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As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after Thee, O God.—Ps. 42:1

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Gleanings From The Field

Send us the News From Your Church and District Association. Let Us Help You

Pastor John F. Havlik, of East Baptist Church, Louisville, is preaching in a tent revival on the 900 block on East Walnut Street.

Rev. Robert Case has been called to the pastorate of the Valley View Baptist Church, near Louisville, and began work there June 26.

Pastor A. W. Walker, of Carlisle Avenue Church, Louisville, is preaching in a revival at the Bethel Baptist Church in Henderson County, Ky.

Dr. Rollin S. Burhans, pastor of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, has been asked to write some Sunday school lessons for the Sunday School Board.

Pastor John D. Boykin, of Shawnee Baptist Church, Louisville, is assisting Pastor Aubrey Moncrief in a revival meeting at Bethlehem Baptist Church near Taylorsville, Ky.

Pastor W. B. Hammock preached the ordination sermon for Brethren W. C. Holloway and Charles Cole as deacons at the Paradise Bottom Baptist Church in Salem Association July 17.

Director Erwin L. McDonald, of the Public Relations Department of the Southern Seminary, is attending the Writers' Conference at Ridgecrest Assembly July 28-August 3 on invitation of the Sunday School Board.

A series of revival meetings is being conducted by Pastor Harold D. Tallant, of the First Baptist Church of Madisonville, Ky., for Pastor Frank Mitchell at the Nebo Baptist Church at this time. The series started July 25, and will continue through August 7.

Pastor Roy C. McClung, of Ninth and O Baptist Church, Louisville, has been in a revival at the First Baptist Church of Henderson, Ky., with Pastor E. Keevil Judy. Missionary Tucker Calloway, of Japan, supplied in the Ninth and O Church during his absence.

Pastor Quincy Mathis reports that the Victory Baptist Chapel, operated by the Victory Memorial Baptist Church of Louisville, is progressing nicely at 4321 South Brook Street. They are striving for an enrolment of 300 by the last of this next quarter. A new building with a seating capacity for 400 is now being planned.

Joseph R. Estes has resigned as pastor of the Salt River Baptist Church, of Mercer County, after being there almost three years, and has accepted the pastorate of the Mt. Freedom Baptist Church at Wilmore, Ky., where he succeeds Brother John W. Kurtz, now going to West Side Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio.

Word comes from Dr. A. T. Ohrn, General Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, who is now in Europe, that Mr. Joel Sorenson, the newly elected Youth Secretary of the Alliance will assume his duties on January 1, 1950. During his first year of service, Mr. Sorenson will have his headquarters in Stockholm, Sweden.

The Eastern Parkway Baptist Church of Louisville has let contract for a new three floor educational building and the complete remodeling of the present three floor educational building. The two projects will cost $100,000. The new unit will be erected on the lot east of the present buildings, and will join them physicially, according to Pastor Roy L. Puckett.

June was a busy month with the Lebanon Junction Baptist Church. The first two weeks a VBS was held, the enrolment reaching 167, with an average attendance of 128. Joe G. Canzoneri, son of Pastor Joe Canzoneri, was the Principal. Superintendents of the departments were: Beginners, Mrs. Fred Bishop; Primaries, Mrs. Len Smith; Juniors, Mrs. Floyd Bryant; Intermediates, Mrs. Mae Bryant.

July 10, 1949, marked the fourth anniversary of H. Bernard Deakins as pastor of the Gilead Baptist Church, Glendale, Kentucky. During his four years as pastor, the church has shown much progress, having added 227 to its membership with half the number being for baptism. The church has given $20,000 for denominational causes, with $5,000 being given for missions; the church has purchased fans; the auditorium has been newly papered; new song books were recently purchased, the pastor's salary raised considerably, and the church now has $5,500-plus for a new parsonage being planned.

Fuller B. Saunders, Ottoman, Va., and Samuel G. Shepard, Ridgecrest, N. C., two Southern Seminary students, went to Great Lakes, Ill., for two weeks of Reserve training, as they both are chaplains in the Naval Reserve. While there they had the privilege of holding a combined service for 1,200 recruits on Sunday morning. Mr. Saunders did the preaching, and when the invitation was given 45 men stepped out, either giving their hearts to Christ for the first time, or rededicating themselves in the service for their Lord. Brother Saunders is pastor of the Belmont Baptist Church, near Shepherdsville, Ky., and Brother Shepard is supply pastor at Horse Cave, Ky.

New trustees of Southern Seminary, Louisville, are: Ralph L. Douglas, pastor of First Church, Helena, Ark.; Millard J. Berquist, pastor of First Church, Tampa, Fla.; Andrew Broaddus, Louisville, Ky.; W. R. Pettigrew, pastor of Walnut Street Church, Louisville.; George Ritchie, pastor of First Church, Mansfield, La.; L. A. Free, East Baltimore, Md.; W. W. Pierce, St. Joseph, Mo.; and Wallace Rogers, pastor of Citadel Square Church, Charleston, S. C. (Lowell Matheney, chosen as a member of the Board of Trustees from Illinois, has since left the pastorate of First Church, Fairfield, Ill., to accept a church in Arkansas, creating a vacancy.)

Pastor E. Warren Rust, of the Vine Grove Baptist Church, near Fort Knox, Ky., has been called to be pastor of the McCalla Avenue Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn., and he has accepted. Brother Rust is one of our finest young Kentucky preachers. He grew up in the Latonia Baptist Church of Covington, Ky., under the pastorate of Dr. J. W. Black. After completing his high school work in his home town he went to Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn., for his college work, and then came to Louisville for his Seminary studies. Under his leadership at Vine Grove the Baptists there have erected a beautiful colonial building made with limestone. It occupies a strategic setting on a slight elevation, and is a gem of pride of the Baptists of the state who pass by and behold its beauty. Pastor Rust is a builder both physically and spiritually. With his own hands, and the hands of many of the men in his membership, they erected the structure, often having to stop their work that he might conduct prayer meeting or teach a class. Vine Grove's loss is McCalla Avenue's gain.

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Editorials

Making Baptist Institutions Financially Secure

Every Baptist should give serious consideration to his obligation to make our denomination's priceless institutions financially secure.

All of us have a duty to perform to our families. The Holy Spirit declared as much when He said through Paul, "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than infidel" (I Tim. 5:8). A man ought to meet his obligations to his **own** house as a Christian.

But the Christian belongs to a **larger family,** one to which he also owes an obligation. The Holy Spirit declared through Paul, "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, **especially unto them who are of the household of faith" (Eph. 6:10).** It is that larger family relationship which comes in for consideration when one thinks of our Baptist institutions.

This writer believes that if a Christian takes his spiritual family relations seriously he will want to make sure that these institutions are put on a safe financial basis. We have our schools and colleges, our orphan homes, our hospitals, etc., here in Kentucky. They represent many years of sacrificial labor on the part of earnest souls in other days, but they represent more: **they stand for the doing of the will of God in the fields in which they serve.** Through these institutions Kentucky Baptists carry on a work that must increase with every passing year; but if our work is to increase, these institutions MUST BE MADE FINANCIALLY SECURE.

There's only one way to do this. The gifts through the Co-operative Program in large measure keep them going, caring for current needs year by year, but enlargement and financial security must come in the main from outstanding gifts for these institutions.

Here is where the Kentucky Baptist Foundation comes in. More and more of our people are turning to this agency as the one means of seeing that the gifts for our Baptist institutions are administered exactly and for all time as the giver designed. It is an agency of the General Association, created for this specific purpose. Bequests of whatever nature made for our Baptist institutions in Kentucky should name in legal form the Kentucky Baptist Foundation as beneficiary and administrator. The Kentucky Baptist Foundation will administer faithfully the money or estate left for specific purposes in accordance with the will of the donor. Great endowments can be thus created and **safeguarded,** and our beloved institutions made secure while the donated wealth is held by the Foundation to be used only as directed by the giver.

A word should be said about appeals that come for institutions outside our state. We have only this week received from the Southern Baptist Foundation a request that we place before the people of our state a request that wills be made to the Southern Baptist Foundation for the southwide Baptist institutions. We contacted Dr. A. M. Vollmer, secretary of the Kentucky Foundation, and he makes the following statement:

> **Bequests in wills for religious causes that pass money or titles to property across state lines are taxable.**
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> **To illustrate: If a Baptist in Kentucky should name the Foreign Mission Board as a beneficiary in his will, that bequest would require a state tax since the office of the Foreign Mission Board is located in Richmond, Virginia. This tax could be avoided if the Kentucky Baptist Foundation was named as beneficiary of the bequest and directed to administer the gift in behalf of the Foreign Mission Board. In this way the Foreign Mission Board would receive the benefits and the tax would be saved.**
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> **The same rule would apply to any other religious institution or agencies with the home office outside the State of Kentucky. Bequests to religious institutions within the state whether state or southwide will not be taxable.**

This statement by the Foundation's secretary is plain and will guide Kentucky Baptists as they consider institutions outside the state. Make the Kentucky Baptist Foundation the beneficiary of your will concerning properties to be left to Baptist institutions both in and out of Kentucky, setting forth the disposition you wish made of such properties.

Pastors Teach New Members

Large numbers of our alert pastors have adopted the custom of teaching, periodically, a course in church membership to those who have recently come into fellowship. This is the wisest course any pastor can take.

All too many times, new members come into fellowship only to find, gradually, that about all they are to do is drift into (and this, many times, half by accident) some department of church activity. They know little of the over-all picture of the working plan of the church they've joined, or of the great southwide and worldwide program in which their church co-operates.

Many wise pastors are therefore, once each month or once in three months, taking new members through a course in THE MEANING OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.

Results are, in many instances marvelous. Instead of drifting, the new-comers learn right away that their church is far more than a list of names and a series of preaching services, prayer meetings, Sunday schools and Training Unions, and Woman's Missionary Society organizations.

Most of our church members fail because of a lack of vision. It is the responsibility of the church to "teach them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." And it is to such a church

that Jesus said, "Lo, I am with you alway, even to the end of the world." The members of a church need to know what the Bible teaches—the doctrines, the mission of the churches.

Only Part of the Facts Are Faced

The July 21 issue of *The Louisville Times* carried a feature article with captions, "Neglected Children Fill Juvenile Courts . . . 'Woman Drinker In Every Block' Startling U. S. Problem."

The article declared, "There is now at least one (woman drinker) on every residential street in every city and town in the United States—a woman who is a major problem to herself, her family, and the community because she drinks too much."

The writer of the article also freely admits that in the same block with the problem-woman are many others of her sex who drink habitually, but who have not reached the stage of chronic alcoholism. They are described as going "shopping" just about every day and then coming back "from the cocktail bars unsteady and befuddled, and whose husbands return from work to a disordered, dinnerless home."

The writer went on to shield his eyes from the actual fact and declared that the solution for the hardened woman drinker is not easy to find. A prominent judge was quoted as suggesting that the taking away of the woman's children might shock her into reformation. It was further pointed out that "most sociologists and psychiatrists, however, are inclined to treat drinking women as sick people—patients in need of both mental and physical therapy."

We agree that the children of such women ought to be taken away, and we also agree with the sociologists and psychiatrists that such addicts are actually sick and in need of both mental and physical therapy.

But we wish the writers of such articles (and the interests who inspire them) and also the scientists who express themselves on the problem would face *all the facts,* and not just one or two.

According to statistics the percentage of alcoholic unfortunates among women has increased 300 per cent within the last ten years. Of course the drinkers themselves are to blame, or at least that is what some would have us believe. And, they wish that all of us would stop right there with the diagnosis and discussions. It is hurtful to a very lucrative business to go further with the study. Whatever hurts business ought not to be discussed, according to those who have millions invested and who are growing richer by the day from the sale of alcoholic beverages that make men and women problems to themselves and their homes and communities. It makes no difference to them so long as they are being enriched. Consequently, they pass the matter up by saying, "The drinker is to blame." That is their escape from reality.

As long as writers and doctors merely call attention to the problem as a matter of "drinking too much," suggesting by that that the "moderate" drinker is in no danger, we are going to have these pitiful addicts over whom pretended helpers shed many "bitter tears." Any alcoholic drink at all is too much, and every one of these advocates of *moderation* knows that there would be none of this kind of trouble if alcohol were not available as a beverage.

A vast outlay of money is now being made by manufacturers of whisky and beer and wine in an effort to focus the attention on the weakness of the drinker and his need for *moderation,* rather than on the real trouble—drinking to any degree. Before last Father's Day the makers came out with an urge to dads to be moderate in their drinking for the good of their sons. Why, if they had the good of either the dads or the boys at heart, did not they tell them the whole truth? Thinking people all over the nation knew they had seen a wolf in sheep's clothing.

Other poisons are taken away from the general public in the common interest. Why doesn't our Government—the best on earth—face the facts squarely on the question of alcohol? Is it that the manufacturers have a stranglehold on the law makers? Is is that there are so many lawmakers who themselves drink? and administrators of the law? men whom the general public voted for and placed in high office? The answer has to be *yes* to all these questions. Things will become steadily worse until God-fearing, home-loving people go to the polls and vote like they pray.

When the American public, along with the medics who use the terms quit playing around with that little group of sleeve-worn expressions—"drinking too much," and "drink in moderation," and "know how much you can drink,"—and start demanding a sober home and nation, then will we make long strides toward a solution of the juvenile delinquency problem. Just bear in mind—the liquor interests are all behind this *moderation* stuff. They would divert the public mind from the real remedy.

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Shots At Random

►According to records, 26 per cent of Southern Baptist membership is non-resident—moved away from the church community and out of touch with any kind of organized activity. The Executive Committee recently appointed a committee to study the problem. Well and good! But it will not be solved until the churches themselves deal seriously with the matter. They can, and they should.

►The United Stewardship Council informs us that the average gift for church work in 1948 was $23.71, of which amount $17.72 went for local church expenses. Gifts to foreign mission work (overseas) averaged only $1.22 per individual giver. This shows conclusively whether or not the average Christian loves his neighbor as himself, and indicates clearly how seriously the average Christian takes the "all-the-world" reach of the Great Commission. You would think there was something wrong with a family that could sit down to a table of great plenty while the family next door was actually starving . . . wouldn't you? What about a world of people across the seas . . . actually going to hell because we have only doled out small contributions to send the gospel of salvation?

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

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If John Didn't, Then Who Did?

By W. C. TAYLOR, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

LUKE TELLS us that the requirement considered necessary for a man to be eligible for election to the place of one of the twelve apostles, to fill the vacancy left by Judas, was this: "Of the men, therefore, that have companied with us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning with the baptism of John, unto the day that he was received up from us, there must one become a witness with us of his resurrection."

The language is careful, for Luke is a most careful historian, the greatest of all antiquity, as Sir William Ramsay found, to his amazement.

It does not say that the apostles were constant companions of Jesus right on from the baptism of John. That would not have been true to the record. They did not go with him through the temptation in the desert, through his nights in prayer, nor were they with him, naturally, when he himself sent them out, two by two, over the land to evangelize. Jesus "went in and out," was intermittently with them. They did not at once leave all and follow him.

But the Twelve had their common experience with him, in this intermittent fashion at first, then more and more consectively, in such a way that they were all witnesses to the same Gospel history.

That story, in their thinking, began with the baptism of John and went right on to the ascension. The twelve had been a company of witnesses to it all, and there were even others who had "companied with" them and were likewise witnesses of it all. From this larger circle who knew the whole record personally, as being present, hearing and seeing all that the others heard and saw, two were in the little church of 120 that our Lord himself localized in Jerusalem, as their center for a world witness.

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Peter and Luke are not alone, furthermore, in this statement. Jesus himself said, on the eve of his Passion, that such a continued presence with him was the qualification for apostolic witness-bearing: "And ye also bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning" (John 15:27). There must not be any thing haphazard, of surmises and maybe-so, in the word of apostles, companions of the very Spirit of God in their world-embracing testimony (v. 26). **With solemn certainty they testify: "THAT WHICH WAS FROM THE BEGINNING (John comes in on that chorus), that which we have heard, that which we beheld, and our hands handled, concerning the Word of life . . . " (I John 1:1).** They were already bearing this witness for years, before the crucifixion, said Jesus, as just cited. Now the rest of their story would soon be theirs to tell forevermore. Rapidly the cross, the empty tomb and the Olivet scene came to them in unanimous vision.

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Messianic life came intermittently to Jesus himself. He had to go back to Galilee, after the forty days of temptation. He must close shop in Nazareth. Family adjustments of responsibility must be made. The move to Capernaum and location there took time.

Meanwhile, Jewish feasts went right on, according to the calendar, and all males must go to Jerusalem. "He went in and out."

The twelve kept their eyes on him and the marvelous developments, however, for their souls were knit with his own. They had been at the River Jordan. They had shared his obedience to John's voice from heaven, in the baptism that Jesus said was from heaven, too.

They, of all people, were part of that *"prepared people, made ready"* for the Saviour. As he began his ministry in Judea, they were with him. They, not he, but they under his orders, baptized more people than even great John had ever baptized, and this in the first year of our Lord's ministry, and in John's neighborhood.

There they saw to it that John decreased, as decrease he had to, if Jesus was to come into his own, and that our Lord increased in baptized adherents of his own winning, to add to those John gave him gladly.

They, too, became mighty Baptists—baptizers—as John had been before them. They were witnesses, as doers of what they saw, not hearers only.

They "companied." The Saviour "went in and out," at the beginning. Then, as he could go all out, for all-time preaching, healing and teaching, he called them, his intermittent associates, to leave all and travel with him in that itinerant ministry that led him straight on to the cross, the tomb and the throne. And they "companied" together by his side, except when he willed it otherwise.

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Now there is an ungenerous reluctance to take their word for all this. Frequently I run on some Baptist, **eager to be considered a "liberal,"** who is eager also to throw all this certainty into the discard, and take a "Know-nothing" attitude to what is perfectly clear and repeatedly asserted by Jesus, Luke, Peter and John. John's baptism is out of style, none so poor as to do it reverence, except people who are loyal to Christ and the New Testament. So it is disconcerting to its despisers to find all the twelve apostles and their Lord submitting to it, and that it was a prerequisite to being an apostle, and that Jesus, John, Peter and Luke, as well as Mark, make the "beginning" of the messianic era and career to be the baptism of John. It is disconcerting to see no break in the continuity of its acceptance, practice and incorporation in the Great Commission for all time, by both example and practice and authority of Christ and all his apostles and the Holy Spirit, whom they joined in this testimony. Our "liberal" will get rid of the embarrassment by deliberate indecision and confusion.

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If God has called you to be a missionary, I'd hate to see you shrivel down to be a King!—*C. H. Spurgeon.*

What Is Conversion?

By GODFREY ROBINSON

WHAT do we mean when we say that a person has become "converted?"

The term has been stretched to serve such a variety of spiritual experiences that its true definition needs to be re-examined.

We read, for example, how that at the close of a certain meeting there were scores of "conversions," or we are told that somebody was "converted" on a train through a conversation with another traveller.

This may all be very real and very wonderful. But there are people today, among them many earnest soul-winners, who have become growingly disturbed by reports they have heard and afterwards failed to see materialize, so that it is perhaps time to look again at this important subject. As with "democracy," a word that today means practically whatever any particular nation wants it to mean, the misuse of important terms can have disturbingly serious consequences. What of "conversion?"

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The Hebrew and Greek expressions in Scripture normally mean "turn" or "turn back," so that where our A. V. uses forms of the verb "convert," the R. V. frequently gives "turn" or "turn again" (see, for example, Matt. 13:15; 18:3; Acts 28:27). A converted man is one who has definitely turned from wrong to right, and is now walking in *the Way* —the title used to describe Christianity in the apostolic age. Conversion has been well defined as "the reorientation of life from self to God through Christ Jesus," and can be further sub-divided into *repentance* and *faith*, the one a turning from the old life of self and sin, the other a turning to life in Christ.

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It will be seen that there is nothing vague or indefinite about a change of this kind. The Thessalonian Christians had turned away from idols (I Thess. 1:9), the prodigal son from a life of gross self-centeredness (Luke 15:13), and Saul of Tarsus from a passionately mistaken idea of God (Acts 26:9). When they became converted they were not merely stirred to pious aspirations or awakened to nobler desires—they acted out their convictions, and entered into vital fellowship with God through Christ. It was "right about turn, quick march!"

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The question must therefore be faced —Have we any right to claim that people have been converted, in the absence of evidence that this change has taken place? It is another thing to *profess* conversion, or a decision; and we are certainly not denying the power of Christ to save a man in a moment, or the fact that many have been dramatically—and suddenly—born again. But even in such cases is it not the fact that we can look back and see the outward expression of the inward experience, that reassures us? He was a wise preacher who, when asked about the number of conversions at his meetings, said: "Ask again in two years' time, and I will tell you."

We can learn here from the evangelistic methods of the mission field, where a careful distinction is drawn between inquirers and converts, and where sometimes two or three years pass before the inquirer is baptized.

To ignore the fact that there are stages in spiritual enlightenment can only do dishonour to the service of Christ, and lead to claims that are extravagant and untrue. For the Christian, this is sufficiently serious in itself, but it is not the only serious aspect. There are the disappointments and heartaches in those who have been misled, and to whom it is our responsibility to reveal the Living Christ in all His fulness.

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Further, ought we to speak of conversion without laying sufficient stress on Christian fellowship? There is an excellent definition of evangelism in "Toward the Conversion of England," which includes an oft-neglected but vitally significant phrase—"To evangelize is so to present Christ Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit, that men should come to put their trust in God through Him, to accept Him as their Saviour, and serve Him as their King *in the fellowship of His church.*" A definition like that helps us to avoid the mistake of overlooking that in New Testament times "The Lord *added to the church* daily such as should be saved" (Acts 2:47).

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Captain, receiving new middy: "Well, my boy, the old story, I suppose—dunce of the family sent to sea?"

"Oh, no, sir," replied the youth, "that's all altered since your day."



"Evangelism According to Christ," Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins' latest book, is winning wide acclaim as a basic manual on New Testament evangelism. The author has been a member of the faculty of Southern Seminary, Louisville, for more than a quarter of a century, and his years of teaching Evangelism have gone into the making of the book. He says of the book: "I have written this . . . in the conviction that we must make the evangelism of Jesus Himself our studied model."

"Evangelism According to Christ" was chosen by the Sunday School Board as the Board's gift to the recent graduating class of Southern Seminary. In the accompanying picture, Dr. Dobbins presents copies of the book to two Seminary graduates; James Bray Sawyer (center), Norfolk, Va., and Frederick A. Delk, Savannah, Ga.

A Personal Letter From A Disappointed Missionary

By JOHN A. ABERNATHY

Missionary John A. Abernathy, 1219 North I Street, Fort Smith, Arkansas, writes a personal letter under date of June 8, 1949, giving something of the way a furloughed missionary feels during these days of marking time and watchful waiting.

Many have been asking us if and when we will be returning to China. Our furlough will soon be over and we are due to return this summer. The year has passed very quickly. Speaking in churches, schools and in church schools of missions has kept us busy. We have spoken in more than twenty states and the District of Columbia.

Our hearts almost bleed when we think of China and the suffering of so many of our Chinese friends who are in communist controlled areas. We told you some months ago about the fall of Tsinan, capitol city of Shantung Province, to the communists. The first letter from there after the nine-day battle and consequent fall of the city said, "We went over to the Baptist Mission to see how it had fared during the fighting. As we approached we noticed that enemy shells had penetrated your house. We counted 150 new graves in your yard." You can imagine how this made us feel—the only home we have known in all our married life in China; all our books (selected over a period of 30 years) and furniture gone. A later letter revealed that communist soldiers were living in our house. Thank God, we long since learned that true values do not consist of material things. It is not the first time we have been called on to practice the Scriptural admonition to "take joyfully the spoiling of your goods."

Our little losses are nothing when we think of the suffering of our people, the Christians and our co-workers. Recent letters have come from Tsinan saying the pastors of all the churches are still there. Meetings can be held but there is no liberty to preach as you please. All preachers, teachers, doctors and other Christian leaders are forced to attend lectures on communism and urged to line up with the communist regime. Some Mission Schools in the city have been closed by the communists.

Many ask whether or not we think all of China will be taken by the communists. Unless there is a miracle it is sure to happen within the next few months. There is little to hinder their wild sweep south and west. Now that Shanghai has fallen they can push on with little hindrance. Nationalist armies have reached the limit of their resources; their morale is at the bottom and no other nation is willing to help. I feel our U. S. Government has made and is making the most colossal blunder in its history by not helping Nationalist China in its life and death struggle.

When it became impossible for us to return to Tsinan, our former place of work, we were invited by our missionaries and Chinese Baptist leaders in Formosa to come there when our furlough was finished. Dr. Cauthen, our secretary for the Orient, favored such a move, but since the communists were moving so fast in China proper advised us to wait and stand by for further instructions as soon as he could see more clearly what the outcome would be. If all the mainland of China falls to the communists the island of Formosa, yes, and all other countries in the Far East, will follow rapidly.

So, for the present we do not know when or where we will go. Long ago our lives were dedicated to Him to go wherever He should lead and do whatever He wanted us to do. Through the many years He has led and blessed in a marvelous way. We are trusting Him to lead and take us through the remaining years and complete that "good work" which he began in us. While we wait we will not be idle. Invitations have been accepted to help in five Summer Assemblies in Oklahoma and Louisiana during June, July and the first ten days in August. Many calls have come asking us to help in schools of missions this fall. So, whether here or there, "We'll be somewhere a-workin' for our Lord." Thank you for your prayer help, and may He abundantly bless and use you, is my prayer.

THE AMERICAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

By W. A. Gardiner

Questions have come from several of our people as to the Sunday school literature published in Texarkana, Arkansas-Texas, by the Baptist Sunday School Committee of the American Baptist Association.

The American Baptist Association came into existence many years ago in several states in a fight against our State and Southern Baptist Conventions. It was known as the Gospel Mission Association in some quarters. In no way does this body affiliate with Southern Baptists nor with the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

I would not make this statement but Mr. Patterson, their Business Manager, is writing to our people in the churches soliciting business. Of course they would like for our churches to discontinue using our own Southern Baptist lesson quarterlies and use theirs.

One appeal in the publicity is that they will have lessons that "will cover the entire Bible in the course of time." Just suppose we started with the first verse of Genesis and went straight through the Bible, taking about ten verses a Sunday. Thousands of people would grow up and die without ever studying the New Testament in Sunday school. Our Southern Baptist lessons propose to have a series of lessons on doctrines, another a specific line of Bible truth, another on Bible history and so on. No, we would not want our children to miss studying the Life of Christ and the Epistles.

History of Kentucky Baptists Being Completed

By Leo T. Crismon, President Kentucky Baptist Historical Society

Dr. Frank M. Masters expects to have in manuscript form his history of Kentucky Baptists, 1769-1948, by August 1. Although the work of Dr. J. H. Spencer covered the period from 1769 to 1880 (or 1885), this period has been completely reworked by Dr. Masters from the original sources which are still available. The period from 1880 to the present has not been covered in its entirety by any other writer so that it has all been worked out from original sources by Dr. Masters, and this work, therefore, covers a period of 180 years.

It is expected that by August 1, arrangements will be worked out with a printer for publishing the volume, provided that enough pre-publication orders can be secured to justify its publication. It cannot now be stated what the book will sell for until estimates are received from the printers, but pre-subscribers will have the advantage of cost price. The book will contain about 800 pages and will be bound in cloth. If you are interested in assuring the success of this work, you may send your order to Dr. Frank M. Masters, Kentucky Baptist Historical Society, 403 West Market, Princeton, Kentucky. A post card will be sufficient.

Life-Long Friend Pays Tribute to Thomas G. Waller

By L. M. HAMILTON, Pastor,
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, Waddy, Ky.

PASTOR THOMAS GREENLEY WALLER passed from this earth to be with Christ on June 7, 1949. "Tommy," as we endearingly called him, was the first and most precious among Christian friends I ever had. I met him in January, 1936, at the Magoffin Baptist Institute High School, and we finished our senior year together. I loved him from the first time I saw him. This love deepened through the years, until truly, no brother of mine, in the flesh, could be as cherished as he.

I needed a friend just when I met him, and he was just the one I needed. Until then I had never known an intimate Christian friend. We spent much time together. He came to my home and we walked the beautiful hill country of Kentucky together. We talked together; we prayed together; we held meetings together, we sang together. My desire to attend college was fulfilled because of him. We have worked together in eleven evangelistic meetings. He performed his first wedding ceremony on July 10, 1938—the wedding of my wife and myself. He sat on the council at my ordination to the ministry.

As I open my diary today I see his name involved on nearly every page. Here is the account of his wedding when he and Adeline Barlow were united in marriage back in 1939 in a little country church on the night of August 26. Here are many, many accounts of incidents relative to the revivals we have had together. He *lived* in my *thinking*.

He had an accident in Calloway County on June 6 that took his life. The news was shocking to all who knew him. The Murray Hospital physicians and friends did all that could be done for him—but God took him. We—his friends—have resigned our wills to God's will, well knowing that—even though he still was a young man—he had already wrought a noble life and work, and that he was ready to meet his Maker and Saviour.

Thomas Greenley Waller was born August 24, 1912, the son of Julia Lewis and Zamal Sparrow Waller. He graduated from the high school at Magoffin Baptist Institute in 1936, from Georgetown College in 1939, and received his Th.M. degree from the Southern Seminary in 1942. He was married to Miss Adeline Barlow, of Sunrise, Ky., on August 26, 1939, and to this union three sons were born—John Z. Thomas Waller, George Edmund Waller, and Richard Moss Waller. All of these survive him, as do his mother, four brothers and four sisters.

He held pastorates with the Dry Run Baptist Church in Scott County, the Buffalo Lick, Christiansburg and Pigeon Fork Baptist Churches in Shelby County, and was pastor of the Lawrenceburg Baptist Church in Anderson County before going to the First Missionary Baptist Church of Benton.

He was a fearless preacher of the glorious Gospel of Christ. He had a winsome personality, but he was firm in his convictions. One of his fellow pastors said of him, "He fell on his way to do something for Jesus Christ." This was literally true, for he was on his way to put up his tent to begin a revival meeting, when the automobile accident occurred which cost him his life.

His funeral at the First Missionary Baptist Church of Benton, was the most wonderful service I have ever attended. As the organ played its consoling music, the choir sang, "I Am Satisfied With Jesus," "Speak to My Heart," "It Pays to Serve Jesus." Brother Wendell H. Rone, Murray pastor, gave his personal testimony of appreciation of Tommy and read the Scriptures. Pastor Thomas R. Brown, First Baptist Church of Paducah, brought a great message from the eighth chapter of Romans. Before his message Mrs. Hamilton and I sang, "Beyond the Sunset." Brother Brown sang, "An Evening Prayer," and read two short poems found among Brother Waller's sermons.

His body was placed in the Waller Cemetery at Valley Station, near Louisville, on Friday, June 10, close to his old home and church. The princeliest young preacher I know has gone to be with Christ. Our loss is great, but Heaven is made rich. So radiantly evident was his Christian testimony that, knowing him, one must know Jesus Christ. He had a passionate desire to see the lost saved. Today, he would challenge us to win the world to Christ.

Grand Canyon College Will Open September 13

PRESCOTT, Ariz.—(BP)—Southern Baptists will have a new four-year liberal arts college when Grand Canyon College, promoted by Arizona Baptists, opens at Prescott September 13, according to Dr. Willis J. Ray, president of the school and executive secretary of the Arizona Baptist Convention.

School officials expect 300 students to matriculate.



—Photo by Carl Jones, Louisville

Secretary Noel Taylor, Illinois, at microphone, appeals to the Southern Baptist Convention to come to Chicago in 1950. Dr. R. G. Lee, at left, presides.

In Memoriam

NANCY POWELL

TURNERS STATION, Ky., July 15.—Whereas, on May 6, 1949, God in His infinite wisdom saw fit to call Nancy Powell to his Heavenly Home,

Whereas, she was a faithful member of the Turners Station Baptist Church, here,

Whereas, the W. M. S. has lost a worthy member whose faithful consecration, gracious and pleasant manners were an inspiration to all who knew her, and her family a true and loving wife and mother,

Resolved, that we extend to her family our most sincere sympathy in this sad hour of bereavement,

Resolved, that we humbly bow in submission to His divine will, holding her memory dear, and cherishing every association we had with her.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to The Western Recorder, and a copy be kept on the records of the Woman's Missionary Society. —Committee, Alice Cannon, Mrs. William Brown, President W. M. S.

MRS. ALICE PIERCE

CRESTWOOD, Ky., June 30.—On April 4, 1949, Mrs. Alice Pierce passed away quietly in the early morning hours, to be with her Saviour, to dwell beyond the sunset.

As this is the first break in the family circle, we as a W. M. S. extend to the bereaved husband, daughters, and sons our deepest sympathy.

Mrs. Pierce was a most devoted member of the Harrods Creek Baptist Church and Women's Missionary Society, serving her Lord in every way her poor health would permit. A patient sufferer for several years, she never complained. She would say, "It's the Master's will."

Mrs. Pierce's life was devoted to her Lord and to her family.

She is survived by her husband, four sons, three daughters, and sixteen grandchildren. May they not grieve for her, "Let not your hearts be troubled, In our Father's house are many mansions." And we know the Lord is our shepherd. We shall not want only to seek and to save and live the life God would have us live. In the end we shall meet her beyond the river.

Be it resolved: That the family has lost a most devoted wife, mother, and counselor; the church, a member that was most untiring in her service to her Lord and Savior, and the W. M. S., a member that was always willing to help further the Master's kingdom in every way she could.

Be it further resolved: that a copy of this resolution be sent to her family, a copy to the Western Recorder for publication, and a copy recorded with the minutes of the W. M. S. and in submitting the resolution we say of Mrs. Pierce, well done thy good and faithful servant.—Harrods Creek W. M. U., Mrs. Eugene H. King, Chairman; Mrs. Orlando Johnston, Mrs. Lilly Dick.

Cloverport Church Has 28 Additions From The Riggs Revival

CLOVERPORT, Ky., July 1.—The ten-day revival in the Cloverport Baptist Church came to a close on June 16 with 28 additions to the church. On Sunday evening, June 19, the Rev. G. C. Sandusky, pastor, administered the ordinance of baptism to 25 candidates in the presence of a large audience.

For this series of evangelistic services Pastor Sandusky was assisted by the Rev. George H. Riggs, pastor of the Victory Memorial Baptist Church of Louisville. Evangelist Riggs was a powerful speaker and personal worker as well. He was liked by the townspeople from the beginning, and crowds attended throughout the entire ten days.

On the closing night of the meeting he was presented by the deacons of the church with a love offering of $300. During the meeting the ministers were entertained in numbers of homes. This is considered one of the greatest revivals in this church for a number of years.—*The Breckinridge News.*

Pastor Foster E. Howard, of the Second Baptist Church of Highland Park, Louisville, recently assisted Pastor John Pressly at the Poplar Grove Baptist Church, Pulaski County, in a revival. Mrs. Howard aided with the music. The visible results were 31 additions, 26 of whom were for baptism. The Howards expect to assist Pastor C. B. Robbins in a meeting at the Parkwood Baptist Church, Louisville, in a revival beginning August 8.

Smithfield Teacher 45 Years With Juniors

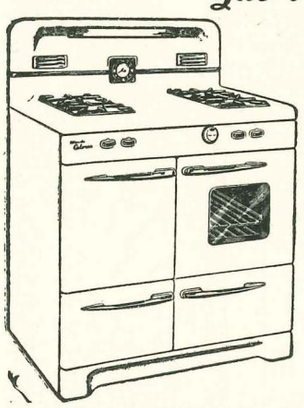
SMITHFIELD, Ky., July 1.—Recently the Smithfield Baptist Church paid homage to the oldest member of the church—Mrs. Bessie (Miss Bess) Hammonds, upon her retirement from the active teaching of a Junior Sunday School Class which she had taught for forty-five consecutive years. No member of the church can remember when this class was not taught by "Miss Bess." In paying tribute to her almost unprecedented love and devotion to and for her church, and particularly for her Sunday school class, her pastor, then Brother Bruce Whitaker, said, "Miss Bess not only lives every day in the lives of the membership of this church through her teaching of the unsearchable riches of the Gospel of Christ, but her undying love and saintly life and example are an inspiration beckoning all of us young and old to maximum living and service for a matchless Saviour and Lord."

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Covington, Latonia (2)	130	736
Danville, First (1)	44	732
Mayfield, First	---	697
Evansville, Ind., Grace (2)	156	667
Louisville, Victory Memorial (1)	163	642
Evansville, Ind., Calvary (3)	220	610
Owensboro, Third	---	599
Louisville, West Broadway (1)	53	583
Lexington, Calvary (2)	42	579
Murray, First	---	542
Lexington, Immanuel	---	532
Madisonville, First	---	530
Somerset, First	---	527
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	---	524
Pineville, First (3)	169	516
Newport, First (1)	42	511
Paducah, Immanuel (2)	52	511
Hopkinsville, Second	---	510
Louisville, Beechmont	---	509
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Barbourville, First (1)	49	437
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Campbellsville (1)	42	416
Louisville, Deer Park	---	411
Louisville, Eastern Parkway	---	399
Corbin, First	---	392
Louisville, Clifton (1)	60	389
Williamsburg, First	---	372
Corbin, Central	---	364
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Franklin, First (1)	65	360
Louisville, Third Ave. (1)	24	357
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Erlanger (1)	33	351
Covington, Southside	---	335
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Fairview (at Hall's Gap)	---	260
Louisville, South Side	---	254
Owensboro, Seven Hills	---	250
Crestwood	---	249
Loyall, First (1)	57	245
Sturgis, First	---	235
Russellville, First	---	233
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	---	230
Ludlow, First	---	223
Ft. Thomas	---	222
Hazel	---	215
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Louisville, Shawnee	---	209
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Dayton, First	---	201
Hazard, Petrey Memorial	---	200

Baptist Training Union Dept.

BYRON C. S. DeJARNETTE
State Secretary



Mr. Paul Adams, Paducah, Music Director for State Assembly Clear Creek, August 13-19.

SOUTHWESTERN REGION

It was necesary to change date of Convention. Please note that it will be at First Church, **Murray,** beginning on Thursday night, **August 25,** and closing on Friday night, **August 26.** Dr. James L. Sullivan, pastor Belmont Heights Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, will conduct each devotional period.

The Adult Challenge

By DESTER E. JONES
State Approved Adult Worker

"Be a Real Adult!"

One of the greatest accomplishments in life is to grow up to be an Adult. Every boy and girl desires to grow up and become an adult. To become an adult is the highest attainment of the physical life here. God made a man and a woman in the beginning, and He still expects every individual to become a full grown man or woman.

To be a real adult means to be strong physically, mentally and spiritually. No longer are we to be children. Paul says, "When I was a child I spake as a child, I understood as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things." We would act like men and women in this modern age and not like children. The strength of Christian men and women should step out in the forefront of things today to determine the moral ideals and social standards of life. Thus we would not have to conform to patterns of conduct set by a sinful world. The challenge is that every Christian man and woman shall take his or her place in the Master's work and apply all the power they have to it. Be a real Christian Adult!

Now if we are going to be the kind of Adult just described, we must have training. Many have thought when they became grown physically and got through school, that they were through with their training. But truly they are just beginning the process of true life then. And if training stops, the very law of nature will cause us to dry up and become dwarfed. It is a tragedy to be a physical dwarf, but it is a far greater calamity to be a spiritual dwarf. There are too many church members and so called Christians today who are dwarfed spiritually. They are spiritual babes in Christ and they so act. It is not a disgrace to be a babe in Christ, but it is tragic if we remain as babes and never grow up to the stature of a full grown Christian.

The Baptist Adult Union affords an opportunity for every Adult church member to keep up his training in every phase of life. We find in it an opportunity to pray, to stand up on our feet and bear witness to the saving power of Jesus Christ, to learn what our church and denomination believes about the great doctrines, to know about the missionaries and mission work in the world and to develop ourselves for Christian service. Every Adult church member should be an active member of the Adult Union that they may be a well informed Christian ready for every good work.

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If absence makes the heart grow fonder, a lot of people ought to love their church.—*Sunshine Magazine.*

Bethel Church in Gasper River Association Butler County



One of the few remaining log churches in the state is the Bethel Baptist Church, in Gasper River Association, Butler County. The church was organized in a school house near Big Muddy Creek in 1848 with 38 chartered members. The present building was constructed in 1872. They now have a total membership of 240 with a Sunday school enrollment of 54. Rev. S. P. Browning is the pastor.

Church at Willisburg Votes to Buy New Pews

WILLISBURG, Ky., July 18.—The Willisburg Baptist Church has just closed the most successful Bible School in its history. It ran for five days, July 11-15. There was an enrolment of 232, with an average attendance of 184. The school was managed by a force of 22 teachers, and Pastor H. C. Hedgespeth served as principal.

The Willisburg Church has seen a remarkable growth in the last year. All of the church property has been remodeled and redecorated inside. The church has voted to purchase new pews for the auditorium. There have been 90 additions to the church in the last ten months—65 have come for baptism. The Sunday school has grown from an average attendance last year of 156 to an average this year of 258.

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Brownsville Holds Vacation Bible School

BROWNSVILLE, Ky., June 30.—Our annual VBS began June 6 and came to a climaxing close on June 17. We had an enrolment of 90, with 18 workers. The average attendance was 91.6. The school gave $16.41 to missions, two $5.00 Hope boxes for overseas, and the remainder of the proceeds were used for the purchase of Testaments to be sent to Japan, through the American Bible Society. The total cost of the school was $62.01, which is an average of 5.7 per pupil.

T. H. DeMumbrum says: "We are indeed grateful to Mrs. Mildred Smith, of the First Baptist Church of Ceredo, W. Va., whose husband is helping in the construction of a bridge here, and Mrs. Romer Lindsey, Mrs. Jessie May Reed, Mrs. Ruth Logan, Mrs. Charlie Jones, Mrs. Lena Wells, Mrs. Willie Dossey, Mrs. Marie Parsley, Miss Helen Woodcock, Mrs. Mildred Tarter, Mrs. Margaret Hightower, Mrs. Faith Norene, Mrs. Vasta Ray, Mrs. Pauline Jones, Mrs. Alpha Johnson, Robert Lindsey and Rev. Grant L. Jones, who acted as Superintendent, for their untiring help with the school.

Closing of the school was marked with a picnic at Mammoth Cave on June 17, and commencement services at the church that night, making the public appreciative of what had been done.

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Gleanings

Pastor W. H. Raper and the Wallaceton Baptist Church were assisted in a revival meeting, June 13-24, by Pastor Arthur L. Walker of the Manly Memorial Baptist Church, Louisville. There were 14 professions of faith, 12 of these for baptism. Seven were received by letter.

The Gasper River Association meets Thursday and Friday after the first Sunday in August, which will be this year August 11 and 12, instead of August 18 and 19, as some have been previously informed, according to a statement made by Moderator Raymond T. Ward, McHenry, Ky.

The Immanuel Baptist Church of Paducah published recently a double-page map of the territory immediately surrounding their church to impress upon their members their field of labor. Pastor Wayne Dehoney, Mrs. Dehoney, and thirty of their young people went to Ridgecrest for Training Union Week.

The commencement of the VBS at Friendship Baptist Church, in Russell County Association, was held on the evening of June 26 following supper at the church. Pastor William R. Bradshaw reports that Mrs. Jennie B. Smith, Eli, Ky., was principal, and he says she is an excellent leader in this sort of work. Friendship has not missed VBS a single time since it was started many years ago.

The Good Hope Church, near Campbellsville, where Carl Loy is pastor, had a VBS in June. Mrs. Jennie Smith, of Eli, Ky., was the chief worker in this school. Pastor Carl Loy says she did excellent work with the children. There were four additions to the church by baptism. These were converted in the VBS. The enrolment and average attendance exceeded that of any of the three schools so far held.

The Red House Baptist Church dedicated its new church building on July 31, 1949. It was an all day service; the morning service began at 10:30 A. M. and the afternoon service at 2:30 P. M., with a basket lunch in between. The speaker for the morning service was Dr. C. W. Elsey of the First Baptist Church, Shelbyville, Kentucky, and the afternoon speaker was Rev. Don Gambrell of the Erlanger Baptist Church, Erlanger, Kentucky. Rev. Herbert E. Tuck is pastor.

Preparation day for the Vacation Bible School was held on July 1 with a well organized faculty present. The school continued for two weeks with the graduation exercises on Sunday night, July 17. There was a total enrollment of 92 and an average attendance of 60. A mission offering of $18.52 was made to the Co-operative Program. There were eight professions of faith during the Bible School and four of those have already united with the church. A total of 68 diplomas and 22 worker's certificates were awarded at the graduation exercises. Tom W. Dunlap, Jr., is pastor.

In Memoriam

MILTON E. GROVES

SOMERSET, Ky., July 22.—We, the Executive Committee of the Pulaski County Missionary Baptist Association at its quarterly business session held at Somerset in July, 1949, out of sincere appreciation of the generous work and untiring efforts of Brother Milton E. Gover, who, for many years, was Treasurer of our Association, wish to record the following resolutions:

1. That his labor of love for so many years was so well known throughout our Association that the news of his instant death in a car wreck Monday night, May 30, 1949, brought great sorrow to all our people.

2. His sincere faith in Christ, his loyalty to the teachings of God's Word, his humble Christ-like walk, wielded a mighty influence for good, therefore his life was a real blessing to the world.

3. We express our deepest sympathy to the wife and daughter, his father, mother, brothers and sisters, in the great loss they have sustained in the separation of their loved one and assure them upon the authority of God's Word, that his soul is now enjoying sweet peace in the presence of his Saviour.—R. F. Shearer, Boyce S. Jones, Bert Whitaker, Committee.

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While Pastor R. D. Gambrell was holding a revival meeting at Owingsville Baptist Church, his pulpit at Erlanger Baptist Church was supplied by Dr. George W. Redding, head of the Department of Bible at Georgetown College.

Sunday School Secretary W. A. Gardiner and five other workers are with Dr. J. S. Bell at the Hindman Baptist Church, Hindman, Ky., during August 7-12, for study classes. Mrs. Gardiner is teaching the Cradle Roll and Nursery Class workers.

There were ninety-one enrolled, with an average attendance of sixty-six in the VBS at Bromly, a mission operated by the First Baptist Church of Ludlow, Ky., where Thomas H. Shelton is pastor. They made an offering to missions in the amount of $7.26.

Pastor John E. Huss, of the Latonia Baptist Church, Covington, Ky., has been preaching nightly in a youth revival at the First Baptist Church of Ashland, Ky., whose pastor is Rev. Carroll Hubbard. They were aided by Roy Johnson, song leader; Lloyd Birch, and Miss Marian Smith, pianist; all college students.

The West Side Baptist Church of the White Water Association, Dayton, Ohio, on July 12 signed a contract with the Skyland Broadcasting Corporation to broadcast their entire Sunday morning program. The program can be heard in the Greater Miami Valley, covering Dayton, Toledo, Lima, Columbus, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Northern Kentucky.

Dr. Fred T. Moffatt, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Frankfort, Ky., will aid Dr. Walton R. Cole in a revival at the First Baptist Church of Dayton, Ky., October 2 and following. This is in cooperation with thirty-two churches in the northern part of the state who are co-operating in a simultaneous fall campaign.

Construction is under way for an educational building at Sand Run Baptist Church, near Burlington, Ky., with eleven Sunday school rooms on the first floor, a full basement in which will be located a furnace room with stoker, coal room, and a small kitchen. It will be finished about October 1, according to Pastor James W. McGregor, of Burlington.

Funeral of Mrs. Bessie Williamson was conducted at the Belleview Baptist Church, near Burlington, on June 28. She was sixty-eight years of age. Surviving her are a daughter, Mrs. Blanche Slayback, Covington; and one son, Howard Williamson, Burlington. She also leaves five brothers, Charles Robinson, Crescent Springs; Russell Robinson, Walton; Elmer Robinson, New Castle, Ind.; John Robinson, Rushville, Ind., and Boone Robinson, Patriot, Ind.

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Rev. R. A. Johnson, pastor of the Burlington Baptist Church, conducted a revival in the Oakland Baptist Church, Sparta, Route 1, Ky., July 4-16. During the past year there have been fifty-three additions to the church including baptisms, rededications and letters. A young folks choir of sixteen years of age and under sang each evening. On the last night we had ninety-five boys and girls singing the old Gospel choruses. Pastor Ray Alexander, Jr., says "Our churches must recognize our young people today if they expect Christ-loving churches tomorrow."

Mrs. T. L. Nash, of Lexington, Ky., is working with Dr. B. Frank Belvin in VBS and Bible Clinics in the Indian field near Okmulgee, Oklahoma. Dr. Belvin, a Choctaw Indian with the Home Mission Board, works with the Creeks and Cherokees in Eastern Oklahoma under Dr. J. B. Rounds. He visited the Grace Church in Lexington recently in connection with the Mission Study week, and visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Nash. Seeing the work Mrs. Nash has been doing in Lexington, he persuaded her to visit with his wife and himself to devote some of her teaching talents on the Indians. Brother Nash is hoping to accompany her on a similar trip next summer to Oklahoma.

A county-wide simultaneous revival is being held within the bounds of Owen County Baptist Churches during August 1-14. Pastor Ernest N. Perry, Richmond, is assisting Pastor Harry L. Green at the Owenton Church. Others are: Evangelist E. C. Houston, New Orleans, with Pastor William Stevens at Cedar Hill; Evangelist Judson Lennon, Raeford, N. C., with Pastor Eugene Poston, at Dallasburg; Pastor J. G. Dukes preaching in his own pulpit at Elk Lick; Otis Williams at Greenup Fork; E. M. Helton with Pastor C. O. Milford at Harmony; Warren Rust, Vine Grove, with Pastor H. L. Malone at Long Ridge; Logan Thomas with Pastor Daniel Cloer at Mussel Shoals; Jesse Stevenson with Pastor William Roberson at Monterey; Pastor Fulton Bryan at New Liberty; Ralph Murray, Fountain City, Tenn., with Pastor W. T. Dunaway at Richland; and George Hall, Middletown, with Pastor Herman Jacobs at Squiresville.

Wilbur Bingham and Wilbur Lynn Ordained Deacons at Crittenden

CRITTENDEN, Ky., July 18.—Brethren Wilbur Bingham and Wilbur Lynn were ordained deacons of the Crittenden Baptist Church on Sunday, July 10, 1949. Some forty deacons and pastors were members of the council. Pastor George Kelly, moderator of the Crittenden Association, was elected interrogator. Pastor R. S. Moore, of Turner Ridge Baptist Church, served the council as moderator. Pastor G. R. Henson, Dry Ridge Church, brought the charge to the deacons. Brother Harold Clark, pastor of Pleasant Ridge, led in the ordination prayer and the laying-on-of-hands.—*Raymond Lawrence.*

Wife of Covington Pastor Found Dead

COVINGTON, Ky.—Mrs. Melvina Walker, wife of Rev. Farrish E. Walker, supply pastor at the First Baptist Church, Covington, collapsed and died at her home, 1403 Scott Street, Covington. She was 56.

Kenton County Coroner Tressa Riffe returned a verdict of death from a heart attack. According to Mrs. Riffe, Mrs. Walker was found on the bathroom floor by her husband.

She leaves two sons, Farrish E. Walker, Jr., Ithica, N. Y.; William A. Walker, Seattle, Wash., and a daughter, Miss Mary Ann Walker, Covington.

M. L. Swetnam has charge of the funeral arrangements.—*The Kentucky Post Edition of The Cincinnati Post.*

W. K. Wood, Ashland, Holds Revival in the Macedonia Church

LEVEE, Ky., July 26.—The VBS of the Macedonia Baptist Church closed July 8. W. K. Wood held a revival meeting during the last week of the school. There were 21 professions of faith and four additions by letter. All 21 candidates were baptized. Five young married couples were united in the Lord and one other Christian family was united in the church. Pastor Harold E. Camerson says, "Brother Wood preached soul-stirring messages that were used mightily by the Holy Spirit." The meeting closed July 10.

The members of the church are working for the Lord as never before. The Sunday school reached its highest attendance—107—on the last day of the meeting, and that in spite of hard rain.

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James A. Ivy, Princeton, Ky., has been called to be pastor of the Utica Baptist Church, near Owensboro, and he has moved on the field with his family.

Pastor James P. Craine is the pastor-evangelist in a revival held at the Cash Creek Baptist Church, Route 1, Hebbardsville, Ky.

Next fall Pastor Alfred R. Hoe, Lynch, Ky., will be the evangelist in a revival with Pastor Henry Beach, Jr., at the Hall Street Church of Owensboro.

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Loren R. Williams, Minister of Music at the First Baptist Church of Owensboro, Ky., tauguht in the Missouri Baptist Church Music Conference at Hollister Hill Assembly, Hollister, Mo., during July.

Pastor Harold D. Tallant, of the First Church of Madisonville, Ky., is teaching on the faculty of Ridgecrest Assembly a book on "Young People's Administration."

Pastor Henry Beach, Jr., has been helping Pastor James Stivers in a revival meeting at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church since July 25. Brother Beach is pastor at the Hall Street Baptist Church, Owensboro.

All churches in Ohio Valley Association except one have had, or are making plans for, a VBS this summer. Actually 19 out of 22 churches have completed their VBS by the time this appears in print.

James T. Bell, 69, one-time Police Chief in Owensboro, died after a brief illness at the Owensboro-Daviess County Hospital on July 15. He was a member of the Third Baptist Church of Owensboro. His funeral was preached by Pastor H. B. Kuhnle, and burial took place in the Rose Hill Cemetery.

Pastor A. W. Walker, Carlisle Avenue Baptist Church of Louisville, has been preaching, and Singer Owen Page Cooper, of Mt. Pleasant Church, has been leading the music in a revival with Pastor Wayne Thomas at the Bethel Baptist Church at Hebbardsville, beginning July 25.

Pastor H. Curtis Erwin, of the Macedonia Baptist Church, Dermont, Ky., recently conducted a revival at the Yelvington Baptist Church, near Owensboro. Mr. and Mrs. Almond Snyder, members of Hall Street Church in Owensboro, were in charge of the music. Brother J. Samuel Phillips is pastor at Yelvington.

Pastor John Hammatt is leading the Mount Liberty Baptist Church in a building and remodeling program. His church bulletin recently carried the pertinent sentence: "While the Building Committee is planning what to do, suppose YOU plan how to HELP." That ought to put his members to thinking.

Pastor Raymond Ward is making a tour of the Baptist colleges, hospitals and orphanages in Kentucky during August that he may speak with more familiarity of them to his members at the McHenry Baptist Church hereafter. There is nothing like being an eye witness when you are expecting to have to testify.

Pastor J. D. Herndon has been assisted in a Youth Revival at the Buena Vista Baptist Church of Owensboro by Pastor J. Bill Jones, of the Central Baptist Church of Paris, Ky. Helping to compose the youth team also were Song Leader Ray Johnson, Pianist Robert King, and Junior Worker, Miss Hazel Slusher, all students in Georgetown College.

Brethren Donald Dickerson, Estil Bruce and Leo Cline were ordained as deacons by the Hall Street Church of Owensboro on July 20. Pastor I. M. Hallford, Panther Creek Church, preached the ordination sermon and the charge to the candidates was delivered by Missionary Eldred Taylor. The ordination prayer was offered by Brother D. Arthur Dailey.

Rev. James Ashbridge, Benton, Ky., is the volunteer evangelist for a mission revival which started at the Mt. Olive Church on Sunday night, July 17. This revival follows the church's first VBS which had 55 present the first day and several professions of faith on the last day. The work was led by Rev. Fred W. Martin and Miss Jean Hinton, State Mission workers.

Pastor and Mrs. Robert E. Humphreys, of the First Church of Owensboro, Ky., are in Ridgecrest, N. C., during most of August. Pastor E. Keevil Judy, of the First Church of Henderson, Ky., preached at the First Church of Owensboro July 31. Other summer speakers will be: August 7, Loren R. Williams; August 14, Dr. Edw. A. McDowell, Jr.; and August 21 and 28, Samuel S. Hill, Jr.

The Stanley Baptist Church, Daviess-McLean Association, experienced a good revival June 20-July 1, with 13 additions to the church. Pastor J. D. Herndon, of Buena Vista Church of Owensboro was the evangelist and James Leonard in charge of the music. Brother Guy Gordon, Jr., began his pastorate there August 1, 1948, at which time the church went to full-time, and since then 24 additions have been made to the church roll.

Murfreesboro Pastor Conducts Revival At The Macedonia Church

OWENSBORO, Ky., July 13.—The Macedonia Baptist Church brought to a close a series of revival services on July 10. The meetings centered around the anniversary of the church's decision to go full-time, which was July 4 of the previous year.

Pastor Wendell W. Price of the Third Baptist Church of Murfreesboro, Tenn., was the evangelist in the meeting. At the close of the evangelistic emphasis Pastor H. Curtis Erwin welcomed into the Macedonia Church 17 persons. Of these 15 were adults and two were young people. Eight of the 17 additions were by baptism and nine by letter from sister Baptist churches.

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WHITESVILLE, Ky., July 21.—Whereas, on May 24, 1949, God in His infinite love and wisdom called to her Heavenly Home, Mrs. Will Spurrier, one of our beloved W. M. S. members. She was ever faithful to God's calls and will be sadly missed, both by the church and by her friends.

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Second Church, Hazard, Honors A. S. Petrey by Taking His Name

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Speakers on the program during the day included Brethren L. O. Griffith, Assistant to General Secretary W. C. Boone, Louisville; Marian Parker, pastor of First Baptist Church, Whitesburg, Ky.; Winn T. Barr, new pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hazard; and Dr. J. S. Bell, pastor of the Kindman Baptist Church.

Highlights mentioned in the printed bulletin for the day were:

"In August, 1897, Brother A. S. Petrey made a tour from Williamsburg, Ky., to this section of the country soliciting students for Cumberland College. At that time he held a meeting at Hyden and had forty-six conversions. He also held a meeting in Hazard and had nineteen conversions. At the insistence of some of the folks in Hazard he returned to Hazard in February, 1898 with his family after resigning his work as instructor in Cumberland College.

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LEVEE, Ky., July 26.—The VBS of the Macedonia Baptist Church closed July 8. W. K. Wood held a revival meeting during the last week of the school. There were 21 professions of faith and four additions by letter. All 21 candidates were baptized. Five young married couples were united in the Lord and one other Christian family was united in the church. Pastor Harold E. Camerson says, "Brother Wood preached soul-stirring messages that were used mightily by the Holy Spirit." The meeting closed July 10.

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Gleanings

Roy A. Hamilton, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Paintsville, Ky., is to have with him Rev. Louis W. Arnold, Lexington, Ky., in a revival meeting.

Catlettsburg, Ky., has been celebrating its centennial this year. The churches inaugurated the program with special services on July 24, at which time capacity crowds attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Snyder, Jellico, Tenn., observed their fiftieth wedding anniversary recently, and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Finley, also of Jellico, a short time afterwards celebrated their silver wedding anniversary.

Sunday School Secretary W. A. Gardiner and five other workers are with Dr. J. S. Bell at the Hindman Baptist Church, Hindman, Ky., during August 7-12, for study classes. Mrs. Gardiner is teaching the Cradle Roll and Nursery Class workers.

The church attendance at the Royal Oak Baptist Church, Sturgeon, Ky., in Booneville Association has steadily increased since Pastor O. B. Baker, Vincent, Ky., came to them a year ago. The enrolment has gone from 48 to 127, and the average attendance has increased from 24 to 82. Finances are in much better shape, and a new site has been purchased, a basement dug, and enough materials have been secured to complete a basement-plan building for the present.

Pastor John E. Huss, of the Latonia Baptist Church, Covington, Ky., has been preaching nightly in a youth revival at the First Baptist Church of Ashland, Ky., whose pastor is Rev. Carroll Hubbard. They were aided by Roy Johnson, song leader; Lloyd Birch, and Miss Marian Smith, pianist; all college students.

The Unity Baptist Church of John's Creek reports an. enrollment of 65 in their Vacation Bible School with an average attendance of 53. The school was held in the new basement. This church sponsored one mission Vacation Bible School. The pastor is Clyde B. Stephens.

Crouches Creek Church, near Jellico, Tenn., had a VBS during July 18-23 with an enrolment of 221 and an average attendance of 170. Commencement services were held on the evening of July 23 with a large crowd present. Serving on the administration of the school was Pastor George Williams and Associational Missionary Alford Jones. The secretaries were Willa Jean Cox and Mohle Bowlin, and Geneva Leach the music director. Those on the faculty included: Beginners—Mrs. Della Miller, Mrs. Rachel Huddleston, Mrs. Virgia Douglas, Junita Bowlin; Primaries—Mrs. Anna Bell Slagle, Mrs. Rosa Bordoni, Mrs. Berthie Malone, Lila Lindsey; Juniors—Mrs. Mary Hall, Mrs. Geneva Leach, Mrs. Flora Mae Bowlin, Lettie Vann, Arnold Spradlin and Laura Payne; Intermediates—Mrs. Ann Adkins, Lois Saunder, Nannie Brown and Mrs. Edith Huddleston.

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Improvements Made At New Bethel Church Near Hardinsburg

HARDINSBURG, Ky., July 25.—The New Bethel Baptist Church, Breckenridge Baptist Association, has been wired, two new Sunday school rooms have been built, and new floor has been laid, and new curtains hung. These are very good, and every member is equally proud of our improvements. However, it is easy to be so lost in the details of church administration (or improvements) as the apostles were at Jerusalem, distributing the relief funds, they were about to neglect prayer and the ministry of the Word. We would also "give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the Word."

Rev. R. E. Sasser assisted Pastor William Varble in a revival beginning July 11. Brother Varble has been pastor of this church for approximately ten years and has met with much success. Our present membership is 160.—*Ople J. Eskridge, Clerk.*

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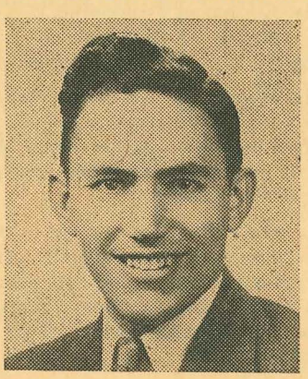
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The father of Sunday School Superintendent M. G. Williams, of the Second Baptist Church of Hopkinsville, died recently.

James A. Ivy, Princeton, Ky., has been called to be pastor of the Utica Baptist Church, near Owensboro, and he has moved on the field with his family.

Pastor James P. Craine is the pastor-evangelist in a revival held at the Cash Creek Baptist Church, Route 1, Hebbardsville, Ky.

Next fall Pastor Alfred R. Hoe, Lynch, Ky., will be the evangelist in a revival with Pastor Henry Beach, Jr., at the Hall Street Church of Owensboro.

The Bethel Baptist Church, Hebbardsville, Ky., where Wayne Thomas is pastor, has decided to wait until they have at least $30,000 in hand before they start to build.

Pastor J. H. Lyon pronounced the marriage ceremony at the wedding of Hildred Stovall and Delta Sweeny at the Second Baptist Church of Greenville, Ky., on June 27.

Pastor H. B. Kuhnle of the Third Baptist Church of Owensboro, has been assisting Pastor M. R. Cherry in a revival meeting at the Yellow Creek Baptist Church, four miles east of Owensboro.

Loren R. Williams, Minister of Music at the First Baptist Church of Owensboro, Ky., tauguht in the Missouri Baptist Church Music Conference at Hollister Hill Assembly, Hollister, Mo., during July.

Pastor Harold D. Tallant, of the First Church of Madisonville, Ky., is teaching on the faculty of Ridgecrest Assembly a book on "Young People's Administration."

Pastor Henry Beach, Jr., has been helping Pastor James Stivers in a revival meeting at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church since July 25. Brother Beach is pastor at the Hall Street Baptist Church, Owensboro.

All churches in Ohio Valley Association except one have had, or are making plans for, a VBS this summer. Actually 19 out of 22 churches have completed their VBS by the time this appears in print.

James T. Bell, 69, one-time Police Chief in Owensboro, died after a brief illness at the Owensboro-Daviess County Hospital on July 15. He was a member of the Third Baptist Church of Owensboro. His funeral was preached by Pastor H. B. Kuhnle, and burial took place in the Rose Hill Cemetery.

Pastor A. W. Walker, Carlisle Avenue Baptist Church of Louisville, has been preaching, and Singer Owen Page Cooper, of Mt. Pleasant Church, has been leading the music in a revival with Pastor Wayne Thomas at the Bethel Baptist Church at Hebbardsville, beginning July 25.

Pastor H. Curtis Erwin, of the Macedonia Baptist Church, Dermont, Ky., recently conducted a revival at the Yelvington Baptist Church, near Owensboro. Mr. and Mrs. Almond Snyder, members of Hall Street Church in Owensboro, were in charge of the music. Brother J. Samuel Phillips is pastor at Yelvington.

Pastor John Hammatt is leading the Mount Liberty Baptist Church in a building and remodeling program. His church bulletin recently carried the pertinent sentence: "While the Building Committee is planning what to do, suppose YOU plan how to HELP." That ought to put his members to thinking.

Pastor Raymond Ward is making a tour of the Baptist colleges, hospitals and orphanages in Kentucky during August that he may speak with more familiarity of them to his members at the McHenry Baptist Church hereafter. There is nothing like being an eye witness when you are expecting to have to testify.

Pastor J. D. Herndon has been assisted in a Youth Revival at the Buena Vista Baptist Church of Owensboro by Pastor J. Bill Jones, of the Central Baptist Church of Paris, Ky. Helping to compose the youth team also were Song Leader Ray Johnson, Pianist Robert King, and Junior Worker, Miss Hazel Slusher, all students in Georgetown College.

Brethren Donald Dickerson, Estil Bruce and Leo Cline were ordained as deacons by the Hall Street Church of Owensboro on July 20. Pastor I. M. Hallford, Panther Creek Church, preached the ordination sermon and the charge to the candidates was delivered by Missionary Eldred Taylor. The ordination prayer was offered by Brother D. Arthur Dailey.

Rev. James Ashbridge, Benton, Ky., is the volunteer evangelist for a mission revival which started at the Mt. Olive Church on Sunday night, July 17. This revival follows the church's first VBS which had 55 present the first day and several professions of faith on the last day. The work was led by Rev. Fred W. Martin and Miss Jean Hinton, State Mission workers.

Pastor and Mrs. Robert E. Humphreys, of the First Church of Owensboro, Ky., are in Ridgecrest, N. C., during most of August. Pastor E. Keevil Judy, of the First Church of Henderson, Ky., preached at the First Church of Owensboro July 31. Other summer speakers will be: August 7, Loren R. Williams; August 14, Dr. Edw. A. McDowell, Jr.; and August 21 and 28, Samuel S. Hill, Jr.

The Stanley Baptist Church, Daviess-McLean Association, experienced a good revival June 20-July 1, with 13 additions to the church. Pastor J. D. Herndon, of Buena Vista Church of Owensboro was the evangelist and James Leonard in charge of the music. Brother Guy Gordon, Jr., began his pastorate there August 1, 1948, at which time the church went to full-time, and since then 24 additions have been made to the church roll.

Murfreesboro Pastor Conducts Revival At The Macedonia Church

OWENSBORO, Ky., July 13.—The Macedonia Baptist Church brought to a close a series of revival services on July 10. The meetings centered around the anniversary of the church's decision to go full-time, which was July 4 of the previous year.

Pastor Wendell W. Price of the Third Baptist Church of Murfreesboro, Tenn., was the evangelist in the meeting. At the close of the evangelistic emphasis Pastor H. Curtis Erwin welcomed into the Macedonia Church 17 persons. Of these 15 were adults and two were young people. Eight of the 17 additions were by baptism and nine by letter from sister Baptist churches.

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Porter Memorial Dedicates New Annex to Rear of Old Quarters

LEXINGTON, Ky., July 17.—A new educational building, joined immediately to the rear of the Porter Memorial Baptist Church here, was dedicated today in unique services. Pastor O'Ray Weeks had as guest speakers Dr. W. A. Gardiner, Sunday School Secretary in Kentucky, who preached in the morning service, and Rev. R. B. Hooks, Superintendent of Evangelism and Rural Work, who spoke in the afternoon and night services.

The new building has seven departments. Each of the three floors is painted in different soft colors from light green to a light yellow. *The Nursery Beautiful* caught the eyes of all. Venitian blinds, florescent lights, ruffled curtains, two germicidal units, etc., are part of the equipment.

Porter Memorial now has two departments all the way through their educational system. That is, two departments in each age group. Two nurseries, two beginners, etc. Also many new classes have been started. Some 299 new members have been enrolled since September 1, 1948. Brother O. L. White is Superintendent of the Sunday school. W. V. Brack is chairman of the building committee and trustees; R. H. Gardner is Superintendent of construction; Kelly Rogers, chairman of the deacons; Robert Cochran designed the color scheme throughout the building; Mrs. Elmer Brooker is the chairman of the fellowship committee; and the efficiency committee consists of Mrs. F. Noel, Huston Singer, Bill Anderson. The nurse in the Nursery is Mrs. James Laverty, RN.

Many visiting pastors and wives and members from other churches met and rejoiced over their new beautiful building. There were two for baptism, three by letter and two reconsecrations.



Pastor O'Ray Weeks welcomes four of his laymen to make a trip through the new annex of the Porter Memorial Baptist Church of Lexington. The men in the party are: W. V. Brack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees; L. H. Hargett, Robert H. Gardner, and Kelley G. Rogers, the latter being the chairman of the deacons, and Pastor Weeks.

Mrs. T. L. Nash, of Lexington, Ky., is working with Dr. B. Frank Belvin in VBS and Bible Clinics in the Indian field near Okmulgee, Oklahoma. Dr. Belvin, a Choctaw Indian with the Home Mission Board, works with the Creeks and Cherokees in Eastern Oklahoma under Dr. J. B. Rounds. He visited the Grace Church in Lexintgon recently in connection with the Mission Study week, and visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Nash. Seeing the work Mrs. Nash has been doing in Lexington, he persuaded her to visit with his wife and himself to devote some of her teaching talents on the Indians. Brother Nash is hoping to accompany her on a similar trip next summer to Oklahoma.

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Dycusburg—Pastor R. F. Thurman; Superintendent M. T. Bragdon.

Bon Voyage Program

We have several copies of the *Bon Voyage* program which is recommended to the churches before the young people leave for college. Write for a copy if you are interested.

McCreary Association

McCreary Association had twelve of us in simultaneous enlargement campaigns under the direction of Missionary Roy Lewis. Brother Lewis is doing a fine work and it looks like his association will earn the banner for the best record in training this year. This association is below Somerset on the Tennessee border and is a mining section. The total number attending the training classes during the campaigns was 475.

Credit for the Book, "God's Hurry"

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Church	Missions	Total
Louisville, Walnut St. (4)	248	1,485
Louisville, Parkland (1)	41	954
Louisville, Carlisle Ave. (2)	194	945
Lexington, Ashland Ave. (2)	179	846
Harrodsburg (3)	168	841
Lexington, Porter Memorial (2)	221	828
Bowling Green, First	---	762
Covington, Latonia (2)	130	736
Danville, First (1)	44	732
Mayfield, First	---	697
Evansville, Ind., Grace (2)	156	667
Louisville, Victory Memorial (1)	163	642
Evansville, Ind., Calvary (3)	220	610
Owensboro, Third	---	599
Louisville, West Broadway (1)	53	583
Lexington, Calvary (2)	42	579
Murray, First	---	542
Lexington, Immanuel	---	532
Madisonville, First	---	530
Somerset, First	---	527
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	---	524
Pineville, First (3)	169	516
Newport, First (1)	42	511
Paducah, Immanuel (2)	52	511
Hopkinsville, Second	---	510
Louisville, Beechmont	---	509
Louisville, Highland (2)	120	491
Lexington, Grace	---	454
Hopkinsville, First	---	450
Glasgow (1)	20	438
Barbourville, First (1)	49	437
London, First	---	436
Danville, Lexington Ave. (1)	44	428
Campbellsville (1)	42	416
Louisville, Deer Park	---	411
Louisville, Eastern Parkway	---	399
Corbin, First	---	392
Louisville, Clifton (1)	60	389
Williamsburg, First	---	372
Corbin, Central	---	364
Henderson, Audubon (1)	41	364
Franklin, First (1)	65	360
Louisville, Third Ave. (1)	24	357
Fulton, First	---	354
Erlanger (1)	33	351
Covington, Southside	---	335
Louisville, St. Matthews	---	330
Morganfield (1)	34	325
Mackville	---	317
Henderson, Immanuel	---	300
Louisville, Franklin St.	---	300
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial	---	295
Lebanon	---	281
Bellevue	---	277
Middlesboro, E. Cumberland Ave.	---	275
Jellico, Tenn., Crouches Creek	---	275
Greenville	---	273
Paducah, Trinity	---	272
Willisburg	---	270
Campbellsville, Pleasant Hill	---	268
Middlesboro, Old Yellow Creek	---	265
Versailles	---	264
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	---	264
Evansville, Ind., Walnut St.	---	263
Fairview (at Hall's Gap)	---	260
Louisville, South Side	---	254
Owensboro, Seven Hills	---	250
Crestwood	---	249
Loyall, First (1)	57	245
Sturgis, First	---	235
Russellville, First	---	233
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	---	230
Ludlow, First	---	223
Ft. Thomas	---	222
Hazel	---	215
Owensboro, Crabtree Ave.	---	211
Albany (1)	43	209
Mt. Sterling, First (1)	31	209
Louisville, Shawnee	---	209
Sand Spring (near Lawrenceburg)	---	206
Dayton, First	---	201
Hazard, Petrey Memorial	---	200

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Mr. Paul Adams, Paducah,
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Clear Creek, August 13-19.

SOUTHWESTERN REGION

It was necesary to change date of Convention. Please note that it will be at First Church, **Murray,** beginning on Thursday night, **August 25,** and closing on Friday night, **August 26.** Dr. James L. Sullivan, pastor Belmont Heights Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, will conduct each devotional period.

The Adult Challenge

By DESTER E. JONES
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Woman's Missionary Union

MRS. GEORGE R. FERGUSON
Executive Secretary

Important Announcements

Have you made your reservations for Clear Creek for the Encampment? If not, be sure to do so today for there will be many good things there you won't want to miss! In addition to the good program planned by the Encampment program committee, you will want to be



Miss Yukiko Endo

there for W. M. U. Day, August 26, and for the W. M. U. Mission Study Institute when classes will be held each day to teach teachers how to teach Mission Study books.

The Foreign Mission study for this fall is to be Japan. The books are new and just off the press. They are: "Japan's New Day" by Edwin B. Dozier; "Ring in the New" by Akiko Endo; "Jottings from Japan" by Ernest O. Mills; "My Daddy Told Me" by Sarah Ellen Dozier; and "Chie-Ko-Chan" by Mary Wiley Dozier. These books may be secured from your Baptist Book Store.

Helps for leaders are available free of charge for each of the books. Order from the Department of Education and Promotion of the Foreign Mission Board, Box 5148, Richmond 20, Virginia.

Miss Yukiko "Akiko" Endo, author of "Ring in the New," and whose picture appears on this page, is a Japanese student studying in 1948-1950 in our W. M. U. Training School on a special scholarship from Kentucky W. M. U. She is a protege of Dr. and Mrs. Maxfield Garrott, and an outstanding Japanese Christian and Baptist. She will teach her own book at Clear Creek Encampment.

Other teachers will be presented on this page next week.

Attention B. W. C. Members!

Make your reservations before August 15 for B. W. C. Camp at Clear Creek over Labor Day week-end, September 3-5! ! Outstanding speakers: Dr. V. L. Seats, just returned from Nigeria; Miss LaVora Murfin from Rachel Sims Mission in New Orleans and Blue Mountain College; Miss Edwina Robinson, Executive Secretary of W. M. U. of Mississippi and chairman of Ridgecrest B. W. C. Conference; and others.

Full particulars next week.

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Communists Take Over Shanghai University and Soochow School Property

RICHMOND, Va.—University of Shanghai and Soochow Baptist school property have been taken over by Chinese Communist authorities, according to a cablegram received July 1 from Dr. Frank Connely of Shanghai.

Secretary M. Theron Rankin of the Foreign Mission Board stated that occupation of mission property had been anticipated as a possibility. However, missionaries remained with the schools throughout the change-over from Nationalist to Communist forces in both Soochow and Shanghai, in keeping with the Board's policy of dealing with the situation on the basis of what has come rather than on what might come.

Letters from Soochow and other stations behind Communist lines had reported normal activities shortly before news came of the Communist occupation of the Soochow property. Missionaries Blanche Groves, Sophie Lanneau, Ola Lea and Jenell Greer remained in Soochow when Communists took the city on their drive to Shanghai.

There was some intense fighting in the Yangtzepoo area near the University of Shanghai, but the only damage to the buildings was shattered windows from a few stray bullets. The Baptist Compound, several miles away, was undamaged.

Although missionaries will continue to serve wherever possible in China, complete reorganization of mission work in the Orient is possible within a year, Dr. Rankin stated. Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, secretary for the Orient, has been to Bangkok, Thailand, recently and will go soon to Formosa and Korea, looking into possibilities of relocating missionaries in those areas. Missionary G. W. Strother has gone to India to survey that field.

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Education is only a ladder to gather fruit from the tree of knowledge, not the fruit itself.—*Earl Riney.*

An Eratic Fanatic

According to press reports, Kenneth L. Patton, a Unitarian minister, has renounced membership in the white race and declared himself to be a man of color. His decision came after reading *King's Blood Royal,* a novel by Sinclair Lewis. His action was taken, so he tells us, "because of irritation and distrust over discrimination against Negroes of his town."

Of course, this is a free country, and so long as one's actions do not interfere with anyone else he is free to select his own course in life: but one wonders if such action as his will solve the race problem. There are biological differences which cannot be overcome by resolutions passed by groups, conferences on racial matters, or by individuals changing their racial relationships. The problem can be solved only on the basis of individual integrity and recognition of the universal brotherhood of man. Christianity alone has the solution.—*Southern Baptist Home Missions.*

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IS GOD CALLING YOU TO FOREIGN FIELDS?

RICHMOND, Va.,—More than at any other time in history, the world is in need of missionaries. In order to advance foreign mission work Southern Baptists need at least one thousand more missionaries than are now on foreign fields. Some of our finest young people are offering to match these needs with their lives. Will you?

Here are the qualifications which missionaries going overseas should have:

1. Physical. The missionary should be sound in body and mind. He must be within the age limits of 24 and 32.

2. Educational. The Foreign Mission Board is seeking men who are *preachers* or combination of *preacher-teacher*. A Bachelor of Divinity degree is required after completion of college. *Women* should have a college degree as well as a Master of Religious Education degree. *Physicians* should have one year internship and one year of Seminary training in addition to their M.D. degree. *Nurses* should have one year in a seminary or training school in addition to college and R.N. degrees.

3. Spiritual. The missionary must know beyond any doubt that Christ is his Saviour. The Apostle Paul was most persuasive when he told of how Christ saved him on the road to Damascus. Most of us do not have dramatic experiences of *conversion*, but we can know beyond any doubt that we have surrendered our all to Christ as our Saviour and Lord.

The missionary must have a strong sense of *call*. Unless he is sure God has called him to work overseas he will utterly fail. He must also remember unless he is a misisonary here in the States during the years of preparation he will not be a *soul-winner* overseas.

Before natives will "accept" a missionary they want to know that he really loves them. Nothing can take the place of a very *real love for people*—a love which places others first. The fine art of getting along with others should be mastered by missionaries.

Everyone in religious work knows the importance of the daily *study* of God's Word and of a deep *prayer* life. For a missionary to succeed he must go in God's power and remember that "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me."

The most important job in all the world is that job which God wants you to do. If you feel that your service for God may be in foreign lands, write: Personnel Department, Foreign Mission Board, Box 5148, Richmond 20, Virginia. —*Samuel E. Maddox, Personnel Secretary.*

Best Way to Help Missionaries

The very best way anyone can help the missionaries whom he knows is to contribute liberally through the local churches and see that a good percentage of the money in the local churches goes to the Co-operative Program and thence through the Foreign Mission Board.

I know that some of you want a more direct contact with the work done on the foreign field by sending gifts to individual missionaries for the work. And we are happy to receive these—but not until you have done your share in the above plan.

Only in this way can we really set forward a worthy foreign misison program.—*Missionary George Hays of Japan.*

Contract Worker for New Seminary

Miss Eunice Katherene Parker of Texas has been approved as a contract worker in Switzerland. She will serve as secretary to the president of the international Baptist Theological Seminary opening this fall at Zurich, with Dr. George W. Sadler as acting president. Miss Parker is a graduate of the seminary at Fort Worth and has had training also in library science. She has been associate state student secretary in Texas.

Latin American Hospital

The Foreign Mission Board voted at its July meeting to appropriate $100,000 for the construction of the first unit of a hospital in Asuncion, Paraguay. This will be the first Baptist hospital ever constructed in South America, and the only Evangelical or Protestant hospital in Paraguay.

Missionary Franklin T. Fowler located and arranged to purchase property for the hospital in the suburbs of Asuncion last December, a few days after he had been granted a license to practice medicine in Paraguay.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fairchild, appointed missionaries to Brazil in 1948, have resigned, effective August 1, because of the illness of their son.

Missionary P. D. Sullivan returning to North Brazil, will open work in a new field, Amapa federal territory, northwest of Belem.

Property has been purchased in downtown Cali, Columbia, on which a building will be erected for the First Baptist Church of Cali.

Treasurer E. P. Buxton of the Foreign Mission Board reported total receipts of $3,897,021.85 for the first six months of 1949. Total receipts for the same period last year were $3,423,853.70.

What Is Conversion?

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It is therefore dififcult to see what conversion can mean if the alleged convert never goes on to identify himself with the life and witness of some part of a church; and is it not here that so much of our well-intentioned evangelism, especially among young people, disappoints and breaks down? We try to do in two stages what the New Testament regards as one. It is not sufficient to feel a mystical and sentimental loyalty to a vague and intangible "church:" the truly converted man has a place in the local congregation, for his own good as well as for the glory of God and the blessing of others. Most evangelical Christians today are fairly clear to what conversion is *from*. Do we, however, always appreciate what we are converted *to?—The Life of Faith.*

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Harold G. Sanders is Appointed To Visit Chaplains in Europe

ATLANTA, Ga., June 15.—Dr. Harold G. Sanders, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Tallahassee, Fla., has been appointed by the Chief of Chaplains, Department of the Army, Washington, D. C., as one of five American preachers to visit the units of the European Command in July. The party is expected to leave Washington about July 15 for a tour of approximately thirty days. The purpose is to provide "chaplains of the various commands with an opportunity to receive the outlook, point of view and spiritual experience of outstanding clergymen through conferences, retreats, and spiritual exercises," according to the government spokesman.

Dr. Sanders, a native of Webb City, Missouri, is a graduate of William Jewell College, Southwest Baptist College, and the University of Missouri in that state; and holds the degrees of Master and Doctor in Theology from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Louisville, Kentucky. He has held pastorates in Missouri, Indiana, Kentucky, Alabama (Birmingham), and his present pastorate.

Dr. Sanders served for three years as a chaplain in the U. S. Navy during the recent war, spending 19 months in the Pacific area. He received international news recognition for outstanding work in New Guinea where he baptized approximately 150 men in a mountain pool at the foot of a waterfall in the jungle. He is currently Chaplain in the American Legion and a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Tallahassee.

He is a member of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and serves on other committees for his denomination. Dr. Sanders is the only Baptist in the group of five.

Editorial Note:

While a student in Kentucky Dr. Sanders was pastor at Christiansburg Baptist Church, in Shelby County, and the Riverview Baptist Church in Nelson Association. For one year he was Youth Director of the Highland Baptist Church of Louisville. At the Seminary he was a fellow in the Department of Homiletics under Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon, and majored in New Testament under Dr. W. Hersey Davis.



Harold G. Sanders

Kentucky Young People And Others Going As Foreign Missionaries

The Foreign Mission Board of Richmond appointed three new missionaries at its June meeting. Eight had been appointed previously at the May meeting. This brings the number appointed this year to 46 and two contract workers.

The June appointees are: Mr. and Mrs. Chester R. Young, for Hawaii; and Miss Lillian Pauline Taylor, for Chile. Chester Young is a native of Garlin, Ky., and has spent most of his life at Columbia, Ky., where he attended Lindsey-Wilson College, and graduated at Berea College in 1943, and at the Southern Seminary in Louisville last May, 1949. His wife, the former Florence Alice Baird, hails from Jellico, Tenn., and attended the W. M. U. Training School here, and for some time has worked in the Kentucky Baptist Building. Miss Taylor also attended the W. M. U. Training School.

The May appointments were: Dr. and Mrs. Lorne E. Brown, Waverly Hills, Ky., for Arabia; Rev. Pat H. Hill, Dade City, Fla., pastor at Hebbardsville, Ky., and chaplain at the Lincoln Institute at Lincoln Ridge, and graduate of Stetson University and Southern Seminary, together with Mrs. Hill, W. M. U. Training School, for Nigeria; Mr. Ray E. Shelton, Tracy City, Tenn., graduate of Berry College and Southern Seminary, and Mrs. Shelton, W. M. U. Training School, both for Argentina; Miss Helen Nixon, for Columbia, South America; and Miss Evelyn Schwartz, Southwestern Seminary, for Hawaii.

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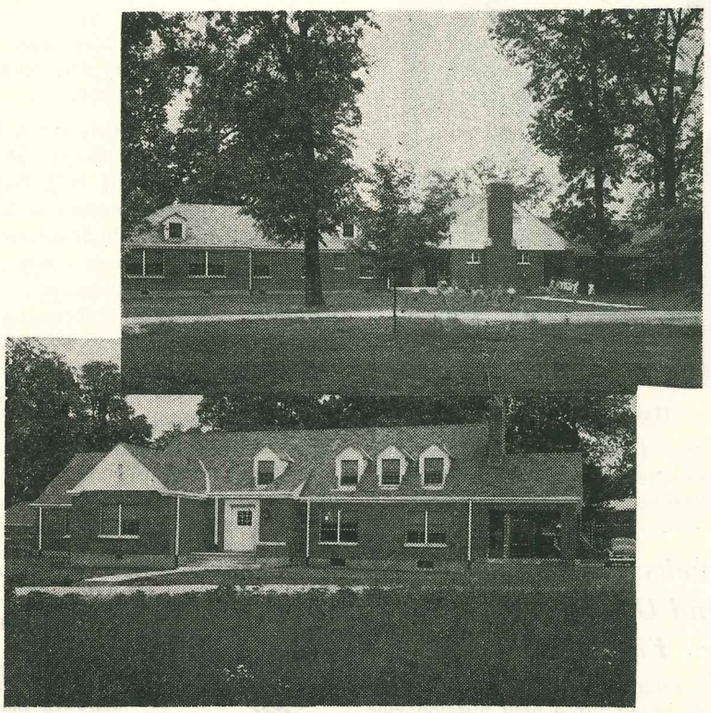
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Kentucky Baptist Children's Home Reports Greatest Year

GLENDALE, Ky.—Kentucky Baptist Children's Home, Glendale, Ky., is in a period of transition. Gradually we are converting from a dormitory type to a cottage type institution. Although it will probably be many years before we shall cease to house children in our main building we have at least taken a step in that direction. Already we have some 65 boys and girls living in three cottages on our grounds. All of these have been moved out of the dormitories during the past year. Two of these cottages are new. Built to care for 52 children, modern and convenient in every respect, these two cottages were completed in the spring of this year at a cost of $142,000.00.



Since we must use the old buildings for yet many years we are making some changes that will enable us to render a better quality of service to the children and a better accounting to the denomination. New tile bathrooms are being installed in the girls' dormitories, and new office space has been provided in the main building. The library has been remodeled in a very attractive way. New toilet rooms for visitors have been built, and additional storage space has been secured.

In addition to these improvements we have employed Humphrey Robinson and Co., Certified Public Accountants, Louisville, to design and install a modern accounting system. This system will enable our secretary-treasurer to prepare more complete financial statements for the information of the administrative officers and trustees, and will provide more adequate safeguards over all revenues and expenditures.

Since July 1, last year, our Home has cared for 224 children. On May 20, this year, we had 189 children in the Home and under our care. This was the last day of the school year. Three girls and one boy graduated from Glendale High School the week ending on that day. One of our boys was designated by vote of the faculty and student body as the best all-around student in the high school for the year. Only four of our children failed of promotion. Three girls and one boy from the Home were enrolled in institutions of higher learning during the year. The general health of our children is good. Fresh milk from our dairy, green vegetables from our garden, and meat from our farm help to keep them well and strong. All of the children attend Sunday school, Training Union, and preaching services each Sunday. Prayer meeting is held in the Home on Wednesday night. We strive to exert a positive Christian influence over the lives of the children committed to our care, and we rejoice in the conversion and baptism of 20 of them during the past 12 months.

In March of this year Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Glenn retired from our staff after spending six and one-half years at the Home. For five and one-half years Brother Glenn had served the Home as Superintendent. It was during his administration that our new building program was inaugurated. On June 1, 1949, Mr. Hobert Hines of Hodgenville, Kentucky, came to us as assistant superintendent. Already his presence is being felt among us, and we believe adding him to our staff has greatly strengthened it.

We acknowledge with gratitude the generous response of the Baptists of Kentucky to our appeals for support. The Thanksgiving Offering continues to be the largest single source of our income. Increasingly are we looking to this great seasonal outpouring on the part of our people to meet our financial needs.—*C. Ford Deusner, Supt.*

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If John Didn't, Then Who Did?

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Why do people seem fairly to hate the baptism of John? Rome curses to eternal damnation, with its barbarous anathemas, any who would dare to say that John's baptism is Christian baptism. And most Protestants go with Rome in detesting it. Why? It is perfectly clear. Either they have to repudiate John's baptism or it repudiates theirs. John baptized in the principal river of his country, or in abundant water elsewhere, and he baptized only converts, people who repented of their sins, confessed them, proved the repentance then and there, and believed in the beloved Messiah of whom John told them.

Now clearly this is no infant baptism, and clearly it is no sprinkling and pouring. So the motive of the Catholic and Protestant aversion to John's baptism is very clear. Carroll studied the same amazing phenomenon, analyzed it calmly when I was a beginner in his Bible classes, and long ago diagnosed the situation similarly. So our "liberal" gets in the line of popularity when he shuts his eyes to all Jesus, Luke, Peter, John and Mark say to us, and wilfully gives out the judgment that we don't know who baptized the apostles. Moffatt grudgingly admits six to John, I believe, in his "Everyman's Life of Jesus."

But we do know. We are told clearly in the Word. And the question comes insistently: "If John did not baptize the twelve apostles, as Peter and Luke say, then who did?" Baptism was not a thing everybody did at will. It came from heaven. *"He that sent me to baptize,"* is John's description of himself. Who else on earth could say that? No one, till Jesus began to baptize. Did *He* baptize the twelve? John in his Gospel tells us Jesus never baptized anybody. Who, then, did, if John didn't? Did they baptize each other? There are no baptizers on the horizon except John and the Twelve in the gospel story. There was simply no possible baptizer of the apostles but John, and that is what we are told in the one inspired history of "The Acts of the Apostles."

WHODONIT?

I am the smoker who makes everybody smoke, and smoke my brand. They may not enjoy the weed, but I make them breathe it anyway—secondhand, that is.

I draw it into my lungs, load it with my breath—halitosis and all—and then let go, p-u-u-u-u-u-u! Isn't it fine to be generous, share the good things of life with others, especially when one is through with them?

I am in my glory on trains and busses. It never dawns on me, of course, that non-smoking people, though they would say little about it if I smoked off to myself or only with others who smoke, regard me as offensive. Move back if you don't like it. I'm firing up in the crowd. Keep your eye on my stack. This is America, for ME.

I. M. P. Culiar

A woman and her little daughter were walking through a fashionable street when they came to a portion strewn with straw, to deaden the noise of vehicles passing a certain house.

"What's that straw for, mother?" asked the child.

"The lady who lives in that house," replied her mother, "has had a little baby girl sent there."

The child thought a moment, looked at the large amount of straw, and said: "Awfully well packed, wasn't she?"—*Capper's Weekly.*

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Kentucky Member of Executive Committee Attends June Meeting

By H. C. CHILES, Murray, Ky.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 21.—I thought the Baptists of Kentucky might like to have a brief report from the Kentucky member of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. R. Lofton Hudson, Shawnee, Oklahoma, Mr. Porter W. Routh, Nashville, Tennessee, and I constitute the Committee on Convention Arrangements. Our recommendations were approved unanimously by the Executive Committee here.

Briefly, the facts are as follows:—The W. M. U. Convention will meet at the Medina Temple (also called the Shrine Temple) on Monday and Tuesday, May 8-9, 1950. The Southern Baptist Convention will begin on Tuesday evening, May 9, and close on Friday evening, May 12. The Tuesday evening session will be a joint one of the two conventions, featuring Foreign Missions. In other words, after the meeting is called to order by Dr. Lee there will be devotional exercises, a welcome address, a response, and then the regular Foreign Mission Board program will be rendered. The business session of the W. M. U. Convention will be concluded on Tuesday afternoon.

While these matters concerning the program were not voted on by the Executive Committee, they were recommended by us to the Committee on Order of Business, Dr. H. H. Hobbs, Chairman, and after consultation with him and with Mrs. George R. Martin, President of the Woman's Missionary Union, and all are in hearty agreement as to this arrangement, and plans will be made accordingly.

Upon our recommendation, the Committee voted to hold the Convention in the Coliseum, May 9-12 inclusive, and the Stevens Hotel will be Headquarters Hotel. By closing Friday night all who care to do so can return to their churches for Mother's Day.

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Southern Baptist Nominated Army Chief of Chaplains

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(BP)—Colonel Roy Hartford Parker, Southern Baptist chaplain, has been nominated by President Truman as Army Chief of Chaplains with the rank of major general.

Colonel Parker, a native Missourian, is a graduate of William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. At present, he is supervisory chaplain of the Far East command in Tokyo, working with General Douglas MacArthur. He will succeed Major General Luther D. Miller, who has completed his four year term as Chief of Chaplains.

Colonel Parker first reported for duty as an Army chaplain in 1918. During World War II, he was theater chaplain of the North African theater of operations. He has served as chief of the personnel division of the Chief of Chaplains office in Washington.

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Johnnie: "Dad, tell me what it's like in a night club."

Dad: "Well, a night club is where they take the rest out of restaurant and put the din in dinner."

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Samuel Eaton Maddox is a son of Missionaries Emeritus of the Foreign Mission Board, and was born in Rio de Janeiro. He was educated at Bello Horizonte, Georgetown College, and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. As Chaplain in the U. S. Army, 1941-46, he saw service in Hawaii. He and his wife, the former Nadine Sanders, Carthage, Mo., were appointed missionaries to Brazil after his discharge. Detained in the States by the illness of a son, Mr. Maddox served as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Florence, Ala., from 1946 until he resigned his pastorate to accept the Foreign Mission Board's appointment as its personnel secretary, and assumed his duties at the home office in Richmond, Va., May 15, 1949.

Watch this paper for the program, personnel and pictures.

Dr. Samuel Smythe Hill, President

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