Fort Sill, Okla., gave invocation at annual Wichita Mountains Easter Pageant, at Blue & Gold Cub Scouts, and City Council meeting.

Jones, Asa W., FPO, New York, had Rev. Capo, pastor of Spanish Evangelical Church of Palma, aboard for services.

Dickinson, James, APO, New York, baptized 7 candidates in First Church, LeFere, France.

Raley, Leroy W., Fort Ord, Calif., conducted revival at Bethany Church, Bellflower, Calif. with 36 for baptisms, 14 other professions of faith, 11 by letter, 9 re-dedications, and 2 surrendered for special service.

Jolly, Joseph L., Jr., APO, New York, preached at Arnsby Church, England, and Newton Harcourt Church of England.

Burnette, Lester E., Ft. Slocum, New York, filled pulpit of Manhattan Church, New York, for two services with 2 professions of faith.

Kevetter, Frederick, APO 35, New York, preached at First Church, Ramallah, Jordan, while on leave visiting Holy Land.

Meek, Charles A., Fort Slocum, New York, preached at Essex Church, Baltimore, Md., with 12 professions of faith and 18 by letter and statement.

Kempson, Farrell W., San Diego, Calif., preached during revival at First Church, Imperial Beach, Calif., with 6 for baptism, 5 by letter, 10 other professions of faith.

Cutbirth, Jack W., Augusta, Ga., was guest minister at home of Frances, New Ellenton, S. C. to conduct prayer service prior to revival at Foreman Memorial Church.

Johnson, Lucius, Fort Bragg, N. C., conducted revival at Cumberland, N. C. Church with 10 decisions (6 professions of faith).

Colson, James T., APO 147, New York, spoke to Baptist Minister's Fellowship, Regent Park College, Oxford, England on 18 March; subject "Churches in America."

Blasingame, Albert J., APO, New York, attended Berchtesgaden Retreat with 18 base personnel in the party.

Dickason, Henry F., Waco, Texas, accepted pastorate of small country church 25 miles south of Waco. Also promoted to Staff Sergeant on 1 March.

Reed, William H., Rantoul, Ill., spoke at Immanuel Southern Baptist Church on 15 March, with 2 by letter. Also serving as chairman of visitation for church.

Williams, Felix J., Alexandria, La., taught study course at Philadelphia Baptist Church, Libuse, La.

Ortiz, Onesimus G., Mather AFB, Calif., had James McClenden for preaching mission with 25 moves.

Colson, James T., APO, New York, Dr. K. O. White conducted preaching mission 21-25 Feb. 6 professions of faith and 25 rededications.

Richardson, Fredrick, Fort Hood, Texas, conducted revival in First Church, Copperas Cove, Texas with 9 for baptism, 30 rededications, 6 mission volunteers and 10 by letter.

Richards, Sherman, B., Brooklyn 50, N. Y., won third prized in Freedom's Foundation Letter Writing Contest.

Green, John E., El Pas, Texas, preached in simultaneous campaign at Emmanuel Baptist Church, Palestine, Texas. Four additions to church.
Ammerman, Elmer H., Ft. Campbell, Ky., conducted 1 week meeting at Concord Baptist Church, Hopkinsville and was coordinator for Post-Wide Protestant Religious Week, Dr. Bob Jones, Jr. speaker. 21 decisions.
Todd, Lowell C., VAH, Shreveport, La., supplied at Pinecroft Baptist Church.
Blackford, Ernest J., Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., reports slow month due to recuperation from illness in February.
Lane, William A., Parris Island, S. C., preached in revival meeting in rural church near Varnville, S.C.
Deal, Wiley R., VAH, Columbia, S.C., preached at homecoming service Red Bank Baptist Church, Lexington, S.C.. Received 25 year service pin.
Garner, Calvin H., Ft. Polk, La., conducted services 1st Baptist Church, Leesville and 1st Baptist, Anacoco, La.
Leonard, Guy M., Jr., FPO, New York, preached Ley Memorial Methodist Church, Key West, Florida.
Meyer, Charles W., APO, San Francisco, Calif., was revival speaker at Nuuanu Baptist Church, Honolulu, T. H., - 51 decisions.
Milligan, Jack R., APO, Seattle, Wash., taught book "The Plan of Salvation" three times.
Priest, Leroy R., Randolph AFB, Texas, conducted revival services at Schertz Baptist Church, Texas with 8 professions of faith and 5 additions by letter.

PROFESSIONS OF FAITH AND REDEDICATIONS

Edward L. Spence reports 10 professions of faith and 15 rededications for March.
Charles W. Meyer, APO San Francisco, reports 47 and 8 for March, 8 and 7 for Feb.
Lowell C. Todd, Shreveport, La., reports 14 and 5 for February, 13 and 8 for Mar.
Wiley R. Deal, Columbia, S.C. reports 14 and 20 for March, 9 and 12 for February.
William A. Lane, Parris Island, S. C., reports 60 and 1 for March.
Elmer H. Ammerman, Ft. Campbell, Ky., reports 16 and 8 for March.
John H. Brown, Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., reports 15 and 19 for March, 13 and 15 for February.
Roger G. Donathan, Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., reports 57 and 13 for March, 25 & 5 Feb.
David H. Sperring, Ft. Bragg, N.C., reports 38 and 200 for March.
Ralph E. Harrell, Ft. Benning, Ga. reports 14 and 21, for March.
Michael E. Reynolds, Oakland Army Terminal, Calif., reports 23 for March.
Albert V. Clark, APO, San Francisco, reports 16 and 11 for February.
Jack Moses, Fairchild AFB, Wash, reports 38 and 42 for March.
Roy F. Reynolds, VAH, St. Louis, Mo., reports 11 and 21 for February.
William H. Vinson, Camp Lejeune, N.C., reports 15 and 35 for February and March.
Hansford C. Gober, Patrick AFB, Fla., reports 9 and 7 for March
John H. Brown, Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., reports 9 and 11 for January.
Alvin J. Lee, VAH, Roanoke, Va., reports 7 and 4 for March.
M. J. Bouterse, Camp Pendleton, Calif., reports 10 and 5 for 1st quarter.
James M. Bragan, Ft. Chaffee, Ark., reports 10 and 14 for March.
Louis B. Parks, VAH, Houston, Texas, reports 7 and 12 for March.
Neil F. Wolfe, APO, Seattle, Wash., reports 8 and 3 for February, 12 and 7 for March.
Calvin H. Garner, Ft. Polk, La., reports 10 and 8 for February, 12 and 8 for March.
Gene B. Andress, Great Lakes, Ill., reports 11 and 5 for February.
Guy M. Leonard, Jr., FPO, New York, reports 8 for February, 11 for March.
Roy V. Thornberry, Jr., San Diego, Calif., reports 6 and 15 for February.
Jack R. Milligan, APO, Seattle, reports 9 and 8 for February.
Ernest J. Blackford, Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., reports 7 and 38 for February, 9 and 32 for March.
Robert M. Whiteside, Wash., D.C., reports 8 and 13 for February.

Burnette, Lester E., Ft. Slocum, N.Y., was informed by Chief of Chaplains that he has been selected to study at Southern Seminary in the field of Psychological Estimates of Man and the Christian Faith in the School of Religious Education.
Speer, Kenneth R., Ft. Bliss, Texas, well pleased with assignment and looking forward to fruitful ministry.
Garrett, Jesse H., VAC, Los Angeles, Calif., on sick list for short period.
Nicholson, Lester E., Greenville AFB, Miss., plans to retire with termination date early in May - will make his home in Fort Worth.

THANKS A HEAP - for the response from request that Associate Director sent for suitable photos to use in arranging our exhibit for the Chaplains' Booth at the Southern Baptist Convention. Still time to get them in under the wire.

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