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Pastor Elmer Wiley, of the Rocky Ford Church and a student in Georgetown, together with his family, will be living in the church parsonage, Hustonville, Route 2, Ky., during the week ends.

Student Secretary J. Chester Durham underwent major surgery at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital on Saturday, January 10. His youth and otherwise good health are in his favor, and his friends hope to see him out again before long.

The First Baptist Church of Washington, D. C., will raze its present building and erect a new \$2,000,000 edifice next spring. During construction, all services will be held in the Jewish Community Center, two blocks from the present church building.

Dr. Boyd Hunt has resigned as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Houston, to become head of the Department of Theology, Southwestern Seminary. He takes the place occupied for more than forty years by Dr. W. T. Connor. He began his new assignment January 15.

T. E. Williams, Baptist layman of Athens, Alabama, a banker and active in denominational work, died on Christmas Day after an extended illness. He was a brother of Dr. Jerome O. Williams, of the Sunday School Board, and formerly pastor of Fourth Avenue Church of Louisville and the First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky.

The Adult Men's Sunday School Class of the Pride Baptist Church, Ohio Valley Association, together with their wives, enjoyed a banquet in the dining room of the new Educational Annex on December 11. Before the social hour the gathering was addressed by Deacon O. R. Rudd. At the climax of the program the group was addressed by Bro. Lancy Hammock. A. L. Christianson is superintendent and Bob E. Wallace is both pastor and teacher.

Evangelist Reginald Wall, Decatur, Georgia, just closed a two-weeks' revival in the Toulminville Baptist Church of Mobile, Ala., where Dr. J. H. Wright is pastor. There were 80 additions. This completes four years Brother Wall has spent in evangelistic work, serving only in Southern Baptist churches. During this time 2,959 have been added to the memberships where he has labored, and 326 young people have surrendered to full-time Christian service.

Homer Martinez, a senior at Georgetown College, was the evangelist in a youth revival recently held at the Grace Baptist Church of Evansville, Ind. Elwood Parish, a student at Bob Jones University, was the song leader, and his twin brother, Elmo Parish, was the

choir director. With the help of these three, Pastor Stephen H. Cobb led the young people in a great work for these eight days. Some 55 came forward as candidates for baptism, 5 on promise of letters, and one by statement.

We need great Christians today. A great Christian must have a great Christ. Euclid said: "A point is a position without magnitude." We have people like that—purely local—just points—positions without magnitude. When Christ is master of the life, He expands the point of one's being. He gives position magnitude until the whole world rotates on its axis inside a redeemed soul, until the center encircles the circumference, until a unit embraces a universe.—W. F. Powell, *Nationwide Baptist Digest*.

Mrs. Martha Rosa Jones, age 72, died in the Kentucky Baptist Hospital the day after New Years at 9:30 p. m. She was a sister of Mrs. W. A. Gardiner. Native of Texas, she has made her home for many years with her sister and brother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Gardiner, now residing on Bashford Manor Lane, near Bardstown Road, Route 3, Buechel, southeast of Louisville. Her funeral was held at the McAfee Funeral Home, Buechel, with Pastor W. W. Richardson conducting. Burial took place in nearby Resthaven Cemetery. Besides her sister, she is survived by two daughters, Mrs. J. W. McNew, High Point, North Carolina, and Mrs. Arthur H. Morris, Cincinnati, Ohio, and one grandson, Hayes Redmon, a cadet in the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland.

Mrs. Mayme Waggener, ex-principal of the Grathouse Graded School, St. Matthews, died at Morehead, Ky., at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Creston Mayhall, January 2. She was a member of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, and resided nearby at 2754 Graham Court. She was one of its charter members. Her late husband, John M. Waggener, was auditor of the Bourbon Stock Yards, and her father-in-law was Prof. Leslie Waggener, who spent a long and useful educational career at Bethel College, Russellville, Ky., and the University of Texas, where he was teacher and president of both institutions. Mrs. Waggener is survived by her daughter, already mentioned, one son, Robert G. Waggener, Nashville, Tenn., four grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and one sister, Mrs. George Evans. She was a native of Lexington.

Evangelist Vincent Cervera, Greenville, S. C., recently assisted Pastor Frank F. Norfleet in a revival at the Immanuel Church, Paducah, Kentucky. Pastor Norfleet says of him that he is one of the most humble men he has ever known. "He is utterly devoid of temp-

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erament or vanity. He is perfectly willing to fit into the program which the pastor outlines." He says that he is a striking speaker and an indefatigable worker. "Because of the heavy concentration of industrial factories in and near Paducah, we were able to do our best personal work between the hours of 4 and 7:30, which was the time our services began nightly. Evening after evening we spent those hours going from house to house to do personal witnessing. Our mornings were spent with two daily radio programs and numerous chapel and shop meetings." Though the visiting evangelist was called upon for four or five speaking engagements daily, Pastor Norfleet says that not once did he complain of overwork.

# Glorious Achievements

By SELSUS E. TULL

[Doctor Tull, native of Louisiana, was several times pastor in Kentucky, including Paducah and Middlesboro. He was at one time pastor of the First Baptist Church of New Orleans. He is a graduate of Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, and of Southern Seminary, Louisville. He is now retired, and lives in Arkansas. This is an address delivered by request of the program committee to the Arkansas Baptist Convention which met this year in Little Rock. After delivery, the Convention requested that it be published. Doctor Tull sent it to the *Western Recorder*.—Editor]

The most glorious Baptist achievement I know anything about is the monumental fact that Baptists have survived all the vicissitudes and revolutions of history, and stand forth today as one of the most militant and powerful religious bodies in all the world.

The amazing consideration in this historic record is that this achievement has been wrought in the total absence of any centralized or superintending organization directing their endurance, growth, and activities. The fact that the Baptists have persisted throughout Christian history without a pope, bishop, priest or presiding elder, offers unanswerable proof that all such ecclesiastical over-lordship is not only unnecessary and un-scriptural but comprises a very wasteful and costly ornamentation.

The money spent in buying robes and other regalia, and in paying the salaries and upkeep of religious ecclesiastics up and down the earth would go a long way in helping to preach the simple gospel to a lost world.

If somebody in this Convention were to get up and make a motion that we buy the President of the Convention a robe and a crown, and a shirt which buttoned at the back of his neck, there would be a hundred others to offer a substitute motion that the money to pay the cost of such an outfit be put into the Cooperative Program! If the honored Executive Secretary of this Convention were to parade across this rostrum dressed in a flowing gown with a skull-cap on his head, he would be indignantly expelled from this building for having perpetrated such an act on the proceedings of this great meeting where all messengers here are equal before God.

Baptists have not survived in this world through the charm of sacerdotal pageantry or through the claim of any vested piety or pontifical authority in their leaders. The secret of Baptist perpetuity is found not in a succession of ecclesiastical leadership but in their allegiance to an all-sufficient personal faith in Jesus Christ in the hearts of individuals.

### A Backward Glance

It would be profitable and inspirational to go back through the centuries

the organizational life of our churches throughout the South.

I was made the chairman of this commission and, as chairmen are usually expected to do, I wrote the book which was published by the Sunday School Board and which was ready for circulation at the next meeting of the Convention in New Orleans in 1917.

This Manual was immediately adopted by several state conventions. It became the first exponent among Baptists of uniform, systematic, single budget finance for our churches.

### Crystallizing Unity

When the 75-Million Campaign was launched by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1919, the principles set out in this Manual were adopted for the campaign in setting up a unified appeal on the percentage basis in allocating the money to the various causes and institutions of the denomination.

The greatest and most far-reaching result of the 75-Million Campaign was not the money derived from the campaign, but it was rather the crystallizing of the conviction of unity in our Baptist work—that all Baptist work in one work.

Out of the 75-Million Campaign came the Co-operative Program which is the most glorious achievement in all modern Baptist history!

It was necessary for the 75-Million Campaign to have a central treasury. This necessitated an Executive Treasurer. Headquarters were set up in Nashville, Tennessee, and Dr. Austin Crouch became our first Executive Treasurer of our Southern Baptist Convention Co-operative Program.

These are the circumstances and the historic steps in the development of the most unique and successful program of denominational finance in all the world. When it is remembered that all Baptist work is voluntary and strictly co-operative, with no super-organization to dictate "quotas and allotments"—that nothing exists of any impelling consequence to control the thousands of churches and the millions of individuals in the membership of these churches, and when we now see our great denomination having arrived at a unity in conducting all its world-girdling enterprises, you have before you an amazing achievement unmatched by any type of comparison in all Christian history.

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Harry Hollis, former educational director of the First Baptist Church, Owensboro, Kentucky, has now gone from the First Baptist Church of Jackson, Tennessee, to become director of church activities at the First Baptist Church of New Orleans, Louisiana. In that work he will be associated with Pastor J. D. Grey, president at this time of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"Christian Truth in Baptism"

is the name of a tract by the late Dr. Rufus W. Weaver and published by the Sunday School Board. It should be given widest circulation.

Dr. Weaver called attention to the fact that "the period of debate" as to the mode of baptism has ended, and that "the proofs are so overwhelming that there is no pedobaptist scholar of acknowledged standing anywhere in the world who would risk his reputation by endeavoring to establish the claim that Jesus Christ was not immersed in the Jordan or that immersion was not the practice of the apostolic age."

We need now to keep before not only the religious world in general but Baptists in particular the spiritual import of New Testament baptism. The tendency for oft repeated acts to become common place is well known. They become taken-for-granted things and soon just a form without special significance in the minds of some.

New Testament baptism is a kind of speech, a preaching, the declaration of a beautiful and solemn truth. Just as a word written or spoken is the sign of an idea, so New Testament baptism is the sign or symbol of divine truth. It is a sermon which the church and the one being baptized preach jointly.

So far as our knowledge goes, Jesus never wrote a book with His own hand. He preached, taught, healed, died for our sins and rose again for our justification, ascended to the Father's right hand to intercede for us as our eternal High Priest. But He established a church and committed to it and to all the other New Testament churches a beautiful and meaningful ordinance. And that ordinance, rightly administered and received, is itself a whole book of truth. The whole gospel is declared in and by New Testament baptism. Baptists must therefore guard carefully the sacred preachments of this ordinance, and none of its meaning must be neglected. Here lies in part the danger of any church growing careless in its definition of baptism or its administration. Most of the deadly heresies have crept in through the breach in the wall at the point of the church ordinances—baptism and the Lord's Supper.

Some of the preachments of New Testament baptism are: (1) the atoning death of Jesus Christ for our sins, His burial, His resurrection; (2) it declares that those receiving baptism at the hands of a church were saved before they came to the baptismal waters, and that they therefore are dead to sin and have risen to walk in newness of life. This means that only those who have exercised a personal faith in Christ are prepared for the ordinance.

Change the form of baptism and you lose its meaning, and its message breaks down. Include infants among those to receive the 'ordinance' and the truth is gone. Baptize the unsaved and the symbol is gone. Baptism, says Dr. Weaver, is literally "the gospel enshrined in a form which, as a medium for setting forth its fundamental facts, rises triumphant over the separation of languages, the division of races and the changes of time. It possesses a value as a vehicle for the communication of the gospel, surpassing all the symbols of speech and literature. Baptism in its New Testament symbolism becomes the perfect confession of Christ. No other form can thus set forth these elemental truths."

Baptism in no sense of the word symbolizes the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. To try to justify sprinkling and

pouring by making them picture the outpouring of the Holy Spirit is to go beyond its purpose and the plain teachings of the New Testament.

Let Baptists make much of baptism. Let them make it always beautiful. It is a sin to perform the act of baptism in a careless and slovenly manner, even as it is a sin to preach the gospel so; for New Testament baptism is itself a sermon.

Obscene Literature Attacked By Congressional Committee

The Washington Religious Review, a reporting agency located at Washington, D. C., releases the following statement:

"The House Select (Special) Committee Investigating Pornography in Literature, of which Representative E. C. Gathings (D.-Ark.) is chairman, has asserted in its report to Congress that pornography now is a big business in the United States and that salacious paper-bound books, 'girlie' magazines and 'the flagrantly misnamed comics' have become a serious menace to the nation's social structure.

"The Committee warned that an 'incredible volume' of filthy literature is flooding the nation's newsstands and demands regulation by Uncle Sam himself. However, the Committee stated that censorship is not the real solution, but that existing local laws against obscenity could be effective if local public officials were not apathetic.

"It appeared that the committee virtually invited church groups in the various localities throughout the nation to agitate locally to clean up the newsstands, much like Senator Estes Kefauver (D.-Tenn.) urged localities to move to clean up the organized crime in their midst following his sensational disclosures.

"The Special Committee, on the other hand, did make some special recommendations to Congress. It recommended that Congress close the loopholes in existing federal law against interstate shipment of obscene matter and that the Post Office Department be given the power to impound mail addressed to persons offering lewd matter for sale."

This is a move in the right direction. We believe the vast majority of American people love decency and despise the filth which is day after day flaunted in their faces at newsstands. This is one point at which all churches should move together.

The sellers of filthy literature should themselves, for the sake of high standards, bar such material from their places of business. And the buying public should make objections known. Obscenity, however, is not confined to the cheap magazines and books. There are some nationally known magazines which carry pictures that are as suggestive and filthy as those found in cheap publications: pictures put out in the name of so-called art. The fact that such material can be displayed without arousing the righteous wrath of a decent public indicates clearly that there is a breakdown of morals now definitely underway. When character is gone, all is gone.

►When we begin to understand not only what men do but why they do it, we stand upon the threshold of truth.—UNION SIGNAL.

WINGS

By DR. JOHN MacBEATH

The Bible is a great picture book; its words are symbols; its ideas are images; it speaks to the eye as well as to the ear; it throws its speech out into some substantial form, and you see as well as hear, you watch as well as listen. The appeal to the imagination is as real and persuasive as the appeal to the reason.

Doves and Eagles

Two distinctive attitudes to life are represented in these pictures: "Wings like a dove"—"Wings like an eagle." The first is a surrender to intimidation, a sense of inferiority to the responsibilities and risks of life, a wish that they could be avoided. If the soul could grow wings, their first use would be to aid one's escape from a life too complex and difficult to be endured. The second is the attitude of confidence, not escape from life, but resolute engagement with it; no wish for flight but the zest of a fight for one's own soul and the soul of the world.

It would be an interesting exercise if we could put down the reasons why many people, known to us, have wished to change their sky, to leave the place that holds them, for some better country, some island of dream sound-proof against the noise and tumult of the world.

The singular thing is that it is often the language of great and good people—people whose rank and position are the envy of other people. The wish for wings formed itself in the heart of a king grown tired of coronets and courts, of pageants and speech-making and national anthems.

Escapism

There are many who speak and write of "Escapism" as if it were a novel thing, a new humour of the human spirit, one of the new phases of modern life. It is as old as man. Its speech is an ancient language that never loses its relevance. Even the most sheltered life has moments when the genuine cry of the soul is, "O that I had wings like a dove."

When these serious hours come to us, when we feel ourselves overborne, looking without—we see no ray of light; looking within, no help is there. Are we not entitled to ask our teachers to show us some refuge from things as they are, or to find for us some resource that will help us to some way of triumph?

In Psalm IV., there are two reasons why the author wanted wings: the first was, he had enemies. Unfriendly people

always make life difficult unless you can win them, or ignore them. The second was, he had unfaithful friends, and these may be worse to bear than acknowledged enmities. These are the two bitternesses of the world. It is easy to understand that even the heart of a king should weary when illusions are shattered and he does not know who to trust, so that in certain moods he would willingly wash his hands of the whole tormenting scheme of things, and escape into softer light and be at peace.

There are many situations that make people wish for wings. Unfriendly environments, discouraging conditions of employment, the sense of wasted years in preparation for positions and preferences that never come, frustrated desire, the feeling that one is tied down to a narrow life of petty cares, situations that never draw out the energies of the spirit, never put our powers to the stretch.

Tired Spirits

Despite the facilities for modern travel, there are many who are denied these indulgences. When Charlotte Bronte received a letter that glowed with the description of continental travel, she confessed such vehement impatience of restraint, such a strong wish for wings, wings such as wealth could furnish; the desire to see, to know, to learn, tormented the mind with the sense of faculties unexercised.

The life that to other eyes free from these restricting circumstances may yet be conscious of other restraints equally difficult. Mary Slessor's life-story has thrilled a multitude, but her brave spirit had its dark hours: "I had often a lump in my throat and my courage frequently threatened to take wings and fly away, though nobody guessed it."

Moods of weariness and discouragement come when even the hearts of the strong are willing to abandon their task. Cromwell in 1653 desired to leave his country for some freer realm: "I am in my temptation ready to say, 'Oh that I had wings; then would I fly away and be at rest;' but this I fear is my haste."

The slow progress of Christ's kingdom creates a darkness like night to those who have no encouraging harvests for their toil. "I came near doing a dreadful thing once," confessed Phillips Brooks to a friend; "I was in East Boston, and I suddenly felt as if I must get away from everywhere for a little while, and I went to the Cunard Dock and asked if the steamer had sailed. She had gone

about half an hour. I believe if she had still been there, I would have absconded."

The desire may come in the middle years of life when youth is over, when young energy has spent itself, when the first enthusiasms are exhausted, when the success we hoped for has not come, and the cause we served has not yet won, and seems now to have little chance of winning. Melancthon wrote more than once in middle life when pressed with over-work at Wittenberg: "I often think of flight." The lamp burns dimly, love grows cold, natural force is abated, the waste of long continued wear and tear make the grasshopper a burden.

What Remedy?

What remedy have our churches, schools and institutions to ease this human ache that comes as surely to our lives as winter comes in the calendar of the year? To very few is actual escape a possible experience; but there are alternatives to the things we want, alternatives that may sometimes prove to be better than the things we desire.

Outward escape would leave us as weak at the end as at the beginning, and it may chance that the land we dream of, the conditions we imagine, would prove as unsatisfactory in the long run as the things that now weary us and make us want to leave them.

The greater change and the happier one is not always or essentially a change of circumstance, but a change of heart and character and will. Here is something that suggests a remedy: "They that wait upon God shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles."

There is a Providence that visits us with the gift of courage and hope. There are friendships that come into our lives as the very gift of God, whose sympathy and confidence give courage to our timid souls, and the victory is won, not by running away from the things that have been difficult, but, by such a brave facing of them as to conquer them. There is a divine friendship available for all hearts that can change the timidity of the dove into the triumphant energy of the eagle.

A World of Nature

God's world of nature lies open to us. There is a wealth of things that are not privately owned; they belong like the light and the wind to all who care to make them their own.

There is always a wind on the heath, a star in the sky, the sympathy that healed the heartache of Mark Rutherford, the clearness and cleanness of God's stars about which G. F. Watts spoke to a young man of dissolute life (as they crossed a common together) and while they talked another star was kindled, another life was made pure.

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# Report of the Hospital Commission

By H. L. DOBBS, Executive Secretary  
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A report of the Hospital Commission as of November 1, 1952, was made to the General Association at Middlesboro, and I submit to the Baptists of Kentucky the following:

At the annual meeting of the General Association held in Bowling Green, Kentucky, in 1951 a resolution was adopted to the effect that the existing Hospital Commission be dissolved as of the close of that session and that a new Hospital Commission be authorized under certain terms and conditions which are clearly stated in the minutes of that meeting.

In compliance with instructions issued by the General Association through the resolution a total of twelve members were elected to serve on the new Hospital Commission as follows: Eight members from the Board of Trustees of Kentucky Baptist Hospital, two members from the Board of Trustees of Central Baptist Hospital and two members from the Board of Trustees of Western Baptist Hospital. This organization has been officially named Hospital Commission of Kentucky Baptists.

Since the reorganization of the Hospital Commission many details have been worked out and placed into effect. A friendly lawsuit was instituted to determine the legality of bringing the three hospitals together. Local Court decisions were so emphatic in favor of the program that the attorneys have decided that it will not be taken to the court of appeals. Papers of Incorporation on all three hospitals have been amended to meet with legal requirements. The titles of the Western Baptist Hospital, Paducah and the Central Baptist Hospital at Lexington have been transferred to the Board of Trustees of Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville. In the process of these legal actions the name of West Kentucky Baptist Memorial Hospital was changed to Western Baptist Hospital.

Arrangements have been made for a bond issue of \$3,150,000 secured by first mortgage on all of the hospital properties with joint obligation of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky limited to \$144,000 per year. \$2,500,000 of these bonds are to be sold within the coming year at an interest rate of 4½% per annum. \$650,000 of the bonds issued, although dated October 1, 1952, will not be sold for the time being. Interest is not being paid on any bonds until they have been sold.

In December 1951 the Hospital Campaign office was transferred over to the

Hospital Commission. This office was immediately moved from Kentucky Baptist Building to Kentucky Baptist Hospital, and since that time it has been under the direct supervision of the Executive Secretary of the Hospital Commission.

Audit reports show that total pledges for the 1951 campaign amounted to \$836,740.68. The report further shows that a total of \$590,202.66 has been paid on the 1951 campaign pledges. This leaves a balance on uncollected pledges as of November 1, 1951 of \$246,538.02. \$132,000 was received from the co-operative program to be applied toward its obligation on the \$3,150,000. There is a cash balance on hand from the campaign fund and the Cooperative Program amounting to \$68,320.95.

Disbursements from this fund have been as follows:

Paid Out	Amount
Central Baptist Hospital for construction purposes .....	\$245,221.99
Kentucky Baptist Hospital as its portion of the pledges collected .....	151,570.50
Western Baptist Hospital for construction and hospital property .....	197,624.91
For 1951 campaign expenses .....	56,475.15
Hospital Commission expenses .....	10,942.40

During the course of the year extensive changes were made to improve the floor plans of Central and Western Baptist Hospitals. Contracts were let at Western Baptist Hospital in May 1952 amounting to \$1,047,000 to complete and equip that 117-bed hospital. Contracts were let at Central Baptist Hospital on October 2, 1952, amounting to \$1,910,000 to complete and equip that 173-bed hospital. The 60-bed addition to Kentucky Baptist Hospital will be completed within the next few weeks at a cost of approximately \$500,000 which will be paid for from funds of that hospital.

In the desire to borrow as little money as possible to complete the hospital program it is absolutely necessary that an additional \$200,000 as a minimum be collected on pledges owing from the 1951 and previous campaigns. Even with this amount collected we may have to borrow an additional amount up to \$150,000 by the time the two new hospitals have been placed into operation.

We feel, in view of the tremendous task of planning and coordinating this multi-million dollar project with its

many ramifications, that most satisfactory progress has been made. The General Association and the Hospital Commission have worked in unity and are well on their way toward the successful conclusion of the Hospital building project. This is a wonderful program supported by a great denomination. Kentucky Baptists may well be proud of having the honor of being the first state in the Southern Baptist Convention to establish a hospital system with potential possibilities in the ministry of healing that have only been dreamed of in the past. There will be many more difficult problems faced in trying to open these new institutions with particular reference to personnel and finances that will seem almost impossible at times, but with your prayers, your financial support and cooperative understanding, we will succeed.

## Chief Chaplain Bennett Cites Need for Chaplains

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Major General Ivan L. Bennett, Army Chief of Chaplains, told members of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee there is a need for hundreds of young chaplains in all branches of service at this time.

He stressed need for young ministers to enter the service to provide for the men in combat areas. "Old men do not have the physical stamina to take it," General Bennett said. "Young men who are to be pastors of churches will do themselves and their members a service by serving in the armed forces for a period."

General Bennett also deplored the lack of worship facilities. He has just returned from a trip around the world during which he interviewed more than 500 chaplains. "These men," he said, "now have the opportunity to advance missionary enterprises."

Observing that the present crisis presents an unprecedented situation in that a million men are leaving the service each year while another million are entering, the Chief Chaplain stressed that:

"I have gone from unit to unit to impress chaplains to lead men to take places of leadership in churches and communities after they leave the service."

General Bennett said, "We are trying to open channels of expression in the lives of servicemen to keep alive their humanitarian interests. More than a quarter million dollars have been distributed by G. I.'s for relief of suffering in the countries where they have been fighting," he said.

The general is a Southern Baptist and has been in the army since 1918. He was nominated by President Truman as Chief of Chaplains of the Army on April 10, 1952, was sworn into office that month at Fort Mason, Calif.

# Glorious Achievements

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## Uniformity of Methods

Along with this achievement of uniformity in finance, there has grown up also our uniformity of methods in operating the auxiliary organizations inside the churches—Sunday school methods, WMU methods, BTU methods, Brotherhood methods. This marvelous uniformity now completes our organizational set-up to where our Baptist people today possess all the necessary organizational facilities to carry out the whole commission of Jesus Christ at home and around the world.

As one who has witnessed with his own eyes in the last fifty years the processes which have brought this glorious achievement of uniformity in all the endeavors of our Baptist people, I submit that it is impossible for you younger pastors in this Convention to even imagine the dis-united and haphazard type of our Baptist work back before this day of unification in our church and denominational methods.

Let me recite for your benefit the situation as it was when I began my first full-time pastorate at Kosciusko, Mississippi, after I left the seminary in July 1903. We had no Baptist Hospitals; we had no denominationally owned Baptist papers; we had no Annuity Board and Pastor's Retirement Plan; we had no departmentalized Sunday schools. We had no Graded Sunday School Lessons; we had no B. T. U.; we had no Chair of Church Administration in our one seminary; we had no department of Music in our one seminary. We had no sort of study courses for the churches; we had no field men such as our Sunday school and BTU and WMU secretaries; we had no departmentalized W.M.U. with its Auxiliaries. We had no Men's Brotherhood; we had no Baptist Student Union; we had no Daily Vacation Bible Schools; we had no summer assemblies; we had no Co-operative Program!

You might ask: What Did We Have? We had a great gospel. We had a great doctrinal loyalty. We had a great evangelistic passion. We had a spiritual unity under the supreme headship of Jesus Christ over his churches. We had men and women of vision who led out in wise planning on strictly scriptural outlines which pointed the way to the ideals which we have today attained.

## The Lordship of Jesus

There is just one secret which explains all these glorious achievements, and which sets out the Baptist people in their strategic position before the world today. That secret is the historic alle-

giance of the Baptists to the supreme Lordship of Jesus Christ over his blood-bought churches.

There is a banner which Baptists have held aloft throughout all Christian history, and that banner is inscribed with these words: "One is your Master, even Christ, and all ye are brethren."

This banner we hold up before the gaze of the world today in the midst of this present hour of world confusion. The last bulwark in the defense of the liberties of mankind are the Baptist pulpits of this land. The Baptists understand and know how to defend the absolute and supreme integrity of the individual before God and consequently before the laws of civil governments. This Baptist doctrine of individualism completely abolishes ecclesiasticism in the religious realm, and it dethrones every dictatorship in the realm of governments.

This world needs the Baptists as never before. Surely the Lord has led us to these glorious achievements in preparation of the mighty destinies which now confront this generation. If Baptists were to fail the world today, they would be guilty of default in the face of their greatest and most historic opportunity.

"God of our Fathers, be with us yet,  
Lest we forget, lest we forget."

## Missionary to China, Dies in North Carolina

RICHMOND, Va. — Miss Roberta Pearl Johnson, 69, Southern Baptist missionary to China, died December 11, in North Carolina.

Miss Johnson was born in Mt. Vernon Springs, N. C. She was graduated from Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C., and the Woman's Missionary Union Training School, Louisville, Ky. She did post-graduate work at George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tenn.

Appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1915, she did educational and evangelistic work at the Old North Gate Baptist Church and the Eliza Yates School in Shanghai, China. She was interned by the Japanese in 1951 and repatriated in 1943. At the close of the war she continued her work in Shanghai until 1949 when she returned to the States.

She had been in ill health for about two years. In a letter written to her many friends last August, she said, "God's most wonderful gifts are the friends he has given us—Christian friends who care and pray."

## An "Ingern" is an Onion

By O. W. TAYLOR

The story goes that a man who heard some people talking about onions said that he would like to see one. When an onion was shown him, he was thoroughly disgusted, saying that it was "nothin' but a old ingern." Many in religious connections have been pleased with some matter under one name but highly displeased with the same thing under another name.

Consider some definitions. ASSOCIATION: "A union of persons in a society for some particular purpose" (Webster). CONVENTION: "A body or assembly of persons met for some common purpose" (Webster). Therefore, an association and a convention are basically the same in nature. There is a difference between them in the size of organization and the scope of action, but essentially an association is a small convention and a convention is a large association.

Cooperative Tennessee Baptists have their Tennessee Baptist Convention. The same kind of organization in Kentucky (my native State) is called the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky. There are not wanting instances of opposers of the State and Southern Baptist Conventions having a general meeting representing a group of churches and associations. Such a meeting is a *convention*, though it may be called by another name.

Many a time certain Baptists who are strongly opposed to "conventionism" have neglected their own churches on the Lord's Day to attend and support an all-day "Singing Convention." They welcome conventionism as an "ingern" but not as an onion.

It was in 1689 that the General Assembly or Convention (or Association) of English Baptists was organized. "At this convention the denomination, among other things, resolved to raise a fund for missionary purposes, and to assist weak churches; also for the purpose of ministerial education" (Benedict, quoting Rippon's Register). Here was a *convention* fostering missions and assistance to weak churches and ministerial education. Counting from 1953, this was 274 years ago.

Orchard says that in 249 A.D. Christians had their "mutual unions for the management of spiritual affairs," and he also speaks of their meeting in "associations" and "conventions," "as the apostles had done in Jerusalem." The fifteenth chapter of Acts records the meeting of a convention or association to settle a crucial issue. Associationalism or conventionism is a very old thing among Baptists! Here is one of "the old paths" in which to walk.

An "ingern" and an onion are the same thing!

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# Religious Liberty

**Baptist World Alliance**  
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Dr. Gunnar Westin of Sweden, was chairman of the group considering the question of Religious Liberty at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance at Tollose, Denmark, August 4-8, 1952. The report, which was submitted by Dr. J. M. Dawson, and approved by the Executive Committee with instructions that it be sent to the Baptist Press, is as follows:

While realizing that the discussion group on religious liberty at the Tollose study week, held in connection with the Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance August 4-8, 1952, was not authorized to put forth any statement to be officially adopted, the participants in the study feel that some report would be welcomed by Baptists and received with interest by others.

## War on Freedoms

The seventeen members of the group together with a number of other persons who assembled with them, first of all confronted the dark fact that the world, during the past several decades, has suffered some of the direst assaults on human freedoms known to history.

This has been due mainly to the rise of a new and powerful form of political totalitarianism which waged relentless war upon all freedoms and particularly against religious liberty, real and full religious liberty.

It has also been occasioned by fresh aggression of an ecclesiastical totalitarianism which, in certain localities at least, has shocked multitudes by acts and policies which have denied freedom to individuals and groups oftentimes with cruel persecution.

After a careful survey, country by country, in which the effort was made to ascertain the exact status of people over the globe, it appears incontrovertibly plain that there are intolerable impositions upon the religious conscience in many lands and menacing threats to religious liberty in not a few others. Apart from marginal infringements, there are glaring major infractions which loudly call for redress.

## Encouragement

The study group, upon searching inquiry, joyfully discovered several reasons for hopefulness.

One encouragement comes from the fact that vast numbers of people around the world have become awak-

ened to the peril to religious freedom, which in our opinion is the foundation of all freedoms. They are taking vigorous action to protect God-given freedom on a scale, denominational, national and global.

Again, it is heartening to know that the United Nations has adopted a declaration of human rights in which the essentials of religious freedom for all men have been proclaimed in acceptable terms.

In countries where the separation of church and state prevails as the principle for which Baptists have historically contended, organized efforts are being made to preserve the system inviolate. In several nations where established churches exist, we note with satisfaction that civil disabilities have been removed from non-conformists. A striking example is to be found in Sweden, where Baptists have induced the Parliament to remove former restrictions from Roman Catholics as well as from those in the free churches.

The Baptist World Alliance from its

inception has stood without apology with all other forces battling for religious liberty. It may well be reckoned as one of the foremost organizations in the life of mankind for promoting this fundamental right of every man and group.

The men and women who made this special study at Tollose feel that the Crusade for religious liberty, which was inaugurated by earlier Baptist World Congresses and reinforced by adoption of a new midcentury Manifesto at Cleveland in 1950, should now be accentuated by Baptists everywhere. They believe that the Alliance should promote the circulation of this excellent Manifesto, that the denominational press should republish it, that the denomination in all appropriate ways should emphasize this Baptist pronouncement, to the end that Baptists throughout the world may be joined with others in the great endeavor to secure to all men the priceless boon of full religious liberty.

Rev. W. W. Johnson has resigned as pastor of the Second Baptist Church, Greenville, Ky., and has accepted the care of the mission work in Caldwell County Baptist Association.

Mrs. Encil Deen, Lexington, president of the Kentucky W.M.U., will be the speaker for the quarterly meeting of the Long Run Association W.M.U., at Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, January 28. The devotional will be given by Crescent Hill's pastor, Dr. Rollin S. Burhans, rather than Dr. Lucius M. Polhill, as previously announced.

## Harrods Creek Church is Presented with a Bus—



The Harrods Creek Baptist Church, located at Brownsboro, Kentucky, received a pleasant surprise in the gift of a church bus from one of its members. The person who gave it wished to remain anonymous, not seeking personal glory but the glory of our Lord and the progress of His church. It has already proved to be a great blessing to the church in providing a way of transportation to Sunday school for those who could not otherwise come. Brother Herman Noel, a deacon of the church, is the driver. Edward E. Joiner is pastor.

## Sunday School Department

**ROY E. BOATWRIGHT**  
State Secretary



**Dr. T. L. Holcomb**

## Regional Sunday School Conventions

Time is rapidly approaching the dates for our Regional Conventions. The first one will be held with the First Baptist Church of Henderson on February 9, starting at 9:30 A.M. Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Executive Secretary of the Sunday School Board will be the inspirational speaker for that meeting. There will be other inspirational speakers for the other meetings:

Speakers	February	Place
Dr. R. T. Skinner	10	Murray, First
Dr. W. O. Vaught, Jr.	12	Horse Cave
Dr. W. O. Vaught, Jr.	13	Lawrenceburg
Dr. H. Leo Eddleman	16	Frankfort, First
Dr. H. Leo Eddleman	17	West Liberty
Dr. Fred Eastham	19	Williamsburg, First
Dr. Fred Eastham	20	Somerset, High St.

Plan now for your Sunday school workers to attend.

## Standard Associations

On December 20, your State Sunday School Secretary received the first application for a Standard Association for this Sunday School Year. The Ten Mile Association with fifteen churches fulfilled all requirements for Standard recognition. The Associational Sunday School Superintendent is K. R. Connelly. We wish to congratulate the Ten Mile Association and the Superintendent for this excellent work.

## Record of Standards by Associations

Elkhorn	10
Ten Mile	10
Union	6
Laurel River	5
Nelson	5

## High Ten In Sunday School Training Through December

Shepherdsville	330
Louisville, 9th and O	189
Lexington, Grace	151
Louisville, Beechmont	130
Newport, First	113
Midway	102
Louisville, Walnut St.	101

Campbellsville	85
Louisville, Shawnee	84
Evansville, Ind., Walnut St.	78

## Standard Sunday Schools

Cynthiana—Pastor Wm. Austin Roberts; Superintendent J. W. Switzer, Jr.	
Pleasant Home—Pastor Jesse Bourne; Superintendent Lonnie Poland.	
Hustonville—Pastor W. R. Bradshaw; Superintendent Roscoe Norris.	
Whitesburg, First—Pastor Clel B. Rodgers; Superintendent Jack K. Cox.	

## Note of Correction

Last week a misprint occurred in the Sunday school article. We stated "to reach this number (70,000) it means enrolling as many in Sunday school in one year as have ever been enrolled in any ten of our best years." The ten should be two.

## Questions To Be Answered

1. Has your Association elected a Special Committee to assist the churches in increasing their enrollment?
  2. Has that Committee been reported to your State Secretary?
  3. Has your church selected a Special Committee for A Million More in '54 Program?
  4. Have you considered an enlargement campaign for your church?
  5. Do you plan to increase the number of Sunday school classes?
  6. Does your church have a Cradle Roll and an Extension Department? If not, will you start these departments?
  7. How about your visitation work? Do you have a systematic visitation program?
  8. Does your church have a branch Sunday school?
  10. Are you now making plans for your Vacation Bible School?
  11. Have you planned an adequate training program for your officers and teachers?
  12. Does your church have an impending concern for lost people?
- The correct answers to these questions will put us a long way on the road to enrolling "A Million More in '54."

## January 26 Meeting

Every association has been asked to have a Special Planning Meeting on the night of January 26 or a date suitable, for the purpose of laying plans for reaching all the churches on the matter of increasing their enrollment.

All pastors, superintendents, educational directors and associational officers should attend.

(See article in the January 15 issue of the Western Recorder.)

## Special Associational Committees

Elkhorn—Homer Wm. Smith, Lynn Mitchell, R. R. Atkins, Rev. Marian Autrobus, Marvin S. Jackson.  
Muhlenburg—Rev. Charles Woodburn, Rev. James J. Vincent, Rev. John Bruce, Rev. Robert Morris, Rev. Denzil Dukes.  
West Kentucky—Rev. O. C. Markham, Rev. Gardner Burden, James Cooley, Robert Herring, J. W. Crowley.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

January 11, 1953

Church	Missions	Total
Louisville, Walnut Street (5)	250	1,631
Bowling Green, First (2)	111	1,226
Lexington, Ashland Ave. (2)	264	1,135
Louisville, Carlisle Ave. (2)	126	1,116
Louisville, Parkland (1)	184	1,087
Louisville, 9th and O		1,058
Owensboro, First (1)	161	992
Mayfield, First		955
Lexington, Porter Memorial (2)	330	926
Owensboro, Third (1)	122	899
Murray, First (1)	86	895
Louisville, Crescent Hill (1)	168	875
Evansville, Ind., Grace (2)	171	866
Covington, Latonia (2)	251	847
Frankfort, First (1)	90	846
Lexington, Immanuel		844
Madisonville, First		830
Hindman (1)	623	819
Hopkinsville, Second (1)	11	795
Danville, First (4)	228	752
Louisville, Beechmont (1)	47	746
Harrodsburg (2)	61	730
Lexington, Calvary (1)	19	712
Louisville, Victory Memorial (2)	121	712
Newport, First (2)	161	672
Glasgow (1)	21	653
Lexington, Grace (1)	13	619
Hopkinsville, First		610
Middlesboro, First (1)	98	603
Evansville, Ind., Calvary (1)	55	603
Elizabethtown, Severn's Valley (2)	91	596
Evansville, 23rd and Broadway (1)	75	596
Louisville, West Broadway	46	586
Georgetown (1)	72	584
Paducah, Grace (1)	72	575
Covington, Calvary		374
Louisville, Baptist Tabernacle		550
Princeton, First		538
Shively	78	508
Campbellsville (1)	73	503
Henderson, Immanuel Temple (1)		487
Louisville, Deer Park		486
Louisville, Meadow Home (1)	114	472
Ashland, Pollard (4)	13	469
Danville, Lexington Avenue (1)		468
Beechland (Long Run Association)	126	456
Pineville, First (6)	41	449
Winchester, Central (1)	83	448
Louisville, Clifton (1)	46	430
Ashland, Unity (1)		428
Henderson, First	27	412
Owensboro, Hall Street (1)		393
Central City, First		392
Covington, South Side		391
Springfield	37	389
Corbin, Central (1)		388
Henderson, First		383
Louisville, Southside		386
Corbin, First		374
Hodgenville, First		373
Middlesboro, East		372
Cumberland Ave.	67	372
Paducah, 12th St. (1)		370
Fulton, First		359
Versailles		358
Williamsburg, First		356
Winchester, First		354
Louisville, Highland Park, First		352
Greenville	46	352
Lebanon (1)		344
Louisville, Shawnee		339
Morganfield, First	30	337
Russellville, First (1)		328
Whitesburg, First (3)	118	328
Bellevue		321
Louisville, Immanuel		318
Henderson, Audubon (1)	31	306
Bardstown		304
Nicholasville		302
Louisville, Fairdale (1)	34	296
Ludlow, First		293
Covington, First		289
Lexington, Felix Memorial		285
Paris, Central (2)	22	274
Louisville, Farmdale		274
Lawrenceburg, First		273
Sand Spring		273
(near Lawrenceburg)		264
Paducah, Trinity		264
Stanford		260
Covington, Madison Ave.		259
Lexington, South Elkhorn (1)	94	256
Sturgis, First		256
Owensboro, Seven Hills		255
Paintsville, First (1)	68	253
Louisville, Baptist Temple		250
Hazel		241
Frankfort, Thorn Hill		241
Lexington, Hillcrest		238
Monticello, First (1)	11	236
Marion Baptist		236
Pikeville, First		234
Cadiz		233
Louisville, Virginia Ave.		233

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**Baptist Training  
Union Dept.**  
BYRON C. S. DeJARNETTE  
State Secretary

**Enlarge Your Training Union in March  
(Continued)**

From tract by J. E. Lambdin.  
Write us for it.

**March Is Enlargement Month**

In the "Training Union Calendar for 1953," March is designated as Enlargement Month. It is very earnestly recommended that every church teach the methods books to all age groups and enlarge the Training Union during the month of March. If March is not a convenient time for your church, select a month which suits you better.

Enlargement will not happen just by accident. It must be very definitely planned. Every church can enlarge its own Training Union if it goes about it in the right way. To help in this worthy enterprise, some suggestions are offered.

**A Suggested Schedule for the Month**

A schedule for the enlargement work to be done in the month of March should be set up when the church calendar for the Training Union activities of the year is constructed. This should be done in December and not later than January.

For the month of March, 1953, it is suggested that we adopt the following schedule.

1. Survey Week, March 8-15.
2. Blueprint Week, March 15-22.
3. Enlargement Week, March 22-29.

**The Visitation**

Visitation during the enlargement campaign and continuously following enlargement campaign is the key to success in building a great Training Union. All members of all unions and the adult workers of the Nursery, Beginner, and Primary departments should be enlisted in this visitation.

Just as soon as new organizations are decided upon, lists of prospects should be assigned to those who are to lead these organizations. The visitation prospect record slips should be used to keep a permanent record of these assignments.

**Publicize the Campaign**

Give plenty of publicity to the campaign during the preceding month. Keep it before the whole church. Emphasize that the major objective of the campaign is to help the church to undertake Training Union work as a church enterprise, and to make the

Training Union strong enough to reach and hold all the members of the church in its training ministry. The campaign will proceed by the enlistment of the leadership needed and the construction of a solid foundation in each department and in the whole Training Union, so that the enlargement may be constructive, continuous, and permanent.

1. Use printed posters.
2. Have posters made by your own artists. Such posters may include pictures of your faculty, etc.
3. Use church bulletin regularly.
4. Use tags.
5. Have three-minute speakers in every Sunday school department each Sunday for two or three weeks preceding campaign.
6. Arrange for three-minute speakers in your Training Union assembly.
7. Use newspapers, if possible.

**Order Books Early**

Order from the nearest Baptist Book Store all of the books to be used during the week of study and enlargement. These books should be ordered at least a month in advance. Immediately following the Enlargement Week any leftover books that have not been used should be sent back immediately to the Book Store from which they were ordered.

**Report**

Report the complete Training Union roster of general and department officers and all new organizations to the state Training Union department immediately following the week of study. Send in requests for awards on the study courses also at the same time.

**Let's All Go to Training Union!**

Training Union is a family affair. There is a place which is attractive and which offers great possibilities for Christian growth for every church member. There is a place for the associate member who is not a Christian which will put around him influences which may lead him to accept Christ.

The values to be gained in Training Union are eternal values. Every Christian needs them.

Let's all go to Training Union!

Ernest Cruse, who grew up in the First Baptist Church of Somerset, was ordained to the Gospel ministry by that church in a recent special service. He has been called to be pastor of the Eden Baptist Church, Somerset. Pastor Preston L. Ramsey preached the sermon and offered the ordination prayer. C. M. Hill served as moderator and R. F. Jasper was the interrogator. Charles Jenkins gave the charge to the church and Gerald K. Ford the charge to the candidate. The presentation of the Bible was made by W. W. McAlpin. Also taking part were Brethren G. Wayne Buck and Hobart E. Beck.

**Latin America**

By Everett Gill  
Secretary for Latin America,  
Foreign Mission Board

**Chile:** Baptist work was established in Antofagasta, Chile's northern seaport, by Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Hart, with Miss Lois Hart continuing as directress of the Good Will Center and primary school. A new building includes a chapel on the first floor and living quarters on the second. Sunday school averages from 90 to 100. Sunday school at First Baptist Church, Antofagasta, averages 154.

Temuco is our oldest mission center in Chile. President Timoteo Gatica is leading the Baptist Academy in a fine way, ably assisted by three missionary teachers and 23 Chileans. A new chapel and classrooms are being constructed as a memorial to Agnes Graham, founder of the school which now enrolls 400 students.

I arrived in Valparaiso in time for part of the morning service in the beautiful new church on the main avenue of the city (gift of Jarman Foundation). There are 60 candidates awaiting baptism. That night seven came forward for baptism, among them a family the church had been working with for years.

In addition to the central church in Valparaiso, an aggressive work is being carried on in Vina del Mar, open-air services are conducted each Sunday in one of the central parks, and radio programs are broadcast weekly. How I do rejoice in the freedom which exists in Chile for the propagation of the gospel.

The Second Baptist Church, Santiago, is nearing completion and is already self-supporting. The three other churches are small and in need of better quarters.

**Brazil:** The new Baptist seminary, overlooking Rio, when completed, will be a credit to the Baptist cause. The Training School in its new quarters continues its outstanding work, led by Miss Dorine Hawkins. Dr. J. L. Riffey continues his excellent work with the Field Seminary Institute.

The new Publishing House at the edge of the city is magnificent and is probably the largest evangelical institution of its kind abroad.

The Brazilian Home Mission Board continues its far-reaching service, with about 125 Brazilian missionaries under appointment.

The church work in Rio is amazing with 86 self-supporting churches in the capital city. The secret of this growth is seen in the Campinho Church: In February of this year (1952) they had 25 members; in December, 65; they are self-supporting, every member tithes, and they have bought a big lot for a future building.

**WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION**

MRS. GEORGE R. FERGUSON, Executive Secretary  
MISS BEULAH WINGO, Young People's Secretary  
J. C. BALLEW, R. A. Secretary



"DAVID and JANE"

The above is the title of a new book for Sunbeams in the Community Missions series. The book is written by Nellie Vaughan Parrish and contains splendid stories for Sunbeams ages 4-8. These five stories all have the same two main characters, David and Jane. However, each story is complete in itself. And to make the stories more applicable they were suggested mainly by actual experiences of Sunbeams. The aim of the book is to help Sunbeams to see missionary opportunities in their everyday experiences at home and in the community, to arouse in their hearts a desire to share both their material and spiritual possessions, to meet the physical needs they see and to help others know Jesus. In all, the hope behind the book is that Sunbeams and their leaders will catch a clearer understanding of what community missions really is and find some ideas and suggestions which will be of practical value to them. There is a special teacher's edition of the book, price 60c and a pupils' edition, price 40c. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

**Are You Doing These Things?**

1. Keeping the anniversary goals before your organization at each meeting?
2. Keeping the Standard of Excellence Chart before your members at each meeting and marking it regularly. Use originality and color in making it attractive.
3. Are you working at your records and activities of Achievement in Mission Study and marking the Achievement Chart. Will you be one of the 500 point or the 350 point W.M.U.'s in Kentucky?

**Y.W.A. Focus Week**

In 1935 a special week for each junior missionary organization was set aside for Focus Week of Young Woman's Auxiliary. No more helpful week could be planned for these young women than one in which their ideals are used. The attention of the church is focused on the purpose, work, and value of each organization. Special emphasis is given to enlistment—not only in membership but in participation in all the activities of the organization—by every committee and member.

The week following the second Sunday in February is the week set aside for Focus Week of Young Woman's Auxiliary. No more helpful week could be planned for these young women than one in which their ideals are used.

**Sunday:** "Thoughtful study of the missionary message of the Bible." Start the week off by having all the YWA's present in Sunday school. If possible have the girls present some part of the missionary message of the Bible in the opening exercises in Sunday school.

**Monday:** "Prayer for missions and missionaries." Cottage prayer meetings held in the homes of the girls will help them to realize this ideal. Let each girl present the name and work of the missionary of her choice. After a period of prayer, write letters of encouragement to the missionaries. Hold several of these at different hours so each girl will have the opportunity to attend. Invite all eligible girls in the vicinity of each home.

**Tuesday:** "Comprehensive study of missions." For this ideal combine some fun with serious study. Have several different teachers to prepare a mission

study book. Also have some of the WMS members to prepare a progressive supper. Start with an hour of study at the church and then have the teachers to present a chapter at each home when they stop to eat. Close with a friendship circle and prayer at the last home. The girls will not mind being out late for this interesting study.

**Wednesday:** Show your church loyalty by going as a group to prayer meeting. If your church has a church activities dinner, reserve one table for the YWA's. Get one of the circle to decorate it in the YWA colors.

**Thursday:** "Devoted community missions activity for the spiritually and physically needy around us." Each girl will want to participate in some phase of community missions. Have several different projects for the day. Encourage each girl to go to at least one home instead of sending or giving.

**Friday:** "Regular and proportionate giving to worldwide missions." Climax the week with the WMS giving a banquet. Why not make it "mother and daughter?" The GA's will enjoy serving. Either have a picture on giving or a dynamic challenging speaker.

This week will take prayer, work and planning but will be rewarding in the enthusiasm which it will create. At your next meeting appoint a girl to be in charge of each day. Then each girl can select a committee to work with her. Do not forget the girls in your church who are not enlisted in YWA work but are of the age 16-24.

Pastor S. Barger Richards, who expects to be appointed to the Navy Chaplaincy on the completion of his seminary work, has resigned the care of the Frey's Creek Church.

**Beautiful Upon The Mountains**  
By Nan Trantham Poe

The biography of Kentucky W. M. U.'s beloved mountain missionary — Miss Annie Allen—is now available at the Baptist Book Store, Louisville.

Paper-bound copies 60 cents; cloth-bound copies \$1.25.

You will not want to miss reading this interesting, historic story of the life and experience of this faithful servant of God who has given her life in service to the people of our state who would not have heard the gospel had it not been for her love.

# Wee Willie's Other Cheek

By BERTHA GAGOS, In The Maritime Baptist

"Here comes Wee Willie Wilkins," Butch Ferris cried as Wilbur approached the schoolhouse. "Let's snowball him!"

Wilbur tried to dodge the volley of snowballs flung by the boys on the playground, but one, containing a small rock, struck his cheek. The boys laughed. "Wee Willie got his pretty face messed up," someone shouted.

Wilbur dashed angrily up the steps and into the school building. "Good morning, Wilbur," Miss Knight greeted him. "You're early. Oh, what happened to your face? It's bleeding."

"I was just playing," Wilbur gulped, not wanting to be a tattletale.

"Come on into our room and I'll put something on it," the teacher offered.

"Now, tell me about it."

Wilbur paused, then blurted out the story of how the boys in Highland school had nicknamed him Wee Willie the day he entered two weeks before. "They've been mean to me ever since," he said hotly. "I'm going to get even though. I'll make them sorry they picked on me just because I'm small for my age!"

"I doubt if it would help to try to get even that way," Miss Knight said gently but firmly. "But I know how you feel. The children teased me when I was your age. Only it was because I was taller than anyone else in school." Wilbur's eyes widened. For the first time he noticed that the teacher was tall, taller even than his dad.

"The children in my grade called me Clumsy Clara," Miss Knight continued. "They kept asking how the weather was up where I lived. It made me so angry that I lay awake nights thinking of ways to get even with them."

"Did you?" Wilbur wanted to know. "Yes, but not in the way you mean," the teacher smiled. "I played tricks, like mixing up overshoes and throwing caps in the wastebasket and pouring ink on their books, but they kept right on being unkind. Getting even by doing something worse than is done to us does not make boys and girls stop picking on us."

"Then what does?" Wilbur frowned.

"I'll tell you what worked for me if you will keep it a secret," Miss Knight's eyes danced.

"I never talk to the other kids," Wilbur reminded her.

"Well," Miss Knight sat down on the desk across from Wilbur's seat. "My mother told me that the way to make the children stop teasing me was to be so nice they would forget I was tall and

awkward. And being good to them would make them feel ashamed of themselves," Miss Knight looked thoughtfully out the window. "Do you go to Sunday school?"

"Of course," Wilbur answered.

"Well, remember the sermon on the Mount? Jesus said, 'Resist not evil; but whoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also'."

"Does that mean that I should go out and tell the kids to throw a stone to cut my other cheek?" Wilbur asked in amazement.

"Not exactly," Miss Knight laughed. "I think it means that we should learn to forgive those who wrong us. And instead of trying to get even, treat them kindly."

"But—" Wilbur began to protest.

"I know it isn't easy," Miss Knight sighed. "I found it very hard to be pleasant to the children who teased me. But when I stopped being angry all the time I discovered that there was something about each one that I liked."

"It isn't so bad for a girl to be too tall as for a boy to be too short," Wilbur declared.

"Perhaps not. But God has a reason for making some of us a bit different. Perhaps some day being small will help you do something the larger boys could never do. Why, because I was tall, I was the only child in the neighborhood who could get a frightened kitten out of a tree."

Wilbur thought a great deal about what Miss Knight told him. It was hard to believe that being small could ever help him. But he would try being nice to the boys and see what happened.

The next day Wilbur took a bag of mother's special ginger cookies to share with the boys at recess. "Give me those cookies!" Butch ordered fiercely. "Babies like you aren't allowed here. Beat it before I punch your nose in!" Wilbur longed to fight for his rights but he knew it would be useless to attack a boy as big as Butch. He ran around the corner of the schoolhouse. "Wee Willie is a coward," the boys shouted after him.

Wilbur made his way to the front of the building where the school janitor was talking to another man.

"That warm wind last night softened the ice on the pond so it isn't safe for skating," the janitor was saying. "No one should skate there until we get another freeze."

After school Wilbur saw Butch and his buddy, Martin, walk toward the pond with their skates. Wilbur watched think-

ing how glad he would be if Butch fell through the ice. Then Miss Knight's words about returning good for evil flashed through Wilbur's mind. He ran after the other boys calling, "Hey, the ice isn't safe!"

"Who asked you?" Butch turned and shook his fist at Wilbur. "Mind your own business, see?"

Wilbur dropped behind. Well, he had done his duty. If Butch and Marty wouldn't pay any attention it wasn't his fault. Wilbur thought how pleasant it would be at school without those two boys. He started toward home whistling.

Suddenly Wilbur turned and began walking toward the pond. He had not told the boys how he knew the ice was unsafe. It wouldn't be right not to try to keep them from falling in. He hurried faster. The two boys were already gliding away from the shore when Wilbur reached the pond.

"Wait," shouted Wilbur but his words were lost in a loud crackling sound and a splash followed by a scream. Only one boy remained on the ice. "Marty, crawl toward the shore," Wilbur called. Marty obeyed. Wilbur watched Butch's head appear in the dark water of the hole in the ice.

"Run for help, Marty, while I keep Butch afloat." Wilbur lay down on the cold ice and crawled toward the hole where Butch was thrashing about wildly. "Take it easy, Butch," Wilbur commanded, edging himself forward as far as he dared. Butch gave a cry but got quiet long enough for Wilbur to grasp his hands.

Wilbur held on. It seemed years. His hands grew numb. Once when he turned there was a terrible cracking. What if he should fall in too? Butch did not speak. What if he were drowning?

Wilbur was so tired that he hardly heard a man's voice calling, "Hang on!" After what seemed more hours Wilbur realized that he was being dragged backward across the ice. Then he was lifted in strong arms. "Butch?" he whispered.

Sherman Adams, assistant to General (now President) Dwight D. Eisenhower, has replied to the felicitations sent by the General Association of Baptists in its recent sessions in Middlesboro, Kentucky. His reply read: "Dear Mr. E. D. Davis, Secretary: Because of his extremely busy schedule and the heavy mail he has been receiving, General Eisenhower has asked me to thank you on his behalf for your recent message of congratulation. The many heartwarming messages which we have received have been a source of encouragement to all of us. General Eisenhower deeply appreciates your thoughtfulness in communicating with him."

# New Year and New Work

By JOHN CAYLOR

## Encouragement From Advance Program

The Advance Program of Southern Baptists in which the Home Mission Board participates has furnished \$346,011.94 for new work. On the regular income of the Board it is not possible to start new work but encouragement coming in the form of a third of a million dollars does give real help.

## New Work

For some time the Board has been planning to put a man in the field to serve in home counseling and deal with juvenile delinquency. Now that provision has been made for the salary, the man will be named as soon as the committee can agree on the person for the position.

Chaplain Ernest I. Ackiss, who was Deputy Chief of Navy Chaplains in Washington following World War II, has been named by the Home Mission Board as field secretary to develop and direct a program in the interest of military personnel. He is to serve in the Co-operative Missions Department of the Board leading churches to keep in touch with their members in military service and to follow military personnel returning to the churches. Dr. Ackiss is a native of Virginia and a graduate of Richmond College and of Southern Baptist Seminary. Richmond University conferred the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree upon him. He has served as pastor in Virginia, Kentucky, and Illinois.

"From his heart and through his hands has gone the present training program for navy chaplains and he has written the present chaplains' manual," says Dr. Alfred Carpenter, director of the Chaplains Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. He brings to his work for Southern Baptists a wealth of experience in the field in which he is to serve.

Curtis L. Johnston, of Macon, Georgia, has assumed his new duties as office secretary of the Home Mission Board, succeeding J. W. Wing who has held the position for thirty-three years. Mr. Wing has been transferred to the Church Building Loan Fund as secretary. Enlargement of the loan activities of the Board calls for full-time service of a secretary and Mr. Wing has been named to that post. Mr. Johnston brings to the Board the experience of office management and accounting which fits him for the task for keeping up with the financial interests of the Board. Already in the office himself, he is moving his family to Atlanta as soon as the details of transfer can be attended to.

## New Missionary Appointments

In addition to Dr. Ackiss and Mr. Johnston who are moving to the Atlanta headquarters, new missionaries on the field appointed at the January meeting of the Board include:

Mrs. Rosa L. Reed who will be Spanish kindergarten teacher at Portales, New Mexico;

Rev. and Mrs. Bert Archbold, of the Canal Zone, who will serve as missionaries to the West Indians in the Canal Zone.

Dr. Arthur Lee Jarrett, of Chattanooga, who has been named as director of the Negro center in that city.

## George A. Carver Elected To Training School Faculty



George A. Carver

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Dr. George A. Carver, Hightstown, N. J., has been named professor of Missions at Woman's Missionary Union Training School in Louisville, Ky. He joins an expanding faculty to which Dr. Hugh A. Brimm was recently named professor of Human Relations.

Born and reared in Louisville, son of Dr. W. O. Carver, emeritus professor at Southern Seminary, Dr. Carver comes well prepared in training and experience. A graduate of Yale University, he received his M.A. degree at Columbia University. An ordained minister, he studied at Southern Seminary and at Union Theological Seminary.

While a missionary to China for ten years he served as professor of English at the University of Shanghai. During

the past ten years he has served as a master in the Peddie School at Hightstown, N. J.

Dr. Carver's wife, the former Miss Saxon Rowe, reared in Georgia, is the author of two books about China. She is now librarian for a private school for girls in Princeton, N. J. They have one son, a graduate of Yale, who is now completing his work toward his Ph.D. degree at Oxford University at the age of twenty-three.

## TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

January 11, 1953

Church	Missions	Total
Beaver Dam	---	154
Bowling Green, First (1)	44	267
Cadiz	---	63
Campbellsville, Pleasant Hill	---	114
Clarksville, Ind., First Sou. Bap.	---	69
Corbin, First	43	126
Covington, Latonia (1)	---	186
Danville, First (2)	79	213
Frankfort, First (1)	48	160
Glasgow	---	128
Harrodsburg (1)	19	142
Hodgenville	---	101
Hopkinsville, First	---	141
Lebanon	---	115
Lexington, Immanuel	---	226
London, First	---	140
Louisville:	---	93
Audubon	---	90
Beechland	---	133
Clifton (1)	35	78
Kenwood	---	85
Lynn Acres	---	234
Ninth and O	---	233
Parkland	---	345
Victory Memorial	---	143
West Broadway	---	250
Madisonville, First	---	253
Murray, First	---	281
Owensboro, First (1)	80	117
Seven Hills	---	281
Third (1)	55	157
Winchester, First	---	79
Central	---	650
Arlington, First	---	381
Mayfield, First	36	180
Paducah, First	---	96
Trinity	---	106
Princeton, First	---	122
Northside	---	---

## Evangelism Committee Projects Three Year Plans

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Dr. C. E. Matthews, Dallas, Texas, secretary of evangelism for the Southern Baptist Convention, announced a national evangelistic crusade for 1955 which will extend to more than thirty-six states, Panama, Cuba and Alaska.

Dates for the various zones of action have been set. The United States is divided into three zones, moving east to west.

C. Y. Dossey, assistant to Dr. Matthews, observed that the evangelism department sets up a church-centered program with its purpose to make evangelists of all Southern Baptist pastors and soul-winners of all members. "We propose to do that by promoting annual associational simultaneous crusades, and a perennial program of evangelism through a weekly visitation program."

The Ellisburg Church, in Casey Association, had a Bible Study Week January 5-9. They studied Dr. Ralph A. Herring's book on Philipians.

# Seminary Professor Defends Use of "The Atoning Blood"

By ROY BEAMAN  
New Orleans Seminary

NEW ORLEANS, La. — A former professor of Baptist Bible Institute, now the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, was riding in an elevator with a pastor.

"I am so shocked by the words, 'the atoning blood,'" the pastor said, "I wish I might never hear them again."

In the same spirit a brilliant young man and an eloquent preacher pursuing a doctor of philosophy degree exclaimed that he was nauseated with hearing so much about the blood of Jesus.

These insist that we should drop the phrase out of our preaching, teaching, and writing. They feel that it is a concept beyond human grasp and contrary to the love of God.

Unquestionably, no phrase in human speech or its idea has been more misused and misunderstood, more defiled and desecrated than this! It is heavy-laden, soiled, and mutilated. The heated blood of contenders has often blurred the radiance of the atoning blood.

## But How Preach Without It?

Why, however, should I for this reason abandon its use? Speculations and theories have weighed it down to the dust of confusion. The religious factions have kicked it and blackened it. Should I let it lie with these finger-marks soiling it or raise it from the dust and clear away the defilement so that its clear, forceful, and tender features may be perceived? Where may I find a phrase like it to portray as movingly as it will the indescribable love of Christ Jesus? How shall I preach as winsomely the love that gave Him to die for me?

If I should choose the purest, the most sparkling, and the most scintillating "concept from the inner treasure-chamber of the philosopher," I could only capture thereby an ethereal, an indistinct, and an impersonal setting forth of His matchless love. I could not with such a concept bring men up the knoll of Calvary to the presence of Him who

was shamefully dishonored there for my soul and its salvation.

## Phrase Deliberately Chosen

With kindness and yet deliberately, I choose the phrase, "the atoning blood," as the most telling tribute of the devotion of my repenting heart to Him for His unspeakable love.

Men may caricature and misinterpret this disputed phrase; but when they stand over near Him in the loneliest darkness of Gethsemane and Calvary and talk no more about Him but to Him, no other set of words means more. Then the heart shouts with deepest gratitude from a sense of guilt and lack of merit.

"O Lamb of Calvary, embodiment and personalization of infinite love for me, Thy atoning blood washes me in the overwhelming flood. Saviour wash me in the blood, and I shall be whiter than snow."

When for three successive springs I have stood before Gordon's Calvary and climbed up on the knoll where the Saviour may have died on the cruel cross, I have come away renewed in my soul to tell more of the love of Him who shed His blood for me. "Hallelujah for the Cross!"

Deacon Walter D. DeVault, of the First Baptist Church of Knoxville, Tennessee, died recently at the age of eighty-eight years.

## Louisville Area News

### Lynn Acres Baptist Church, Louisville, Breaks Ground



The Lynn Acres Baptist Church recently broke ground to begin the first unit of its building, which is to be located at 5007 Southside Drive, the land adjoining the Lynn Acres Apartments. This first unit when fully completed will cost approximately \$80,000.

Pictured, from left to right, with the shovels are George J. McNew, chairman of the deacons; Dr. Cort R. Flint, pastor; and S. Earl Baker, chairman of trustees. Standing are Ted Hilbert,

building committeeman; Paul White, building committeeman; Dr. W. C. Boone, General Secretary, Kentucky Baptist General Association; and Loren Hatfield, building committeeman and treasurer of the building fund.

The Lynn Acres Church celebrated its second birthday the second Sunday in January as a mission and church.

Dr. W. C. Boone brought a short message of challenge to the people and led in prayer.

now serving his third term on the State General Association's Executive Board, and he has also served on the State Executive Committee.

A native of Georgia, he came to Louisville twenty-five years ago with International Harvester Co. After eight years he resigned and was ordained to the full gospel ministry by the West Broadway Baptist Church of Louisville in 1936. Before coming to the Shively church, he served the Brownsville Baptist Church five years, and the Smiths Grove Baptist Church for three years.

### South Jefferson Notes 30th Anniversary and Has Groundbreaking



Pastor Dester E. Jones and General Secretary W. C. Boone participate in the ground breaking exercises in anticipation of the new educational building for the South Jefferson Baptist Church, Valley Station, Ky. The occasion was also the observation of the thirtieth anniversary of the church. Dr. R. T. Skinner, editor of the Western Recorder, spoke at the morning service and Dr. Boone spoke in the afternoon. The new building will be 30x50 feet, and will be on the west side of the present structure. It will be three stories high. Some 32 persons were present at the morning service who had been present at the organization 30 years ago. Mr. J. S. Lippold, the original clerk, and Miss Florence Woods, the original treasurer, were both present in the afternoon.

Pastor Lewis C. Ray, of Baptist Tabernacle, slipped and fell on the Post Office steps, during the recent snow-and-ice weather which visited Louisville. He has been confined with an injured back ever since at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital. At last reports he is doing very well.

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### Ben F. Mitchell, Shively Pastor, Becomes Long Run's Superintendent

Pastor Ben F. Mitchell, of the Shively Baptist Church since August, 1943, has been chosen as superintendent of missions and evangelism of the Long Run Association of Baptists. He assumed his duties in that office on January 1, 1953. His resignation was announced to the church on Sunday, December 7.

During his Shively pastorate more than 800 have been received into the membership of the church. The Sunday school attendance in 1943 was 188. At present the attendance is well over 500. The receipts for 1942 were \$7,335.00, while the current year's receipts were more than \$43,000.00. Additions to the buildings amounting to between \$90,000 and \$100,000, completed in 1950, tripled the seating capacity of the auditorium, and more than doubled the educational facilities.

While serving as pastor at Shively, Pastor Mitchell has served the denomination in various capacities. He has been president of the Louisville Baptist



Ben F. Mitchell

**Boone's Creek Commends Phillip Rodgers to Virginia Baptists**

WINCHESTER, Ky., Jan. 2. — At the December meeting of the Executive Board of Boone's Creek Baptist Association resolutions were drawn appropriate to the going of Dr. Phillip Rodgers from the pastorate of the Ephesus Baptist Church and the Boone's Creek Association to be assistant pastor of the Woodland Heights Baptist Church, South Richmond, in his native Virginia, where Brother M. Jackson White is pastor.

The resolutions express the regret of the Boone's Creek Association that he is leaving them and that they are losing the rich fellowship they have had with him. Approval is expressed that his work at Ephesus, and his faithfulness to the Word of God presents an example of courage and great spirit. He has rendered faithful and outstanding service to all the churches of the association, and he is commended to the brethren of Virginia as a faithful and loyal preacher of the word, and a true man of God.

The committee composing the document was signed by Bill Reid, Eugene Hamilton and Paris B. Akin.

**Gleanings**

Judge Eugene F. Siler, Williamsburg, moderator of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, spoke for Pastor F. Russell Purdy at the Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, Sunday morning, January 18.

Editor John W. Bradbury, of the Watchman-Examiner, New York City, was with Pastor John Wallace in a series of special meetings at the Felix Memorial Baptist Church, Lexington, during January 12-18, 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. John Wallace is pastor of Felix Memorial.

Brother Fred Niekirk, Lexington, has been called to become pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church at Forks of Elk-

horn, near Frankfort, Ky. The W.M.U. sponsored a social with a surprise pantry shower for him and his family on Thursday evening, January 8. The last week in January he will teach, "Studies in Philippians, to the Sunday school teachers. This fairly new church is looking forward to doing many things for the Lord under his leadership.

**BOOK REVIEWS**

**YOUTH AID IDEA HANDBOOK** by George F. Santa. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Price \$1.00.

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**STORIES TO TELL BOYS AND GIRLS** by Al Bryant. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich. Price \$1.95.

These stories are well told and effective. They are chosen from among a great number that came to Al Bryant, the editor, as a result of the last Zondervan Bedtime Story Contest. The stories are designed to have a moral influence on the children. The author is a graduate of Wheaton College and of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. He is advertising manager and book editor of the Zondervan Publishing House. There are 20 stories, and they will make interesting reading or listening for the children.

**WINKEY AND THE ENCHANTED FOREST** by Ken Anderson, Price \$1. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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This book abounds in beautiful pictures and in excellent lessons. There is a story related to a passage of Scripture for each letter in the alphabet. Some of the most sacred lessons and obligations of childhood are taught the children in these lessons. It will make a most attractive present for any child.

**1952 SBC Cooperative Program \$974,626 Ahead Of Last Year**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — The Southern Baptist Convention's share of Cooperative Program receipts in 1952 reached \$9,076,047.82, an increase of

\$974,626.19 over 1951, according to Porter Routh, executive secretary-treasurer of the Executive Committee.

Although the receipts lacked nearly a million dollars reaching the 10 million dollar goal for Southern Baptist Convention causes through the Cooperative Program, the gain did make possible a total of \$1,384,047.82 for the Advance Program of the mission boards, with 75 per cent going to the Foreign Mission Board and 25 per cent to the Home Mission Board.

The Foreign Mission Board received \$1,038,035.88 from Advance funds in 1952, an increase of \$136,614.25 over 1951. In 1951 the Foreign Mission Board received all of the Advance fund. The Home Mission Board shared in the Advance funds for the first time in 1952, and received \$346,011.94.

Total receipts for Southern Baptist Convention causes through the Cooperative Program and from designated funds reached \$13,923,025.73, a gain of \$1,772,389.64. The major share of the designated funds came as a result of the Lottie Moon and the Annie Armstrong offerings.

Although the totals for 1952 gained over 1951, December showed a loss from December, 1951, due to the action of several state conventions allocating a larger percentage of their Cooperative Program receipts to state causes. Cooperative Program receipts for Southern Baptist Convention causes in December were \$719,588.36, a loss of \$21,759.31 from the receipts in December, 1951.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

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Louisville, Audubon	231
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	230
Stearns, First	229
Hima, Horse Creek	220
Buechel	219
Dayton, First	216
Mt. Washington	211
Hawesville (1)	210
Louisville, Bethany	208
Clay, First	208
Cumberland	206
Sonora	205
Falmouth	204
Louisville, Kenwood	203
Bruner's Chapel (near Harrodsburg)	200

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**Seven Latonia Teachers with Teaching Record of 339 Years**



Those in the picture from left to right are Mrs. Albert Wainscott (42), Mrs. Ethel Sisson (42), Mrs. Ida Yelton (52), Mr. W. T. Perry (50), Mrs. Lizzie Rardin (66), Mrs. A. G. Bowling (45), and Mrs. E. V. Wilson (42).

COVINGTON, Ky. — The accompanying picture shows seven members of the Latonia Baptist Church, who have either taught or been an officer in Sunday school work for a total of 339 years. Their individual records are indicated in the numbers following their names.

Mrs. Lizzie Rardin has the outstanding record of having taught for 66 consecutive years; 42 years of which has been in the Philathea Class of the Latonia Baptist Church. She is still

active as a teacher of this class and seldom misses a Sunday.

Mrs. Wainscott is a teacher in the Primary Department, Mrs. Yelton, Mrs. Bowling, Mrs. Wilson, and Mr. Perry are teachers in the Adult Department and Mrs. Ethel Sisson is now the superintendent of the Intermediate Department of the Wood Memorial Chapel.

These teachers of great experience are the backbone of the great teaching force of the Latonia Baptist Church.

**Henry H. Hewitt Ordained By Bramlette Church**

SANDERS, (Carroll County), Ky., Dec. 15. — By order of the Bramlette Baptist Church, a council composed of Pastors Dan Bryson, Robert E. Quigg and James A. Holston, and Deacons George Roberts, James Osborn, George Skirvin and R. D. Crawford, met to examine Brother Henry Hewitt as to his fitness for full time work in the Gospel ministry.

Pastor Holston led in the opening prayer and Brother Quigg read the Scriptures.

Brother Bryson acted as the interrogator. After a period of questions, in which Brother Hewitt showed that he is well acquainted with the doctrines and is firm in the faith, the council voted

unanimously to proceed with the ordination.

The ordination prayer was led by Brother R. D. Crawford. The Bible was presented by Brother George Skirvin. Brother Dan Bryson delivered the charge, after which the pastors and deacons joined in the laying on of the hands. Brother Henry Hewitt then dismissed the meeting with prayer.

Dr. W. A. Criswell has been confined to a hospital and was unable to come to Louisville for the Kentucky Baptist Evangelistic Conference at Walnut Street Baptist Church.

Pastor J. D. Troop has presented his resignation to the Liberty Church, Casey Association, effective January 30. He has been pastor there since July, 1952.

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**OUR DEAR ONES**  
By E. O. Sellers

[Ordinarily we do not now carry poetry in the Western Recorder. This poem, however, written by E. O. Sellers a few days before his death has unusual meaning. E. O. Sellers was for years a famed song writer among Baptists and a professor in New Orleans Seminary. He wrote this poem when he heard that B. B. McKinney had died.]

Year by year, those to us most dear  
Pass quietly before;  
With wave of hand and smiling face,  
They left for yonder shore.

No more they speak their treasured words  
Of helpfulness and cheer;  
No more we hear their hearty laugh  
Along our journey here.

Yet thus forever has it been  
With friends the very best;  
In peace they pass away from us  
To their eternal rest.

'Twill be the same with you and me;  
So quickly pass the years;  
When gone and passed we'll join with them,  
In heaven beyond all fears.

With those who now have gone before,  
We'll grasp them hand in hand;  
With joy and song before the throne,  
Rejoice in heaven's land.

## New \$174,000 Educational Building Added to Glasgow Church



GLASGOW, Ky., Jan. 3. — The Glasgow Baptist Church dedicated its new Educational Building on Sunday, December 14, 1952. Erected at a cost of \$174,000, this three-story structure has a capacity of 800, providing space for the Nursery through the Young People's Departments. It also features a spacious and fully equipped modern type kitchen and serving room. The large assembly room in the building.

Already these units are being provided for the building: four Nursery classes, two Beginner Departments, two Primary Departments, two Junior Departments, two Intermediate Departments, two Young People's Departments. Besides these, there is the Sunday School Superintendent's office, the Church Office, and a spacious Library room in the building.

The Dedication sermon was preached

by Dr. Charles W. Knight, a former pastor, and now pastor of the Southside Baptist Church, Lakeland, Florida. Other former pastors present for the occasion were Dr. I. D. S. Knight and Rev. Sam Ed Bradley. Dr. Bradford Curry has been pastor of the Glasgow Baptist Church since April, 1948. During this period nearly 800 new members have been added to the Church.

us feel at home from the very start. Plans are now in the offing for our January Bible Study Week and School of Missions in February. Plans are also under way for the spring revival.

The folks at Muddy River and Mt. Gilead are wonderful to work with. They put their shoulders to the wheel and helped get many things done. We baptized 28 at Muddy River, and 12 came by letter. They have a bus under lease, they doubled the pastor's salary and have a sizable bank account that would do honor to any small rural church. Mt. Gilead had 26 to come by baptism and 15 by letter. They installed a gas heating system, adopted a unified budget, did considerable work

## E. C. Dockery Goes from Russellville Churches To Liberty, at Fulton

FULTON, Ky. — After three years of fine, Christian fellowship and fruitful labor, we have left Muddy River Church, near Russellville, and the Mt. Gilead Church, Allensville, to take up the pastoral duties in the Liberty Baptist Church in West Kentucky Association.

It grieved us much to have to part with the brethren with whom we had labored, but, knowing that God was leading, we said good-bye and moved here. The people here have accepted us in a wonderful way and have made

## Central City's Francis R. Tallant Becomes Pastor At First, Henderson

Brother Francis R. Tallant has resigned as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Central City and took up his new duties as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Henderson on January 1.

The new Henderson pastor has held pastorates previously with the Rolling Fork Church at Gleanings, and the First Baptist Church, Jellico, Tennessee. While a student in the Southern Seminary he was music director of the Beechmont Baptist Church of Louisville. Before coming to Kentucky he graduated from Carson-Newman College in his native Tennessee.

Mrs. Tallant is the former Miss Charlene Blye, of Louisville, Ky., a graduate of the Louisville Girls' High School and the Spencerian Commercial School, and took classes for two years in the W. M. U. Training School. They have two sons.

## "M"-Night Service in Muhlenberg Association Attended by 400 People

GREENVILLE, Kentucky. — The "M" Night Service in the Muhlenberg Association was held at the First Baptist Church, Greenville, Kentucky, with 400 persons, representing 22 churches, attending.

After the Devotional by E. T. McDaniel, Rev. David Mefford presented our 1953 Training Union Program. We were favored with special music by a quartet from the First Baptist Church, Central City, after which the "M"-Night Message was delivered by the Host Pastor, Rev. Bob Martin.

Although no visible results were seen at this meeting, I feel sure everyone went away dedicated more closely to God, with a determination in his heart to put forth more time and effort to win the lost people of the Muhlenberg Association to Christ.

## A. L. Meacham, Dawson Springs, Goes to LaGrange Church

Brother A. L. Meacham has resigned as pastor of the Dawson Springs Baptist Church and has accepted the call of the DeHaven Memorial Baptist Church, LaGrange, Kentucky. He began his new labors on January 11.

Brother Meacham graduated from Georgetown College in 1936, and was given his Th.M. degree by the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1945. He went to Dawson Springs from the

Seminary in 1945, and has been there for the last eight years. That church membership has increased from 316 to 556 in that time. Some 225 have been baptized and 125 added by letter and otherwise.

Within the past eight years a new brick parsonage has been erected, new seats placed in the auditorium, a new electric organ purchased, the auditorium redecorated, choir loft built, a building to house the Intermediate Department of the Sunday School purchased, lot secured on which to erect a modern educational building, and plans have been adopted by the church for that purpose.



A. L. Meacham

Pastor Meacham is a native of Christian County. He and Mrs. Meacham have two children, Elaine Lee, 6 and Steven, 2.

In previous years he has been pastor of rural and village churches of Western Kentucky during his school days. These included Crofton, Cerulean and Golden Pond.

## Fifth Anniversary of C. L. Hardcastle Noted With Surprise Supper

HAWESVILLE, Ky., Jan. 5. — The members of the Hawesville Baptist Church surprised their pastor, Brother C. L. Hardcastle, last night with a birthday supper. He was called over to the church, apparently to fulfill a pastoral duty, but when he arrived and entered the basement floor, he was surprised with the singing of "Happy Birthday to You," by more than seventy members who had gathered for the occasion.

The members used the event to make

a presentation of several gifts, including a platform rocker (though they do not intend for him to use this in the pulpit), pearl cuff links, shirts and a cash gift.

After an hour of Christian fellowship, a delicious meal was enjoyed by all who were present.

Pastor Hardcastle and the church are closing their fifth year of work together, and have enjoyed one of the best years in the history of the church, having had 56 additions in 1952, and more than \$17,000 given to all work during its twelve months.

## Plan One Million Increase In 1954 Sunday School Rolls

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Southern Baptists will have as their objective for 1954 a net Sunday school enrolment gain in the 28,000 Southern Baptist churches of the Convention of a million more persons.

With this slogan in mind, "A Million More in '54," Sunday school secretaries from twenty-two states gathered here to work out problems pertaining to the gigantic undertaking.

According to Dr. J. N. Barnette, secretary of the Sunday School Department of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, the average net gain per year in Sunday schools has been approximately 300,000 since 1946. In that year, a goal of 600,000 was set and, although they fell far short of the goal, a greater gain than ever before in history of SBC work was scored.

The idea for one million more people to be enrolled in Bible study and Sunday school came from a conference of state Sunday school secretaries in May, 1952, with representatives of the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Dr. J. N. Barnette and his department will co-ordinate the program on a Southwide basis, while the state Sunday school secretary in each of twenty-two states will take the lead there.

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# Possessions and the Kingdom

Matthew 19:16-26

This lesson affords a splendid opportunity to disabuse the minds of many people of various erroneous ideas as to what is necessary in order to be saved. In it Christ sets forth the way of salvation.

As Christ was approaching Jerusalem for the last time the incident occurred which is recorded in this graphic story that is so rich in practical suggestions and instruction.

## 1. A Striking Ruler.

This young man was one of the most fascinating characters in the New Testament. He was still in his youth, that period of life which is always interesting because it is the time of physical strength, mental acumen, and spiritual acquisition. He possessed many praiseworthy virtues. His seriousness was one of the first signs of his greatness. He was unusually discerning. His morals, habits, and conduct were commendable. His character and reputation were above reproach. He was justly proud of his clean record. He was reverent in spirit, but, like many others, his piety was purely negative. All that he could boast about was the evil which he had not done. He was also rich, but that speaks of great opportunity and grave peril.

## 2. A Strange Request

Even though this young man had a lovable disposition, a clean record, a high position, and great possessions, he still had a craving for something which he did not have. He was not discontented with what he had, but he was dissatisfied with what he was. He was deeply conscious that he had not obtained that for which his soul was longing. Having heard about eternal life, and knowing that he did not have it, he was interested in learning how he might obtain it.

Confident that Christ knew the secret of this method, this striking ruler knelt at His feet and said, "Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?" Nothing prevented him from publicly expressing his spiritual anxiety. He is certainly to be commended for going to the right person for information on the subject of salvation. The fact that he went to Christ in a hurry indicates that he considered the matter of obtaining eternal life very important, and that for him time and opportunity were slipping away rapidly.

His request, which was earnest and

courageous, contained an admission that he did not have eternal life, but that he was interested in securing it. He was anxious to have his sins forgiven, to be saved, to become a child of God, to escape the torments of hell, and to enjoy the bliss of heaven.

This strange request reveals how much ignorance an uneducated person can display in remarkably few words. The young man was mistaken about Christ, thinking that He was a good man, but a mere teacher. It is quite evident that he did not believe in the deity of Christ. The appellation "Good Master" could have been applied to almost any rabbi of that day.

His ignorance was further indicated by his idea of the ability of man. He thought that eternal life could be earned or obtained through doing. Like many today, he did not know that eternal life has never been received by anybody except as an outright gift. The idea of doing something for which God will impart eternal life as a payment has kept millions from possessing what God gives only by grace through faith. Salvation has never been earned by works. This ruler referred to eternal life as an inheritance. An inheritance is always free and is never earned by works.

## 3. A Startling Reply.

"What good thing shall I do?" implied that the young ruler thought perhaps one more good act on his part would enable him to obtain eternal life. The Master's reply startled him. Christ directed his attention to the commandments which he had been trying to observe in the belief that nothing else would be required of him. When our Lord referred him to the law itself, it is noteworthy that He mentioned only those commandments which deal with man's relation to man. In his lack of knowledge of himself, he claimed to have kept all of these commandments. So, Christ gave him a very simple and practical test to show him that he did not measure up as he thought.

No man has ever been saved because of what he did to or for his fellows. Although some people are teaching salvation by works with new vigor and viciousness today, it is still true that nobody has ever been able to save himself. "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us." Titus 3:5. "For by grace are ye saved through

faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." Ephesians 2:8-9.

## 4. A Sorrowful Result.

In spite of all his fine qualities, this young ruler lacked eternal life. When eternal life was offered to him on terms which were different from what he had expected, he declined it. He wanted the blessing, but on his own terms. Quickly and cheerfully he would have undertaken some extraordinary work if thereby he could have obtained eternal life, but he would not receive it on any other terms. Refusing to yield to Christ, he went away in great sorrow, without salvation, and without any hope of heaven. Conscious that he was missing much, he turned his back upon Christ and made the greatest mistake that one can possibly make, namely, that of refusing eternal life.

In the closing verses of this lesson. Christ did not teach that riches are sinful, or that a person must divest himself of his riches in order to be saved. Rather, He taught that riches are perilous in that they frequently keep their possessor from accepting Christ as Saviour, in that they afford a false sense of security. Perhaps you recall the definition of money which was submitted by the young man who won a contest: "A universal passport to every place but heaven, and a universal provider of everything but happiness." A rich man, like any other, cannot secure eternal life by human works. Would to God that all lost sinners might get to the end of self, and by simple faith receive the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour!

## Bishop Oxnam Sued By Methodist Minister Who Charges Libel

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (WRR) — Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, Methodist Bishop of the Washington area who seems always to be embroiled in controversy that keeps him in the news, if not the headlines, has been sued for \$75,000 libel damages by the Reverend Embert Fillman Smith, in a plea filed in the U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia.

The suit, mailed to the court for filing, states that the plaintiff is a Methodist minister, author and publisher in Houston, Texas, and that Bishop Oxnam injured the plaintiff in denouncing one of Mr. Smith's books, "Moscow Over Methodism."

Also, it is charged, Mr. Smith was defamed in a letter he received from Bishop Oxnam. The suit also points out that Mr. Smith had complained against Bishop Oxnam to a committee of the Methodist Church, but to no avail.

## Earl G. Neal is New Pastor of Flatwoods Baptist Church

RUSSELL, Ky. — Rev. Earl G. Neal has resigned as pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of Paducah and has



Earl G. Neal

accepted the pastorate of the Flatwoods Baptist Church here. He has already moved with his family into the parsonage.

Some 130 additions were made to the membership of the Paducah church in the two years he was there. In former years he was pastor of the Olive Hill Baptist Church. Mrs. Neal has been assistant superintendent of the West Union Associational W. M. U. They have two children, Gordon and Harriet, senior and junior students respectively in high school.

## Wings

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### Books

Books are among the things that give wings to men and women. "Wouldst thou escape from the place that holds you?" urges one of the mystics, "Open a book."

"If all the crowns of all the Kingdoms of the Empire," said Fenelon, "were laid at my feet in exchange for my books, and my love of reading, I would spurn them all." His books gave him a universe that royalty could not buy, a peace above all earthly dignities.

"Take and read, Take and read" said a voice in the garden to Augustine, and the words of Scripture were made wings

to him that raised him to a white life that had previously seemed impossible.

### Music

Music has this quality. In the dark and sullen moods that overmastered the heart of Saul, first king of Israel, the courtiers discovered a remedy in the music of David's harp; the young shepherd from the hills had learned such strains of music as changed the king's distemper from storm to calm.

Some bit of sacred song, some piece of music of the long ago, some melody that comes singing across the fields of memory has the magic power to change things. The song of a bird in a wayside tree has awakened recollections that were like the speech of God to men who had forgotten Him.

### Divine Resources

There is something that cannot be found in the distances of the earth, something that comes to us where we are and so changes the whole quality of our spirit that the world we fear no longer makes us afraid. The circumstances that broke our spirit, no longer give us pain, the victory is won where we are.

John Bunyan said of the women sitting in the sun, talking of things high above his reach, "They were as those who had found a new world." The new world came to them where they were.

A new world is promised to the life that waits on God. It is the world of the eagle-life. Not the outer world of escape from care, but the inner world of equipment to carry care and not to feel its load; not the safety of flight, but the safety of strength, endurance, overpowering patience. That does it.

The divine resources are available in every circumstance and at every moment. "They that wait, mount with wings;" silence, worship, prayer; this discipline of waiting and listening: that does it!

They that wait, as closed flowers wait the dawn, as trees wait for rain, as garden bulbs wait the coming spring—they catch the magic secret. The prize exceeds the petition. The "wings of a dove" were the human wish: the "wings of an eagle" were the divine gift.—*The Baptist Times*, London England.

From Alfred Carpenter, director of the Chaplains' Commission of the Baptist Home Mission Board, comes information that Chaplain George Rumney, B.2320 Larson Air Force Base, Moses Lake, Washington, is about to be released from military duty. His time will be up March 15, at which time he expects to return to civilian life. He graduated from the University of Virginia in 1938. He spent one year at the Southern Seminary in Louisville and

two years in the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, graduating there in 1941. He has held pastorates in Baltimore, Maryland, Church View, Va., and Lynchburg, Va. He has attained the rank of Major in the Air Force.

## Japanese Teacher Visits Kentucky



Noboru Yamamoto, a teacher in Kwassui Woman's College in Nagasaki, Japan, and at present studying English literature in Baylor University, was in Kentucky during the recent holidays, visiting friends at Raceland and Louisville.

## Oneida Church Reports Twenty-One in College

ONEIDA, Ky. — Pastor Lyn Claybrook states that the Oneida Baptist Church now has 21 of its young people working for degrees in the following colleges; Georgetown; Cumberland; Carson-Newman; Union (Barbourville); Berea; Eastern; University of Kentucky; University of Louisville; Tulane; University of Louisiana; Lindsay-Wilson. Student Night was observed December 28, the program: theme being "Remembering Christ."

Most of those students are "graduates of Oneida Institute," Pastor Claybrook states, "and many of them could never have received a high school diploma had it not been for Oneida Institute. He adds that he is proud to be their pastor."

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## Fallen Asleep

### MRS. LURA WHERRY

In the passing of Mrs. Lura Wherry we know that "All things work together for good to them that love God (Rom. 8:28). For He by whom all the hairs of our heads are numbered and Who knoweth whereof we are made, directs everything which befalls us in life, in perfect wisdom and love to the well being of our souls. When we are in accord with God we can truly understand that He is a kind father. "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord" (Job 1:21). It is true sacrifice of praise when we can say "Blessed be the name of the Lord."

The shepherd knows what pastures are best for his sheep, and we must not question nor doubt, but trustingly follow Him, even through the valley of the shadow of death. Events and things come with the moment; but God comes with them too. So that if He comes in the sunshine we find rest and joy; and if he comes in the storm, we know that he is King of the storms and our hearts are not troubled. In the exercise of faith and love we can endure whatever comes our way. We are formed by nature to bear everything. We never have more than we can bear; as our day, so is our strength. If the trials of many years are gathered into one, they would overwhelm us; He sends first one and then another, then removes both and lays on a third, heavier perhaps than either; but all is so wisely measured to our strength. Each one is sent to teach us something. There is a tie which death has loosened, but instead of grieving we should thank Him for the moments enjoyed with our friend and work the harder for the cause of Christ and thank Him for the opportunity.

She was a loving daughter, a faithful wife, and a true friend, loyal to her class and church. She served as our president only a few short months, but never was she known to shirk her duty. May it be said of all of us that when the call comes may we too be found about our Father's business. In memory of Mrs. Lura Wherry, who died June 4, 1952.—Fidelis Class, Beechmont Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.

### CLAUDE M. JACKSON

BOWLING GREEN, Kentucky. — Whereas, in the unerring Providence of our Heavenly Father, it has been His holy will to call from us our beloved Brother, Claude M. Jackson; and

Whereas, in his passing, his family, church and community have suffered an irreparable loss; and

Whereas, in the abundant mercies of our gracious Lord, He works "all things together for good to them that love God," so that our present loss is for the Glory of God, Brother Jackson's infinite gain, and our own spiritual development; therefore

Be it resolved, that the Members of the First Baptist Church of Bowling Green, Kentucky, humbly recognize the painful passing of our beloved Brother, and that we accept our immeasurable loss with the Christ-like spirit of, "Not my will, but Thine be done," and commend this holy principle to his sorely bereaved family and friends, that

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neither they nor we "sorrow as those who have no hope."

Be it further resolved, that we honor him who served so well among us as leader, Deacon and true yoke-fellow in the labor of love, and that we seek to appropriate to ourselves the rich heritage of his noble life—his purity of character, wholesome example, gracious spirit, and unselfish devotion to his family, Church and community.

Be it resolved finally, that our undying love, sympathy and devotion, be extended continuously to his beloved and devoted companion; that a copy of these resolutions be presented to his wife, a copy sent to the Western Recorder, and a copy spread upon the permanent records of the Church, which he served so faithfully throughout the years of his useful life.—H. FRANKLIN PASCHALL, Pastor; L. C. CURRY, Chairman of Deacons; and B. L. CURRY, Church Clerk, Committee.

### MRS. WALTER GARWOOD

BROWNSBORO, Kentucky. — Whereas, Mrs. Walter Garwood, a faithful member of Harrods Creek Baptist Church for over twenty-five years, and of the Woman's Missionary Society has been called to her eternal reward; and

Whereas, Mrs. Garwood was a woman so filled with the spirit of God that she made a permanent impression upon all who knew her, she was sincere and well known for her knowledge of the Bible, and all her life gave sacrificially to the support and work of the Kingdom of God.

Be it resolved, therefore, that the members of the Woman's Missionary Society and the members of the Harrods Creek Baptist Church express our deepest sympathy to her family and loved ones; and that we shall always remember with deep appreciation the devotion of Mrs. Garwood, the inspiration she has been to us, and her faithful service to Christ.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be placed in the minutes of the church, the W. M. S., a copy be sent to the family, and a copy sent to the Western Recorder.—Edward E. Joiner, Pastor, Harrods Creek Baptist Church; Mrs. C. E. Thompson, Jr., W. M. S. President.

### CLINT MILLER

BRISTOW, Warren County, Kentucky. — Mr. Clint Miller passed away at his home Friday, November 28, 1952, following a heart attack. He was 67 years of age.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Mrs. Myrtle Miller, and two daughters, Mr. Archie Allen and Mrs. Thomas P. Walsh, both of Louisville, Kentucky; also two granddaughters, one brother and three sisters.

The funeral was conducted at Plum Springs Baptist Church, of which he was a faithful member, Sunday, November 30, at 2:00 P.M., by the pastor, Cecil H. Britt.

Interment was in Plum Springs cemetery.

### MRS. B. T. CUDGEL

FRANKFORT, Kentucky. — When Mrs. B. T. Cudgel was called home on November 13, 1952, after a brief illness, the First Baptist Church of Frankfort lost one of its most consecrated members, a faithful worker in the Woman's Missionary Society, and a staunch supporter of the Sunday school using her car to bring members to the Sunday school, and always trying to enlist new members.

Mrs. Cudgel was a woman of strong convictions, never discouraged in her efforts to carry out what she thought was right. Wise in her judgment, loyal to her convictions of truth, she possessed a quiet, unassuming, but forceful, personality. Her home and her church occupied the first places in her life. Her son and daughters, by their Christian living, reveal the influence of Christian parents.

Her unwavering loyalty to her Lord endeared her to all who knew her. Therefore, be it resolved, that the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church of Frank-

fort has lost a true and faithful member; that we keenly feel her loss and greatly miss her from all our services.

That we extend to the bereaved family our deep sympathy.

That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our Society, a copy sent to the family, and a copy sent to the Western Recorder.—Mrs. Ida Mae Baker, Miss Ora Scottow.

### MRS. ELIZABETH FISH AND MR. CHARLES R. MURPHY

STAMPING GROUND, Kentucky. — The Stamping Ground Church, in Elkhorn Association, has recently lost two of its oldest and best-loved members.

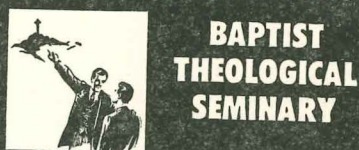
On November 21, Mrs. Elizabeth Fish, member of this church for sixty-nine years, passed away. She had been a widow for many years, but was survived by children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. She had lived in Stamping Ground as long as anyone can remember, and was a familiar part of the town. Up to a few years ago she used to walk through the woods and fields picking berries, and was always ready to help anyone who needed it. She was poor in possessions, but rich in friends.

On December 1, Mr. Charles R. Murphy, for 38 years a deacon of this church, died after a long illness. Until the time of his illness he had been chairman of the deacons, a trustee, the Sunday school superintendent, and assistant moderator. He attended every meeting of the church, and was always faithful in his duties. As church trustee, he made repairs to the church and parsonage with his own hands. He was the last of the group of deacons who were received during the pastorate of Brother W. L. Shearer, the others being Dr. Will Sain, Charles Singer and C. V. Robinson.

Mr. Murphy was the grandson of another deacon of this church, Charles Murphy, 1872. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Susan Murphy, for many years a Sunday school teacher; his son Raymond, a deacon since 1928 and now senior deacon of this church; and his daughter-in-law, Catherine Murphy, church organist.—J. W. SINGER, Clerk.

The world emphasizes what we have to live on. Christ emphasizes what we have to live for. People care more for provisions than for purposes. History presents no sadder spectacle than the people of prosperous America so absorbed in the enjoyment of the means of living that they have lost sight of the mission of life—a people who have everything to live on and nothing to live for. Today we must match the twentieth century means of living with the first century mission of life.—W. F. Powell, *Nationwide Baptist Digest*.

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## Vacation Bible Schools To Enlist Half Million

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Dr. Homer L. Grice, Nashville, secretary of the Vacation Bible School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board assured members of the state Sunday school secretaries' conference that half of the "Million More in 1954" to be enrolled in Baptist Sunday schools can be enlisted through Vacation Bible schools.

He pointed out that in the past year 150,000 children have been enrolled in Vacation Bible schools who are not members of any Sunday school. He said that through these youngsters it would be comparatively simple to reach 500,000.

Dr. Grice reported 130,000 Vacation Bible schools this year with 40,000 professions of faith in these schools, which are designated for children up to high school age.

An appreciation banquet at Belmont College was held for six retiring Sunday school workers. These include:

Dr. Grice, a veteran of thirty years in Sunday school work; Dr. William P. Phillips, Nashville, general associate in the Sunday school department; Miss Mary Virginia Lee, Nashville, superintendent of Intermediate work; J. C. Hockett, assistant editor of *The Sunday School Builder* magazine; Dr. J. B. Hill, Richmond, Va., state Sunday school secretary for Virginia; and Dr. W. A. Gardiner of Louisville, Ky., state Sunday school secretary of Kentucky.

Dr. Barnette was master of ceremonies at the banquet.

## Denominational Ties in The New Administration

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(WRR) — In two separate articles in the Christian Advocate, official Methodist publication, Dr. Jacob Payton, Washington correspondent for the magazine, has given the religious affiliations of the top men in the new administration and also has disclosed the religious line-up of the new Senate.

After pointing out that President Eisenhower is not a member of any church, and that Vice President Richard R. Nixon and his wife are Quakers, Dr. Payton stated that John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State, Arthur E. Summerfield, Post Master General, and Douglas McKay, Secretary of the Interior, are Presbyterians; George M. Humphrey, Secretary of the Treasury, and Charles E. Wilson, Secretary of Defense, are members of the Protestant Episcopal Church; Ezra Taft Benson, Secretary of Agriculture, is a Mormon; Sinclair Weeks, Secretary of Commerce, is a Unitarian; Martin P. Durkin, Secretary of Labor, is a Roman Catholic; Herbert Brownell, Jr., the Attorney General, and his wife, are Methodists.

As to religious affiliations of Sen-

ators, the Methodists lead with 19. There are 13 Baptists; 12 each of Presbyterians and Episcopalians; 10 Roman Catholics; seven Congregationalists; five Lutherans; four Disciples of Christ; two Latter Day Saints (Mormons); and two Unitarians. The following religious groups have one Senator each: Christian Science; Friends; Jewish Congregation; and the Latter Day Saints (Reorganized). One Senator withholds information as to his religious affiliation, and four others simply list themselves as "Protestants."

The Cooperative News Service has pointed out that the appointment of Mr. Benson, of Salt Lake City, Utah, to a cabinet post has placed a high official in a denomination in a cabinet post for the first time in 100 years. Mr. Benson is one of 12 of the highest officers of the Latter Day Saints, often known simply as the Mormon Church.

## Three New Deacons Ordained by the New Liberty Church

GILSTRAP (Butler Co.), Ky. — The New Liberty Baptist Church here has ordained three new deacons—Essie Cardwell, Wavy Clark and Lonnie Daughterty, Jr. Those composing the presbytery were Brethren L. V. Meador, who was elected moderator; Otis White, the clerk; County Missionary L. E. Leeper, county missionary who preached the ordination sermon; L. V. Meador, who interrogated the candidates; Roy Phelps, the charge to the deacons; Jesse Daughterty, the charge to the church; and Pastor James Cardwell presented the Bibles and offered prayer.

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## Baptists' Parr's Rest Cited With Appreciation in Louisville Daily

Al Aronson, columnist for *The Louisville Times*, wrote briefly concerning Parr's Rest, home for aged women in Louisville, in his column, *Take Note*, on January 5. That portion of his column bearing on this subject read as follows:

"Lawyers, when they draw wills, like to talk about Parr's Rest, the home for elderly women at 969 Cherokee Road [Louisville]. It is because they consider it the outstanding single, self-sufficient charity in Louisville established through the bequest of one man. Captain [Daniel G.] Parr, an Ohio Riverman, in his will set up a trust of real estate on the south side of Fourth Street near Liberty to establish a home for destitute aged women. Now more than a score of years old and enlarged since originally built, it cares for 100 women, but has a two-year waiting list.

"The home, modern down to TV, is supported entirely by income from the property left for its erection and upkeep. Moreover, it has a treasury surplus. The present average age of the women enjoying its bounty is 80. All are bright and cheerful, no case of senility. During the entire year of 1951 no resident died, an incredible twelve months in a group of 100 averaging four score years of age. To qualify for admittance an applicant must be without money or income. None receives a state pension. Some few have become eligible for Social Security old age and survivors insurance. It is little wonder from all this that lawyers tell and retell the story of Parr's Rest to clients who remember charities in their wills."

Parr's Rest is a Baptist home for elderly women, and Baptists generally appreciate the kindly vein in which Mr. Aronson wrote these lines about this institution. Mr. Parr stipulated in his will that it should be a "permanent Home for old and destitute women residents and citizens of the State of Kentucky, through and by means of which Home much suffering attendant on destitute old age be relieved or avoided, and where feeble old women who have no estate of their own and who are unable to provide for themselves the necessities of life may find in this Home shelter and rest in their declining years." He outlined that it should be operated under a Board of Trustees composed of

five men—three elected by the Board of Trustees of the Walnut Street Baptist Church and two elected by the Board of Trustees of the Broadway Baptist Church, in each case from among their own number.

Cherokee Road throughout the years has been one of the most beautiful streets in all Louisville, and Parr's Rest is located thereon at the corner of Highland Avenue—a thing of beauty and a joy forever.

### Chas. Henry Reed Becomes Assistant Superintendent In Western Recorder Shop



Chas. Henry Reed

Charles Henry Reed, who for six years has been a linotype operator in the Western Recorder Printing Department, has been promoted to the position of assistant superintendent in charge of production. In his new work he will become assistant to Superintendent Herbert L. Taylor.

Mr. Reed is a member of the Shively Baptist Church. During his years with us he has availed himself of the opportunity to take night courses in the University of Louisville.

He is a native of Nicholasville, Kentucky. He was born January 15, 1927. He attended school in his early years at the Nicholasville Graded School, but was placed in the Masonic Widows and Orphans Home in Louisville at the age of nine. In addition to his schooling there, in that institution, he also learned the printing trade. He remained in the Masonic Home until 1944, when he was seventeen years of age. He lived in

Louisville for four or five months more, and then spent fourteen months in the Merchant Marines. When he came out of that service he was drafted immediately by the U. S. Army and spent nine months in occupation duty in Japan. Much of his work with the Merchant Marines was service as a printer, and he was in the medical corps during his army career. He came to the Western Recorder immediately after his service in World War II.

### Russian Orthodox Church Labeled "Stooge of Communists" in Washington

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (WRR) — The Russian Orthodox Church has been labeled "a willing stooge" of the Soviet Communist Party propaganda apparatus that is striving to "make the world safe for Stalinism."

In a ten thousand word document that likely is the most thorough analysis of Soviet propaganda techniques yet made public here, the study, a committee staff report prepared for the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, averred that the Kremlin is using the Russian Church, its embassies abroad, all mass communication, athletics, and the arts and sciences in a "sinister operation" of painting the U. S. as a "warmongering nation."

"Since the reconciliation of the leaders of the church with the Soviet regime during World War II, the church has become a servant of the state and a willing stooge of the party propaganda apparatus," the background study continued. "It has ties in many lands."

The report was written by Dr. Sergius Jakobson, of the committee staff, and John Hauk, of the legislative reference service of the Library of Congress, under the instruction of the Foreign Relations Committee, a subcommittee of which has begun a study of U. S. overseas information activities.

There is no discussion of the other churches in Russia or satellite nations.

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