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Gleanings From The Field

Dr. Millard J. Berquist was elected President of the Florida Baptist Convention at its recent session.

The Virginia Baptist Church of Louisville has called T. P. McGarry, 1340 South Sixth Street, to be its new pastor, succeeding W. C. Dobbs, Seminary student.

W. K. Wood recently conducted a revival with the Liberty Baptist Church Laurel River Association, in which there were 19 additions, 17 coming for baptism. Caleb McFadden is pastor.

Brother and Mrs. T. C. Duke were recently in an automobile accident and the latest report is that Brother Duke, while shaken up considerably, is not thought to be seriously injured. They are at their home in Somerset.

W. H. Curl, Director of Missionary Training for the Baptist State Board of Missions, conducted a revival with Pastor I. H. Ball at the Garfield Avenue Baptist Mission, Twenty-eighth and Garfield, Louisville, during October 16-26. The revival resulted in seven additions and a number of rededications.

Gifts of $486,982.21 were given for all purposes by the Second Baptist Church of Houston, Texas, where Dr. Kyle M. Yates is pastor. The present membership is 5,333. During the three years the present pastor has been there a total of 2,276 have been added to the rolls of the church.

Pastor Gorden C. Whiteley, of Westside Baptist Church, Louisville, held morning and evening services at the Short Creek Baptist Church in Grayson County, ten miles from Leitchfield, during November 14-23. The Short Creek Church is without a pastor at the present time.

Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, pastor of the Parkland Baptist Church of Louisville, delivered two addresses at the Annual Meeting of the Department of Evangelism and Rural Work of the Indiana Baptist Convention, held at the First Baptist Church of Indianapolis, Ind., December 13, according to The Baptist Observer, Indianapolis.

A new missionary Baptist Church was organized recently in a community near Madisonville as a result of a revival held by Brother F. E. McCraw of Allegre, Ky. The new church is to be known as the Pleasant Green Missionary Baptist Church and is in full sympathy with the Cooperative Missionary Program of Southern Baptists.

The Belmont Baptist Church in Northern Kentucky has just called Rev. William E. Arnold as pastor. Brother Arnold is a native son of Louisville, and is now a student in Georgetown College. This is his first pastorate. Missionary M. M. McFarland says of him: "He is a most excellent young man, and Belmont is delighted with him."

Eddie Hatfield, a student in Georgetown College, did the preaching in a revival with his brother, Pastor Jesse Hatfield, at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, in Severns Valley Association, recently. There were two conversions, one surrendering to the call to preach, and one rededication. Chester Culver, a student in the University of Louisville, played the piano and Brother Wolfe led the singing.

The cornerstone laying of the new Audubon Baptist Church building, Louisville, was held on Sunday afternoon, November 27. Pastor Denver C. Stringfellow had with him on that occasion, two former pastors—Superintendent H. Floyd Folsom, who delivered the address of dedication, and Professor H. E. Turlington, of the Southern Seminary faculty, who led in prayer. Many visitors were present for the ceremony.

Valley View Baptist Church, Long Run Association, had a Training Union Study Course recently with J. Ray Dobbins, William Gooch, Robert Goodman and Miss Doris Noel serving as the teachers. An average of eighty-two attended the classes, and ninety-five attended the last night. Valley View was surpassed only by Baptist Tabernacle in number attending the Associational meeting. Robert Case is the pastor.

R. B. Hooks, Superintendent of Evangelism in Kentucky, recently conducted a revival with East Pittsburg Baptist Church, Laurel River Association. There were five additions, four by baptism. J. L. Hill is pastor. Within the past few years this church has erected a new building with modern heating plant and full-size basement. It is beautifully equipped throughout. This is one of the many churches in which a Rural Church Enlargement Program was launched.

Dr. Earl Trent has resigned as executive secretary of the Birmingham Baptist Association, and on December 1 became pastor of the First Baptist Church of Roanoke, Ala. He was elected First Vice President of the Alabama Baptist Convention at its recent meeting in the Dalphin Way Baptist Church of Mobile. Dr. Trent was a 1926 graduate of old Bethel College at Russellville, Ky., and later graduated from the Washington and Lee University in Virginia. Editor L. L. Gwaltney has just written of him in *The Alabama Baptist*, "He is most pleasing in his personality and all who have ever known him are impressed by his sincerity and Christian graces."

An all-day meeting was conducted at the High View Baptist Mission on November 20. High View is situated on Fegenbush Lane in Jefferson County. For the last year Brother J. O. Watson has been its pastor, and the mission is showing signs of marked progress. A nearby lot has been purchased, and a building fund is being accumulated. The speaker at the morning service was H. Floyd Folsom, Superintendent of Evangelism for the Long Run Association. After dinner at the Mission, Fred G. Tucker, institutional worker for Long Run Association, was the speaker. Also present were Pastor Harlan McGinnis and a number of members from Meadow Home Church, which is fostering the mission.

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The Challenge of State Missions To Kentucky Baptists

By W. C. BOONE, General Secretary
(Address Delivered to 1949 General Association)

Missions is the same work everywhere. The only differences between Foreign, Home, and State Missions are geographical. The Great Commission certainly includes all three.

Yet, if there is any priority in opportunity or obligation, that priority belongs to State Missions. Our Lord commanded His disciples to go into all the world, "Beginning at Jerusalem, and in Judea," etc.

State Missions, the Heart

The Southern Baptist Convention is publishing a pyramid of progress in a great Advance Program. The base of it is rightly named, "Spiritual Revival;" but as their poster illustrates it, State Missions is the heart of the pyramid.

It is through the state organization that the work of Baptists is carried on, today, throughout the South. An active, dynamic state convention or General Association, with its Executive Board directing the work throughout the year, is like a great radio broadcasting station, sending out its message as far as its power extends.

The state organization does not exist, however, to originate the message, or to hand anything down with authority; but **it is the voice of the churches uniting to broadcast the Gospel of Christ, and the agency which the churches have set up and control to do their will and the will of their Master.**

Our State Board has members from every district association in the state, and represent every sovereign, independent, co-operating missionary Baptist church within the territory of the General Association. In its administration of the work entrusted to it by the churches, and in its promotion of missions, it seeks to inspire all our people to support all our program. The more souls we can win in Kentucky, the more saved persons we can baptize in Kentucky, the more churches we can organize and strengthen and teach the Word of God in Kentucky, the stronger base we can establish in Kentucky, the more gospel light we can send out to the uttermost parts of the earth.

It is more than interesting: it is significant and glorious that we have a list of more than a hundred strong, fruitful, victorious Baptist churches in our state which, in their early days, for one need or another, were ministered to and supported at least in part by our State Board of Missions. And now they are bringing forth fruit, "thirty, sixty, and a hundred fold."

"Kentucky is a Baptist State"

In a recent feature article on Baptists, in the Courier-Journal, the writer, who is a member of another denomination, said: "Kentucky is a Baptist state." He explained this by saying that there are more of our faith in this state than any other. If we add the white and colored Missionary Baptists, we number more than 22 per cent of the entire population. There are as many Baptists in Kentucky as all the Protestant denominations together; and there are three times as many Baptists as Roman Catholics, taking the Catholic figures which include all their population, for this comparison! Surely that superiority carries with it the greatest spiritual responsibility within the state. And a half million white Baptists rub elbows with over a million lost people in Kentucky over ten years of age—**an average of 500 lost souls for every Baptist church.**

Baptists In Europe

Traveling through Europe last summer, I was impressed and appalled by the spiritual destitution of that whole continent. Is Europe Christian? They tell us that only 10 out of each 100 people in England attend church; and we have in all the British Isles only 323,000 Baptists—a loss of over a hundred thousand in the past few years. There are 40,000 co-operating Missionary Baptists in Sweden—not as many as in the City of Louisville. There are only 100,000 Baptists in Germany—about one fifth as many as in Kentucky.

France, Italy, Holland, Belgium, Norway, Denmark, Switzerland, Austria, Spain, Portugal, and all the rest of Europe not behind the Iron Curtain, have fewer Baptists than there are in Long Run Association. Kentucky has more Baptists than all western Europe put together: and if you add Tennessee and Georgia, or just Texas alone, we have more than in the whole European Continent, including our brethren in Russia and the Soviet countries. There are more Baptists in the South than in all the rest of the world. Does all this mean anything to Bible-believing, Christ-honoring, missionary-minded, obedient Baptists in this fortunate nation, and in this prosperous Commonwealth of Kentucky?

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Dr. Powhatan W. James, President Bethel Woman's College

By COLEMAN CRAIG, Dallas, Texas

When DR. POWHATAN W. JAMES, president of Bethel Woman's College, Hopkinsville, Ky., remarks that he has "been a Baptist 200 years," Virginians will understand, perhaps better than others, the sense of continuity that marks the traditions, and even the religious beliefs and principles, that perpetuate themselves from generation to generation in the old families of this state.

The James family came from England to Loudoun County, Virginia, via Rhode Island and Pennsylvania, some two hundred years ago. One of their first endeavors, in 1756, was to organize the Ketoctin Baptist Church. It is the oldest Baptist church of continuous existence in Virginia.

A cousin of Dr. James, Dr. Charles Fenton James, wrote a documentary history of the struggle for religious freedom in Virginia. This scholarly treatise settled the fact that it was through the influence of Baptists that the principle of religious liberty was incorporated into the Constitution of the United States.

In Dr. James' early manhood he knew intimately the great Baptist orators, DR. J. B. HAWTHORNE, and DR. GEORGE W. MCDANIEL. Thus, in the life of Dr. James, there is the confluence of many streams of Baptist life and thought, of Baptist family and tradition.

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POWHATAN WRIGHT JAMES was born December 29, 1880, at Kelly's Ford, Virginia. His father, REV. FLEET HENDERSON JAMES, was a graduate of Richmond College, and of the Southern Baptist Seminary, when it was located at Greenville, S. C. Young Powhatan was converted when twelve years old in a meeting which his father was conducting. He went to Washington, D. C., to attend High school, where he lived with an uncle. He spent much time in the Congressional Library and absorbed much extra-curricular knowledge as he browsed in this vast storehouse of human wisdom. He was attracted to the activities of Congress and much of his spare time was spent in the House and Senate, listening to their proceedings. He became familiar with the noted lawmakers of that day, and heard many of the famous debates. He became enamored of this fascinating life and hoped that some day he might return as a congressman from Virginia.

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Graduating from Richmond College with his A.B. degree in 1903, and with his law degree in 1906, James entered the practice of law in Richmond and was associated with JOHN GARLAND POLLARD, who later became Governor of Virginia. A rising young attorney, he was active in Richmond's social life. His religious interests were nominal, if not dormant. Success in his professional life was beckoning. He was a part of the gaity of the younger society set, and Powhatan fitted well into this genial and carefree scene.

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At the time of his conversion he had been impressed with the thought of being a preacher. This feeling was not strong enough though to withstand the call of ambition. During those glamorous days in Washington, as he fell under the spell of famous politicians, he gave less and less thought to the ministry. Not until his college days was the thought of the ministry to recur. DR. M. ASHBY JONES, brother of the noted DR. CARTER HELM JONES, came to Richmond College to hold a meeting. During his preaching the conviction of a call to the ministry became very clear and definite.

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Shortly after his entry into the practice of law there came another young man, DR. GEORGE W. MCDANIEL, from the pastorate of the Gaston Avenue Baptist Church, Dallas, to become pastor of the First Church, Richmond. He was a man of great personal charm, of towering personality. The young men were drawn to each other. It would have been highly interesting to both had they been able to know that some day the young attorney would be pastor of the church the young minister had just vacated to come to Richmond. The first step in that train of events was taken, however, when the young preacher was able to induce the young lawyer to bring his church letter from his home church and place it in the First Church.

Not long after James joined the First Church the pastor and his new member met on the streets.

"Powhatan, I want you to take a Sunday school class of college girls," said the pastor.

"Dr. McDaniel, you've got the wrong man," replied the young lawyer emphatically.

"Well, at least come to the class Sunday morning and meet the girls," countered the pastor.

The young lawyer came and "met" the girls. There were four of them. James took the class. It grew into the largest class of college students the First Church had ever had.

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The next step in the chain of events came in the invitation of the pastor to become a deacon. James demurred, but the pastor was persuasive. In a short time he, and Howard Jenkins, a prominent young business man who later was to serve with distinction as president of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, were ordained.

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CIVILIZATION — "Nowadays everything grows old in a few hours; reputation fades; a work passes away in a moment. Everybody writes! nobody reads seriously."

This baffled commentator has summed it up in a nutshell. The writer's name was Chateaubriand and he wrote those lines in 1836!—*Omaha World-Herald.*

God, Man, and Money

By J. HOWARD WILLIAMS

(Continued from December 1 Issue)

Man's Stewardship
I Corinthians 4:1-4; 6:19-20

A steward is a trustee, an overseer, a manager. He is one who controls, uses, occupies, supervises, seeks to advance or multiply that which belongs to another. Abraham had a steward in his house (Gen. 15:2). Joseph had a steward who was the protector of his house (Gen. 44:1). In neither of these early cases did the steward attempt to own or dominate the owner or his house. They carried on the affairs of the house to the interest of their masters.

This conception of stewardship is the exact relation that God wishes to exist between Himself and His children. Every Christian is a steward. God has created him and redeemed him. Therefore, all the Christian is, or has, or can become or ever can possess, belongs to God. God puts the Christian in charge of himself, his talents, his opportunities, his influence, his possessions. It is the privilege and responsibility of the Christian as a steward to use all these things for the benefit of the Owner and the advancement of His cause.

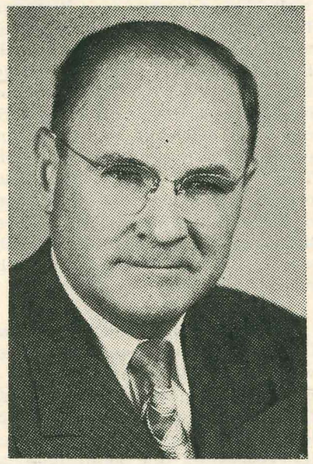
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The literal acceptance of this relationship is revolutionary. It can mean everything for the happiness, the development, and the usefulness of the individual. In like manner it can mean much in the advancement of the cause of Christ.

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This conception of stewardship is not new or novel. It is not based upon any one brief passage in either the Old or the New Testament. It seems to be assumed in many places and parables. For instance, in the parable of the pounds (Lk. 19:13-27) or the parable of the talents (Matt. 25:14-30). Note how definitely the Saviour outlines the stewardship relation. In departing, the nobleman in the story called his stewards unto him and delivered unto each of them his pounds. They were to use them until the owner or the master returned from a trip into a far country. Upon returning he called his servants and asked them to give an account. In each case, the servant replied, "thy" pound. In these and other passages the blessed Teacher was imparting a great truth, namely, *The Christian Is Custodian.* Later we shall see how the steward himself is blessed in this relationship.

[This series on stewardship and tithing is taken from a special Sunday school lesson published by the Baptist Sunday School Board, and was sent us by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention for use. It can be purchased from the Sunday School Board for use in special classes.]



SAM SCANTLAN

Of Oklahoma's Department of Rural and City Mission Program, will speak twice on Tuesday, January 10, 1950, at the Third Annual Kentucky Baptist Evangelistic Conference. His morning address will be on "9 Revival Meeting in a Country Church," and he will conduct a conference that afternoon on "Rural Evangelism." R. B. Hooks, Superintendent of Evangelism in Kentucky, is arranging the Evangelistic Conference at the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, During January 9-11, 1950.

Stewardship Requires Faithfulness

In I Corinthians 3:13 is the plain statement, "Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is." Jesus tells the story of the steward who was called to his master and sternly commanded, "Give an account of thy stewardship."

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The progress of the gospel depends upon the faithfulness of stewards in proclaiming the Word. Faithful stewardship on the part of God's people would evangelize the world. The desperate earnestness of God to save the world which He so loved, and for which He gave His only begotten Son —the great price He paid for our redemption—would certainly justify His calling upon each to give an account of his stewardship. For it is through faithful stewardship that the world is to come to know the Saviour.

Stewardship Results in Christian Growth

In the stewardship relation, God is trying to do something for the steward. He is far more interested in what He can do for us than in what He can get out of us. The plain fact is, *He cannot do much for us unless He gets something out of us.* Such is true in the realm of education. The word *education* comes from a Latin root which means *to lead out.* The teacher seeks to lead the pupil into larger realms of knowledge and understanding. No teacher, regardless of how benevolent, can *give* his pupil an education. It comes as a result of exercising mental muscles. There must be study and application. If the pupil is to get an education he must *spend* himself.

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All of us are aware of the parent-child relationship. It is no sign of intelligence or of love for a parent to make no requirements of the child. If the parent loves the child, he will make certain *demands* upon the child in the fulfillment of which the child's life and character will be blessed and developed.

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Government Grants for Sectarian Hospitals

By DRS. ELLIS A. FULLER and W. C. BOONE

[EDITOR'S NOTE: This statement constitutes a reply to recent attacks made on Baptists by both the Courier-Journal and the Louisville Times. The attacks were made because of the historic position of Baptists on the complete separation of church and state. The Fuller and Boone reply to those attacks was printed in the Courier-Journal, Sunday November 27. It is long, but vital. Preserve it for future reference and study.]

In view of the prominence recently given by the Louisville papers, both in their news columns and in their editorials, to the position of Baptists concerning the propriety and legality of Federal and State grants of money to sectarian hospitals, it is only fair to the reading public that a statement be made of the reasoning which constrains the Baptist people to refuse such aid.

As stated by the editor in the *Courier-Journal* on November 22, 1949, "A principle is sterile indeed when all human values must be sacrificed in its application . . . ," but the question of what human values are sacrificed immediately presents itself. Furthermore, the underlying basis of the principle must be examined to determine its validity as well as its application.

History Examined

An examination of history is profitable for the interpretation of the present. The United States was settled mainly by two types of people, one of which sought relief from religious oppression of the Old World, and the other was seeking greater economic and material advantages. These two motives were frequently combined in the immigrant. Unfortunately, the immigrants, for the most part, were seeking religious freedom for themselves, while denying that same freedom to others. In all but three of the Colonies there were established churches. In two of the Colonies there was official toleration, and in only one, Rhode Island, was there complete freedom. Even in Pennsylvania, which was founded by the Quaker WILLIAM PENN, there was a failure of full religious liberty, and Jews, Deists, Unitarians, Atheists, and all who did not believe that Jesus was the Christ, were excluded by the famous MARYLAND TOLERATION ACT OF 1649. This was passed by a Protestant Legislature and signed by the Protestant Governor at the request of the Roman Catholic Proprietor, and for the protection of the Catholic minority. PATRICK HENRY made his early reputation defending imprisioned and persecuted Baptist pastors in Virginia. The resentment against established churches continued to grow, and one of the results of the American Revolution was the complete disestablishment of all churches throughout the former Colonies.

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When the framers of the Federal Constitution were completing their work an effort was made to add a Bill of Rights; but the framers felt that the matter of religion could be left to future Congresses. However, it developed that the Constitution had no hope of being accepted, without a Bill of Rights, which is now the first ten amendments to the Constitution. It is notable that the first words of these amendments read **"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof;".** The language covering the church and state thus is put ahead even of freedom of speech and freedom of the press, which are considered as bulwarks of our democracy. Baptists are firmly convinced, along with a majority of other Americans, that the separation of church and state is one of the chief pillars of our democratic freedom in this country. Our forefathers were convinced that the establishment of religion, regardless of the church involved, was inimical to the welfare of the whole people. It is evident, therefore, that the separation of church and state, in which most Americans believe, **is not based historically upon fine theorizing of theologians and philosophers, but is based upon the experience, and generally the sad experience, of the people.**

An Inaccurate Concept

In any discussion of the separation of church and state we are all too prone to visualize the state on the one side of a fence and the church on the other, with the fence intervening as a barrier which must not be crossed or penetrated by either the state or the church. Such a conception is, of course, inaccurate and contrary to life. The church and the state must live side by side and should mutually support each other. The relationship should be that of partners and equal partners, the one contributing primarily to the physical, and the other contributing primarily to the spiritual welfare of the people. A citizen who in his spiritual life is a member of some church, still has his civil states duties and privileges. When PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN leaves the White House on Sunday morning to go to the FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, he is private citizen HARRY S. TRUMAN and not PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN. When he returns to the White House he carries with him his own religious beliefs and convictions, but not to act as a member of a sectarian church.

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Louisiana Cooperative Program Up 12 Per Cent

MONROE, La.—(BP)—The Louisiana Baptist Convention meeting here voted a 12 per cent increase in its Cooperative Program budget for 1950, bringing the total to $696,815. After deduction of administrative expense the funds will be divided 60 per cent for state work and 40 per cent for Southwide causes.

A committee was named to bring a report suggesting constitutional changes to provide a system of rotation of the members of the Executive Board.

Dr. J. D. Grey, First Church, New Orleans, was re-elected president.

The Challenge of State Missions To Kentucky Baptists

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Our Opportunity

Brethren, God never gave a nation as much of wealth and material resources as he has given America. Since His ancient people, the Hebrews, rejected Him Who came unto His own and received Him not, and God let them be scattered throughout the earth, He has never given any nation or any people such an opportunity as He has given America today, to be the spiritual as well as the material leader of all the world. And to Baptists, the largest group of believers in Christ in America, and far and away the greatest number of God's people in the Southland, He must be looking for leadership in consecration and giving and witnessing to the saving power of His Gospel of grace.

Must He Choose Another People?

If we fail, who is going to do it? If America fails, do you think a God Who loves lost men and wants to see them saved will give up in defeat? Will He not choose another people who will be more fruitful to His Word and to His commands? This is our task; it is our challenge; it is God's call to us. It is our glorious and unprecedented opportunity!

We must gird ourselves for the task. We must give ourselves anew in dedication and consecration to our Lord and Master. AND WE MUST WORK TOGETHER! if we are going to achieve real results.

"United We Stand"

Some years ago I preached one night to a Negro church in a city in this state. The colored pastor led in prayer, thanking God for the coming of his white brother to encourage them. And in his prayer he said, "Lord, we read in thy Word, 'United we stand, divided we fall.'" He had heard that somewhere, and although it is the motto of our commonwealth, the same truth is in the Word of God. Micah asked, long ago, "Can two walk together, except they be agreed?"

"We Are Agreed . . . "

During the last four years I have been all over the state, in practically every section and almost every county. I believe our Baptist people are agreed on many things. There are some different points of view, some varieties of opinions about methods here and there, but basically and fundamentally we are agreed. I believe we ought to emphasize these things on which we are agreed. We are agreed on what we believe. We are agreed on what our Lord told us to do. We are agreed that much remains to be done. Now let us agree that in His name and by His help we are going to do them.



ELLIS A. FULLER

The President of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, will speak on "Repentance," "Faith," and "Regeneration," in three separate addresses at the forthcoming Third Annual Kentucky Baptist Evangelistic Conference at the Walnut Street Church, Louisville, January 9-11, 1950. The Evangelistic Conference is sponsored by Superintendent R. B. Hooks of the Department of Evangelism, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky.

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We are agreed on our doctrines. Kentucky Baptists believe that the New Testament is our sole and sufficient rule of faith and practice. We believe in the individual responsibility of every soul to God. Therefore we do not believe in proxy religion. We do not believe in priests or mediators, except the one Mediator and the one High Priest—Jesus Christ Himself. We believe that the freedom of the individual soul, the right of each man to worship according to the dictates of his own conscience, is a God-given right, and must not be denied or abridged.

We believe that men are saved by personal repentance and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ Who died in the sinner's stead and provided the only means of salvation. We believe that there is no other Saviour, and that the way to make a better world is through changed men—regenerated by the power of the Holy Spirit.

We believe that the church is a body of baptized believers in Christ, equal in rank and privilege, and that every church is a democratic, independent body, subject to the Lordship of Jesus alone. We believe that baptism is administered by authority of the church to believers only, and that the Lord's Supper is a memorial of Him, to be observed only by the church in session, and partaken of only by baptized believers united in Him; and that these two ordinances are not sacraments nor means of grace, but memorials of Him to be observed until He comes again.

We believe in the separation of church and state, a free church in a free state, neither exercising any authority over the other. We believe in religious liberty, with the freedom to worship, and to preach what one believes, and the right to seek to win converts without any restriction or hindrance. We believe that the state has no right to direct or tax any church, and we believe that **no church or church-supported institution, has any right to one cent of money derived by public taxation.** These and many other things we believe with all our hearts.

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STENOGRAPHER—*A girl you pay to learn to spell—while she is looking for a husband.*—Round-up, *Valley National Bank.*

Dr. Powhatan W. James, President, Bethel Woman's College

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The success the lawyer was achieving in the professional field was becoming less rewarding in satisfaction. All that he did in his church life, however, gave him intense satisfaction. The significance of this contrast was not lost. It created a conflict that inevitably must be resolved; and resolved it was one day when the lawyer went to his office in the early morning and fell upon his knees, praying for the Lord to make clear His will. The answer came. He immediately arose from his knees and sent a telegram to his father and mother telling them of his decision. The father's answer came quickly: "From the day you were born I have prayed to God that you would be a preacher." When he told his pastor, he immediately invited him to preach. In the audience for his first sermon was Dr. J. B. Hawthorne, one of the South's greatest pulpit orators. When the sermon was finished the great Hawthorne put his arm around the young preacher and said: "Powhatan, your first sermon is much better than my first."

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In a short time after making his decision to preach DR. W. C. TAYLOR, pastor of the First Church, Petersburg, Va., asked him to supply for the three months he was to be in Europe. The young lawyer was licensed by the First Church, Richmond, and was now launched upon his ministry. Behind him was his closed law office with its promise of a lucrative practice. Behind him was his dream of some day going to Washington as a Vinginia congressman.

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In 1909 he entered the Southern Seminary at Louisville, Ky. He graduated with the Th.M. degree in three years, and in another year had taken his Th.D. magnum cum laude. His thesis was, "Reasons for Christian Education." Later, he added a fourth part to this thesis, submitted it in a nation-wide contest, and won the first prize of $1,000 offered by the Texas Baptist Education Board.

Following Dr. James' graduation from the Seminary he was offered a professorship as head of the Department of Philosophy and Education in Baylor University by the president, DR. S. P. BROOKS. At the same time he was called as pastor of the First Church, Selma, Ala. This he accepted, and entered upon his full ministry as pastor. He accepted this pastorate in 1913 and was with the church three years.

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He was next called to the Gaston Avenue Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas, from which Dr. McDaniel had gone to Richmond. Dr. James was the immediate successor to DR. HENRY ALFORD PORTER at Gaston. While pastor at Gaston Dr. James married, in 1917, JESSIE TRUETT, eldest daughter of DR. AND MRS. GEORGE W. TRUETT.

From Gaston Avenue Dr. James went to the First Church, Lynchburg, Va. He served this church from 1919 to 1926, and from there went to the Immanuel Church, Nashville, Tenn., where he served six years.

Resigning Immanuel he became connected with the Baptist Sunday School Board as editor and author of Sunday school and Training Union literature. For two years he read all the Sunday school and Training Union literature from a doctrinal standpoint. During this period he literally lived with his Bible and the manuscripts.

He relinquished this connection to accept the call of the First Baptist Church of Tuscaloosa, Ala., and served there from 1934 to 1945. During that pastorate Dr. James was also instructor in English Bible in the University of Alabama.

Since 1945 Dr. James has been president of BETHEL WOMAN'S COLLEGE at Hopkinsville Ky. He came to this institution after it had been closed for several sessions. Through his wise and dynamic leadership the school has been re-established and placed on a solid footing. Though a small school, it is making a large contribution in the lives of its young women students.

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Perhaps Dr. James' most lasting and impressive gift to posterity will be the Biography of DR. GEORGE W. TRUETT which he wrote several years ago, and more recently, the volumes of Dr. Truett's sermons he is editing and compiling. The Biography of Dr. Truett has presented to the world a true picture of one of the greatest preachers of all time. In the Truett Memorial series, there have already been published the following volumes of sermons: "Some Vital Questions," "Sermons from Paul," "The Prophet's Mantle," and "The Salt of the Earth." Some five or six more volumes are to follow. These sermons, in many cases, require extensive editorial revision of stenographic manuscripts which Dr. Truett never saw. This explains the need for much editorial work. Only one intimately familiar with Dr. Truett's style, his unusual and quite individualistic phraseology, could hope to reproduce these sermons and retain the essential Truett flavor. Hours may be spent by Dr. James in phrasing some sentence—with perhaps several consultations with Mrs. Truett or Mrs. James—in an effort to convey to the reader the real Truett.

Dr. and Mrs. James have two sons, GEORGE TRUETT and POWHATAN W., JR., both doctors, graduates of Baylor University College of Medicine, one living in Dallas and the other in Houston; and a daughter, Mrs. Thomas Richard (Josephine) Harrison, living in Hopkinsville.

Mrs. James is a Bible student in her own right and for fifteen years has written the Sunday school and Intermediate Quarterlies for the Sunday School Board. Her whole-hearted labors in behalf of Bethel Woman's College have played a considerable part in the success of her husband. Her intimate contact with the girls of the school, her availability to them at any hour for consultation and help, have been great contributions to the life of the school.—*The Baptist Review.*

The clock of life is wound but once,
And no man has the power
To tell just when the hands will stop—
At late or early hour.
Now is the only time you own;
Live, love, toil, with a will:
Place no faith in 'tomorrow' for
The clock may then be still.—*Sel.*

Government Grants for Sectarian Hospitals

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Baptist Mission to Propagate Doctrines

Baptists recognize that as Christians they are charged with the threefold mission of preaching, teaching and healing. It would be ridiculous to say that Baptists in their institutions are not propagating their own interpretation of Christ's message, and they contend that it is equally ridiculous for other denominations or churches to claim that they likewise are not using their institutions for the propagation of their own particular types of Christianity. This being so, Baptists find it difficult to draw any distinction between direct subsidies to hospitals and schools on the one hand and to church congregations on the other, where the money, in the latter case, would be used for the payment of church expenses, including the salaries of ministers or priests.

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It is argued that if government contributions are not made to sectarian hospitals and schools, particularly for those "fringe" items pertaining to schools, such as free busses, textbooks, health, etc., the people will suffer and humanity will be outraged. Baptists point to their own experiences to disprove this position. They have built many and great hospitals throughout the South without federal or state aid, and are contributing mightily to the welfare of the community. If Baptists can do it, others can do it. Baptists are supporting their own schools without asking for even the so-called "fringe" contributions. If Baptists can do it, others can do it. It is no answer to say that the refusal of the state to furnish free transportation will endanger the life of the pupil and will tend to coerce the parent into sending the pupil to a public school. If the parent desires to send his child to a private school, there is no more reason why he should be afforded free bus transportation than that he should be afforded free tuition. If free textbooks are not a violation of the principle of church and state, there would seem to be no good reason why free school buildings should not be likewise permitted.

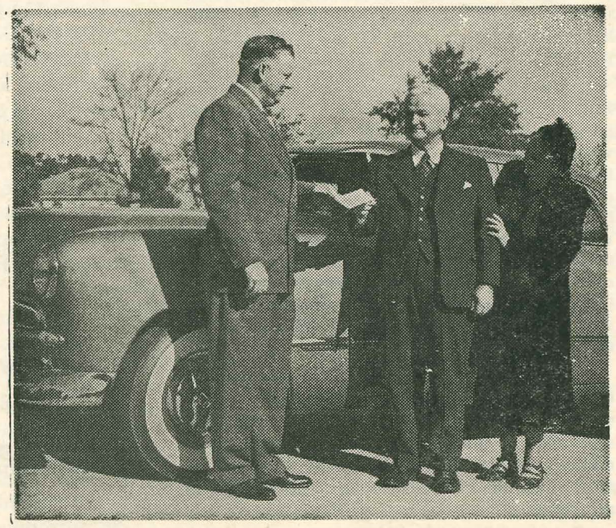
Regarding Hospitals

With respect to hospitals, about which the present discussion arose, it is significant that the Federal Government is spending millions of dollars in the erection and maintenance of hospitals for veterans—a new one being now under construction in Louisville. If the government can build hospitals for veterans who have been discharged from the service, there is no reason why the Government should not build hospitals where needed for the general public. Actually, there can be no criticism of such eleemosynary acts upon the part of the Government or the State. The State of Kentucky already has a number of mental hospitals, and the City of Louisville and other cities have their city hospitals to take care of people who are unable to pay their own way in private hospitals. Insistance upon the principle of separation of church and state does not mean that our sick must go without medical care and attention, or that our children must go without education.

In the editorial of the Courier-Journal of November 22, a reference is made to Lutheran children attending Lutheran schools. **It is interesting to note that the Lutheran Pastoral Conference of Greater Cincinnati published a statement on June 9, 1947, in which it was stated "Almost from its beginning in this country the Lutheran Church has maintained parochial schools. Never at any time has it asked for either federal, state or county aid in maintaining its schools. The granting of such funds is, in our estimation, a violation of the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States."**

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New Automobile Given Mississippi Secretary



JACKSON, Miss. (SPECIAL). In token of their love and appreciation for Dr. and Mrs. D. A. McCall, Rev. Homer Roberson is shown presenting an automobile to them in behalf of thousands of Mississippi Baptists from all sections of the state. The presentation was made during the recent meeting of the Mississippi Baptist State Convention. Dr. McCall is the Executive Secretary of Mississippi Baptists.

Government Aid for Denominationally Owned Hospitals

More than at any time in recent years the matter of receiving government money for support of denominationally owned hospitals is before the people.

Because of the historic principle of absolute separation of church and state Baptists have, in the main, refused such money, electing to finance their own program. This is as it should be. Baptists are on dangerous grounds when they, for whatever cause, accept either state or federal funds. It is a step toward the loss of religious liberty, and a mighty long step at that.

Our Alabama brethren recently faced this matter and with near disastrous results. Government money was rejected, but by an uncomfortably narrow margin of safety. Concerning the matter Editor L. L. Gwaltney states in the November 24 issue of *The Alabama Baptist*:

Space does not permit a full discussion and analysis of the hospital situation. The facts simply stated run somewhat as follows:

At the 1948 session of the Alabama Baptist Convention the Birmingham Association offered the two hospitals to the Alabama Baptist State Convention. The Convention by vote accepted the hospitals. The physical properties of the hospitals are valued at about $1,000,000, but they have a surplus in cash of about $250,000 or $300,000 . . .

Then came what is known as the Hill-Burton Bill, which, as it seems to this writer, was for the purpose of constructing state supported hospitals where they are needed for the purpose of a wider hospitalization of the people and that without reference to race, creed or color. Although the bill primarily had in view the cause of state supported hospitals it permits sectarian or denominational hospitals which are already existing, under certain conditions, to procure funds for the enlargement of their equipment and facilities for the purpose of carrying out the purpose of the Government.

The trustees of the hospital in Birmingham felt that the hospital could avail itself of that offer; but that immediately raised the question of separation of church and state and this was the matter which precipitated a great discussion at the Convention. The discussion began at 3:30 in the afternoon of Wednesday, November 16 and continued until 6:00 P. M. when the Convention adjourned.

When the Convention reconvened for the night session it heard a speech by Dr. J. M. Dawson of Washington, D. C. . . . At the close of his speech the Convention turned to unfinished business of the hospital and it was discussed until 1:00 o'clock that night.

When the vote was finally taken it stood 186 against receiving the funds on the conditions provided in the bill to 156 for receiving the funds, which means that it was lost by only thirty votes.

This shows that there is almost an equal division of sentiment and our people may be assured that the division of sentiment which now exists will continue to exist not only with reference to the Birmingham hospital but with reference to the hospitals in the various states of the Southern Baptist Convention, for some states will act in one way and some in another as the states are already doing. For instance, both the Baptist hospitals in Florida have accepted the funds but under different conditions. The Convention was swayed first one way and then another by the speeches made, and there were times when, if the vote had been taken, the majority would have voted to receive the funds.

Dr. Gwaltney states that just before the adjournment at 1:00 o'clock that night the Convention, by overwhelming vote turned the hospitals back into the hands of the Birmingham Association. The trustees will decide whether now the offer of government funds will be accepted.

So, the fight goes on. And, as we have said repeatedly in these columns, slow but sure steps are being taken to place before sectarian institutions a temptation to accept badly needed money from the Government. If only our people could see the ultimate design and certain result! Thank God, here in Kentucky, such a thing has not happened. In spite of the attack made on Baptists by an editorial writer in the *Courier-Journal* (we have yet to learn his identity), Kentucky Baptists turn a deaf ear to the siren song of government money and sail on in the course of a free people. We will have no part in that which means, ultimately, the bringing of church and state together.

Now the Big Boys are Scared

(Editorial, Baptist Messenger)

Collier's magazine has just succeeded in making itself appear somewhat ridiculous.

Its number-one story in the issue of November 26, introduced by streamer head on the cover, is titled, "Prohibition's Ghost Walks Again," and was written by Virginius Dabney, editor of Richmond *Times-Dispatch*. Rollin Kirby's caricature of a prohibitionist in full page length is used for art along with a gangdom massacre scene. The general import of Dabney's argument, which takes its lead from the September dry victory in Oklahoma, is, that all drys are either paid professionals, bootleggers, or slightly addled citizens.

He attributes the election result to bootleggers and wets who voted dry for convenience in getting liquor, and ignores the fact that many honest citizens voted their sincere convictions. He looks upon the heads of the Whiskey Institute and the Brewers' Foundation as paragons of wisdom and virtue. He heaps what ridicule he can muster on dry spokesmen, particularly Methodist Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker and Baptist preacher Sam Morris.

Significant to us is the fact that a national magazine of *Collier's* stature comes out with such a played-up article. It shows the big propagandists for liquor advertising, the national magazines, are becoming scared. Actually we believe the article and similar ones which may follow will do the dry causes eventual good by bringing before the public one of the nation's gravest problems, beverage alcohol, without offering any plausible solution for it.

Collier's appears ridiculous in its avarice and fear. The same issue which contains this tirade against prohibition also contains four full page liquor advertisements in full color, two one-half page ads and one one-fourth page ad, altogether a good many thousands of dollars worth of liquor advertising.

Pardon, *Collier's*, did someone pinch your pocketbook?

President Fuller Delivers Great Thanksgiving Message to Seminary Students and Faculty

On Wednesday, November 23, this editor availed himself of the opportunity of attending the Thanksgiving chapel service of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

By the time the service started, promptly at 10:00 A. M., the room was packed to capacity with students even standing all around the back and many on the sides.

The moment we entered the room we could discern a spirit of profound worship. Every song, the prayers, the faculty, the great student body, all were surcharged with a deep sense of reverence and worship. Rarely, even in churches, have we been so conscious of the presence of God.

Dr. Ellis A. Fuller brought the second of three messages on the great fundamentals of our faith. The first had been delivered on the previous Tuesday and the third followed on Friday.

As would be expected, Dr. Fuller's address was primarily from the viewpoint of the preacher. After all, he was talking, in the main, to men who will soon be pastors. It was the kind of address that challenges to faithfulness to Christ and His Word.

The thing which gladdened this writer's heart was to hear the president of one of our great seminaries magnifying the supernatural element in the Christian religion: the supernatural Jesus; the Bible supernaturally given through men empowered by the Holy Spirit to write; the new birth a work of the Holy Spirit; the divine mission of changed, Spirit-filled men. Again and again he challenged the hearers to be people of *great faith in God and His Word,* to refuse to be staggered by mysteries which human reason cannot grasp, but to BELIEVE GOD. One of his sentences at this point was: "There is no greater evidence of depravity than for the human mind to repudiate what it cannot understand." He went on, "Why should we stumble over the fact of the Virgin Birth? It is beyond human comprehension. Thank God we don't understand it. It is the mystery of mysteries, and we can't rationalize to a conclusion."

Some of Dr. Fuller's strong statements were, "The Seminary does not live to enable students to discover whether the Bible is reliable; it is to teach that it is reliable, the very truth of God." "I have all patience with a scholarship that wants to look into facts but none for the man who says that the supernatural is not there." "The Book was written by the Holy Spirit; He used men who were saturated with the Spirit." "Logic fits many locks, but not a single lock in things supernatural." "Logic is a lift, only enabling us to take off on the wings of faith." "Substitute *understand* for *believe*, and the Bible will mean no more than a Sears-Roebuck catalog."

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►*Christian Action* makes the statement: "Out of our total national income of $226,204,000,000, the largest in our history, Americans are giving to 'church and charity' about $2,225,000,000. This means we are giving about one per cent of our total income, or a red penny for every silver dollar." We are not even giving a decent tip. That usually amounts to 10 per cent anyway.

Chinese Pastor Speaks To Little Flock Church In Bullitt County

SHEPHERDSVILLE, Ky., November 23.—Rev. Ming C. Chao, Shanghai, China, spoke at the mid-week service of the Little Flock Baptist Church, near here, today. Mr. Chao is a Chinese Christian and a former pastor of the Kushan Baptist Church near Shanghai. He spoke of the differences between our Baptist work in this country and in China. He told of the conversion of his own grandfather by an early Baptist missionary from America.

"Your forefathers sent the message of Jesus to my forefathers, and they passed it on to their children," he said.

The present members of the Little Flock Church were urged to continue their giving in order that the "moral vacuum of Chinese youth" may be filled with the message of Jesus Christ.

Approximately 200 people heard the young Chinaman. The group was stirred by his earnestness as he described present conditions in his native land.

Mr. Chao was accompanied by his wife, who helped him display a number of hand-made Chinese objects after the service. The Chaos are living at the Southern Baptist Seminary, where Mr. Chao is a student. His wife is studying at the School of Music, University of Louisville. They plan to return to China when their school work is completed.—*J. Dan Williams, Pastor, Route 2.*

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Sunshine in the Heart

Clouds may gather, thunder roar,
Out of clouds rain drops pour;
But to me there'll be no dark,
For I have sunshine in my heart.

Disease my body rack with pain,
Life's daily song a sad refrain;
But hope from me cannot depart,
For I have sunshine in my heart.

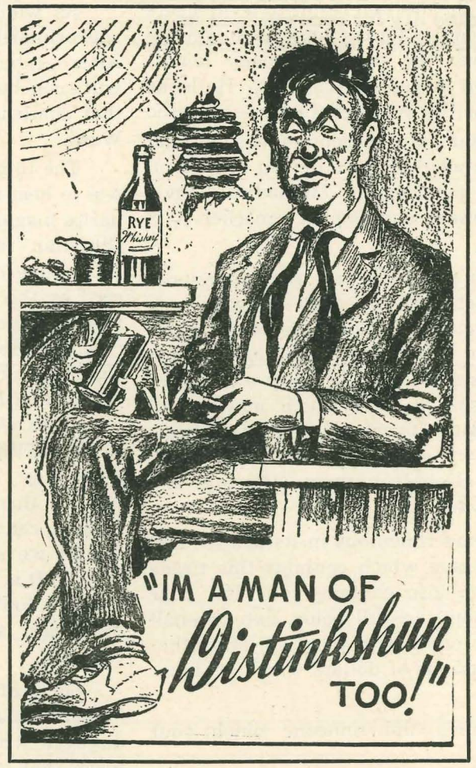
The road I travel, straight, narrow,
Leads into the glad tomorrow;
I'll sing and shout when I embark,
For I have sunshine in my heart.

When I come to the end of the way,
Enter the glorious, endless day,
Ne'er from its joy and peace to part,
Heaven's love will fill my heart.

—*W. S. Bayne*
Osceola, Mo.

Dis-STINK-shun

With Emphasis on The Second Syllable



The artist has here captured something real, something of the raw truth, the poverty, misery, degeneration and debauchery that stems from America's annual "Multi-million dollar binge."

Some anonymous writer has written a poem entitled, *"Times Change."* It reads:

"He drinks whiskey and rum,
Gin fizzes—What fun?
In grandmother's day
They'd call him a souse,
Or perhaps, ah, a louse;
Today he's a man of distinction."

We could not afford to print this in full color. We don't have $100,000,000 a year to spend on artistic and elaborate full-page ads and window displays as do the liquor distilling industries.—*Light.*

Sunday School Department

W. A. GARDINER, State Secretary

Standard Sunday Schools

We are happy in Kentucky over the large number of applications for the standard award. The following have recently been received:

Hazel—Pastor H. F. Paschall; Superintendent Wm. Paul Dailey.

Owensboro, Third—Pastor H. B. Kuhnle; Superintendent O. E. Bryant.

Lexington, Chevy Chase—Pastor W. B. Casey; Superintendent A. J. Akers.

DeCoursey—Pastor C. R. Rader; Superintendent Jess Gadd.

Rolling Fork—Pastor R. B. Cundiff; Superintendent P. J. Carter.

White Oak—Pastor Jewel Arthur; Superintendent Albert Arthur.

Louisville, East Broadway—Pastor E. F. Estes; Superintendent Stanley Osborne.

Ft. Thomas—Pastor T. E. Daugherty; Superintendent Harold Brown.

Lexington, Grace—Pastor George M. Trout; Superintendent Luther Hundley.

Paducah, Berea—Pastor R. Perkins Atherton; Superintendent J. D. Brame.

Liberty—Pastor Caleb McFadden; Superintendent Walter Onkst.

Hardinsburg—Pastor R. E. Sasser; Superintendent Hubert Stinnett.

Ashland, First—Pastor Carroll Hubbard; Superintendent John B. Blagg.

Clark's Creek—Pastor Powell White; Superintendent Roy Littrell.

Mt. Washington—Pastor Noah Benningfield; Superintendent Roy A. Tinsley.

Gum Lick (Crittenden)—Pastor Wm. L. Kauffman; Superintendent Floyd Gillespie.

Using Visual Aids

The new book *Using Visual Aids,* is now in the Baptist Book Store ready for you. A Sunday school award will be given for this book. You may study it with a class or individually. If you study it individually please send your answers to The Sunday School Department, 127 East Broadway, Louisville 2, Ky., and put your NAME, CHURCH, ADDRESS, and the name of your ASSOCIATION on the paper.

The Paducah Clinic

A total of 417 different individuals attended either the day sessions or the night sessions in the Bible Teaching Clinic held in Paducah, November 28-December 2. Many attended both sessions. The enrolment for the morning sessions was 145 and that for the evening sessions was 380, but the number of different individuals attending one session or the other ran to the figure given above.

Dr. D. F. Ackland, of the Sunday School Board, won his way into the hearts of all the people. Seldom have we had a speaker who was so universally liked. The pastors were especially complimentary of the man and his messages. Congratulations to the Sunday School Board on securing him for the Editorial Department.

The Clinic was under the auspices of the Sunday School Departments of the Kentucky Baptist State Board and the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board. A force of workers from Nashville, under the leadership of Mr. A. V. Washburn, led in the discussions and classes, assisted by the Kentucky workers.

Goals For Standard Sunday Schools

The following goals have been set by some associations as to the number of Standard Sunday schools for the year.

Ten Mile	All
Henry County	All
Muhlenburg	3
Franklin	7
Laurel River	20
Elkhorn	16
East Union	5

High Ten In Training

For the first two months of the year (October and November) the following churches led in the number of Sunday school training awards:

Madisonville, First	100
Louisville, Highland Park, First	99
Louisville, Carlisle Avenue	85
Lexington, Grace	69
Swiss Colony	69
Shively	69
Somerset, First	69
Hardinsburg	67
Lexington, Porter Memorial	64
Barbourville	62

The Leading Associations In Standards

The following associations led in the number of standard Sunday schools for the first two months:

Laurel River	12
Ten Mile	11
Nelson	4
Owen	4

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

December 4, 1949

Church	Missions	Total
Louisville, Walnut St. (4)	301	1,792
Louisville, Ninth and O (1)	242	1,403
Harrodsburg (4)	276	1,259
Louisville, Carlisle Ave. (2)	197	1,084
Owensboro, First (1)	65	979
Owensboro, Third	---	975
Lexington, Porter Memorial (2)	300	965
Louisville, Parkland (1)	63	946
Covington, Latonia (2)	182	844
Evansville, Grace, Ind. (2)	191	798
Louisville, Victory Memorial (1)	183	786
Mayfield, First	---	783
Louisville, Crescent Hill (1)	89	761
Bowling Green, First	---	727
Murray, First	---	720
Lexington, Calvary (1)	34	712
Frankfort, First (1)	73	694
Louisville, West Bdwy. (1)	70	691
Paducah, Immanuel (2)	114	690
Madisonville, First	---	654
Louisville, Baptist Tabernacle	---	652
Evansville, Ind., Calvary (2)	187	638
Lexington, Immanuel	---	635
Somerset, First	---	623
Danville, First (2)	87	606
Louisville, Beechmont	---	594
Hopkinsville, Second	---	581
Newport, First (1)	58	563
Glasgow (1)	59	562
Pineville, First (2)	118	540
Hopkinsville, First	---	535
Ashland, Pollard (1)	52	532
Princeton, First	---	525
Barbourville, First (2)	104	514
Lexington, Grace	---	507
Middlesboro, First	---	504
Louisville, Clifton Ave. (1)	85	504
London, First (1)	32	495
Paducah, First (1)	35	491
Louisville, Deer Park	---	481
Louisville, Eastern Parkway	---	475
Louisville, St. Matthews	---	472
Severns Valley	---	470
Georgetown	---	464
Fulton, First	---	460
Hodgenville, First (1)	31	448
Campbellsville (1)	48	437
Evansville, Ind., Walnut St.	---	428
Henderson, Immanuel Bapt. Temple		427
Danville, Lexington Ave. (1)	37	426
Lebanon	---	425
Henderson, First	---	417
Williamsburg, First	---	415
Covington, South Side	---	407
Paducah, Twelfth St. (1)	116	403
Shively	---	397
Morganfield (1)	43	391
Louisville, Third Ave. (1)	18	389
Corbin, First	---	379
Louisville, South Side	---	372
Franklin, First (1)	31	370
Erlanger	---	363
Dayton, Ohio, Westside (1)	45	363
Louisville, Franklin St.	---	344
Corbin, Central	---	342
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial (1)	25	335
Winchester, Central	---	333
Cynthiana (2)	68	333
Richmond, First (2)	25	326
Middlesboro, Old Yellow Creek	---	313
Middlesboro, E. Cumberland	---	313
Newport, Bellevue	---	309
Versailles	---	303
Winchester, First	---	302
Owensboro, Seven Hills	---	286
Paducah, Trinity	---	282
Crestwood	---	278
Louisville, Shawnee	---	267
Pleasant Hill (near Campbellsville)		266
Louisville, Baptist Temple	---	264
Ludlow, First (1)	18	260
Hima, Horse Creek (2)	---	250
Ft. Thomas	---	247
Louisville, Gethsemane (2)	54	242
Pikeville, First	---	241
Louisville, Kenwood	---	241
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	---	237
Louisville, East	---	237
Bardstown	---	236
Hartford	---	229
Vine Grove	---	220
Sand Spring (near Lawrenceburg)		220
Mt. Sterling, First (1)	51	219
Owensboro, Crabtree Ave.	---	219
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	---	217
Jeffersontown, First	---	211
Newport, Trinity	---	211
Hazel	---	209
Auburn	---	209
Whitesburg, First	61	208
Hall's Gap, Fairview	---	206
Albany (1)	48	205
Lawrenceburg, First	---	204
Dayton, First	---	202
Scottsville	---	200
Leitchfield	---	200

Baptist Training Union Department

BYRON C. S. DEJARNETTE, State Secretary
127 East Broadway — Louisville, Kentucky

AWARDS FOR OCTOBER

Association	Methods	Other Books	Total
CENTRAL REGION			
Long Run Association			
Clifton	14	8	22
Crescent Hill	59	12	71
Fourth Avenue	---	6	6
Parkland	22	---	22
South Jefferson	---	23	23
West Broadway	---	34	34
Nelson Association			
Little Union	2	9	11
Salem Association			
New Brandenburg	---	12	12
Salem	1	---	1
NORTH CENTRAL REGION			
Franklin Association			
Bethel	7	---	7
Baptist Chapel (First Church Mission)	---	45	45
Owen County Association			
Monterey	---	27	27
Sparta	---	22	22
White Water Association			
Miamisburg	18	---	18
North Dayton	26	---	26
SOUTH CENTRAL REGION			
Tate's Creek Association			
Berea	---	36	36
South District Association			
Burgin	1	---	1
Harrodsburg	12	---	12
SOUTH EASTERN REGION			
Upper Cumberland Association			
Harlan	64	---	64
Sunshine	14	---	14
SOUTHERN REGION			
Warren County Association			
Burton Memorial	32	---	32
SOUTH WESTERN REGION			
Graves County Association			
Antioch	2	---	2
West Kentucky Association			
Arlington	39	21	60
Blood River Association			
Paducah, First	---	14	14
WESTERN REGION			
Caldwell County Association			
Princeton, First	18	47	65
Christian County Association			
Hopkinsville, Second	---	86	86
Daviess-McLean Association			
Sorgho	---	1	1
Little Bethel Association			
Madisonville, First	1	---	1
Muhlenberg Association			
East Union	36	---	36
Riverside	44	---	44
Ohio County Association			
Pond Run	34	---	34
Ohio Va'ley Association			
Clay, First	1	---	1
TOTAL	447	426	873

More Than 200 Awards

During the year October 1, 1948 to September 30, 1949, there were three churches requesting more than 200 awards for study course work, as follows: Madisonville, First in Little Bethel Association 424; Frankfort, First in Franklin Association 221; Whitley City, First in McCreary Association 201. Congratulations to these. This is a challenge to others.

Annual Report of Awards

During the year October 1, 1948 to September 30, 1949 the report of the standing of awards by courses was as follows:

Adult	131,580
Junior	87,805
Intermediate	86,032
Young People	76,860
Administration	33,489

Standing of Awards By Books

The study course books with the highest number of awards during the year October 1, 1948 to September 30, 1949 were as fellows:

Baptist Adult Union Manual	37,365
Baptist Junior Union Manual	29,975
Baptist Intermediate Union Manual	28,159
Bapt. Y. P. Administration	18,504

New Training Union at Stone

During 1949 Pastor O. C. Anderson organized three complete Training Unions—one at Thomas, one at Ravenna, and one at Stone. The church at Stone organized on the first Sunday in October. Within about a month they had enrolled 64 and had an average attendance of 45 for the month of October. They had 53 the first Sunday in November.

Three Thousand Attend State Convention

Again the attendance at the State Convention was 3,000—this time on April 20-22 at First and Tabernacle Baptist Churches, Paducah. Our next State Convention will be held with First and Pollard Baptist Churches, Ashland, April 12-14, 1950, beginning on Wednesday night and closing on Friday night. Free bed and breakfast will be furnished to all who come. Dr. Leo Green and Dr. C. Roy Angell will speak. Dr. B. B. McKinney will lead the music.

Sixth State Assembly at Clear Creek

The Sixth State Assembly at Clear Creek was attended by 325 on August 13-19, 1949. It was one of the very best Assemblies we have had. Training Union work was presented to the General Encampment the next week. It should have been said also that it was presented in the four weeks of camps for the boys and girls.

The Seventh State Training Union Assembly will be held at Clear Creek on August 12-18, beginning on Saturday night and closing on the next Friday at noon. Our goal is 400 on the grounds all the week. Dr. J. Winston Pearce will be the night speaker, and Dr. J. O. Williams will be the Assembly Pastor. Mrs. Williams will be on the program.

Associational Items

George W. Fletcher
State Director of Associational Work

A NEW YEAR and a new quarter is almost here, and that means more planning. Are you ready for it? Let's look at some things that ought to be done next quarter. First of all, the Executive Committee of the Training Union Association should be held in January. At this meeting the plans should be made for the program for the Officers' and Leaders' Conference. Then some long-range plans should be made for the year.

MARCH is study course month for 1950, so if you have not already made plans to get every church to have a study course, you should do this at your Executive Committee meeting in January. It would be good, also, to work out a time in the early part of the year for getting all the NEW ASSOCIATIONAL officers to take the *Associational Training Union Manual* for credit, and the old officers to review the Manual. The Franklin Association did this on the night of November 14. About two hours were taken to review the Manual with the officers, and all new officers are studying the book to take the exam by correspondence. Miss Laura Van Meter is director of the Franklin Association.

THE KENTUCKY STATE TRAINING UNION SONG FESTIVAL is now on its way. Start making plans to have your Associational Song Festival sometime before the first of June. The Regional Festivals will be held during the month of June. The State Festival will be held during the State Training Union Assembly Week, at Clear Creek, August 12-18. The exact dates will be announced later for the Regional Conventions.

Plan for a big mass meeting in March. At this meeting present to the people some plans that were made at the Executive Committee meeting in January, to help your association reach the Standard during the year of 1950. Remember, your association will grow only as you make plans for it to grow.

Keep some goals before your association at all times. Any organization without a goal is like a ship without a sail; it wanders aimlessly. It is up to the Associational director and officers to see that the association is properly guided at all times.

—Woman's Missionary Union—

New Headquarters Building At Birmingham A Necessity

Woman's Missionary Union with headquarters in Birmingham at 1111 Comer Building has greatly outgrown its office space and sufficient additional room is not available. We all know, too, that rent is extremely high.

With these things in mind, it was voted to build our own headquarters building and thereby also honor Miss Kathleen Mallory, Executive Secretory of WMU for 36 years. Each state was asked to accept goals for contributions for this building.

In September 1948, Kentucky WMU voted to accept a goal of $4,000, a smaller amount than that set by most states, and a campaign was launched to reach this goal. This summer it was learned that less than half enough for an adequate building had been subscribed. Most states doubled their pledges. Kentucky, always cautious, voted to increase their apportionment to $6,000 at our September Executive Committee meeting. If Kentucky is to hold her place with the other states we *must* raise more than this. If your society has contributed to this fund will you not double your gift? If you have not contributed send twice as much as you first planned to give, to the State office at once! Give your young people's organizations a chance to have a part in this historic endeavor.

Your loyal, best effort is needed! Kentucky must not fail! She must not be at the bottom of the list! This building is a necessity if our work is to continue to grow! Let every organization have a worthy part!

Central Region WMU Meeting

On the fourth of November the WMU of Central Region met at the Baptist Church in Mt. Washington, Kentucky. Due to illness of Vice-President, Mrs. W. H. McKeigan, Regional Young People's Leader, Mrs. T. L. Bell presided during the forenoon and Mrs. A. C. Overall, Regional Stewardship Chairman, in the afternoon. Rev. Noah Benningfield, Pastor of the entertaining church, led the worship service.

Through reports and messages the Superintendents and Regional Chairmen revealed not only the value of the work that has been done, but also the necessity of greater effort during the coming year.

The messages of our State Officers, Mrs. Harold J. Purdy, Mrs. George R. Ferguson, and Miss Marjorie Jones inspired all to strive earnestly to "Make the King of Glory" known throughout the World.

As always, our hearts were made glad to have Miss Rose Marlowe bring the missionary message. She urged the Central Region women to *give* that the work might go on in China.

To Pastor and Mrs. Benningfield, Mrs. J. C. Gentry, President of WMS, those who furnished the special music, and all the Mt. Washington folk who helped make this day one long to be remembered, Central Region WMU expresses deep appreciation.—*Mrs. G. T. Kent.*

Young People and Counsellors, Please Note!

Beginning with this issue, one-half of our WMU page each week will be given to young people's news and notes, prepared by our State Young People's Secretary, Miss Jones. I know you will appreciate this and this page will have added interest for you.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S NOTES

College Visitation

It's fun to travel! Especially, is it fun and enjoyable to travel from one Kentucky college to another, and meet with our Baptist students. Miss Mary J. Augenstein, the Field Representative of the WMU Training School, and I, your Young People's Secretary, visited six of the colleges the last two weeks in November. The BSU and WYA members are doing a splendid work on all campuses.

Our visits were made to Murray State Teachers' College, Murray; Bethel Woman's College, Hopkinsville; Western State College, Bowling Green; Campbellsville College; Cumberland College, Williamsburg; and Eastern State College, Richmond.

If you are a member of the WMU of a college church, I want to urge you to work with the young women in their College YWA, and assist them in their auxiliary. They, too, are your responsibility. Get to know these girls personally.

Although I did not get to visit all the college campuses this fall, I do hope to be able to visit others before spring. I want to express my gratitude to all the BSU Secretaries, YWA Presidents and Counselors, and all the others who did a gracious job of entertaining Miss Augenstein and me.

Pray for your college young people, that they might get a greater vision of His missionary work.

Coronation Service At Russellville

Recently, the first GA Coronation Service was held at the New Friendship Church, Russellville. [Below.] The GA was organized less than two years ago, and though it is small, it is standard.

Mrs. Paul Woodward, Associational Young People's Leader assisted Mrs. W. B. Ladd, GA Counselor, in the service. Rev. M. T. Duncan was guest speaker. Others taking part in the service were Mrs. C. A. Wren, WMU President, and Mrs. James Wren, Young People's Director.

This Coronation Service should be an inspiration to other rural churches to do more for their young people.



Enlarged Plans for World Advance In 1950 Laid by Foreign Mission Board in Semi-annual Session

RICHMOND, Va.—(BP)—"The test of Christian missionary undertaking abroad is not the number of souls won, but the vitality of the native Christian constituency," Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, told members of the Board at its recent semiannual session here.

To finance its program in 27 nations during 1950, the Board approved a budget of $3,264,714.32 to be added to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for a total budget of $5,250,000. Dr. Rankin declared that Southern Baptists are "in big business with God. This business requires the courage and faith to think and plan in big terms."

The Board now has 98 of its total staff of 200 China missionaries still in the Orient, according to the air mail report of Orient Secretary Baker James Cauthen at Hong Kong. There are 41 missionaries in Shanghai and environs, 20 in and around Canton, four at Bangkok, six at Macao, six at Hong Kong, two on Formosa, and 19 in the Philippines. "China missionary homes have not been molested and the missionaries go about the Communist-occupied cities freely," the report continued.

Dr. Cauthen reported after a survey of Japan that the Board's mission in Kyushu and Honshu has already surpassed its prewar status. Although Southern Baptists have never had more than 17 missionaries under appointment for Japan at any one time, today they have 38. The men's college has been raised to university status with co-educational programs, and the school for young women is a teacher-training institution. A Baptist hospital in Hiroshima, the first medical institution of the Board in Japan, was approved. At the invitation of the Japan Baptist Convention, the Board authorized a preaching mission to Japan next spring, to permit 20 Southern Baptist preachers to spend a month or more visiting the 18 Baptist churches and numerous preaching centers. "Our over-all mission strategy now," according to the report, "is to place a missionary couple in each of the 40 prefectural capitals on Kyushu and Honshu."

The Board also authorized a year's study of the opportunity for Baptist missions in Korea.

Dr. Ralph Herring, Winston-Salem pastor, and member of the Board, who toured South America this year, stressed the need for developing native leadership and the obligation of missions to use the radio in evangelistic work. Rev. Henry W. Schweinsberg, a native of Australia, former missionary to Bolivia, now senior missionary of the Board in Colombia, reported on an intensive survey of Ecuador and Peru as new Baptist mission fields. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation that the possibility of sending missionaries to these two Latin American republics be seriously considered. "We must build into the new society of South America a concept of true Christianity," Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., secretary for Latin America, said.

Opportunities in Palestine require a stronger missionary staff, declared Dr. George W. Sadler, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, reporting by air mail from Zurich. That mission now has 15 missionaries, 11 of whom are women, "and in an area where the status of womanhood is so low, the prestige of the mission makes it imperative that we send more men to the Near East."

Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary of the Board's relief committee, reported that the clothing warehouse operated in New Orleans since January 1, 1948, has processed 3,750,000 pounds of used clothing in twenty-one months. This center will be closed December 15. The committee adopted a goal of 1,200 D.P. family units to resettle in the Southern states, under the direction of Charles R. Gage of New Orleans.

The Board appointed 14 new missionaries for lifetime service overcrease, making a total of 704 lifetime missionaries and ten missionaries on short terms. The goal for the Board's advance program is 1,750 missionaries.

The new appointees, seven couples, include seven ordained ministers. All but two of the fourteen are from Texas. They are as follows:

William Judson Blair and Dorothy Rose Sullivan Blair of Fort Worth, Tex., for Argentina, where Mr. Blair was born of missionary parents.

Julius Raht Hickerson, Jr., and Vivian Dunn Hickerson of Dallas, Tex., for Colombia.

Stanley Procter Howard, Jr., and Patsy Ruth McGee Howard of Waco, Tex., for Japan.

Joe Carl Johnson and Colene Richards Johnson of Dallas, Tex., for North Brazil.

Boyd Allen O'Neal and Irma Edna Schneider O'Neal of Stephensville, Tex., for North Brazil.

Herman Sandford and Juanita Dadisman Sandford of Plainview, Tex,. and Wichita, Kansas, for Nigerit, West Africa.

Blainard Elmo Scoggin and Hannah Belle Pearlman Scoggin of Canal Point, Fla., and Chesnee, S. C., for Palestine.

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Bellevue Quartette on The Baptist Hour

The famous Women's Quartette of Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, will be featured on the Baptist Hour broadcast of December 18. This will be their third appearance on the Year-Round Baptist Hour. They were heard on the programs of October 16 and November 20.

The group consists of Mrs. C. L. Parchman, first soprano; Miss Ruth Calvert, second soprano; Mrs. Louis D. Marks, first alto; and Miss Frances Calvert, second alto, reading from left to right.



From left to right: Mrs. C. L. Parchman, Miss Ruth Calvert, Mrs. Louis D. Marks, and Miss Frances Calvert.

Just before Dr. Lee's message December 18 on "The Meaning of Christmas," the quartette will present a special arrangement of Franz Gruber's "Silent Night."

Walter J. Hoshal Is Leaving Anti-Saloon League of Kentucky

The Anti-Saloon League of Kentucky will lose the services of its Superintendent, Walter J. Hoshal, on January 1, 1950. He is relinquishing the work for younger hands.

Brother Hoshal has many friends in Kentucky, and has worked hard and against great odds in a state where flourish distilleries under the guise of being "manufacturers;" metropolitan newspapers with their "hush-money" profits from liquor advertising; bootleggers galore who hide in mountain fastnesses and city slums; three or four saloons and liquor houses on many blocks in the cities, and roadhouses and night clubs on every highway.

A testimonial dinner will be given by the friends of Mr. Hoshal in his honor at the Central Y.M.C.A., Third and Broadway, Louisville, on Monday night, December 19, at 6:30 P. M. Tickets will be $1.50.

Kansas Baptists Take Steps to Oust Liquor

WICHITA, Kans.—(BP)—Kansas Baptists in annual session here voted a $11,375 Cooperative Program goal for 1950, which will be divided 80 per cent for state causes and 20 per cent to S.B.C. causes, reports Orbie Clem, editor, *Kansas Southern Baptist Beams*. Messengers to the convention also voted to work toward the goal, "Every Baptist a Tither," and to encourage churches to divide their gifts 50-50.

A Dry Crusade Committee was set up to lead in movement for re-submission of the liquor question to Kansas next year. Evangelistic plans include participation in the 1950 Western Evangelistic Crusade and a state evangelistic conference in January. Campaign was launched for a $50,000 revolving building and loan fund and the Kansas Baptist Foundation was approved.

Pastor W. A. Burkey, First Church, Bethel, was elected president.

Husbands are awkward things to deal with; even keeping them in hot water will not make them tender.—*Pure Oil News.*



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THE JEWELERS

Edith and Corinne were playing jewelry store when Mrs. Barr called from the back door. Edith ran up at once.

"Hadn't you better invite Mrs. Mills' granddaughter over to play with you?" her mother asked.

"Neither of us know her, Mother," said Edith with a scowl.

"It won't take long to get acquainted. She looks lonesome."

"Well," yielded Edith. "All right."

The two little girls talked together in whispers for a moment; then Edith softly crawled through the place in the fence where the pickets were off, and walked toward the little girl in the big, old-fashioned garden.

"Would you like to come and play with us?" she asked. "We're going to have a jewelry store; we're making the jewelry now."

"Oh, thank you! I'd love to!" cried the other. "I'll run right in and ask grandma. You will have to teach me how to play it; I never did," she said.

"Oh, we're stringing snowberries for pearl necklaces and making pins out of asters, and doing things like that. When we get enough we'll ask the other children to come and buy."

"It must be fun!" and Laura Mills' face glowed with pleasure.

The bench, which was now a counter for the display of jewelry, showed several necklaces.

"How pretty!" cried Laura. "Oh, I know what I'll make!" and she ran back into her grandmother's garden.

"I don't think that's very polite—to go off first thing!" said Edith as the visitor did not return soon.

"Let's tell her she can have a store by herself," suggested Corinne. "Probably she won't make anything nice."

So Edith called through the fence: "If you want to you can have your things on your side!"

"All right!" came back to them from behind the flowerbeds; but it did not have a joyful sound.

For a long time the three worked quietly. Finally Edith and Corinne were ready for customers. "We'll have to go and tell her," whispered Edith.

Together they approached the fence.

"Oh, what a lot!" exclaimed Corinne.

"Why, it's just like a real jewelry store!" cried Edith.

"Aren't they pretty?" said Laura, smiling.

There was a large wooden box close by the "gate," and on it, in small paper boxes, lying on white and pink cotton, were the articles she had made. The blossoms of scarlet sage strung together looked almost like a coral necklace; red, rosy lips made a pretty bracelet; yellow baby roses put together with wire answered for pins and belt buckles, while fuchsias were pretty earrings.

"Nobody will want to buy ours after seeing yours," declared Corinne.

"Oh, I think they will!" answered Laura. "But why not put them all together? I'd rather."

"Would you, really?" asked Corinne, her face growing red, as she remembered that she had been the one to propose separate "stores."

So more shallow boxes were obtained and the whole stock was soon in readiness for the real play to begin. Business was brisk, and Laura soon had to leave her place behind the counter in order to fashion more jewelry.

By dinnertime all the children were wearing pretty ornaments, and both Corinne and Edith thought there could not be a pleasanter playmate than Laura Mills.—*Montreal Star.*

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God Hears a Child Pray

A roaring, exciting, and destructive tornado swept through the edge of Sundown, Texas, between five and six o'clock one afternoon. In the suburbs of Sundown, where the storm did its worst damage, lived the Peevy family. Fourteen-year-old Betty Peevy and her little sister were home alone. Betty writes her experience to her pastor.

"When the tornado struck Sundown and it began to rain and hail, I had no fear because I thought it was only a sand storm; but when the lights were cut off and the hail began to break the windows in the kitchen on the north side of our house, I knew that something unusual was taking place.

"My little sister and I were in the living room, and as the storm continued we went into the bedroom. We first decided to get into the bed; but as the hail continued to break the window panes and the house seemed to be shaking, we decided that we should go into a clothes closet and close the door.

"While in the closet, we could hear the other part of our house as it was being blown away. We continued to pray. Soon the wind subsided, but it continued to rain. The roof of the house had been blown off, and in a little while, after everything seemed to be quiet, we slipped out of the closet to find that the entire house had been blown away. All that was left was the small clothes closet that we were in.

"I know that the Lord had a purpose in saving my life, and I thank Him for it. I shall continue to pray earnestly and sincerely that I may always find and do His will. Our house is being built back and I am very happy that I am alive."—*Baptist Bulletin Service.*

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Don't Give Up

There was once a boy who would come rushing into the house from school, hardly able to wait to tell his mother about some new idea he thought of for making a birdhouse, or for playing football, or for making a rock garden. And he could hardly wait to begin doing the thing he thought of.

His ideas were always good, and the way he would start to carry them out was good, too. The only fault with him was that he never finished what he started. After starting to work, he would find himself face to face with some difficulty he had not foreseen, or the work was a little harder than he had expected, and he would get discouraged and lose interest. He lacked stamina to carry on his idea to the finish.

And that is the difference between success and failure in anything. If you can keep on going and not give up when you run against hard things, you will very likely be able to do anything you start to do.—*Sunshine Magazine.*

Second Church, Highland Park, Louisville, Ordains Two Ministers

The Highland Park Second Baptist Church, Louisville, along with several neighboring churches met for the purpose of ordaining to the Gospel ministry Brother Homer Martinez, young Spanish evangelist, on Friday night, October 7. Pastor Foster E. Howard was elected chairman of the council and led in questioning the candidate. Pastor John T. Havlik, of the East Baptist Church, preached the ordination sermon, and Pastor Earl M. Wilburn of the Mt. Hermon Church, presented the Bible on behalf of the Second Church of Highland Park.

On Wednesday night, November 9, again the Second Church of Highland Park called a council of neighboring churches and pastors for the purpose of ordaining to the Gospel ministry Brother Paul Allen Montgomery, Versailles, Ky., student in the Southern Seminary. Questioning for Brother Montgomery had been conducted previously. Pastor Eugene Inlow, of the Clover Bottom Church, Woodford County, gave the charge to the church. Dr. Dale Moody, of the Seminary faculty, preached the ordination sermon and gave the charge to the candidate. The Bible was presented by Pastor Howard on behalf of the church.

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President of Southern Convention Addresses Long Run Brotherhood

Dr. Robert G. Lee, President of the Southern Baptist Convention, Memphis, Tenn.. was the principle speaker to the large assembly of visiting pastors, laymen and women at the Long Run Associational Brotherhood, at its fall meeting at Carlisle Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville, on Thursday night, November 17.

At the same meeting Ray Bensing, of the Crescent Hill Church, was re-elected as President of the group. Three vice presidents were re-elected as follows: Harry Dillon, St. Matthews, Membership Vice President; Ira J. Porter, Deer Park, Program Vice President; Earl Goodman, Parkland, Activities Vice President. Chester R. Snyder, Tabernacle, was re-elected Secretary and Treasurer, and Pastor W. C. Fields, Bethany, the Musical Director.

An advisory committee composed of three pastors was re-appointed. These were: H. F. Parker, Highland; Lewis C. Ray, Tabernacle; and George H. Riggs, Victory Memorial.

William H. Johnston, Carlisle Avenue, was elected to the newly created post of Promotion Vice President; and Pastor Ben F. Mitchell, Shively, was added to the advisory committee.

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Hardinsburg Pastor R. E. Sasser Preaches In Corinth Meetings

McQUADY, Ky., November 18.—The Corinth Baptist Church, McQuady, Ky., has made notable progress in the past two years. A new parsonage has been built, paid for, and occupied. The church has been completely redecorated and a new heating system installed. In a recent ten-day revival the church received forty-nine new members, forty-four of whom came by baptism, two by letter and three by statement. R. E. Sasser, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Hardinsburg, did the preaching. Charles L. Garringer is pastor.

In Memoriam

MRS. VAL MEYER

The soul of Mrs. Val Meyer went to rest with her Saviour in the Heavenly Home on September 24, 1949. As a group we miss her greatly in the services of the Farmdale Baptist Church, Louisville, where she worked loyally, faithfully and steadfastly through the years. We as a WMS extend our deepest sympathy to her bereaved family.

Be it resolved: That the family has lost a wife, mother and counselor whose chief and daily concern was that all of her family know and serve Christ; the church a loyal and diligent servant; the pastor a helper and friend; the WMS a member who was always ready to serve to the best of her ability.

Be it further resolved: That a copy of this resolution be sent to her family, a copy sent to the Western Recorder for publication; and a copy recorded in the minutes of the WMS.

We miss her, but we know that we shall meet her again.—Mrs. Ida Upton, Mrs. N. L. Gardner, Mrs. Archie Gocke, Committee.

MRS. CLARA TUTON FINCHER

ST. MATTHEWS, Ky., December 1.—In the early morning hour of November 13, 1949, at the Norton Infirmary in Louisville, Ky., Clara Tuton Fincher was called by her Master to come to be with Him in the home which He prepared for. Her going was indeed Heavens' gain, but it meant a great loss to her family and friends.

"Becky," as she was known by those who knew her intimately, combined the graciousness and gentleness of a truly great Christian character. She loved her church, and, in all of its various activities, she was always faithful to her tasks. Her friendly smile was a part of her and, even as with James, we realize that "life is but a vapor which appears for a little time and vanishes away," the fragrance and sweetness of her life will linger long in the hearts of all who knew her.

Be it resolved: That her family has lost a loving wife and mother; a devoted daughter and sister; that her church has lost a zealous member: and the WMS has lost a faithful member.

Be it further resolved: That a copy of this resolution be sent to her family, a copy be sent to the Western Recorder, and a copy be recorded in the minutes of the WMS of St. Matthews Baptist Church.

This is written at the request of the Womans' Missionary Society of St. Matthews Baptist Church.—Mrs. C. Y. Sanderson, Mrs. Verlin Kruschwitz, Mrs. B. T. Bethel.

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Three New Deacons Ordained By Shawnee Church of Louisville

The Shawnee Baptist Church ordained three new deacons on October 23. There were Messrs. Paul Carr, Charles E. Merson and A. D. Shelborne. There was a thorough questioning period, followed by a charge to dedication, fellowship and service. Pastor John Boykin led the ordination prayer, and the council of fourteen laid their hands upon the heads of the kneeling candidates, setting them aside for this responsible and honored position.

November 13 marked the first anniversary of John Boykin's coming to Shawnee as pastor. During the year the Sunday school attendance has increased from 160 to 279, and there have been sixty-seven additions to the church.

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Amid threatening skies and cold, falling rain, Pastor Edwin F. Perry conducted the cornerstone laying exercises of the Broadway Baptist Church on Thanksgiving morning at the new location, 3940 Brownsboro Road, just east of Chenoweth Lane. At the time of the cornerstone laying the iron framework was erected, rafters, floor joists, side and top sheating were all in place, and the stone foundation stood ready for the laying of bricks thereon.

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Blue Grass News

Ephesus Church Has Thanksgiving Banquet For Young People

WINCHESTER, Ky., November 29.—A Thanksgiving banquet was held in the basement of the Ephesus Baptist Church on Monday night, November 21 at 6:00 P. M. Forty young people were the guests of the WMS and the church. Turkey, of course, was the main dish, with potatoes, peas, dressing, cranberry salad, hot rolls, and ice cream and caramel cookies for dessert. The Thanksgiving theme was carried out in the decorations with a large display of harvest products fresh off the farm at one end of the room.

"For the Beauty of the Earth" was sung by Misses Virginia Green, Mary Ogden, Nan Pinick and Margaret Jessee, from the First Baptist Church of Winchester. Pastor Walton Leath, of the same church, brought a devotional message entitled, "Youth At Its Best."

The WMU of the church was making its initial use of their newly furnished kitchen.—*Phillip E. Rodgenson, 2030 Sherwood Avenue, Louisville.*

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Dry Run Church Calls Wilbur Sutherland To Be its Pastor

GEORGETOWN, Ky., November 4.—The Dry Run Baptist Church has called Rev. Wilbur Sutherland, of Versailles, Ky., as its pastor. He is at present attending the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. The Dry Run people are pleased with this young man, and pray for his work in this new field. We ask God's guidance in the work of Brother and Mrs. Wilbur Sutherland.

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Nearly $10,000 Raised at Centennial Anniversary Of Nicholasville Church

NICHOLASVILLE, Ky., December 2.—The Nicholasville Baptist Church here commemorated its 100th anniversary with a Homecoming and all-day services, with dinner on the grounds Sunday, November 27. As part of the celebration, a goal of $10,000 was set to be raised for a new parsonage for the new pastor the church hopes to call soon. The drive netted $9,240 in cash and pledges on that day, and it is hoped that soon the sum of the goal will be attained.

Dr. Dale Moody, Assistant Professor of Theology at Southern Baptist Seminary, was the speaker for the morning and afternoon services. There were 220 in Sunday school, when the average a few months before had been around 125 each Sunday. There were between 250 and 300 present for the morning service. During the day two were added to the church by profession of faith.

Just 100 years before, in February, 1849, Rev. R. T. Sillard and a committee of two others organized the church with seventeen charter members. From that small beginning, the church has grown to a membership of 400, with its property evaluation of $50,000. Many of the former members of the church, as well as the friends of the church, were present for this unusual celebration. One of these visitors was Dr. Otis W. Yates, Executive Secretary of the Central Baptist Hospital. Others present included Mrs. Henderson, who is ninety-nine years old, and for some years has been the oldest member of the church in age, and Miss Lizzie Crutcher, who has been a member of the church the longest, and has served as Sunday school treasurer for more than forty years.

November 27 was a great day in the life of the Nicholasville Church. While the church continues to look for a pastor, Rev. Samuel G. Shepherd, who is preparing for foreign mission service, is supplying the pulpit and acting as supply pastor.

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Gleanings

The Central Baptist Church of Paris, Kentucky, held a Family Night Banquet on the night of November 24.

Herman L. King, Adult worker with the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., was the speaker on Adult Night at the First Baptist Church, Frankfort, on December 7.

Pastor F. Russell Purdy is back home at the Calvary Baptist Church of Lexington after assisting Pastor I. E. Lee in a revival at the First Baptist Church of DuQuoin, Illinois. Mel Dibble was in charge of the music.

A portrait of the late Dean Robert T. Hinton was unveiled at Georgetown College in the John L. Hill Chapel recently. The portrait was painted by Miss Theo Carney, Knoxville, Tenn., who also painted the portrait of President Samuel S. Hill, which was hung some time ago.

Roy Gay and J. M. Turner were ordained as deacons by the Thornhill Baptist Church at Frankfort, Sunday morning, December 4. Pastor Roy Lyons is happy in his labors there and doing an outstanding work. The editor of the *Western Recorder* preached the ordination sermon. The Thornhill Church has the *Western Recorder* in its budget and Pastor Lyons has just sent in an additional list of names.

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Paris Church Has an All-day Program

PARIS, Ky., December 1.—The First Baptist Church of Paris had an all-day "Church Convention" on November 27, at which time Pastor S. H. Cockburn introduced every department of the church organization and its work was explained by the leaders of each department. The church had dinner on the grounds, and about 300 attended.

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JUSTICE—Charles Haddon Spurgeon once refused a legacy of $150,000. A wealthy resident of Leeds was so deeply impressed by Spurgeon's sermons, he willed the bulk of his estate to him, leaving various needy relatives poorly provided for. Spurgeon immediately sent for a lawyer and distributed the entire bequest among the needy relatives. The newspapers of the day, reporting this, said: "Mr. Spurgeon has preached many great sermons, but none more striking than this. He would rather be just than rich." Edmond M. Kerlin, *Telescope-Messenger.*

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Northern Kentucky News

John E. Huss Goes to Southside Church in Spartanburg, S. C.

By Chase W. Jennings
Superintendent of Missions

COVINGTON, Ky., December 6.—The originator of *"The Hour of Power,"* a mid-week prayer service in America, has accepted the unanimous call of the Southside Baptist Church in Spartanburg, South Carolina, to become its pastor. Southside has the largest Sunday school and the second largest Training Union in South Carolina. The church has just recently completed an $165,000 educational building, and has also erected a $40,000 building for its mission station.

Pastor John E. Huss came to the Latonia Baptist Church here eight years and seven months ago from the Horse Cave Baptist Church in this state. He began his ministry at Latonia with "The Hour of Power," and has centered his work around this program which has made him and the Latonia Church known throughout America. The average attendance for these mid-week services has been 477 for eight years and a half. On twelve different occasions there have been more than 1,000 present, and on one occasion there was an attendance of 1,522.

Other factors have been outstanding in his pastorate. The membership has grown from 982 to 2,114. The total additions have been 1,809, with more than 1,000 coming on profession of faith. This has changed the membership from forty-fourth to twelfth place in size in the state. The Sunday school has established itself in sixth place in the state. The church budget has grown from $13,000 to receipts of $75,000 for 1949.

An educational building has been erected and paid for, and a residence has been purchased two doors west of the church for further expansion. A parsonage was also purchased. The building fund now totals more than $50,000 for additional quarters.

In February 1949 the church launched a mission Sunday school program. The first was started in a roller skating rink with seventeen in attendance. There is now a lovely chapel costing $16,000 in the Rosedale community, and named the Wood Memorial Chapel. The attendance is running nearly 100. In April of 1948 the Latonia Terrace Sunday school was started in the recreational room of a housing project, and has hardly been able to remain in its quarters with more than 125 in Sunday school each Sunday. Lots on Ashland Avenue have been purchased and building plans are now being considered.

Two different radio programs have been sponsored by Pastor Huss. The first was over WCKY, a 50,000-watt station. This reached people in thirty-two states. The last program was known as "Morning Moments With the Master," and was over WZIP in Covington at 7:30 A. M., Monday through Friday of each week.



John E. Huss

Brother Huss is a native Northern Kentuckian, having been raised in Newport, and was ordained by the First Baptist Church of that city. This home community will miss him, as will also the Latonia Church. His many friends extend their best wishes, and will pray God's blessing upon him as he enters his new field of labor under the leadership of our Lord.

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Cornerstone Laying at Cold Spring—Oldest Campbell County Church

COLD SPRING, Ky., November 15.—The First Baptist Church of Cold Spring had its cornerstone laying for its new church building on November 6. Rev. O. J. Steger, a former pastor of the church, delivered the principal message. Among the items placed in the cornerstone was the history of the church.

Construction of the new building was started the first of October, and is progressing nicely. Much of the work is being done by the members of the church. When completed, the new auditorium will seat approximately 500.

The First Baptist Church of Cold Spring was constituted in 1794, now being the oldest church in the Campbell County Baptist Association. Brother O. T. Harmon is the present pastor.—*Mrs. Lillian Hale, Publicity Chairman.*

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Two Sons of Preacher Ordained as Deacons At Oak Ridge Church

COVINGTON, Ky., November 17.—The Oak Ridge Baptist Church ordained Brethren Kenneth Kelly and Edwin Kelly, sons of the Rev. and Mrs. George F. Kelly, as its deacons on Sunday afternoon, October 30. Pastor D. E. Mavity, Crescent Springs Baptist Church, preached the sermon and delivered the charges. Pastor Grover Tyner of Wilmington Church led the ordination prayer and Brother George Kelly led in the laying on of hands, being the first to lay hands on his sons. The brothers were asked to give each other the right hand of fellowship, the other deacons and ministers following in like manner.

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Superstructure Going Up On Basement Walls Of Old Cedar Church

MONTEREY, Ky., November 15.—Brother W. M. Wilson was called to be pastor of the Old Cedar Baptist Church, in Owen County, last July. On his arrival the church soon saw the need of completing its church. They had been worshipping in its basement for twenty years.

Plans and work began immediately. The walls are now almost completed. The material being used is native rock.

Church attendance is good. While construction is going on at the church, the worship is now conducted in the parsonage.

The Old Cedar Church is sponsoring a program at 9:30 A. M. on Saturday over Radio Station WVLK, Versailles, 590 on the dial. Pastor Wilson does the preaching.

Southern Kentucky News

Ex-Kentuckian, Now in Akron, Preaches in Muldraugh Hill Revival

LEBANON, Ky., November 28.—A fine uplifting revival came to a close on Friday, November 25, at the Muldraughs Hill Baptist Church with Pastor E. Benningfield, Akron, Ohio, as the evangelist. Although the revival lasted only one week, the house was filled each night and much interest was shown. The services were high-lighted with old-time singing and a fine junior choir.

Pastor John M. Wall says he is well pleased with the results and believes the revival will continue in the hearts of the people. There were twelve additions by baptism and a large group of life dedications.

Evangelist Benningfield was reared in the Muldraughs Hill community and has many relatives and friends there. He is now pastor of the fast-growing church in Akron which has an average attendance in Sunday school of 275.

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New Sunday School Annex Dedicated At Chestnut Grove

LIBERTY, Ky., November 28.—The new Sunday school addition dedication services were held at the Chestnut Grove Baptist Church on Sunday, November 6, 1949. Rev. J. V. Dean and Paul McFarland brought the messages in the morning services. Lunch was served to every one on the church lawn.

The afternoon devotion was conducted by Deacon Eugene Dean. Rev. John Wall delivered the dedication sermon and also offered the dedication prayer, setting aside this Sunday school annex to be used for the glory of the Lord. This was a day of spiritual feasting and rejoicing in the Saviour's love at Chestnut Grove.

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Lloyd Mahanes Assists Pastor E. R. Prather In Ferguson Meetings

SOMERSET, Ky., November 28.—Lloyd Mahanes, of Athens, Ky., was with Pastor E. R. Prather of the Ferguson Baptist Church, Ferguson, Ky., through November 4. During that time twelve people came forward on a profession of faith and were received for baptism. Five came by letter and there were thirteen rededications.

Brother Mahanes preaches the Gospel in simplicity and with power. He is a wonderful worker with children and young people, and can sing just as well as he preaches.

Perhaps the greatest visible results from the meeting was the revival spirit among the entire membership which seems to continue after the meeting closed.—*Z.M. Ford, Clerk.*

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Preaching "Unto The Spirits Which Are in Prison"

ADAIRVILLE, Ky., November 28.—The members of the YWA of the New Hope Baptist Church visited the Logan County Jail in Russellville, Ky., as a community mission project recently. We carried New Testaments and other literature, as well as nick-nacks to the prisoners. We sang, "Yield Not to Temptation," and "Lord, I'm coming Home." Our pastor, Rev. J. S. Hart, accompanied us and read the Scripture and gave a short talk. The prisoners, of whom there were six juveniles and four grown men, appreciated and enjoyed the visit. We were all much impressed by the youth of these boys. We are praying for them and plan to follow up this mission.—*Minnie Mae Taylor, YWA Secretary, Box* 191, *Adairville Ky.*

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Gleanings

Pastor C. W. Devine has a radio going at the Scottsville Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 for all who wish to hear Dr. Robert G. Lee's sermon on The Baptist Hour. That is a fine arrangement for those who may not have radios of their own.

William Hall Preston, Assistant Student Secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., supplied the pulpit of Hughlan P. Richey at the Adairville Baptist Church on Sunday morning, November 27, and Gossett Lawrence, a young layman in the church, spoke that evening. Pastor Richey preached at the First Baptist Church of Central City, his home church.

Brother Ben C. Taylor has resigned as pastor of the Pellville Baptist Church, effective January 1. During the three years he has been there the new annex, consisting of six large rooms with a full basement, has been erected. Also a new furnace was installed which heats both the new and old structures. The auditorium was completely redecorated, replastered, the floors sanded, new wiring installed, and the entire interior has been repainted. The Sunday school has more than doubled in average attendance, and a Training Union has been organized with an enrollment of ninety-one.

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A Modern Disciple

[Editor's Note: The following, written by C. A. Gaskin of Somerset, is an expression of appreciation of Rev. T. C. Duke. It is printed here by special request, and just as received—without editing.]

Life's fondest dream or hope, I'm sure
Could not embark upon a course
More potent to life abundantly
When chartered from such a course.

Whose cause and purpose comprehend
The direct needs of mortal men,
Of conquering doubt, greed and fear—
A ship to Zion called to steer.

A journey fraught with toils and grief;
But compensating joy—such fond relief;
Life's fondest status; duty done;
A life personalized by Christ.

An accounting shows such assets:
Love, rewarding labor, souls manifold
blest,
Homes anchored, ties renewed;
A treasure bequeathed to Heaven's Chest
—A prize so unearthly.

Survivors hopelessly adrift
From wrecks of voyages unplanned,
Taken aboard and weathering storms,
Prompted only by love's command.

A journey with destination unobscure;
A cargo of souls in the hold;
A trophy for His Majesty, to lay
At His feet and hear Him say
"Well done," is recompense enough.

Sorrow for those refusing "first class"
And useless plunder brought along,
Jettisoned during the storms, alas!
Stow-aways Jonahs too abroad
—Escaping an omnipresent Lord?

The course beset and in full view
Of Lucifer's tropical islands,
Beckoning loudly, "Come ashore
We're hold daily carnivals."

With porthole shades tightly drawn
And with increased stead ahead;
Through seas infested by Satan's sharks,
The kind that hit you in the dark
—He kept the tenor of his way.

Thou insured by the House of Lord
He daily kept his vigil;
His fun, it seemed, came from
Outwitting and eluding the devil.

A life lived! lived indeed!
Above strife's wreckage and debris;
We pause to wonder, stand in awe
What life looking through only love saw
—We the undevoted could not see.

Victory, rapturous sweeping victory,
The kind that triumphs over death,
Hell and the grave, made dearer
Too by having done our best.

—C. A. Gaskin

Western Kentucky News

Sinking Spring Church Of Murray Has an Enlargement Campaign

MURRAY, Ky., November 29.—The month of October each year is set aside by the Sinking Spring Baptist Church as enlargement month in their work. The campaign this year proved a very successful one.

The pastor of the church, M. M. Hampton, together with the Superintendent, Eugene Jones, and a large group of consecrated teachers and workers, in preparation for the drive, organized into an effective working force that produced results. Some of these results are as follows:

For the five Sundays in October a total of 1,020 people attended the Sunday school. This made an average of 204 each Lord's Day. This is the best average attained since the present pastorate began five years ago. All our people joined whole heartedly to help make this possible.

In addition the giving and other work increased in proportion to increased attendance and interest. Training Union attendance and interest increased also in same proportions as all other work. Director Prentiss Beaman and the other Training Union workers were made happy as our attendance there almost doubled and the Sunday evening preaching attendance in like manner.

The largest class, as a result of the campaign, was the Adult Men's class taught by a faithful Deacon, Gary Myers. This class and teacher did a great job. Likewise all other teachers did an equally effective job and all classes showed a healthy increase. Two other classes were 100 per cent. These were the Intermediate Girl's class taught by Mrs. Dwight Boyd and the other Intermediate girl's class taught by Mrs. Manell Stancill.

The spirit of revival still continues, and attendance is holding near the 200 mark throughout the month of November as well.

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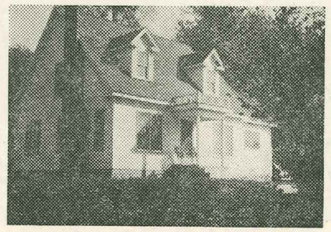
Study Course Book Taught at Benton

BENTON, Ky., December 10.—The First Baptist Church of Benton, in West Union Association, had a study course during December 5-9, using the book, *A Church Using Its Sunday School.* This course was under the direction of the Sunday School Superintendent J. R. Brandon. During the week there were two special nights—Wednesday and Friday. Pastor G. C. Lovan, of West End Church, Paducah, preached to the study class and congregation on those nights. After the first of the year this church is planning to teach the book, *Sunday School Officers and Their Work.* Evangelism and Training are their majors for 1950, according to Pastor Curtis L. Niceley.

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West Hickman Church Has New Parsonage

HICKMAN, Ky., November 30.—Pastor G. A. Abernathy and his family are now residing in the new $8,000 pastorium erected last June. This is just one of many progressive moves which the West Hickman brethren have made in the last three years. The entire church building has been



Parsonage West Hickman

redecorated, including the Sunday school departments and rooms. The entire Sunday school has been departmentized, with meeting places for each department. They now have a nursery which is well equipped, and an extension department. There are now thirty-six officers and teachers.

A library has been established, with approximately 100 volumes and a sum of $10.00 per month is being spent for new books. The church has purchased a painting for the baptistry, new pulpit furniture and choir chairs.

The Sunday school enrollment has increased from 154 to 185 in the last three years, and the Training Union enrollment has jumped from 56 to 120 in the same time.

The Sunday school enrollment has increased from 295 to 344, and the average attendance from 154 to 185 in the last three years. The Training Union enrollment has jumped from 56 to 120, and its average attendance from 29 to 66 in the same time. The WMU has been enlarged both in organization and members.

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Poole Baptists Complete Educational Rooms And New Buildings

POOLE, Ky., December 5.—December 4 marked an important milestone in the program of the Poole Baptist Church, where Gifford W. Berry is the pastor. The church entered its new building, which has been erected directly behind the old building. This new building is constructed of brick, with full basement, baptistry and educational rooms, and provides much needed rooms and conveniences.

The new building is the answer to prayer and the untiring efforts of some who had visions of the need of the Poole Church.

The church program has enlarged in the past year, namely, in the organization of a Woman's Missionary Society, with Mrs. Lila Dixon as president, and an enrollment of fourteen. Prayer services and Bible study have been held each Wednesday night since October. The Training Union was organized November 13, with Brother Ed. Gunnel as Director. On November 20 the attendance was forty-one. Choir practice is being held following the Training Union on the second and fourth Sundays. Brother Gunnel is chorister.

The Poole WMS visited the county farm on Sunday, November 20, and held services. Pastor Gifford Berry brought the message. Candies and apples were presented to the inmates.

In Memoriam

JOE HODGES AND GUY NOEL

LIVIA, Ky., December 1.—God has called two of our best. The last of September He called one of our finest intermediate boys, Joe Hodges, to come to be with Him. Joe was not quite fourteen. He had been a Christian less than a year. Thank God, he was a Christian. Joe was active in our RA work and other phases of our work. All who knew him loved him. Within one week after he was stricken with polio he had left us. Yes, we were made sad, but were made to think of our great responsibility to God to continue to win others. Joe was definitely interested in others.

God called again for one of our finest men, Guy Noel, 44 years, on November 7. He was called suddenly, with perhaps a heart attack. He had worked hard in the fields on his farm the same day of his death. Guy was our Sunday school superintendent, a deacon, leader along with his wife in our Training Union. He was a faithful husband and father, and was a friend to all. He was a personal soul winner.

God doesn't call the aged and inactive. Let us win others while they are young to become active in the Master's business. —James A. McCamish, Pastor.

——Eastern Kentucky News——

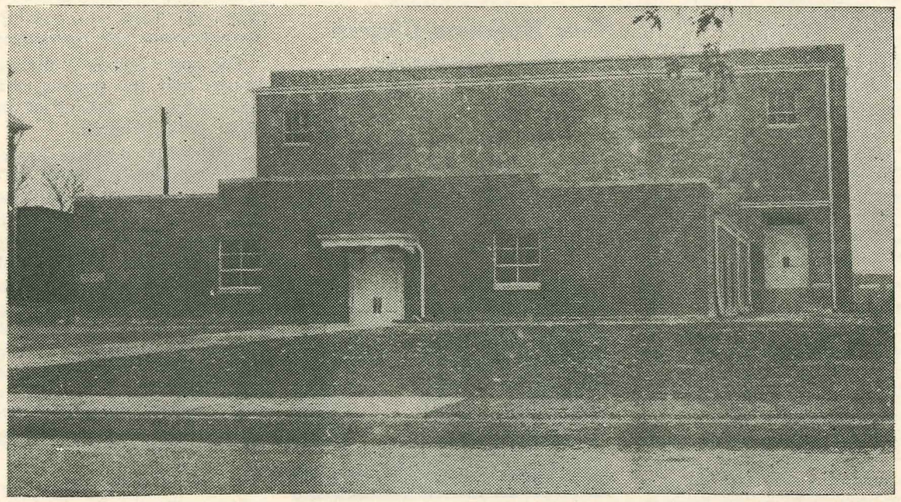
Catlettsburg Church Enters New Building

By Miss Evelyn Jones

CATLETTSBURG, Ky., December 5.—The opening services in the new church building of the Missionary Baptist Church, 3265 Oakland Avenue, Catlettsburg, was held Sunday, November 27. A week of special services were held November 28 through December 4.

The services on Sunday included new church building was held in the afternoon, beginning with open house at 1:30 o'clock and closing with a special praise service at 2:30 o'clock. Special music was provided by the male quartet from First Church, Ashland, and the message was brought by Rev. Donald W. Wells, pastor of Pollard Church, Ashland. Many friends struction which was begun with ground-breaking ceremonies September 21, 1948. Besides the auditorium, there are fifty rooms in the building which provides facilities for a Sunday school of more than 600 and for Baptist Training Union. The seating capacity of the auditorium was tested Sunday night when approximately 550 were comfortably seated.

On behalf of the entire church we wish to express our deepest appreciation to the pastors and other members of the churches in our Association for helping us make these opening services the great event they have



Sunday school, Baptist Training Union, and worship services of the church at the usual time. The Sunday school and Training Union attendance records were broken with an attendance of 573 in Sunday school and 135 in Training Union. A special meeting marking the opening of the of the church were present for these services. The services of the day reach a glorious climax with the baptism of two men and three women in the beautiful new baptistry.

Opening of the new church building for services marked the completion or near completion of con- been by their attendance and participation in these services. We cordially invite all the people of our Greenup churches to attend the Associational Sunday school conference on the evening of Monday, December 19, in its meeting in our new auditorium.

Wilson Creek Church Ordains Dan Newsome To the Ministry

WILSON CREEK, Ky., November 30.—At its October business meeting, the Wilson Creek Baptist Church, in the Greenup Association, voted to invite the ordained brethren of several other churches to help form a council to consider the ordination of Bro. Dan Newsome, who was a licensed preacher from the Cannonsburg Baptist Church. He had been called as Pastor of the Wilson Creek Church about eight months ago.

The ordination took place at the Wilson Creek Church at 2 P. M. on November 12, 1949, with the following ordained brethren present: Bert C. Caldwell, Greenup Associational Missionary; Clel B. Rodgers, Pastor Wildwood Church; J. M. Brickey, Pastor Summitt Church; Lum Terry (retired), Wilson Creek Church; and Deacons Ray Harper and R. W. Lane, of the Cannonsburg Baptist Church.

Brother Caldwell was moderator, and Brother Rodgers examined the candidate, after which the Council recommended to the church that the candidate be ordained. Upon motion, second, and unanimous vote, the church instructed the Council to proceed. The combined charge to the church and candidate was delivered by Brother Brickey. Brother Terry presented the Bible and Brother Harper led the ordination prayer.

We all pray God's blessings on Bro. Newsome and his wife as they continue in our Father's business. Their work has been greatly blessed since entering this field. The church is growing and there is a wonderful fellowship to be enjoyed by all who visit the Wilson Creek Church.—*R. W. Layne, Clerk.*

Dr. Frank H. Leavell Dies After Long Illness

News has just reached this office that Dr. Frank Leavell died in Nashville this morning, December 7, after an illness of several months.

Since 1920, Dr. Leavell has been Baptist Student Union Secretary for the Southern Baptist Convention, and led in forming the student program on a Southwide basis. He was also chairman of the Youth Committee of the Baptist World Alliance.

He was a native of Oxford, Mississippi, a member of a family of nine brothers of which eight are ministers or missionaries. Mrs. Leavell is a sister of Dr. W. C. Boone, General Secretary of Kentucky Baptists. There are three children: Mary Martha Leavell of Louisville, working with the Children's Welfare Committee: Mrs. John Newport who is with Baylor University; and a son who is a senior at Baylor.

More than a hundred Baptist Student Union secretaries who have dealt with many thousands of students in various colleges, religious and secular, have been working under the direct supervision of Dr. Leavell. Seven of these student secretaries are in Kentucky.

BOOK REVIEWS

JOHN MARK—Servant of Christ. By Park Harris Anderson. Published by the Christopher Publishing House, Boston. Price $2.00.

All lovers of John Mark will want to read this book. They will appreciate the forceful way the author explains why John Mark left Paul and Barnabas at Perga and returned to Jerusalem. This event which caused sharp contention between Paul and Barnabas and finally their separation has been the subject of much discussion. In like manner commentators have been almost unanimous in their criticism of John Mark for his actions at Perga for leaving the missionary party.

In this book Dr. Anderson sets forth in a clear, forceful and logical way the wisdom and foresight of this young writer of the Gospel to the Gentiles. His conclusions concerning the Paul-Mark difficulty are presented in a scholarly and scriptural manner. He certainly has the greater amount of historical and Bible truth on his side. The author brings to us a new insight into the greatness and wisdom of John Mark as a missionary leader to a first century Roman world. The manner in which Dr. Anderson deals with this subject will not only fascinate the serious Bible student but will convince the most severe critic of John Mark that at least there is another side to this issue that demands his honest consideration.—R. E. Sasser.

WHO AM I? By John W. Balthour. The Macmil'an Company. Price $2.00.

This interesting book comprises a series of Bible quizzes which are sure to lend new vividness and appeal to a study of the Scriptures. The series was first delivered to the Cadets at West Point and they were so interested it was decided to place it in book form. The talks are fresh, animated, original and interesting. The book is usable, with certain adaptions of course, in catching the attention of all age groups. Can be purchased from your Baptist Book Store.

PELOUBET'S SELECT NOTES. By Wilbur M. Smith, W. A. Wilde Co., Boston, Mass. Price $2.75.

This great volume—A Commentary on the International Bible Lessons for Christian Teaching—needs no introduction to the American Christian public. It is used by thousands in preparation of the Sunday school lessons. Rich in illustrations and outline it offers a solution to busy teachers' time-problem. It is almost a library in itself on the 1950 lessons.

USING VISUAL AIDS IN A CHURCH. By Earl Waldrup, Broadman Press. Price in paper binding, 65c; in cloth, $1.00. Can be purchased from any Baptist Book Store.

Every pastor and Training Union and Sunday school and WMU and Brotherhood leader should have this book and use it. The author, an expert in visual education, has loaded his nine chapters and 178 pages with practical suggestions for using visual aids, the most rapidly expanding religious mechanism for instruction today.

THE GLORY OF CHRIST. By John Owen. Price $3.00, Moody Press, Chicago.

This great book, edited by Wilbur M. Smith, is the last written by John Owen, the most learned of the Puritans. Owen, as is well known, exercised a vast influence on the religious thinking of England. His works afforded an almost endless treasure which has been enjoyed for the past 200 years. Owen was a great scholar; but it is his consuming love for Jesus Christ which stands out most in this work. He seems literally to walk in the brightness of His presence. Any Christian will be enriched by reading this great work. This is the only book of Owen's work published within the last ninety years. There are sixteen chapters, 287 pages, loaded with truth to enrich the Christian life and experience.

THE IDEA BOOK FOR THE JUNIOR LEADER. By Richard J. Mullin. Price $1.50, The Moody Press, Chicago.

If you work with Juniors, you will want this book. literally loaded with ideas to meet practically every need. Workers with young people today are all the more put to it by reason of the attraction of outside things. The work of the leader must be made interesting, highly attractive, or else the Juniors are not held. This book is an answer to your problem.

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GOVERNMENT — Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House, said recently: "We will never see cheap government again in our lifetime. We can look forward for some years to a government that will cost in the neighborhood of $40 billion a year. If we go on over the next fifty years as we have over the past fifty years, we will not be looking for markets for our products but for food for ourselves."—*Commerce.*

California No Longer A Baby, Says Editor

LONG BEACH, Calif. — (BP) — California Southern Baptists avowed belief in separation of church and state, deplored liquor traffic, and protested teaching of dancing in public schools in their annual meeting held here. The 1,109 messengers and visitors gave testimony to the fact that they are no longer a small and largely unknown denomination in the Golden State, says Editor Floyd Looney, of the *California Southern Baptist.*

The messengers voted a Cooperative Program goal of $110,000 and a total operating budget of $244,000 for 1950. All departments of the convention will participate in the Western Evangelistic Crusade next year. A survey will be made to determine the possibility of establishing an orphanage.

Dr. S. G. Posey was elected president.

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James L. Sullivan Heads Tennessee Baptists

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—James L. Sullivan, pastor, Belmont Heights Baptist Church, Nashville, was elected president of the Tennesse Baptist Convention for the year 1949-50 at its annual meeting here. He succeeds Judge John W. McCall, Memphis.

The convention voted to accept the three million dollar East Tennessee Baptist Hospital, started and built by Baptists of that part of the state.

Report on Cooperative Program receipts showed a new high of $1,310,-357, which is $75,889.10 more than was received last year. In each of the last seven years Tennsssee Baptists have given more through the Cooperative Program than the preceding year. Gifts will be divided 50-50 between state and Southwide causes in 1950.

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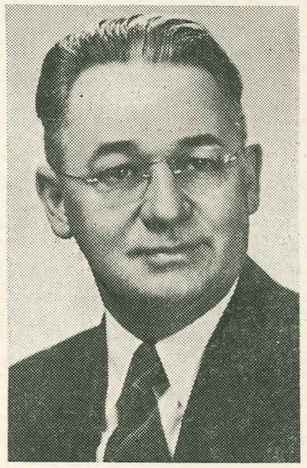
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Tax Exemptions Not Government Aid

Much stress has been laid upon the tax-free status of property belonging to churches, schools, hospitals, and other charitable institutions. The point is made that for the federal and state governments to forego the collection of taxes is, in fact, to make grants in aid to such institutions which are for all practical purposes no different from grants of actual money, and that as such tax exemptions are accepted by all, including Baptists, without any feeling that the principle of separation of church and state is being violated, therefore the principle of separation is not violated by the government's contribution of money to sectarian hospitals and the acceptance of such contributions by the institutions. But the similarity of tax exemptions to money grants completely disappears when one considers true basis of such tax exemptions. We repeat that the state and the church do not live in separate compartments of life. Each church member is likewise a citizen, each citizen may, if he so chooses, be a church member. The institutions live side by side. Each should support the other morally and spiritually as two good neighbors, but like good neighbors, each should keep its hands out of the pockets of the other. **As the churches should not except material aid from the state, so the state should not be permitted to take material aid from the churches through taxation. Morever and most important, the power to tax is the power to destroy. Therefore, the constitution writers, fresh from that era of history when the state supported one church only to the detriment of all others, determined to protect all religions, all churches from future depredations by evil or misguided legislatures or officials. Thus the tax exemption which is accorded religious institutions and their adjuncts, is not an exception to or a breach of the principle of separation of church and state, but is one of the strongest supports of that doctrine.**

Even if we accept the generally held opinion that the churches and their institutions are free from taxes because they contribute service to the community of equal or greater value, there must be a line drawn somewhere unless the principle of separation of church and state is to be completely voided. If we are to admit that there is no distinction between tax forgiveness and contributions to hospitals amounting to two-thirds of their costs, it is not a very long step to permit the entire cost of the hospitals to be furnished by the federal or state government. If we are to admit that tax-exemption is comparable to free bus service and free textbooks, then it is only a short step to free school buildings and pay for teachers. If tax exemption is comparable to contributions to those institutions which propagate the faith of the particular sects involved, then the way is open for contributions direct to the churches for the purpose of erecting buildings, paying salaries of ministers or priests, and all other activities of the particular church: **and when we reach that point we have established religion, which is expressly prohibited by the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.** Baptists insist that tax exemptions are not a violation of the principle of separation of church and state, abut rather a graphic symbol of that principle.



E. POWELL LEE

In charge of the Music Department of Evangelism, Crusade Organization, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga., Mr. Lee will speak on "Music in Evangelism," in the Third Annual Kentucky Baptist Evangelistic Conference at the Walnut Street Baptist Church, January 9-11, 1950. Mr. Lee will also have charge of all music for the Conference. Superintendent R. B. Hooks is sponsoring this series of evangelistic conferences.

Not a One-Way-Street

This matter of separation of church and state is not a one-way street. We are prone to consider it as a defense against the church taking over the state. It is also a defense against the state taking over the church. **If the state makes substantial contributions to the church and the agencies of the church, it is really not unreasonable for the state to exert some sort of supervision or inspection of the use to which its money is put. How can the church in all fairness resist or even resent such interference by the state?** Hospitals in which the state has a large stake, schools in which the state is heavily invested, should not be surprised if private control is substantially limited by rules and regulations of the state. Totalitarian governments insist upon control of the entire life of their people, including their religious life: and of totalitarian governments there are not a few in the world today. We hope and believe that America will remain free from the taint of totalitarianism. But state interference in the affairs of the churches is a long step in that direction. A strict adherence to the principle of separation of church and state will go far toward insuring that we shall remain free. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty" is no mere copy book axiom. Therefore, Southern Baptists insist that their position is based upon a deep-seated conviction and, that, as institutions, church and state must be separate; their position is in no sense "arbitrary."

It is by no means a matter of contending for "an abstract principle" at the sacrifice "of all human values." The dignity, autonomy and freedom of the individual is the basic human value, the very heart of which is freedom in relation to God.

Baptists suffered from persecution in the earlier days of our history probably more than other groups, and therefore are particularly conscious of the necessity of maintaining a separation of church and state, and have been unwilling to violate this principle as interpreted by them, even for the purpose of easing their financial burdens.

Duke K. McCall, His Parents, and Others Visit Golden Gate Seminary at Berkeley



Front, left to right: Dr. Duke McCall, Nashville, Tennessee; Judge and Mrs. John W. McCall, Memphis, Tennessee. Back, left to right: Dr. S. G. Posey, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Berkeley, and dean of Golden Gate Seminary; Dr. B. O. Herring, president of Golden Gate Seminary; Dr. Fred A. McCaulley, Western Field Secretary, Home Mission Board; Dr. S. F. Dowis, Superintendent of Cooperative Missions, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

BERKELEY, Calif., Nov. 10.—Dr. Duke K. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, and other convention leaders were recent visitors at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary and Calvary Baptist Church in Berkeley, California. The visiting delegation, on a return trip from several western state conventions included: Dr. Duke K. McCall, Nashville, Tenn.; Judge and Mrs. John W. McCall, Memphis, Tenn., parents of Dr. McCall; Mrs. George R. Martin, Norfolk, Va., Southwide WMU President; Mrs. L. L. Knight, Portsmouth, Va.; Dr. Solomon F. Dowis, Superintendent of Cooperative Missions, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.; and Dr. Roy Sutton, Associate Executive Secretary of the Arizona Baptist Convention, Phoenix, Ariz. Dr. McCall spoke in Calvary Baptist Church, Berkeley, on Sunday morning, November 6, and in Bayview Baptist Church, San Francisco, on Sunday night. On Monday, November 7, Dr. McCall investigated auditorium facilities and hotel accommodations in San Francisco, site of the 1951 Southern Baptist Convention. The San Francisco Bay area presents a local field which is both domestic and foreign. Dr. L. A. Brown, Secretary of Direct Missions with the Home Mission Board, has estimated that there are 75,000 Italians, 62,000 Greeks, 44,000 Chinese, 13,000 Japanese, 5,000 Portugese, and thousands of other-language-speaking groups within a radius of fifty miles from Berkeley.

16,798 Baptists Reported at Missouri Baptist Association

JOPLIN, Mo.—(BP)—Adoption of an $800,000 Cooperative Program goal, approval of a campaign to raise $75,000 to remodel and expand the Missouri Baptist Student Center Building at Columbia, and the unanimous endorsement of plans for the 1950 Western Evangelistic Crusade are among the advanced objectives of Missouri Baptists for 1950, as voted by the messengers to the 115th annual session of the Missouri Baptist General Association, meeting here, October 25-27, according to H. H. McGinty, editor of the *Word and Way*, Baptist state paper.

Registration reached 1,776, an all-time high. A total of 16,798 baptisms were reported by 1,786 churches, with two associations yet to report.

Pastor J. E. Rains, Euclid Church, St. Louis, was elected moderator; Mr. B. H. Browning, prominent layman of Neosho, was elected assistant moderator; and Dr. Earl Harding, First Church, Warrensburg, was re-elected recording and statistical secretary. The Association will meet at Hannibal in 1950.



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God, Man, and Money

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In a revival with a university, the text for one message was, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" (Jno. 10:10). In the midst of the message there flashed upon my very soul the thought that these thousands of young people are interested in life, abundant life. Many of them have the conception that to become a Christian will substract much from life. There was something of an overwhelming urge to declare to those young people: "Jesus is the Author of life. He would not dwarf it. He would not squelch it. Rather, He means to liberate us and to lead us into the fulness of life." Then, lifting the Bible, there followed the declaration, "One can search this Book from the first page to the last and not find one instance in which God has forbidden us anything except that which would hurt us. In like manner, we can find nothing He has required of us except that which will help us."

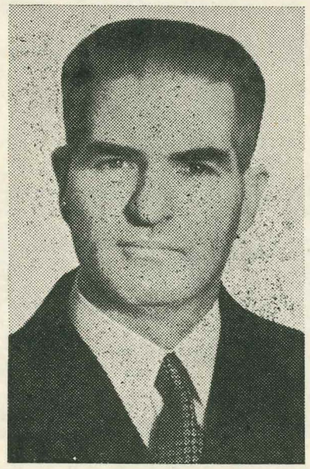
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God is our friend, and not our enemy. He asks much of us. Some of it is hard. Is it hard to give ten per cent of our income? All He asks of us is for our good. The Christian who obeys, always gains and grows.

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A steward may grow in grace until, in marked degree, he possesses the nature of Christ, the mind of Christ, the will of Christ. Therefore, he longs and labors, he loves and gives for world redemption. He does this of his own free will and accord, not as one who is driven by fear and urged on by the hope of reward. Imagine the father's joy when told of his daughters conduct in a crisis experience. She was urged by a group to do a thing she had been taught was wrong. They said, "Surely, your father won't object to this, just one time." To this she replied, "My father knows nothing of this, I speak for myself and not for my father." Surely, God is happy when His child stands on his own feet and makes God's way and will his own.

(To Be Continued)



C. C. WARREN

Dr. Warren, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C., will come to Louisville for three addresses —one each day—at the Third Annual Kentucky Baptist Evangelistic Conference, January 9-11, 1950. His three subjects will be: (1) Vital Verities in Vigorous Evangelism;" (2) "So What?" and (3) "Seeing the Multitudes." This conference will be held under the direction of R. B. Hooks, Superintendent of Evangelism, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, at the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville.

Porter Routh Reports:

(Survey Bulletin)

.....The Department of Education in England has rejected a Roman Catholic plan for the British Government to provide and operate the school plants now operated by Catholics. Minister of Education George Tomlinson asserted, "The Roman Catholics have always aimed at throwing the whole cost of their schools upon public funds, and have not ceased to do so."

.....Roman Catholics report the expenditure of $2,000,000 in church extension projects in the South and West during the past year.

.....The Methodist Church will need 20,000 full-time workers within the next four years, according to the denomination's Inter-Board Committee on Christian Vocation.

.....Representatives from the Methodist Church, Disciples of Christ, Evangelical and Reformed, Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., Congregational Christian, and Northern Province of the Moravian Church will meet in Greenwich, Conn., December 14-16 to discuss possible union. It is thought that a permanent committee will be set up "to explore several proposals which will be submitted to denominations for a United Church of Christ in America."

.....The Texas Baptist Foundation reports assets have reached the $16,000,000 mark.

.....The Home Mission Board has released its complete series of Home Mission Graded Study books for 1950.

.....A recent report indicates that on June 30, there were 482,033 retail dealers in alcoholic beverages, compared with 225,000 schools and 253,762 churches.

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Things Are "Popping" at Berea

By MAURICE P. WILLIS
Student Secretary, Berea, Ky.

When people are really mission-minded, the Lord will provide the opportunities for service!

The Berea Baptist Church, through its young people, started a mission Sunday school three years ago. Now, as a result of that work, a church has been organized with a full-time program of its own.

Two years ago another mission Sunday school and weekly cottage prayer meeting was sponsored by the Berea Church, and now that work has grown into an organized church with Sunday school and prayer services.

In the spring of 1949, members of the Berea Church became interested in a large group of Sunday school prospects and unenlisted Baptists at the edge of our town. Within these few, short months, another fully organized church has come into existence from that group of prospects, and already this youngest "child" has over 125 members.

The newest mission activities are being carried on by the Baptist Student Union, with the co-operation and support of the WMU of the church. In one outlying section of Berea, nearly 100 prospects for Sunday school were discovered in a census taken entirely by students. Many of these were visited, and interest grew until a little two-room shack was secured as a meeting place. There the students have been teaching Sunday school lessons, and visiting in the neighborhood. Before Thanksgiving, the students donated part of their Sunday sack suppers to provide candy, cookies, and fruit for each of the children. Then, two weeks after this mission became a reality, the student mission committee found another needy section of town and organized another Sunday school for the children of this section in a small Negro Methodist church building. Last Sunday (November 27) thirty-eight people were reached through these two mission points, and twelve students were provided a means of service.

[*Editor's Note: There are hundreds of such opportunities scattered throughout Kentucky and they could be developed if the local churches would take over. That is the way it is done—"Each over against his own house."*]

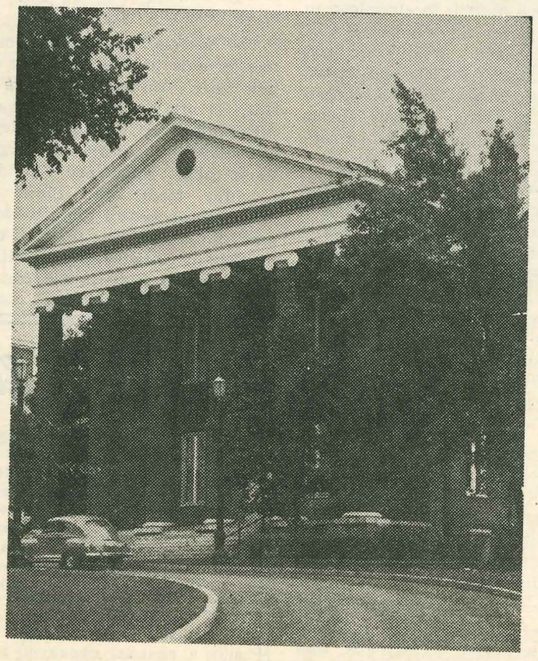
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Spice of Life

Every day brings something new for missionaries on the foreign missions fields, according to Dr. V. Lavell Seats, visiting professor this year at Southern Seminary, Louisville. Two women missionaries at Ogbomosho, Nigeria were delighted one afternoon that the orange juice they drank was freer of seeds than usual, Dr. Seats recalled. They called the porter and wanted to know how the improvement had come about. "Oh," beamed the porter, "I used the new strainer."

"New strainer?" they replied. "We didn't know we had one. Let's see it."

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Texas Convention Adopts $5,000,000 Budget for 1950

EL PASO, Tex.—(BP)—Evangelism had major emphasis at the 1949 session of Baptist General Convention of Texas, meeting here November 1-3. It even over-shadowed the report of TREASURER R. A. SPRINGER that more than ten million dollars was raised during the year for the Cooperative Program and for Baptist institutions in Texas. The $5,000,000 budget voted for next year will be divided 50-50 with S.B.C. causes.

Convention-owned institutions were instructed by the convention to refuse any gifts from the government. SECRETARY J. HOWARD WILLIAMS reported progress in 20 departments of work. Rural rehabilitation was presented by motion picture shown by Assistant SECRETARY FLOYD CHAFFIN.

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The Challenge of State Missions To Kentucky Baptists

(Continued from Page 7)

Do you believe these things? Well, nobody else but Baptists believes all of them! Does that have any significance? Does it carry any obligation? If we are stewards of God's truth, we must account to Him for that stewardship.

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Then, as Baptists, we are agreed on what Christ has told us to do. The Great Commission has as its major emphasis the making of disciples of Christ. The going into all the world, the baptizing of converts, the teaching of all things that He commanded to those who have accepted Him are all in the Commission, but they are secondary to the chief imperative which is—to make disciples, to win souls to Christ. And that is to be done at home, in our own neighborhoods, in our state, and to the uttermost parts of the earth. Did He say that? Was that His command? Missionary Baptists all agree that it was, and is, and that it is our obligation and our privilege to obey.

If we are agreed on what we believe, and if we are agreed on what the Master told us to do, the only thing left is for us to do, is to agree that in His name and by His help **we shall all move forward together in proving the sincerity of our faith by our works**—by what we are doing for Christ.

If Kentucky Baptists will all work together, in unity and understanding, with faith and vision, we can transform this commonwealth, once called the "Dark and Bloody Ground," into a state wherein dwelleth righteousness, and where Christ shall really reign in the hearts of men.

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Rural Church Extends An "Evangelistic Arm"

WILLIAMSBURG, Va.—(BP)—The Jamestown vicinity of America's first English settlement now boasts one of the most active rural churches in the South. It is the 46-year-old James River Baptist Church that maintains two meeting houses, five miles apart.

The church itself is located deep in the woods, seven miles northwest of Jamestown Island. Within the past two years a new $41,000 auditorium and educational building has been erected. The congregation meets in this building for all daytime services.

The second building for night services is five miles away on U. S. Highway 60 and is called the "evangelistic arm" of the church. It grew out of a tent revival sponsored by the church two years ago. The cinder block building seats 400 and is equipped with latest type opera chairs, hot air furnace, and pastor's study. It is erected on the site of Old Smyrna Baptist Church organized around 1800.

Since beginning its "evangelistic arm" this country church has received 125 new members, 75 for baptism. Per capita gifts last year were $87.24.

REV. JESSE BOWMAN, formerly a business man of Richmond, has been pastor of the church since 1942.

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LABOR—Labor disgraces no man; unfortunately you occasionally find a man who disgraces labor.—*General Ulysses S. Grant.*

Thank God for A Wastebasket

By Charles W. Koller

The most valuable piece of equipment in any man's office is his wastebasket. Whatever his profession, a generous use of the wastebasket is essential to his efficienty. "A wise use of the wastebasket," says one distinguished editor, "is the secret of successful editing."

A wise and generous use of the wastebasket is also the secret of spiritual blessedness. Many lives are encumbered with rubbish that ought to go into the wastebasket. This thought underlies the scriptural exhortation, "lay aside every weight," as well as the **sin** that besets the Christian life. Old worries, old grudges, and resentments must not be carried into the new year or the new day.

Past errors belong in the wastebasket. Everybody errs: hence the rubber eraser—the wastebasket's first cousin. There is said to be a man in Egypt who has not made an error in five thousand years. He is a mummy. The rest of us who make errors, must learn to acknowledge them, make appropriate restitution, and then, having learned our lesson, consign our errors to the wastebasket.

The Apostle Paul gives us the perfect formula for the beginning of the new year. In the past there were sins, errors, omissions enough to break the heart of the conscientious Christian. "But," says he, "forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 3:13, 14).—*Baptist Bulletin Service.*

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Pope Instructs Public Officials to Administer Law in Behalf of Church

By J. M. DAWSON, Exec. Secy.
Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations

[Editor's Note: The Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations officially represents, in Washington, all American Baptists, including the Southern Baptist Convention.]

WASHINGTON, D.C.—In America, there is legal prohibition against making church alignment the test of holding office. Accordingly, this Committee opposes the contention of appellants in the New Mexico case now pending, which would exclude Catholic nuns and priests as a class from teaching in public schools.

Only on proof of particular individuals teaching their religion in violation of the Supreme Court decision forbidding sectarian instruction in public schools can any be excluded from teaching in public schools.

We agree with PRESIDENT TRUMAN in his appointment of a successor to the late MR. JUSTICE MURPHY in saying that he did not think, all other things being equal, a man's church membership has anything to do with his appointment to public office. This is sound Americanism.

Here Is the Dilemma

However, here is the dilemma: It appears that Catholic legislators, in obedience to their Church, make it their business to enact Catholic policies into law, as shown by MR. LESINSKI; and Catholic administrators endeavor to grant the requests of their Church.

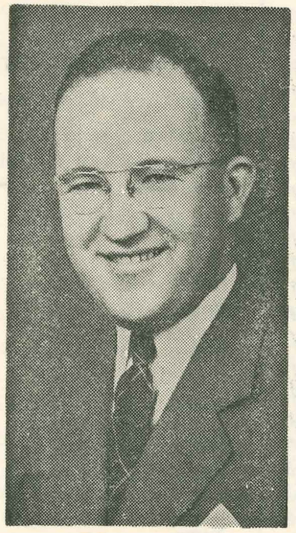
The open proclamation of this fact is now startlingly made plain by the POPE'S instruction to all judges to render decisions in keeping with the interests of the Roman Catholic Church.

If this sort of thing goes forward, it will not be long until, in sheer protection of the religious liberties of all, Americans may come to think it necessary to exclude in due process of law, all candidates for office who are foresworn of the people at large, or to the requirements of the civil law itself. This will be extreme—in line with the doctrines of the old APA. Conceivably, it could lead to the revival of KUKLUXISM which fostered fantical and violent anti-clericalism. The madness of the Roman Catholic Church is incomprehensible.

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Kentucky Man Installed As Pastor in Virginia



John A. Brown

CHESTER, Va.—Installation services were held at the Chester Baptist Church of this place, Sunday night, November 6, for the new pastor, Dr. John A. Brown. Members of the Virginia State Mission Board and other local ministers participated.

Dr. Brown is a native of Nelson County, Kentucky. He was educated at Western Kentucky State Teachers' College and Southern Seminary, Louisville. For approximately eight years he served as pastor of Kentucky churches, among them the Alvaton and Greenwood Churches near Bowling Green, and the Hartford and Fisherville Churches.

The church which Dr. Brown now serves is in a residential area south of Richmond. It was in a near-by Chesterfield Court House jail that Webber and Weatherford and others were jailed for preaching the gospel in the days of the persecution of Baptists in Virginia. The local field offers a great opportunity to this young pastor.

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McCall Travels 4,460 Miles in West; Makes 4 Conventions in 3 Days

NASHVILLE, Tenn.(BP)—Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the S. B. C. Executive Committee, appeared hale and hearty despite a strenuous four week tour climaxed with four speeches in four states in three days. His travel notes told this story:

Between the time he stepped off a plane in Santa Fe, N. Mex., and boarded another in Phoenix, Ariz., to return to Nashville, he had traveled 4,460 miles by car. Among other things, he attended the annual Baptist conventions of New Mexico, Arizona, California, and Oregon; attended to business matters relative to establishing a Western assembly at Glorieta, the Golden Gate Seminary, and the 1951 S.B.C. meeting to be held in San Francisco; and visited a number of home mission projects, particularly Indian missions.

And then came the four speeches in three days. Following the Western tour, the executive secretary was back in Nashville for a few days of office work. But early the next week he left again—this time on a three-day trip to present the Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists to the annual conventions of Baptists in Georgia, South Carolina, Florida, and Tennessee.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—According to an official report from the Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations—a committee which, in Washington, represents all American Baptist groups, including the Southern Baptist Convention—the E.C.A. gave them assurances that no aid to churches would be supplied out of the Marshall Plan provisions.

However, the Joint Conference Committee, of which DR. J. M. DAWSON is executive secretary, points out that "a report in the *New York Times* of an allocation of $2,850,000 *out of these funds* in aid of pilgrims to Rome during Holy Year seems to contradict such information."

At the insistence of Mississippi Baptists Dr. Dawson made inquiry of the E.C.A. concerning the report. The statement from the Joint Committee on Public relations follows:

"Does the action, as reported here, accept suspicions as to the meaning of MYRON TAYLOR'S ambassadorship to Rome? *Douglas Parmentier*, Office of Information, had written us: 'ECA has allocated no funds for the rehabilitation or restoration of church properties . . . It is the consensus of ECA officials that if such requests were submitted, they would be rejected as not being within the scope of ECA authority as established by Congress.' He added, however: 'It is quite possible that European governments have allocated some of their funds—not ECA funds—to the rehabilitation or restoration of church properties.' Now the *New York Times* says:

" 'Of the sum allocated, about 42 per cent is in the form of an outright grant. The remaining 58 per cent is in the form of a loan. The money will be used to transform some public buildings into lodgings for pilgrims, to buy beds and furniture and to build pilgrims' camps on the outskirts of Rome.'

"Must we understand that the Roman Church has been able to outwit the officials of ECA? All who resent the application to sectarian purposes of tax monies paid by all the people should cry out against this violation."

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Pastor R. Don Gambrell and the members of Erlanger Baptist Church will have Opening Day services in their basement of their new building on December 18.

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