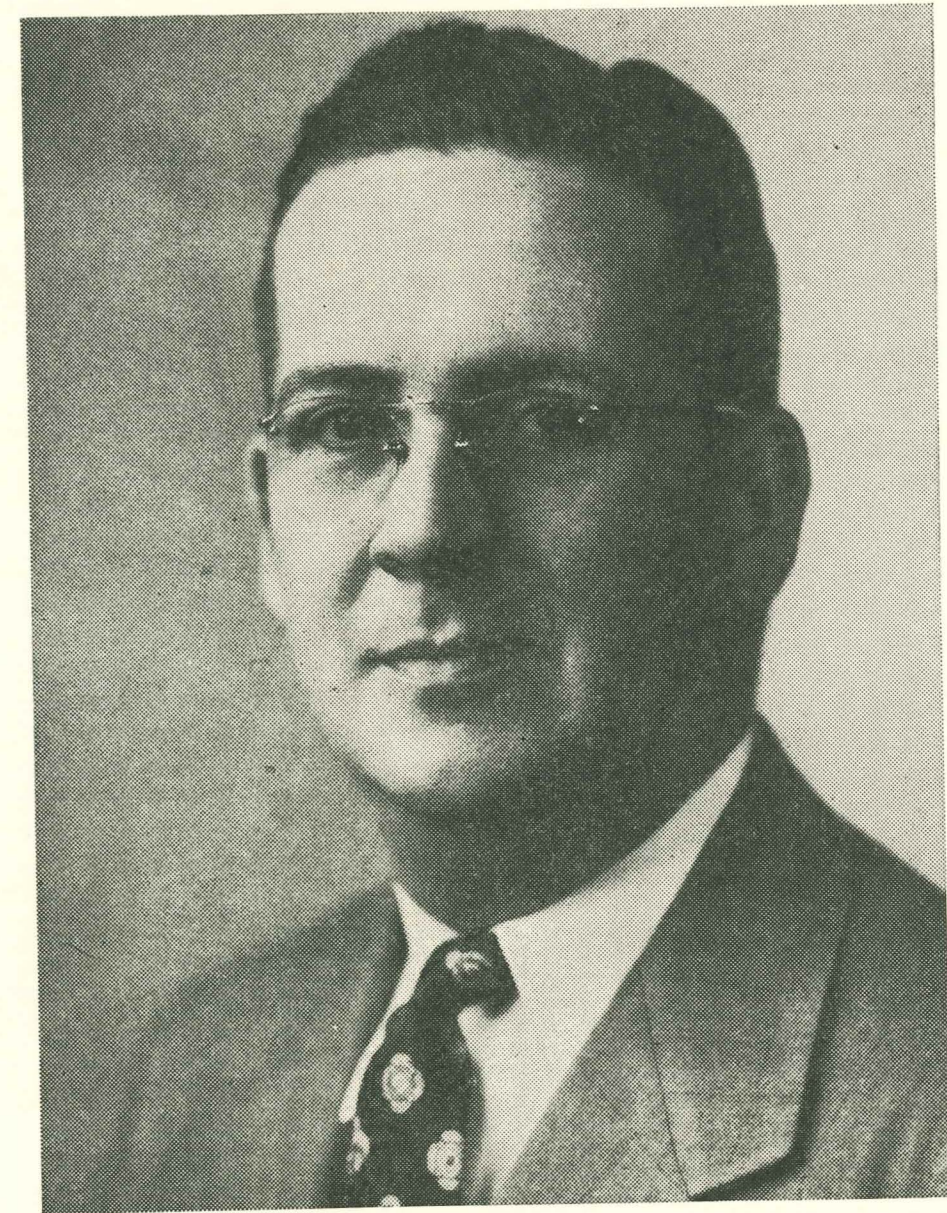


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Harold Warren, New Administrator of the Central Baptist Hospital,
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More than 1,750,000 Bibles were distributed in 1952 by the Japan Bible Society, bringing to 12,883,023 the total issued by the Society since the end of World War II.

Dr. Culbert C. Rutenber, professor of philosophy of religion at Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, delivered the Holland Foundation Lectures at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, February 3-6.

Lewis Lynch, county missionary of the Baptist State Board of Missions to Johnson County in Enterprise Association, has resigned to accept the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Irvine, Kentucky. He began there February 1.

The Second Church of Hopkinsville is now in its new Annex. Room is now provided for the office of the pastor and secretary, the choir and baptistry, new class rooms, and many other features. Brother J. H. Maddox is pastor there.

Pastor Charles Wellborn, Dallas, Texas, will speak on The Baptist Hour, nation-wide hook-up on Sunday, February 22, on the subject, "Preaching Christ Without Compromise." His subject the following week will be, "Follow Me."

Cardinal Segura, archbishop of Seville, said recently in a pastoral letter, that Protestant booklets and leaflets being distributed in Spain were "like little infectious mosquitoes conveying the germ of a deadly plague." What a nice compliment!

Mack R. Douglas, superintendent of Intermediate Work in the Sunday School Department of the Sunday School Board, has accepted the pastorate of the Cherokee Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee. He will go to Memphis April 1.

Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, professor of missions and comparative religions at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, has been preaching for several weeks recently during the absence of Pastor R. R. Couey, at the Lexington Avenue Baptist Church, Danville, Ky.

Elmer S. West, Jr., Glen Allen, Va., a native of Kentucky, has been elected secretary for missionary personnel of the Foreign Mission Board. He succeeds Dr. Samuel E. Maddox, another Kentuckian, now gone to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Dothan, Alabama.

The recent local-option election in Middlesboro, Kentucky, resulted in a plurality for the Drys over the Wets. The county clerk stated that 250 of the 4,275 votes were thrown out because most of them were not signed by the election clerk. The vote stood 2,048 to 1,977—a majority of 71.

Charles McLaughlin, director of religious education of the Tarrant County Baptist Association (Fort Worth), Texas, has been elected superintendent of missions for the association succeeding Woodrow Fuller, who has been named assistant executive secretary to Dr. J. Howard Williams of the Texas Convention.

Pastor A. W. Walker of the Carlyle Avenue Baptist Church of Louisville will be in a series of evangelistic meetings February 22-March 1 with the First Baptist Church of Franklin, Ohio. This will be the fifth revival which Pastor Walker has held in that church. H. S. Gessner the pastor and is also the moderator of the Miami Valley Association.

When Dr. John A. Abernathy returned to Korea early in 1951 there were forty Baptist churches south of the thirty-eighth parallel. Today there are 120 Baptist churches and preaching stations in South Korea. Dr. N. A. Bryan, medical missionary in Korea, gave 53,000 treatments during 1952. He opened his clinic just a year ago in a tent and began with three patients.

Pastor O. G. Lawless of the First Church, Selmer, Tenn., and formerly of Albany, Ky., is to assist Pastor Harry L. Carter in a revival at the Calvary Baptist Church, Bowling Green, March 11-20. Calvary had a record year in 1952, raising \$10,925.49 for all causes. They now have a \$50,000 building, on which they owe \$14,250, but this is being liquidated by regular periodic payments.

The January appointees of the Foreign Mission Board were: Clarence Ford Clark, Jr., M. D., of Tennessee, and Mrs. Sadie Pauline Watts Clark, R. N., of North Carolina, both to Japan; and William Walthall Graves, of Texas, and Mrs. Ada Gillett Graves, of Arizona, both to Argentina. Dr. and Mrs. Clark will join three other recent medical appointees in opening the Board's first medical work in Japan. Dr. and Mrs. Graves, specialists in religious education, will help meet a need which has arisen in Argentina.

The B. S. U. Focus Week is being held as a discussions conference February 16-20 at the University of Louisville. The 7:30 a.m. conferences are being held at 2218 Confederate Place, and the 12:15-12:30 conferences are being held in the Speed Scientific School Auditorium. Night Conferences were held Monday through Wednesday, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Recreation Room, Nurses Residence of the Louisville General Hospital. Mrs. Helen Barry, director of religious activities at Furman University, led the discussions on "Modern Dating," and Rice Pierce, of the department of Religious Education at Georgetown College, led the one on "The Relationship

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Between Choice of Vocation and Choice
of a Mate."

The Long Run Sunday School Central Training School will be held at the Deer Park Baptist Church, 1733 Bardstown Road, Louisville, February 23-27 at 7:30 p.m. Jesse Daniel, Nashville, will be the inspirational speaker each night. Ten books are to be taught, covering practically every department in the Sunday school, with a faculty composed of: W. A. Gardiner, Roy E. Boatwright, Hankins F. Parker, C. P. Hargis, Miss Mary Ella Davis, all of Louisville; J. C. Hockett, Miss Robbie Trent and Mrs. Clifton J. Allen, all of Nashville; E. O. Guerin, Frankfort, Mrs. C. H. Cosby, St. Louis; Mrs. Joe Minton, Paducah; and Mrs. D. Chester Sparks, Oneida.

The Most Effective Evangelism is Church-Sponsored

By CLYDE L. BRELAND
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Some days ago I received a letter from a brother whom I have not had the pleasure of meeting, but who honored me by telling me of his serious thought about leaving his modest estate to an independent evangelist. Apparently he had come to the conclusion that the Baptist church of which he was a member was not doing its work effectively, and that funds which the Lord had entrusted to him could be used to better advantage if they were left at the disposal of one of the noted evangelists of our day.

Every sincere follower of Christ will be interested in the questions raised by the letter of our brother. Independent evangelism has been with us for generations, and no doubt, if our Lord tarries, will continue to be active in the world. The beloved D. L. Moody was an independent evangelist, as were Billy Sunday, Gipsy Smith, Jr. and Sr., and a host of other worthy followers of Christ. Billy Graham, in our day, has taken the nation by storm as an independent evangelist. And there are numerous other evangelists of outstanding talents who prefer to work outside the established churches.

No word will be spoken here that would in any sense disparage the efforts of men such as these, so long as they are successful in turning men from sin to the Saviour. This world that is lost in the darkness of sin needs all the gospel preaching it can get, whether inside our churches or without. I would rather my tongue would cleave to the roof of my mouth than that I should speak one word that would discourage any sincere seeker after Christ from listening to any man anywhere who is prepared to show him the way to Christ as his personal Saviour and Lord.

However, I cannot escape the conviction that independent evangelism does not pursue the most effective way of building the Kingdom of God on earth. From the standpoint of evangelistic fervor and preaching ability, the great independent evangelists may excel the humble pastors of the churches of Christ scattered throughout the world. But in my judgment, presented for whatever it may be worth, independent evangelism leaves much to be desired in the way of conserving the fruits of the evangelistic effort.

While Christ was on earth in the flesh, He instituted what He called "my church." I am not prepared now to discuss what He meant by that term in Matthew 16:18. But I am convinced that, when He used the term in Matthew 18:17, He referred to the local group of baptized believers in Christ, equal in rank and privilege, who cove-

nant together to carry on Christ's work in the world under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. The local church is a divinely ordained institution. Christ, in His infinite wisdom, foresaw the need for it. We shall never be able to devise a better method of world evangelization and enlistment for service than is afforded through the ministry of the local church as it works in co-operation with other bodies of like faith and order.

This is true, among other reasons, because the local church is best adapted to conserve the fruits of the evangelistic effort. New converts are babes in Christ who need spiritual nurture, admonition and discipline. They need the warmth of a Christian fellowship, such as is to be found only in the local church, if they are to develop into full-rounded Christian character. Paul, the apostle, might be regarded as an independent evangelist, were it not for the fact that, wherever he went, he gathered his converts into the organization of churches. Philip, the deacon turned evangelist, might be cited as an example of independent evangelism in his preaching to the Ethiopian eunuch in the desert near Gaza, were it not for the fact that tradition accredits the churches in Abyssinia, imperfect as they were, to the efforts of the eunuch. Our forefathers did not hesitate to hold brush-arbor meetings in non-church communities in pioneer days; but they consistently gathered the new Christians into the organization of a local church. Many of our strongest churches originated in such meetings in the pioneer years of our state. And even today, with our multitude of churches, many of our choice pastors carry the gospel message into needy communities in tent meetings, or in abandoned schoolhouses, under the auspices of their churches. Then, too in our modern evangelistic program, we have found it wise to arrange association-wide church-sponsored crusades, as in the coming Long Run Associational effort. All these efforts are worthy of commendation.

A dear friend of mine, now retired, who used to work for the Kentucky Baptist State Board of Missions, began that work when its present program was in the formative state. He procured a tent, and some benches, improvised a

pulpit stand, and proceeded to hold evangelistic meetings in neglected communities. But he abandoned that work before very long, because, as he said, he found that "it was mighty hard to get chickens that were hatched in the woods to stay around the barn." Instead, he began to work through the churches, in enlisting their members in stewardship and tithing, and in the organization of Sunday schools—better schools in the churches and mission schools in neglected communities. Then, when pastors would go to these stations to hold evangelistic services, their converts could be gathered into the churches that had "extended an arm," to use an old-fashioned phrase.

Years ago, if I may be permitted a personal reminiscence, a beloved brother pastor of another denomination in the small city where I was serving as a Baptist pastor became concerned over the sin and indifference which were so widespread in our community, and felt that what we needed was a stirring revival effort by all the churches in co-operation. He asked me if I knew of an evangelist who might fit into our situation. I suggested the name of a rather noted evangelist, a Baptist. However, I told him frankly that, so far as I was concerned, I did not see how our various denominations, with their diverse doctrines, would be able to do the best work under such auspices. Still, the good brother was determined to have the meeting, and it was arranged. The evangelist's advance man came into our city to get the churches lined up for the co-operative effort, to do the publicity work, and to take care of whatever other advance tasks might need to be done.

At a meeting of the deacons of our church, I suggested that we do nothing to oppose the coming campaign, and that, if our members desired their privilege to do so. But as a church, I suggested, possibly our best course could be pursued by not entering the effort officially. They agreed that perhaps this was best, and the matter was not brought to the attention of the church as a whole.

Still, I was in for rough sledding. The advance man erected signs in front of all co-operating churches, and left our church conspicuously unmarked. This caused some of our members to ask why our church had no sign. I explained that, so far as I knew, the reason lay in the fact that we had not gone into the campaign by official act of the church, and that any co-operation by our people would be strictly on a voluntary basis.

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How May Christ Be Known?

The Scriptures teach that God the Father can be known only through Jesus, His Son. "No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath declared Him" (Jno. 1:18). And Jesus said, "All things are delivered unto me of my Father; no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal Him" (Matt. 11:27).

Thus it is seen that the Father can be known only through the Son, and that, therefore, those who reject Jesus as His Son and their Saviour cannot know the Father.

"Religion" without Christ Jesus knows nothing of the Father. "Religion" without a divine revelation from the Father knows not the Christ; for Jesus the Christ can be known only as He is revealed to each individual heart by the Father in His own chosen way. This was declared by Jesus Himself in His conversation with Peter, as recorded in Matthew 16:17. Peter had announced his personal knowledge that Jesus was "the Christ, the Son of the living God." The Master immediately replied, "Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona; for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven."

Some of the people in Peter's day had reached other conclusions about Jesus. And people reach conclusions today that are widely different from Peter's, holding that He is only a great, good man; a teacher of sublime truths; a martyr to His convictions. They have rationalized their way to such conclusions about Jesus. But when people say from the heart that He is "the Christ, the Son of the living God," it is good evidence that the Holy Spirit has revealed the truth to them; for "no man can say that Jesus is Lord, but by the Holy Spirit" (1 Cor. 12:3).

Why are so many confused about Christ's divinity? Why are there so many liberals and half-liberals? The answer is: They have relied only upon their own human powers of comprehension, and have not recognized the absolute necessity of a revelation which can come only from God. They have never surrendered to do the whole will of God; for "if any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God. . . ." (John 7:17).

John the Baptist admitted, "I knew Him not" (Jno. 1:31). That is, he, of himself, did not know Him. But the Father revealed Him to John the Baptist (Jno. 1:33). And knowing Him by a divine

revelation, John the Baptist called Him what He was: "And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God" (Jno. 1:34). And he said to his associates, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world" (Jno. 1:29).

How did Paul come to know Jesus as the divine Messiah? Even though Stephen had died bearing witness in his presence, Paul still did not know Jesus in his own heart. He knew much about Jesus, but he did not know HIM. And Paul did not come to know Him until he personally surrendered to His will. The Holy Spirit gave him the revelation, just as He did to Stephen, and just as He has to all others who have been able to say, "I know Whom I have believed. . . ." (2 Tim. 1:12). God made effective the witness others had borne; and when Paul knew for himself, he, like Stephen, was ready to bear powerful witness for Christ.

No man is spiritually equipped to witness for a divine Lord until he knows more than mere words, which others have spoken, can reveal to him. Some have recited glibly what others have told them; but without power. Others have come face to face with God in a personal experience of grace, and have therefore become witnesses with power.

Paul, in his preaching, was careful to see that the faith of his hearers should not "stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God" (1 Cor. 2:5).

How did Lydia come to know for herself that Jesus was the Christ? Certainly she heard Paul preach; but more happened to her than that: the Lord opened her heart "that she attended unto the things which were spoken by Paul" (Acts 16:14).

The doctrine that Christ is divinely revealed to each soul does not rule out the need for instrumentalities or means, in bringing about the salvation of the lost. It includes these. Paul asked: "How shall they call on Him in Whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in Him of Whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach, except they be sent" (Rom. 10:14-15). He has always used means, and He always will, until the time of grace is passed. But the instrumentalities must be accompanied by His mighty power; else, what man can do is ineffective. Peter said, "And we are witnesses of these things, and so also is the Holy Spirit, Whom God hath given to them that obey Him" (Acts 5:32).

Let us make much of the Word; and let us proclaim it faithfully and fearlessly; but let us never forget that, though one may plant, and though another may water, it is God Himself Who gives the increase (1 Cor. 3:6, 7).

Science and the Biblical Account of Creation

By Dr. John R. Sampey, Jr., Furman University

[Professor Sampey here gives his opinions concerning discoveries in nuclear science and their bearing on the Biblical account of creation. He writes the editor:

"As a geology student at Chicago three decades ago I was disturbed by the discrepancies in the scientific and Biblical accounts of creation. The remarkable manner in which science has come around to the Sacred Record during the last quarter of a century has been a source of much satisfaction. I share some of this in the enclosed manuscript."

We thank Doctor Sampey. All things were created by the direct act of God, regardless of the means God may have used in bringing about His sacred purposes. We are glad to know that science is coming more and more toward the Biblical account. We have accepted the Biblical account by faith, and have believed it because the account was divinely inspired. There are many things we cannot explain with our finite minds; but we can and do believe, because God has spoken. Doctor Sampey is a Baptist professor, the son of the late Dr. John R. Sampey, former president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and loved throughout the South.]

The Biblical account of creation has been under fire since Copernicus first disturbed the serenity of the traditional point of view. Through the centuries and decades the observations and theories of Galileo, Newton, Laplace, and Chamberlin-Moulton have challenged the Genesis story of creation.

The phenomenal discoveries in atomic physics and nuclear chemistry during the last quarter of a century have given the scientist fresh insight into the origin not only of our solar system, but of the universe itself. The creation story of 20th century science is startlingly similar to that of the Sacred Record.

The recent discoveries of nuclear science have cleared away two major difficulties in the Genesis account of the events of the first four days of creation. Formerly science asked how there could be light—the first act of creation—before there were sun and stars, which did not come into existence until the fourth day.

Equally baffling to science was the creation of the earth, on the third day, before the sun and moon came into being on the fourth day. Both of these absurdities from the point of view of 19th century science now find theories, based on the newly discovered laws of atomic fission, to confirm the Biblical record of the amazing events of the first four days of creation week.

The First Day of Creation

The opening act of creation in the Sacred Record is the appearance of light. Light is recognized by science as a form of energy. According to five nuclear scientists—E. P. Hubble of the University of California, R. A. Alpher

and R. C. Hermer of Johns Hopkins University, and B. J. Bok and F. L. Whipple of Harvard University—there was a time when there was no matter in the universe, only blazing energy.

The cosmic theory of these scientists declares that the universe was born in the space of a few minutes by an act of creation. How like Genesis 1:3, "And God said let there be light!"

The widely acclaimed expanding universe of Dr. Hubble and associates suggests that there was a time when all the stars were packed into a much smaller space. The temperature of such a system would be so terrific that no matter could exist. The astrophysicist pictures the universe at this stage as made up only of closely packed neutrons. No matter, only blazing energy. "And the evening and the morning were the first day."

The Second Day of Creation

Then the universe began to expand. The driving force behind the liberated energy was so terrific that within a matter of minutes the outmost neutrons had traveled billions of miles. This rapid expansion caused a drop in temperature. Conditions were now ripe for the creation of matter, or the firmament, as the account in Genesis is interpreted.

The lower temperature resulted in the slowing down of the speeding neutrons. The slower moving neutrons gave off part of their energy in the form of electrons, or units of negative electricity. When these newly-formed electrons grouped themselves around the parent neutrons there was born the first atom. Neutrons and electrons constitute two essential units of matter as demonstrated in countless experiments the last 50 years in smashing atoms.

From atoms the chemist builds molecules. Atoms and molecules constitute the traditional units of matter. "And the evening and the morning were the second day."

The Third And Fourth Day of Creation

Following the creation of energy and matter on the first two days of creation week the author of Genesis recounts the formation of the earth on the third day and the appearance of the sun and moon on the fourth day. How could the earth be formed before the sun? Science has formulated a theory only within the last decade to account for such a strange event.

From spectrum analysis it is known

that the sun, like other stars, is composed mostly of the light gas helium. The planets, on the other hand are made up of many heavy elements. From the earliest days of radioactivity it has been known that helium nuclei, or alpha-particles, constitute essential units in the heart of these heavy elements. Elements which do not explode spontaneously like radium can be shown to contain helium nuclei also when placed in such modern atom-smashing machines as a cyclotron or a nuclear pile.

It remained for two mathematicians of Cambridge University, Fred Hoyle and R. A. Lyttleton, to propose a theory based on present-day knowledge of nuclear chemistry, to account for the formation of the heavy elements. They visualize the origin of the heavy elements as taking place in stars with temperatures several hundred times that of the sun. The formation of iron, uranium and other heavy elements under these conditions from the gas helium resulted in the absorption of fantastic amounts of energy. There followed a sharp drop in the temperature of the super-hot star. This resulted in its collapse. The release of so much gravitational energy resulted in a stupendous explosion with the scattering of a large gaseous cloud over a vast area of the heavens. The concluding act of the drama postulates that a part of the gaseous cloud of heavy elements came within the gravitational attraction of our sun, where they were swept up to form the earth and the other eight planets of our solar system.

This theory of Hoyle and Lyttleton has received wide acclaim. It is the first scientific account of creation which explains how the planets may have been formed entirely independent from the sun, and even before it came into existence, just as recorded in the Biblical account.

Science has changed its story of creation many times since Copernicus' day. The discovery of new instruments and new technics for probing the physical universe, and the formulation of new theories to interpret the new data will continue to alter the picture of the cosmos. Through the eyes of science man marvels at the ceaseless change of all things.

On the other hand, one stands in awe too at the timeless, incomparable description of the creation story in the Biblical Record. The cataclysmic events of the first four days of creation never stood out in sharper focus than they do today through the interpretation of the nuclear scientist.

[And we hope that science, as it moves forward, will ultimately come all the way to the Biblical Record, discarding its evolutionary theory of the development of the human species from a lower order of beings. God CREATED man in his highest form, just as the Bible tells us.—Editor.]

One Knee Preachers

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In a cartoon carried in the daily newspapers recently, Hambone said that he didn't like the new preacher after he found out that only one knee of his trousers was worn thin.

This would be humorous, were it not so pathetically and tragically near the truth.

Church people are looking for spiritual leadership—for praying shepherds—and yet by their own actions to a large extent are preventing that which they seek.

And ministers, realizing the need for greater power, are nevertheless caught in the vortex of multitudinous demands and perhaps in the competitive spirit of the day, and are bowing to the demands of expediency and activity and failing to draw upon the power they need.

Ministers today are "touchy" about the old question as to what they do between Sundays, with its implication of weekday ease and inactivity.

The work-week of the average minister today is far greater in hours and activity than the average working man within his congregation. During the week he will spend morning, afternoon, and night on the "job," and will handle a wider variety of details and problems than many executives of businesses. His time with his family is becoming less, for he is truly "married" to his church. He must be administrator, organizer, civic worker, speaker, counsellor, promoter, secretary, teacher, associational worker, convention worker, sometimes even janitor, in addition to being pastor and preacher. He must answer the phone, write or dictate letters, keep office hours, plan committee meetings, organize drives, administer a business organization, attend conferences, speak for P. T. A., civic clubs, civic drives, prepare news articles and bulletins, supervise the countless activities and organizations which comprise a united church. And in the time left he must prepare three sermons, study, conduct funerals and weddings, and do his pastoral work.

The fact is that, in the spirit of the day, churches have become institutions, business organizations. By and large they think in terms of budget, activities, meetings, programs, plants and equipment, statistics, and judge the pastor by such items as miles travelled, number of calls made, profits in terms of net membership gains, meetings attended, number of activities held during the week, etc. And oft-times the worship service is evaluated by the size of the

offering, the brevity of the sermon, and the excellence of the music.

Consider, for instance, the church as a business organization with its consequent effect upon the minister. The modern church requires much money to maintain its program and build its plants. The pressure is increasingly great, with the rise in the cost of living, both from the standpoint of salaries and material necessities for the church. Payments on loans and debts must be made. Financial drives, pleas, and programs must be shaped and prosecuted, with the minister cast in the role of leader. The result is that tithing is emphasized not as an obligation of worship so much as tithing as a means to an end.

The temptation is to stress how much money will be received and how much



can be done if members tithed, rather than to emphasize the tithe as a spiritual obligation with spiritual blessings. Thus the preacher is more or less compelled to preach for money rather than to preach on the doctrine of stewardship.

Or consider the church as an organization. Today we stress the church as a unity, the church being the whole, and the various organizations as integral parts with a specialized field of the work of the church to do. The Sunday school, Brotherhood, Training Union, Missionary Society and other groups are a part of the church and not independent satellites revolving about the church. The program must be coordinated and shaped so that the whole program of the church can be carried out.

We Baptists have many fine organizations—each of them filling a vital place in the life of the church. But with four major organizations, eight or ten young peoples' groups, several committees all working together, the problem of co-

ordination and supervision becomes acute. Mechanics and methods are apt to become primary in the administering of the church, and constant open house held at the church for meetings. The minister, as administrator, should know what is happening in each of these, and should guide as far as possible the program in the light of the whole.

These are but two of the modern day emphases affecting the minister in his work and time. Many others might be mentioned, but these will show the trend. What is the answer?

Churches should relieve the minister of as much detail as possible, without, however, by-passing or ignoring his leadership. He is the spiritual leader and should be regarded as such and should be consulted and respected in the work of the church.

Church members should be considerate and sympathetic with their pastor. He is human with human failings, but is called of God to the ministry.

The contemptible treatment some church members accord their pastor in criticism, opposition, ignoring him, or persecution is inexcusable in the light of our Christian conceptions of a church and its leader. The members of a church ought to pray for their pastor, and work sympathetically with him, at the same time according him the rights and privileges due him as an individual in the sight of God. He should be treated as a minister, a servant of God, a shepherd, a friend, rather than as a "hired man" subject to order or dismissal at any time.

Churches ought, also, to be fair to their pastor. See that he is free of financial worries, recognize that much of his salary is used in the work of the church in calling and in other ways, and remember the hours he works and the training he was required to have in order to serve. Be friendly, genuinely friendly, with him and relieve his mind of the tension and concern often caused by unfair criticism and fault-finding.

Ministers of today are men of deep spirituality, in spite of the stress upon them, and even though it is only one knee, that knee is worn thin in earnest prayer for you.—*Baptist Courier*.

Dr. Samuel S. Hill, president of Georgetown College, has been serving as interim pastor of Mt. Vernon Church.

Brother Olin Sisk, 700 Varnit Trace Street, Princeton, Ky., has resigned the pastorate of Charleston Baptist Church (four miles north of Dawson Springs), a village, full-time church, and hopes to do mission work. He served as missionary in Caldwell Association, and was also the first Southern Baptist missionary in Michigan. He has held pastorates in Princeton, Hopkinsville, and Detroit.

BAPTIST PERSONALITIES

Independent of the Church?

By O. W. Taylor

The idea of some ministers and other religious workers seems to be that their call to serve from the Lord makes them independent of the Lord's churches and that they are not to consult with any churches about what they do nor to be subject to any.

How can being under the authority of Christ, the Head of the church, remove one from the jurisdiction and supervision of the body through which Christ works? Well, it doesn't do this. And I think some studies along this line, of which this is the first, are very much in place.

Paul called the church at Corinth "the body of Christ" (1 Cor. 12:27). This was a specific, organized, historical church, not an "invisible" or a "general" one.

Paul addressed his epistle not only to the specific Corinthian Church, but also "to all that in every place" professed faith in Christ (1 Cor. 1:2). But this did not set aside the fact noted in the preceding paragraph. The apostle meant by all in every place, either some members of the Corinthian church who were then not at home or other Christians elsewhere in their own respective churches. The Corinthian church was "the body of Christ" and so was each particular church elsewhere. And the aggregate of such churches formed "the church" as an institution. In this sense it, too, was "the body of Christ."

Hence, contrary to the view of some, the fact that one is "in the body of Christ" does not make him independent of local church supervision and control. He is not to think that he can do as he pleases and the churches can "either like it or lump it." And he must not develop the conceit that there may be a necessary measure of conflict between the authority of Christ, alleged to be upon him, and supervision and control by the body of which Christ is Head.

Paul says that gospel workers are "set . . . in the church" by the Lord (1 Cor. 12:28). These workers are placed in "the church" as an institution and in "the churches" distributively as it pleases the Lord. And it is unthinkable that these workers are to serve in such independence of the churches that the churches have no say-so about it.

The fact is that the ultimate aim that Christ has in mind in providing these workers is "edifying of the body of Christ" (Eph. 4:11, 12). Carried out, this means winning the lost and training and enlisting the saved in obedience and service. He who proposes to be independent of the churches of which Christ is head disqualifies himself to a large degree for accomplishing this aim.

Praise is something a person tells you about yourself that you've suspected all along.—*Gilcrafter*.

Belfry Woman Finds Way to Help Lottie Moon Offering for Foreign Missions

The Baptist Church at Belfry, Pike County, Kentucky, is happy to have as one of its members Mrs. Florence Hensley, who did a gracious thing last Christmas for the work of the Lord. Below is her own story of what she did and the reason for doing it:

"I have heard for some time that more money is needed to support foreign missions; that willing missionaries cannot be sent to foreign fields where they are so badly needed because of lack of money for this cause. This in itself is heart-breaking when we think of how much better we Americans are equipped for this than any other nation. I have eight children and each gives me a gift of approximately \$5.00 at Christmas, Mother's Day and on my birthday. Now, certainly I always found these gifts useful, as I have been a widow for 23 years. I am employed as a baby sitter for my daughter who works and pays me \$10 weekly, out of which I tithe. So you can readily see how the Lord has blessed me—a woman of 60 years—to keep me able to make my own way without depending on the children for support. This makes me feel like I owe the Lord more than the tithe.

"About a month before Christmas I asked the children if it would please them just to give me the money in the amount they would spend for my Christmas gift. They agreed. So for Christmas I received \$35 from them. This amount I turned over to our Missionary Union to be added to our Lottie Moon Offering for foreign missions. And I don't feel like it was a sacrifice as I have been blessed much more than I would have been to have those gifts myself.

"Please, mothers, take inventory of your needs. Do you need gifts more than the natives need to hear about the Lord? Why not try this too, and you will also find it is more blessed to give than to receive.

"The Lord even blessed me with several gifts besides the money."

Mrs. Hensley has been richly blessed in having a Christian family. Seven of the eight children and their families are workers in Baptist churches. Within the past two months one son, one daughter, and son-in-law and one granddaughter have been saved, and then one son surrendered to the call to the ministry.

T. R. Ware, Pineville Church's Oldest Deacon, Signally Honored

Sunday evening, January 18, 1953, following the evening worship service, the deacons of the First Baptist Church of Pineville, and their wives, celebrated the birthday of their oldest deacon and one of their oldest members—Brother T. R. Ware. Mr. Ware is 87 years old and has been a Christian for 75 years. A list of the things he has been and done in the First Baptist Church and in the Pineville community was presented in a clever form by another deacon, Brother Foley Partin. Mr. Partin told the life story of Mr. Ware as a fortune teller gazing into the crystal ball with Mr. T. R. Ware represented as a young boy by Eddy Wilson, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Edward S. Wilson, chairman of the deacons at this time. The accomplishments of Mr. Ware have been: He was a railroad agent for 60 years, a former mayor of Pineville, at one time the chairman of the local Board of Education, a deacon, and was chairman of the Finance Committee for the erection of the present church building.

Following this unusual method of presenting the accomplishments of Dr. Ware's magnanimous life, a gift of a beautiful umbrella was presented to Mr. Ware by George Davis, another of the deacons. After this, refreshments were served by Mrs. H. B. Asher, Mrs. Edward S. Wilson, wives of the deacons, and Mrs. Charles A. Jolly, wife of the pastor.

Mr. Ware gives full credit to the Lord and to the value of a Christian life as being the explanation to a long life of useful service. Even now he is active in all of the church's program and looks to be no more than 70 years of age. His church hopes and prays that he will live to be 100.

Robert S. Bazzell, who has been assistant to Dr. J. W. Storer at the First Baptist Church of Tulsa, Okla., has become administrator of the Perry Memorial Hospital, an Oklahoma Baptist institution.

Pastor Charles Lee Garringer resigned the work at the Great Crossing Baptist Church to become pastor at the South Side Baptist Church, Covington, Ky. Before going to Great Crossing Church two years ago, Mr. Garringer was pastor in Breckinridge county. He is a native of Indiana.



Mrs. Florence Hensley



T. R. Ware

A Question With Two Answers

By H. H. McGINTY
(Editorial, Word and Way)

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AMERICA is now several years old, but it appears that its sponsors have never reached an agreement on two very important questions—what is the nature of its structure and what is its ultimate purpose? Is it to be simply a federation of independent religious groups, or is it designed to become an organic union which will swallow up all denominations?

Ask one group of N.C.C. proponents and they will tell you it is only a federation of Christian denominations and that the complete freedom of each denomination is meticulously protected by the constitution. They are committed to the Council for cooperation without any hint of integration. The NATIONAL COUNCIL, say these, is not a super church but "a unique medium whereby churches which differ in many respects . . . can meet together, worship together; think, plan and act together."

But if you listen to EDITOR CHARLES CLAYTON MORRISON of the CHRISTIAN CENTURY and to the group for which he seems to be a spokesman you get a different answer. In the January 7 issue of the CENTURY, EDITOR MORRISON writes: "It [the NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES] can be justified only by the hope that from cooperation and fellowship there will emerge the true Church of Christ within which denominations and their federation will have disappeared." Furthermore, they believe that this integration of all religious groups will be necessary to the success of the COUNCIL. "So long as the present denominational structure remains intact," continues the editorial, "no amount of exhortation or plaintive appeal can secure the kind of support from the local churches which the leadership of cooperation under the NATIONAL COUNCIL is pleading for."

Denominations Hinder Council

The whole denominational system is an evil in Christendom, for which we must pray for forgiveness, thinks the venerable editor. "Our denominations are every one human contrivances. They have no warrant in Scripture, nor does Christian ecclesiology make any place for them. They represent division in, and deviation from, the true Church of Christ, whose organs and functions they exercise in autonomous isolation. No denomination can escape this characterization by claiming historic continuity with the true Church in respect to its ministry, its doctrine or its polity. This ecclesiastical autonomy of the denominations which they jealously reserve in

their commitment to the NATIONAL COUNCIL is the sin for which we pray to be forgiven when we meet in ecumenical assemblies . . ."

The significance of these statements is emphasized by the fact that EDITOR MORRISON and the CHRISTIAN CENTURY have been highly influential in the formation and work of the NATIONAL COUNCIL during all the years of its history.

The occasion for this most recent pronouncement is the oft repeated charge that the churches are not responding to the Council's program at the local level—a complaint heard frequently at the recent annual session in Denver. This handicap is posed by the fact that the churches are still promoting independent denominational programs. These denominations, having primary access to their local churches, too often preempt the calendar with independent drives for various causes, thus drawing off the spiritual energies and resources which, under the cooperative ideal, should be unitedly employed." This leads to the conclusion that "we must soon decide whether the federal ideal is to be regarded as final or if it is to be succeeded by a genuinely organic unity."

No Hierarchy Needed

To understand this is not difficult. NATIONAL COUNCIL has a highly complicated organization with commissions and committees set to deal with every imaginable contingency. Moreover, the COUNCIL calendar offers seasons and dates, with sermon subjects and texts, for almost every week of the year. In addition, the COUNCIL insists on "pronouncing" on practically every important question which comes along. Any church which sincerely undertakes to support this program in full will have little time, energy, or resource left for a program of its own denomination.

None of this is a new revelation to many American Christians. They have seen the logic of these conclusions from the beginning, and they have wanted no part in it. They have no desire to be led off into a theological fogbank even if it be called the true Church of Christ. They believe Christ has a true church and they are trying to build after that pattern. They also believe that He only knows those who are His. They have no place for any sort of a superchurch. They want no Roman hierarchy; neither do they want a Protestant hierarchy, not even of a popeless variety.

Evangelical Leaders Warn Against Religious Persecutions

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (WRR) — Protestant religious leaders from all sections of the nation have met here for the annual two-day session of Protestants and Other Americans United (POAU), this being the organization's fifth national conference on church and state.

In one speech, a noted Presbyterian warned Roman Catholics on their "paradoxical" position on the question of religious freedom and told of Protestant persecutions in Latin America. In another speech, a noted Episcopalian called on Protestants to speak in a united voice against "Catholic pressure" for appointment of an envoy to the Vatican. In a third major speech, a noted Lutheran called on both Roman Catholics and Protestants to make known their ultimate aims on aid to parochial schools.

Dr. Rycroft

Dr. Stanley W. Rycroft, secretary for Latin America of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, speaking on religious persecutions in Colombia, told POAU members assembled here that the Roman Catholic position on the question of religious persecution serves only to weaken the cause of freedom all over the world and to hurt the interest of the Roman Catholic Church as well as that of other churches.

Taking notice of recent papal encyclicals against persecution and of Bishop Fulton J. Sheen's assertion that "persecution of the Church is more intense today than at any other time in the history of Christianity," Dr. Rycroft commented:

"Paradoxically enough, the worst persecution is currently being carried on by members of the church Bishop Sheen belongs to, the one headed by the Pope, and we have yet to hear that they condemn this persecution of Protestants in Colombia."

He chided "recognized Roman Catholic periodicals both in Colombia and the United States" for criticizing the victims of persecutions in Colombia rather than the persecutors. He noted one exception among Roman Catholic publications—the American lay journal, *Commonweal*, which, he said, has unequivocally condemned both the Colombian persecutors and their apologists in the United States.

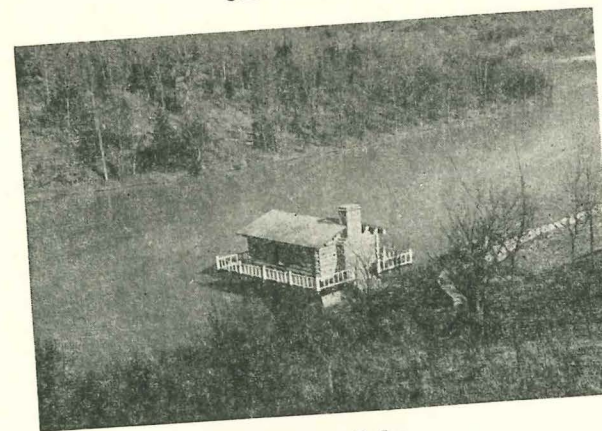
"We are convinced that once the facts of the persecution in Colombia are more widely known, it will be condemned by Protestants and other Americans who believe that religious freedom, in the ample sense of the term, is a basic human right," Dr. Rycroft declared. "We believe that among 'other Americans' there will also be many Roman Catholics who are concerned about what is happening in Colombia."

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Sunday School Department

ROY E. BOATWRIGHT, State Secretary

CEDARMORE



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SUNDAY SCHOOL WEEK— AUGUST 10-14

A Great Summer Program has been prepared for all phases of our church life. The first week will be R. A. Camp, June 22-26 and the closing week will be B.W.C. Camp, September 4-7.

The General Association adopted a goal of \$10,000 to be raised each year from our churches through the Sunday schools. This amount is greatly needed to carry on an expanded program.

The General Association approved April 5 as the Sunday on which Kentucky Baptist Sunday schools will be asked to give the Sunday school offering to Cedarmore.

We trust you will now make plans to support Cedarmore Kentucky Baptist Assembly and on April 5 take your offering and send it to Dr. W. C. Boone, Treasurer, 127 E. Broadway, Louisville, Ky.

CANCELLATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL CLINIC

The State Leadership Clinic which was to have been held with the First Baptist Church of Princeton, Kentucky on March 1-6, 1953, has been cancelled. Due to certain circumstances it seems wise that this action be taken.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CLINIC 1953

WHERE?—Hodgenville Baptist Church, Hodgenville, Ky.

WHEN?—February 26 at 2:00 P.M.—
February 28 at 11:00 A.M.

WHOM?—All associational leaders are invited and urged to come, particularly Moderators, Associational Sunday school

Superintendents, Associational Missionaries, Associational Vacation Bible School Superintendents.

ATTRACTIONS—Visual aid displays, hand work displays, and Sibley Burnett, our Southwide Leader.

ACCOMMODATIONS—Bed and meals will be furnished by the churches of Severn's Valley Association. Three cents per mile will be paid by our department for one car of key people from each association.

Standard Sunday Schools

Sebree—Pastor L. W. Lasater; Superintendent R. H. Major.

Special Committee for A Million More in '54—Caldwell County

Gorman Mitchel Wm. L. Adams
W. W. Johnson Leon Olliver
Irvine L. Parrett Leon Winchester

Graves County

Rev. E. R. Taylor Rev. Orman Stegall
Rev. Aubert Rose Mr. Edward Nelson
Rev. J. H. Currin

High Ten Through January

Shepherdsville	358
Madisonville, First	315
Lexington, Grace	241
Louisville, Beechmont	192
Louisville, 9th and O	189
Lexington, Porter Memorial	170
Midway	130
Lexington, Immanuel	125
Hopkinsville, First	120
Newport, First	114

Record of Standards by Associations

Elkhorn	11
Ten Mile	10
Laurel River	6
Nelson	6
Ohio Valley	6

ATTENDANCE T.U. S.S.

Church	February 8, 1953	T.U.	S.S.
Arlington, First	65	411	---
Ashland, Pollard	---	438	---
Unity	---	320	---
Bellevue	---	428	---
Berea	284	1,164	---
Bowling Green, First	58	221	---
Cadiz	310	567	---
Campbellsville	44	223	---
Carrollton, First	---	363	---
Corbin, First	---	446	---
Central	152	303	---
Coral Ridge, Fairdale	---	606	---
Covington, Calvary	91	284	---
First	187	982	---
Latonia	---	252	---
Madison Avenue	---	452	---
South Side	---	206	---
Cumberland	210	710	---
Danville, First	---	477	---
Danville, Lexington Avenue	---	204	---
Dayton, First	---	564	---
Dayton, Ohio, Westwood	66	215	---
Earlington, First	---	638	---
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	68	357	---
Erlanger	---	270	---
Elsmere	---	623	---
Evansville, Ind., Calvary	257	895	---
Grace	---	207	---
Falmouth	68	237	---
Ferguson	61	238	---
Ft. Thomas, First	167	863	---
Frankfort, First	126	274	---
Thorn Hill	---	388	---
Fulton, First	127	683	---
Glasgow	167	496	---
Georgetown	---	317	---
Greenville	225	986	---
Harrodsburg	---	214	---
Bruners Chapel	---	201	---
Deep Creek	59	247	---
Hawesville	---	262	---
Hazel	127	420	---
Henderson, First	---	342	---
Audubon	---	611	---
Immanuel	---	234	---
Hima, Horsecreek	---	801	---
Hindman	---	384	---
Hodgenville, First	114	597	---
Hopkinsville, Ebenezer	80	806	---
First	133	264	---
Second	115	344	---
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	---	288	---
Lawrenceburg, First	---	553	---
Sand Spring	102	1,201	---
Lebanon	---	695	---
Lexington, Ashland Ave.	---	303	---
Calvary	78	591	---
Felix Memorial	118	244	---
Grace	---	797	---
Hillcrest	---	873	---
Immanuel	139	509	---
Porter Memorial	168	210	---
London, First	66	270	---
Louisville, Audubon	---	840	---
Baptist Temple	---	212	---
Beechmont	---	222	---
Bethany	---	1,176	---
Buechel	265	496	---
Carlisle Ave.	129	917	---
Clifton	---	460	---
Crescent Hill	---	253	---
Deer Park	79	314	---
East Audubon	88	332	---
Farmdale	---	388	---
Harmony	---	200	---
Highland Park, First	81	---	---
Kenwood	87	---	---
Lynn Acres	222	1,221	---
Ninth and O	---	547	---
Okolona, Meadow Home	268	1,031	---
Parkland	---	339	---
Shawnee	---	436	---
South Jefferson	---	530	---
St. Matthews	---	459	---
Third Avenue	152	624	---
23rd and Broadway	239	712	---
Victory Memorial	101	267	---
Virginia Ave.	---	1,715	---
Walnut Street	---	614	---
West Broadway	---	310	---
Ludlow, First	---	103	---
Lynch	---	838	---
Madisonville, First	---	213	---
Marion Baptist	---	897	---
Mayfield, First	---	---	---
Middlesboro, East	---	283	---
Cumberland Ave.	---	590	---
First	75	208	---
Monticello, First	---	395	---
Morganfield, First	---	236	---
Mt. Washington	---	834	---
Murray, First	---	689	---
Newport, First	---	335	---
Nicholasville	---	---	---

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Baptist Training Union Department

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

Kentucky Almost Reaches 10,000 Goal in "M" Night Meetings

Associations Reporting	Attendance	Represented Churches	Pastors Present	Directors
Baptist	137	11	7	Mr. C. F. Marlowe
Bethel	250	15	7	Rev. George Fletcher
Bracken	174	8	8	Rev. Earl Hohman
Caldwell	354	16	10	Mr. Luther Barnes
Enterprise	572	17	15	Mrs. Lewis Lynch
Gasper River	262	16	7	Mr. Sam B. Kent
Goshen	121			Mr. W. M. Rice
Graves County	390	17	14	Mr. Larry Howard
Little Bethel	151	14	8	Rev. H. P. Richey
Little River	115	6	4	Mr. J. H. Rogers
Long Run	1,588	75	47	Miss Christine Hesse
Muhlenberg	405	21	15	Mr. Carl C. Cary
North Bend	400	16	10	Rev. Bob W. Brown
Ohio County	336	20	6	Mr. T. L. Liles
Ohio Valley	284	15	8	Mr. Barney Elliott
Owen County	57	12	7	Rev. Henry Atkeison
Pulaski County	541	15	11	Rev. Gerald K. Ford
Pine Mountain	102	8	8	Rev. Bailey Sadler
Rockcastle	127	7	2	Rev. Raleigh Brady
Russell Creek	275	18	13	Mr. Homer R. Kirtley
Salem	307	13	11	Mr. G. C. Miller
Shelby County	631	21	17	Mr. Howard Lawson
Tate's Creek	117	8	6	Mr. Gordon Terrill
Upper Cumberland	201	11	6	Mr. C. B. Bissell, Jr.
Warren	213	9	8	Mr. G. E. Allen
West Kentuckiana	750	23	20	Rev. Bert Williams
West Kentucky	151	14	14	Mr. R. P. Hocker, Jr.
West Union	334	24	18	Rev. John E. Tracy
Totals	9,345	450	307	

Note: If your association is not listed please send us report of "M" Night.

TWO IMPORTANT STATE MEETINGS State Convention

The State Baptist Training Union Convention, of which Rev. E. Keevil Judy, pastor First Baptist Church, Newport, is President, will meet with the Campbellsville Baptist Church, of which Dr. J. Chester Badgett is pastor. The date is April 15-17, beginning on Wednesday night and closing on Friday night. This is the fifty seventh year of the convention.

The devotional leader for the general sessions of the convention will be Rev. L. C. Roberts, of Tennessee, a former convention president. The Wednesday night speaker will be Dr. Robert E. Naylor, of Texas. The speaker for Friday night and leader of the Life Dedication Service will be Rev. A. L. (Pete) Gillespie, a former convention president.

As usual, another great program is being planned with the hope of meeting some of the needs of all those of all ages who will attend. There will be fellowship, information, inspiration, challenge, and dedication. There will be something special planned for every age group.

State Assembly

The Tenth Annual State Baptist Training Union Assembly will be held

at Cedarmore, near Bagdad, the week of August 17-21, beginning on Monday night and closing on Friday night.

An effort will be made to complete the best possible program. Something will be planned for every age group. There will be fellowship, information, inspiration, challenges, and resolutions.

For information concerning rates and reservations, please write to Rev. Marvin Byrdwell, Manager, Cedarmore, Bagdad, Kentucky.

Attention Nursery, Beginner, Primary Leaders

This year MISS FURN KELLING, Central Park Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama, will be our MAIN SPEAKER. As Director of Children's Work there she is connected with a Training Union with an average attendance of over five hundred. MISS KELLING will bring us ideas and inspiration. You won't want to miss this opportunity to know her, as well as the other Nursery, Beginner, and Primary Leaders in our state. There will be Demonstrations, a Workshop, Conferences and a Luncheon, for the Leaders in these departments. PLAN NOW TO ATTEND!

The Most Effective Evangelism is Church-Sponsored

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Then the evangelist came. And, to indulge in a bit of understatement, I was not exactly the most popular man in the community for a while. The evangelist announced publicly that the campaign was of God; and that whether any pastor was co-operating or not, the members of his congregation owed the campaign their co-operation.

And most of our congregation gave it. A great tobacco warehouse was filled night after night by thousands who came from the city and surrounding territory. A great chorus choir added much to the gatherings, and many of our members sang in it.

I was called out of the city during the first two weeks of the campaign to assist a brother pastor in a series of revival services. But when I returned home, the revival was in full sway, and scores were responding to the invitation to accept Christ as their Saviour, or to re-dedicate their lives to His cause.

But when the campaign was ended, and the evangelist had gone to other fields of endeavor, the returns began to come into the churches. I received scores of cards that had been signed by those who had gone forward in response to the evangelist's invitation. Among them were our deacons, our Sunday school teachers, and many of our most consecrated people. But I baptized only two into the fellowship of our church as a direct result of the effort. Other pastors of the city reported that their gatherings were small.

A week or so after the campaign had ended, a good Methodist steward volunteered to offer me his congratulations over the position we had taken. The evangelistic effort had cost thousands of dollars, but the churches themselves had received little help from it. I had not stood in the way of whatever good might be accomplished; but I was firmer than ever in my conviction that we cannot improve on the method of working through the churches which Jesus established—churches built after the New Testament pattern, such as our Baptist churches of today. None of them are perfect, nor can be, so long as they are composed of an imperfect humanity. But they still remain the best institutions on earth, outside the Christian home, for carrying on the work of our Saviour among men.

In evangelism, as in every other phase of Christian activity, let us honor the churches of our Lord. In doing so, we honor our Lord Himself, since the church is the body of Christ.

If taxes continue the upward climb, a person is going to have to work like a dog to be able to live like one.—*Philnews.*

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

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

Mission Study News!

Last week we promised you a letter from Mrs. Frank Hill, our Kentucky W.M.U. Mission Study Chairman. It is our hope that you will read it word for word and keep abreast with the news from her and the other Chairmen of the work of Kentucky W.M.U. They put much time and effort on study and plans for you in order that every member of our societies may be up to date on missionary news and plans.

To Every W. M. S. Member:

May I thank Mrs. Ferguson, and "the powers that be," for this opportunity for mission study "gossip." Wouldn't it be nice if I knew the "pet gripes" of your Mission Study Chairman? Such a good time to tell the world. Since I do not have such information you will have to read my rattle.

The Anniversary plans are humming and we are all so excited. May I state our Mission Study Goals for 1953 again:

1. That Kentucky W.M.U. organizations sincerely work toward attaining the achievement chart prepared for us by our Southwide Mission Study Committee.
2. That our Mission Study Committee co-operate with our anniversary planning committee by studying the new history of Kentucky W. M. U. (all above Junior age) as a goal to be used by W. M. S. and Young People's organizations. (We expect it to be ready by April 1.)
3. That our associations and regions conduct a Mission Study Institute including use of the new history of Kentucky W. M. U.

We are looking forward to reading about those who laid the foundations on which we are building our organization. We will enjoy including the study of this book in our mission study programs. It is such a wonderful opportunity for us to participate in the Baptist Educational Program in our State through our Dollar-a-month plan. (See the *Western Recorder*, February 5 issue, for suggestions for using this plan successfully.) We are finding circle educational chairmen a good plan. Wouldn't you like to know the birthday party plans of the different chairmen of the state. W.M.U. women have such clever ideas. Anniversary parties are really in style this year in Kentucky. Coupled with our large donations, our contributions to the educational program will be worthwhile I'm sure.

I believe it was Dr. Grey, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, who said at our State Meeting last year in

Danville—"God shows up in the most peculiar places. He gets around." We know if we let Him attend all of our anniversary activities in Kentucky, our State will be a better place in which to live.

Isn't it fortunate that our anniversary year and mission study chart came in the same year. I keep hearing of so many interesting things that are being accomplished in mission study classes when they are guided by the achievement chart. *IT IS WORKABLE!* I know some of you gained so many points with the Foreign Mission series, and now we are beginning our Home Mission series. Don't forget to mark your chart.

Recently a young lady said, at the close of a Royal Service program, "I have not prayed for these people because I knew nothing about them." Through our mission study program we have such a grand medium for information and inspiration. May we test our teaching by these results:

1. Does your class help young people and adults to feel they belong to the world-wide fellowship of Christians?
2. Are you making missionary education and mission study the timely consideration that it really is, related to current events in the community, nation and world?
3. Do members of your classes give money gladly, conscious of the work it will do?
4. Are your class members learning ways of building a friendly and peaceful world order? Do they consider missionary work an important vocation? Are they experiencing fellowship and work with other races and nationalities? Are they helping to relieve suffering and aid to efforts of missionaries?

Josh Billings said: "We are all willing to pay more for being amused than instructed." Carlyle said: "The true universality of these days is a collection of good books."

In Frank Bettger's book, *How I Raised Myself From Failure to Success in Selling*, he emphasized enthusiasm in selling anything, Aren't we as W.M.U. women in the business of "selling" our Lord? May we ever be enthusiastic! Mrs. Frank Hill, Mission Study Chm.

Pray and Give for Home Missions—March 2-6

At the presidential inauguration on January 20, one solo was "America the Beautiful." This is the theme for the Week of Prayer for Home Missions.

Meet—Study—Pray—Give. Sing "America the Beautiful" with voice—and make America—The Beautiful—

with your gifts to the ANNIE ARM-STRONG OFFERING.

It's Worth It!

A missionary among migrant people tells about a tear-stained little fellow who appeared each day at his Vacation Bible School. He was always a little late but he always came. After several days she asked why he was always late and why he had always been crying. "I told Mom about you and your Bible school. I begged to come. She said, 'NO.' I kept on begging. Then she whipped me. I cried, then I begged some more! Then she said, 'Get on out of here—leave me alone, go on over to the missionary woman, if you must!'" He paused, then added, "That's the way it is every morning—but—but it's worth it!"

Our missionaries among the migrants meet such tragic situations also. To help them help others, join in the Week of Prayer for Home Missions, March 2-6, and give through the Annie Armstrong Offering.

The children were playing in the schoolyard when the missionary passed. The children who loved her saw her, and cried out: "Tell us a story. Please stop, and tell us a story."

The busy missionary stopped. "Gather on the steps and I'll tell you a story." When the children were seated, she asked, "What story shall I tell you?" "Tell us the story of Jesus, we never heard all that story yet."

Not in Africa or Japan, not in South America or Malaya but here in our own United States of America—children do not know the story of Jesus. *Pray and give for Home Missions that all children may have a chance to know the wonderful story of Jesus.*

Manual of Woman's Missionary Union

The long awaited revised Manual of Woman's Missionary Union is available at the Baptist Book Store. Paper bound copies are \$1.00, other \$1.50. Place orders early, allowing ample time in which to plan for a good methods study. All of us will want to participate in a group study of the manual in its revised form.

B. W. C. Guide

The revised Guide for Business Woman's Circles is now available also at the Baptist Book Store, 25c per copy. All B. W. C. members will want to purchase individual copies for reference and to be right up-to-date on B. W. C. methods. Circles will plan to study the Guide, using the very best teacher possible. This should come early after the Week of Prayer for Home Missions.

Be sure to get your copy of "Beautiful Upon the Mountain" from the Baptist Book Store now—60c for paper bound copy and \$1.25 for the cloth bound. It is a wonderful story of the life of our own Kentucky W. M. U. missionary. It will thrill your heart as you read of her love and sacrifice.

Eleven

Bees and Wasps

"I do love honey," said Betty one day at tea-time, as she helped herself to a large peice of honey-comb.

"Who does not?" said Arthur. "I am sure we all do."

"Is it not a shame to take away all the bees' honey after all their trouble to get it?" said Myra.

"It is, and it is not," said her father. "Honey is good for man, both as food and medicine, and we give them a good substitute."

"Here comes a wasp," cried Arthur as one buzzed in through the open window, "and he likes honey, too," he continued as the wasp settled on the edge of the uncovered honey-dish.

"Of course, he does," said father, "and that is why your Uncle Peter lost all his bees a few years ago."

"Lost his bees! Did Uncle Peter keep bees?" Betty asked eagerly.

"Yes. You were too young to remember them, so I will tell you from the beginning. Chase that wasp away before he eats all your honey."

"He might sting me," said Betty.

"He won't. Cover the dish, then take it to the open window, and uncover it. He will fly out."

Betty did as she was told, and then all settled down to hear father's story.

"One day your Uncle Peter discovered that a swarm of bees were hanging from one of the trees in his garden."

"Did you ever see a swarm of bees, father, what is it like?" interrupted Betty.

"Don't be asking questions, Miss Inquisitive," said Arthur impatiently.

"No. Arthur! don't call her names. How would any of us learn anything if we were not informed? Yes, Betty," he continued, "I have seen a swarm, and I will tell you about that first. I was staying for a few months in a country cottage, when one day I was alarmed by a great beating of sticks on tin cans, shouting, and all sorts of commotion. I looked out of the door, and saw the air thick with bees. They—the young bees—had left the hive in the garden, with their queen, and were waiting until she rested to swarm around her. The noise was made by the owner of the bees to keep them from flying away and being lost, for a swarm of bees is valuable. When she rested they all clustered around her, until they looked like a giant bunch of grapes."

"Now I will tell you about your Uncle Peter. When he discovered the swarm, he procured a hive as quickly as possible and the bees were moved into it; they settled down, and made it their home. Strange to say, another swarm

came the same year, and then he had two hives of bees, and began to look upon himself as a beekeeper! For a number of years all went well. Your uncle became quite skillful in the management of the hives, got the honey, and fed the bees through the winter months.

"But one year he was besieged with wasps. Kill as many as he could, still they came. As you know, bees always place sentinels before the doors of the hives, for they have many foes who would enter and destroy their precious honey. But this year they were attacked by hordes of wasps. The poor bees put up a good fight, and many were slain on both sides, but at last the bees were defeated and the wasps took the hive."

"Oh! what a shame!" cried Myra, "and what about the other hive?"

"Well, at first your uncle thought the second hive would fare better, as the bees were bigger and more warlike, and they put more watchers around the door of their hive. But it was of little use, for in the end they too, were defeated, and the wasps had both hives."

"Oh, dear" cried Arthur, "could nothing be done to drive off the wasps, smoked out or something?"

"Well, your uncle was unwilling to do so, as it meant the killing of the bees as well as the wasps, and he did not wish to do that."

"And did the wasps get all the honey?" asked Betty breathlessly.

"No, not all, for when your uncle saw that the bees were defeated, he smoked out the wasps, and secured the honey. But no more swarms came to his garden." Now, he continued, turning with a smile to their mother, "I'll let your mother give you the moral of the story."

"And I, in my turn," she said, "will ask Arthur what he thinks about it."

"I think it is like evil overcoming good, mother. Such hordes of enemies assailing the little hive, like the hosts of evil attacking the soul."

"I believe I would have said the same thing, Arthur, but they were defeated—need we be overcome?"

"No! their guardians were weak like themselves, but we may have One within us Who is strong to deliver."

"Yes, but many think they can do well without Him. They depend on their own strength to keep the evil at bay, but when strong temptation comes, they fall, and Satan and his hordes take possession."—*Southern Churchman.*

Pastor W. O. Spencer has completed one year as pastor of the Hall Street Church, Owensboro.

Additional Appointment SBC Houston Committees

HOUSTON, Tex. — (BP) — Dr. E. H. Westmoreland, chairman of the Local Committee on Preparation for the Southern Baptist Convention, announced last week the following men as chairmen of other committees which are to be formed:

Committee on Child Care, Joe C. Sullivan, 5921 Petty Street.

Committee in Charge of Check Room, Jack Pierce, 7938 Mendez.

Committee in Charge of Information Booth, R. F. Halbert, 2030 Alta Vista.

Committee in Charge of Mass Meetings, R. G. Commander, 4501 Walker.

Committee in Charge of Lost and Found Articles, D. E. Sloan, 9109 Airline Drive.

Committee in Charge of Post Office, Lewis B. Quarles, 245 Lena Drive.

Committee to plan and direct Tours and Excursions, L. D. Morgan, Box 1068, Pasadena, Texas.

Committee on Pastors Conference, James T. Draper, 6911 Avenue H.

Committee on Entertainment changed to, A. B. Penny, 3104 Amherst.

Dr. T. L. Holcomb to Head Southern Baptist Foundation

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, has been elected executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foundation to succeed Dr. C. H. Bolton, who resigned January 1, to accept a Florida pastorate.

Dr. Holcomb will retire in June as secretary of the Sunday School Board after serving eighteen years and will assume his new duties with the Convention investment agency at that time.

L. L. Gellerstedt, Atlanta, president of the Foundation, announced the election at the annual meeting held Tuesday in Nashville.

"With world conditions as they are and in these formative days of the Foundation, we drafted Dr. Holcomb because of his wide experience in denominational affairs and his long interest in this work," Gellerstedt said.

Jack Massey, Nashville, chairman of the investment committee, reported assets of \$721,386.35 with the hope that the amount would reach \$1 million by the time the Southern Baptist Convention meets in May. He reported a return of a record high, 4.6 per cent, on funds invested by the Foundation in 1952.

Officers elected at the annual meeting in addition to the executive secretary are L. L. Gellerstedt, president; Jack C. Massey, vice president; Raymond L. Rogers, secretary; and Porter Routh, treasurer.

Tentative Program--Southern Baptist Convention

Houston, Texas, May 4-10, 1953

GENERAL THEME: "That the World May Believe" (John 17:21)

Wednesday Morning

- Theme: "Laborers Together that the World May Believe" (2 Cor. 6:1).
- 9:00 Song and Praise; Scripture and Prayer George D. McClelland, Kansas
 - 9:15 Secretaries' Report on Registration
 - 9:20 Committee on Order of Business A. B. Van Arsdale, Alabama
 - 9:25 Appointment of Committee on Committees and Committee on Resolutions
 - 9:30 President's Address J. D. Grey, Louisiana
 - 10:05 Executive Committee Administration Report—
Porter Routh, Tennessee, Executive Secretary
 - 11:05 Radio Commission
 - 11:30 Denominational Calendar W. L. Howse, Texas, Chairman
 - 11:40 Southern Baptist Foundation
 - 11:55 Southern Baptist Hospital Report Frank Tripp, Louisiana, Administrator
 - 12:10 The Convention at Worship
Annual Convention Sermon J. H. Landes, Texas
Alternate Fred Eastham, Missouri

Wednesday Night

- Theme: "Preaching the Word that the World May Believe" (Acts 8:4).
- 7:00 Song and Praise; Scripture and Prayer Harold Tillman, Virginia
 - 7:15 Committee on Baptist Papers B. H. Duncan, Arkansas, Chairman
 - 7:25 Committee on Circulation Campaign Louie D. Newton, Georgia
 - 7:35 Executive Committee Report on Promotion—
Merrill D. Moore, Tennessee, Director of Promotion
 - 7:55 Woman's Missionary Union
 - 8:20 Baptist Brotherhood George W. Schroeder, Tenn., Exec. Sec.
 - 8:50 American Bible Society Thomas T. Holloway, Texas, Secretary
 - 9:00 Sermon—"Preach the Word" Homer G. Lindsay, Florida

Thursday Morning

- Theme: "All Bare Him Witness that the World May Believe" (Luke 4:22).
- 9:00 Scripture and Prayer O. Norman Shands, South Carolina
 - 9:15 Committee on R. A., Boy Movement and Scouting—
Robert E. Naylor, Texas, Chairman
 - 9:30 Election of Officers, and Miscellaneous Business
 - 10:15 Memorial Service W. F. Powell, Tennessee
 - 10:35 Relief and Annuity Board Walter R. Alexander, Texas, Exec. Secy.
 - 11:05 Election of Officers (Continued)
 - 11:20 Historical Commission Norman W. Cox, Tenn., Exec. Secy.
 - 11:45 Recognition of Fraternal Messengers
 - 12:00 Election of officers Concluded and Miscellaneous Business
 - 12:30 Address—"Our Baptist Heritage" W. R. White, Texas

Thursday Night

- Theme: "Unto the Uttermost Parts that the World May Believe" (Acts 1:8).
- 7:00 Song and Praise; Scripture and Prayer Hugh R. Bumpas, Oklahoma
 - 7:15 Home Mission Board J. B. Lawrence, Georgia, Exec. Secy.
 - 8:10 Foreign Mission Board M. Theron Rankin, Virginia, Exec. Secy.
 - 9:00 Missionary Sermon John L. Slaughter, South Carolina

Friday Morning

- Theme: "Teaching Whatsoever Commanded that the World May Believe" (Matt. 28:29).
- 9:00 Scripture and Prayer E. C. Brown, Arkansas
 - 9:15 Report of Committee on Boards
 - 9:35 Education Commission R. Orin Cornett, Tenn., Exec. Secy.
 - 9:55 Negro Ministerial Education H. Leo Eddleman, Kentucky, Chairman
 - 10:05 American Baptist Theological Seminary L. S. Sedberry, Tenn., Secy.
 - 10:20 Our Seminaries Harold K. Graves, California, Speaker
 - 11:20 Committee on Relations with Other Religious Bodies—
T. C. Gardner, Tex., Chairman
 - 11:40 Miscellaneous Business
 - 11:55 Sunday School Board T. L. Holcomb, Tennessee, Executive Secretary

Friday Night

- Theme: "Living for Jesus that the World May Believe"
- 7:00 Scripture and Prayer Henry A. Parker, Alabama
 - 7:15 Report of Committee on Committees
 - 7:25 Chaplain's Commission Alfred Carpenter, Georgia, Director
 - 7:50 Committee on Public Affairs J. M. Dawson, D. C., Exec. Secy.
 - 8:10 Social Service Commission A. C. Miller, Tennessee, Exec. Secy.
 - 8:50 Address on Temperance Ramsey Pollard, Tennessee

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BOOK REVIEWS

"TOMORROW IS YOURS," by Orva Lee Ice. Published by the Abingdon-Cokesbury Press, Nashville, Tennessee. Price, \$2.00.

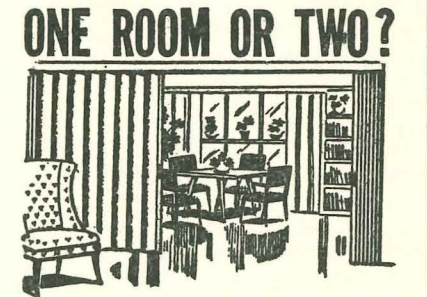
For the lay worker or minister who makes a number of talks to young people this book should be of help. A collection of twenty talks to young people by the pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of Minneapolis, Minn., this book contains many seed thoughts which can be borrowed and developed. A few chapter titles are, "Start at the End," "Fear, the Unholy Ghost," "Sentenced to Live," "Talking to Yourself," and "Accept Your World." Your Baptist Book Store should be able to fill your order.—J. T. Burdine, Jr.

BY STRANGE PATHS by Sallie Lee Bell. Published by Zondervan Publishing House. Price \$2.50. Pages 212.

At a time when literary filth is pouring from the press, a story such as this is refreshing. It is a historical novel with its setting in the early days of Louisiana when times and customs were crude. Elsie Demarest, a Christian who was brought by force from France, is the heroine. Two rivals bid for her heart and hand. The fight rages throughout the book. She refuses to give her love to one who does not know Christ as Lord. Here is a life of conquest for God. There is romance, suspense and in the end victory in Christ, "By Strange Paths."—A. M. Vollmer.

"LORD OF ALL," by John Trevor Davies. Published by the Abingdon-Cokesbury Press, Nashville, Tennessee. Price, \$2.50.

Twelve sermons by the pastor of Richmond Hill Congregational Church, Bournemouth, England, Dr. John Trevor Davies composed this book. Out of a background of teaching and preaching among English Congregationalists, the author brings together these messages. Psychology and philosophy are the forte of Dr. Davies, in addition to theology. Such messages as his "True Totalitarianism," "Facing Up to Failure," and "Christus Victor" should be of value to preachers.—J. T. Burdine, Jr.



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The Survey Bulletin

BAPTISTS HIGHLIGHTS

First Church, Cameron, Texas, celebrated its 100th anniversary January 18-25. Dr. L. R. Scarborough was ordained by the church and began his ministry there in 1895. Drs. W. R. White and M. T. Rankin and four former pastors participated in the special anniversary services.

Elmer S. West, Jr., Pastor of the Glen Allen Baptist Church, Richmond, has been elected secretary of missionary personnel for the Foreign Mission Board, succeeding Samuel E. Maddox.

Harry Hollis, Jackson, Tennessee, has been elected director of church activities of the First Church, New Orleans, of which Dr. J. D. Grey is pastor.

Ernest Loessner, educational director of the First Church, Amarillo, has accepted a position on the faculty of the new school of Religious Education at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

The Home Mission Board received from the Advance Fund through the Co-operative Program \$346,011.94 in 1952. Of this amount, the Home Mission Board has allocated \$175,000 to their Building and Loan Fund and \$125,000 for mission work.

Dr. George A. Bowdler, Jr., missionary to Guatemala, will head the Department of Missions at the New Orleans Seminary for the spring semester, filling the place vacated by the sudden death of Dr. Arthur S. Gillespie on December 28.

IN THE WORLD OF RELIGION

The first modern Korean translation of the Bible has come from the press. The edition, containing 100,000 volumes, is the first translation of the Old and New Testaments that can be read by all literate Koreans.

One of the two Bibles used by President Eisenhower in his inauguration was the one used in the inauguration of George Washington in 1789.

Dr. Louis H. Evans, pastor of the world's largest Presbyterian church at Hollywood, California, has been elected Minister-at-large for the Presbyterian church, with headquarters in New York. He will have no administrative responsibilities and will give his full time to study and preaching throughout the nation.

More than one-half of the Senators in the 83rd Congress are reported members of four denominations: 19 Methodists, 13 Baptists, 12 Presbyterians, and 12 Episcopalians. Nine are Roman Catholic and 29 others represent 10 other denominations. One reported no affiliation.

A float depicting "Freedom of Worship" was given the place of honor in

the Inaugural Parade in Washington last week. Costing \$3,000, it was sponsored by anonymous donors.

Methodists have launched a campaign to raise fifty million dollars in the next four years to build "a minimum of 1,500 new churches."

FACTS OF INTEREST

The five top newsstand sellers during the first half of 1952 were, in order: Ladies Home Journal, The Saturday Evening Post, True Confessions, Better Homes and Gardens, and Life.

The Post Office spends \$2,822,000,000 a year, employs 500,000 persons, and operates more than 50,000 branches.

According to unofficial reports, liquor consumption was approximately 175,000,000 gallons in 1952, about 9.7 per cent less than 1951. Per Capita consumption for 1952 is expected to be 1.13 gallons, lowest figure since 1943. The loss was explained as due to increased taxes.

President Eisenhower's inauguration snowballed itself into the most costly and gala show in some 150 years of the Capitol City. A few of the high lights: A parade in which 25,000 people marched or rode; 50 state and organization floats costing \$100,000; 65 musical units, 350 horses, an Alaskan dog team, and 3 elephants; two Inaugural balls with 14,000 participants paying \$12 a ticket; 2 Inaugural festivals; a Governor's reception of 5,000; and more than 100 important auxiliary events attracting between 750,000 and 1,000,000 outside visitors.

In contrast, the simplest Inauguration was Jefferson's in 1801. He walked to the Capitol to take his oath of office from Mrs. Conrad's boarding house with a parade of riflemen, artillery, and citizens, and returned to his boarding house for dinner with Mrs. Conrad's 20 boarders.

The Rural Church Program

G. R. Pendergraph

Hats off to our rural churches!

According to recent figures 51.4 per cent of our Southern Baptist churches are in the open country. The fact that they are in the rural areas means that the membership is scattered, the distance is greater, in some areas poor roads, and conditions affected by the weather. But, in spite of all this, we note some encouraging facts.

With the exception of the year 1950, the membership of the rural churches of the South has hit an all-time high. The membership is now 2,134,182.

Within the last six years the number of quarter-time churches has diminished from 7,327 to 3,180, and the number of

full-time churches has increased from 10,110 to 16,362. An all-time high in baptisms was reached in 1950—109,965 were baptized into the fellowship of our rural churches during that year. In recent years, these churches baptized more people on a percentage basis than did our village, town and city churches—an average of 21 baptisms per church as compared to the Convention average of 13 per church.

Within the last few years, on a percentage basis, the Sunday school, the Baptist Training Union, the W. M. U. and the Brotherhood membership in our rural churches has exceeded that of any other group.

The total gifts in rural churches approached the city churches in percentage of gain, and exceeded the town churches. As for mission gifts, the rural churches gained .7 per cent more than the city churches and 4 per cent more than the town churches.

So, the records prove that many of our rural churches are catching a vision and are seeking to meet their responsibility in bringing in the kingdom of God.

As these percentage comparisons are made between our rural churches and the other groups, we do not mean to speak disparagingly of the city, town and village churches. These have been doing a better job through the years. Our purpose is to show the increased interest in our rural churches.

However, let us not be deceived into believing that all of our rural churches are making this phenomenal growth, or that any of them are doing the maximum. Many of our rural churches did not report one baptism last year; neither did they give anything to our worldwide mission program.

The A. T. Siler Day was observed by Williamsburg citizens on Sunday, February 15. He has been a practicing attorney for the last fifty years. Also he has been a banker, coal mine operator and wholesale grocer. He was for two terms moderator of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky during 1944 and 1945, and his son, Judge Eugene E. Siler is its present moderator.

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Bardstown Baptist Church Has Installation of new Deacons



The New Bardstown Deacons

BARDSTOWN, Ky. — Brethren Milard Brown, J. T. Hicks, Jack Callender and J. Smith Barlow were installed as Deacons in the Bardstown Baptist Church Sunday evening, January 4, 1953. Mr. Brown is a farmer at Cox's Creek; Mr. Hicks is with Settles Home Supply; Mr. Callender is a teacher at Bardstown High School; and Mr. Barlow is an attorney. All have served the church before as deacons with the ex-

ception of Mr. Callender who has been in Bardstown only about two years.

Under the rotating system of deacons the church elects four new men each year to replace four who are retiring. Each deacon serves four years and then must be inactive for at least one year before eligible for re-election. The entire church membership is well pleased with this system of rotation which the church adopted five years ago.

Miss Belle Ketterer Wants to Know About Parr's Rest Beginnings

By Miss Belle Ketterer,
Route 1, Box 4, Valley Station, Ky.

I have read with much interest your article on "Baptists' Parr's Rest." My people (although they have passed on now), were at one time members of Dr. T. T. Eaton's church, and I remember hearing them tell that Doctor Eaton was coming down the church steps with Mr. Daniel G. Parr. Two old ladies were also leaving the church. Mr. Parr expressed pity for them, and said he wished there was something he could do for them. Doctor Eaton told Mr. Parr there was—and went on to outline his dream for a home for old women.

Later, when Mr. Parr died, he, in his will, made provision for the home as outlined by Doctor Eaton, and that was when I heard the above story.

I have friends in Parr's Rest, and each time I go there, I wonder if this "beginning"—which I received as a fact from my family, was so. Do you know?

I do not know when the *Western Recorder* was established, but it seems to me we have had it—and the *Sunday School Times*—come to our house for more than fifty years. My aunt, Miss

Annie Barden (who has been dead forty years) first took them.

Also, in the article, "Glorious Achievements," by S. E. Tull, he says in "July 1903 we had no . . . B. T. U." We didn't by that name. I grew up in old Twenty-second and Walnut Street Church, Louisville. I am 62 now. As a little child I was in the Sunbeams, and from there we passed to the Junior B. Y. P. U., and then to the Senior B. Y. P. U.—and I held offices, and was on the programs of all these. We also had study courses at Twenty-second and Walnut—for I took them and was in the graduating classes as a little child. Until recently I still had all those old study books. I still have, "How to Bring Men to Christ," by R. A. Torrey, which Brother M. E. Dodd taught at Twenty-second and Walnut around the year 1910. And I know I had been taking these courses for at least 10 years before 1910. My Aunt, Miss Annie Barden, was very active in all these—and I went with her to all the classes, even before I was old enough to take them.—(Miss) Belle Ketterer, Route 1, Box 4, Valley Station, Ky.

EDITORIAL NOTE: We do not know the answer to Miss Ketterer's question about Mr. Daniel G. Parr's idea of starting the Parr's Rest, as outlined in his will, being brought on by the suggestion of his pastor, Dr. T. T. Eaton. Perhaps some of our readers may know something about this. Quite a few men and

women are still living who knew both Mr. Parr and Doctor Eaton.

We noticed the remark in Dr. S. E. Tull's article, but we interpreted his words to mean that there was no Training Union (or B. Y. P. U.) in the church where he was growing up at that time. We don't think he meant to say there was no such organization in existence in July 1903.

As to the establishment of the *Western Recorder*, one can always look on page one and get the volume number. This year it is Volume 127. Subtracting that from the current year of 1953, we get the date 1826. Of course it was called *The Baptist Banner* for many years, and was changed to the *Western Recorder* in 1851.

Smithersville Mission Becomes the Bethel Baptist Church

ELIZABETHTOWN, Ky. — The Smithersville Baptist Mission of the Severn's Valley Association was organized into the Bethel Baptist Church on Sunday, January 18, 1953.

Following a song service led by Brother C. J. McBroom, song leader of the South Jefferson Baptist Church, Brother Dickie Wolfe led in prayer.

Rev. D. E. Jones, pastor of the South Jefferson Baptist Church was elected moderator of the council. Brother Faurest M. Day was elected as clerk.

Following the reading of the scripture by the moderator, the messengers were seated. Present were nine pastors and seventy-five messengers from thirteen churches.

Rev. John Perry, pastor of Friendship Number 2 Baptist Church of Lynn Association, delivered the organization sermon.

Rev. James Royalty, pastor of Red Hill Baptist Church, Severn's Valley Association, led the closing prayer.

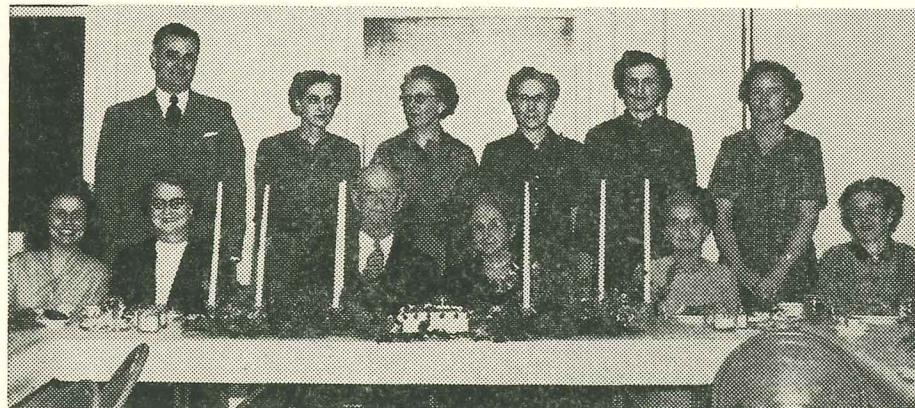
There were a total of twenty-two charter members. Seventeen came by letter from other Baptist churches, one by statement, and four on profession of faith.

Following the organization, the church called Raymond E. Babb to be its pastor. He is a student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Bethel Baptist Church is an outgrowth of an evangelistic meeting held by Rev. H. D. Standifer, missionary for the Severn's Valley Association, during the summer of 1952.—Raymond E. Babb, 232 South Bayly Avenue, Louisville, Ky.

A gushing woman at a reception asked her neighbor what he did, and was informed that he was an author. "How interesting! she said. "We've something in common—you've written a book and I've read one."—*Gloucester Citizen*.

Georgetown Sunday School Teacher Honored



Front Row, Seated (left to right)—1. Mrs. Charles Holler, 2. Mrs. David Correll, 3. Mr. Blythe, 4. Mrs. Blythe, 5. Mrs. Flossie Rambo, and 6. Miss Edna Turner. Back Row, Standing—1. Dr. E. Lowell Adams, 2. Mrs. Mason Armstrong, 3. Mrs. Joe Price, 5. Mrs. Allen Tingle, 5. Mrs. Sam Koon, and 6. Mrs. Bob Rumm.

Mrs. Charles Blythe, a teacher in the Sunday school of Georgetown Baptist Church for twenty-two years, was honored by her class recently. A surprise birthday dinner was held at the church, with fifty-eight persons present—Mrs. Blythe, seven guests and fifty members of the Fidelis Class.

After a delicious turkey dinner, Mrs. Joe Price, president of the class, expressed to Mrs. Blythe the appreciation of the class for her untiring efforts to hold high the banner of Christ in her own life and always in her teaching. She spoke of the love and understanding shown by this beloved teacher to everyone but especially to the members of her class and their families. Mrs. David Correll, then presented the gifts

given as a token of the love of the class members for their teacher and Christian friend.

Following the presentation of the coffee maker and earrings, Mrs. George W. Redding presented a program which everyone enjoyed and appreciated. She read a poem, composed for this special occasion, in which the life of Mrs. Blythe was told. At the close of each verse, appropriate songs were played and sung by Dr. and Mrs. E. Lowell Adams, the pastor and his wife.

Mrs. Blythe responded several times with words of love and appreciation for the honor shown her and closed her remarks in customary manner, "I'll be looking for you all at Sunday school on Sunday morning."

Harold Warren Assumes New Duties as Administrator of Central Baptist Hospital

Harold Warren, recently appointed administrator of Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington, assumed his duties January 15, 1953. This 173-bed general hospital, which is to be opened early in 1954, will be operated by the Hospital Commission of Kentucky Baptists. Mr. H. L. Dobbs, administrator of the Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville, is the executive director. The Commission is also constructing the 117-bed Western Baptist Hospital at Paducah, which is to be opened this year.

Warren is a graduate of Baylor University, Waco, Texas, class of 1944. He also attended Centenary College, Shreveport, La., John Brown University, Siloam Springs, Ark., and Southwestern Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. He has been associated with the North Louisiana Sanitarium, Shreveport, the Hillcrest Memorial Hospital, Waco, and

the Stephenville Hospital and Clinic, Stephenville, Texas. Before moving to Lexington he served as administrator of the Hopkins County Memorial Hospital, Sulphur Springs, Texas. He has served as Regional Director and Hospital Relations Representative with the Texas Blue Cross Plan.

Mr. Warren is thirty-seven years of age, married, and has four children: James Isaiah, Jere Dell, Judith Anne, and John Harold, ages six to fourteen. The Warrens are active members of the Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington. They occupy the residence on the hospital property at 1720 South Limestone Street.

(See his photograph on the cover page of this issue of the Western Recorder.)

The Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, has brought out its Annual Report, 1952, which is a survey of departments, statistics and a program outlined for the year of 1953. It is a 40-page mimeographed publication containing much useful information concerning the work of Calvary.

ATTENDANCE

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Church	T.U.	S.S.
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial	142	378
First		1,045
Hall Street		424
Seven Hills	117	314
Third	312	930
Paducah, First		581
Immanuel		594
Twelfth Street		403
Paintsville, First		302
Paris, Central	56	203
Pikeville, First		219
Pleasure Ridge Park, Beechland	199	500
Princeton, First		524
Russellville, First		310
Shively		551
Somerset, First	156	686
Pleasant Hill No. 2		213
Springfield		372
Jeffersonton	102	223
Stanford	96	270
Sturgis, First		265
Taylorsville, First		212
Versailles	68	339
Walton, First		42
Whitesburg, First	61	400
Williamsburg, Main Street	68	200
First		379
Williamson, W. Va., East Williamson		341
Winchester, Central	84	494
First	158	417

Front Line Soldier Witnesses For Christ

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Where there are Baptists there are missionaries. They do not need to be employed by any mission board. They need only to have compassion in their hearts. A letter received here recently proves the truth of these statements. A private in Uncle Sam's army serving in Korea writes one of the prize mission stories of the year. He is James C. Burchyett and here is what he said:

"I am a Southern Baptist soldiering for Christ as well as in the army in Korea. I have been able to receive Korean New Testaments from my chaplain but he does not have any tracts written in the Korean language. If you have any I would be very glad to distribute them among these people as it is a very good way to witness for our blessed Saviour since my Korean speech is very limited.

"I know we have Southern Baptist missionaries over here but I am unable to see any since I am only six miles from the front lines, and I have a great opportunity in witnessing to all these Korean soldiers and people."

Miss Alyce Mabel Scott, who has been bookkeeper since 1941 of Georgetown College, has been named acting treasurer and business manager, according to President Samuel S. Hill, Sr. This is the work heretofore performed by the late Mr. Robert Ryland Atkins who died several weeks ago.

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Bellevue's Wayne D. Byland is Honored With Building Plaque

BELLEVUE, Ky. — A bronze plaque inscribed "Wayne D. Byland Annex . . . Dedicated to God, but Named for Him Who Has Worked so Long and Faithfully in God's Service," will be placed in the lobby of the new educational building of Bellevue Baptist Church.

The plaque honors Pastor Byland, who has been pastor of the Bellevue Church for the past twenty-four years.

Earl Huck, chairman of the church's building committee, presented the plaque to B. A. Boyers, trustee chairman, during dedication ceremonies Sunday for the new \$80,000 Sunday school plant.

Huck also turned over keys to the plant to Boyers during a ceremony attended by Chase W. Jennings, Baptist District leader, Dr. Samuel S. Hill, president of Georgetown College, and J. J. Wooten, Atlanta, Ga.

Gift of Fifty Pairs of Socks for Good Will Center at Newport

Mrs. Clarence Dunagan, who has been the efficient and much-loved superintendent of the Primary Department of the First Baptist Church of Ludlow, Ky., for many years, arranged for her department to give a unique Christmas gift for needy children.

As each youngster brought a pair of children's socks they were pinned on the Christmas tree which was in the center of the room. At the close of the session, Mrs. Dunagan happily announced that they had reached their goal of fifty pairs of socks. These were then sent to the children of the Baptist Good Will Center, of Newport, Ky.

Whitewater W. M. U. Has Meeting at the Westwood Church, Dayton

DAYTON, Ohio. — The quarterly associational meeting of the W. M. U. of the Whitewater Association held their meeting at the Westwood Baptist Church here on January 22. The session was called to order at 10:30 a. m. by the president, Mrs. Ernest Petroff.

The opening prayer was delivered by Pastor John W. Kurtz. The devotion was given by Mrs. Ray Roberts, Dayton, wife of the pioneer missionary.

A warm welcome was extended by the members of the Westwood W. M. U. Missionary Ray Roberts gave a brief talk. After many friendly talks, the meeting was adjourned for dinner,

which was served by the local W. M. S. Social Committee. There were 200 visiting members present.

The afternoon meeting was opened at 1:00 p. m. This included a business session, after which the oldest member of the Westwood W. M. S. was introduced in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the W. M. U. of the Southern Baptist Convention. She was Sister Elizabeth Dowell, 80 years old, known to everyone at Westwood as Mother Dowell.

The afternoon speaker was Mrs. Smith, of Georgetown, Ky. The closing prayer was offered by Mrs. Kurtz. Everyone expressed their pleasure for the wonderful Christian fellowship which prevailed throughout the meeting.—Mrs. William A. Fox, W. M. U. president.

Victor Mullins Ordained A Deacon in the First Baptist Church, Ludlow

LUDLOW, Ky. — The First Baptist Church of Ludlow ordained Brother Victor Mullins as a deacon on Sunday afternoon, January 18.

At the organization of the council, Pastor Joe Waltz was elected moderator; Deacon Ed. Padgett, interrogator, and Deacon Hayden Lowe, clerk.

The council proceeded with a thorough doctrinal examination of the candidate. They found him "ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh" him, "a reason of the hope" that is in him, "with meekness and fear" (1 Peter 3:15).

Pastor Thomas Hicks Shelton, a former pastor at Ludlow church, brought the message on "What is the Church?", following which the council proceeded with the laying on of hands. After a closing charge by Pastor Waltz, the meeting was adjourned.

Two Women and One Man Have Long Standing Records at Latonia Church

Pastor Thomas Hicks Shelton has two members in his Latonia Baptist Church, Covington, who are building up some long-term records for themselves. The *Latonia Messenger* recently carried the pictures of both of them. Mrs. Fleta Hugh has been attending twelve years (including Sunday morning and evening worship services and the Wednesday night prayer meetings) with only two absences chalked up against her. Miss Pearl Conrad has been going eighteen consecutive years without missing Sunday school.

Deacon H. G. Kiser has been the treasurer of the Latonia Baptist Church for the last twenty years, during which

time he has handled nearly a million dollars—that is, over twenty years and not all at one time.

Four New Deacons Ordained by the Visalia Church

COVINGTON, Ky., Feb. 4. — The Visalia Baptist Church ordained four men as deacons Sunday afternoon, January 25. The church had just ordained three men since 1930 previous to this service.

The song service was conducted by Associate Pastor Fred L. Martin. Pastor Bob W. Brown was elected moderator by the council and W. T. Perry, deacon from the Latonia Church and clerk of the North Bend Association for the past 32 years, was chosen as clerk. The council was composed of 42 brethren from the neighboring churches of Kenton, Oak Ridge, Hickory Grove, Independence, Banklick, Walton, Florence, Burlington, Erlanger, Crescent Springs, Latonia, DeCoursey, and Southside. Pastor W. C. Burkett, of the Walton Church, was interrogator; Pastor Morton Oliver of the Erlanger Church led the ordination prayer, and Pastor Samuel S. Hill, Jr., Burlington, brought the sermon. Pastor Oliver and Miss Loraine Linche sang special songs.

Willard Anderson, Curt Gross, Gobel Smith, and Robert Halderman were the men ordained. All four are young men who are respected in the church and community as real servants for Christ. At the time of their ordination they all were holding important offices in the church. All are fathers of young children and their wives are active in the church. These men will give added strength to this progressive church.

Rans Hill Leads Liberty Church of Cincinnati In Revival Meeting

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Feb. 15. — The Liberty Baptist Church of Cincinnati, a Southern Baptist Church in Ohio territory, recently experienced a gracious revival led by Pastor Bob W. Brown, of the Visalia Baptist Church, Covington, it was reported by Pastor Rans Hill.

Fred L. Martin, associate pastor at Visalia, directed the music. The church experienced a real spiritual revival with several additions.

Pastor Hill has led the young church in a great program of evangelism and enlargement. They will begin work on a new auditorium which will seat 1,000 in the spring.

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Springfield Brotherhood Elects 1953 Officers



The Brotherhood at the First Baptist Church, Springfield, Kentucky, meets to plan for a greater year of service for their church during 1953. The officers elected to guide the men for the coming year are: Johnnie Simpson, president; D. C. Hubbard, Jr., activities vice president; M. T. Walker, program vice president; and Tom Purdom, secretary-treasurer. Several projects designed to reach lost people are being considered as a result of the meeting held January 15. Pastor Prue H. Kelly has much to be proud of in these laymen who are dedicated to extending the influences of their pastor and church.

Auburn's Pastor John D. Laida is Going to Fulton's First Church

AUBURN, Ky. — Brother John D. Laida, pastor of the Auburn Baptist Church, here in Bethel Association, has accepted a call to the First Baptist Church of Fulton, Kentucky, in West Kentucky Association, and will move to the new field the first of March. The



John D. Laida

church at Fulton has a new educational building with facilities to accommodate 800. The auditorium has been completely redecorated recently and the church is purchasing a new \$25,000 home for the pastor.

During Brother Laida's pastorate at Auburn, outstanding progress was made in every phase of the church work. In 1952 there were sixty additions to the church, forty-three coming by baptism. The Sunday school reached Standard; gifts to missions were increased substantially and many improvements were made in the church building. The Sunday school averaged 240 and the Training Union 82. This progressive church presents a bright future in a growing community.

Greenville's First Baptist Preparing for Greatest Revival in its History

GREENVILLE, Ky. — Evangelist Eddie Martin will come to the First Baptist Church February 22, for a two weeks' revival. He will come to assist his brother, Pastor Robert F. Martin, who recently accepted the pastorate of this church.

Evangelist Martin has conducted large scale city-wide campaigns this past summer in Glasgow, Ky., Charleston, W. Va., Birmingham, Ala., and Texarkana, Ark. In these campaigns, held in a mammoth tent, he spoke to crowds of 7,000 or

more people. His first campaign in 1953 was with Dr. J. D. Grey, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, in his First Baptist Church of New Orleans. The First Baptist Church of Green-



Evangelist Eddie Martin

ville extends an invitation to the people of Western Kentucky to attend these meetings and share in the blessings of this coming revival. Services begin nightly at 7 o'clock.

Breland Terminates Work At Williamstown, Ky.

Dr. Clyde L. Breland who for several months has been supplying for the Baptist Church at Williamstown has terminated his work there and will be available for other supply work if the distance is not too great from Louisville. He can be reached at his home address, 1481 Cypress Street, Louisville 10, Kentucky.

Doctor Breland was for a good many years a very successful pastor of some of the best churches in Kentucky and later was chaplain in the military service. He has within recent years been connected with the *Courier-Journal* staff and has in addition done considerable supply work for churches desiring his services. He is at heart a preacher and of course longs for the work into which God called him.

Asked the meaning of the word "budget," the little boy replied solemnly, "It's a family quarrel."—*Australasian Manufacturer*.

Dan Stone Becomes the Assistant to the Pastor At First, Hopkinsville

Dan Stone, recent graduate of Georgetown College, has become assistant to Pastor W. Peyton Thurman at the First Baptist Church, Hopkinsville, Kentucky. He took his academic work in the Hopkinsville High School, where he graduated. He then spent some time in the U. S. Navy, and on his return to Kentucky entered Western State College at Bowling Green. He completed his college work at Georgetown.

About eight months ago he was married to Miss Barbara Messer. Crab Orchard, Ky. They are residing at 305 East Sixteenth Street, Hopkinsville.

Chester Igleheart Coming To Sunday School Dept., Kentucky Baptist Building

By H. B. Kuhnle, Pastor, in Third Baptist Courier

OWENSBORO, Ky., Feb. 8. — Oftentimes in life we are called upon to do things we do not like to do, and writing this article about Chester Igleheart is something we not only had not anticipated but are loathed to do. Brother Igleheart, a very capable Sunday School Superintendent, is leaving us in order to accept a position with the Sunday School Department of our State Board. He will be in charge of promoting Associational and Adult work in the State of Kentucky. He leaves immediately for his new work.

We rejoice in this wider field of activity which has opened up to him and believe God has given him qualifications for this highly important work as has been demonstrated in our own church, but we regret to see him leave us for we shall miss him for all he has meant to us through the years, and, to say we shall always consider him a loan to our State work.

We shall miss his fine family, also, and thank them for what they have meant to us in days gone by.

We wonder if our church is aware of the fact that during the past few years we have made substantial contribution to our State work in the way of personnel. For example, a few years ago Miss Mary Ella Davis was asked to take a position with our State Sunday School Department. She is there today in charge of elementary work. Then Miss Pauline Utterback, the pastor's secretary, accepted a position to become Dr. W. C. Boone's secretary. Then Eldred M. Taylor accepted an offer to become assistant to Dr. Boone. Mrs. Harden Brown was selected as a housemother for Spring Meadows Chil-

dren's Home, Middletown, Ky. Miss Clarice Reba Taylor accepted the position as manager of our Baptist Book Store here in Owensboro (She now manages the St. Louis Baptist Book Store), and this Sunday Chester Igleheart goes to be with our State Sunday School Department, and, in addition to all these, Mrs. Margaret Townsley is also leaving us to be housemother for twenty 8-and-9-year-old children at our Kentucky Baptist Children's Home.

Much as we regret losing these capable people, we rejoice in the fact our church is able to supply the demand for workers of a calibre needed in State-wide work. God bless all of these and more, is our prayer.

Smithland Church to Have New Baptistry

SMITHLAND, Ky. — Pastor G. O. Cavanah and the people of the First Baptist Church, Smithland, Kentucky, are eagerly looking forward to the completion of a new baptistry now under construction. This new baptistry will make the interior of their church more attractive and give added beauty to their baptismal services.

Missionaries and Nationals Boost Lottie Moon Offering

RICHMOND, Va. — Personal gifts from Southern Baptist missionaries in the Philippines, Chile, Japan, and Italy and an offering from churches in Singapore totaling more than \$300 have been received by the Foreign Mission Board.

A missionary couple stationed in the Philippines sent \$100 for foreign missions to be used where needed. The letter from them explained, "Since the Lord has been very good to us this year, we want to pass a part on to others in the form of a gift at Christmas to the work of our Foreign Mission Board."

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering received a \$28 boost from a missionary couple in Chile. A second \$100 check came from a missionary couple in Tokyo.

A lady missionary in Rome asked the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tenn., to send her honorarium of \$21 for writing a series of devotions for *Open Windows*, publication of the Sunday School Board, directly to the Foreign Mission Board for the Lottie Moon Offering.

Baptist churches in Singapore sent an offering for the Baptist World Alliance to be used in building the Home for Disabled Displaced Persons in Ger-

many. One Singapore church raised money for Korean relief.

These gifts from Singapore total over \$68.

"It always thrills us," says Everett L. Deane, Board treasurer, "to receive contributions from the nationals of one country designating funds for another country, not so much because of the money, but because of the spirit which prompts it."

Miss Louisa Allan, 104, Last Charter Member of Broadway, Louisville, Dies

Miss Louisa Allan, who spent her life as a school teacher in private schools of Louisville, died January 30 in this city. She was 104 years of age at the time of her passing.

For many, many years there were four surviving charter members of the Broadway Baptist Church. These were Miss Louisa Allen, Mr. Woodruff, Mrs. W. W. Allen and Miss Sallie Rutherford. Mrs. W. W. Allen and Mr. Woodruff died within the last decade, and Miss Sallie Rutherford died about two years ago. The last named had long been a school teacher in this city, so the Board of Education named one of its new large schools the Sallie G. Rutherford School in her honor. But Miss Louisa Allan outlived them all.

Native of Cincinnati, Ohio, she moved to Louisville while a baby, with her parents. Her father, the late John Allan, was a native of Scotland. The family resided for years at 303 West Broadway, now occupied by the Fincastle Building. They later moved to 913 South Fourth Street.

She left her \$57,076 estate to the Louisville Children's Hospital as a memorial to her mother, the late Mrs. Elizabeth S. Allan.

The Hawaiian Baptist Convention reports 331 baptisms during 1952—one baptism for every nine church members.

Dr. Porter Routh reports that the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering was \$789,824 through January, which was approximately \$129,000 more than for the same period in 1952.

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By H. C. Chiles

Jesus Condemns False Leadership

Matthew 23:1-12, 37-39

For the purpose of ensnaring Him in some manner the enemies of Christ repeatedly asked Him questions. The Herodians interrogated Him with reference to the paying of tribute to Caesar. The Sadducees raised a question about the resurrection in which they did not believe. The Pharisees questioned Him as to which of the commandments He considered to be the most important. In each and every case Christ averted the intended trap, answered His enemies with perfect wisdom, and silenced the questioners.

I. The Warning Against Pretense. Matthew 23:1-5.

These verses illustrate the fact that hypocrisy always drew the scathing denunciation of Christ. What is hypocrisy? It is pretending to be something which one is not. It is a profession which lacks a possession. Therefore, it is always extremely obnoxious to Christ.

These enemies of our Lord had all of the evidence that was necessary as to what the claims of Christ were, but they refused to admit it. They were simply hypocritical religionists, who uttered long prayers and made a pretense at holiness to which in reality they were total strangers.

Christ's reference to them as sitting in Moses' seat meant that they were recognized as the teachers of the law given through Moses. One of their tragic mistakes was in making their traditions of equal or greater importance than God's Word. Even though they were the recognized teachers of the law, they were to be obeyed only in their actual teaching of God's Word.

These pretenders made showy leather cases for containers of portions of God's written Word and wore them on their wrists and foreheads. Their chief interest in their outward religious performances was simply for the sake of receiving human praise. Their going to the synagogues and taking the chief places in order that they might be seen and heard by others displeased the Lord Jesus. Everything which they did with an eye to the praise of men was harshly rebuked by Christ.

It is noteworthy that these hypocritical teachers spent much time in telling others what God expected them to do, but they had no interest whatever in personal obedience to Him. They merely sought to honor Him with their lips, and not with their lives. Christ urged

His followers to avoid the example of these instructors, but, at the same time, to obey the teachings of Moses which they proclaimed.

II. The Warning Against Pride. Matthew 23:6-12.

These religious leaders were exceedingly anxious to be recognized as a superior group. In complete subjection to their proud and self-seeking hearts, they went to great lengths to obtain the recognition and the praises of men. What a pity that they dared to engage in their religious rites and ceremonies, not for the spiritual benefit that they might derive from them, but for the applause of men!

Our Lord not only exposed their pride, but He also admonished all of those who believed on Him as their Saviour to act differently from them. Pride and the desire to be praised by men inevitably lead to a fall. On the other hand, those who humbly and faithfully serve the Lord will be exalted in God's way and at His own time. Christ made it perfectly clear to His followers that their greatness would be found in their humility before their Lord and through their faithful service to Him and to their fellowmen. Obedient children of God do not have a desire to exalt themselves, because they are concerned primarily about exalting the Lord Jesus Christ.

His disciples were warned not to call themselves or others "master," as though any could be regarded as being better than another. Christians are forbidden to recognize any man as "father" in the sense that he has spiritual authority over them. Christ is their Master, and no man is permitted to usurp His place.

III. The Warning of Punishment. Matthew 23:37-39.

After pronouncing a series of woes upon the scribes and Pharisees, in accents of great compassion and genuine pity, our blessed Lord announced His yearning for the people in the city of Jerusalem, whom He loved so deeply. Not only had they stoned the prophets, slain many whom God had sent to them with His message, but now they were about to put to death the Son of God Himself.

Thinking of their many past offences and their numerous refusals of God's mercies, Christ pictured the people in Jerusalem as a brood of chickens which

refused to be gathered under the wings of the hen. As the hen wanted to shelter her chicks under her wings, even so, and to a far greater degree, did the Lord Jesus want to gather the people of Jerusalem under the protecting wings of the Saviour's love, but they were not willing to be gathered. In spite of everything that He sought to do for them, they refused to accept Him as their Saviour and to enthrone Him as the Master of their lives.

Because of their attitude toward Christ and their rejection of Him, our Lord warned them that their house would be left unto them desolate. Even though He warned them of their impending punishment, they little dreamed of such an event as the destruction of their beloved city within forty years, but such actually took place under Titus in 70 A.D. Because of their rejection of the Son of God, they became the victims of enslavement and sorrow in due time.

SBC Cooperative Program Shows 17.84 Per Cent Gain

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — At the close of the first month in 1953 the Southern Convention Cooperative Program receipts showed a 17.84 per cent increase over the first month of 1952, with a total \$859,269, or \$130,108 ahead of the \$729,161 received in January of last year. The information was released by Porter Routh, executive secretary-treasurer, Executive Committee, Southern Baptist Convention.

Designated offerings received for the month totaled \$903,253, a gain of \$114,238 or 14.48 per cent over \$789,015 received for the same period last year.

Included in the designated funds for January was \$789,824 marked for the Lottie Moon foreign mission offering. A total of \$661,073 was received during the same period for the same cause last year. Most of the Lottie Moon funds usually arrive in Nashville in February and early March.

Religion by Radio

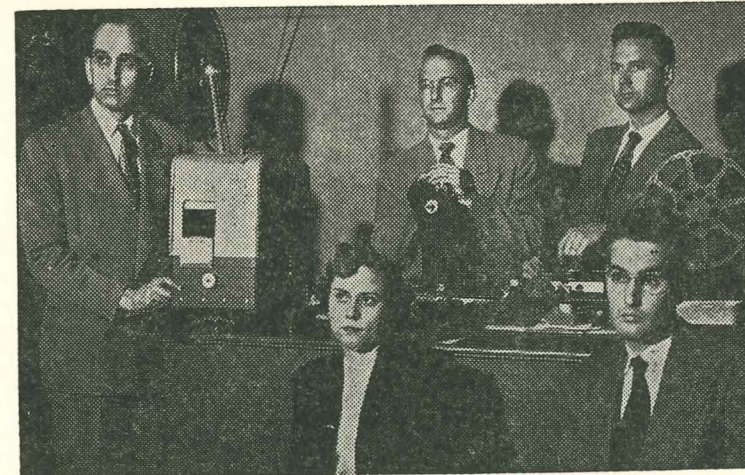
Twice as many Britons listen to religious radio broadcasts as go to church on Sunday, according to the head of the BBC.

He said that 40 per cent of the population seldom attended church and rarely ever read the Bible.

He also said that this vast number had only the vaguest conceptions of the "Central truths of the Christian Gospel."

The decay of faith in the British Isles is a matter of grave concern to Christian people in the old land. Times have changed since Green the historian could write that the British were "a people of one Book and that Book the Bible." The greatness of the nation lay in that fact, and its decline and fall are written in its departure from it.—*Evangelical Christian.*

Seminary Conducts Audio-Visual Aids Workshop



Sponsored jointly by the Baptist Sunday School Board and Southern Baptist Seminary, the second annual Audio-Visual Aids Workshop was held February 2-6 on the campus of Southern Seminary.

Aim of the workshop was "to help churches to learn the proper utilization of visual aids so as to obtain the best results," according to Dr. Findley B. Edge, professor of Religious Education at Southern Seminary.

The workshop, directed by Dr. Edge, included members of the Sunday School's department of visual aids in Nashville, Tennessee. These included Earl Waldrup, secretary, and Richard Kornmeyer and Miss Mildred Williams, associates.

Other faculty members on the program were Truett Myers, secretary, Book Store Department, Baptist Sunday School Board; Fon Scofield, director of visual education for the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond; and L. O. Griffith, director of visual education, Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

On Monday night two films, *Dedicated Men*, produced by Broadman Films, and *Gateway to Europe*, produced by the Foreign Mission Board, were previewed.

"Audio-Visual Aids and the Principles of Teaching" was the topic discussed in an address given Tuesday evening by Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, professor of church administration at Southern Seminary. Dr. Edge spoke Wednesday afternoon on the use of nonprojected aids which include blackboard, maps, models, and objects.

This year's workshop was held primarily for seminary students and interested persons in Louisville and near-

by areas, but it is expected that this annual event will grow to include interested persons from all over the Southeast.

Howard Gallimore Accepts Pastorate of Silver Creek, Near Berea

BEREA, Ky. — The Silver Creek Baptist Church of Berea, Kentucky, has called Brother Howard Gallimore as its pastor. He is a 19-year-old Junior enrolled in Berea College. For about three years he has been a member of the First Baptist Church of Berea.

Native of Casey County, he is the youngest of seven children of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gallimore, Creston, Ken-

tucky. He succeeds Pastor George Kirby, Sand Gap, Kentucky, who had been the undershepherd there for the last fourteen years and a few weeks ago retired from the active ministry.

Young Mr. Gallimore has spent the last two years working for the Home Mission Board in summer Vacation Bible School work. The first year he worked in Casey County, and last summer he worked in North-central Illinois.

Private Homes Available for SBC Houston Convention

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This does not apply if you are a missionary. In this case write directly to Mrs. Presley Hand, 1247 Overhill Drive, Houston 18, Texas.

Pastor Dewey H. Jones, recently of Lewisburg, Kentucky, has returned to his former pastorate at the Catlettsburg Missionary Baptist Church. He is residing at 3275 Oakland Avenue, Catlettsburg.

Tentative Program--Southern Baptist Convention

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Saturday Morning

- 9:30 Scripture and Prayer Edward B. Willingham, Washington, D. C.
- 9:45 Audio Visual Education Committee J. Norris Palmer, Louisiana, Chm.
- 10:00 Committee on Time, Place and Preacher
- 10:10 Committee on Resolutions
- 10:25 Miscellaneous Business
- 10:50 The Challenge of Baptist Rural Churches Garland A. Hendricks, N. C.
- 11:20 Transfer Church Membership Week C. E. Matthews, Texas

Saturday Night

- Theme: "We (youth) Are Coming that the World May Believe"
- 7:30 Scripture and Prayer Sterling L. Price, Texas
- 7:45 Baptist Youth Rally G. Kearnie Keegan, Tennessee, Director
- Address Howard Butt, Texas

Sunday Afternoon

- 2:30 Christian Home Hour Joe W. Burton, Tennessee, Director
- 3:30 Address Ralph A. Herring, North Carolina

Sunday Night

- Theme: "The Work of an Evangelist that the World May Believe" (II Tim. 4:5).
- 6:30 Training Union Hour J. E. Lambdin, Tennessee, Director
- 7:45 Evangelistic Service C. E. Matthews, Texas, Director
- Scripture and Prayer Felton Griffin, Alaska
- Evangelistic Message J. D. Grey, Louisiana
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Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary for the A. B. Twymans

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Twyman celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at their home, 1744-J South 13th St., Louisville, November 25. He was 83 years of age on his wedding anniversary and she was 82 on October 18. Mr. Twyman was clerk of the Old Big Springs Baptist Church near Hodgenville for 15 years and was engineer of the Kentucky Baptist Hospital. Mrs. Twyman's grandfather was a Baptist minister, and her uncle, the late Dr. J. Phillip Jenkins, was superintendent of the Long Run Association for eleven years. The Twymans were members of Walnut Street, Eighteenth Street, Mt. Herman, and are now mem-



bers of the Harmony Baptist Church. The Harmony WMS prepared a covered dish meal and gave them presents in recognition of their 60 years together, according to Pastor Chas. W. Holland, Jr.

An Open Letter

Dear Church Member:

I'm glad I can so address you. It is to my best interest that you thus be classified and counted. Some of my very best material is within the gates of the Temple, so to speak, and I can really accomplish my purpose to better advantage through those who are nominal Christians than I can through that coarse, crude, and cantankerous group living in open degradation and debauchery.

You can help me in no small measure, my friends, if you will remain in the church, but be indifferent as to the Christian program in and through the church. Attend rather irregularly; let the other fellow carry your part of the financial program; never attend any of the business meetings, but at the same time let the world know that the way "they" are running things is terrible; don't bother about the Church Covenant.

I want to sincerely thank you, my pal, for your invaluable assistance.

Sincerely yours,
SATAN

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God's Children Never Die

Chaplain W. W. Hamilton
New Orleans Baptist Hospital
New Orleans, Louisiana

The song which General Douglas MacArthur made famous, recalling as he did that it was sung by the soldier boys in the days of his training for military service, suggests something far greater

Irving bent over him, and said, "God loves you enough to die for you." Opening his eyes with a look of wonder he said, "Does He? Then I will love Him back." Jesus came to save sinners, and only a sinner can know him as Saviour, and none but a sinner can know the saving and transforming power of the Lord.

All have sinned, and all like sheep have gone astray, and any and all may come in repentance and faith, and receive the gift of God. Just as we are, and waiting not, to cleanse our souls of one dark blot, we come to him, who can and will save unto the uttermost. Patrick Henry in his will said, "There is one thing more I wish I could give you. It is the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ. With it—if you have nothing else—you will be happy. Without it, though you had all things else, you could not be happy." In him we have the promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.

God's children never die, never die;
God's children never die;
They live on and on.

Britain and Missions

"We sowed atheism and have reaped anarchy." Those were the words with which the *Times* of London summed up the report of a Commission appointed in the early part of the twentieth century to inquire into the attitude of the British Government toward missions in India.

The administration which was supposed to be neutral was often hostile as missionaries in other quarters of the Empire could testify. Not all the administrators were but the majority looked upon Christian missions as a necessary evil only to be tolerated since they could not be expelled.

It was the most shortsighted policy that could be imagined. The key to the solution of many of the most trying problems of the Empire lay with the missionary, had the government through its colonial Secretaries only had the wit to recognize the fact.

Had there been a sincere endeavor to see that only men sympathetic to the missionary approach were appointed as Governors and administrators, many of the problems that have plagued the world in the last half century would never have arisen, or, having arisen would have found a peaceful and satisfactory solution within the framework of the British Constitution.

Today we contemplate the disintegration of a once great Empire as we look at India, the Sudan South Africa, Palestine, Kenya and Lalaya. Some have gone, others are going. And over the "mother of the free" Ichabod may have to be written.—*Evangelical Christian*.

One is a teacher only so long as he inspires his pupils to have an inquiring mind.—*Teachers College Journal*.

Are People Spiritually Frustrated?

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The greatest desire of those who perceive the supreme value of spiritual power is for the Power of the Holy Spirit to be manifest in Christian work.

Yet, most Christian workers who are honest are conscious of a lack of this Power so needful of satisfactory fulfillment in the Christian life.

We realize that there is "a form of godliness but denying the power thereof." We have much activity, organization, and high-pressure effort which all too often seems to be of the physically, mentally, and emotionally exhausting variety rather than of the spiritually creative and inspiring variety.

We have plenty of meetings, church-joiners, and programs of every description, but one is vaguely conscious of questioning as to whether or not God's will is being accomplished. One cannot but wonder if the people called Christians are truly satisfied with their Christian experience and if they are finding spiritual fulfillment and true self-realization in life—the most needful of all experiences possible to human beings.

Many evidences on every hand point to the fact that Christian people are spiritually frustrated. People, including their leaders, are not paying the price for spiritual fulfillment and true self-realization and are cheating themselves.

Too many Christians try to live a Christian life in the shallow soil of worldliness. Leaders are afraid to take a firm and unflinching stand of conviction on matters of Christian principles and practice because they might be called puritanical or old-foggyish.

But the people with their leaders are conscious of the need for a deeper experience of genuineness, for an experience that will make them better than they are and different from those who make no claim to any religion; of the need for a deep sense of God's approval in their lives and the realization of the Power of the Holy Spirit in the life. There is also a realization that much of our activity and high-pressure effort is actually an attempt to compensate for this lack of spiritual power.

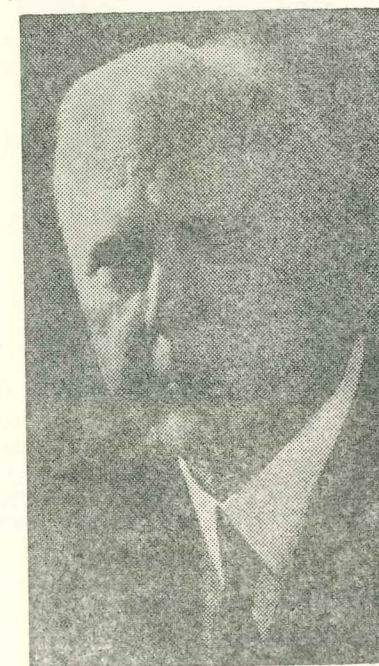
The people with their leaders need to realize that the only way we can have Holy-Spirit-Power is to accept with conviction that the people called Christians are and have ever been a separated people from the world, the flesh, and the devil.

Highest spiritual standards ought to be expected and insisted upon from those who would be spiritual leaders

because no people will rise higher than their leaders.

Once people and their leaders come to accept these vital principles as a matter of earnest practice, there will be progressively realized a deep spiritual satisfaction and a returning sense of

Broadman Press Announces New Edition, Biography Of George W. Truett



The Late George W. Truett

The Broadman Press of Nashville has announced publication on February 15 of a new edition of *George W. Truett: A Biography*, by Powhatan W. James.

This biography is as human as it is authoritative. Mr. James was Truett's son-in-law, and knew him intimately. Also he could appraise Truett's personality, his methods, and his ministry as a whole from the viewpoint of another minister. He knew the forces behind the power of Dr. Truett's personality and preaching and he adds the flavor of interest as he tells the gripping story of Truett's life.

For those who knew George W. Truett, the biography has great value because it puts into words the things they sensed but perhaps could not articulate. For those who did not know him, it is a perfect avenue of approach to the life and spirit of the man whose profound love and knowledge of God and humanity touched the lives of millions.—David A. Cheavens.

spiritual power and a greater fear of God than of man. Courage will begin to rise on the part of Christian leaders and we will have prophets instead of merely lecturers in our pulpits. A sense of true victory over the world, the flesh, and the devil will come into our lives and destroy fears and frustration.

A spiritually frustrated people are overcome by the world and are the victims of their frustration which results in spiritual stagnation. A people who are finding true spiritual fulfillment overcome the world and in the end save the people from destruction.

Mrs. Charles K. Hoagland Dies in the Kentucky Baptist Hospital

Mrs. Lula V. Thomas Hoagland died at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital January 27, and her funeral was held at the Ninth and O Baptist Church, Louisville on January 30. She was the widow of the late Pastor Charles K. Hoagland. She was raised in Louisville and grew up in the old Twenty-second and Walnut Street Church. Her husband's labors took her to Cox's Creek in Nelson County in 1908. They remained there until his call to the Ninth and O Baptist Church in Louisville in 1923. After ten years he was elected superintendent of the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home, Glendale, and remained there until his death, September 9, 1937.

After her husband's death she returned to Louisville and resided near the Ninth and O Church and held her membership there.

She is survived by one nephew, Robert L. Hackett, and two great nephews. Burial took place in Cave Hill Cemetery.

She was one of God's choice women, and was a constant helpmate to her husband in all his labors. She survived him by more than fifteen years.

Evangelist T. E. Williams, Bondville, Kentucky, has been with Pastor Fred B. Chance and the Myrtle Grove Baptist Church, Pensacola, Florida, during the week of January 4-11. During this week of special evangelistic effort there were 21 additions by profession of faith, and 13 additions by letter.

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Ernest J. Loessner Returns to Louisville for New Post at Seminary

Dr. Duke K. McCall, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, has announced the selection of Mr. Ernest J. Loessner as Instructor in Educational Administration in the proposed School of Religious Education to be affiliated with the Seminary.

At present Mr. Loessner is at Georgetown College completing certain academic work before assuming his new post in September. He served until January 31 as educational director of the First Baptist Church, Amarillo, Texas, resigning in order to complete his preparations for the new position.

In addition to his work with the Amarillo church, Mr. Loessner is serving his second term as president of the Texas Baptist Sunday School Convention. He is also a member of the mission board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. In this capacity he spent several weeks last year leading Sunday school conferences in Baptist churches in Argentina, Paraguay, and Uruguay. This mission was sponsored by the Texas Baptist General Sunday School Convention.

Mr. Loessner entered religious educational work in 1939 following ten years of employment with the Florida State Highway Department. Upon resigning this position he entered the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville where he also served as educational director in the Highland Baptist Church.

After leaving the Seminary, Mr. Loessner served the Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas, and later the South Main Street Baptist Church, Houston, Texas, as educational director before going to the First Baptist Church at Amarillo. He brings a

Committee Asks Suggestions

The undersigned members of the committee appointed to seek out and nominate a man for State Training Union Secretary to succeed Secretary Byron C. S. DeJarnette, whose resignation was recently announced, have received a number of names for consideration. The committee will be glad to receive any additional suggestions from any of the brethren of men who might be qualified and available for this very important position.

The prayers of our people are also earnestly requested for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in finding the right man for this place.—HAROLD D. TALLANT, First Baptist Church, Madisonville, Ky., FRED T. MOFFATT, First Baptist Church, Frankfort, Ky., H. LEO EDDLEMAN, Sou. Bap. Theol. Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

wealth of experience to his new task as Instructor in Educational Administration and has been heartily recommended by those with whom he has served in the past.

On April 9, 1932, Mr. Loessner was married to Miss Louise Smith of Wil-



Ernest J. Loessner

liston, Florida. They have two daughters, Gail, who is a freshman at Baylor University and Lynn, who is eight years of age.

Evangelical Leaders Warn Against Religious Persecutions

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"As everyone knows, POAU stands for a fundamental principle in American Democratic life, namely, the separation of church and state. Anyone who is not convinced on the rightness of this stand should take a look at conditions in Colombia, where a dominant church has undue influence over civil government. One is reminded again of the famous dictum of Thomas Jefferson: 'History, I believe, furnishes no example of a priest-ridden people maintaining free civil government.'"

Dr. Stark

The Episcopal speaker was the Reverend Leland F. Stark, rector of the Church of the Epiphany here, who said there is evidence that the Catholic pressure for an ambassador to the Vatican is increasing. He called on POAU members to make known the "thunder of their voices in opposition" to any such appointment, adding that every major

Protestant denomination is on record against it already.

"The unity of the country can be broken by projecting the religious issue into American life," he declared. "Such an appointment would exalt to a preferential status a particular church, one which does not believe in the most valuable democratic principle of separation of church and state."

He expressed the opinion that in the fight against Communism "the Vatican needs America's support more than America needs the Vatican support."

Dr. Turck

Dr. Charles J. Turck, president of Macalester College, St. Paul, Minn., the Lutheran, called on both Roman Catholics and Protestant leaders to make known their "ultimate goals" in asking public funds for auxiliary services to church schools or for supporting released time programs.

"It is safe to say that neither the Protestant nor the Catholic group anticipates the establishment of a state church or churches in the United States," he pointed out. "I wish I could say that both groups would reject, with the same unanimity, state aid for the parochial schools which they maintain."

Supporters of public schools, he said, "anticipate no single universal system of education." Parochial schools will continue and should continue, he added, "but at the expense of those who patronize them."

Dr. Turck voiced the opinion that laymen "do not want to get mixed up in religious controversy," and that "vast numbers" will leave the churches if the principle of separation is not maintained along lines laid down by Thomas Jefferson and James Madison. He said that, in fact, this principle is virtually unknown outside the United States and that it "is not only good for America, but good for the whole world. . . ."

Dr. Harry McCormick Lintz, evangelist, will begin a revival with Pastor H. B. Kuhnle at the Third Baptist Church of Owensboro on April 5.

Mr. Williard Russell, Houston business man, has donated half a carload of rice to be distributed by Southern Baptist missionaries in Korea.

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