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Thanksgiving Day

IN CONFORMITY to a national tradition which harks back to the infant American Colonies, Thursday of next week will be observed throughout the country as our annual Thanksgiving Day. It is an observance to which the Christian conscience may well give full sanction. In fact the Christian conscience is itself under the need of self-reproach in that it has seemed to function so poorly in the field of keeping before the self-pleasing human nature of men that the meaning of the Day is spiritual rather than a prime opportunity for indulging in an over-dose of creature satisfactions.

One need not be a pessimist—though in the way of being so-called—to see that Thanksgiving Day is now observed by multitudes of our people in a way Pagan-Rome and Greece could scarcely have considered slow. Feasting, shouting in assembled thousands at foot-ball games, careering over the land in automobiles, flocking by hundreds of thousands to salacious movies and the like, whatever our easy-way religionists and worldlings (small difference between them!) may say, are incommensurable with that sense of dependence upon God and gratitude to Him which spurred the hearts of our sturdy forebears who instituted the American Thanksgiving Day. We know their day is gone! But one can wonder if those rugged, God-fearing men and women would have thought their empire-building worth what it cost if they could see the greedy, self-coddling materialism and pleasure-lust which form the whole circle of the outlook of multitudes of their descendants to-day.

Thanksgiving to God was much emphasized in the worship of the Jews. The Apostle Paul uses the expression, "I thank my God," or its equivalent eleven times in his letters, and his admonitions to the churches to thanksgiving as an expression of praise and a means of unity and spiritual growth abound in his writings. We properly thank God for material benefits, for bountiful harvests, for national peace, for stable economic conditions. But the spiritual Christian will not fail to think Him much more for His wonderful spiritual blessings, and most of all that while we were yet His enemies, His eternal Son died for our sins, that we might be wrested from the realm of Satan and brought to safety in Christ.

In Kentucky next week in their thanksgiving, our 2,000 Baptist churches are asked to make contributions to our two Kentucky Baptist Orphanages—a fitting and worthy way in which to give tangible expression to our gratitude to God for His blessing upon us.

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"Earnestly Contend for the Faith Once for All Delivered to the Saints."—Jude 3.

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The Social Service Research Committee and Its Report

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IT IS significant that all the members of the committee appointed to pass upon the advisability of inaugurating a new Social Research Bureau movement signed the report, which appears in full in *The Recorder* of October 24, 1935. The brevity of the report is its greatest merit, but it has other qualities, among them being the evident earnestness of the men who prepared and sponsored it.

The ablest discussion of the Social Research Bureau movement that has yet appeared, however, was not the report itself, but the article in the same issue of the *Western Recorder* from the hand of Professor J. B. Weatherspoon, of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Nothing stronger from the standpoint of the Social Researchers could, I think, emerge from any source; and hence if the article of Professor Weatherspoon can be answered, then those of us who oppose this new movement will have won our case and the movement itself will be consigned to its rightful place in our archives as an evidence not of what we should have, but of what well-meaning men thought we shall have. I shall reserve for a future discussion an analysis of Doctor Weatherspoon's splendid paper, and confine myself at the moment to the report of the committee as a whole.

I

READERS of the *Recorder* are already aware that I am opposed to this new program. Perhaps I may better voice my conviction on the matter by the recital of an incident in Texas Baptist history. Benjamin Griffith was one of the ablest secretaries the American Baptist Publication Society ever had. I delighted to number him among my personal friends. When I was editor of *The Baptist Standard*, he came down to Texas for the purpose of establishing a Baptist book store. At that time *The Baptist Standard* was published at Waco, and, inasmuch as Baylor University was located there, and *The Standard* was there, and B. H. Carroll was there, and George W. Truett was there, and I lived there, it seemed to me that Waco was the Texas Baptist center of gravity. At my request, Dr. Griffith came to Waco, surveyed the field, then came back to Dallas and re-surveyed the Dallas field. I was with him in these activities and showed him all the courtesies I could. When he had looked the entire field over, he turned to me and said most kindly:

"Brother Cranfill, in the location of our new Texas book store, all of my heart is for Waco, but all of my head is for Dallas."

As a high-thinking religious business executive, he followed the suggestion of his head and subsequent events proved that he was right. Not long after his Texas visit, Texas Baptist affairs began to center in Dallas and now all of the activities except the parent unit of Baylor University are in Dallas; and in some ways the biggest end of Baylor is in Dallas for we have here the Baptist Hospital the Medical College, Dental and Pharmaceutical Colleges, Nurses' Training School and the like.

I was reared among the Primitive Baptists. If these dear folks had as much enterprise as they have religion and horse sense, they would have joined the Missionary Baptists long ago. They follow their hearts and their intuitions, and if any of the readers of this humble article thinks he knows how to put a Primitive Baptist preacher in default in the dis-

ussion of Scripture teachings, he may find it necessary to look into his concordance again.

Upon a time when I was a boy, attending a Primitive Baptist Association, a new preacher occupied the pulpit. Somehow there was something lacking in the sermon, and in the intonations of this preacher's voice. He preached the Primitive Baptist doctrine lucidly, but there was no heart in it. It was to those old-timers as sounding brass and tinkling cymbal. When the meeting was over, I heard two of the old Baptist deacons discussing the sermon by themselves. One said to the other: "That sermon wasn't daddy's bell. I have heard daddy's bell many and many a time. That bell sounded loud enough, but it was the language of Ashdod."

I have given these simple illustrations as the basis for the remark that while this report of the Social Research Committee and the well tempered discussion of Professor Weatherspoon were able, and in some ways quite convincing, there is something on the inside of me that says "it's not daddy's bell."

II

PERMIT me to illustrate it again. Upon a time, among many such guests, the evangelist who was holding a meeting out West when I was a country doctor and editor was our guest. He was in good standing in the Baptist denomination, but there was something lacking in his ministry. When I first took him home, my wife took me to one side and said, "Papa, I don't like that man!" Next morning after breakfast (we had fried chicken for breakfast) my wife took me aside again and said: "I told you so; that man won't do. When he was saying the blessing, he kept his eyes open and was looking at the chicken dish to pick out the best piece of chicken we had." When I asked her how she knew, she said, woman-like, "I watched him!"

Arguments may go astray and declarations fall wide of the mark, but intuitions are less erratic. I am not an ecclesiastical psychiatrist nor do I claim wisdom above that which dowers common men, yet there is something in this whole movement that to my own spirit doesn't ring true.

There is a teaching of Jesus which I think will clarify the entire situation. He taught that if you make the tree good the fruit will be good. As a long-time student of pathology, I know (and it is according to the Scripture) that the blood is the life. If a microscopical blood test shows normal proportions of red and white blood cells, hemoglobin and other normal constituents there cannot be any very great aberration from normal health. To purify the blood is to eliminate the toxins and parasites that constantly assail the human body because these enemies of life cannot subsist in a normal blood stream.

We have in Texas a remarkable river—the only one of its kind I know. It bursts out of the mountainside a full grown sizable stream, clear as crystal, the fountain as pure as the driven snow, and this river flows on down toward the sea, maintaining throughout its course its clearness, except when freshets come. As a boy, I swam in this San Marcos River, I fished in its waters, and I loved to gaze upon its sublimated beauties.

But I have seen this river as murky and muddy as the real "Old Man River," as its worst. When the San Marcos

was at its flood from the freshets, no one who did not know its fountain-head and who had not loved it as it laughed its crystal way to the sea would have believed that it would ever sparkle again, but all we had to do was to wait. In the course of time, the fountain-head did well its work. The pure, clear waters from the mountainside kept flowing in and through the murky waves until at last there was our clear stream again, with its blue waters as transparent as before.

III

THE trouble with this Social Service Research Bureau movement is that these beloved brethren, with the highest of motives, are seeking to treat symptoms instead of assailing the disease. They are sentimentally on the banks of the dear old San Marcos River at its worst and they think something ought to be done about it. This, indeed, is true, and something is being done about it. The thing that is being done comes from the hand of God, who was the author of all life and love and beauty. God made the stream and through His Providence the channel was cut through these yielding rocks, until this San Marcos River surged forth from the mountainside.

In a former discussion, I referred to the Poteat movement as "the pimple bureau." I did not say this invidiously, but was using a medical illustration in the discussion of a spiritual problem. These dear friends want the tenant farmer taken care of. They are anxious about the Negro problem. They want a survey of the submerged tenth or twentieth or whatever it is. They are looking out upon rottenness and rags and their hearts like ours, are distressed at the countless evidences of the depravity, the suffering and the distressing of humankind. No saved heart can be insensate to the conditions of life around us. Now and again some Florence Nightingale or Clara Barton or Frances Willard or Jane Addams rushes in to the swelling currents of life to give love and energy and time and blood to their amelioration. We acclaim them great and they are. Out of such heroines, angels of life and mercy are made, and immortalities achieved—immortalities that can never be obscured.

It is noteworthy, however, that the Gospel of Jesus Christ provides a cure rather than an opiate. All the Social Research surveys, all the meddlesome inquiries into the tenant farmer problem, or any other mere social condition, will not reach the heart of the problems the beloved brethren seek to solve.

IV

I AM wondering if I cannot make myself plainer here by saying that the very work this committee contemplates is already being done by the evangels of the Cross everywhere. I am doing such work almost daily, and we have in the church of which I hold membership stated salaried workers who give of their energies and time to the solution of the same problems of which these brethren so ably write. We are visiting the sick, caring for the distressed, providing clothing for the naked, food for the hungry, and hospitalization for those who are ready to faint and die. I haven't the figures at hand, but I think Baylor Hospital alone did last year \$200,000 worth of charity work, and this in varying amounts is being done by all the Baptist hospitals in our world.

There is something else to be thought of in connection with this contemplated movement. There is a quality of meddlesomeness in all these uplifters. I was born and reared among the poor. I never had all the sugar I could eat until I was twelve years old and bought it with my own money. Having saved up fifteen cents, I bought a teacup of sugar, and thought I could eat a barrel but stalled before I was half through. We had hard times at our house. I have lived through three great wars. We worked terribly and achieved grandly.

This brings me to say that a great deal of these uplifting activities are plain bunk. It is not a crime nor a handicap for men, women and children to be poor. I have done a little something in life, but if I had been born with a silver

spoon in my mouth I never would have been worth killing. As it was, I was almost born with an Indian arrow-head in my mouth, and here I am with a modicum of sense, a reasonably good hand-made education, and two strong arms to work with.

V

I KNOW a good deal about tenant farmers. I have a farm, but I am a bum farmer. My tenant is a native Texas German. He is one of the best of men. This year the cotton worms and boll-weavils ate his cotton crop and his letters, crudely done, while pathetic, carried an undertone of humor. He is not discouraged. He is going at it again next year. He farms on the third and fourth, and this year didn't even make the fourth. Fact is, he didn't make a boll of cotton. He doesn't need anybody to come and survey his premises or care for his children or nose into his contracts with his landlord. His landlord now and again sends something for him and his family, in the shape of a crate of grapefruit or some other gift to show his love for the tenant. There's more bunk about the share-croppers and tenant farmers than in any other realm known to me. The greatest favor that can be done a landless farmer is to provide for him a good landlord, with seeds to plant, ploughs and horses and mules to use, and credit at the store until he can make another crop. There are, of course, two-legged hogs everywhere—hogs that no Social Research Bureau can exterminate, but, on the whole, the tenant farmer is more blessed in having a landlord and financial re-inforcement to help him make his crop than the landlord is blessed in having the tenant.

This report mentions the Negro problem. I have studied that all my life. I am counted by the Texas Negroes themselves the best Negro preacher in Texas. I preach more for them, help them more and defend them more than perhaps any other white man in this end of our world. What the Negroes need is not inspection and over-lordship by the white Social Research Bureau, just justice in our courts of law and Christian treatment by men whom they serve. As a trustee of Bishop College, our great Texas Baptist Negro school, the question arose a few years ago concerning the election of a new president. This school had white presidents for perhaps fifty years, these presidents being provided by the Home Mission Society of New York, who established and fostered the institution. In Dallas we had Rev. Joseph J. Rhoads, one of the blackest Negroes ever I saw and one of the smartest men I know. I thought the time had come for the Negroes to have a Negro President for that great school, and Rhoads has made the best president the school ever had.

Perhaps you think I am off the key in this discussion, but I'm not. If you think I'm not discussing the subject, please be reminded of Artemus Ward's great address on "The Babes in the Wood." To a crowded house who had paid \$1.00 a head to get in, Artemus spoke a long hour and a half, convulsing them time after time with hilarious laughter. At the conclusion of his speech he said:

"Ladies and gentlemen, you perhaps have noted that in this hour and a half I have not a single time referred to my subject. That's one great thing about my speeches—they never have anything to do with the subject!"

F. R. Moodie, of 426 Smith Street, Jacksonville, Fla., in renewing his subscription writes: "The Western Recorder and its predecessor, The Baptist Banner and Western Pioneer, have been in the Moodie Family for about ninety years, and as I am the only one of the family of nine left I am going to keep it coming as long as I may last."

Since July 8 Pastor Gordon C. Whiteley, of Hawesville, Ky., has preached fifteen weeks in seven meetings. An open-air meeting was held at the Woodrow Church in Breckinridge County; one at the Walnut Grove Church same county; one at Wolf Creek, Salem Association; one in New Hope Church, Goshen Association; at Goshen Church, in Breckinridge County; one at Southside Church, Louisville, and one at Newton Springs Church, Blackford Association.

Georgia Baptist Convention

W. W. GAINES, Atlanta, Ga.

THIS Convention met in its 114th session, November 12-13 in Atlanta, with the Tabernacle church. Rev. T. F. Callaway, pastor of the First Church, Thomasville, was for the second successive time elected president.

Perhaps the greatest Baptist family in Georgia has been the Callaway family. From the very first days of the State until now this family and its connections have been highly influential, giving to the Baptists many consecrated preachers and laymen and lay-women. It is entirely fitting that the Georgia Baptist Convention should have a Callaway for its president.

Other officers elected were Dr. W. H. Major, Atlanta; Dr. Frederick S. Porter, Columbus; Dr. B. D. Gray, College Park and Dr. J. C. Wilkinson, Athens, vice-presidents; Dr. B. D. Ragsdale (for the 41st time) secretary.

The annual sermon was preached by Dr. J. C. Wilkinson, who for years has been chairman of our State Executive Board; subject "The Spirit of Christ." A few quotations will indicate the trend of the discourse: "We are living in an age which smiled, in cynicism, at its noblest dreams of yesterday. It is cynical, disillusioned and filled with a sense of futility." He spoke of the slogans which thrilled us a few years ago—a war to end war, the League of Nations, the world for Christ in this generation, the Seventy-Five Million Campaign. It is popular now to sneer at the mention of any of these things. "Had we not better make the spirit of Christ our rule by which to appraise." "Is it not time for us to begin bringing all the areas of our life under the control of the spirit of Christ."

Other high features in the convention were the addresses of Dr. Charles E. Maddry, of the Foreign Mission Board, Dr. J. B. Lawrence of the Home Mission Board, Dr. T. J. Watts of the Relief and Annuity Board and Dr. J. R. Sampey, of the Louisville Seminary. One of the most delightful as well as one of the most effective speeches was that of Dr. John L. Hill representing the Sunday School Board. Dr. Hill is always glad to let his audiences know that he is a Kentuckian, and from "Sweet Owen." Some others of us also from Kentucky always feel a pride when we are listening to Dr. Hill, the perfect gentleman, servant of the Most High. And when we think of him some of us are happy to remember his saintly father, Rev. G. W. Hill, a country Baptist preacher, known to everybody in that section, and who held many great revival meetings in Owen county and in neighboring counties.

On the second day a barbecue dinner was served the Convention by the Orphans' Home at its grounds in the suburbs of the city.

Financial reports showed collections since January 1, of \$272,066.48, an increase of \$24,124.33 over the same period last year.

It was a good convention. The writer asked Dr. James W. Merritt, executive secretary of the State Board, to give in a word his estimate of the session. Here is what he said: "The Convention was harmonious and constructive. In the absence of sharply contested issues and acute problems the meeting was devoted to discussions of the various phases of the work and of plans for making still further advances in the work of the Convention. The inspirational note was dominant." Let me say that our popular and successful state secretary is a layman, who through the process of years rose from the position of a departmental head to the headship of the house. He was recently given his honorary degree by Mercer University.

The Christian Index, our denominational paper, convention owned, under the excellent editorial and business management of Dr. O. P. Gilbert, will end its year with a small balance on hand.

The report of the Social Service Commission, Rev. W. Lee Cutts, Atlanta, chairman, adopted by the Convention,

took strong attitude concerning the liquor problem, war and peace, the crime situation, divorce and Sabbath observance.

Georgia is truly a Baptist State: 2,408 churches, 84 associations, 457,941 members, total gifts for all purposes \$2,002,323.88.

Words of Cheer From Paducah Pastor

YOUR editorial reaction to the repeal victory-defeat encourages me to offer mine to you for publication. [It will appear in an early issue.—Ed.]. I appreciate the article by Brother Clyde L. Breland. Somehow I feel that those who urge this social emphasis are vague in their conception of what is wrong with men. Let us have more able articles on this important theme.

I want to commend the article by Brother Eldridge B. Hatcher, for it makes articulate what I have felt for years. I wish he would write again on this line.

I trust that I may secure the subscription of those whose names I have placed on the enclosed clipping.

Though I could not be at Ashland, our church is joyous over the coming next year of Kentucky Baptists to Paducah and will do her best in getting ready for them.

ROY O. BEAMAN

Paducah, Ky.

Pastor West End Church

Pastor Alton B. Pierce, of the First Church of Hazard, Ky., has been preaching in a series of meetings at the Thirty-first Street Church in Indianapolis, Ind.

Pastor H. Evan McKinley, of Shepherdsville, Ky., began two weeks' meetings with Pastor John J. PreVol at the St. Matthews Baptist Church, St. Matthews, Ky., on Monday night, November 18.

Pastor Fred G. Tucker, of East Church, Louisville, Ky., has been in Norton Va., preaching for Pastors C. W. McElroy and Walter L. Brock, and at the Good Will Centre, where Miss Louise Fletcher is director.

Missionary and Mrs. Henry A. Sodergren, of Africa, are back in Louisville. Mr. Sodergren graduated with the Th.M. degree from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1931, and expects to resume studies in that institution.

Dr. Lee R. Scarborough has been conducting meetings at the Bales Avenue Church, Kansas City, Mo., Alvin V. Hause, pastor. He spoke last Sunday morning at 8:30 on "The Day Devotional," a religious broadcast coming regularly at that same time over Station W.9.X.B.Y. (1530 K.), Kansas City, under the Direction of A. E. Wendt.

Brother T. C. Sleete, of Immanuel Church, Covington, Ky., has been helping Pastor Wayne Byland in meetings at the First Church of Bellevue, Ky. Allen Shafer led the singing, and Mrs. Allen Shafer directed the choir, and Mrs. Loraine Schweikert was the accompanist. Twenty were added to the church.

Brother C. H. Franks recently closed a revival with Pastor F. E. Bray and his church at Chaffee, Mo., resulting in twenty-three additions. He next goes on November 24, to be with Pastor C. M. Pickler at the Red Bank Church, Chattanooga, Tenn., at which time Frank Adams, of Paragould, Ark., will lead the singing.

The women of Walnut Street Church Missionary Society celebrated the Golden wedding anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. B. G. Rees at a luncheon on November 5, with appropriate ceremonies. Mrs. Rees is the long time Treasurer of W. M. U. of Kentucky and has many friends over the State who will join in with her church friends in congratulating Dr. and Mrs. Rees on this auspicious occasion. Dr. Rees is one of the best known dentists in Louisville and Kentucky, and has practiced in the Kentucky metropolis nearly half a century.

Rev. S. F. Dowis In Gracious Revival With Pastor A. M. Vollmer

DEAR DR. MASTERS: I thought you would be interested in knowing the outcome of our meeting which closed last Sunday night. We had with us S. F. Dowis from the Carlisle Avenue Church in Louisville who did the preaching. Brother Dowis readily won his way into the hearts of our people. The morning services which were held each morning at 10:00 o'clock were well attended and members of the church who have been here over a period of years stated that the evening crowds were among the largest they have ever had at a revival service.

His messages were characterized by a deep spirituality and zeal for the salvation of the lost. Since the meeting closed his messages have been the subject of conversation in our community. To enumerate the results of the meeting would be beyond the power of words to express, because one cannot measure the depths of the spiritual enrichment of a church's life by human standards. There were thirty-one additions to the church, twenty-two of whom were for baptism. I anticipate the coming of many others in the near future. These additions during the meeting bring the total since I came January 1, to 110.

Brother Dowis is one of the finest Christian characters it has been my privilege to know. His fellowship was great.

Nothing was too much for him to do. In addition to speaking often five times a day we made together a hundred personal contacts in homes and places of business. I commend him not only as a great pastor but an evangelist of unusual ability. Memories of his ministry among us will always stimulate a note of joy in our hearts.

With every kind wish to you, and assuring you that the Recorder is a welcome visitor to my study each week, I am

Dyersburg, Tenn.

A. M. VOLLMER

The Every-Member Canvass—What Is It?

IN GENERAL. It is a movement which was inaugurated by the Southern Baptist Convention and the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky to enlist each member of every Baptist church within our bounds in the whole program of Southern and Kentucky Baptists, local, State, and Southwide.

IN PARTICULAR. 1. It is an effort to have each church prepare a careful budget of expenses for carrying on its own local work; and then to secure by this enlistment of every member sufficient subscriptions to meet the total of such expenses for the coming year.

2. It is an effort, in addition to the above, and at the same time, to secure from each member of every church a subscription for all the missionary, educational and benevolent enterprises now fostered by our Southern and Kentucky Baptist people.

3. It is an effort to win as many as possible of our members to the definite plan of giving a tenth of their income to the Lord's work.

COMMENTING ON THE ABOVE. 1. Our church work at home must be provided for. Each member of a church should give to the support of his own church. Many members do not realize how much it costs to keep their own church going. They would probably give more to its support if they knew more about its needs and opportunities.

2. A real Baptist will not feel like providing funds for his own church, and then turning a deaf ear to the many causes which appeal to him through our Co-operative Program. On the pledge card is a line which reads, "To the Co-operative Program \$....." When he comes to this line the canvasser will have a fine opportunity to preach on missions, education, ministerial relief, care of the orphans, etc. All this glorious work waits, as never before, on what the subscriber puts at the end of that line. Each cause shares

in every dollar contributed according to the percentage adopted by the subscriber's church or his denomination.

3. "Tithes and Offerings" was the Old Testament law. A law remains in force until it is definitely repealed, or is abrogated by some subsequent law. The New Testament certainly does not repeal this Old Testament law. If the New Testament abrogates it by subsequent teaching then it is in those Scriptures which exalt the men and women who gave their all. A man can give less than one-tenth of his income if he wishes, but he cannot find comfort in the Word of God for so doing. All of us know that if the Baptists of the South should give one-tenth of their earnings during the next year every debt we owe would be paid almost immediately. Let us give the tenth at least and then as much more as we can.

Brother Douglas J. Harris has been called to be pastor of the Licking Valley Baptist Church, near Ft. Thomas, Ky.

The twelfth Quadrennial Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement will be held at Indianapolis, December 28, to New Year's Day. The registration fee will be \$6.00.

Hopewell Baptist Church had a two weeks' meeting at which time six were baptized and one was received by letter. Pastor W. A. Stokes was assisted by Eugene Bradley, a young minister of the Gospel.

Prof. M. G. Beckwith, of the faculty of the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, died on October 28, and his body was taken to Bristol, Va.-Tenn., for burial. He is survived by his wife, who is a sister of President W. W. Hamilton.

Pastor John W. Clark, of the First Church, of Sparta, Ga., and until recently pastor of the Long Run Church, near Louisville, Ky., and the Beech Ridge Church in Shelby County, Ky., did the preaching in a revival at his church, October 13-20. A fine interest was manifested throughout the series of services. Larger crowds attended the meetings than the church and town have witnessed in recent years. There were six additions to the church. Brother Clark was in Louisville last week doing some study at the Library of the Seminary.

Miss Dorothy Scarborough, the famous New York Columbia professor and literary woman, died suddenly in New York on Thursday, November 7. She was buried at Waco, Texas. She was a daughter of Judge John B. and Mary Adelaide (Ellison) Scarborough. Her early life was spent in Texas, where she obtained her bachelor and master's degrees at Baylor University. Later she studied at the University of Chicago, Oxford University, and took her Ph.D., from Columbia in 1917. She taught English in Baylor and Columbia, and since her graduation has lectured in the latter institution while at the same time she carried on her work as a writer, author, critic and literary work for newspapers and magazines.

Pastor Walter L. Johnson writes his new field in Mt. Airy, N. C.: "The work here at Mount Airy seems to offer a great opportunity for the Master's service. Last Sunday marked the beginning of our work, and there are consequently many things I do not know about the field as yet. However, there are about 750 resident members. The city has 6,000 inhabitants within the limits, and about the same number more in a mile or so of town. The background of the population is over half of Baptist preference. We have a church building made of granite, worth about \$75,000, free from debt. There is a parsonage of nine rooms, besides halls and baths. The field is large enough to challenge one for Christ. There is a fine type of membership. We are being accorded a great welcome by this lovable people. About 300,000 bushels of apples are grown around this little city every year. Approximately 3,000 people are employed in factories and mills, and the world's largest open-faced granite quarry is located here."

EDITORIAL

We Do Not Live In a Praying Age

IF CHRISTIANS of the New Testament churches were living in this age of speed and hustle, of man's confidence in his own power to achieve all he needs apart from God, they would not be as powerless as Christians of our times appear to be to win men and nations away from their fatal fascination by sin. Though they did not confront a world crazed and seduced by the use, for pleasure and sin, of the products of their own mechanical ingenuity, such as radio, printing press, movies, and machines of speed, they did bear their witness in an environment hardened in thousands of years of paganism, the Epicureanism of Greek philosophy and the proud power of militant Rome, and they conquered them all.

We can find a sufficient explanation of this: They were a praying people, while we are not. The Jerusalem church won its power in a ten days prayer meeting. The wonders of Pentecost continued to be produced in it because it continued to pray. Acts 2:42: "They continued steadfastly in prayer." It was served by a praying ministry. The choice of laymen to look after certain affairs in the church was made on the proposal of the Twelve to the disciples, in which they explained: "We will give ourselves continually to prayer."

The study of the growth of the churches as recorded in the Acts does not fail to impress that prayer was the power through which the church and its ministers laid hold of the power of the ascended Christ, and became strong to the breaking down of the strongholds of sin. Perhaps they had little philosophy of prayer, but they prayed. Our modern efforts to rationalize prayer may be found to thrive in inverse ratio to our actual practice of it.

We are not a praying people, even through we preach and profess faith in the revealed religion of Christ, who himself was abundant alike in praying to His Father and in teaching His disciples to pray. And even though the New Testament

Church was continual in its prayers and the Apostolic admonitions unailing, that God's people are to be a people of prayer.

There is the best of reason to-day to be alert against those who would mislead God's people with philosophy falsely so-called. Men are seeking in scores of ways to invent a religion more acceptable to man's self-centered heart than the Way of the Cross. But there is equal reason to beware of an orthodox faith that has forgotten how to pray. Prayerless orthodoxy is also in grave danger of falling under the Apostolic rebuke of "having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof" (2 Tim. 3:5).

Prayerless orthodoxy is prepared seedbed for "another Gospel which is not another." Aside from this, prayerless orthodoxy has no power to win the lost to Christ. In their untaught groping for truth, it is bankrupt of power to point them to the way of salvation. Indeed it is itself a stumbling-block to them, leaving them to become the easy victims of destructive isms.

One of the urgent needs of most Christians and churches and preachers to-day is to develop a neglected prayer-life. Private prayer and public. Zeal for any and all other things is fruitless if it includes no real zeal for prayer. Eloquence in the pulpit, well-articulated sermons, marked pulpit graces, join all the other secondary values in failure in spiritual fruitfulness, if the preacher's message has lacked commerce with a heart that knows its way to God in prayer.

All of which is a b c—Gospel "milk!" How distressing it is that so many are gifted in many ways of wisdom and knowledge and expertness who yet seem to know little of this blessed spiritual a b c's. If we are to be worth much spiritually to our generation—it is the only one we can ever help—we urgently need to learn the way back to God in prayer!

The Fourth Inscription

THE writer of an excellent work on private meditation and prayer as conditions to spiritual growth and power, forcefully impresses the essential work of our Lord for sinners by declaring that there was a fourth inscription on His Cross.

There were four, though Pilate intended there should be only three. In contempt for Him, Pilate wrote the three-fold inscription, visible to every passer-by. But all of the time the unseen hand of God was writing a fourth inscription in eternal praise of His Son.

Millions have gazed upon the Cross as it blazed on splendid altars, glittered on priestly robes, or shone on cathedral spires, and yet have not seen the divine inscription on it. Millions have marched to battle under the standard of the Cross, and yet have not seen it. Millions wear the Cross as an ornament, and yet do not see it.

But to the eye of faith it stands out as clear as the rainbow against the cloud of judgment, and that divine inscription is the one foundation of all our spiritual peace. It is this, "God in Christ reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them," "making Him to be sin for them who know no sin, that they might be made the righteousness of God in Him."

There is more in the Gospel than just the doctrine of the Cross. But that doctrine lies at the foundation of all of the rest. There is also a sense in which we need to get beyond the Cross, even as Christ did, and rise as He did into "newness of life." But in basal principle we never get beyond the Cross, for we must never cease to come back to and linger at it again and again. It is simple truth, too simple for many professed Christians, but it is vital truth in the

simplicity of which God has placed its adaptability TO ALL CLASSES OF MANKIND.

We have a letter from a ministerial friend, who suggests that he would like for us to bring out a special issue, such as that which we had last spring on particular doctrines of Baptists. But he would have this special issue devoted to one thing only, namely, the Person and Work of our Lord Jesus. Without now deciding whether we may be able to do that, it certainly challenges respect and intrigues the heart.

Religious cults, almost limitless in number, are doing their best to hide away from the eyes and hearts of men the one supreme thing they need to know if indeed they are to have peace with God, namely, this fourth inscription on the Cross. Among them, alas increasingly, there are those who call themselves Christians who continue to stand in pulpits and preach, and draw their support from Christ's churches.

Our friend in his suggestion of a special issue opens his heart on what he considers to be the blinded condition of the minds of many to-day toward the one great central truth essential to salvation, namely, that Jesus Christ suffered for our sins on the Cross as our substitute that guilty sinners might be made righteous through Him.

We shall seriously consider the practicability of that special issue. It would be an appropriate way in which to re-act through the printed page to the Satan-inspired and Satan-directed efforts of this world to-day to get rid of the religion of the Cross—especially from its "fourth inscription"—and to make its children satisfied with some easy-way, self-saving philosophy or religion that will help them to forget their sin and the God before whom every human creature shall surely give account of the deeds done in the body.

General Association Comments

READERS will expect from us an appraisal of the General Association of Kentucky Baptists in its 1935 meeting at Ashland last week. While what we here say represents the estimate of the writer, we are happy to say it is also a consensus of views of ministers and others on every point on which he had the opportunity of finding their views.

It was that kind of a meeting. The messengers seemed to assemble with no thought that would imperil the dominance of unity of spirit and the guidance of God upon the meetings. None came with views in regard to our faith or work that could possibly be considered partisan or revolutionary. Spiritual content in our Baptist life, rather than concern for particular modes of expression of what we already have, seemed to be the common measure of thought among the messengers. It was a happy omen.

Before we speak directly of Georgetown College, and some other matters of general concern dealt with in the meetings, we venture to say that the leading characteristics of this meeting of the General Association were, fine spiritual temper and fellowship, an increasing participancy of younger men in the responsible work of the body. Also results that at no point seemed to leave heart burning or a troubled mind in any element or indeed any person who participated in the meetings. This is a fine thing to be able to say, and our grateful thanks are due to God.

I

THE Georgetown College discussion developed around proposals recently published in the Western Recorder by Dr. Marvin Adams, President of the Kentucky Baptist Education Society of Georgetown, in which the brotherhood was informed of action taken by that body looking to putting the institution more completely under the control of Kentucky Baptists through their General Association. In an earnest discussion of an hour or more on Tuesday afternoon several resolutions were offered bearing upon the matter. These resolutions had direction given to them by the communication of Doctor Adams and by a paper which came up from Warren County Association, memorializing the body in the interest of bringing the institution into line with the expressed wishes of the General Association.

The discussion could not be concluded at that hour, and it was taken up again at the same hour on Wednesday. What was felt by all elements to be a happy and wise conclusion was reached by the General Association through the withdrawal of the several resolutions and amendments and the presentation by Moderator John W. T. Givens, of Warren County Association, of the paper which will be found incorporated in our report elsewhere. This paper was unanimously adopted. It sets up an instrumentality which would appear to be the best possible to bring the matter to a conclusion satisfactory to all organized parties in interest and to all of our Baptist people. The resolution makes entirely clear what is the wish of Kentucky Baptists as it has found expression in various ways.

If there was any doubt following the Henderson meeting a year ago as to the dominant thought of our people on the issue, there can certainly be none now. There was apparently complete unanimity in the Ashland General Association in the point, and it is remembered that many of the district associations—each at its own initiative, and we believe in each case unanimously—have this year expressed a unified judgment in approval of the action taken by the General Association of Henderson in regard to our Senior College.

It should be said that this judgment has in it nothing of personal unkindness to the present President of Georgetown College. Nor would any of our people wish him to violate his conscience at any point. But they feel they must insist that they be accorded the same consideration in regard to their right, in the college they built and support, to have it conducted in a way that gives no offense to their consciences.

II

IF OUR people will continue to be as splendidly patient and restrained in the months that lie ahead as they have been during the past year, we share with others who have shown the deepest concern and interest full confidence that the difficulties which have caused them concern will be composed by the proposals the now-provided joint committee will be able to bring before the General Association a year hence. The spirit shown by our Kentucky Baptist people during the past year on this matter is worthy of all praise. We know of no single untempered word uttered at any district association or elsewhere. But their patient restraint is not to be misinterpreted as lack of deep concern and purpose.

The financial report of our Board of Missions, as well as the reports of its work, was encouraging. The advance in gifts was distinctly so. The evident purpose to sit steady in the boat at a time when our Baptist forces are being knit together for larger and more constructive effort in our judgment was wise and encouraging. The Western Recorder shared with the Mission Board the prized ability to report a distinctly better year than was the last. The paper is in better condition both financially and in subscriptions and our people have never seemed to appreciate its service more.

The decision of the General Association, on the report of a joint committee of the General Association and the Ministers Meeting, to leave for the use of the Ministers Meeting Tuesday morning as well as Monday night of General Association week, seemed to meet with cordial and general approval. There appears to be a growing thought that our Ministers Meeting provides the most available practical opportunity for introducing a larger element of inspirational and Bible-doctrine addresses and round table discussions, and it is felt that such discussions will deepen spiritual life at a time when many forces conspire to empty it, and in doing so is likely furnish a helpful introduction to the General Association sessions.

The District Association Moderators held their second annual meeting during the General Association. It is a new venture, but those who have come together believe they see in this conference a large opportunity, both practical and inspirational in its bearing. Plans are being canvassed with good hope of success to provide at least a limited period in which the moderators meeting next year may be conducted so as to permit it to be attended by the entire assembly.

III

OUR appraisal would be incomplete without some recognition of the fact that increasingly in the General Association younger men among us are coming to the fore in bearing the burdens of responsible work and service. As a thoughtful older minister remarked to the writer, it is refreshing to see this normal "evolutionary" process in healthful exercise.

It is distinctly encouraging to observe the poise and competency with which these brethren take hold of responsibilities that increasing fall to them. Among Kentucky Baptist ministers we have an exceptionally large number of younger men of this type. Some of them may not as yet even be generally known, but they are those whom occasion will find sufficient to bear the heat and burden of the day.

Kentucky Baptists have always prized steadfastness and devotion to revealed truth, but are little given to untempered enthusiasms. There is not lacking evidence, however, that our people are feeling the need of a deepened spiritual quest and purpose among us. The Ashland meeting, whether in the spiritually edifying "Convention" sermon, or the Ministers Meeting discussions, or the discussions in the General Association—where good men did not always agree, but were yet able to come to agreement through their fine spirit and common purpose—in the whole meeting there were tokens that we are moving toward spiritual rather than merely organizational and material ideals and tests of what really makes Christians whom God can use and with whom He is pleased.

Paragraphic Comment

HENDERSON CONVENTION ACTION ON GEORGETOWN UNCHANGED

In addition to the explanation given on the page opposite this of action at the Ashland General Association with reference to Georgetown College, it seems desirable to make it perfectly clear that the action at Ashland in no way changes the force of the action at Henderson one year ago. The Henderson action stands, and is the basis upon which renewed effort through the joint committee of nine is to be made in the months which lie ahead to bring to a conclusion arrangements by which the future control of the institution shall be placed in the hands of the General Association.

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GENERAL ASSOCIATION OPPOSES SOCIAL SERVICE BUREAU

Reference is made in the closing paragraph of our report of the General Association at Ashland to a memorial from Caldwell County Association, which was responsible for the General Association taking action through its State Board of Missions to memorialize the Southern Baptist Convention against the setting up of such an organization. Our friends outside of Kentucky will probably more clearly get the significance of this action when we tell them that there were no indications that this question would have come up, aside from the Caldwell County Memorial. At first it even looked as if the body was reluctant to discuss it. But as the necessity was faced of expressing its real convictions, it soon emerged that there was practical unity of thought in the whole body against the wisdom of establishing such a bureau or board. If it stacks up that way in a State body, we wonder if any Baptist leader will doubt for a moment how it will be when it goes back to our District Associations and churches, where Baptist conscience has birth and healthful life. Another vastly important question emerges. It is, **Shall the Southern Baptist Convention become an instrumentality of ecclesiastical dictation? Do Baptists want an ecclesiasticism?**

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A SIGNIFICANT FACT IN THE GREAT CONVENTION AT ASHLAND

The Nominating Committee of our General Association is accorded very large power by that body. Indeed, it is a committee that has large power in all Baptist bodies. Though little is ever said about it in public, everybody interested knows that it has this power. Therefore, when this committee, through its chairman, announces to the body it serves that not a single person made approach to it in the interest of any individual or section or partisan cause, it is an event to be heralded. This the nominating committee of the General Association at Ashland instructed its chairman, Rev. S. F. Dowis, to do in reading his report before the body. And Chairman Dowis did it with infectious enthusiasm. He was able further to say that the action of the committee was unanimous in every one of the many nominations it made. This affords a remarkable sidelight upon the spirit of mutual confidence and fellowship now in existence among Kentucky Baptists—and that despite the opportunity the recent depression offered to any who might wish to foment unrest. We do not say that there are not times or conditions under which a convention nominating committee may properly be approached. But who does not know that it is just here that results are too often sought to be effectuated in Baptist conventions whose sponsors are unwilling to stand before the assembly and frankly set forth what they seek on its own merits? The nominating committee is the committee in all Baptist conventions through which, according to persistent Baptist rumour, that which some call the "Baptist machine" acts to perpetuate its control, and a group that seeks to control in this way among Baptists' merits that harsh name. Undoubtedly the entire absence of this factor from our General Association largely accounts for the fact that all our brethren seemed to return to their homes in the spirit of fellowship and confidence and with no heart-burnings. Remarkable

harmony now exists among Kentucky Baptists, otherwise the lack of it would have shown up before the nominating committee in insistence that individuals of predetermined outlook be placed in positions of power.

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SEMINARY DECLINES ALPHABET AID

Our readers are aware that one of the staggering number of devices for distributing money to various classes of persons which has been developed by the present Administration at Washington, was to pay the way of students in educational institutions. This particular giving out of public funds was under the National Youth Administration, called N. Y. A. We are glad to note that Dr. W. O. Carver, chairman of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, has sent out a statement through the Associated Press, as follows: "No student of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary is receiving or has received any money from this source." We do not know how many Baptist institutions in Kentucky or the South have accepted funds from the N. Y. A. But it is announced that 1,644 students in Kentucky have been allotted a total of \$24,660 monthly. The N. Y. A. announced that thirty-nine students at the Baptist Seminary had received an allotment of \$585 monthly, while \$390 monthly was distributed between nineteen other students seeking certain degrees from the institution. There would seem to be a misunderstanding. But Dr. Carver's statement will satisfy all Baptists. No Baptist institution should receive such funds, or make itself a party to encouraging students to do it. Aside from the tragic spectacle of our Government mortgaging the economic life of future generations in the unexampled way it is scattering the money of tax-payers, it is utterly antagonistic to Baptist wishes to nullify the American and the Baptist principle of the separation of Church and State.

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DR. CRANFILL ON CONVENTION PROGRAMS

We have received from Dr. J. B. Cranfill an impressionistic report of the recent Texas Baptist Convention, which will appear next week. At its conclusion Dr. Cranfill expresses views on present-day Baptist convention programs, which he regards too formal and fixed. He says: "I am not thoroughly educated to the new order of Baptist conventions. I believe there should be ample opportunity for the extemporaneous interpolations that adorned our conventions in the past. If men on the program (and few except the initiated know how men get on the program), like all of the rest of us, wanted to show off, by the time this was done, the men on the back seat had to observe enforced silence. Of course there should be an order of business, but it should be more flexible than most Baptist Convention programs now are. The rigid program has about become the rule everywhere, including the Southern Baptist Convention. Some beloved Baptist leaders would have tried to program the Day of Pentecost if they had been there." All of this is intriguing, especially the idea about what would have happened on the Day of Pentecost had a modern Baptist program committee been in charge. It is pretty certain that Peter would not have been the spokesman. We are sure, though in principle we realize the need of programs, the Holy Spirit would have had to work within pre-determined moulds or smash them. What Dr. Cranfill says merits serious thought, and calls for frank and understanding discussion in the Baptist press. Competent discussion would have to take account of the fact that most Baptist conventions have tended to become almost exclusively meetings before which the formal outward activities of our brotherhood shall make their reports and from which they receive instructions as to their future course. Opportunity has suffered deeply for the expression of aspiration and of seeking for fresh spiritual stores within. This leads the immature to conclude that the spiritual base will take care of itself, if only we shall be expert and alert in the material results that belong to faith. **It will not.**

Kentucky Baptists In Session at Ashland

IN ITS ninety-eighth year the General Association of Kentucky Baptists met in Ashland on Tuesday of last week at ten o'clock in the forenoon. The meeting assembled in the First Church of which Dr. Ralph A. Herring is the pastor. The First Church has enlarged and improved its auditorium and while there was scarcely room for some who came at the evening sessions it proved well adapted to the needs of the General Association business sessions.

On Monday night at seven o'clock to ten, and for an hour before the opening of the General Association, Tuesday, the Kentucky Baptist Ministers Meeting held its annual meeting, V. I. Masters being re-elected Moderator and H. O. Niceley, Secretary. Dr. A. Paul Bagby spoke on the Cross of Christ and Dr. Clyde Breland on, "What is the Work of the Pastor in This Generation?" Following these addresses, each of which made a deep impression upon the assembly, a round table discussion was conducted by Dr. C. C. Warren, of Harrodsburg, both Monday night and Tuesday morning, which developed keen interest and was participated in by many.

S. F. Dowis, R. T. Skinner, and W. K. Wood, Committee on Program for next year, offered the following, which was adopted.

1. Building the Heart Life of the Preacher and his Flock.
M. P. Hunt, Alternate R. A. Herring.
2. The Sufficiency of Divine Leadership in Establishing of New Pastoral Relationship.
W. E. Hunter, Alternate H. C. Wayman.
3. The New Testament Basis of a Spiritual Revival.
E. C. Stevens, Alternate C. L. Hargrove.

I

IN THE General Association proper the opening period was given to devotional exercises and to organization. President E. C. Stevens was unanimously re-elected, A. S. Petrey and C. L. Breland were elected Vice-Presidents and Secretaries H. S. Summers and E. D. Davis were re-elected Clerks.

Pastor Herring welcomed the Association in a brief speech and a response for the body was made by Dr. C. W. Elsey, both in gracious and happy terms. Pastor T. C. Ecton introduced the new pastors who were in attendance, as follows, J. G. Cothran, Princeton; W. R. Lambert, Louisville; D. Swan Haworth, Louisville; J. Pendleton Scruggs, Russellville; W. D. Norton, Sand Springs.

The General Association Sermon was preached by Dr. W. J. Bolt, Pastor of the Harlan Church, from the text, Acts 2:14. We shared the sermon with our readers last week. Those who read it will have felt its power. Here we only say that it gripped the concourse with its Scripturalness and spiritual power and left a deep and wholesome impression.

At the Tuesday afternoon session, the devotional period included a brief address by Rev. Josef Nordenhaug, pastor at Prestonsburg. W. R. Cole read the report on the Kentucky Baptist Hospital and our new Hospital Superintendent H. L. Dobbs, who made a fine impression in his first appearance before the General Association.

The report on Evangelism was read by W. M. Bostick, who also spoke earnestly in favor of more evangelistic spirit and effort. The report recommends to the State Board the engaging of not fewer than fifty ministers to hold revival meetings in sections of Kentucky not otherwise reached in this service, the meetings to be held during July and August.

II

JOHAN C. AUSTIN, vice-president of Georgetown College, read the report on Baptist Schools and Education in Kentucky. It included many interesting facts, one being that 973 students are now attending our five Baptist schools in Kentucky. Clarence Walker, of Lexington, spoke, and H. E. Nelson spoke for the mountain school work. Professor Nelson served Baptists for years as Principal of the Barbourville mountain school until it closed.

Professor Charles Goins, of Oneida, read a brief statement of what the Oneida school has in property, educational facilities, and educational outlook. The property is large and unencumbered. Nearly all of the people are Baptists, but Baptist neglect and the activity of other religious bodies, and especially the Holiness cult, is making the Baptist outlook unsatisfactory. J. A. Burns is no longer related to the institution. The speaker appealed for sympathy and aid. The school is self-sustaining, but it ought to grow and it needs the recognition of Kentucky Baptists. Particularly a good road is needed from Manchester, and Mr. Goins begged the body to back it by commending it to the State Road Department.

Following an interesting discussion of the Seminaries participated in by Professor G. S. Dobbins of the Louisville Seminary and Professor E. O. Sellers of the Baptist Bible Institute and a report read by C. J. Bolton, West Point. Moderator John W. T. Givens of Warren County Association presented a memorial from that body on the Georgetown College situation, which precipitated a discussion participated in by a number, and which tended toward dealing with the whole matter rather than the issue presented by the memorial, which approved of General Association action on Georgetown last year and insisted that the school should adjust its course to those requirements. In the end it was voted to ask all those who presented different views to get together, and seek to embody them for consideration by the General Association at a later hour. All the views were a unit in the thought that our senior college should be brought under the direction of the General Association, but diverged as to method.

III

TUESDAY evening, after devotional exercises led by Finley F. Gibson, Secretary C. M. Thompson read the report of the Executive Board. The report showed an increase of \$26,981 in receipts over last year. The total receipts were \$282,622. The State Mission debt has been reduced from \$65,641 to \$59,702. The percentage distribution of funds for Kentucky causes for the next year on the vote of the General Association will be State Missions twenty percent, Education fifteen percent, Glendale Children's Home five percent, Louisville Orphans' Home, one and one-half percent, Hospital eight and one-fourth percent, Church Building one-fourth of one percent.

Dr. Thompson explained why the Kentucky Baptist Hospital needs a larger percentage rating this year. Debt on the Hospital—most of it on the capital investment—has waited so long it is necessary to give it larger aid for a time. Also the two orphanages—if we will rally to it—will get more on the November Special Day for them, than they have with their former two Special Days. May is desired now for a Special Hospital Day.

Following the Executive Board's report, Dr. J. O. Williams, Business Manager of the Sunday School Board, spoke as an invited guest speaker on the Co-operative Program. He stressed three things: (1) The Co-operative Program offers us our opportunity to bring our ministry into accord with Christ's program. (2) To accord our ministry with the financial plan of Christ—"Upon the first day of the week" and tithing. (3) To accord with the needs of humanity.

Field Secretary R. S. Jones of the Foreign Mission Board, spoke for Foreign Missions, referring to three phases of this service. First he spoke of the financial phase, showing difficulties that have been experienced and are now in hopeful process of being removed.

Next he spoke of the work of saving souls. The world was never more ripe than now for the Gospel. He quoted Dr. Robert E. Speer in a statement complimentary to the Southern Baptist movement out of Foreign Mission debts. Dr. Speer is the Northern Presbyterian Foreign Mission Secretary. In conclusion he said these depleted ranks of our missionaries is the saddest factor in our work. The average age

of the missionaries is now fifty-nine years—we have recently sent out so few reinforcements.

IV

WEDNESDAY morning, devotional services were conducted by Professor G. S. Dobbins. W. H. Moody read the report on Temperance and Morals. J. B. Head of Louisville, who was active in the recent campaign in the interest of prohibition, made an address. He said there was a wholesale steal of votes by the wets in Louisville and presented proof to justify the statement—namely a recount of four boxes in that city. An amendment to the report was offered by W. A. Frost endorsing certain brethren, as heretofore, to be Baptist representatives on the anti-liquor forces in Kentucky. Mr. Frost explained the work of the Anti-Saloon League. He pled with the ministers to marshal behind this great agency.

M. P. Hunt told of the late campaign of drys and the cost of \$1,000 incurred, and pled for aid. Our defeat has not been a liability but an asset. "The wet talk that we shall now have local option is a lie upon the face of it." "Amen!" from the audience.

H. P. Veach read a report and addressed the body on Promotion and Brotherhood. He declared the churches are beginning to understand that a deepened spiritual life in their members means more support to mission work—since only a genuine spiritual life will feel a sustained interest in missionary work.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by Bailey Davis of Cadiz. The inclusion of service in the Sunday-schools for teaching the Adults, as well as younger elements, was commended. The report commends the Daily Vacation Bible School.

Secretary W. A. Gardiner expressed his happiness over the fine record the Sunday School report shows has been made in this service during the year. Brother T. D. Flanagan, Moderator of Russell County Association, made a report showing that the Sunday School Association Campaign conducted by Brother Gardiner, had practically transformed many of the churches in that body. It was an impressive witness to this Sunday-school service.

Secretary Gardiner told of service rendered at Jamestown—which greatly stimulated that church. W. T. Waring told of putting on a Daily Vacation Bible School for the Children's Home at Glendale. In this Orphanage all the children who have reached the Intermediate Class in the Sunday-school are believers. W. K. Wood told of the fine results in Pollard Church of the Daily Vacation Bible School. Many children from other denominations are reached. It is the best device for reaching other denominations. The school is more work than "vacation." A. B. Pierce, of Hazard, bore effective witness as to its value as developed in Hazard. "But it means real work," he said.

Secretary Byron DeJarnette spoke effectively on the work of the B. T. U., recounted the progress which has attended the Baptist effort to build up our young people and train them in the things of holy faith. Fine progress has attended this service in Kentucky, both in interest and numbers. "The greatest purpose of the B. T. U. is to deepen spiritual life," declared the speaker. Other important factors there are, but this is at the center. The fine work of our youth against liquor in the campaign was complimented.

Lewis C. Ray read the report on State Missions. The report emphasizes the effectiveness and wisdom with which the work of State Missions has been prosecuted during the year. About \$5,000 has been applied to the reduction of the about \$60,000 debt. Figures were given showing the extent of the work in various sections of Kentucky.

State Secretary W. M. Wood addressed the body briefly, following a brief report he read. The report emphasizes the extent of the work and the diligence with which it has been performed. There is no clash resultant upon two men having a responsibility in State Missions. The task is very large; workers needed in many places. We need to encourage the evangelism that links up with our churches. The need of

church-grouping for pastoral purposes was emphasized. "There is no good sense in aiding four churches in the same region when they could combine into one field for one good man."

When a mission church is aided for fourth-time, missionary pastors should be required to give seven days monthly to it or lose support. Non-co-operating churches and preachers should not be supported. Training classes in mission churches were commended. Clear Creek Assembly was commended as to its usefulness in its preacher school. It helps many. The growing spirit of co-operation was commended.

The Secretary has labored in sixty-four Associations. In the main our workers are faithful. The spirit of our District Associations is to be commended.

A. B. Pierce, of Hazard, read the report on Religious Press, which, he said, was partly written by him and part by Ross Dillon, chairman of the committee, who was unable to be present. The report urges that every proper step be taken by pastors and churches to put the Western Recorder into the homes of all our people. Brother Pierce spoke briefly on reinforcement of the report. Lewis C. Ray, from the Directors of the Recorder, read a report citing gratification that the paper's last year has been the best for a number of years past. At a later time a special resolution was adopted on motion of Joseph A. Gaines that next April be observed by Kentucky Baptists as Western Recorder Month.

V

THE Wednesday afternoon session was opened by devotional services conducted by E. N. Wilkinson. The report on the Baptist Children's Home was read by E. J. Caldwell and three little girls from the Home sang two songs. Superintendent C. K. Hoagland spoke earnestly for the Home.

The report on the Louisville Baptist Orphanage was read by M. P. Hunt. Superintendent O. M. Huey was prevented from being present by a call to conduct a funeral of an old friend at Stanford, where Dr. Huey was once pastor. Dr. Hunt spoke forcefully for the institution.

President Stevens announced the following Committees to report at the next General Association:

Order of Business: T. D. Brown, C. W. Elsey.
 Nominations: W. E. Hunter, Ralph Herring, E. N. Wilkinson, P. C. Walker, C. S. Bratcher.
 Hospitals: Sam Hill, R. H. Tandy.
 Home Missions: E. N. Perry, J. T. Cothran.
 Foreign Missions: F. F. Gibson, J. L. Sullivan.
 State Missions: G. W. Eilers, L. B. Snider.
 Evangelism: Carroll Hubbard, Clarence Walker.
 Summer Assemblies: L. C. Kelly, J. B. Carter.
 Church Building: G. J. Watters, W. J. Simpson.
 Southern Baptist Theological Seminary: C. C. Warren, Joseph Nordenhaug.
 Southwestern Seminary: W. H. Horton, G. D. Park.
 Religious Press: T. J. Barksdale, C. L. Niceley.
 Schools and Colleges: Geo. Ragland, J. W. Huyck.
 Woman's Work: R. R. Couey, R. T. Skinner.
 Sunday School: W. K. Wood, E. L. Howerton.
 Kentucky Baptist Orphans' Home: W. S. Rule, B. J. Skaggs.
 Promotion and Brotherhood: F. D. Perkins, R. P. Mahon.
 B. Y. P. U.: George D. Heaton, C. H. Warren.
 Ministers' Relief: A. F. Cagle, Ford Deusner.
 Obituaries: T. E. Ennis, W. M. Smith.
 Temperance and Morals: H. C. Wayman, W. A. Frost.

Chairman S. F. Dowis of the Committee on Nomination of Boards, etc., read the report of that committee. In general one-third of the membership of these is changed yearly, though there are a few other changes on some of the Boards. At this writing the reporter is unable to get the list. But the "three year men" at least will be published either in this or an early issue. Dr. Clyde L. Breland will preach the annual sermon at the General Association—or his Alternate, Dr. L. C. Kelly. On a close vote Paducah won over the Third Church, Louisville as the 1936 meeting place. Pastor George Heaton, of the Paducah First Church, extended the

West Kentucky invitation. Pastor L. W. Benedict was happy in his espousal of the Third Avenue Church, but showed himself a good loser.

Chairman Dowis told the General Association that not a single "political" approach had been made to this important and hard-worked committee in the interest of any section or individual. Those who have served much on such committees know what a happy indication that is.

Olus Hamilton read the report on Woman's Work and spoke helpfully of the wonderful work of the Baptist women. J. P. Scruggs also spoke briefly.

VI

AT FOUR o'clock the General Association recessed that the Baptist Education Society of Kentucky might meet for an hour. Hansford B. Johnson was re-elected President and J. W. Gaines, First Vice-president; J. L. Creech, Second; and D. J. Wright, Third. W. E. Mitchell was re-elected Recording Secretary and C. M. Thompson, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

The Treasurer read a report showing a balance on hand of the Society funds of \$21,488.

Georgetown Trustees nominated to serve until 1939 were: Warren Jones, C. C. Warren, Kenneth Patterson, A. K. Wright, R. H. Tandy, A. C. Weakley.

Board of Directors of the Society: T. D. Brown, R. E. Humphries, George Ragland.

President Johnson reported an effort on the part of the Society to secure the consolidation of our mountain schools. This has met the approval of the heads of the schools. The coming of Oneida into a situation of desired relationship to the denomination makes it a part of any consideration toward consolidation. Other items were reported by the President.

At five o'clock the General Association again took up the Georgetown College situation. All pending resolutions from yesterday's discussion were withdrawn, and John W. T. Givens, who had presented the memorial from Warren Association, read a resolution which was unanimously adopted, as follows:

Whereas this body in its 1934 session at Henderson, has faithfully yet fraternally positioned itself on the matters involved at Georgetown College, and

Whereas this action has throughout the past year received the almost universal endorsement of our Baptist fellowship in Kentucky, and

Whereas we believe that the recent overture of the trustees of Georgetown College to Kentucky Baptists through the Western Recorder of November 7, 1935, represents a sincere effort of the trustees looking toward a constructive solution of both the problems of their present relationship to this body and of bringing Georgetown College under the control of Kentucky Baptists:

Resolved that it is the sense of this body that we should meet this overture in the most cordial and fraternal spirit and render them any assistance in our power in bringing about this most happy and devoutly hoped for consummation, provided it shall in no wise abrogate, nor render ineffective our stand for revealed truth.

To further this purpose we recommend that this body appoint a committee of three, looking toward the appointment of like committees from the Education Society of Kentucky Baptists and the trustees of the Kentucky Baptist Education Society, thus forming a joint committee of nine who shall give prayerful consideration to this whole matter for a year and report back to the bodies represented by them, if possible, a happy solution of this problem which now confronts all our Baptist interests in Kentucky.

VII

WEDNESDAY night session was opened with devotional exercises conducted by O. M. Shultz. The report on Temperance and Morals was read by J. B. Head. W. H. Moody read and spoke on the Summer Assemblies. T. C. Ecton also spoke briefly.

The report on Ministerial Relief was read by J. E. Baird. The Baptist Minister Aid Society of Kentucky still functions. It works in co-operation with the Relief and Annuity Board. The report on the latter was read by H. S. Summers. The

Kentucky Board is now able to pay only about eight dollars monthly to its wards.

The Church Building Report was read by C. H. Wilson. Kentucky has wrought well in helping weak churches in building. Study Haggai, it deals with building houses of worship.

A. A. Stulck read the report on Obituaries.

L. C. Whittaker, D. J. Ham, E. J. Weller, J. T. Cope, W. D. Moore, J. M. Roddy, George W. Jarbo, S. P. Gates, were mentioned as our dead among Kentucky Baptist ministers during the year, with appreciative brief characterization of each.

J. A. Gaines read the Foreign Mission report, which had been discussed by Field Secretary Jones on Tuesday. The report was cheering and hopeful—this being especially based upon the increasing receipts of the Foreign Board. Its debt is now fast disappearing. It is now slightly over \$500,000. Seventy new missionaries are now envisaged by Secretary Maddy. Dr. Gaines spoke with appreciation of the Hundred Thousand Club as a debt-paying device.

T. C. Ecton read the Home Mission report. The report declares that the American Home Mission task is larger than ever before. Evangelism, Enlistment, Stewardship, Jews, Indians, Negroes, Mountaineers, Cuba, Panama, were mentioned as inviting Home Mission fields. 22,000,000 souls out of Christ in the Homeland cry out to us. Pagan civilization is developing at our doors even now. Home Missions is the instrumentality through which our unified Baptist impact may be brought savingly to bear upon all this need.

Dr. Ecton spoke earnestly for the great cause and was followed by Rev. Noble Y. Beall, the new Home Board Missionary designated to service among the Negroes. Brother Beall delivered an impressive appeal on the importance of a new and enlarged approach to the work of aiding our Negro Baptist brethren to dominate for Christ new and perplexing problems of faith and outlook within their own race.

Thus the General Association was able to finish its 1935 session on Wednesday night, by some adjustments of the program. A few details that were embraced in the program will be mentioned in paragraphic form below, and a brief estimate of the 1935 session will be found among the editorials. It will suffice to say here that it was spoken of as an exceptionally good session of the body by all whom the reporter heard speak of it.

PARAGRAPHIC ITEMS

A significant thing set on foot in the General Association was the appointment of a committee of five to take under advisement the practicability of combining Convention reports dealing with related themes, so as materially to reduce the present number of large reports read yearly. The Committee was appointed by the Moderator, and will report a year hence, with the idea that, in case the report is adopted, changes will be effective a year later. Long Run Association took such steps at its last session. While care will doubtless be needed, it is regarded as a move in the right direction, and is being fostered mainly that larger opportunities shall be available for inspirational and informational discussion than is now practical.

The hospitality of Ashland Baptists was abounding and admirable. The weather could have been a bit better, and yet it was not very bad. Admirable provision had been made for the visitors by Pastor Ralph A. Herring and his people of the First Church, with the co-operation and support of the other pastors and churches, and the friends of other denominations in the city. All the Baptist visitors, we feel sure, will remember their days in Ashland with distinct pleasure.

While Prof. E. O. Sellers, of New Orleans, and others, contributed to the worship of praise in song during the week, special mention should be given to the fine service of Pastor J. P. Carter, of Felix Memorial Church in Lexington, for his reverent and appropriate conduct of the singing and music during the week. Under his sympathetic and understanding guidance, this service failed at no point to contribute distinctly to the spirit of worship and praise.

On the last day of the General Association Rev. A. O. Allison, pastor at Grahn, Ky., was stricken with illness, and had to be removed to a hospital. Prayer was made for him and collection was taken in the body to help defray expenses incident to his regretted illness.

The decision to go to Paducah for the meeting of 1936 was in part taken in the thought of the Centennial Session in 1937 of the General Association. It was considered manifestly desirable that that particular session should be held at some central place in the State—probably either Lexington or Louisville. There are no better Baptists in Kentucky than are to be found within the great number of them in West Kentucky. It has been seventeen years since the Kentucky body held a session in that region.

Moderator E. C. Stevens sustained his reputation as an alert, fair and devoted presiding officer. Dr. Stevens wonderfully kept the essential elements of the parliamentary situation in hand in cases where discussion brought tangle and confusion. We never knew a presiding officer who surpassed him in moving forward with expedition. And yet our alert presiding officer was scarcely quicker in action and understanding than was the body itself in its registering votes and resolutions that would express its will.

The attendance was hardly up to normal. It is as far from significant West Kentucky points to Ashland, as from Ashland to Washington, D. C. The C. & O. trains, which must be used in reaching Ashland from most Kentucky points, are speedy and unusually comfortable. But time of arrival at and departure from Ashland is a bit annoying to Kentuckians who visit the thriving city at Kentucky's Northeast gateway. But if the attendance lacked slightly in numbers, it certainly could not have been surpassed in the close and sustained attention given by the messengers at every hour to the business in hand.

Our report does not set down in its time-place the action of the General Association in dealing with the memorial from Caldwell County Association disapproving of the proposal before the Southern Baptist Convention to create a Social Service Bureau. Therefore, we deal with it here. Quite a bit of parliamentary tangle developed in the discussion of the terms to be used in dealing with the memorial, though it became evident that there was marked unity in principle within the body. The course finally pursued, after the withdrawing of all the pending resolutions and amendments, was on a motion offered by Dr. George Ragland. The Caldwell County proposal was received and approved as to spirit and purpose and the State Board of Missions was given the responsibility of preparing a state-

● NEW RELEASES

Publications of the Baptist Sunday School Board

Trails By W. H. BUNCE \$1.00

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My Conception of the Gospel Ministry

By L. R. SCARBOROUGH \$1.00

The title of this volume has little or no significance apart from its author. The reading public is not interested in just anybody's conception of the ministry; but when a man, who has devoted an exceptionally fruitful life to the ministry and to the training of preachers, gives us his mature and deliberate conception of the ministry, intelligent readers at once give heed. In this volume, Doctor Scarborough exalts the gospel ministry and holds high the ideals of the gospel preacher. With the informality of the compassionate teacher, the author warns, challenges, inspires. The sensible young preacher will profit greatly by the wisdom of this friend of preachers; the older preacher will relight his torch by the coals blown into a flame by this dynamic testimony.

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ment which would express to the Southern Convention the disapproval of the General Association of the creation of the proposal of Social Service Agency. There developed in the discussion an almost surprising unity of opposition to the endowment of such an agency with authority comparable to that of a convention board to speak on its own as if it could positionize Baptist churches in regard to what social service views the agency itself might wish to thrust out before us. Also there was evident objection to taking funds contributed by our churches primarily in the name of missions to undergrid instrumentalities so far removed as this from the commission of our Lord.

FREEDOM ASSOCIATION NEWS

The work in our Association is taking on new life. New interest is being manifested in the various departments of our work.

The Burkesville Church has just reorganized its Sunday-school due to a study of "Building a Standard Sunday Schools," taught by Sunday School Secretary W. A. Gardiner. Plans are being considered for the erection of a Sunday School annex.

The Albany B. Y. P. U. presented a program and directed in the organization of a Union at the Gap Creek Church Sunday afternoon.

Our missionary recently led in the organization of a new church that has asked for membership in our Association to be known as the Fairland Baptist Church.

Pastor G. H. Lawrence, of Albany Church, is away in Detroit, Michigan,

in a revival. His church is being led in its services in his absence by Associational Missionary Jesse B. Hill. Upon his return a revival is to begin in the Albany Church. He is to be helped by W. K. Wood, pastor of the Pollard Baptist Church, Ashland, Ky. The Albany Church has erected a Sunday-school annex under the leadership of Pastor G. H. Lawrence. After the revival a new organization of the Sunday School is expected to be effected.

The Executive Board of Freedom Association in session Sunday afternoon among many progressive measures, moved to accept the "Suggested Organization of a District Association Board for Promotion Work offered by C. M. Thompson, General Secretary. The promise is near a new Spirit to be quickened in the evangelistic, missionary and enlistment activities in our Association.

J. B. WADE,
Associational Sec'y.-Treas.

Pastor Leland Jerome Powell, of the Norwood Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, assisted Pastor Hermian S. Wilson at the Calvary Church, Akron, Ohio, during November 4-17.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Margaret McGee to O. C. Rainwater at the Calvary Baptist Church in Jackson, Tenn., on Sunday afternoon, November 10 at 4:30 o'clock. The single ring ceremony was read by Dr. John Jeter Hurt, president of Union University, at Jackson. Mr. Rainwater, a student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, is pastor of the Barlow and Kevil Baptist Churches.

Bible School Department

Rev. W. A. Gardiner,
General Secretary
Mrs. W. A. Gardiner,
Elementary Secretary
E. Kirk, Field Worker
C. P. Hargis, Field Worker

St. Matthews Building

The Baptist Church in St. Matthews occupied its new building on November 10. The writer was filled with joy as he saw the beautiful house and the increased membership. Just a few years ago this church began and it has had a remarkable growth in these nine years. Pastor J. J. PreVol is leading his people in a deeply spiritual manner. Superintendent R. O. Leaf backs him up whole-heartedly. Thank God for a church which can build an entirely new house in times like these.

Pastors Attention!

Again let me call attention of the pastors to the offer of the Sunday School Board to give to any pastor a copy of one of the books in the Sunday School Training Course if he will teach same during November or December. If you are interested just select the book and write to the Sunday School Department, 205 East Chestnut Street, Louisville, and tell us which book you will teach and we will have it sent to you. We appreciate this offer from Dr. Burroughs and trust that many pastors will accept it.

The Year Offers Opportunity

One of the greatest temptations to most of us is to give down near the end of the journey or near the end of a year. This is the cause of so many failures. Do not let any superintendent let down a single week before the end of December. Let us work right on through the last day of the year to make our Schools better.

A Junior Teacher Says, "Goodbye."

A few nights ago a group of Junior girls were gathered around their teacher telling her goodbye. No, she was not tired of her class . . . she was not going on a visit . . . she was leaving the next day for China to be a Missionary to little children. What a heritage for that class of Sunday-school girls! Their teacher would be representing them on a foreign field. Maybe one, two or more will "follow in her train."

A Happy Promotion for Nursery Class

Mrs. Alonzo F. Cagle, the pastor's wife at Third Church, Owensboro, has been Cradle Roll Superintendent for over a year. Her experiences have been rich and fruitful. She found she was disturbed over the fact that some of the little children who were promoted a year ago this September were unhappy over the fact of being such strangers in

the Beginners' Department. Some even cried to return to "their first love." Because of this fact she worked out an entirely different scheme for this September promotion. Let her tell you of her happy experience.

"I asked for permission to have my Nursery Class promotion exercises on Friday before the regular promotion day on the last Sunday in September. I invited all my visitors, all my workers who helped on Sunday morning, all the Beginner workers, the General Superintendent and the Pastor. Then I went in person to call on every mother who had to be promoted and two days beforehand each mother received an invitation like this: 'The Cradle Roll Department will observe its promotion Friday, 3:00 P. M. at the church. We want every mother present. Please be

Write For Free Book

Be sure to write the Sunday School Department, 205 E. Chestnut Street, Louisville, Ky for a gift copy of the book in the new Sunday School Training Course you will teach during November or December. This offer is one we appreciate and we hope many of our pastors in Kentucky will take advantage of it. Just select the book and write us telling that you will teach it before the close of December.

ready yourself and have Mary ready. Mrs. Smith will call for you in her car. This date happened to fall on the regular day for our business meeting so my workers and visitors met me at eleven o'clock. We had our business session before noon, ate a lunch and then prepared our department room for the party. At the appointed time all the workers took their lists of names and went in their cars for the mothers and children. Promptly we were back and ready for the program. It was simple. The children took a tiny part, our song leader sang three simple hymns for the mothers, the Beginner workers were presented, I said a few words, gave out the Promotion Certificates and the pastor prayed.

"Following this everybody had ice cream and by the time we left every mother had had a chance to meet every other one and the children talked with their new teachers knowing there was a change to look forward to on the next Sunday. It works and we are being spared the tears of last year."

Elementary Workers and Our Annual State Meeting

Interesting conferences and special training for teachers and officers are being arranged for the Elementary Division at the annual Sunday School Con-

ference to be held in Danville, Ky., February 19, 20, 21, 1936. Dr. Homer L. Grice, of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., has been asked to repeat his unusual lessons on teaching which he gave the Southwide Elementary group at Ridgecrest last summer, and he has kindly consented to do this for our Kentucky group. Please watch this page for further announcements as to our conference leaders and other interesting features for the program.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

November 10, 1935

Sunday-schools reporting 200 or more. Please address to "W. A. Gardiner, 205 E. Chestnut St., Louisville, Ky."

Louisville, Walnut Street	1,219
Newport, First	1,166
Owensboro, First	760
Louisville, Ninth and O	698
Lexington, Calvary	649
Louisville, Carlisle Avenue	648
Paducah, Immanuel	620
Louisville, Parkland	588
Louisville, 23rd and Broadway.....	558
Owensboro, Third	530
Lexington, Porter Memorial	530
Louisville, Clifton	517
Louisville, Baptist Tabernacle	505
Louisville, Virginia Avenue	500
Louisville, Eighteenth St.	486
Mayfield, First	484
Danville, Lexington Avenue	448
Akron, Ohio, Calvary	437
Henderson, First	384
Bellevue	360
Harrodsburg	356
Louisville, Baptist Temple	344
Louisville, Fourth Avenue	342
Covington, Madison Avenue	338
Covington, Latonia	337
Louisville, West Side	323
Paducah, Baptist Tabernacle	312
Princeton, First	311
E'town, Severns Valley	308
Fulton, First	276
Louisville, Hazelwood	265
Louisville, Third Avenue	265
Lexington, Grace	264
London	251
Erlanger, Elsmere	221
Franklin, First	202

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THE HIGH COST OF THE DEBT

Charles E. Maddry

During the seven year period of 1929 to 1935 the Foreign Mission Board paid out in interest on borrowed money the staggering sum of \$384,458.45. This sum would have paid the salaries of sixty-one missionaries for seven years, at eight hundred dollars each per year. What a sinful and colossal waste of mission money!

This is only the cost in dollars and cents. This is bad enough, but there are other costs to the Foreign Mission Board more tragic by far than this. There is the cost in the decay and deterioration of the Board's property on all mission fields. We have been unable to repair any property to amount to anything for ten years. We saw the effect of this neglect of our property everywhere in China and Japan and the same is true in all lands. Everywhere we saw mission chapels, school buildings, seminaries and homes of missionaries going to pieces for lack of repairs. The roof of the Graves Theological Seminary is going to collapse soon unless something is done about it. The white ants have eaten up the beams supporting the tiles of the roof. We are now trying to sell a house of one of the Chinese professors for \$1,500 with which to repair the roof.

The roofs of three hospital buildings are going to fall in soon unless we repair them. Everywhere we saw splendid school and college buildings, windowless and rotting for lack of a little money for repairs. At one of our stations, three single missionaries, one of them old and sick, have taken their own meager salaries to repair the Board's property. But why discriminate? Our blessed missionaries have done that everywhere.

The Board in the high days of the Judson Centennial and the Seventy-five Million Campaign bought land on all mission fields and erected comfortable houses for our missionaries. It is absolutely essential that we have good homes for our missionaries in heathen and pagan lands. It is essential that they get away, when night comes at least, from the crowds, the sights, the suffering, the hopeless despair and down-dragging pull of sin and superstition and death all about them. And these beautiful homes are rapidly going to pieces. Roofs are leaking, window blinds are falling, paint is gone. Floors

and supporting beams are eaten up by white ants. To every appeal by missions and stations for needed repairs, we could only give one answer to all: The Board has no funds for repairs.

But the most tragic and heart-breaking cost of all is the cost in missionary personnel and morale. Only a few missionary recruits were sent out between 1925 and 1934. Ten years of waiting and pleading for re-inforcements that never came! Miss Shumate, for instance, pleading for fifteen years for a companion to work with her in that vast field at Shiu Hing. Miss Bertha Smith pleading for help at Tsining that never came. Then there are the missionaries breaking under the strain of waiting for recruits that never came. Many are sick and crushed under the weight of sorrow in seeing the work of a life-time going to pieces because there is no one to carry it on. The sorrow and tragedy of it all takes a toll of one's strength and emotions that is devastating:

Foreign Mission Board of the
Southern Baptist Convention
Receipts for October, 1935

Program Funds	\$35,280.30
Designated Gifts	17,294.90
Debt Account	17,785.65
Lottie Moon	3.00
Miscellaneous Income	10,324.89
Total	\$80,688.74

Within a year some fourteen missionaries have resigned and twenty have retired because of age and the infirmities of age.

And the recruits we are now sending must go through that long and trying period of adjustment and language study before they can serve on the field.

Surely this awful debt has just about bled the Foreign Mission Board white! We are paying the debt, yes, but at fearful price.

Here is the most heart-breaking cost of all—every door stands wide open for the Gospel's entrance but for lack of recruits and supplies we cannot enter!

God forgive us for bringing this curse of debt upon the Lord's work!

The Petropolis B. Y. P. U.

For a long time our little church had almost no young people. There were grown-ups and their children, but as the years have passed, we have graduated

Sunbeams into the B. Y. P. U. and won others so that there is now a group of young people doing good work. You may be interested in their service to the church. On the birthday of the members, books are given to the library. Whenever one has a birthday, he gives a present to the library, now we have a splendid collection of books. The young people direct the open air preaching work and cottage prayer meetings in the homes to which neighbors are invited. Thus they have a very active part in evangelization. This union also took an active part in the purchase of a baby-organ used for out-door preaching. David plays the organ for the meetings. He will be ten years old in October.—Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby, Brazil.

Financial Highlights

E. P. Buxton, Treasurer

Receipts from the Co-operative Program and from designated gifts for the month show an increase of more than \$4,000 over those for October, 1934, and more than \$18,000 over those for October, 1933. For this indication of improved conditions and of renewed interest we are profoundly grateful.

But, lest we should become unduly elated over this gratifying gain, let it be recalled that October, 1930, five years ago, the receipts from these two sources were \$20,000 more than for October, 1935.

So, after all, we are just on our way back to where we were before the depression set in, and there is still quite a distance to go to reach former heights of attainment.

With payments on the debt this month of \$19,500 the debt account now stands at \$512,500. On July 1, 1935, this account was \$574,500, since which date and within a period of four months, there has been paid on it a total of \$62,000.

The goal of debt reduction to half a million by December 31 of this year which was set on July 1, 1935, will in the providence of God have been passed before the end of November.

What an inspiration and a challenge to the new year is the achievement of this year in reducing the debt of \$924,500 by almost one-half! And what a glad day for missions when the energy now required to lift the debt of the Board can be applied to the task for which the Board was created, namely, that of sending the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

CLAYCOMB RESIGNS AT LITTLE BEND

I resigned as pastor of the Little Bend Baptist Church in Salem Association, on October 13, 1935, in order to take up some more preparatory work. I was called upon on September 25, 1933, by Brother Richard S. Brown, then pastor of the Little Bend Baptist Church, to help conduct a revival. We continued for twelve days, having ten additions to the church, eight upon profession of faith and two by letter. I was then called at the close of the meeting as their pastor after Brother Brown's resignation. I was ordained and we chose three deacons to be ordained at the same time. All church officers were elected and the church was reorganized and the church books revised.

We thank the Lord for His help and blessings during the two years' pastorate. We had three revivals, having sixteen additions to the church in the two years. Rev. Adrain Lamkin helped me in 1934 and 1935 in meetings.

We are hoping their next pastor leads many more to Christ and revives the little flock that we were so proud of and enjoyed working with so much. I would like very much to have the Recorder in every home, and I am sending the names of some of the members.

R. V. CLAYCOMB,
Brandenburg, Ky.

SPIRITUAL AWAKENING AT IRVINE FIRST CHURCH

Permit me to bring to you a delayed report on one of the best "Church" revivals I was ever in. Irvine Church is known as a spiritual church, yet there were more than 150 reconsecrations during the two week's meeting. Men and women came forward saying they were backsliders. One man, who had long been a church member, came saying he was converted and wanted to go all the way with Christ, baptism and all! Some fifteen found the Lord for the first time, and all in all we had a great time together. The morning services were the best attended I have ever seen. We studied the Lord's prayer together and many said they gained a new conception of prayer and a new incentive to pray.

Brother W. J. Norton, who has been pastor for several years, is doing a splendid piece of work. He is full of energy and is consecrated and leads in a fine way. His young people are especially fond of Him. His weekly prayer meetings exceed 125 in number, and many of us feel the prayer meeting a spiritual barometer, a good gauge for measuring a church.

All Kentucky should know of the valient fight this great church has made with a great financial obligation. Entering the depression more than \$25,000 in debt, they have not only paid the interest and kept their building, but have re-

tired much of the principle. Tithing explains this. Spirituality explains tithing. If we can get our people spiritual they will tithe. Spiritual things are spiritually discerned.

This was my second year to be the guest preacher in this good church. I have no words to express my joy. Many expressions of love in the way of gifts came aside from the usual offering.

R. R. COUEY,

Carlisle, Ky.

WIFE OF MAJOR RIDEOUT DIES IN FT. THOMAS

Mrs. Clara Melville Curtiss Rideout, wife of Major Frank C. Rideout, Chaplain at Fort Thomas, Ky., died at her residence at the U. S. Army Post on October 29 after a year's illness. Mrs. Rideout was born December 11, 1884 at Bridgeport, Conn., the eldest child of Elliott Plum Curtiss. On February 5, 1913, at the time of their marriage Mr. Rideout was pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Bridgeport, and she was librarian of the children's department of the Bridgeport Public Library, and organist of the Second Church.

Mrs. Rideout has accompanied her chaplain husband wherever the Government has assigned him, aiding him in his work. She has acted as hostess, directed chapel choirs and taught large Sunday-school classes of young people at such places as Camp Stuart, Newport News, Va.; Camp Grant, Ill.; Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; Fort Snelling, Minn.; and Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. Also she has been prominent in her work at Fort Thomas until her illness made it necessary for her to curtail her activities.

In addition to her husband, already mentioned, she is survived by an adopted son, Frank Curtiss Rideout, thirteen

years of age; a brother, Elliott P. Curtiss, Jr., Bridgeport, Conn.; and two sisters, Miss Louise Hall Curtiss, New York, and Mrs. Frank M. Thompson, wife of Major Thompson, also a chaplain, at Fort MacArthur, Calif.

After funeral services in Fort Thomas, Ky., her remains were taken to Bridgeport for burial.

REVIVAL IN MT. OLIVET

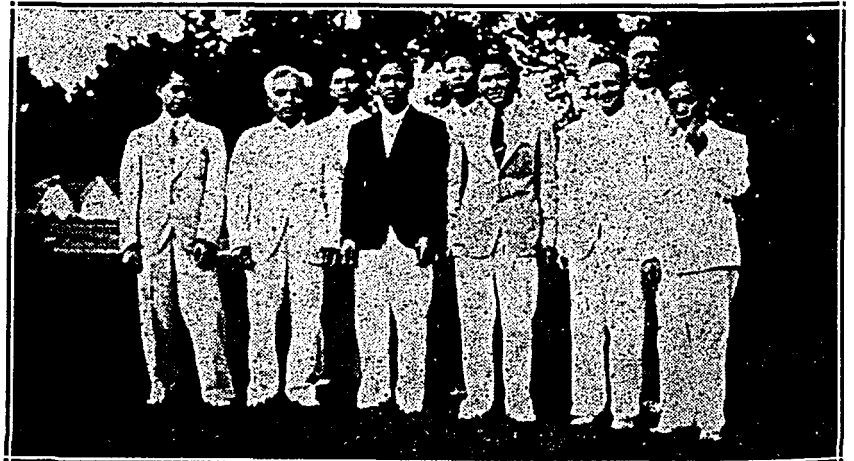
We were indeed fortunate in securing Pastor Lewis C. Ray, of the Franklin Street Church of Louisville, to lead us in our meetings at Mt. Olivet, Ky. Brother Ray was a student pastor of this church in 1921-23. We thank God for every remembrance of him and his ministry among us, and our prayers follow him as he returns to a great work in a great city.

FLOYD MONTGOMERY, Pastor,
Mt. Olivet, Ky.

ASSOCIATIONAL RALLY AT FRANKLIN

Our Brotherhood had a very successful Associational Rally held with the Franklin Church. Most of the churches of the Simpson Association were represented. Pastors Payne and Adkins were present.

Rev. J. P. Scruggs gave us an eloquent and stirring message on the subject: "Motives and Methods of Stewardship." The people of Simpson County are happy to have Brother Scruggs in fellowship reach again. Brother W. S. Mitchell, a layman of the Bowling Green Church, gave a ringing testimony of the joys and blessings of forty years of tithing. Then Dr. R. T. Skinner, the new pastor of the Bowling Green Church, gave us a most inspiring and convincing



CHINESE MEN OF CLEVELAND, MISS.

Everywhere hearts are hungry for the Gospel Message. Foreigners here in America present one of our finest opportunities for "world evangelization." The men, whose pictures appear above, were baptized by Dr. I. D. Eavenson out of the Mission for Chinese, sponsored and directed by the First Baptist Church, Cleveland, Miss. A number of others have made profession of their faith and will be baptized soon. It is estimated that in the Mississippi Delta there are one thousand Chinese. For the past year, the attendance on this mission has averaged about fifty, some of them driving twenty-two miles each Sunday.

message concerning our Co-operative Program, basing his appeal on the Apostle Paul urging the Corinthian Church to co-operate with the three churches of Macedonia already united in the mission to the poor saints in Jerusalem, Dr. Skinner is unusually gifted as a speaker, a powerful thinker, and a fine spirited minister.

With Scruggs and Payne and Adkins and Skinner added to our forces in Southern Kentucky we feel encouraged. Our work is getting the attention of our people again. Another fine feature of our rally was the presence of Brother C. K. Hoagland, Superintendent of our Kentucky Baptist Children's Home of Glendale. Three of the little girls sang for us.

I am so glad Dr. C. M. Thompson suggested these rallies for the Associations.

J. G. BARBE,

Franklin, Ky.

HARGROVE IN MEETINGS AT SLIGO

A meeting held at the Silas Baptist Church in Bourbon County by Pastor C. L. Hargrove, of the Porter Memorial Baptist Church in Lexington, was an outstanding testimony of the power of God in this wicked age. It is also a testimony of what God can do through a man who is fully dedicated to Him. We praise the Lord for his convictions and his fearlessness in preaching them.

Many souls were born again, and many were united with the church by letter. The church has gone from quarter-time to half-time, with the prospects of full-time in the near future. We have a Junior choir of about thirty members. Our Sunday-school attendance runs between forty and fifty.

Silas is a country church located between Leesburg and Jacksonville. It was here the first money was taken up for the establishment of Georgetown College.

A. B. C.

REVIVAL AT TAYLORSVILLE

The Tylorsville Baptist Church recently closed a very gracious series of revival services. Rev. G. Whitcomb Ellers, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, Ky., assisted in these services. There were thirty-six additions to the church, thirty-one by baptism and five by letter. This number, however, but fairly represents the good wrought in the entire community. Many acclaimed this the greatest revival the church has had in several years. Coming as it did at the close of a long period fraught with much sickness and great sorrow, it was all the more enjoyed and appreciated by our people.

Brother Ellers is a most forceful and effective Gospel preacher. His sermons are delivered with a power born of strong conviction and fervent love. His thorough consecration and holy enthusiasm have inspired us to more sustained

effort and wider endeavor in the great Kingdom enterprise. We feel that his unselfish services and genial personality have been used of the Lord to lead us to a higher plane of Christian living.

CLAUDE T. AMMERMAN, Pastor,
Taylorsville, Ky.

Fellowship Tidings.

The Southside Church, Spartanburg, S. C., has just observed the twelfth anniversary of their pastor, Dr. Judson L. Vipperman.

Pastor Joe T. Odle, of Paducah, has been assisting Brother N. S. Castleberry in meetings at the Benton Church, in West Kentucky.

Evangelist T. C. Crume, of Covington, Ky., has been preaching in revival meetings with Pastor W. J. Bolt at the First Church of Harlan, Ky.

Brother Hudson Hicks, student in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, has been helping Pastor W. R. Hamilton in meetings at Blue River Church, in Indiana.

Pastor I. Ferd Graves is going to preach in a series of meetings in his own pulpit at the Grace Church, 1620 Anderson Street, Louisville, beginning December 1. The music will be led by A. L. Davidson.

Dr. Millard A. Jenkins, pastor of the First Church of Abilene, Texas, observed his twentieth anniversary last Sunday as pastor of that great church. More than a million dollars has been contributed to all causes for the period of his pastoral connection with them.

Dr. J. E. Dillard, of Southside Church, Birmingham, Ala., and Singer Carlyle Brooks, of Atlanta, Ga., have been helping Pastor J. Ivey Edwards in meetings in which there were thirty-seven added to the First Church of Jacksonville, Ala. This is a State College town, and the revival reached in both college and schools.

The First Baptist Church of Gainesville, Florida, and Pastor Thomas V. McCaul are rejoicing over a real spiritual revival October 27 through November 3. Dr. David M. Gardner and Brother J. Fred Schofield assisted. Great crowds attended the services and there were eighty-two additions to the membership of the church.

Rev. F. M. Huckleberry died on Friday, October 25, and was buried on Monday, October 28, from the First Church of Franklin, Ind. He was one of the oldest Baptist ministers in the State of Indiana. In previous years he had served as pastor at the First Church of Logansport, Seymour, Linton and Greenwood, and among the churches he served outside of Indiana included churches in Hamilton, Ohio and Olney, Ill. He served in the Civil War, and was

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at one time President of the Indiana Baptist Convention. His wife, nee Eugenia Almira McCaulo, died seven years ago. The four children who survive him are: William Huckleberry, F. M. Huckleberry, Jr., Miss Myrtie Huckleberry and Mrs. Robert H. Kent.

Pastor A. D. Kinnett, of the First Church, Burlington, N. C., preached in meetings for Pastor John G. Dickson at Eminence, Ky., during October 27-November 10. Dr. Kinnett is always a welcome visitor back to Kentucky, where he was long a pastor of several churches, while he was a student in the Seminary, and where he found his wife, Miss Rachel Lanter, of Ashland, Ky.

Dr. Hendon M. Harris resigned at the First Church of Madison, Ind., on Sunday, November 3, to take effect December 2, after a pastorate of nearly five years, in order to go back to his work in Kaifeng, China, where he and his wife began their missionary work twenty-five years ago. They will sail on December 13 from San Francisco on the Steamship President Abraham Lincoln. The four oldest children will remain in this country.

Dr. George W. Truett, President of the Baptist World Alliance and pastor of the First Church of Dallas, Texas, left last week, in company with Mrs. Truett, to go on a world mission tour. Dr. J. H. Rushbrook, Executive Secretary of the Alliance, will join them when they arrive in England. Among other countries they will visit Palestine, India, Burma, China and Japan, and expect to reach San Francisco in May in time to reach the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, Mo.

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A Letter From Pearle Johnson

"My evening Bible classes have afforded me great pleasure. There is no joy greater than studying and teaching the Bible, and to teach it to young men who volunteer to come at the end of a busy day in office or bank, showing when they come an eagerness to know, is an immeasurable pleasure. One young man came to Shanghai from far away Szechuen Province in the west of China, not a Christian, but an earnest enquirer, and began coming to the Saturday evening and Sunday morning classes and the B. Y. P. U. He was deeply interested in Christianity and the Bible. After being here a few months he was called back home. Soon after getting back there he united with a Methodist Church and seemed to be a very happy Christian. In his last letter he told of being way off alone in a little village, the only Christian in all that section. He said he was lonely and longed for the companionship of Christian friends, but that he found comfort and help in his Bible and in prayer. We are hoping and praying that he may really let his light shine in that darkened section, and be used to win many to Christ. It is not easy for a young man, inexperienced, alone and surrounded by non-Christians, to witness for Jesus, but we are trusting God to give Him needed courage and strength. Please pray with us that he may stay true, and that he may be a real soul winner.

"Last Sunday we had a baptismal service in our church which brought some of us more than the usual joy. There were eight or ten baptized, but two in which we were especially interested. One was a Senior Three girl of our Tsing Tuh School, a girl over whom we have yearned, and for whom we have prayed a long time. Three years ago she was a Senior Two, one of the brightest and best pupils we had, but wholly indifferent to Christianity. About the middle of the term, she was taken sick with what seemed to be Tuberculosis in a

very bad form. She and a younger sister were taken to a tuberculosis hospital, where they stayed for some time, but later were brought home where the younger sister soon died. This girl hovered near death's door for several months. Many times when we went to see her, we were sure that was the last time we would see her alive. Her parents, though not Christians, seemed glad for us to go and pray for her. God miraculously raised her up, and last fall she was well enough to come back to school. You can understand how very grateful we were to see her give her young life to God who had been so good to her!

"The other was a little ten-year-old girl, the youngest of thirteen children who had had a very unusual experience. When she was a baby in arms, her parents lived in the interior of China. Because of fighting in the city where they lived, they had to flee for their lives, not together, but separately. Because of the almost certain death which threatened herself, the mother carefully dressed and wrapped her baby, wrote a note in which she gave the child's name, and begged the finder to be kind to her, pinned a ten-dollar bill to her clothes and took her outside the city wall where she left her, never expecting to see her again. It was nothing short of a miracle that at the end of the trouble, father, mother and all the children, even to the baby who was safely returned by the finder, were united. Now this little one has given her life to Him who protected her from danger and gave her back to her parents. Her mother, like Hannah of old, has dedicated her child to the Lord for Christian work when she is old enough to do it. May she who has early heard His call to follow Jesus, also hear His call to a life of service for Him."

Pearle Johnson,
 466 Rue Lafayette,
 Shanghai, China.

W. M. U. Young People's Department

JOSEPHINE PROCTOR JONES,
 Young People's Leader

Bethel College Y. W. A. Banquet

An outstanding event at Bethel Woman's College is our annual Y. W. A. banquet. This year the theme centered around the pioneer spirit, especially that shown by Henrietta Hall Shuck, the first American woman missionary who gave her life to work in China, one hundred years ago. Appropriate Chinese decorations and favors lend an impressive atmosphere to the dining room.

Maybeth Morton, President of the College Y. W. A., was toastmistress for the evening. Dr. Gaines responded to the toast "Pioneering for Bethel," giving a brief college history which empha-

sized the pioneer spirit. Mrs. John Waller, a representative from the W. M. S. of the Hopkinsville First Church, responded to a toast given to the W. M. U. Maybeth Morton gave the response to the toast for the 1935-1936 Y. W. A. Council. After a musical number, "Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling," Frances Binford and Marian Laubscher presented "Talking Across a Century," a modern girl's conversation with Henrietta Hall Shuck.

Miss Pearle Bourne gave as the main talk of the evening "Pioneering Youth." It was indeed an inspiration to have this beloved Southwide worker with us on this occasion.

We are praying that with the one hundred percent student membership, our Y. W. A. work will steadily progress as a vital force of our campus organization.

Juanita Cox, Reporter.

A Call From The Hills
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"Calling all Chapters. Calling all Chapters. Calling all Royal Ambassador Chapters in Kentucky. All Kentucky Royal Ambassador Chapters give attention. Calling all Chapters."

Small earnings, few days of labor, bills long unpaid, large families have taken from many a mining home things boys and girls would like to have and some things they need. Small cash earnings by mountain farmers have tied the hands of kind parents, so that they cannot do for their children what they would like to do. Daily Vacation Bible School teachers are handicapped for want of necessary supplies. They have no funds and the offerings from the children do not take care of the expenses. Many homes have few if any books for boys and girls. Cold fall and early winter winds bite at the bodies of many boys and girls as they go to Sunday School in a school house.

Calling all Chapters of Royal Ambassadors to help arrest these conditions by going out and procuring the supplies which will stop this racket of want.

Please secure all used out-grown clothing and shoes you can get. Do all the repairing and mending you can before sending. Clothing for boys and girls of all ages can be used to help some who attend our Sunday Schools.

As Christmas comes nearer, we ask you to do all you can to gather and put in order toys that have been outgrown and discarded. Toys that some have grown tired of will bring much joy to boys and girls in the highlands. Use your talent in mending and painting.

Many boys and girls have no access to a library. If we had the books we could have a traveling library. We could take good books to certain communities on certain days. What a great service you can help us render if you would secure for us several hundred volumes of good books that boys and girls like. In many of your homes there

are books that you have read and out grown. They are dear to you, but they are doing no one any good. Arrest them. Tie them up and send them to the hills, where they will bring joy and blessings to boys and girls who do not have means to buy books. Take your Sword of the Spirit and go out to "Do unto others as you would that they should do unto you." Call on the homes of your neighbors and ask them to donate some of their books to a mountain traveling library. In some homes the children have grown, but their childhood books are there, doing nothing but collecting dust. Arrest as many of these as you can.

We have no funds for D. V. B. S. supplies. In the early summer we will need three large (not too large) American flags and three Christian flags. Last year we had to borrow these, but we will likely need some this time just when others are using theirs. Some boys are able to buy their own saws, but some are not and these who are not sawing miss the fun and bother others. We could put to good use fifty Ten-cent Store coping saws. We could carry these from one school to another. Load your guns with dimes and shoot down as many saws as you can. Last year we had to borrow department books for D. V. B. S. How much better it would be if we had our own books. Boys, you can help here. We need three for each department—Beginner, Primary and Junior. Nine R. A. Chapters, each contributing a book, would render a great service to mountain D. V. B. S. work. Then there are crayons and pencils, paste, etc. You know what is used in your D. V. B. S. We would like to use the same things.

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BLOOD RIVER ASSOCIATION

The sixty-sixth session of Blood River Association met with West Fork Church near Murray, October 23-24. After short devotional services conducted by the retiring moderator, Dr. J. E. Skinner, pastor First Church, Murray, the annual sermon was preached by Brother L. V. Henson from Rev. 1:18-20. The message was very instructive and inspiring.

Brother R. F. Gregory, the pastor-host and J. H. Thurman were elected Moderator and Assistant Moderator respectively. Brother L. V. Henson and J. H. Thurman were elected Clerk and Treasurer respectively. Thirty-seven of the thirty-eight churches of the association reported. Their total gifts to

missions and benevolences increased over the preceding year twenty-five percent. Many of the churches reported good meetings, with many additions by baptism and otherwise.

Dr. W. M. Wood, our State Mission Field Secretary delivered a very fine message on missions. The outstanding address of the association was made by W. A. Frost, of the Western Recorder, on "Making Kentucky Dry for Kentucky Youth." It was a great message—informing and convincing. Many said it was the best Temperance Lecture they had ever heard. The association went on record as against the repeal of the Seventh Amendment to our State Constitution—our only dry law.

Dr. Oury W. Taylor, one of our own Blood River boys, who now shoves the editorial pen for the Baptist and Reflector, Tennessee's State Baptist paper, published at Nashville, Tenn., took time off to come back home and look in on Blood River Association. He too made a very fine address on the importance of our subscribing for and reading our denominational papers. Dr. R. E. Dillon, pastor First Church, Frankfort, Ky., preached to the overflow crowd in the grove. They said his message was fine.

Brother Byron C. S. DeJarnette, secretary of our Baptist Training Union in Kentucky, presented our Young People's Work in a very informing and convincing way. The association voted to have this work reported on annually along with the other reports of committees. A few churches of the association have Baptist Training Unions and the prospects are bright for a number of others.

We were glad to note and welcome the presence of many other visitors, including Dr. W. H. Horton, A. C. Riley, B. G. Arterburn, Mayfield, A. E. Lassiter, Roy O. Beaman and Ralph Bingham, Paducah, and perhaps others.

Many expressions of regret were heard when "it was noised about" that our much beloved and retiring moderator, Dr. J. E. Skinner, who on account of failing health, had resigned as pastor of the First Church, Murray and was moving to Jackson, Tenn., his former home. During the four years that Brother Skinner has been with us he has labored faithfully and earnestly for the "Unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace," and the Lord has marvelously blessed his labors. Brother Skinner has done a great work in the First Church, Murray and in Blood River Association. How we will miss his wise counsel and sane advise, as well as his fellowship and companionship! May the Lord speedily bring him back to normal health and spare him for many more years of valuable service.

Pastor Gregory and his good church anticipated every need of their guests. Their generous hospitality is very rarely, if ever, excelled. We were royally entertained. The next association goes

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Dr. R. E. Dillon and Brother Byron C. S. DeJarnette remained over to take part in a two days' program of Baptist Training Union Convention, meeting with the First Church Murray.

J. H. THURMAN,


Murray, Ky.

GYISY SMITH, JR., AT MAYSVILLE

Pastor Floyd Montgomery, Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, led the singing during a two weeks' revival in Maysville, September 29-October 13. Mrs. Montgomery was the pianist. This is a wonderfully gifted couple, and everybody was delighted with their services. Brother Montgomery is a real song leader, and Mrs. Montgomery an accomplished musician. Gipsy Smith, Jr., of Connecticut did the preaching. His messages were deeply spiritual and stirred the whole city of Maysville. On account of the crowds the services were held in the High School auditorium, the largest auditorium in the city, which was filled every night and often overflowing.

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THE FIRESIDE

BEFORE GOING HOME

Jamie undressed slowly. Everything was so different in his grandmother's home. He missed finding his pajamas laid out on the bed, missed the frequent interruptions of his mother's voice, "Don't forget to scrub your teeth, Jamie! Hurry, now it's late!" And sometimes he was very slow, "Whatever is taking you so long tonight, Jamie?"

But tonight, though he was ever and ever so long getting undressed, Grandma continued reading downstairs as though she had forgotten him. Jamie began wishing that his mother would hurry up and get well so that he could go home. It was such a comfort to have some one fussing over him, asking him this and that, and making him feel like a very important person.

Jamie pulled off his shoes and holding them high above his head let first one and then the other fall with a thud on the floor. Not a word from Grandma!

Then he went to the bathroom, turned on the hot water spigot as far as he could and let the water run and run while he put his head outside the door and listened. Always at home when he did this, Mother called, "Don't waste the hot water, Jamie!"

Still not a word from Grandma!

Jamie soon found that it was no fun wasting the water if no one noticed it. He turned off the faucet and went back to his room and purposely stumbled over a chair. He wasn't a bit hurt, for he had been careful to fall easily, but he lay quiet for several minutes. This would have brought Mother up to his room.

If Grandma heard the commotion, Jamie had no way of knowing it. There was no hurrying of feet, no "Are you hurt, James?" Just the creak of Grandma's chair as she read and rocked herself.

It was cold on the floor, and hard. Jamie crawled into bed. He felt very unhappy. He did not like it at Grandma's. He thought of punishing her for her quietness by going off to sleep without saying goodnight. But Jamie couldn't get to sleep. He remembered that Grandma had said, "Let me know when you are all ready, Jamie."

After wiping his eyes carefully, and raising himself up in bed to look in the mirror and make sure that he did not look as though he had been crying, Jamie cleared his throat very loudly and called, "I'm all ready, Grandma!"

Immediately the creak of the rocking chair stopped. And steps, heavier than Mother's but none the less welcome, sounded on the stairs.

"Well, well, well!" Grandma exclaimed brightly as she came into the room.

"You're a big boy for six years old getting all ready for bed by yourself like this!"

Suddenly Jamie was very glad that he had not called to know where his pajamas were, and should he scrub his teeth without toothpaste or with?

"That means," Grandma continued, "that you can put a gold star on this calendar, right over two—three—which is the date of today. And every day that you do something without any help, or asking questions, you can have another gold star for that day, and when you get ten gold stars I am going to give you—here Grandma stopped and looked laughingly into Jamie's face.

"What would you like me to give you, Jamie?"

Jamie leaned nearer his grandmother's face and looked deeply into her eyes. Could he ask for it? Did she really mean it? Or would she say, like Mother, "I've enough to do as it is without having . . . !"

"A dog!" he whispered hopefully.

Grandma clapped her hands. "Just as I thought and I have the dearest one all picked out. He's brown and has a pointy nose."

"Oh, oh!" Jamie cried in sudden dismay. "But I won't be able to take it home when Mother gets well, because Mother says she has enough to do without having a dog around."

"Ah," Grandmother answered, "I see I'll have to explain something to you."

"You mean that Mother's going to let me bring it home?" Jamie asked hopefully.

"Yes and no," Grandma said. "You see, Jamie, your mother is not really sick. She has no disease, I mean. She is just tired out, and the doctor says she must rest in bed for several weeks. Now the thing that has made her this tired way is doing so much for you—that is, doing the things you ought to do for yourself, like getting out your pajamas at night—finding the toothpaste—putting your underwear into the hamper when it is soiled—closing the window of your room in the morning."

"But Grandma," Jamie interrupted wonderingly, "Mother always did those things for me. I didn't know it made her tired. She never asked me to do them."

"I know," Grandma answered understandingly, "she thought you were too little. She told me it was easier to do them than to ask you to, because—well because you seemed so helpless. But it was just as I thought. You are a great big boy and can get all undressed and into bed yourself just like you showed you could tonight."

Grandma was nice after all, Jamie decided, and understood boys, too.

"So," Grandma continued, "when you get ten gold stars on this calendar, that means you have learned to do ten things by yourself, things that mother used to help you with. She will have so much less to do then that having a dog won't seem like extra work."

"Why," Jamie answered thoughtfully, "I can do things to help her, too, like bringing in the milk from the front step in the morning, and sweeping off the pavement!"

"You've got the idea!" replied Grandma.

"And I'm soon going to have that dog," Jamie said happily as he raised his face for a good-night kiss. "Oh, I'm glad I came here, Grandma!"

—Marguerite Faust, in Storytime.

J. C. JONES AT BEECHLAND

From October 21 to October 31 inclusive, Rev. J. C. Jones, pastor of the First Church of Williamson, W. Va., assisted in a revival in Beechland.

We had just the type of meeting that we had been praying for and desiring for a long time. Brother Jones brought plain, sane, powerful, gospel messages that were inspiring and helpful to our members, as well as those who were unsaved and unenlisted. The strength of this meeting will be felt in the future as well as the present. Our people rallied to this preacher and he found a great place in their hearts. Best of all, he caused us all to make a larger place in our hearts for Jesus. Twelve additions were realized in the meeting.

Brother Jones has been in Williamson since the fall of 1932. He has done an outstanding piece of work at that place. A debt of long standing will be entirely wiped out in the near future. The church has been placed on a Scriptural basis financially. The various departments of the work are progressing in a splendid manner.

O. A. LINGER, Pastor,
Beechland Baptist Church,
Valley Station, Ky.

Pastor Russell Conwell White, of the University Baptist Church, Charlottesville, Va., and formerly at Twenty-third and Broadway Church, Louisville, Ky., and the First Church of Jellico, Tenn.-Ky., has just completed a most effective series of services with Pastor Louis S. Gaines at the First Church of Lexington, N. C. Pastor Buell H. Kazee, of Morehead, Ky., served as devotional leader and evangelistic singer, conducting the early morning devotional services with pungent messages on the practical daily life of the disciples of Christ.

REVIVAL MEETING AT EUBANK

We have just closed a two weeks' meeting here with Brother H. G. M. Hatler, pastor of Central Church of Corbin, Ky., doing the preaching. Brother Hatler brought clear, inspiring, and heart-searching messages. Not only his preaching, but also his visitation, his personal contact, and his personality have been felt by all who met him.

Our church has been helped and much revived, and nineteen new converts were baptized Sunday evening, October 27, and a number by letter. The Lord is using Brother Hatler in a great way. He will be long remembered here with this good church.

C. M. HILL, Pastor,
Eubank, Ky.

REV. F. P. DODSON 57 YEARS A MINISTER, 51 YEARS SUBSCRIBER TO RECORDER

Rev. F. P. Dodson was born in Allen County, Kentucky, April 11, 1856 and received his education in the public schools of that county and was later a student in New Roe Academy. He was ordained to the Gospel ministry at the New Middle Fork Baptist Church in Allen County on Saturday before the First Sunday in August 1878.

He spent from ten to twelve years of his ministerial life serving churches in this section of Kentucky before attending the Seminary in Louisville at which place he spent one year and a portion of a second, completing the course required for a diploma in English Bible. Dr. J. R. Sampey is the only surviving member of the faculty at the time Brother Dodson was a student.

After leaving the Seminary he served churches in Allen, Barren, Warren, and Simpson Counties in Kentucky. He also served a number of churches in Tennessee, in Sumner, Robertson, Montgomery, Cheatham, Davidson and Wilson Counties. Through these years of ministry Brother Dodson has been held in the highest esteem by his fellow ministers and has been loved and appreciated for his loyalty to the truth and zeal in the proclamation of those New Testament principles which constitute the foundation of our Baptist churches.

On December 8, 1878, he was married to Miss Delilah Bays, of Sumner County, Tenn. There were four children from this union, one son and three daughters. They are all members of Baptist churches. In October of last year Mrs. Dodson passed away. Brother Dodson is now making his home with his son-in-law and youngest daughter, Rev. and Mrs. William McMurry, Greenville, Miss.

The Baptist Church of Greenville has several Mission points and a program large enough for the active services of this faithful minister of the Gospel who is engaged from Sunday to Sunday in preaching and teaching Sunday-school

classes. He supplies the pulpit acceptably in the pastor's absence and is loved and appreciated by the membership of this church.

Baptists everywhere are grateful to God for these faithful soldiers of the Cross who have "Kept the faith and fought the good fight."

PRESENT DAY CHURCH MUSIC CONDITIONS

In the average church the ideals and standards for the music are not on a par with the ideals and standards promoted and maintained for the preaching, teaching and training services. There is a lack of appropriate, practical, and effective music in all departments of religious life. In too many churches the musical appreciation of the congregation, and leadership as well, is low. Music is too often selected according to likes, dislikes, and prejudices instead of in accordance with the needs of those for whom it is chosen. Some erroneously believe that only the light gospel song is conducive to spirituality, which oftentimes leads to a cheap, ragtime, jazz program instead of wholesome church music. The choir in the average church is composed of singers lacking in balance of parts and blending quality, led by an inefficient music director or perhaps no director at all. Congregational singing lacks vitality. The music used lacks character and fails to promote a spirit of reverence and worship. It is usually the rhythmical and syncopated forms in which speed and power are dominant that appeals in a special way to the physical in man. The exaggerated use of the short choruses in every department of the church life creates a distaste for wholesome church music, causes a neglect of the better hymns and gospel songs, lowers the music appreciation of those who sing or hear them, and violates the principles of the Training Department, which stands for training for the best in church service.

I. E. REYNOLDS,
Fort Worth, Tex.

A PREACHER'S WIFE

Louis J. Bristow, Superintendent,
New Orleans, La.

She is a preacher's wife. She has been a patient in the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans twice, and now must come again. Her husband has never been pastor of a church that paid him more than a meager living—indeed, he and his family have had a very hard time. He has never been able to pay a hospital bill for his wife; and a few days ago when he came to me he was greatly embarrassed. The doctor had told him that it was necessary to bring her to the hospital at once if her life were to be saved; and a blood transfusion was needed at once.

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The National Anti-Saloon League will hold their twenty-eighth annual Convention at the Hotel Statler at St. Louis, Mo., December 1-4.

Evangelist Theodore M. Hofmeister, of Pittsburgh, Penna., has now recovered from a street car accident in Los Angeles, and is returning to his work in revival meetings, Bible Conferences, etc.

Pastor W. R. Lambert observed his first anniversary on last Sunday at the Virginia Avenue Church, Louisville. He was met by a large audience at both services. He reports a pleasant year's work, and the people are co-operating in every way.

The membership of the First Church of Alexandria, Va., has gone over the 1,200 mark. There are 987 in Sunday-school and 400 in the B. T. U. The pastor, Dr. Pierce S. Ellis, now has associated with him as his assistant pastor, H. Grady Daniel, who went to Alexandria from the Orcutt Avenue Church in Newport News, Va.

The Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary has printed a large wall-chart displaying their campus, buildings student body, faculty members, and other important matters. These views are made of the buildings as they are today, and the personnel of the pictures is of the student body and faculty of this present year. Dr. L. R. Scarborough, President, writes: "We should like to have your prayers and a continuance of your loving co-operation in making this institution do the will of Christ and help our dear mother Seminary at Louisville and our big sister at New Orleans—the Baptist Bible Institute—to furnish to the causes of Southern Baptists and the kingdom of God in all the world the right sort of leaders."

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State Secretary**

Appreciation and Best Wishes

For nine years Miss Glayce Orms has been our faithful and efficient office secretary. Our appreciation of her and her work is hereby publicly expressed. She will be continually missed. Her work was entirely satisfactory, and her helpful, thoughtful, and unselfish spirit inspired us all. On October 31 she was married to W. F. Masden. Best wishes for her happiness and continued usefulness in the service of Christ are extended to her. We congratulate Mr. Masden and wish for them both a happy Christian home.

We Welcome Our New Secretary

We extend to Miss Jewel Potter, who came in as office secretary on October 30, a most cordial welcome. She has been taking hold of the work in a fine way, and is a worthy successor of Miss Orms.

Transportation Rates

Louisville to Birmingham

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Round Trip in Coach 11.78
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Round Trip in Pullman 15.70
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Upper Berth (each way) 2.40
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(each way) 1.75

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rives Birmingham 8:50 PM

Record of Regional Conventions

The attendance goal for the five Regional Conventions was 1,200. The actual registration was 1,186. The average for each Region was 237. Thirty-nine of the seventy-nine associations were represented. Twenty-five of the associations represented are organized.

The goals and registrations by Regions are as follows: Central goal 250, registration 229; Eastern goal 200, registration 178; Southeastern goal 150, registration 238; West Central goal 300, registration 302; Western goal 300, registration 239. The attendance at all conventions would have been larger if the conventions had been in the center of the territories. As it was each convention was held in or near the extreme part of the Region.

You have noticed that Southeastern and West Central were the only Regions that reached or exceeded their goals. In Central Region Elkhorn and Campbell County Associations exceeded their goals. Eight out of twelve Associations were represented. In Eastern three out of twelve were represented. In Southeastern ten of the twenty-one associations were represented. Upper Cumberland, Central, Pulaski, Rockcastle, South Kentucky, and South District exceeded their goals. In West Central seven of the eighteen associations were represented. Allen, Gasper River, Goshen, Simpson, and Warren went beyond their goals. In Western Region eleven of the fifteen were represented. Blood River, Little Bethel, and Muhlenburg exceeded their goals. You will notice that Western had the largest proportion of associations represented.

Regional Convention Contests

One of the most interesting features of the Conventions was the Better-Speakers' Contest on the subject "Make Kentucky Dry for Kentucky Youth." The winners and plans for the State Speakers' Contest will be announced later.

Equally interesting was the Intermediate Sword Drill Contest. The winners were: Central—Virginia Blaydes, Shelbyville; Eastern—Dorothy Neikirk, Irvine; Southeastern—Daisy Mae Warren, Harlan; West Central—Jewell Thurman, Louisville; Western—Elizabeth Upchurch, Murray.

State Contest in Louisville, November 29

The State Intermediate Sword Drill Contest will be conducted in the auditorium of the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church, at Fourth and Oak Streets, in Louisville, on Friday night, November 29 at 8:00 P. M. The above named Regional swordsmen will compete for the purpose of determining the winner who shall represent Kentucky at the Southwide Intermediate Sword Drill Contest during the Southwide Training Union Conference at Birmingham, Alabama, December 31 to January 3.

All are invited to attend this interesting demonstration as explained above.

New Union

Senior B. Y. P. U. of the Milton Church, reported by Pastor N. J. Caldwell.

Can You Beat It?

The Training Union of the Paris Baptist Church has 128 members enrolled and on Sunday night, November 3, had 128 members and ten visitors present. The Union has planned for the various unions to put on programs at the Jail, at the County Farm, and at the Old Women's Home during this month. The Secretary, Mrs. B. C. Carmichael, also reports that they are sponsoring a drive for the benefit of their orphans. She reports that their unions are growing rapidly and have planned a great future

under the leadership of their capable director, George Insko.

Director A. T. Hayes, of Gilead Church, Glendale, reports that on Sunday night, November 3 their Training Union had 108 members enrolled and had ninety-nine of them present, and also twenty visitors.

What have you to report?

Western Regional Training Union Meets

The Western Regional Baptist Training Union Convention was held October 25-26, 1935. The theme of this inspiring Convention was "Give Ye." Dr. R. T. Skinner, Bowling Green, gave the keynote address, "Give Ye," Friday morning. The principal speaker for the evening service, was Dr. Ross E. Dillon, Frankfort, whose message was, "God Gave." Dr. Dillon splendidly pointed out the gifts that God has given to us. Saturday morning the convention closed with the third great message, "Christ Gave," by Rev. J. G. Cothran, Princeton.

Certainly we could not leave out the devotionals led by Rev. George D. Heaton, Paducah. These inspiring devotionals centered around the word "Giving." One of the best services of the Convention was the Consecration Service, where many young people gathered at the church at 7:00 A. M., Saturday to seek out God early in the morning. This consecrated service was conducted by Rev. Woodrow Fuller, Fulton, who had as his subject, "What Hast Thou Given?"

"Make Kentucky Dry for Kentucky Youth" was the subject upon which Rev. Joe T. Odle spoke Saturday morning.

Rev. Byron C. S. DeJarnette, our State Training Union Secretary, spoke to the Convention on "Why a Regional Convention," also "Associational Training Union and Value to the Churches." These topics were very interesting and informing to our Convention.

The conferences held each morning and afternoon were of great help to those attending in solving our problems. The leaders of the conferences were as follows:

Training Union and Associational Officers, Rev. Byron DeJarnette; Adults, Lowry M. Caldwell; Senior, Rev. A. M. Parrish; Intermediates, Mrs. O. E. Bryant; Juniors, Lily Gary. Over 100 out of town people were present.

Rebecca Tarry, Sec'y.-Treas.,
Western Regional Convention.

**RECORD OF ATTENDANCE
Baptist Training Unions reporting
enrollment of 100 or over**

November 10, 1935

	Att.	Vis.	En.
Bowling Green, First	163	19	237
Louisville, Grace	130	150
Akron, Ohio, Calvary	111	26	127
Lexington, Porter Memo.	126	19	177
Paris, First	123	11	132
Paducah, Immanuel	108	33	148
Harrodsburg	107	23	133

Taylorsville	107	17	132
Louisville, Crescent Hill..	106	26	145
Henderson, Audubon	105	5	125
Louisville, Ninth and O..	104	28	129
Louisville, 23rd & Bdwy..	103	19	117
Louisville, Beechmont	99	8	134
Hopkinsville, First	94	2	137
Pineville	86	7	163
Louisville, Bapt. Temple..	85	20	135
Owensboro, First	83	31	119
Oneida	78	134
Lexington, Grace	77	5	137
Erlanger, Elsmere	75	5	112
E'town, Severns Valley....	72	6	112
Danville, Lexington Ave.	70	10	112

A LETTER FROM SOUTH CAROLINA

We are still on the up grade in the First Church here under the able leadership of Dr. John H. Webb, who is constantly growing in favor with his congregation. We had capacity audiences at the morning services the two past Lord's Days. Our report to the Association for the year just ended shows contributions for all purposes during the year of more than \$40,000 and a present membership of more than 1,700.

Our Sunday-school attendance is now averaging around 900 and is alive and active. We have met every payment of interest and principal on the new Educational building promptly at maturity and now have the debt down to a little more than \$50,000.

The morning messages of Dr. Webb are now being broadcast over our local station W I S, whose volume has been substantially increased since October 1.

B. WALLACE JONES,
Columbia, S. C.

Our Dead

Obituary notices of not more than one hundred words will be published without charge. We make a charge of one cent per word on all words above one hundred. Writers of obituaries should count the words and send the amount in with the obituary notices. This is not done for the purpose of making money from these notices, but because we have found it necessary to conserve space.

It is usually impossible to publish obituaries promptly. We will endeavor to publish them within four weeks after they are received in our office. We ask contributors to note this and not expect publication at an earlier date.

ALEX M. WOODRUFF

Be it resolved that we, the Board of Deacons of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, do hereby give expression to our sense of loss in the death of Brother Alex M. Woodruff, our fellow member and co-worker in the church since 1911, and in this Board since 1923.

During the nearly twenty-five years' period of his connection with our church, he has held from time to time such responsible offices as Financial Secretary, teacher in our church school, member of the choir, membership secretary, church clerk, member of the building committee and deacon.

Resolved that we formally record in our church minutes our grateful acknowledgement for the faithful services rendered in all these offices, and

for the pleasure and profit we have had in his fellowship and counsel.

Resolved that we extend to his beloved wife, to his brother, John Woodruff, and to his nieces and nephews our affectionate sympathy as we sorrow in their sorrow, and that we assure them of our constant prayers that they might find all needed comfort and help in the abundant bestowment of divine grace as experienced in the indwelling Spirit of God.

W. A. FROST, W. D. MYERS,
EDWIN HORN, C. E. CARMACK,
M. R. NEEL, J. W. FORD,
J. M. KIRK, G. M. EDWARDS,
S. S. JONES, T. J. JOHNSON.

ALLIE LITSEY HOLDER

On Tuesday evening, September 17, 1935, the gentle spirit of Sister Allie Litsey Holder took its flight from its earthly home, to the mansions prepared up yonder. The news of her sudden death brought gloom and deepest regret to her many, many friends.

At the age of fifteen years she united with the Whitesville Baptist Church, and was faithful in her church duties as organist and training the children in Christian work. Her life was of unselfish service. To have known her, was to love her, and we can rightfully say the world about her has been made better by her having lived here. Her memory shall ever be fragrant among us, for her rich contribution to the life of our church. Her reward from her Master, we would express in the Saviour's words, "Well done good and faithful servant."

May the grace of God and love of Jesus comfort and keep the loved ones, and one day there will be a happy reunion on the other shore. Weep not as those who have no hope, but in joy look up unto His face and say, "Thy will be done."

MRS. J. W. MILLER,
MRS. L. B. McCARTY,
MRS. O. D. HAYNES, Com.,
Whitesville W. M. S.

MRS. JAMES SHACKLETTE

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has taken the loved President of the Woman's Missionary Union of Gilead Baptist Church, and

Whereas, her passing has left an ache in our hearts, and a vacancy which none other can fill, for she had made a place distinctly her own, in the life of the community and of the church. As President of the Missionary Society, as a teacher in the Sunday-school, and a worker in the B T. U., and by her beautiful Christian life and gentle graciousness of manner, she had endeared herself to all with whom she came in contact,

Therefore be it resolved: First, that

we, the members of the Woman's Missionary Society, extend to her husband, her foster sons, her sisters and brothers, our deepest sympathy in this dark hour, and commend them to Him, who is "Too wise to err, and too good to be unkind." May they be led in their hearts to say, "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

Second, That the life which she lived among us inspired each of us so to live that when our "Summons comes to join the innumerable throng that moves to that mysterious realm . . . sustained and soothed by an unfaltering trust," that we too, may "Wrap the drapery of our couch about us and lie down to pleasant dreams."

MRS. MONTA SHIPP,
MRS. J. E. DARTER,
MRS. EDGAR WALKER,
MISS EVA BARNES, Com.

E. B. ROBERTSON

Resolved that we, the Crescent Hill Baptist Church in business session assembled, November 6, 1935, approve the above resolutions from the Board of Deacons as voicing the sentiments of our entire congregation, and that we express our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Woodruff and Brother John Woodruff and to all his relatives in the loss they have sustained.

EDWIN HORN, Church Clerk
CHAS. L. GRAHAM, Moderator

MRS. ANNA TROUTMAN NICHOLS

On the sixth of August, God claimed one of His choicest sants, Mrs. Anna Troutman Nichols, to be with Him in eternal glory. She was born near Bardstown, Ky., June 21, 1838, and on April 4, 1865 was married to John Randolph Nichols, with whom she walked in beautiful devotion and sympathy until his death.

At an early age Mrs. Nichols accepted Christ and joined the Rolling Fork Baptist Church, in Nelson County, to which union she was ever faithful until she affiliated with the Bardstown Church where she remained until her death. Her loyalty was beautiful beyond expression.

For the past number of years she and her husband, now deceased, made their home with their daughter. Mrs. J. C. Montgomery, of Elizabethtown, Ky., where they spent their last days in sweet security and happiness.

The conversation in which she found her greatest delight was about her Lord, her church, her Bible, and the Western Recorder. Her last conversation was with her daughter, whom she admonished to work for God and Heaven, the only life worth living. "A woman that feareth the Lord shall be praised."

W. H. MOODY,
Bardstown, Ky.

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HERCHEL COATS

God in His infinite wisdom called from our midst our beloved brother, Herschel Coats to His Heavenly home.

Whereas, Brother Coats has always been loyal and faithful to his church as a member and deacon, a true companion, a loving father, and a kind neighbor.

Be it resolved, that we as members of Adriel Baptist Church wish to express our heart-felt sympathy to his good wife and all his relatives who are left to mourn his loss, and commend them to Him who doeth all things well.

MEMBERS,

Dawson Springs, Ky.

MRS. RENA WROE

Whereas Almighty God in His love and wisdom has seen fit to call from the labor of this life to everlasting peace, one of our members, Mrs. Rena Wroe, who died April 9, 1935. Therefore be it resolved:

That in her death, the Cloverport W. M. S. has lost a loyal and faithful member, the church a consecrated Christian, the community an energetic and highly respected citizen and her family a devoted mother.

Be it further resolved, That we extend our sincere sympathy to her family and commend them to Him who doeth all things well.

MRS. G. C. SANDUSKY,
MRS. LARKIN GEBSON,
MRS. FRANK PAKNE, Com.

MRS. T. G. HEDGES

God in His infinite wisdom called Mrs. T. G. Hedges to her heavenly home July 19, 1935. She was a faithful member of Plum Creek Baptist Church and of the W. M. S.

We, the members of the missionary society feel very deeply the loss of this dear member who was always ready to help in times of need.

Therefore be it resolved: First, that we thank God for the life that she lived among us.

Second, that we extend our deepest sympathy to the family and commend them to Him who can give real comfort in our deepest sorrow.

ELIZABETH WEAVER,
NELL APOLLO,
HALLIE B. POUND,
DOROTHY ELEANOR POUND,
Committee,

Buechel, R. 2, Ky.

MRS. ANNA TROUTMAN NICHOLS

It is always a matter of bereavement and sorrow, as well as joy and gladness when we, as a Missionary Society, by the passing from us of one of our members, are called upon to put to record the tribute and love of our hearts to her memory; of bereavement and sorrow because her place among us is left vacant and we see her no more; of joy and gladness, because she, beloved and honored, is now and forever more in the Heavenly Home prepared for her and all the bloodwashed redeemed.

This is particularly true of Anna Nichols, nee Troutman, who was born in Nelson County, Ky, January 21, 1839. In her home from her babyhood there was a religious paper and other religious literature. She learned to read in the Baptist Banner, now the Western Recorder. She joined Rolling Fork Baptist Church when quite young. Later

she moved her membership to Cedar Creek. In 1884 she transferred it to Bardstown where her faithful membership remained until her death August 6, 1935.

She married John R. Nichols, April 4, 1865, and was the mother of seven children, one of whom, Mrs. J. L. Montgomery, survives her. She survived her husband, who was her elder by eleven months and twenty-four days, by one year, ten months and twenty-five days.

Devotedly we loved her in her beautiful Christian character and unceasingly shall cherish her precious memory.

MRS. W. J. ROBY,
MRS. H. H. MASHBURNE,
MRS. J. S. CLAYBROOKE.

DR. JOHN MASON MORRIS

On July 21, 1935, the Great Physician called our dearly beloved Dr. Morris to his heavenly home.

Dr. Morris was born on April 25, 1861 at Sulphur, Ky. He was graduated from the Louisville School of Medicine, and practiced for a time in Sulphur, coming to Louisville to live shortly after he was married to Miss Fronia Shouse.

He was a Charter member of Clifton Baptist Church and its oldest deacon, in which capacity he served faithfully until his death.

In 1909 he was elected teacher of the Boethian Bible Class, which position he held continuously until six months before his death, in spite of the fact that he was a very busy man in his profession and many times was called to go to a patient just as he was on his way to the class.

In December, 1934, he was elected Teacher Emeritus

Dr. Morris was loved by all who knew him and he was not only a physician to those who were sick, but a friend and advisor as well. He was a Christian gentleman in every sense of the word, and was respected for his fine qualities as a citizen and a doctor.

Whereas, God, in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to call Dr. Morris from our midst, therefore be it resolved:

That the Boethian Bible Class has suffered an irreparable loss in the passing of our teacher, the community has lost a valued citizen and conscientious doctor, and his daughters a devoted father.

MRS. K. E. ROBINSON, Com.
MRS. JOHN P. ALTER,

THE WORK AT LANCASTER

One of the best revivals in the history of the Lancaster Baptist Church closed October 11. We had as our evangelist Pastor J. E. Baird, of Owenton, Ky. He preached the Gospel with power. Large crowds came. Many were converted and the spiritual life of the people was greatly deepened.

The song services were conducted by Maxwell Chambers, of Owensboro, Ky. He is a fine spirit and knows how to sing the Gospel into the hearts of his hearers. It was a delight to be associated with these brethren.

Superintendent C. K. Hoagland of the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home was with us Sunday evening, October 13. He was accompanied by Mrs. Hoagland and three of the children. It was a great pleasure to have them. Brother Hoagland brought a strong message and the

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children made a wonderful impression with their songs.

Dr. J. C. Masee, noted preacher, author and former pastor of Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass., visited our church on Saturday evening October 19. He was welcomed by a splendid audience and delivered an inspiring sermon. Years ago Dr. Masee was pastor of the Lancaster Church. A number of those who knew him then were present at this service.

The writer is well in his sixth year as pastor here. The people have given him loyal support. We are thankful for the progress that has been made during this period. The church is no longer a weak, struggling congregation. Considerably over 200 have been added to the church. Our building has been repaired and remodeled; contributions have increased. However, we are not self-satisfied. Much more needs to be done, but God has been good to us. To Him be all the praise. "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits."

ROY M. GABBERT, Pastor,
Lancaster, Ky.

Dr. Robert G. Lee, pastor of the Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., whose daughter is a sophomore at Blue Mountain College, will conduct the annual revival at Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church, Blue Mountain, Miss., from December 1-11. Dr. J. S. Riser is pastor of the Lowrey Memorial Church. Gayle Holcomb, assistant pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Hot Springs, Ark., will have charge of the music.

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