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Gleanings From The Field

The Ohio County W. M. U. Association packed and sent to the Southern Baptist Relief Center at New Orleans 741 pounds of clothes to be shipped overseas.

President L. C. Kelly, of the Clear Creek Mountain Preachers Bible School announces the gift of an automobile presented to that institution by the Harry Aldridge Motors Company, Lexington. The gift was designated through Mr. Aldridge's church—the Chevy Chase Baptist Church of Lexington. Mr. Aldridge is a prominent Baptist layman and businessman.

News from the Churches

Miss Evelyn Marney, who has been directing the music at the Immanuel Baptist Church of Paducah, Ky., is a new conductor at the School of Sacred Music at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Barnett's Creek Church is rejoicing over the return of their pastor, Bryan Porter of Catlettsburg. The Woman's Missionary Society has been reorganized. The church has started the erection of two new Sunday school rooms.

Revivals

Pastor Guard Green, South Pittsburg, Tenn., recently assisted his brother, Pastor Harry L. Green, in a revival at Owenton, Ky.

Dr. Roger D. Hebard closed his revival meeting with Dr. Lewis E. Martin and the Severns Valley Church, Elizabethtown, Ky., with 36 additions, 33 of them being by baptism.

Pastor F. Russell Purdy, Calvary Church of Lexington, has been preaching in a series of evangelistic meetings with Pastor Harvey F. Morrison at the Campbellsville Baptist Church.

Rev. Connie L. Hargrove, Lexington, was the evangelist assisting Pastor W. F. Badgett in a revival meeting at the First Church of Hazard, Ky., during October 24-November 5. There were 12 additions by baptism, one by statement and 6 by letter, making a total of 19.

Dr. Fred T. Moffatt, First Church, Frankfort, Ky., preached in his former pulpit at the Horse Cave Church during November 15-24 in a series of revival meetings. J. D. Herndon is their present pastor. President Ellis A. Fuller supplied for the Frankfort Church on October 31.

Charles E. Daniel, Vicco, Ky., recently assisted Pastor A. Earl Meador and the Big Muddy Church in Butler County, in

a revival. The church increased its preaching days to half-time, and 8 family altars were established. There were 11 professions of faith and a number of rededications.

Pastor H. C. Chiles, of First Church, Murray, Ky., did the preaching at the Southside Church of Covington, Ky., in a gracious revival during October 4-15. Also helping Pastor A. B. Colvin in the meeting was Pastor Donald P. DeHart, of Butler, Ky., who led the singing. There were 29 professions of faith, 3 additions by statement and 4 by letter.

Editor Joe E. Burton, of the Sunday School Board, was with Pastor Bailey F. Davis at the Franklin Church in a revival recently, and the revival has continued even after he returned to his Nashville office. One feature of the meetings was a banquet at which time the Philathea Class served 50 lost and unenlisted men. Many were saved and baptized at the conclusion of the revival.

Pastor Dalton Leath, First Church, Winchester, Ky., assisted J. Chester Badgett at the Beaver Dam Church in a

WHODONIT?

I am the gum chewing church goer. When I forget and leave it at home on the alarm clock I'm simply lost. Things just don't seem natural. I can't talk much during the sermon. A person just has to do something. Of course those about me may get vertigo just watching me. So what! Sometimes it makes me dizzy too. I have the advantage over some; I think to rhythm. The reapers may sing to the swing of the scythe, but me, I think to the rhythm of my jaw.—
I. M. P. Culliar

revival resulting in 45 additions to the church. This was followed immediately by a 7-day meeting at Taylor Mines, an arm of the Beaver Dam Church, in which the pastor did the preaching. This resulted in 16 professions and one by letter. This gave this historic church 62 additions in three weeks. Two who were saved while visiting at Beaver Dam chose to unite with an Owensboro church.

Pastor Rollin S. Burhans of the Crescent Hill Church, Louisville, preached for Pastor George M. Trout in a series of meetings at the Grace Baptist Church of Lexington just before the General Association season. Harry Wester, director of music at the Arlington Baptist Church of Knoxville, Tenn., was in charge of the singing. There were 55

additions, including those who came the Sunday following. Forty-four of these were by baptism and 11 by letter. Six young women made a public profession of a call to definite Christian service.

Pastor Bradford Curry says that October 10-24 marked one of the greatest revival meetings in the history of the Glasgow Church, during which time 102 new members were added to the church. Of these 63 were by baptism, and half of those were adults. Record crowds were in attendance throughout the meetings, especially for the evening services. Morning services were held at 7:30 o'clock. Pastor Wayne DeHoney, Pineville, was the visiting preacher, and Durwood Mefford, Glasgow, led the singing. There have been 145 additions to the church since Pastor Curry went there in April. The week following the revival Field Worker Wheeler Thompson led the church in an enlargement campaign for the Sunday school, resulting in 85 awards.

Pastoral Changes

Robert R. Case has resigned as pastor of Glenville Church in Daviess-McLean Association to enter the Southern Seminary. There have been 44 additions during his pastorate there. A basement has been dug and a new heating plant installed, replacing the stoves.

We often say, "Mind your p's and q's" to warn a person to be on his best behavior. We never think of telling him to mind his m's and n's. The reason dates back to the reign of Louis XIV. Then, wigs of tremendous size were worn by the French nobility, while formal bows were so deep that unless the owner was careful his wig might fall off and trip him. Therefore, the master of court functions always reminded his royal pupils to walk carefully and mind their p's—pieds, or feet—and their q's—queenes, a one-time French colloquialism for wigs.—Quote.

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Editorials

The General Association

A GREATLY INCREASED INTEREST

Beyond any doubt, the state-wide interest in the Co-operative Program and the whole work of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky is vastly increased.

The attendance at the Lexington meeting clearly indicates this. Registrations reached what is, so far as this writer knows, an all-time high of 1,078. The over-all attendance was estimated by the officials of the Association at 17,000.

A number of factors enter into this. Foremost, no doubt, is the unity prevailing among Kentucky Baptists. This is not to say that all Baptists in Kentucky see alike on every subject. That day will never come until we have been clothed in bodies spiritual. But it does indicate, unmistakably, that Baptists are more and more uniting on the goals toward which the General Association is moving. We thank God for this grace of unity in a common purpose, a unity of such strength that—even when there was wide difference of honest opinion and conviction at the Association the brethren carefully safeguarded their fellowship in the interest of the common cause.

MODERATOR HUMPHREYS

The election of Dr. Robert E. Humphreys as moderator was, there seems no doubt, of God. Kentucky has many great men—ministers and laymen—who would grace the moderator's chair. The General Association has been signally blessed in the past. During the Lexington meeting Moderator Humphreys proved himself a great moderator. He safely guided the body through difficult moments, not because of skill in parliamentary procedure (he has much more of that than he claims), but because the people—all the people—have confidence in his fine, Christian judgment and his will and purpose to be fair in every ruling. Most of us knew it before; but every messenger and visitor left this General Association with the clear knowledge that our moderator, once he has made up his mind as to what is right, is as unmovable as a rock, yet as gentle in heart as a child. There were moments which demanded great strength, and Moderator Humphreys had it.

Associated with him as assistants, and faithfully and helpfully aiding him in the work, were F. Russell Purdy, host pastor, and Carroll Hubbard, pastor of the First Church of Ashland. They gave a good account of themselves, as they always have.

UNSURPASSED HOSPITALITY

The editor feels obligated to express in behalf of every messenger, deepest gratitude to the Calvary Church and the other Baptist churches of the Lexington area for the unsurpassed hospitality. Dr. Purdy and his noble church literally went beyond themselves in their effort to serve, and the other pastors stood at his side. Surprise-kindness and undreamed-of courtesies met visitors at every turn.

THE ANNUAL SERMON

Rev. J. S. Bell, Hindman, Kentucky, demonstrated clearly that strong men are being placed in our mission work—men able to care for, by the grace of God, any assignment. Missionary Bell's sermon will be remembered as one of the greatest. We would not hurt it by remarking that it was beautifully delivered, though it was; we would say, rather, that it was delivered in the demonstration of the Spirit and of power. He challenged us to greater devotion to Christ, to a clearer vision of the Baptist mission in the State and to the earth's ends. We have long needed just such a sermon, and God gave it to us through one of our own great missionaries. We do well, again and again, to give these men, who know the deep meaning of missionary sacrifice and joy, an opportunity to open their hearts to the people. Missionary Bell literally threw his heart at his hearers, and his heart had all it could carry of the compassion of Christ for lost men.

THE GEORGETOWN MATTER

For some time there has been, before the General Association, the matter of Greek letter, social fraternities and sororities at our greatly loved senior college—Georgetown. Last year the matter was referred to the Board of Trustees at Georgetown. This year, it was again brought into prominence and given to the resolutions committee for study and recommendation as to action. The committee invited all interested in the matter, one way or another, to meet and freely express their convictions. The committee, with a large group of interested persons on both sides of the question, stayed in session until midnight. The meeting was concluded with all present on their knees in earnest prayer for God's wisdom and guidance. Then, at nine o'clock Wednesday night, after all other matters had been cleared, the General Association (a great audience was present) went into the hearing of the report of the committee. The chairman of the committee brought, in part, the following report: "We, the members of the resolutions committee. . . submit the following as our best judgment: (1) In order that the Administration and the Trustees of Georgetown College may know the sentiment of this body, and (2) in order that every accredited messenger of this body may have opportunity to express his or her convictions on this matter, and (3) in order to avoid further lengthy discussion of this matter which might conceivably damage the fellowship of the brethren, the college involved and the cause of Christ in Kentucky; we hereby recommend (1) that a written ballot be taken immediately; and (2) that the Executive Committee of the Executive Board of the General Association be instructed to submit the findings of this body to the Administration and Trustees of Georgetown College, and (3) that the Executive Committee of the Executive Board of the General Association be authorized to assist the Administration and the Trustees of the College in adjusting the matter in accordance with the expressed will of this body."

After some discussion, pro and con, the Association voted to test the mind of the body in the manner recommended by the committee, with the result that a large majority of messengers present expressed the feeling on a "Yes" or "No" ballot, that it would be better if the Greek letter social fraternities and sororities were not at Georgetown College.

Historical Background of Geographical Problems Of American Baptists

By W. O. CARVER, Louisville, Ky.

THUS AFTER eighteen years several major interests were the concern of three nation-wide societies. But divisive interests and tendencies were working strongly against the movement to cement the Baptists in one denomination.

By 1845 failure was evident. Common interests were not able to construct and integrate a spiritual unity and fellowship sufficient to stand the strain of divergent secular theories and material interests. The Southern Baptist Convention was constituted—a secession from the General Convention. It is to be noted that there was no formal separation from either the Publication Society or the Home Mission Society. In the South, Sunday school interests and publications were until much later in part cared for by organizations independent of the Convention and by the Domestic Board as a secondary phase of its responsibility.

When the General Convention met in September after the Southern Convention was constituted in May, the name was changed to The American Baptist Missionary Union. Thus, all the denominational agencies centering in the Northern section, by name and claim, were "American," nation-wide in constituency and field of operation. Each agency was a distinct, unrelated unit. New organizations to meet the expanding and developing opportunities were all called "American," and their comprehensive designations were not surrendered when the Northern Convention, by its name and for the most part in planning, accepted a limiting and delimiting program (1908). This is important in considering the questions of territory which have more and more called for consideration.

The ideal of a nation-wide denomination has not attained actual realization. That great name, "General Convention of the Baptist Denomination in the United States," has now waited for more than a century for our people to reclaim it and fulfill the ideal of its founders.

If Northern Baptists held steadily in all lines to the claim to be "American," Southern Baptists confessedly were also neither sectional or sectarian. They made a special point of claiming that their "constitution is precisely that of the original union." This claim they set forth with emphasis in an address prepared by the President, W. B. Johnson, "by order of the Convention," and di-

[Being the second installment of an address delivered before the Southern Baptist Historical Society at Ridgecrest, 1948.]

rected "To the brethren in the United States; to the congregations connected with respective churches; to all candid men." The preamble and articles of the constitution followed verbatim the words of the General Convention's constitution, save where modifications were essential to fact and meaning. The address was careful to claim that the separation involved no question of essential Chris-

tian and Baptist belief and program, no breach in actual Baptist fellowship. "Let not the extent of this discussion be exaggerated," they said. "Northern and Southern Baptists are still brethren. They differ in no article of faith. . . are guided by the same principles of gospel order." Another leader of the movement insisted that the organizational division did not and could not "divide the Baptist Church" in the United States.

If the Southerners had held consistently to this affirmation and if at the first meeting of the Convention, in Richmond in 1846, they had appropriated the then abandoned name of the General Convention and had presented and conducted their organization as the actual continuation of that Convention, the history of American Baptists might have been very different from its actual course. They did not see their opportunity.

While they invited membership from "all parts of the United States and their territories," they put up protecting barriers against possible trouble from too free a response. Representation from Southern states was on the basis of one delegate for each \$250.00 contributed to the work of the Convention, with a limit of ten from any organization; from territory outside the South, \$1,000.00 was necessary for a delegate, and the limit for any organization was five.

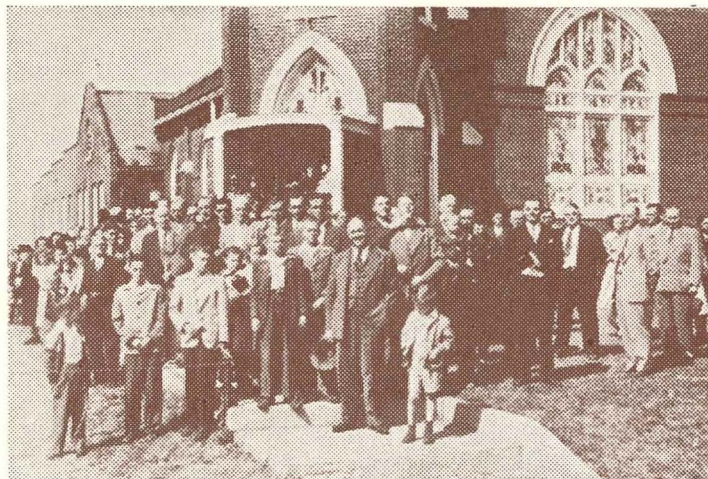
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Dallasburg Church Dedicates Its Annex

WHEATLEY, Ky.—The Dallasburg Baptist Church dedicated its new Sunday school annex, here, free of debt, October 3.

The day's program included addresses by James Borders, J. Harvey Sanders, Charles Highsmith, and L. O. Griffith—

Mr. H. J. McNeal has been superintendent of the Sunday school for 30 years, and each year has led the school to be standard. Mr. McNeal's resignation as superintendent was effective the day of the dedication. There has been a remarkable increase in Sunday school



all former pastors. W. A. Gardiner, state Sunday school superintendent also spoke. Pastor W. L. Cloud announced that the needed \$22,000 had been raised—enabling the dedication to take place without indebtedness.

attendance since the new annex was entered, it is stated.

Pastor Cloud has recently accepted the unanimous call of the First Baptist Church of Hodgenville, Kentucky, and has already begun his work there.

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

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General Association Meets For Its 111th Session In The Kentucky Bluegrass

LEXINGTON, Ky., November 9-11.—Baptist hosts came to the Calvary Baptist Church in the heart of the Bluegrass for their 111th session of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, and they found conditions ripe for a convention from the sounding of the gavel by Moderator George Ragland to the last speaker on Thursday at noon, at which time the entire auditorium was filled to capacity.

The Calvary Church of Lexington is in many ways adaptable for convention purposes. First of all, they have a fairly large auditorium which could be approached directly from the street and sidewalks outside, or could be entered from the halls inside the building. It has a large educational section having many, many rooms, providing generous space for church and General Association offices, check room for coats and hats, exhibit rooms, book rooms, committee rooms, press rooms, stenographic rooms, conference rooms, and other space for overflow audiences, and practically the whole building was supplied by telephonic loudspeakers directly connected with the microphone at the pulpit, making it possible for those detained outside to hear what was going on inside. Also the Youth Center building next door was available for guests at all times. Students from the B. S. U. Center did an excellent job of conducting the check room for the convenience of the messengers. Some people had done much planning and much work before and after the messengers arrived.

Former Moderators

Moderator Ragland opened the General Association by calling for all former moderators to come to the front. Since there is a two-year limit on service in that office, there is a notable group who have served in that capacity. These include: W. A. Frost (1920-21), George

E. Hays, Sr. (1926-27), O. M. Shultz (1930-31), E. C. Stevens (1934-35), W. H. Horton (1936-37), J. W. Black (1938), C. W. Elsey (1939-40), T. D. Brown (1941), S. S. Hill, Sr. (1942-43), and A. T. Siler (1944-45). Those responding to the invitation were Brethren Stevens, Elsey and Horton. At a later time Brethren Hays and Hill appeared, but the others were not present this year. Dr. Ragland told the former moderators that he expected soon to join their ranks.

Pastor Clarence L. Hammond requested prayer for Brother J. W. Black, former Moderator and former General Secretary. He stated that Dr. Black had become ill just prior to the meeting of the General Association. A telegram was sent Dr. Black and a reply was received.

The annual sermon preached by Missionary J. E. Bell, worker for the state Board, and partially printed in last week's *Western Recorder*, was magnificently delivered and graciously received. In content, in scope, in delivery, in searching profundity, in heart-appeal, it proved to be one of the mountain-top hours of the assembly, and would have moved the most critical and exacting audience.

Robert E. Humphreys, Owensboro, was nominated for Moderator by Lewis C. Ray, and was unanimously elected by acclamation. Carroll Hubbard, Ashland,

and F. Russell Purdy, Lexington, were made Assistant Moderators; and E. D. Davis was re-elected Secretary, and L. O. Griffith was elected Assistant Secretary.

Buchanan on Education

"There is no distinctive educational group that can become great and maintain itself unless that distinctive denominational group has at least two agencies," said John H. Buchanan, Birmingham, Ala., as he spoke Wednesday morning on Christian Education. "There are two other things they ought to have and to do if they are true to Christ and if they are going to maintain themselves as a distinctive people. They must have an organ, which is a medium of propaganda to spread their doctrines, their teachings, their truth. You have such an agency that has uniquely, through the years, discharged that agency in *The Western Recorder*. Secondly, if a group is to maintain itself it must maintain its schools in which it trains its leadership. The solidarity of Kentucky Baptists, the solidarity of Southern Baptists, cannot be explained today apart from the contributions the schools and colleges have made through the years in training your leadership for the churches.

"Seventy-three per cent of our Southern Baptist churches are rural," continued Dr. Buchanan. "Mr. Porter Routh thinks that at least 60% of that 73% of our Southern Baptist pastors have not had the opportunity to go further than the eighth grade in their study."

Dr. Buchanan told about a major project Howard College has been operating for several years in his own State of Alabama. They started out last year to organize five extension centers in various parts of Alabama for the teaching of rural pastors and other preachers who have been deprived of educational advantages in their youth, offering them courses near their homes which will help them overcome their handicap. Instead of five the first year they started sixteen. This year they are carrying on many more.

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Alaskan Baptists

Hold Convention

ANCHORAGE, Alaska—(BP)—Two hundred messengers and visitors from four churches and three missions attended the third annual session of the Baptist Convention of Alaska here.

Membership of these co-operating churches is 356, and they reported 54 baptisms during the year.

The Convention made plans for a monthly publication, *The Alaska Baptist Messenger*, with B. I. Carpenter as editor, and named a committee to work with the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention toward formation of a co-operative mission program in the Alaskan territory.

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Still it was clearly the intention to place no geographical limits to the membership or to the operations of the Convention. In 1846 the Domestic Board was already concerned with the westward emigration and in 1849 emphasized responsibility for "newly acquired territories of California and New Mexico," with special and extended stress on California. This has its bearing, evidently, on current tensions.

At no time has there been any constitutional recession from this nationwide concept. Upon occasion membership has included delegates from several Northern states, including New York and Oregon, and others in addition to border states.

When the Northern Baptist Convention came into being, by its name it recognized a geographical emphasis, yet adopted the preamble and followed largely the lines of the constitution of the original General Convention. In no way did it place constitutional limits on its sphere of membership, support, or activity. It was originated to "serve the common interest of our entire brotherhood." No geographical limitations are suggested and no sectional distinctions.

It is within the framework of these fundamental facts that all questions of limitation and delimitation of territory as between Conventions must be considered.

Here let me say that just when I was entering upon fresh research for this study I discovered that Prof. Robert A. Baker, of Southwestern Seminary, was publishing a series of articles along the line I needed to pursue. More recently I am informed that these articles constitute the final chapter of his Ph.D. thesis dealing with the whole matter of Relations between Northern and Southern Baptists. I have taken advantage of Dr. Baker's researches to save time in assembling important facts. With admiration for his scholarship and insight, I do not depend upon Dr. Baker for my use of the facts in this connection, nor in any way make him responsible for my report.

During the first twenty years after the division there was naturally little occasion for my adjustments as to territory. Lines were too sharply drawn. The Civil War left the South economically prostrate in the face of a stupendous spiritual responsibility for Negroes;

Indians; destitute communities and inadequate church life, ministry, and physical equipment; expanding frontiers, moving population; and shortly, for growing immigration from Northern territory, from the Orient, and then from Europe. The relatively opulent North accepted a spiritual obligation, especially for the Negroes but also for the entire country, including the depressed Southern whites. And all the vast Southeast and West were clearly open opportunity and responsibility for all American Baptists.

In their impoverished circumstances Southern Baptists were in no position to resist nor too strongly to resent whatever the Home Mission Society might be ready to do by way of help. In the case of the Negroes, the workers came from the North and their work did not raise too many questions nor excessive resentments. In all the territory west

of the Mississippi, the Home Mission Society and the Publication Society found a challenging and fruitful field and little competition or tension with the Domestic Board.

As the war animosities receded somewhat and where the Southern resources were so very insufficient for the pressing needs, the response to help and to separate work from Northern Baptists became more cordial. There developed really significant questioning whether it was good religion and good statesmanship to continue the Southern Convention. Of course the prevailing majority could not think of surrender. But it was not until the 80's that the permanence and independence of the Convention was assured and accepted.

In the areas east of the Mississippi River, the territory chiefly involved in the issue over which the division came in 1845, while there was overlapping in service there was no competitive organization of Northern and Southern churches such as plagued Presbyterians and Methodists for a century. Farther west, chiefly since 1900, this competition has arisen.

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SPEECH—Revealing. Every time you talk your mind is on parade.—Origin unknown.

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DRINK—The size of the U. S. Liquor bill indicates that many people don't save for a rainy day, but for a wet night.
—N. Y. Journal American.

"They Jumped With Joy"



During dedication ceremonies at the new Baptist Home for undernourished children at Rehe, Germany, the group of children recited poems and sang songs. "They jumped with joy when we gave them some candy; some of them had never tasted candy before," Rev. Otto Nallinger, extreme right in picture, reports. Brother Nallinger is Baptist World Alliance relief representative in Germany. To help in the work of this home and other relief work around the world, send your cash contributions to the Treasurer, Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Box 5148, Richmond, Virginia. Send clothing, new and used, to Southern Baptist Relief Center, 601 South Olympia St., New Orleans 19, Louisiana. Do not designate your gifts as the Relief Committee uses the cash and contributed supplies where most needed.

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Dr. Buchanan went on to state that the plan was both practical and feasible. Instead of setting up a lot of new machinery, beginning new schools which might soon die as other schools have, the educational agency already established and in operation for a century has set for itself the task of going to the men in need. As presented, it sounded like Christian Education with a missionary passion; Christian Education with an Extension Department, visiting the shut-in who could not leave his pastorate and come to the academic halls.

New School Heads Presented

Carroll Hubbard presented three new heads of Baptist schools in Kentucky. These were John M. Carter, new president of Campbellsville College; Ellis M. Ham, principal of Magoffin Institute; and D. Chester Sparks, principal of Oneida Baptist Institute.

In keeping with notice served one year ago, H. G. M. Hatler, Princeton, offered a revision of Article 9 of the Constitution to allow a messenger to serve as a trustee on two incorporated boards, instead of one, as at present, but the motion was lost.

Pastor Hatler also made a motion that a committee be appointed to make a study of the Constitution and By-Laws, and bring recommendations as to possible changes or revisions. This having passed, Moderator R. E. Humphreys appointed on this committee: E. N. Wilkinson, Chairman, E. Keevil Judy, Harold J. Purdy, John Huss and J. Thomas Miller.

A short program of music by the Campbellsville College Glee Club was rendered on Tuesday night under the direction of Miss Sue Virginia McGehee. In addition to four choruses, Revis McGrew played "Onward Christian Soldiers," as a trombone solo, and he and his wife sang a duet, "Beautiful Home," with his wife playing an accordion accompaniment. Haskell Lindsey sang a solo, "Hold Thou My Hand," and the Male Chorus interpreted "Steal Away." President John M. Carter has reason to be proud of the work being done by this department of the college.

State Missions Night

Secretary W. C. Boone introduced seven workers on the State Mission

program. These included: W. H. Curl, G. R. Pendergraph, Herbert Schmidt, Joe Prater, Abraham Berry, A. B. Cash, and W. K. Wood. Each spoke briefly, emphasizing some phase of his work in Kentucky in the mountains, the urban centers and rural areas, explaining the best methods of teaching, conducting stewardship courses and mission study courses, and the general work of evangelism.

Dr. Boone also introduced Pastor W. H. Ballew, of the Mt. Hermon Baptist Church of Louisville, who is also Moderator of the General Association of Colored Baptists in Kentucky. Moderator Ballew has been before the General Association several times before. His message was well received and he left his hearers anxious to hear him again. He is one of the most gifted men of his race.

Moderator Ballew brought greetings from his General Association of Colored Baptists in Kentucky, and told also of their plans to erect a building on the campus of Simmons University on Dixie Highway. Simmons is greatly in need of equipment. Pastor Hankins F. Parker moved that our General Association endorse the movement to co-operate with our Colored brethren in Christ by giving approval to the appeal made by Moderator Ballew for the erection of a building on the campus of Simmons. The motion was passed unanimously.

New Pastors

New pastors who have come into the territory of the General Association since last year were introduced by Secretary W. C. Boone as follows: Robert Shettler, Calvary, Maysville; John A. Hatcher, Baptist Chapel, mission of Shelbyville; William L. Kaufman, Gum Lick, Pendleton County; Fred Tarpley, Barbourville; Chase W. Jennings, city worker in Covington and Newport; James T. Sasser, Union Church, Maulden; R. B. Baker, Elk Lick Church, Levi; B. B. Hilbun, Greensburg; Charles Lee Tipton, Viney Fork, Richmond; William Austin Roberts, Cynthiana; Herman Marx, Baptist Chapel of First Church, Frankfort; Dennis W. Hockaday, Forks of Dix River, Lancaster; Ernest A. Petroff, West Side, Hamilton, Ohio; Joseph R. Robinson, Brodhead; D. A. Clauton, Calvary, Loyall; and Denzel Duker, Friendship, An-

derson County. There were others at that time not in the auditorium.

T. T. Holloway

"It will be a long time before we can send enough missionaries to Japan," said Secretary Thomas T. Holloway, of the American Bible Society, "but here you have an opportunity to send the chief Tool of the missionary," as he talked about sending Bibles across the sea.

The West Kentuckiana District Association, of the Henderson-Evansville region, was accepted unanimously.

John L. Hill

John L. Hill said that the Sunday School Board is a tremendous organization for service, but its entire object is not for profit, but service—serving everybody. Last year the Board's sales totaled something more than \$6,000,000 "The publications of the Board call for 9,000,000 pounds of paper," he said, "and that would require 235 box cars to carry it all. It is amazing!"

Dr. Hill said that the Board is grounded in loyalty to the Book. "I am paid to read a lot of books," he continued, "and sometimes I earn my salary," he said aside. Referring to some highbrow writers, he said, "The intellectual writer without Christ is just as bad off as the poor man in the back alley without Christ. If he is going to be saved he will have to be saved like anyone else." At another time he said: "A scientist without God can sink us overnight."

Ramsey Pollard

Ramsey Pollard, Knoxville, Tenn., told of the coming of radio, FM and television. He said that Baptists must stay on the air or they will lose their place there. He pled for a single voice—a lone preacher—to make an impact and build up listener interest. He forecast some of the future problems of television broadcasting in the homes of our people when liquor manufacturers will demonstrate actual liquor drinking in their ads right in our own parlors.

Trip to Georgetown

President Samuel S. Hill invited all the messengers to the General Association to Georgetown College for supper on Wednesday night. Acceptance of this invitation provided many with their first opportunity to see the new John L. Hill Chapel. Though still unfinished, one can already see that it is going to be one of the prettiest colonial buildings in all the Bluegrass.

B. S. U. Center

Many attendants at the General Association at Lexington had their first opportunity to visit the Baptist Student Center, on South Limestone, opposite the University of Kentucky, presided over by Student Secretary J. Chester Durham and Mrs. Durham.

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Give One Day's Pay-

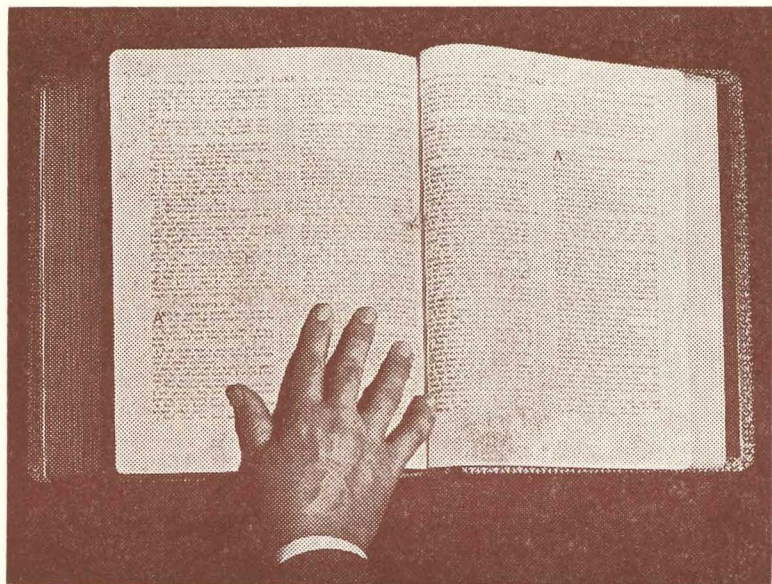
THE AVERAGE BAPTIST PASTOR is probably the poorest paid man in any profession, and yet he is the man most called upon to help others!

The heart of the Baptist minister—as indeed every good minister of the Gospel—is “as big as all outdoors.”

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Such a record should be an inspiration to every Baptist layman, for here indeed “the preacher practices what he preaches.” And he preaches what Christ Himself taught when He said, “Suffer the little children to come unto me . . . for of such is the Kingdom of God.”

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Baptist Training Union Dept.

BYRON C. S. DeJARNETTE,
State Secretary

What About Your Associational Mass Meeting?

Is your Association planning an Associational Training Union Mass Meeting on the night of Monday, December 6, or if this was not satisfactory, on some other date this quarter? If not, could you and would you help even now to encourage those who are responsible for this? It can mean much to your Association if planned, and if not a great opportunity will be missed.

December 6, you know, is Southern Baptist Training Union Night, the night for Simultaneous Associational Training Union Mass Meetings in all the Associations of the Southern Baptist Convention, with a goal of 125,000 in attendance. In Kentucky we ought to have not less than 7,500 in the 78 associational meetings. For suggested program, please refer to this page of a recent issue of the *Western Recorder*.

This Department would appreciate information as to where your association will meet, and when it is over, as to the number of churches represented, the number attending, and any other interesting features.

Eight Regional Conventions

There were many high, interesting and helpful sessions in the eight regional conventions, which were attended by 3,000 from 51 associations. This attendance was an increase of 300 over last year. More than 100 came in the Life Dedication services. New, larger, and better work is being done because those who attended the conventions went back to their churches and associations informed and inspired and challenged to do so.

AWARDS FOR SEPTEMBER

Association	Meth- ods	Other	Total
Allen			
Hanging Fork	3	12	15
Baptist			
Sand Spring	1	1	2
Bell			
Fonde		3	3
Middlesboro, First	4	2	6
Blood River			
Murray, First		1	1
Boone's Creek			
Union City		26	26
Campbell			
Bellevue		1	1
Daviess-McLean			
Bethabara	2		2
Owensboro, First	1		1
Owensboro, Third	3		3
Pleasant Grove		59	59
South Hampton		33	33
Elkhorn			
Clover Bottom		13	13
Georgetown		1	1
Mt. Sterling	31	14	45
Franklin			
Evergreen	2		2
Frankfort, First	5		5
Thorn Hill		2	2
Greenup			
Catlettsburg, First	1	1	2
Pollard	48		48
Lincoln			
Mt. Salem		7	7
Long Run			
Baptist Tabernacle	1		1
Carlisle Avenue		89	89
Highland	3		3
Highland Park, First	2		2
Parkland	1	1	2

Twenty-third & Broad	1		1
Victory Memorial	2	1	3
Virginia Avenue	15		15
North Bend			
Bellevue		15	15
Ohio County			
Beaver Dam	1		1
Marion	37		37
Ohio Valley			
Audubon		4	4
Calvary, Evansville	1	4	5
Henderson, First	4	3	7
Memorial, Evansville		2	2
Zion		2	2
Pulaski			
Somerset, First		4	4
Rockcastle			
Mount Vernon	51		51
Severns Valley			
Sonora		1	1
Shelby County			
Burks Branch	32	12	44
Dover	1		1
Shelbyville, First	1		1
South District			
Cornishville		35	35
Harrodsburg	94	22	116
Lexington Avenue	3		3
Three Forks			
Hazard	2	16	18
Upper Cumberland			
Harlan		2	2
Warren			
Bowling Green, First	3	1	4
Rocky Hill		9	9
White Stone Quarry		1	1
West Union			
Friendship	8		8
Immanuel, Paducah	5		5
Lone Oak	1		1
Paducah, First	9		9
Tabernacle, Paducah	2		2
Trinity, Paducah		1	1
West End, Paducah	2		2
White Water			
West Side, Hamilton	6		6
Totals	389	401	790

20%-ERS

The following churches have reported a total Training Union Attendance equivalent to twenty per cent of their resident church membership:

November 7: Beaver Dam; Crestwood, Frankfort; Dallasburg, Wheatley; Eddyville, First; Jellico, Tennessee, First; Kuttawa; London, First; Lothair, First; Madisonville, First; South Elkhorn; Lexington; Van Buren, Louisville; and Victory Memorial, Louisville.

Sunday School Department

W. A. GARDINER,
State Secretary

Good Training School in Paducah

In spite of a national election and a street railway strike, we had 241 different people attend the Sunday school training school in Paducah with fourteen churches represented. Associational Superintendent Thomas R. Brown, pastor of the First Baptist Church, was the excellent host pastor and was cordially assisted by other pastors, and by Superintendent of Missions Chas. F. Hinds.

Westside, Hamilton, Ohio

The Westside Church in Hamilton, Ohio had a graduation service for thirty-six who had each earned for awards in the Sunday School Training Course. Pastor E. A. Petroff had taught the books and planned for the program. The writer had the honor of delivering the Commencement address.

You Can Do It

WHAT? Lead your Sunday school to attain the NEW STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE. You should see it. We are mailing a copy to EVERY superintendent in Kentucky: The use of it will put your Sunday school on the right road, will keep it under the control of the church, and will lead to evangelism.

EVERY SUNDAY SCHOOL—YES, EVERY SCHOOL CAN ATTAIN IT IF LED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT TO STUDY AND DO WHAT IT SUGGESTS.

Ballard County Clinic

Plans were made recently by some of the pastors and brother C. F. Hinds for a Sunday school clinic in Ballard county the week of January 24-28. Workers will be furnished each church that wants one. Each morning there are to be sessions from 9:00 to 12:30 for workers who will come from all the churches.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

NOVEMBER 14, 1948

Church	Missions	Total
Louisville, Walnut Street (3)	201	1,718
Louisville, Ninth & O (1)	207	1,225
Louisville, Carlisle Avenue (2)	231	1,137
Indianapolis, Ind., Broadway		1,066
Louisville, Parkland (1)	58	935
Owensboro, First (1)	44	933
Lexington, Ashland Avenue (2)	178	930
Lexington, Porter Memorial (2)	219	844
Covington, Latonia (2)	124	821
Frankfort, First (1)	79	807
Madisonville, First		760
Harrodsburg (1)	60	738
Mayfield, First		706
Murray, First		694
Lexington, Immanuel		678
Owensboro, Third		660
Louisville, Victory Memorial (1)	97	658
Newport, First (1)	53	626
Louisville, West Broadway		624
Somerset, First		613
Evansville, Ind., Calvary (3)	163	609
Glasgow (1)	19	592
Louisville, Beechmont		588
Louisville, 23rd & Broadway (1)	41	572
Danville, Lexington Avenue (1)	8	562
Danville, First (1)	24	557
Middlesboro, First		550
Ashland, Pollard (1)	31	511
Louisville, Clifton (1)	59	504
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley		503
Hodgenville, First		487
Corbin, First		484
Louisville, Eastern Parkway		483
Lexington, Grace		479
Hopkinsville, Second		476
Louisville, Deer Park		472
London, First		469
Henderson, First		456
Louisville, St. Matthews		455
Louisville, Highland Park, First		449
Campbellsville		438
Louisville, 18th Street		437
Greenville (1)	103	432
Fulton, First		427
Williamsburg, First		401
Barbourville, First (1)	31	399
Henderson, Audubon (1)	55	396
Paducah, 12th Street (1)	97	392
Louisville, Third Avenue (1)	24	390
Hazard, First (2)	97	389
Erlanger (1)	35	376
Covington, South Side		374
Louisville, Franklin Street		367
Winchester, Central		364
Shively		361
Franklin, First		354
Pleasant Hill		
(near Campbellsville)		346
Owensboro, Hall Street		342
Morganfield		339
Louisville, West Side (1)	73	330
Winchester, First		328
Henderson, Immanuel		326
Lebanon		324
Beaver Dam (1)	20	322
Middlesboro, Old Yellow Creek		322
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial		314
Evansville, Ind., Walnut Street		306
Cynthiana (1)	27	301
Evansville, Ind., Temple		297
Richmond, First (1)	27	294
Willisburg		293
Ft. Thomas, First		289
Versailles		283
Columbia (2)	88	282
Russellville		271
Bellevue		270
Crouches Creek		
(near Jellico, Tenn.)		270
Middlesboro, E. Cumberland Ave.		266
Owensboro, Seven Hills		263
Louisville, Kenwood		261
Irvine, First (1)	88	260
Jellico, Tenn., First		252
Albany (1)	53	248
Midway		244
Sturgis, First		243
Paducah, Trinity		240
Louisville, Baptist Temple		236
Mt. Sterling, First (1)	52	234
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial		223
Bardstown		220
Dayton, First		218
Lawrenceburg, First		208
Shepherdsville		207
Hazard, Second (2)	48	207
Fairdale (near Louisville)		206
Louisville, Calvary		205

Woman's Missionary Union

MRS. W. P. STUART
Interim Executive Secretary

"The greatest happiness consists in the highest and most perfect consciousness of God.—A. J. Armstrong.

We extend our sympathies to Mrs. J. W. Clark, Superintendent of Central Association, in the loss of her husband. May she realize constantly the consoling presence of the Great Comforter!

Our Gifts Will Measure Our Love

Are the Christmas Carols resounding in our hearts? Do we feel that joy has come into the world because the Lord has come? Can the reverent mysticism that pervaded the fields where the shepherds lay watching their flocks also fill our hearts? Do we linger in revery in the "Little Town of Bethlehem," where on that "Silent Night," and "Holy Night," the infant Jesus lay "Sleeping on a Manger?" Can we travel with the Wise Men "Following the Star" that led them to the Holy Child? If we can do all of this we are indeed happy and blest.

There are many lands where these things cannot be—India where the "Joy Bells of Christmas" have not rung; Africa, where the light from the Christmas star has not shone; China where the spirit of the Christ does not reign; Japan where the Wise Men following "His Star" have not traveled; South America, Mexico; and many other places in this war torn earth where the song "Joy to the World" cannot be sung.

Does Christ want these conditions to prevail in these lands and among these people? Did he not give His life, shed His blood on Calvary that these might know, love and serve Him? Did He not entrust these blessings to us that we might in turn pass them on to those less fortunate ones? Did He not leave with us the commandment, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I command you; and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen?"—Matt. 28:19-20.

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Since we of the Woman's Missionary Society will not be able to follow this command to the letter, we must have some way of doing our part. First, we must study to know of world conditions, then pray to an all powerful God and then through the Lottie Moon Christmas offering, give of our means that others may carry out the great Commission. Our gifts will be the measure of our love and appreciation of our own blessings. Let us seriously consider the following paragraph taken from an Exchange:

How Missionary Are We?

"Go ye. . ." For one who goes abroad, 10,000 of us stay at home.

"Make disciples. . ." For every Christian the world has three pagans.

"Of all nations. . ." Seventy-three nations—we serve in only nineteen.

"Baptizing them. . ." Baptist churches at home outnumber those abroad nine to one.

"Teaching them. . ." For one teacher abroad we have sixty-four at home.

"To observe all things. . ." We spend \$28.00 on us to \$1.00 for Foreign Missions.

The Regional Meeting

Many encouraging reports reach us from the Regional meetings which have just been concluded. Good attendance and appreciation of the stirring messages mark the meetings. Miss Renee Aguiard of our Louisiana mission field stirred our hearts as she recounted conditions in that section.

Central Region was especially thrilled over the announcement of the gift of Mr. Walter Cundiff of about sixty-five acres of land to be used as a camp for our young people. This site is located on a knob about six miles from Shepherdsville in Nelson County.

Convention Secretary Writes Thanksgiving Poem

By Porter Routh

[Editor's Note: Porter Routh, secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention and official statistician, composed the following poem and sent it to Charley Gage, director of promotion of the Southern Baptist Relief Center. We publish it with the prayer that our readers will be moved to make a worthy offering of clothing, bedding and money for world relief during the Thanksgiving season.]

On Thanksgiving Day
When I close my eyes to pray
And Thank God
For turkey, potatoes, pumpkin pies, and bread,
I see a hungry baby crying,
A starving mother dying,
And this is my prayer with bowed head:
O Father!
Forgive me for having so much
When others have so little today.
Help me to share my clothes and food,
To remember the world when I pray.

Relief Goods Float

Down Mississippi

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — (BP) — Floating down the Mississippi is 100 tons of relief supplies—headed for New Orleans where it will be handled by the Southern Baptist Relief Center and reshipped to needy areas overseas.

A barge contributed by Federal Barge Lines left St. Louis with 80,000 pounds of used clothing and shoes on board. Stopping here it picked up more than 100,000 pounds additional.

Huge Ellis Auditorium here was loaned to the Baptists as warehouse and assembling point, and Baptists from a wide area sent their donations here.

HUMAN NATURE—A man who wouldn't walk across the street to see his best customer will get out of bed at 2:00 A. M. to answer the telephone.
—William Feather, *Enos Magazine*.

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Home Mission Building To be Enlarged

By JOHN CAYLOR

The Home Mission Board has let a contract for the enlargement of its headquarters building from three stories to eight. It is expected that the additional stories, when completed, will bring in revenue equivalent to the operating expenses of the headquarters office. Funds for the construction of the additional stories are provided from amounts given to the Board for investment, only the income from which is to be used for operation expenses.

It is the conviction of members of the Board that more income for home missions can be secured by investing the money in the building than would accrue as a result of investment in bonds or other securities.

The construction is expected to be completed within a year.

Inspire Through the Missionaries

Through Schools of Missions, which are becoming increasingly popular, missionaries are stirring the hearts of Southern Baptists and inspiring the churches to greater missionary effort. Mission books and pictures as used in the schools are also helping to inform Baptists concerning their own mission programs.

During the first ten months of this year there have been 148 Schools of Missions with a grand total attendance of 775,740.

In North Carolina a rural layman said, concerning a School of Missions, "This is the greatest something that has come our way. Some few of us have heard missionaries at Ridgecrest and wished all of our church could have been there. This week we have had a Ridgecrest in our church."

In a west Texas city, following a missionary's address, many said, "This has revived our church and blessed every life. We shall forever feel and do differently about our missionaries."

In Wilmington Association in North Carolina, the total attendance hearing the missionaries in the school was 13,444. From Spartanburg, South Carolina, comes a gratifying report of a grand attendance of 15,000. Young churches in Los Angeles, California, proved that they could conduct a simultaneous School of Missions just as effectively as their eastern elders and respond even more readily to missionary messages.

Key men in the Schools of Missions programs are the state promotional men. Most of the states of the convention now have assigned individuals to promote this work.

Among those who have been designated to assist in the promotion of this program are: Collis Cunningham, Alabama; A. B. Barnes, Arizona; A. F. Crittendon, California; Frank K. Brasington, District of Columbia; Clifford Walker, Florida; Bernard King, Georgia; Noel Taylor, Illinois; W. H. Curl, Kentucky; N. J. Westmoreland, Kansas; Earle Bradley, J. C. Pipes, and E. L. Spivey, North Carolina; Sam Scantlan, Oklahoma; Charles F. Sims, South Carolina; E. K. Wiley, Tennessee; and A. C. Miller, Texas.

Programs that have been most successful have been handled through the state promoter who advises about dates and helps prevent conflicts. He also forwards requests for missionaries to the Home and Foreign Boards and contacts state missionaries.

If you would like for your church to share in the blessings brought by the Schools of Missions, write the promotional men in your state or to your state secretary for literature and assistance.

Schools of missions stir the churches to support the missionaries.

New Mission Recruits

Among the newly appointed missionaries for the Home Mission Board are Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Johns to serve the Pima Indians at Blackwater, Arizona. Brother and Mrs. Johns are of the Pima tribe, and are a young couple who have been very active in their local church and have answered the call to be missionaries to their own people.

Rev. and Mrs. Juan Duron have gone to the Mexican field at Bryan, Texas, to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Rev. Ralph Arms, and Miss Evangelina Lopez has gone to Belen, New Mexico, to work in the kindergarten and fill the vacancy left by the extended sick leave of Mrs. Helen Hardman.

AN SOS CALL FOR SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHAPLAINS

By ALFRED CARPENTER, Director
Chaplains Commission

All branches of the service are in dire need of the type of ministry performed by our Southern Baptist preachers. In the Army, the total Baptist quota is 35 short of its goal. Southern Baptists are short 10. In the Navy we need 15 Baptist chaplains immediately.

The National Guard is in need of at least 20 Southern Baptist chaplains.

The urgent call is for young preachers in their early thirties.

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University B. S. U. on the Job

By MARION PURDY

LEXINGTON, Ky.—Shortly before the opening of school, the officers, council and directors of the University B. S. U. held their annual retreat at Camp Kaydet on the Kentucky River.

This year the retreat was devoted primarily to prayer. Business meetings were of lesser importance. State Secretary J. Chester Durham, and the B. S. U. president, Hogue Hockensmith, constantly challenged the council to maintain consecration and enthusiasm in the school life. Dr. W. C. Boone and Dr. F. Russell Purdy and Dr. George Redding contributed much in the Bible studies.

Following the retreat, the Center was a beehive of activity. Willing young people, armed with mops and brooms and soap and water, soon had the place ready for the Open House which was held on the Sunday following Freshmen Week. The gleaming Center was invaded by the curious throng.

Helping in the welcoming, two of the Lexington churches conducted new students on sight-seeing tours of the Blue-Grass region, and made a visit to 371 South Limestone—a *must* on the list of stopping places.

On September 24—first Friday night

of the school year—a party for new students was given during the usual time set apart for the "King's Hour," "Wink" Bergman—master of ceremonies—made the occasion exceptionally good fellowship.

Georgia Pruden has planned interesting and inspirational programs for the noon programs, and Walter Price has secured well-known speakers for the Friday evening services each week. Many

lives have already been dedicated openly and, no doubt, others have made decisions in heart.

John Waddell—enlistment chairman—directs the securing of names and information regarding the hundreds of Baptist students on the campus. These have all been filed at the B. S. U. Center—affording a quick reference list for all B. S. U. activities on and off the campus. The first purpose of the B. S. U. is to act as a *bridge* between Baptist students and the local Baptist churches. They must be reached and enlisted in the Baptist church of their choice.

We are now looking forward to the revival meetings to be conducted by several of the Lexington Baptist churches. We ask the prayers of all the people for the success of our work. We are hoping and praying that we may be able to point many of the students to Christ and joyous Christian service. We also have our hearts set on securing Dr. R. G. Lee for a week of special meetings next spring.

Sunday School Lesson for November 28, 1948

Subject: Parables in The Bible

Lesson Text: Matthew 13:31-33,
44-46; Luke 15:3-10

Golden Text: John 7:46

A Thanksgiving Appeal

"Bless the Lord O My Soul, and forget not all His benefits."

"They that did the King's business helped the Jews."—Esther 9:3

"Our heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved."—Romans 4:1

Hunger Threatens Hebrew Christian Orphans

The Jerusalem Hospital in Hamburg, Germany, is filled with Hebrew Christian children who are under-nourished.

The appeal we received deserves your prayerful consideration.

"The House Mother of the Jerusalem Hospital in Hamburg is a wonderful Christian, and under her care I am sure we shall save many children for fit manhood and womanhood of the future. To help these children now means fitting them for useful life; to neglect them now means their being a burden to themselves and others for their lifetime. The need for food by the Hebrew Christians in Germany is urgent, especially the right kind. What is most needed is fats."

Rev. Paul L. Berman, Hon. Director
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These orphans cannot appeal to the Jews because they are Christians. The German Christians are not in a position to help them financially. Will you pray for our needs? If God leads you to have fellowship with us in this holy cause, send your gift to:

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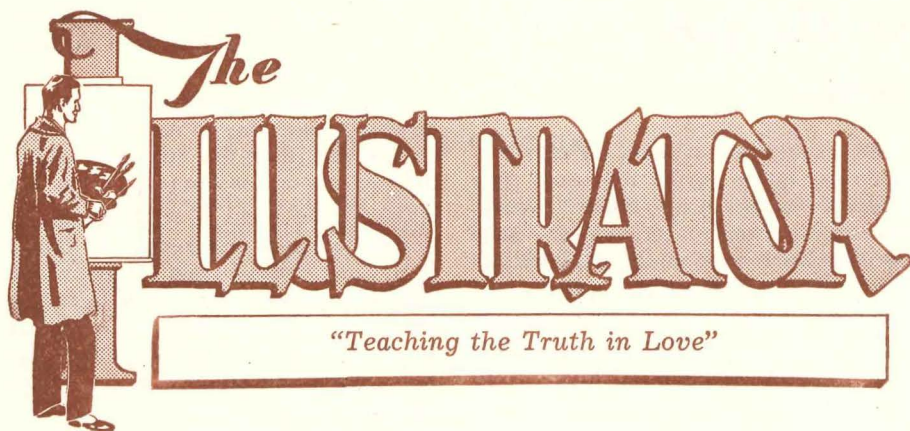
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The Grape Vine

There was a minister who moved from place to place every few years, and everywhere he went he planted grape vines. He was asked one day why he planted a grape vine in the garden of every pastorate, since he did not expect to remain long enough to benefit from its fruits.

His answer was, "Others may eat of the grapes from the vines I plant. If my predecessors had planted grape vines, I might now be eating grapes."

We, the citizens of our country, eat of the grapes planted by the builders of great libraries, hospitals, art galleries, colleges—grape vines which other men and women planted that we might enjoy the fruit thereof. The incomes of endowed institutions make life easier for all of us. We are eating the grapes that others in times past planted for our benefit.

"Blessed be those who plant the grape vines!"—H. Irving Martin.

"If My Hand Slackened"

Antonio Stradivari was the most celebrated master violin maker of all time. A native of Italy, he was born in 1644, and lived a quiet, uneventful life, devoting his time to the science of music, which he loved. His death occurred December 18, 1737, at the advanced age of 93 years.

His first noted violin bore the label, "Antonius Stradivarius Cremonensis Almus Nicolai Amati, Faciebat Anno 1666," indicating that he was a pupil of the great Amati. Little is known of his life save that he lived in Cremona, and that he produced probably more than one thousand violins. There were more than five hundred Stradivari violins extant in 1930, in addition to a dozen violas, and about fifty cellos. Stradivari made his first violins after he was past sixty years of age. He built the violin to such a pitch of perfection that improvement upon his instrument has been impossible.

Once Stradivari revealed the secret of his skill in a poem ascribed to him. The classic, "If My Hand Slackened," is so well known that it is commonly used as an impetus to conscientious effort. But not everyone knows the more complete

poem, which leads up to the famous impulse. It is as follows:

"When a master holds
Twixt chin and hand a violin of mine,
He will be glad that Stradivari lived,
Made violins, and made them of the best.
For while God gives them skill,
I give them instruments to play upon—
God choosing me to help him.
If my hand slackened,
I should rob God—since He is fullest
good—

Leaving a blank instead of violins.

He could not make
Antonio Stradivari's violins
Without Antonio!"

All great accomplishments have had as their foundation the careful doing of little things called detail. No right thought you think, and no right work you do, is too small to be important. Small things make great things possible.
—Anon.

Week-Day Acquaintance

The speaker who receives a flattering introduction by a minister might respond with this little story:

I want to thank Mr. _____ for his kind words. Although I am pleased to receive a recommendation from him, I feel somewhat like the applicant for the job of office boy who presented his credentials to a potential employer. The sour-looking old gentleman at the head of the firm read the paper carefully and surveyed the boy searchingly.

"It is certainly a very nice thing for you to have these recommendations from the minister of your church and your Sunday school teacher," said he, "and I must admit you look honest. All the same, I'd like to have a few words from someone who knows you on week-days."
—Speakers' Magazine.

Chivalry

Who killed chivalry? That is perhaps a debatable question. But as to who it is that keeps it dead, I have no doubt. It is the women who keep chivalry buried beneath the sod.

How can a man be chivalrous to a female who waddles down a city street with a \$500 fur coat over sloppy slacks? How can he be a knight in shining armor to a sophisticated damsel with a cigarette

hanging out of the corner of her red, red mouth, always going one better with a smutty story. How can one be protective to a dame who mainly wants to know if there is liquor in the bottle, And as for the battle-ax who gives you that accusing look and shoves you across the aisle when you finally win the battle with your conscience and offer her your seat, no, no, no!—Kelly O'Neill, *Denver Post*.

Tolerance

Francis Howard, in *Our Colored Missions*, presents the following prayer as having been made by an old Negro:

"O God of all races, will you please, Sir, come in and take charge of the minds of all these white people and fix them so they will know and understand that all colored folks are not lazy, dirty, dishonest and of no account. Help them, Lord, to see that most of us are praying, working and striving to get some land, some houses, and some education for ourselves and our children.

"Lord, while You are taking charge of the minds of the white people, don't pass by the colored folks, for they need you as much as the white folks. Open the Negro's blind eyes that he may see that all white folks are not prejudiced against the colored folks; that there are hard-working, just and God-fearing white folks in this community who are doing the best they know how, with circumstances often against them, to be fair in their dealing with the colored folks.

"Help us, O Lord, both black and white, to understand each other better every day. Amen."

The Helping Hand

"He travels fastest who travels alone,"
Is an adage hoary with years,
But what does the swift one do when
the cliff
Of trouble and sorrow appears?

It is better to travel more slowly, and
walk
With one's hand in that of a friend.
The meadows are lovelier shared with
another;
Hills are easier, far, to ascend.
—Marion Doyle

Many things are opened by mistake—
but none so frequently as one's mouth.—
Fourteener.

Human beings, like chickens, thrive
best when they have to scratch for what
they get.—*Democracy in Action*.

There is no Bible authority for be-
lieving there is any such thing as a
little sin.—*Akron Baptist Journal*.

The man who spend his life building
walls rather than bridges has no right
to complain if he is lonely.—*Miles War-
rior*.

The Beavers Are Still Busy on Beaver Creek

By James A. McCamish, Pastor

On May 27, 1809, on Beaver Creek, about nine miles from Cynthiana, Kentucky, the Beaver Church was constituted under the name of "The Baptist Church of Jesus Christ." The church business meeting was held in the Moses Rarden's School House. Since 1809 the Beaver Church has been a stronghold for "The faith once delivered to the saints."

In July, 1819, the church voted to build a new house of worship. The building was to be made of logs and each male member was to hew and haul his share of the logs by September 10, 1819. After long debate it was decided to build on the old site, which seems to suggest that they had a building prior to that date. The house was built in 1820, and in 1832 it was inclosed by a post and rail fence. This building was repaired in 1868.

On September 2, 1876, the church called Brother S. S. Burgess as its pastor. He remained with the church for 43 years and did an outstanding work. In 1877 he led the church to erect the building which is in use today.

In the early spring of this year, 1948, the church decided to remodel the old building. At that time there was a reserve fund of about two hundred dollars on hand for building maintenance. Those present at the business meeting pledged about three thousand dollars and work was soon started. All labor was furnished by the men in the church and friends of the church. Farmers brought tractors and other tools and dug the basement.

A two-story structure was placed under the old roof, with Sunday school and Training Union rooms. The basement is 18 by 36 feet, and is equipped with an oil furnace and a place for the men's class.

The work was completed by August 9, at a total cost of \$5,856.41. All bills are paid and the church had \$63.59 in the building fund on September 20. We estimate that with the labor that was donated an \$8,000.00 repair and remodeling job was done.

On August 9 Rev. John Gearing began a revival for us. There were eleven additions by baptism.

On August 22 I resigned, effective September 22, having been with the church three years and nine months. I am now pastor of the Mt. Carmel Church, near Hartford, Kentucky.

Rev. Boyd Armstrong is the new pastor of the old church. He has done pastoral work in Kentucky before, but for the past three years he has engaged in mission work in Mississippi. The new pastor comes with his salary exactly double what it was four years ago.

Our country churches can have what they want and need. The Beaver Church was challenged. They met the chal-

lenge and faithful, determined workmen, who were not afraid to go forward by faith, did the will of the Master.

LaCenter Remodels Old Building And Makes Many Improvements

LaCENTER, Ky., October 21.—The LaCenter Baptist meeting house has been beautifully remodeled. It was in 1941 that Pastor A. M. Johnson was called to this congregation. The meeting house then was a small one-story frame structure, and the congregation then had only half-time preaching. Pastor Johnson



The Remodeled LaCenter Baptist Meeting House

caught a vision of the possibilities of the Baptist people of this community and soon had the church on a full-time basis. He also moved his family on the field.

The building was shortly outgrown and the church faced the problem of enlarging their accommodations. There are now ten class rooms in addition to the auditorium, kitchen, and baptistry. A double-purpose plant furnishes heat in the winter and air-conditions the building in the summer.

Wm. H. Brannon, Jr. Organist For 35 Years, Died On October 16

OWENSBORO, Ky., October 19.—The funeral of William H. Brannon, Jr., 61, was conducted by Pastor Robert E. Humphreys at the Delbert J. Glenn Funeral Home here today. He died at the Owensboro-Daviess County hospital on October 16 of a cerebral hemorrhage.

Mr. Brannon had been the organist for the First Baptist Church of this city for 35 years. He was born in Owensboro August 5, 1887, and was a son of the late Margaret Small and William Henry Brannon, Sr. He graduated from Rose Polytechnic Institute, Terre Haute, Ind., and became a designing engineer in an automobile factory in Milwaukee. He

then opened a brokerage business of his own in Terre Haute, but circumstances made it necessary for him to return to the wholesale grocery business of W. H. Brannon & Sons in Owensboro. When that firm was dissolved, he became an instructor in electrical and radio subjects in the Owensboro Technical high school, training men for war service. Since the war he has been director of vocational training of citizens for positions in Western Kentucky.

In addition to his 35 years as organist of his own church, he had also had 10 years previous experience playing for other churches. He was also an artist in designing and mechanics, making furniture, rebuilding organs, etc.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Lelia H. Tyler, whom he married in 1944; and by two brother, Frank Small Brannon, Owensboro; and Clifton Brannon, Danville, Ill.

Career Ends For Judge George S. Wilson, Well- Known Baptist Lawyer

OWENSBORO, Ky., October 22.—Judge George S. Wilson, 71, died in his residence, 511 Griffith Avenue, here today at 8:40 P. M. He has long been one of the leading Baptist laymen of Owensboro, and was active in many legal and civic enterprises throughout his useful life. He was a deacon of the First Baptist Church, and was its Sunday school superintendent for 26 years.

His funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Dr. Robert E. Humphreys, assisted by another former pastor, Dr. W. C. Boone, now General Secretary-Treasurer of the Kentucky Baptist State Board of Missions in Kentucky.

Native of Union County, Kentucky, where he was born in Caseyville November 14, 1876, he was a son of the late Martha Ann Collins and William Wilson. After completing his schooling in his home county he graduated from Cumberland University at Lebanon, Tenn., in the Class of 1901. He began the practice of law in his home county and was married to Miss Virginia L. McGill, of Webster County, Ky., that same year. Nine years later, in 1910, they moved to Owensboro, and have been there ever since.

He was elected by Union County voters to be their representative in the State legislature in 1906, 1908 and 1910, and in the latter year became the speaker of the house. Soon after he moved to Owensboro he was elected City Attorney, and became Circuit Judge of the Sixth District from 1922 to 1939. Governor Keen Johnson appointed him as Public Service Commissioner from 1941 to 1945.

Besides his wife, already mentioned, he is survived by four sons: George S. Wilson, Jr., Henry M. Wilson, William L. Wilson, and Berry H. Wilson, all of Owensboro; and by one daughter, Mrs. Gordon M. Philpot, St. Louis, Mo. He likewise leaves a sister, Mrs. E. B. Jones, Richmond, Calif.

Tragic Auto Accident Results in Death of New Orleans Students

By ROLAND Q. LEAVELL, President

NEW ORLEANS, La., Nov. 8.—The New Orleans Seminary is under a heavy cloud of sorrow in the death of Miss Zola Mae Elliott, of Lubbock, Texas, and Rev. Albert Hodge, of Kenly, North Carolina, in an automobile accident Sunday morning, November 7. Mrs. Albert Hodge, Miss Billie McColskey of Limona, Florida, and Rev. Fred Chestnut of Eight-Mile, Alabama, were seriously injured.

These consecrated young people were going to the Seminary's mission point at Sorrento, Louisiana, to conduct services. They were driving on a four-lane highway in which the two sides of the pavement were divided by a wide neutral ground. A Buick car moving at an excessive rate of speed in the opposite direction had a blow-out. The Buick jumped across the neutral ground and crashed into the Seminary's station wagon.

The students of the Seminary hope to raise enough money to build a much-needed Baptist church at Sorrento which is a needy and difficult mission point. It will be a lasting memorial to these noble young missionaries, two of whom

have already died in the line of duty, and three of whom are yet dangerously ill from their injuries.

FORGOT TO PRAY

I forgot t' pray t'day—an' everything went wrong. Ev'n the old red bird held back his usual song. 'Course, I wuz purty busy, but I didn't git nowhere, an' now I know the reason—I didn't pray.

I'm jist enough old fashioned to b'lieve you have to pray if you wanta have things go alright, when you start the day. An' I kinda think the lovin' Lord sorta likes t' be talked to with kindly words, jist like you and me.

When we stop an' figger—we don't own a thing! There ain't an earthly p'session to which we can cling an' say, "This is mine—all mine—forever I c'n keep it!" An' it don't matter what we sow, we're just that sure t' reap it.

Don't matter if we're cripples, or even 'bout to die, ther's a better way o' livin' if only we will try. An' we c'n go on livin' in a sort o' pleasant way, but one thing is important—jist don't fergit t' pray.—Leon Brown in *Lafayette Leader*.

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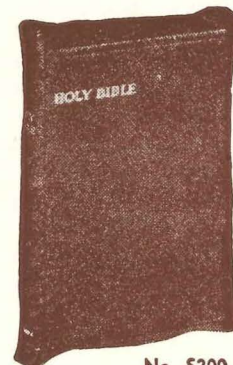
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