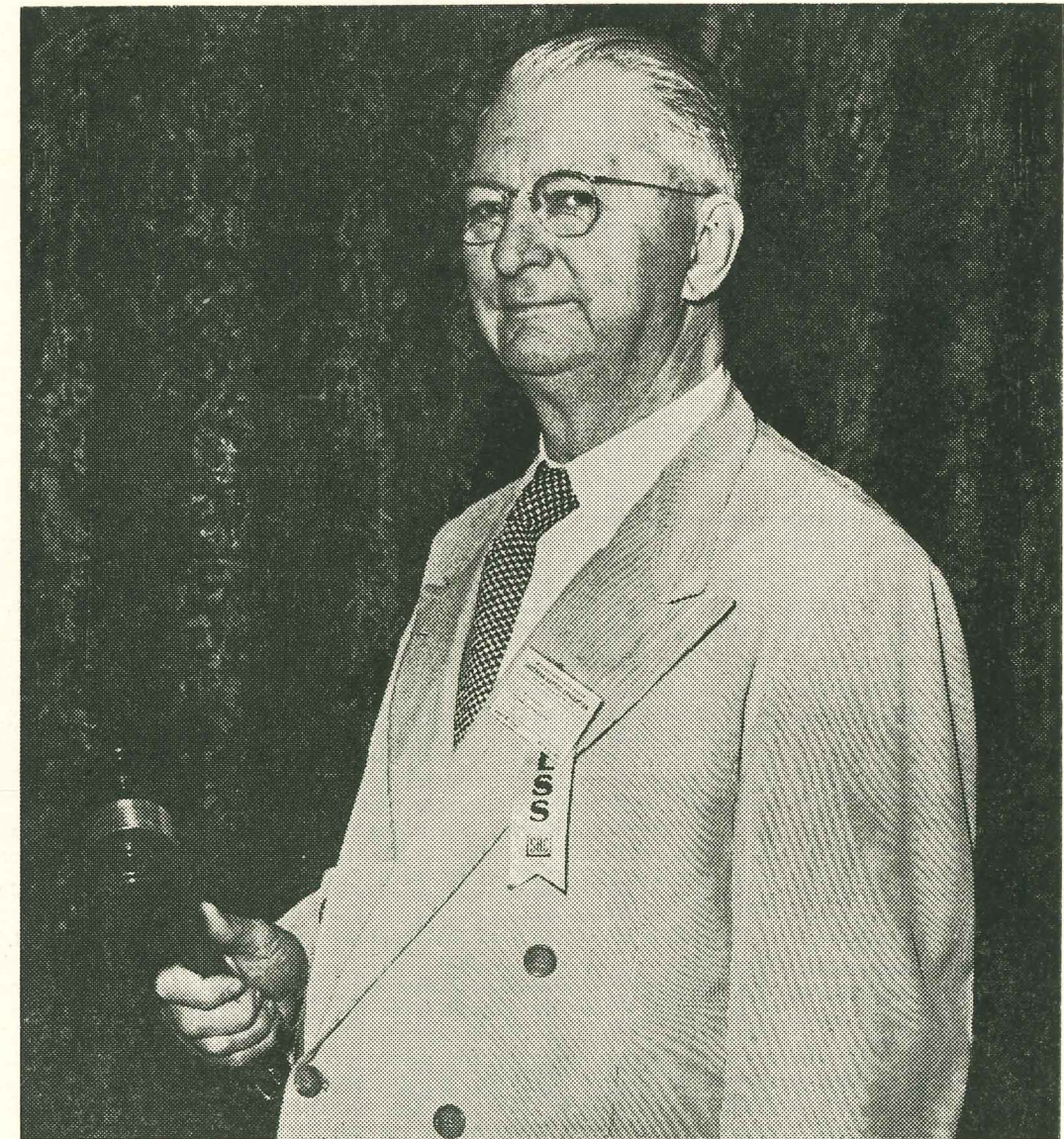


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Of Tulsa, Oklahoma, who was elected President of the Southern Baptist Convention at its recent session in Houston, Texas.

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Pastor Prue H. Kelly, First Baptist Church, Springfield, assisted Pastor Herbert Gilmore, Bloomfield Church, in a revival May 25 to June 7—services at 7:30 p.m.

William Hali Preston, Associate South-wide Student Secretary, was given the Doctor of Laws degree at Wayland College May 25. Mr. Preston has been in Convention-wide student leadership for twenty-six years.

The regular meeting of the Long Run Federation of Business Women will be held at Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Tuesday, June 9, 6:15 p.m. Bro. George A. Jones, Pastor Lawrenceburg Baptist Church, will be the guest speaker.

Dr. Robert Crapps, chaplain of the state hospital at Danville, preached at the Lexington Avenue Baptist Church, Danville, Ky., while Pastor R. R. Couey was attending the Southern Baptist Convention at Houston, Texas. Mrs. Crapps is the former Miss Dovie Walcott, who served for a time as office secretary of the Long Run Association in Louisville.

Dr. F. Bredahl Peterson, Copenhagen, President of the European Baptist Federation, who is now in this country, reports that despite the Soviet's control of children under the age of 18, the number of Baptists in Russia has grown from 400,000 a generation ago to more than 3,200,000 at the present. This amazing growth he attributes to persecution.

Rev. B. B. Isley, pastor of Fairdale Baptist Church, Coral Ridge, Kentucky, conducted a series of revival services, May 3-15, for the First Baptist Church, Manchester, Tennessee. Twenty-three came on profession of faith, 4 by letter, 1 by statement, and 4 by rededication. The pastor, E. M. McCarty, says that Brother Isley has been a blessing to his church and community.

Annual awards at Blue Mountain College were announced in general assembly Tuesday by President Lawrence T. Lowrey. Virginia Parsell, Louisville, Ky., received the Rosa Mae Kennedy Award that is given to the music student who has best measured up to the qualifications of "sincerity of purpose, genuine love for music, earnestness in work, progressiveness, and inherent talent."

A Youth Week revival was held at the Lexington Avenue Church of Danville, Ky., beginning May 17. Big six-foot-six Rollin Armour, native of Miami, and graduate of Baylor, and now a student in Southern Seminary, did the preaching. The song services were in charge of Ray Moore, who recently completed a term of service with the Armed Forces of the nation. Brother

Moore is a graduate of Georgetown College.

Pastor C. J. Alford is having one to five additions each Sunday at the Wilmer Avenue Baptist Church, Anniston, Ala., where he went nine months ago from the DeHaven Memorial Baptist Church, LaGrange, Ky. He has spoken over both Radio Stations WSPC and WHMA since going there. The church at Anniston has come into possession of a new organ and a new baby grand piano during recent months. Mrs. Alford is the organist of the church.

Baptist Temple, Louisville, held a covered dish supper, May 1, honoring the new members received into the fellowship since the beginning of the new year. The rule of the supper was that no one could sit with their closest friends, in keeping with the "Get Acquainted" theme of the party. The church has baptized 25, with several more on the waiting list, and has received 12 additions by letter this year, according to Pastor Elvin L. Clark.

The Italian Government has made effective its expulsion of Anthony Caliendo from Italian soil, and Caliendo has left for New York. Mr. Caliendo was director of the American Protestant Biblical Institute at Portici and was supposedly expelled for activities in teaching and converting people from the faith of the state church. Prior to leaving for New York, Caliendo handed Clare Boothe Luce, American Ambassador to Italy, a complete coverage of the case.

Dr. C. W. Elsey says that they closed an eight-day series of evangelistic services at the First Baptist Church, Shelbyville, Ky., May 3. "It proved to be one of the best meetings we have yet had," he said. "Dr. Roy C. McClung, of Ninth and O Street Church, Louisville, did the preaching and John Brelan, Liberty, Texas, conducted the song services. They proved an excellent team and drew large crowds from the initial service. Also there were additions to the church at every service until the total reached 34, of whom 21 were for baptism."

The 125th anniversary of the Taylorsville Baptist Church, Taylorsville, Ky., will be observed July 5. Pastor Wm. Henry Crouch and the church have invited Dr. Carlton S. Prickett, who is a former pastor and now the pastor of the First Baptist Church, Burlington, N. C., to preach at the morning and afternoon services. Noon lunch will be served at the church. Mrs. Brock is writing a new history of the church, and this is to be published. The church has gone on a new unified budget plan, and the amounts contributed have trebled. The anniversary will bring to a

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focal point the program of progress which was started last year.

Pastor Dot M. Nelson, Jr., First Baptist Church of Greenville, S. C., did the preaching and Professor R. Inman Johnson, of the Southern Seminary faculty, Louisville, Ky., led the music in a revival with Pastor Thomas R. Brown at the Harlan Baptist Church during recent days. Following that, Professor Johnson went back to Harlan on May 10 and preached the Mother's Day sermon while Pastor Brown was at the Southern Baptist Convention, and then took a trip to Jefferson City, Tenn., to visit his parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Johnson. The Cumberland College choir sang at Harlan Baptist Church Sunday night, May 10.

Preaching in Baptist History

By **ROBERT A. BAKER**
Pastors' Conference, Houston, Texas

Many years ago an older preacher remarked to me: "My boy, you may not be able to preach a good sermon every time you stand before the people, but you can always give them a good text. The Bible is full of them." This evening I bring you a good text. The subject assigned hints at many luminous passages of Scripture. I have chosen one verse from 1 Cor. 1, "For Christ sent me not to baptize but to preach the gospel."

This text tells so much about apostolic Christianity, about Paul, and about us. It identifies the Christian method of winning the world for Christ as the preaching of the gospel. It affirms the importance of Christian baptism in its proper place. It defines the common denominator for all Christian effort; namely, a testimony by a person of an experience with God through Christ.

Against Sacramentalism

The text gives insight into the nature and habits of Paul. His practice of preaching and allowing others to baptize the candidates is indicated. His cooperative spirit, his unselfish zeal, his consuming conviction about the place of preaching, his ability to think in terms of principles rather than personalities are all revealed.

In the text Paul positions himself with reference to the essential nature of Christianity. Already he had battled against error that had been finding support in some parts of the empire. The Judaizers had endeavored to perpetuate the priestly and sacramental emphasis of the old Jewish system, asserting that Christianity was simply an appendage of Judaism. The danger of making the initiatory symbol of baptism in Christianity into an act of sacramental efficacy was real and threatening. Paul's opening discussion in this letter was an appeal for unity among the Corinthians. Rising far above the local occasion, Paul trumpeted forth an answer to sacramentalism of every age. This widespread threat in our own generation that would enslave the human spirit in the bonds of superstitious mechanical-

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ism, this powerful yoke that teaches salvation through sacramentals and priests, was wholly discredited in a devastating word by the fiery apostle, "Christ sent me not to baptize but to preach the gospel."

Furthermore, the light from this text sheds its rays upon Baptists today. Historically, it has been the Baptists and their forebears who have magnified preaching—not the sacramentals, not even baptism, but preaching—as the God-revealed method for winning the world to Jesus Christ. If, then, one would attempt to put his finger on the source of Baptist preaching, he must begin with the apostolic assertion, "Christ sent me not to baptize but to preach the gospel."

Not only does this text identify Baptist preaching as apostolic preaching, but it sets the direction which any discussion of Baptist preaching or apostolic preaching must take.

An Experience of Grace

Three vital historical principles of Baptist or apostolic preaching are magnified in this text. Apostolic preaching proclaims a personal testimony of God's grace. This principle is seen in the word Paul uses to define his mission: "to preach the gospel." Some of the richness of the statement is lost in the English tongue. Perhaps its vividness could be reproduced at the expense of accuracy if it could be translated, "Christ sent me not to baptize but to gospelize." The word means that the proclaimer has himself learned the good news through the same divine intervention in human experience that forms the basis of his preaching. For Paul it meant the experience of the Damascus road. Beyond all his logic and tremendous exposition of Christian doctrine, Paul magnifies the truth that one day he was lost and undone in trespasses and sins; that without merit of his own he turned to Jesus Christ; and that the Saviour redeemed him and made him a witness, a testifier, a martyr, a preacher of the good news which he had learned.

Sacramentalism Debasing

A second historic principle of Baptist preaching may be gleaned from the apostolic exclamation; namely, that men are capable of meeting God immediately in Jesus Christ, without the mediation of priest or wafer. The very nature of preaching is elevating, just as sacramentalism is debasing. The dignity

of the human soul cannot be maintained in the face of the necessity of bowing to inanimate altars, icons, and other humans. Magical incantations contradict the most elemental teachings of Jesus. The preaching of the gospel, unmixed with human priests, human altars, human domination, and human superstitions, bares the human soul before Almighty God through the vicarious suffering and unmerited favor of the Beloved One. The whole practice of sacramentalism and sacerdotalism rests upon the idea that the human soul is not capable of meeting God without ecclesiastical mediation. Paul declares here that his life-mission was not sacramental but evangelical.

Centrality of Christ

The third historic principle of Baptist or apostolic preaching is the centrality of the Lordship of Christ. Paul points to Jesus Christ for his authority to preach. Antecedent to this assertion are the deity and resurrection of Christ. A divine and living Lord has commissioned Paul for his work. Any preaching that endeavors to deny or minimize the Lordship of Jesus Christ is neither apostolic nor Baptist. The earliest confessions of faith of Christians centered in one short affirmation: Jesus is Lord. Paul's sense of mission and source of authority stem altogether from the Lordship of Christ.

Perversions in Preaching

Through the centuries of Christian history, there have been four general perversions of these principles.

The first perversion was the substitution of sacraments for preaching. It came about through the influence of Jewish inheritance and the pagan conception of the relation of magic to religion. By the augury of pagan religious diviners, victory in battle could be assured, lost articles could be located, and future events predicted.

Forced into Christianity, this conception looked upon the magic of regeneration as resting in the material elements of water and the "hocus-pocus" of the Supper. It was conceived that spiritual character and destiny could be altered simply by eating bread and drinking wine.

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"If God had intended that we talk more than we hear, He would have given us two mouths and one ear."

Supplementary Offering For State Missions June 7

We earnestly call attention to the Supplementary Offering for State Missions, Sunday, June 7.

Many of the churches and individuals on that day make an offering to supplement regular gifts through the Cooperative Program, and others who do not contribute regularly take advantage of this opportunity to further distinctive state mission work.

This Supplementary Offering aids greatly and is highly important to the total success of the work. Let us, brethren, see that this opportunity is placed on the hearts of the people.

Concerning the Houston Convention

Due to illness in the family the editor, for the first time in years, did not attend the Southern Baptist Convention. However, Mr. George R. Jewell was sent to cover proceedings and his report has been appearing and will be as complete as possible.

It is impossible for one not present to interpret a convention. On occasions this has been attempted by some but results have without exception been unsatisfactory.

Many secular newspaper accounts are written from sensational angles and, though the work of the press is greatly appreciated, one cannot get the whole story from those not thoroughly acquainted with Baptist spirit and procedure. Sometimes even Baptist writers magnify one point beyond its importance and out of its total setting, and this leads to misconceptions among the people at large.

One thing seems certain from reports brought us by the brethren: Southern Baptists have never had a greater will to stay together, and for this we can be grateful. Predictions made by the secular press in Houston that the Convention would "split" simply did not materialize.

Baptists do not see always alike on every question, and to outsiders they on occasions appear to have reached an impasse and the conclusion is hastily reached that they are hopelessly divided. Writers rush to their typewriters to tell the world that the Southern Baptist Convention has come to the parting of the ways. But by the time the typewriters have cooled and the papers are on the streets, they discover, much to their embarrassment, that the Convention talked itself together. Baptists do their fussing within hand-shaking distance.

The solidarity of our Convention—made up of messengers from completely autonomous churches,

and who cannot in any way bind the churches they represent—amazes the world. A sense of divine mission and brotherly love in Christ holds Baptists together, and over their differences they march side by side to do the will of God as they understand it.

We shall seek as time goes on to present appraisals of the Convention by fellow editors and other brethren who were there. This we do to give our readers a cross section view—each writer giving his own personal interpretation.

The Good and Wise Steward

Indifference to study course work is breaking down. Why should any avoid study courses? They have come to be a vital part of our church life. They have come to stay.

Study courses offer opportunity for church fellowship. It is needed. But more, they give training. Books used in these courses are written by those best equipped. Writers are not picked at random. The books are carefully edited and made available for any church. The best teachers are picked by the church to teach them. Why not join in the next study course held in your church?

October 18-25

October 18-25 has been set as the week for Stewardship Revival in all our churches. It is not too late to mark that week on your church calendar of activities. Participate. Make the most of it.

The Stewardship Revival will help the finances of your own church. It will give vision of personal duty. It will give vision of state and South and world-wide needs. It will show how each person can fit into the total need.

"Revival"

It is right to make the word "revival" apply to stewardship. Stewardship involves the surrender of all to our God Who is the Owner of all—ourselves, our talents, our means. Jesus said something about it. "He that is faithful in that which is least [money] is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust [not fair with God] in the least is unjust also in much [the larger spiritual things]. If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches? And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own? No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon" (Luke 16:10-13).

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A Channel of Blessing

The Stewardship Revival will save many from the danger of covetousness. It will deepen spiritual blessings. It will "open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it" (Mal. 3:10). Churches do not rise higher than that stewardship level. Neither do individuals.

Who Is Our God?

The man who robs God of His worship (and we do that when we make money our god) is always caught. He's caught in the tangle of his own neglect. He suffers the consequence of his having loved money more than God. His first rebuke is in his own soul. He is denied the blessing of God. He is denied growth in grace. He is denied fruitful life.

Convention Hears Two-Fold Program for Press Improvement

HOUSTON, Tex. — Southern Baptists were challenged to increase the quality and the circulation of their state papers. Dr. B. H. Duncan, chairman of the Committee on Baptist State Papers editor of *The Arkansas Baptist*, told the Convention in session here that the first challenge is to produce better papers.

"Much improvement can be made on present budgets," Duncan said. "However, in order for the state papers adequately to fulfill their mission it is absolutely necessary that they have larger budgets and larger staffs. So many dollars will produce only so much even in the publishing industry and even when the publication is a Baptist state paper. Also, so many people can do only so much work even though they are an editor and his staff. In far too many cases, the editor, the make-up man, the news gatherer, the feature story writer, etc., are all combined in one person. The only possible way this situation can be remedied is to provide a larger budget for the state paper which makes it possible to employ a larger staff."

Duncan gave as the second challenge the need for expanded circulation. He said, "The big challenge is to expand the circulation. The combined circulation of Southern Baptist state papers, as of March 1, 1953, stands at 1,029,925. Figured at 3½ persons per family this would mean that 3,594,737 Baptists are receiving one of the state papers. That leaves approximately 1,082,218 Baptist homes into which the state paper does not go."

In concluding his report Duncan called

for a conference of all editors and press representatives of Southern Baptist institutions and agencies to discuss the problems and opportunities for publicity and for news coverage of these agencies and institutions. The conference would consider both paid and unpaid material.

Every Member of Board Of Managers Has Paper In His Church Budget

We are happy to announce that now every church in which a member of the Board of Managers of the Western Recorder holds membership has the paper in the budget. This is highly significant and indicates the fine leadership these excellent men offer in their own churches.

The Western Recorder reached an all-time high before the Houston Convention with a circulation of more than 65,000 and is still climbing. We predict that before long it will top the 75,000 goal set by the General Association in its five-year program.

South American Travelers Given Weather Warning

SANTIAGO, Chile—(BP) — Baptists touring South America this summer have been advised that in some parts of the continent it is not summer at all, but winter. Reuben I. Franks, a missionary

The deciding point in stewardship is love. It is either what you love, or Whom you love. You cannot serve God and mammon at the same time.

That word "serve" is inseparably linked with worship (Rom. 7:6; Gal. 4:8). If a man loves money he clings to it and looks to it for hope and satisfaction. But he can't do it and make God the sole object of his love and trust. It is either one or the other.

The mark of the world is false worship. God described worldly men as not liking to "retain God in their knowledge" (Rom. 1:28), and that expression means they did not like to "acknowledge" God as their sole Master.

So, for God's sake, first, and then for the sake of your church, plan to make much of Stewardship Week, October 18-25.

in Santiago, Chile, wrote Robert S. Denny, chairman of the Youth Committee of the Baptist World Alliance.

Franks stated that since July will be in the dead of winter here, be sure and have all the travelers in your group, and in the other groups as well, bring plenty of warm clothing. Since many of the places where you stay, some of the best hotels included, will have no heat, some might be interested in bringing "long handles" even. However, that is optional—depends on how "thick" your blood is.

According to other travelers to South America tourists should be prepared for fall-like weather especially in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. A light topcoat will be useful. On the other hand, travelers should be prepared for summer-like heat especially for use in north Brazil and Panama.

Franks also had a word to say about care of passports: "Also advise everyone coming to be sure and hold on to that passport. A lost or stolen passport can give you untold grief, expense, and delay. And since a United States passport is a prized possession for anyone to have, there are specialists who can forge stolen ones and re-sell them for a fortune."

Lest people be "taken in" by would-be friends of strangers, Franks observed, "And if you'll forgive me just one more 'hint to the wise,' beware of money exchangers in airports, hotels and tourist centers. It is always well to have a missionary, your travel agent, or other reliable person handle all your money exchanging for the entire group. All North Americans are supposed to be rich, and many Latins have no scruples against helping themselves to a portion of your "wealth" if you just give them a half chance."

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Before the close of the second century, some of the writers are referring to baptism as the "water of salvation" and to the Supper as the "medicine of immortality."

Such a perversion of necessity brought a change in the function of the minister. No longer was it necessary that he proclaim the gospel; now he could spend his time saving children by baptism and infusing grace through a magical Supper. It is a matter of history that the word *presbyter* or *elder* is replaced in sacramental vocabulary in the fourth century; the word *priest*, properly describing the minister's activities, is adopted in its place. The perversion of the means of salvation brought perversion in the function of the minister.

Perversions in Worship

Furthermore, the substitution of the sacraments for preaching brought a change in the nature of public worship and even the physical architecture of the church building. Worship no longer centered in the preaching of the Word of God; rather, preaching was silenced almost entirely as the darkness of the medieval period closed in, and the mysterious, unintelligible chanting of priests filled the churches.

Ritual vs. Persuasion

The second great perversion of New Testament preaching came with the substitution of ecclesiastical ritual for spiritual persuasion. With the rise of the Roman Catholic Church in about 451 A. D., there came a coercive uniformity in all areas of church life. Uniformity of language was required, even through the people (and many times the priests themselves) had not the least idea what was being said. The only possibility for worship came in the rhythmic chanting and the uncomprehending awe that drove out spiritual enlightenment.

Tradition vs. Scripture

The third historical perversion of apostolic preaching came in the substitution of tradition for scripture. Apostolic preaching magnified the authority of the scriptures as the uniquely inspired Word of God. To make the sermons of "Fathers" or even contemporary "scholars" to be of equal authority with the scriptures cut the very heart from the authority of the preacher.

Organization vs. Gifts

The fourth perversion of apostolic preaching consisted in the substitution of ecclesiastical organization for pro-

phetic gifts. The whole Christian movement became a series of wheels within wheels. It made little difference if a man did or did not possess spiritual gifts; his place in the system stemmed from organizational prestige. A new office, wholly unknown in the New Testament, was developed in the interest of hierarchical government. Organizational echelons became rigid; even the janitor was ordained for his office.

Basically, here is the secret of Baptist growth. Standing in the stream of New Testament witness, Baptists have majored on the preached word. The growth of American Baptists in a brief three-century period from a handful to almost 14,000,000 at the present time, representing the largest "free church group" in the nation, has been a startling development.

Apostolic preaching is pre-eminent because it magnifies what God has done for lost men. "Whom shall I send and who will go for us?" In the perversion of apostolic precept sacramentalism says, "Send a priest who knows the magic formula and the proper order of sacramental observance." But the apostolic calling is for men who have been saved by the grace of God, men who can humbly bear the testimony of what the Lord has done for them.

Many will remember Dr. W. T. Conner's illustration at this point. He pictured God as pondering over the question of who should proclaim the story about Christ's death for a lost and dying

world. An angel stepped forward face aglow in the thought of the tremendous privilege of telling the divine story. But God said, "No, stand back, angel; stand back, seraphim, stand back, cherubim: the one who proclaims the grace of God must be one who has known it by experience. You have never been lost in sin and in your despair embraced Christ as a Saviour. You were never in the miry pit and found yourself made whole in Jesus Christ. Only a sinner saved by grace can bear that testimony. A man must go for us. He will proclaim the good news that he knows by experience."

Sometimes it is difficult to disentangle the threads of history and learn its lessons. But one fact should be clear even to the uninitiated in history; that sacramentalism has had its chance and has failed. For almost fifteen centuries it had a comparatively free hand. It built a new culture in Europe according to its own pattern. But it has failed. Whether Baptists could have done any better if they had had power and numbers through all these centuries cannot be known. But I believe that Baptists will be blessed of God and will transmit that blessing to all mankind so long as they are true to this great landmark of apostolic witness: Christ sent men not to baptize but to preach the gospel.

From where we stand there seems to be one thing that can meet the challenge of closing doors, one thing that can satisfy the cry for light in darkness, the one thing that will be pleasing to the Lord himself. That is of course advance. We rejoice in the Lord that you are helping us to make this possible through your gifts and prayers.—James and Peggy Jean Bartley, missionaries to Uruguay, in language school in Costa Rica.

1954 Budget, Southern Baptist Convention

While considering the report of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, a budget of \$8,750,000 was adopted for the Cooperative Program, to be "distributed for current operating expenses and capital needs in 1954," as follows:

	1954 Operating	1954 Capital	Total	Per Cent
Foreign Mission Board	\$2,875,000	\$600,000	\$3,475,000	39.71
Home Mission Board	710,000	439,800	1,149,800	13.14
Relief and Annuity Board	500,000	291,900	791,900	9.05
Southern Seminary	286,317	304,200	590,517	6.75
Southwestern Seminary	286,317	304,200	590,517	6.75
New Orleans Seminary	264,316	380,100	644,416	7.37
Golden Gate Seminary	184,650	199,800	384,450	4.39
Southeastern Seminary	190,900	300,000	490,900	5.61
W.M.U. Training School	57,500		57,500	.66
American Baptist Seminary	59,000	42,000	101,000	1.15
Southern Baptist Hospital	40,000	120,600	160,600	1.83
Baptist Brotherhood	55,000	6,000	61,000	.70
Radio Commission	125,000	12,000	137,000	1.57
Public Affairs Committee	15,000		15,000	.17
Baptist World Alliance	25,000		25,000	.29
Southern Baptist Foundation	15,000		15,000	.17
Education Commission	22,000		22,000	.25
Historical Commission	24,000		24,000	.27
Social Service Commission	15,000		15,000	.17
	\$5,570,000	\$3,000,000	\$8,750,000	100.00

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The Problem of Okinawa

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The Air Force flew our party of twelve civilian ministers out to the East to study "moral and spiritual problems."

When I got back to Washington I presented a copy of my official orders to the commercial air line agent in order to get the extra baggage allowance for people who have come back to the United States from overseas. She read the orders and began to giggle. Said she, "I did not know there were any moral or spiritual problems among the men overseas. That is what you preachers have been reporting to us."

There was a bitterness in her tone which prompted me to fish for information. "You talk like you know something about those problems firsthand," I said. "What was your connection with the military, WAF, WAVE, WAC, or WIFE?" "Ex-wife," came the bitter reply. Then she began to unfold the sordid tale by which the stars were knocked from her dreams by a husband who "went Oriental."

The problem of Okinawa is not 12,000 miles away across the Pacific, but right in the home of literally thousands of Americans. It demands drastic action with the ruthless determination of war. No temporary half-measures will do the job.

The more than a half-million Okinawans cannot be blasted from the earth by an atomic bomb. They have a right to live in their land even if the United States has decided to build a permanent military establishment there. Both the government and the churches, however, have an absolute obligation to invest whatever money and manpower may be necessary to awaken the sleeping moral senses of the Okinawans. They are not a vicious people, they are simply pleyable people who make the best of whatever the fates do to them. There is much evidence in the progress of what little mission work is being done on Okinawa that the people will respond readily to the leadership of missionaries, sociologists, educators. The trouble is that all of this takes money.

Okinawa is a new American base. It is not yet completed. There are many new typhoon-proof buildings, but the dominant architectural style is the turtle-back quonset hut.

It is perfectly obvious that we will either pay the price of turning Okinawa

into a permanent installation or we will not. The commanding officers can hardly be blamed for putting all the money allocated to them into runways and strictly military installations. Second on their list is housing for the military personnel. After that, as a kind of after thought comes recreation and religious facilities.

Thus far no one has ever gotten around to any particular responsibility for the Okinawan villages.

The current economy drive designed to cut taxes by reducing military expenditures has Okinawa over the barrel. The men stationed there are often bored, frustrated individuals with nothing but time on their hands and nothing to do with their time. Just beyond the main gates of the base will be an Okinawan village where nothing has been done to reduce VD, much less improve morality. Pretty soon the man begins to feel that he has been shipped out of God's country and proceeds to take his pleasures as though he lived in the devil's back yard.

This situation on Okinawa is rotten, and the military leaders know it. Their dilemma is whether to tell the general public or not. Which way will the public react? Will the public demand that drastic steps be taken to improve the situation? Or will we turn yellow and demand that our sweet boys be shipped home?

Our country needs Okinawa as a military installation. I was given access to enough classified information to be absolutely convinced of that. Every righteous, decent thing about us demands that we set about doing what we as individuals, as churches, and as citizens can do to help Brigadier General Ogden and Brigadier General Upthegrove clean up the mess which has been handed over to them. They want to clean it up and they will if given a chance.

One of our Canton Pui Ching graduates was converted at a Baptist Student Union retreat in Cuba this summer. It took both foreign and home missions to win him, making us realize that missions cannot be divided. It is evangelism wherever it is needed.—Jaxie Short, missionary of the China staff, now in Hong Kong

"A Fine Frenzy"

By O. W. Taylor

Someone has written that "the poet's eye with a fine frenzy rolling" takes in the earth and sky "and gives to airy nothingness a local habitation and a name." In other words, the real poet has a superior, subtle and sensitive nature and ability enabling him to write superb verse.

I wrote some poems (?). One was read in chapel after I handed it to a professor with the implication that I wanted it read. Not in tribute to the "poem" but as a courtesy to me, he complied. Strangely, it evoked no applause whatever! A "poem" by me was once published in a paper which is now non-existent. Today I would not write that poem, much less submit it for publication. My poetic eye could roll in "fine frenzy." The editor of the paper just mentioned published the "poem" as a courtesy, that was all. Space in today's papers is too limited for a "frenzy" that is not "fine."

In the editorship I always had on hand a hundred or more poems from various sources. Only at rare intervals did one commend itself for publication. So, while I would courteously acknowledge receipt of a poem, I would have to say that we would have to file the poem with the others "for such use as our space and requirements may permit." One poem received had in it: "Simon Peter, having a sword, He immediately drew it, And cut off Malchus' ear Almost before he knew it."

Though there were some excellent features in the poem, "our space and requirements" did not permit its publication. However, some poems received had real merit, and their publication was a pleasure when such was possible.

The story goes that the editor of a secular paper in another state received some poems from a woman, with the request that he appraise them, as she had "so many irons in the fire" she could not do it properly. His reply was: "Dear Madam: Extract irons and insert poems." But no Baptist editor would want to be that blunt and unfeeling.

As Dr. Alexander Maclaren would say, "The upshot of my homily is" that the editor of a paper must be the sole judge whether a given poem merits publication or not. And only he can decide whether, even if a poem has merit, his space and requirements call for it or not. If your poem is not published, that does not necessarily mean that it does not have merit. Other things may prevent its publication. So do not feel resentful toward the editor involved in the case.

It could be true in your case as I found it in my case. Your eye may roll in "frenzy," but not in "fine frenzy." Only the editor can decide this as to his own paper.

Many Changes in Personnel and Institutions Are Recorded at Southern Baptist Convention, Houston

(Continued from Last Week)

A special committee was appointed to study the relationship of the WMU Training School (now called the Carver School of Missions and Social Work) to the convention, and "to make a study of our total program of theological, religious, and missionary education as it involves financial support of the Southern Baptist Convention." This committee is made up of five members appointed by the president of the Convention and five women. The committee of ten is to report to the December meeting of the Executive Committee.

Dr. C. H. Bolton, though resigned as Executive Secretary of the Southern Baptist Foundation to return to the pastorate, presented the report of that body. The Foundation now has assets of \$733,046.47, and this is continuing to grow from year to year. Dr. Bolton made a plea that all Southern Baptists, and especially Southern Baptist agencies, support the Foundations—both state and southwide. Dr. Bolton introduced Dr. T. Luther Holcomb who has been elected to succeed him soon as executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foundation.

At the Friday morning session Ed Nolte, of William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., sang a solo, after which the Convention adopted the report of the Committee on Boards, which involves all of the new members and re-elected members for the various boards, commissions and agencies of the S. B. C. (These names will be published later as space is available.)

The Education Commission

Secretary R. Orin Cornett, of the Education Commission, Nashville, stated that this commission has had continuity throughout the last 25 years (since it was started) through one man—Charles D. Johnson. He is now engaged in writing a history of Southern Baptists educational institutions.

Charles D. Johnson told of his experience of going to a Baptist college in Mississippi when he was young. He said that among the things he did not learn while there was that the school he was attending was not a standard school. He found that out later when he went to enroll in a large university and they declined to accept his credits. He then made a resolution that if ever he had anything to do with Baptist col-

leges he would promote standardization. There are now 84 standard Baptist colleges and universities.

"Another resolution in my mind," he said, "was this: That Southern Baptists ought to have a university in which a man could earn a Ph.D. degree so that students would not have to go outside our territory for these. The Southern Seminary was offering a Ph.D., but there was no Baptist university that offered such a degree."

He wanted two universities in the South to come within the realm of this possibility—one in the East and one in the West. So far, one school—Baylor University—is now granting a Ph.D. But Baylor offers it in only three departments. It has 32 departments, but it is not obtainable in the other 29 departments. No university east of the Mississippi now qualifies.

H. Leo Eddleman Reports on Negro Ministerial Education

The commission on Negro Ministerial Education was made by H. Leo Eddleman, Kentucky. For many years Baptists have found themselves in possession of three different agencies having to do with the Negro matters under its care. These are the Home Mission Board which fosters certain work among the Negroes; our portion of the trustees who serve on the Board, along with others, of the American Baptist Theological Seminary at Nashville, a Negro institution; and the Committee on Negro Ministerial Education.

The Home Mission Board secretary was quick to propose changes in the recommendations of the report of the Committee on Negro Ministerial Education, by inserting words in its fourth recommendation that this Committee handle its 100 scholarships for Negro students "through the Home Mission Board," and that the last portion of the sixth recommendation, "and that the committee, in conference with other agencies and the Convention, serve as a coordinating agency for our program in this field of Negro work," be eliminated. The J. B. Lawrence amendments were carried and the remainder of the Committee's recommendations adopted.

Secretary L. S. Sedberry, of the American Baptist Theological Seminary, introduced Professor Victor Glass, and announced that he has just been elected dean of the school. Glass has been

on the faculty for some years. He is a graduate of Carson-Newman College, and has a Ph.D. degree from the Southern Seminary—which is the highest degree held by any member of their faculty. Dr. Glass was formerly with the Baptist Fellowship Center in Louisville.

To St. Louis in 1954; to Washington in 1955

Three cities invited the Convention to meet with them in 1955—Los Angeles, Chicago and Washington. The Committee recommended that the session for 1955 be held in Washington, D. C., June 1-5. Dr. Slater A. Murphy, Memphis, will be preacher of the convention sermon, and Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, Louisville, Ky., alternate, when the Convention goes to St. Louis, June 2-6, 1954.

The Convention went on record as approving the 1955 Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade of all Southern Baptist churches and mission stations, March 26 to April 24, and heartily invited the churches of Cuba, the Republic of Panama and the Panama Canal Zone to join with us in this undertaking.

A resolution was adopted petitioning the Congress of the U. S. to change "and" to "or" in Article 1622.43, Section 16, of selective service regulations so as to read "preachers or teachers," or provide whatever other legislation is necessary to give these workers and students preparing for this work the 4-D classification. The matter has been left to the discretion of the local boards, and the local boards have not been uniform in their interpretation of the meaning of the law, and in fact, in many cases have actually rendered decisions one way in favor of men of one denomination and another way in favor of men of another denomination.

The Social Service Commission has come to feel that its name is misleading, often being mistaken for "Social Security," or for the "social service" having to do with the raising of funds for the needy, etc. Hence it recommended the changing of its name to *The Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention*. The change was agreed to by the Houston Convention, but this change will require a correction in the constitution which cannot be voted upon until next year.

Sunday School Department

ROY E. BOATWRIGHT
State Secretary

MAKE READY!

TO HELP REACH A MILLION MORE IN '54. EVERY ASSOCIATION SHOULD:

1. Appoint the Associational Special Committee.
2. Send their names to the State Sunday School Secretary.
3. Hold an associational meeting introducing the "Million More in '54" Campaign. (Be sure every pastor, educational Director, superintendent and missionary has a copy of the booklet, "Holding Forth the Word of Life.")
4. Lead every church to agree to participate in the movement.
5. Secure the names of the Special Committee for the promotion of "A Million More in '54" for each church.
6. Schedule the annual associational Planning Conference for September 15, 1953.

EVERY CHURCH SHOULD:

1. Agree to participate in the "Million More in '54" campaign.
2. Appoint a Special Committee of five or more members to promote the "Million More" program.
3. Send the names of the above committee to the Associational Sunday School Superintendent.
4. Schedule September 20-27 as Preparation Week and study the book, "The Pull of the People" by J. N. Barnette. (Place your order now for this book at the Baptist Book Store, price 35c).
5. Set a goal for a net increase in Sunday school enrollment for 1954. Should be 20% (or more) of your enrollment October 1, 1953, including the Cradle Roll and Extension departments.
6. Set a goal for increase in Sunday school enrollment for each Sunday in November. Total for month equaling not less than one-half of yearly goal. November will be called "One Half Million Month."
7. Have the Special Committee plan the school activities needed to properly prepare for maximum growth in 1954. For suggestions study "Holding Forth the Word of Life."

Many associations and churches have already done many of the above items. After checking the list, lead your association, or church, to do each item that has not already been carried out.

This list is not all inclusive but gives the essentials to get us started on your preparation for "A Million More in '54."

Perform each item for the Glory of God that He might bless our efforts with a million increase for Bible study and eventually a million souls won and enlisted for the Kingdom.

Another Standard Association

We are happy to announce that the Nelson Association has reached the Standard in Sunday school work. Mr. H. W. Jones is the Superintendent. The following churches in Nelson Association are Standard: Bardstown Junction, Cedar Creek, Chaplin, Cox's Creek, Mill Creek, Mt. Moriah, Mt. Washington, New Salem, Shepherdsville and Victory.

This makes five Standard Associations for Kentucky this year.

Standard Sunday Schools

- Paint Lick**—Pastor Malcolm Smith; Superintendent James E. Perry.
- Poplar Grove**—Pastor Gene Cotey; Superintendent W. H. True.
- Owensboro, Buena Vista**—Pastor J. D. Herndon; Superintendent John Potter.
- Greenmount**—Pastor P. G. Sears; Superintendent Edd Smith.
- Cedar Grove**—Pastor W. D. Oakley; Superintendent J. C. Vincent.
- Buffalo**—Pastor John M. Wall; Superintendent Carl Shaw.
- Edmonton**—Pastor E. G. Burns; Superintendent Joseph Martin.
- Booneville**—Pastor Isador Childers; Superintendent E. L. Hughes.
- River View**—Pastor Roy Mitchell; Superintendent J. H. Breeden.
- Newport, Trinity**—Pastor Leo Drake; Superintendent David Abney.
- Dry Ridge**—Pastor G. R. Henson; Superintendent G. W. Landrum.
- Swiss Colony**—Pastor Caleb McFadden; Superintendent Eddie C. Binder, Jr.
- Paducah, East**—Pastor Sam Sloan; Superintendent J. H. Fitch.
- Totz**—Pastor E. H. Mullins, Superintendent B. A. Roark.
- Salem**—Pastor James Gary; Superintendent H. B. Spillman.
- Lexington, South Broadway**—Pastor J. E. Davis; Superintendent John W. Gulley.

Do You Know—

that the simplified Adult class organization will be in effect October 1, 1953? The simplified class organization consists of a president, a vice-president, a group leader for every five members, and a secretary.

Vacation Bible School Reports

Some Vacation Bible reports have already come to our office. As soon as your school is over be sure to fill in the report and mail two copies to the Sunday School Department, 127 E. Broadway, Louisville, Ky. Remember our goal 2,003 in 1953.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, MAY 24, 1953

Church	T.U.	S.S.
Arlington	60	142
Bardstown	---	347
Bellevue	---	341
Berea	---	309
Bowling Green, First	234	1,184
Buffalo	---	270
Burlington	76	217
Cadiz	---	233
Campbellsville, First	222	592
Pleasant Hill	137	302
Clay, First	---	231
Corbin, First	---	359
Corbin, Central	59	429
Covington, Calvary	---	647
First	---	82
Latonia	---	306
South Side	164	353
Cynthiana	105	458
Danville, Lexington Ave.	---	338
First	---	496
Dayton, Ohio, Westwood	---	660
Elizabethtown, Severn's Valley	---	495
Evansville, Ind., Calvary	94	681
Grace	236	743
Walnut St.	---	952
Ferguson	---	404
Frankfort, First	67	225
Thorn Hill	181	818
Franklin, First	---	308
Fort Thomas	---	379
Fulton, First	69	---
Georgetown	---	406
Glasgow	115	420
Glendale, Gilead	89	602
Greenville	178	338
Harlan	---	362
Harrodsburg	147	602
Bruner's Chapel	41	822
Hawesville	114	234
Hazel	58	278
Henderson, Audubon	53	264
First	---	350
Immanuel Temple	146	412
Hima, Horse Creek	---	559
Hodgenville, First	---	200
Pleasant Grove	133	558
Hopkinsville, First	119	205
Second	99	672
Ebenezer	---	829
Hudgins, Aetna Grove	93	---
Independence	115	223
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	68	217
Lexington, Ashland Ave.	---	307
Calvary	---	1,185
Felix Memorial	163	687
Grace	82	310
Hillcrest	---	635
Immanuel	---	260
Porter Memorial	247	845
London, First	---	804
Ludlow, First	155	581
Louisville, Audubon	---	329
Baptist Tabernacle	42	206
Baptist Temple	168	645
Beechland	---	301
Bethany	89	466
Clifton	---	219
Deer Park	88	396
East Audubon	---	480
Fairdale	95	268
Farmdale	---	288
Fairdale	150	---
Harmony	117	347
Highland Park, First	---	425
Immanuel	54	425
Jeffersonton	---	355
Lynn Acres	99	284
Middletown	74	242
9th and O	---	280
Okolona	223	1,219
Parkland	---	390
St. Matthews	276	994
Shawnee	75	473
Shively	---	338
South Jefferson	---	623
South Side	104	431
Victory Memorial	76	456
Virginia Avenue	234	683
West Broadway	84	272
23rd and Broadway	145	583
Walnut Street	132	679
Madisonville, First	276	1,584
Mayfield, First	202	813
Marion Baptist	263	931
Middlesboro, First	---	256
East Cumberland Ave.	84	577
Monticello, First	---	331
Mt. Washington	54	225
Murray, First	---	242
Newport, First	161	856
Trinity	128	701
Owensboro, Buena Vista	81	250
First	138	472
Hall Street	271	1,135
Seven Hills	159	442
Third	98	296
Third	348	1,119

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Baptist Training Union Dept.

BYRON C. S. DeJARNETTE
State Secretary

June

(State and Southern Baptist Schedule)

Theme: The Path to Power

Scripture: "And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost" (John 20:22).

Aim: To Help Us to Become Channels of God's Power

Song: "Breathe on Me"

Denominational Emphases

1. Relief and Annuity Board and Offering for the Relief of Aged Ministers.
2. Vacation Bible Schools.
3. Ridgecrest, Glorieta, State Assemblies, and Camps.
4. Christian Education Day, June 28.

Suggested Activities for Churches

1. Do some extension work to establish Training Union in churches that do not have it.
2. Attend your state assembly and one of the weeks at Ridgecrest or Glorieta.
3. Promote personal soul-winning by all members.
4. Conduct a class for new church members at Training Union hour.

Suggested Activities for Associations

1. Associational mass meeting. Work for a big attendance.
2. Organize Training Unions in rural churches.
3. Help in Vacation Bible schools, cooperating with the Sunday school.
4. Try to have every church represented at your state assembly and in one of the Southern Baptist assemblies.

Want to Go to Glorieta?

If you have not made your Assembly plans, perhaps it is not too late to do so even now. Reservations have all been made for all three Training Union weeks at Ridgecrest. If you are not going there this year perhaps you can make your reservations soon after January 1 and go there in 1954.

Mr. E. A. Herron, Manager, Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Glorieta, New Mexico, reports that reservations are still being made for the three Training Union weeks there August 3-23. If you have failed to get reservations at Ridgecrest or have not made any plans, perhaps

you would like to try to get a place at Glorieta. If so, please write to Mr. E. A. Herron at the address given above for reservations or information.

YOUTH WEEK REPORTS

Adairville—Bethel

Rev. George Fletcher, Pastor of the Adairville Baptist Church, Adairville, reports that 20 Intermediates and 8 Young People held Youth Week offices when the church observed Youth Week for the fourth time April 5-12. It is an annual event in that church. The pastor gives this evaluation of this week: "Youth Week has helped to make the young people of our church have a greater sense of responsibility, and appreciation for our church program. It has also helped to show the Adults their responsibility to the youth of the church. It has created a greater spirit of cooperation in the church."

Paducah, Tabernacle—West Union

The Tabernacle Baptist Church, Paducah, observed Youth Week April 5-12 with 10 Intermediates and 10 Young People holding Youth Week offices. It is an annual event. The Pastor, Rev. J. Frank Hixon, writes about it as follows: "A success from the start. It has been a blessing to old and young alike. Practically every office of the church and its organization was filled by our youth. Bob Dunn was Youth Pastor."

Muldrough—Salem

The Muldrough Baptist Church in Salem Association has observed Youth Week three times and it is an annual event. This year Youth Week offices were held by twenty seven Juniors and Intermediates and 10 Young People. The Pastor, Rev. Lyndon W. Collings, gives this evaluation of the week: "It has been my privilege to have four or five youth week activities in my churches and it has become one of the greatest weeks of the year. This year we had David Covington, a Junior, as our Youth pastor. David has made public his surrender to the call into the ministry. After the service on Sunday night when David gave the invitation his younger Junior brother, Larry, came forward stating his surrender to the call to preach the Gospel. The young people met on Monday evening for Youth W. M. S. and Brotherhood meetings. They conducted the Wednesday night service as well as Sunday school and Training Union. On the last Sunday morning they invited a Gospel Team from Cumberland College to conduct the service and following the service entertained them in the basement of the church. I would feel that I had done a great injustice to the young people of my church if I did not lead them to observe Youth Week."

Church Wants "Revival to Go On"

By G. R. Pendergraph

"We want the revival to go on" was the unanimous cry of the people of the Round Top Missionary Baptist Church in Severns Valley Association when Bro. Charles Ham brought the "Eight-day Rural Church Revival" to a close on the last Sunday evening of the program.

With the church calling for a continuation of the evangelistic emphasis, Bro. Vernon Talley, the pastor of the Round Top congregation, agreed to continue the services and do the preaching himself. The meeting was continued until Wednesday night and during those additional days six people made professions of faith.

On the first Sunday afternoon of the Program, eighteen workers volunteered to work with Bro. Ham and Pastor Talley. During the survey, eighty-five homes were contacted revealing three-hundred possibilities for the Sunday school and one-hundred and fifty for the Training Union with a total possible income of five-thousand dollars if the whole membership tithed.

In addition to the regular emphasis to our whole church program, Bro. Ham and Bro. Talley led the church to set up a church budget for three-thousand four hundred and seventy-four dollars. This is more than a thousand dollar increase over the last year's budget.

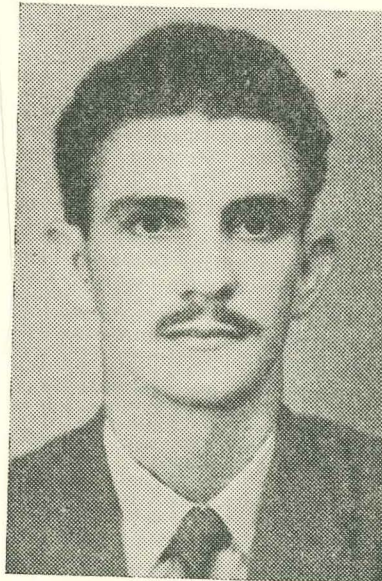
A study was made as to the possibility of putting on a church bus or whether it would be more feasible to establish a branch Sunday school with the hope of reaching some territory that is not now being reached.

It is difficult to say which emphasis in the Eight-Day Program is of greatest value. However, it can be said of the survey that it serves a manifold purpose. It is to discover the possibilities—membership and financial, and lead the membership in the discovery of these possibilities for themselves that they might witness to the lost and have opportunity to encourage the Christians who have grown lax in their Christian responsibilities. The simple question "Are you a Christian?" can have a tremendous impact upon an unsaved person. It can shock a person into a sensibility of their soul's need—especially is this true if the worker will use his Bible or else leave some good tracts for the lost to read that the Spirit might have a tool with which to work conviction.

Sometimes I have called Corrente, as I call Mars Hill, North Carolina, a holy land of our faith. There lonely Bibles made lonely but vigorous Baptists and set them to work in a Sunday school and school of their making before ever preachers or colporteurs came.—William C. Taylor, missionary to Brazil.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

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



Rev. Luciano Marquez



Dr. Cort R. Flint

STATE R. A. CAMPS
Intermediates—June 22-26
Juniors—June 29-July 3

Have you ever met an R. A. Secretary from another country?

Rev. Luciano Marquez, the Royal Ambassador Secretary for Cuba, will be one of the missionaries at State R. A. camps. He is a man every boy ought to know. He directs the R. A. work and camps in his country, Cuba. We are fortunate to have him in Kentucky this summer. He will also serve as our summer R. A. worker.

Rev. Tom Francis, returned missionary to Palestine will also be at these two weeks of camp. He is a native Kentuckian. He has many good pictures of the Bible Land which he will show.

David Davila, a Cuban college student will assist these two in mission periods, movies, and getting to know each camper personally during the week.

INTERMEDIATES! This is the FIRST time we have attempted to have an Intermediate State R. A. Camp. Intermediates like to do some things that Juniors don't care anything about, and vice-versa. Be sure your Intermediates know about this week. They can attend a week of camp before starting to work for the summer. A good program is planned for Intermediates the first week and Juniors the second week.

Dr. Cort R. Flint will be the Camp Pastor during Junior week, June 29-July 3. Many boys will remember him from last year as our camp Pastor for

one week. Dr. Flint is the administrative assistant at the Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, and pastor of Lynn Acres Baptist Church. Boys who know him think he's great—he not only has the worship period but plays ball, swims, eats, and takes part in all activities at camp.

Rev. Samuel Byler, pastor of Memorial Baptist Church, Murray, is camp pastor for Intermediate week, June 22-26. He is a friend of Youth, a singer, instrumentalist, as well as a good pastor.

Recreational director for both weeks is Rev. Calvin Fields, pastor at Fleming, Ky. Water front director for Intermediate week is Rev. Earl S. Bell, Pastor at Versailles, Ky.; second week, Rev. Richard Lucas, a Seminary student. "Dick" dedicated his life to the ministry during an R. A. camp in Tennessee. Music for both weeks will be directed by William McElrath, Associational R. A. Leader for Blood River Association. He is to graduate from Murray State Teacher's College and will enter the Seminary this fall. Gordon Curl is to be pianist, Carvel Baker is handicraft director, and Robin Northcutt the bugler again—all are from Louisville.

DON'T MISS THE GREATEST EVENT IN R. A. HISTORY—FIRST CONVENTION R. A. CONGRESS

August 18-20, 1953, Atlanta, Ga.

1. Make your congress reservations now. Explanation and reservation form came out in the February issue of "Am-

bassador Life" (R. A. Magazine). A printed sheet of information concerning Chartered buses for Kentucky boys and counselors (men and women) was sent to almost every officer whose name and address we have on W. M. U. files here at the office. The April 9 issue of Western Recorder carried this congress information.

2. Make your reservation (send \$2) to Atlanta, Ga.—NOW. (Use the form from Ambassador Life.)

3. Contact one of the four men in charge of Chartered buses—NOW. (If you need any information about these buses, please write Royal Ambassadors, Baptist Building, 127 E. Broadway, Louisville 2, Ky.)

4. More than 6,000 boys and their counselors, pastors, and others interested in Royal Ambassadors, will attend this First Convention R. A. Congress—

KENTUCKY OUGHT TO HAVE A GOOD NUMBERS TO GO (Twenty-two from Kentucky have already made reservations). **SEND AT LEAST ONE BOY FROM YOUR CHURCH.**

NEW STEWARDSHIP BOOKS

Two new stewardship publications are ready for you.

First, there is a new study book for W. M. S. and Y. W. A., *Sacrifice and Song* by Mrs. Foy J. Farmer. The book is small and abounds in quotations and illustrations, which make it interesting to read and easy to teach. It is especially good for study in circles and for all-day classes in the associations. The paper bound copy is ready for sale at the Baptist Book Store, price 35c. After June 1 you can buy the Teacher's Edition, which will be an attractive book with stiff binding containing teaching helps, price \$1.00. This will be not only of great help to teachers but a valuable addition to your church library.

With the publication of this book the course of graded stewardship books is complete. We have every reason to be proud of them. From leaders everywhere comes the word that the young people love their stewardship books: *These Dared to Share* for Intermediates; *Genny, Penny and Kan* for Juniors; *Bonny Baptist and the Sunbeams* for Sunbeams. Pupil's edition for the intermediate book is 50c and Teacher's edition \$1. For the other two books the price is 35c for the book and teaching helps for junior book is 10c and for the Sunbeam book, 15c.

The other book ready for you is the *Stewardship Scrapbook*. This is a collection of stewardship material; Outlines for talks, poems, short quotations, stories, poster designs, seasonal suggestions and other things which will help in stewardship presentations. It is a WMU publication and is to be ordered from the Birmingham office, price 25c.

Pastor and Layman Conferences

Two conferences for pastors and laymen will be sponsored by the Kentucky Baptist Rural Church Program at two of our Baptist colleges on the following dates: Bethel College, June 8-9 and Campbellsville College, June 11-12. Pastors are invited to bring their wives and to spend both days. Room and Board will be furnished at the college for the out of town guests. Persons staying over night are asked to bring their bedding and towels.

Conferences will begin at 9:45 a.m. on the first morning and continue through the afternoon. Evening services will start at 7:45. On the second morning the conference will begin at 9:30. The local people are urged to attend all of these services, especially the evening sessions which will be held in the college chapels.

Local papers will carry a more detailed account of the conferences.

S. P. Burkhalter is New Promoter of Temperance League of Kentucky

The Temperance League of Kentucky recently launched a great Twentieth Century Temperance Crusade to combat the evil effects of the liquor traffic. The Crusade has a ten point program. One of the most important aims is an educational program in the high schools throughout the state, teaching our boys and girls through films, object lessons and spoken message the deadly effects of alcoholic beverages.

The Rev. S. P. Burkhalter of Louisville, Ky., a young Baptist minister who was educated at Georgetown College and the Southern Baptist Seminary, has been secured as director of youth work and visual education. Since the middle of March, he has visited more than 70 High Schools in Kentucky and has presented his film and message to over 17,000 students.

The Temperance League will be glad to make available his services during the school vacation for Summer Camps, Bible Conferences, Training Schools, G. A. and R. A. Camps. A 21-minute film entitled, "It's the brain that counts," has proved most effective among High School students. Mr. Burkhalter is a professional artist and an amateur magician. His ability in both fields, together with a most pleasing personality, has endeared him to the hearts of the youth with whom he has come into

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contact. His chalk talks, gospel object lessons and scriptural lessons from the use of magical tricks, have made his ministry quite popular with the young folks.

Those who desire the services of Mr.



S. P. Burkhalter

Burkhalter may communicate with the Rev. Walter C. House, executive director, Temperance League of Kentucky, 210 McDowell Building, Louisville 2, Ky.

Cooperative Program Receipts

By W. C. Boone, General Secretary

Our Cooperative Program goal for this Associational year, November 1, 1953, to October 31, 1953, is \$1,600,000. For the first six months we have actually received \$801,276.77, which just exceeds the goal for the first half of the year. This is an increase over the same period last year of \$73,473.52.

A list of all churches making gifts through the Cooperative Program was published in the *Western Recorder* of May 28. Is your church in this list?

A supplementary offering for the causes included in the Cooperative Program is being taken in June. If you have not made an offering this year; or if you can add to your offering already made, or "catch up" with unpaid pledges, please use this opportunity.

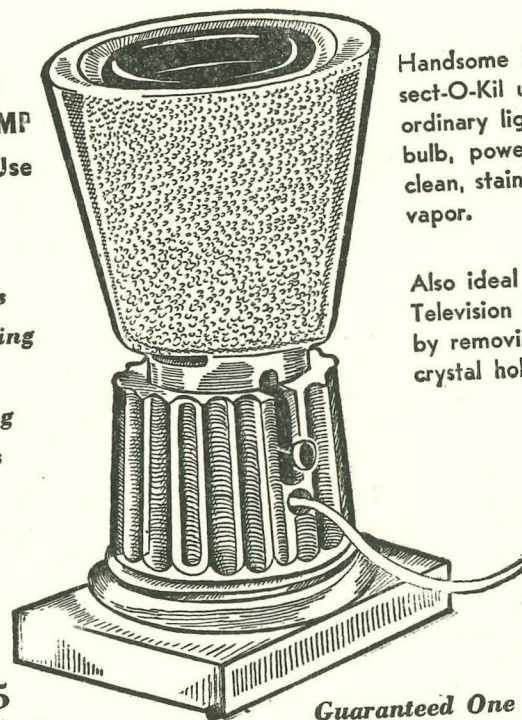
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Southern Seminary Graduates 225 on April 30

Thirty-five Kentuckians were among the 225 students receiving degrees in the annual commencement exercises at Southern Seminary, Louisville, April 30.

Speaking to the graduates in Alumni Memorial Chapel, Dr. Duke K. McCall, president of the Seminary, reminded them that there is more to a theological education than the earning of a degree. "The emphasis which has been the focus of the teaching which has been yours has at best been only a limited thing," he said. "If, thirty years hence you have no better emphasis than the emphasis you take away today, then we here have failed you, and you have failed to understand essentially what we were trying to do."

Calling attention to the relativity of the theological training received by the graduates, Dr. McCall pointed out that it had been given "in the perspective of this particular hour." "If we could look from the perspective of God," he continued, "I dare say we have hardly begun."

"If you would really like to know what this faculty is trying to make out of you, I suggest that you study the life of Dr. William Owen Carver," said Dr. McCall, paying tribute to 84 year old Professor Emeritus Carver, who continues to be active in Seminary and

denominational life, and who participated in the commencement exercises. "He has gone on until tomorrow adding to his store of information," continued Dr. McCall, "and yet he would be the first to say, I have not yet attained."

In the baccalaureate sermon, April 29, Dr. James L. Sullivan, Executive Secretary-Elect of the Sunday School Board, admonished the graduates to practice the presence of God. "There is loneliness in leadership," he said. "You are in for some lonely days if God is not your closest friend. But there is no need to walk alone," Dr. Sullivan pointed out. "There is room enough for God to walk by your side."—Office of Public Relations, S.B.T.S.

Total Mission Gifts Show Increase For '53

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative Program receipts for the first four months of this year are \$3,248,533.13. This shows an increase of \$351,428.18 or 12.13 per cent for the same period last year. The figures were released by Porter Routh, treasurer of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Designated gifts are up 20.37 per cent over last year for the same period, a gain of \$682,073.98.

Total gifts including both Cooperative Program and designated gifts increased 16.55 per cent or \$1,033,502.16.

Summer Student Mission Program This Year One Of the Largest

Our summer student Mission program this year is one of the largest we have had, if not the largest.

At present there are 35 appointees working in 27 fields. These students greatly aid the missionaries during the busy summer months by working in Daily Vacation Bible Schools and assisting in other ways.

Assignments are usually made for a period of ten weeks, depending on local conditions. The workers are: Rev. and Mrs. Jerome Berbard; Rev. and Mrs. Joe Profit; Rev. and Mrs. Leroy Blewer; Rev. and Mrs. Cleon Webb; Rev. and Mrs. James Willard Jarvis; Charley Steely; Lois French; Wesley Powers; Joyce Bandy; Albert E. Griffin; Mary C. Dykes; Lloyd Birch; Carl Baldrige; Nita Owens; James Hightower; Iris Franks; Christine Basil; Jewell Baldock; Patsy Soonamore; John Wright; Ruth Ellen Bussey; Lois Monahan; Dorothy Walker; Caroline Caudill; Jean Hinton; Nina Warren; Nora E. Rhodus; Divina Doris Key; and Margaret Berryman.

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Home Missions Advance Through Buildings and New Missionaries

During the past six months the Home Mission Board has expended for the purchase of building sites, the construction of buildings, and repairs and equipment for home mission buildings a total of \$343,425.16. While dollars do not indicate progress the expenditure of home mission money for new property and the improvement of old property is an indication of active missionary endeavor.

New Missionaries

During April and May a number of new missionaries have been added to the home mission staff. Besides the 350 summer student missionaries who are now going into the field and other student missionaries whose status has changed, a number of new couples have entered upon full-time service.

Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Candal are assuming responsibility for the Italian church in Birmingham, Alabama, while Rev. and Mrs. Frank DiMaggio, who will retire at the end of the present year, have gone afield in Schools of Missions for the rest of the year.

Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Jee are entering upon new responsibilities as Mr. Jee becomes superintendent of the Men's Rescue Mission in New Orleans. During his seminary days Mr. Jee has been assistant superintendent. Upon his graduation from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary he has been named superintendent in the place of Rev. C. K. Rand, who will give his full time to a ministry to Catholics, a field in which he has rendered a growing service.

Miss Helen R. Hansell, RN, who has been doing part-time service in Woman's Emergency Home, New Orleans, has been named to full-time service upon completion of her seminary training.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles R. Overholser and Rev. John W. McCandless have been named missionaries to the deaf, the Overholser in Phoenix, Arizona, and Mr. McCandless at Columbia, South Carolina.

Rev. and Mrs. Allen Morris have been named as missionaries to the Indians in Ada, Oklahoma, and Rev. Max Crow, Coppermine, Arizona.

Church Building Loans

During the first four months of 1953 the Church Building Loan Department approved church loans in the amount of \$537,100. Loans processed and completed during that period amounted to \$426,500.

In addition to the loans already made the department has loans approved and in process to the amount of \$572,000.

Total amount of church building loan funds owned by the Board is \$2,577,972. Practically all of that money is out in church loans. In order to process the loans which will be approved at the next meeting of the committee, the Board will borrow from Atlanta banks the cash necessary to complete the loans.

The rapid turnover of loan funds makes it possible for the Home Mission Board to keep lending money as payments on previous loans are made monthly. A larger amount in the loan funds would increase the service of the Board in building new churches.

Glorieta and Ridgecrest

Home Mission Weeks at Glorieta, June 22-28, and Ridgecrest, August 13-18, will feature missionary testimonies and the home mission task. At Glorieta Albert McClellan, H. H. Hobbs, and B. O. Herring are featured speakers and at Ridgecrest Rupert Coleman, T. B. Lackey, and W. A. Criswell.—John Caylor.

President Marshall to Conduct Tour This Summer

Plainview, Texas — A missionary journey for college students and youth leaders who want the rare experience of working with Southern Baptist missionaries and with consecrated and enthusiastic young men and women, has been planned for the summer of 1953 by Dr. J. W. Marshall, president of Wayland College, Plainview, Texas. Associate conductor is R. Jackie Robinson, young evangelist and former Olympic basketball star from Baylor University.

This journey will include the Baptist Youth World Conference in Rio de Janeiro, July 15-22, which brings together Baptist young people from around the world in a session comparable to the Baptist World Alliance. The group leaves Miami, Fla., by Brazilian International Airlines, June 23 and returns August 3. This 45-day all-expense air tour from Miami to Miami can be had for only \$970 according to Dr. Marshall.

Reservations should be made at once with Marshall World Tours, Plainview, for the remaining spaces. A deposit of \$50 is required.

To complete arrangements to give young people, ministers and youth leaders experiences that will enrich their lives and churches in which they hold membership, Dr. Marshall went to Brazil.

While there he was invited to bring his group to the annual Baptist Assembly at Recife, June 27 to July 4, and to have

charge of the entire evening programs. This assembly is similar to Ridgecrest and Glorieta.

Southern Baptist missionaries in Belo Horizonte also invited the Marshall group there for a five-day-wide revival, July 23 to July 29, when radio programs, street services, cottage prayer meetings and other group services will be used in an all out campaign. Opportunities for mission service will be afforded every member of the group.

The Brazilian Basketball Confederation officials have invited both a boys' and a girls' team to play against their best teams. Officials predict 10,000 spectators in three Brazilian cities. The girls' team will be made up of Wayland's Flying Queens, who placed second in the 1953 AAU National Women's Tournament in April, but outstanding girl players may try for a berth on the team. The boys' team will be recruited from outstanding, consecrated Christian athletes, with Wayland players forming a nucleus.

Both teams will be coached by Jackie Robinson, who won fame for himself and Baylor University on the basketball courts. Between games, he will speak on "Clean Living." A unit of Wayland's colorful International A Cappella Choir, under the direction of Dr. Shelby Collier, augmented by musicians from other colleges, will perform. Robinson will extend an invitation to a youth rally the next day at which he and outstanding young preachers and laymen will speak and the Choir will sing sacred music in Portuguese and English.

The missionaries, with whom Dr. Marshall made arrangements for these appearances, think these fine Christian musicians and basketball players, supported by other members of the party, can do much for friendship between the two countries and also deal to lift Baptists up in Brazil.

Other cities on the tour schedule are: Belem, Salvador, Sao Paulo and Fortaleza with from four to six day stopovers being made at each place for missionary services. A leisurely arrangement of sightseeing at historic and beauty spots as well as mission stations in and near these cities has been made.—Ailese Parten, Wayland College, Plainview, Texas.

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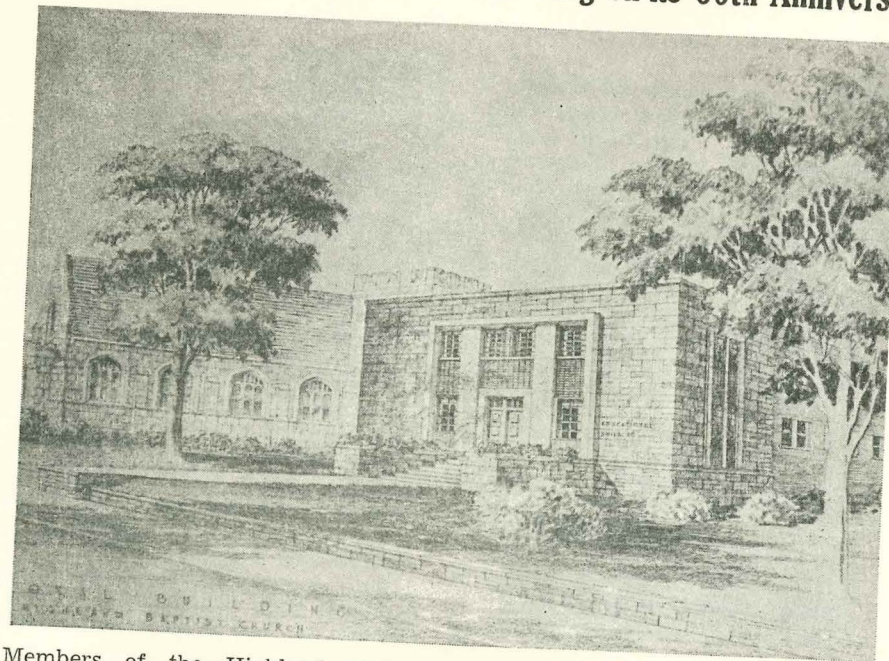
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Louisville Area News

Highland Breaks Ground for New Building on its 60th Anniversary



Members of the Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky observed the Sixtieth Anniversary of their church Sunday, May 10, by breaking ground for a \$250,000 Educational Building.

The planned 3-story building south of the church on Cherokee Road will include classrooms, a recreation area, a suite of offices, a library, a graded nursery, a music department, and facilities for dramatics and scouting.

Two of three living charter members

of the church officiated at the ground-breaking. They are Misses Louise and Florence Tucker. The other charter member is Mrs. Eva Roberts, who is now a member of Deer Park Baptist Church.

Mr. Ernest Loessner, faculty member of the new School of Religious Education at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, gave the ground-breaking address. Dr. T. D. Brown, Sr., former pastor of the church, gave the 60th Anniversary sermon.

Campbellville's Youth Team Visits a Service At Lewisport Church

LEWISPORT, Ky. — The Lewisport Baptist Church received a great blessing from a recent visit of a youth team from Campbellville College. The team conducted the week-end services May 8-10. The Sunday attendance was outstanding, with a modern record attendance in the Training Union, which had sponsored the series of youth services. The Sunday morning attendance was the second highest in the history of the church. Even more important was the fact that God gave these young people souls for their effort. Two young men accepted Christ as Saviour and another rededicated his life to Christ at the close of the Sunday evening service.

The team was composed of Raymond Magruder, speaker; Jack Willet, artist and speaker; Wade McKinley, song leader; Miss Cathy Colvin, soloist; Miss Ella Mae Kelley, organist; and Miss Juanita Singleton, who was a member

of the Lewisport Church before entering Campbellville College.

Our people were well pleased with the work of these young people. We feel that a week-end visit by youth teams from our Baptist colleges would prove to be a great blessing to any of our churches.—A. F. Connor, pastor.

Cloverport Baptists To Have New Building

CLOVERPORT, Ky. — The present building of the Cloverport Baptist Church, near the L. and N. Railroad tracks, where it has worshipped since soon after the Civil War, 1876, has long been inadequate, so plans by Mr. Hardie C. Bass, Sunday School Board architect, and the Robertson Lumber Company, were recently adopted by the church.

The auditorium and class rooms will be erected on a lot overlooking the Ohio River, near the place where Abraham Lincoln is said to have crossed the River. The structure will be frame with brick veneer. The auditorium will have a seating capacity of 400 and the

educational facilities will provide for more than that.

Plans are now under way to start work on the structure in about six weeks. Rev. G. C. Sandusky is pastor of the church and Mr. F. L. Snyder is chairman of the Building Committee. Mr. Dan Hendrick, mayor of Cloverport, is treasurer of the Building Fund. Said fund is expected to reach \$18,000 by the end of this month.

The new building will be erected by degrees. After the frame structure is under roof, it may be necessary to wait a while before proceeding further. It is hoped that the long cherished dreams of members will be realized in the not-too-distant future.

Highland Park's First Church Marks Tenth Anniversary of McElroy

The Highland Park First Baptist Church observed the tenth anniversary of Pastor, E. H. McElroy, on Sunday, April 26.

A presentation was made at the morning worship to state the appreciation of the church for the pastor's faithful service. There was a fellowship hour after the worship on Sunday evening in the church basement, with approximately 350 in attendance.

The outstanding aspects of his min-



Pastor and Mrs. McElroy Cutting the Tenth Anniversary Cake

istry are: 388 baptisms, 297 by letter; total offering \$211,013.05, local expenses \$112,195.35, missions \$43,517.68, and the building fund and checking account \$55,400.

Pastor McElroy is a native of Mississippi and a graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

All-Church Membership Training School and Revival Held at Frankfort

FRANKFORT, Ky. — The annual All-Church Membership Training School, which took place recently in our church,



Al Walsh

was a glowing success and benediction to our entire church life.

Miss Ray Robinson, director of our Training Union, is to be commended and congratulated for her continued labor of love in this glorious field of endeavor. Miss Robinson has led our Training Union for some twenty years with zest, poise, consecration and enthusiasm. The great host of boys and girls of other years, and now men and women, scattered to the ends of the earth, rise up and call her blessed.

Miss Robinson secured this year, as always, an alert and commendable faculty. The classes, teachers and books taught during this meaningful week included:

Juniors 9-10—"Baptist Junior Union Manual," taught by Tom Bray; Intermediates 13-14—"Baptist Intermediate Union Manual," taught by John Claypool; Intermediates 15-16—"Witnessing for Christ," taught by Bill Causey; Young People—"Winning Others to Christ," taught by John McClanahan (all the foregoing teachers being students of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary); Young Adults—"Homes That Last," taught by Deacon John L. Vickers; Adults—"God's Hurry," taught by

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Pastor Fred T. Moffatt, Sr.; and Leaders and Sponsors—"The Christian in the Modern World," taught by Deacon J. J. Leary.

This triumphant week was brought to a climax with the annual banquet with some 225 present. The Pastor was the toastmaster. Dr. H. Leo Eddleman of the faculty of the Southern Baptist



Ivy Walsh

Seminary was the guest speaker. The artistic decorations—the holy fellowship the beautiful music—the masterful and never to be forgotten challenge as Dr. Eddleman poured out his heart in Christian love for God and the church of Jesus Christ will be for us a fond memory while life shall last.

Revival services as scheduled April 19-26 were owned and blessed of God.

In preparation for this season of spiritual refreshing, we had a six weeks' Christ-Centered Crusade. The membership was divided in groups of not more than twelve persons to a group. The some 156 group captains visited in the homes of those assigned to his group. The attendance of the entire membership was recorded for both worship services each Lord's Day during the six weeks of the Crusade. Needless to say, as a result of this visitation and personal work by this corps of dedicated and consecrated members of the congregation, the attendance at the services overflowed the sanctuary at almost every service. Many were received into the membership of the church on profession of faith and by letter.

The last week of the Crusade, April 19-26, included the Revival proper. Dr. Fred T. Moffatt was pastor evangelist. Ivy and Al Walsh directed the music during the days of revival. Al Walsh is a veteran of World War II, having served in the Pacific Theater as an infantryman. His fine baritone voice and quick wit, combined with Ivy's charm and ability, make an unusual and interesting team. Blending their voices with Ivy's famous accordion, they have sung their way into the hearts of

thousands through the medium of radio, concert and tours into Veterans and Military Base hospitals and countless churches all over the United States. We can testify without reservation that the Walshes are perhaps the most talented and dedicated musicians that we have ever been associated with in the work of the Lord.

The attendance at the revival services was the largest in recent years. During the Christ-Centered Crusade and the revival and including the Sunday following the revival the Lord blessed us with 63 additions.

Ashland's Carroll Hubbard Preaches in Revival at The Georgetown Church

GEORGETOWN, Ky. — The Georgetown Baptist Church experienced a good revival meeting April 5-17. Rev. Carroll Hubbard, pastor of First Baptist Church of Ashland, Kentucky, brought dynamic Spirit-filled messages in both morning and evening services. In addition, he spoke in the chapel services of Garth High School and Georgetown College, as well as on other occasions.

The Junior choir singing and special musical numbers were under the direction of Prof. A. G. Thomson, band director in Georgetown College. Dr. E. Lowell Adams, pastor of the church, directed the youth-adult choir and the congregational singing and used the piano accordion for vocal solo work on several occasions.

The Lord blessed the meeting with forty-one decisions—twenty-nine by baptism, eight by letter, one by statement, and three by rededication.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hopkins Richards have announced the approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Norma Ann Richards, to Mr. James Hiram Bowling at the First Baptist Church, Ashland, Kentucky, Tuesday, June 9. The bride-to-be was student secretary in Bowling Green and also W. M. U. Camp Worker. The groom-to-be is a student at Southern Seminary.

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Young People Have Charge of Affairs in Fort Thomas Church

FT. THOMAS, Ky.—The Young people of the First Baptist Church of Fort Thomas took over the major positions of leadership during the second week of April. The entire evening service was presented by the young people, including the special music and a dramatic presentation of, "WHO IS THIS?" On Wednesday evening, at the quarterly church conference, the youth pastor-moderator, Dick McCracken, presided at the various meetings of those offices whose jobs they were filling. The picture contains the following (Seated, left to right): Jackie Rhoads, Ann Sporing, Beverly Boehme, Anne Lee, Kay Riches, Dick McCracken, Merrie Bruce, Carolyn



Wilson, Louise Stamler, Barbara Holschuh, and Carolyn Tablor. Standing: Carolyn Jones, Catherine Betz, Jerry Spade, Bob Moore, John Chapel, Ron Dick McCracken, Merrie Bruce, Carolyn

Frank Brannock, Gordon Jackson, Ernie Taylor, Bruce Rath, Dick Warren, Jack Gosney, Ann Leachman and Nancy Rhoads.—Photograph by courtesy of a local newspaper.

North Bend Holds R. A. Conclave at Ludlow



Group attending R. A. Conclave at the First Baptist Church, Ludlow, Kentucky

The annual Royal Ambassador's Conclave of the North Bend Association was held on Friday evening and Saturday, April 24-25, at the First Baptist Church, Ludlow, Kentucky. An excellent program was prepared by Tommy Herron, associational R. A. leader, and Albert Pack of Crescent Springs, ambassador in chief, presided over the meetings.

The Conclave began on Friday evening with a banquet, prepared by the women of the Ludlow Church. There were 135 paid registrations which gave a good attendance.

Rev. H. E. Baer, missionary to the

Navajo Indians, near Flagstaff, Arizona, was the principal speaker on Friday night. There were 12 professions of faith, one of which was a Catholic boy, and 16 dedications to special Christian service. Rev. Baer is an excellent speaker for boys groups.

On Saturday morning the boys heard from Miss Mary Gould, missionary to Thailand, and Rev. James P. Kirk, missionary to Brazil. Rev. A. I. Bagby, missionary to Brazil, brought several numbers on the piano.

The program was concluded on Saturday evening with a very fine message by Rev. Charles L. Garringer, pas-

tor of the Southside Baptist Church, Covington.

The R. A. Chapter of the New Bethel Baptist Church at Verona took the trophy for the second time, Union was second and Ludlow third.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, MAY 24, 1953

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Paducah, East	143	453
First	139	659
Immanuel	159	699
Oaklawn	206	206
Trinity	104	293
Twelfth St.	398	398
Paintsville, First	57	255
Pikeville, First	235	235
Pineville, First	132	414
Prestonsburg, First	249	249
Princeton, First	118	118
Northside	241	241
Second	96	247
Russellville, First	65	374
Somerset, First	700	700
Pleasant Hill No. 2	68	251
Sonora	82	294
Springfield	438	438
Stanford	69	293
Sturgis, First	242	242
Versailles	401	401
Clover Bottom	81	81
Whitesburg, First	390	390
Williamsburg, First	47	464
Main Street	54	204
Willisburg	69	278
Winchester, Central	489	489
First	417	417

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Francis L. Cordrey is Ordained to Ministry by Campbellsville Church

CAMPBELLVILLE, Ky. — At the request of the Ottawa Baptist Church near Mount Vernon, Ky., an invitation was extended to pastors and deacons to assemble at the Campbellsville Baptist Church on March 17, 1953, at seven o'clock for the purpose of examining Bro. Francis L. Cordrey as to his soundness in the faith and fitness for the Gospel ministry.

Twelve ministers and deacons responded to this call and by a motion made and passed by the members of the Campbellsville Baptist Church the following men were authorized to serve as the ordination council: W. R. Simmone, B. E. Settles, R. M. Riche, D. P. Curry, T. S. Curry, Sr., Roy O. Chumbler, J. V. Mullins, Howard Wright, Elby Frost, J. Chester Badgett and L. C. Parrott.

This council organized by electing J. Chester Badgett, host pastor, to serve as moderator and L. C. Parrott to act as clerk.

The following order of service was suggested and approved by the council: Interrogation by W. R. Simmone of the South Campbellsville Baptist Church. Charges by B. E. Settles of Pikes Ridge Baptist Church in the Russell Creek Association with other churches elsewhere. Message by J. Chester Badgett, pastor of the Campbellsville Baptist Church. Ordination Prayer by Elby Frost of the Watts Creek Baptist Church near the Ottawa Baptist Church.

After a very thorough examination of Baptist doctrine and polity, a motion was passed by the council to approve Bro. Cordrey as to his soundness in the faith, genuineness of conversion and call, and fitness for the Gospel Ministry. The church then authorized the council to proceed with the ordination service which was done according to the approved order or service. Following the ordination prayer Bro. Cordrey remained on his knees while the council followed the New Testament pattern of Laying on of Hands.

R. M. Rice, senior deacon in the Campbellsville Baptist Church, acting on behalf of the church, spoke concerning the significance of the Bible and presented Brother Cordrey with a copy of the Bible.

Mrs. Cordrey was called to the side of her husband and reminded that this would be her rightful place throughout his ministry. Brother Cordrey led in the closing prayer and the couple remained at the front of the church as those present came to give them the hand of Christian love and encouragement. The five visitors from the Ottawa Baptist

Church were invited to come first and greet their pastor, now fully ordained, and his wife. They were invited to take their places by their pastor and wife as the others present extended to them the hand of brotherly love and fellowship.

An ordination certificate was signed by those ordained men who assisted in the ordination and presented to Bro. Cordrey by L. C. Parrott, clerk on behalf of the Campbellsville Baptist Church.

Springfield Church Ordains James Crutcher, New Pastor at Stewart's Creek



The Springfield Baptist Church ordained Brother James Crutcher to the Gospel ministry. He is pastor of the Stewart's Creek Baptist Church.

Donald M. Randolph Completes First Year at Emmanuel Church of Monticello

MONTICELLO, Ky. — Brother Donald M. Randolph, whose home is in Harlan, Ky., and who spent six years of his early life in the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home, at Glendale, Kentucky, completed his first year with us as our pastor on Sunday, March 29, 1953.

Brother Randolph came to us from Carnesville, Georgia, where he was in the Lord's work. The first Sunday Brother Randolph preached for us, we had an attendance of 48 in the Sunday school; the last Sunday in March, 1953, we had an attendance of 153 in Sunday school, and we have organized a Training Union with an enrollment of 54 and an average attendance of 45.

We are a growing church. It has been

necessary to expend considerable money in keeping with the church program, and in making preparation for our class rooms and nursery and the remodeling program for the church building generally. We enlarged our church budget from \$5,200 to \$7,500, and have added to our membership something like 36 members in the last year.

The Lord has blessed the Immanuel Baptist Church in many ways. He made it possible for us to preach the Gospel and remain faithful to the commission given His Church. He has given us great preachers and teachers, who shun not to declare the whole counsel of God. We expect to have a homecoming for the church this summer, and hope to have our former pastors with us on the program. For all of our progress, we thank God daily, that He may have the glory.—W. C. Dabney, Clerk.

First Brotherhood in Freedom Association Organized at Albany

ALBANY, Ky. — The W. M. S. of the Albany Baptist Church prepared a fine supper for the men of the church recently. Rev. Roy Boatwright, state Sunday school secretary, was guest speaker. The purpose of the meeting was to plan the organization of a men's Brotherhood.

The men had their second meeting in April, and officially organized with 17 men present. A fine program from the Brotherhood Journal was presented by the men themselves. Brother Russell Long was elected president. Color slides were shown by the pastor and refreshments were served.

A definite interest was shown in both meetings and the men have plans for a good work for the Lord. This is the first Brotherhood to be organized in the Freedom Association.—H. C. Blair.

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Layman R. R. Williams is honored by Men of Wing Avenue, Owensboro



Pictured above are the men of Wing Avenue Baptist Church, Owensboro, Kentucky. Recently the church observed "Bob Williams Day" in honor of this layman's untiring efforts for the work in this new church field. Mr. R. R. Williams is a deacon of the First Baptist Church, and chairman of the Wing Avenue Committee. During the four years of his labor he has seen this mission grow to an average attendance in Sunday school of 180 and an average of 95 in Training Union.

J. D. Burklow Leaves Caldwell County Church For Emmanuel, Albion, Ill.

STURGIS, Ky. — Pastor J. D. Burklow, of Old Bethel Baptist Church here, has been called to the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Albion, Illinois, as its pastor. He took up his new duties May 3.

Brother Burklow has been pastor of Old Bethel Church a year and a half. During his leadership here 106 were saved and baptized and 30 came by letter. The meeting house was redecorated both inside and outside, and the yard was graded and driveways graveled. A bus was added, picking up members from Caseyville, DeKoven and Henshaw. The Sunday school has become standard, with the enrollment now at 191, and the average attendance 133. The church enrolment is about 200. The Training Union and Sunday school won the banners for several months.

There were three licensed preachers and Rev. Charles Burklow was ordained at Old Bethel April 26. There were professions of faith practically every Sunday, with Pastor Burklow baptizing as many as sixteen on some Sundays.

The church had part time services when he became pastor, but soon the

program was full-time. One Catholic woman was saved and he baptized her. She had been a Catholic 22 years.

The church also ordained seven deacons while he was here. He held a revival at Caseyville, in which there were 36 professions of faith and four rededications. He has just closed a three weeks' revival at the Emmanuel Baptist Church, with 39 professions of faith.

Brother Burklow has been in the ministry three years next October. When he started his ministry at Old Bethel, the church had six active members. He is a veteran of World War II, and was saved in a fox hole in Germany in 1944. He is twenty-eight years of age, and is called "The Evangelist Paul" by those who know him.

The Sunday school attendance became



J. D. Burklow

so large that two classes were held in the church bus. A new building was planned for this summer.

Jerry Martin, secretary of the First Baptist Church's Sunday school at Providence, reports an attendance of 230 in their Sunday school, May 3. This is a substantial increase over their usual attendance, which he says is a result of a wonderful revival conducted by Pastor Harold D. Tallant, Madisonville. The pastor of the Providence church is Brother Benjamin Connaway.

From May 3-13 Dr. A. M. Vollmer, Secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Foundation, preached in revival services at the Audubon Baptist Church, Henderson, Ky. There were thirty-seven people received into the membership of the church, twenty-one by baptism, and sixteen by letter. Malcolm L. Huff, of Evansville, Ind., directed the music. John R. Flynn is the pastor of the church.

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By H. C. Chiles

Paul and the Gospel of Grace

Galatians 2:1-10, 19-21

Paul and Barnabas had earnestly preached the gospel of Christ in Antioch. Multitudes had heard their faithful proclamation of the glorious doctrine of salvation by grace through faith in Christ. Many of them believed on Christ and were happy in the wonderful salvation which they had received from Him.

I. The Contention.

To contradict the preaching of Paul and Barnabas, certain Judaizers from Jerusalem went to Antioch and taught that it was not enough for Gentiles to exercise faith in Christ. They categorically denied the ability of Christ to save. They declared very emphatically that believers in Christ could not be saved unless they also submitted to circumcision and kept the Mosaic law. They contended that, if one is saved, grace must be supplemented by works.

Since Paul and Barnabas had taught them that works have nothing to do with obtaining salvation, but that works are always the fruit instead of the foundation of salvation, it was only natural that the attempt of these Judaizers to add something to the finished work of Christ, by saying that circumcision was necessary to salvation, brought great confusion and strong contention. The agitation of these false teachers caused a great controversy over the question, Can Jesus Christ save a soul, or does salvation come through Christ plus something else? And this controversy has never ended.

It is noteworthy that Christianity alone teaches salvation by grace through faith in Christ. All other religions teach that salvation is dependent in part upon human works. According to the Word of God, salvation in any manner other than by grace through faith in Christ is an absolute impossibility. Any other plan of salvation is unscriptural and foreign to Christianity, no matter by whom nor where it is taught.

It is not at all surprising that some of the Jews had difficulty in understanding this message of salvation by grace through faith in Christ, because the proud heart of man does not like the idea that it cannot do something to help save itself. Somehow man feels that there is something he can and ought to do to assist the Lord in saving him, but man never has done, and never will do, what God plainly says

in His Word is an utter impossibility for him to do.

II. The Council.

Paul and Barnabas refuted the false teachings of these unnamed teachers, but they were not able to persuade them to repudiate their pernicious and erroneous doctrines. While Paul was considering the advisability of going to Jerusalem to confer with the apostles and the elders about this exceedingly important matter, he received a special revelation from God directing him to make the trip. This revelation gave Paul the absolute assurance that it was the will of God for him to go to Jerusalem in order that he might confer with the church leaders there about this important matter. At His direction, and without hesitation, they made the journey.

Upon their arrival in Jerusalem, a cordial reception awaited Paul and his associates. They were grateful for the cordial, attentive and sympathetic hearing which they received. In this conference Paul informed them accurately as to his message, and he stated his case in a very convincing manner. None of those men who occupied an official position and enjoyed a splendid reputation were able to communicate any additional information or revelation to Paul.

III. The Confirmation.

James, Peter and John, three of the reputed pillars of the church in Jerusalem, readily recognized that Paul had preached the gospel of grace as being wholly sufficient for salvation as the Lord had revealed that glorious truth to him. He had received his message from the Lord, so they did not have the desire or the ability to add anything to it. As an evidence of their recognition of the authority of Paul and Barnabas, of their hearty agreement with their message, and of their unreserved endorsement of their work, these leaders gave to them the right hands of fellowship, signifying that they were on an equality with them. It was a formal recognition of their work among the Gentiles as being on an equality with their own work. This confirmation was without reservation and was most encouraging to those who received it. Thus, the blessed truth of salvation by grace through faith in Christ, plus nothing, was restated in a crystal-clear fashion.

IV. The Claim. Galatians 2:19-21.

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Surely we are agreed that no man ever lived a more heroic and victorious life than did Paul. His life was certainly exemplary in many respects. And what Christ did for him He can do for us. Paul's claim, "I am crucified with Christ," means, "I, with all the hope, emotions and aims that are centered in myself, am absolutely crucified."

Thus, Paul informed the Galatians, and us, that a great change had been wrought in him. His life was altogether different from what it had been in previous years. To him, Christ within meant refreshment, enjoyment and abiding strength for the daily tasks of life. He had allowed Christ's will to replace his will, and Christ's presence filled his soul so completely that he was able to do His will in a remarkable way. When Christ lives in us, the transformation is surprising, and life takes on a new meaning.

As children of God, and with His enablement, we can and should reduce to reality the splendid ideal here set before us. Each of us should strive to live so that we can truthfully say, with Paul, "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I that live, but Christ liveth in me; and that life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith which is in the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me."

Survey Shows Faithfulness

PLANT CITY, Fla. — (BP) — Out of twenty-one people who joined the First Baptist Church here in a one week revival conducted ten years ago, sixteen are still active members and five have joined other churches. L. Don Miley, pastor, said that a check on the meeting revealed unusually high faithfulness.

In March, 1943, the pastor conducted his first revival at this church. He was disappointed because so few came, but a survey this year revealed that it was a very profitable meeting.

Of the sixteen who still are active in his church, he found that one is a football coach, another is a dentist, four are public school teachers and four are Sunday school teachers. One is a Training Union Director. Three are members of the senior choir. One has directed the youth choir, served as church organist, and is now organist for a neighboring church. One is a volunteer for special service. Another is a deacon, assistant treasurer and chairman of the ushers. One young man has been ordained to the ministry and will graduate from the Southern Baptist Seminary in June, and another young person was married at the close of service Easter Sunday morning.

Part of the Pastors Attending Fellowship And Missions Conference at Oneida



ONEIDA, Ky. — State Missionaries and Pastors from twenty-two Eastern Kentucky Associations met in the Annual Pastors Fellowship and Missions Conference at Oneida Baptist Institute on April 27-29, under the direction of Rev. M. Wendell Belew. Approximately seventy-five people registered for attendance at this conference.

Speakers and leaders for the conference included Dr. S. F. Dowis and Rev. A. B. Cash of the Home Mission Board;

Rev. Baynard F. Fox of the Relief and Annuity Board; Dr. W. C. Boone, Rev. Eldred Taylor and Rev. Wendell Belew of the State Mission Board. Among the highlights of the meeting each year is the outstanding Bible conference led by Dr. Dowis, who this year spoke on Phillipians. Conferences during the day on Missions, Evangelism and other denominational interests were held on Oneida Baptist Institute campus. The night services devoted to preaching were held in the Oneida Baptist Church.

Charles Jolly and the A. C. Chinn in Revival In West Virginia Church

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. — Pastor Charles Jolly, Roanoke, Va., was the evangelist assisting Pastor Ralph E. Webb in a revival at the Westmoreland Baptist Church here. Mr. Jolly recently went from the First Church, Pineville, Ky., to the Waverley Place Baptist Church, Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Chinn, Ashland, Ky., members of the Unity Baptist Church there, led the music.

There were some disturbing and discouraging incidents which happened during the meeting, especially the sickness and death of the only sister of Pastor Webb. But in spite of all difficulties, there were 17 additions to the church as candidates for baptism.

The Westmoreland Church is the only Southern Baptist church in Huntington

—a city of almost 100,000 people. Pastor Webb has been pastor here for five years.

Pastor John W. Kurtz, of the Westwood Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio, will be with Pastor Webb in the next meeting—this September.

Clear Creek Commencement

The Mountain Preachers Bible School, located at Clear Creek Springs, Pineville, Ky., closed its annual session on May 1 with a graduating class of 30 members. Dr. Harlan Harris, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Shelby, N.C., delivered the address to the graduates. Three of the graduating students were from the same city area as Dr. Harris.

Dr. L. C. Kelly, president of the school, delivered the achievement certificates to the graduates. He said it was the largest graduating class in the history of the school, and that the large number

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of graduates was a crown to a year that had brought other important achievements to the school. Two bridges had been built on the campus, a new faculty apartment building was nearing completion and the school's furniture factory had turned out \$80,000 in church furniture during the year.

The building construction and much of the work at the factory had been done by students who work to pay part of their expenses in the school. The enrollment for the past school year totaled 154 and represented 18 states.

A summer session of eight weeks will begin on May 19, and the fall term will open September 1, according to announcement. The Board of Trustees of the school met before the commencement program and voted to expand the school's work for ministers by setting up a program of study to develop the whole personality of the student. The school majors in training pastors and other workers for leadership in rural churches.

Pastor Clarence Blackburn and the Old Flat Lick Baptist Church were assisted in revival, April 6-17, by Pastor Arthur L. Walker, of the Evarts Church. The meeting resulted in 16 decisions for Christ, 13 of them being professions of faith, coming for baptism. Pastor Walker speaks very highly of the "wise and capable leadership of Brother Blackburn" in his mountain area. A mission is conducted by the church also, at Walker, Ky.

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Graduating from Woman's Missionary Union Training School, Louisville, Kentucky, on April 30, were these students from Kentucky. They were a part of the last class of 61 graduates to be awarded their degrees from the Training School. Beginning with the fall

semester the new name will be CARVER SCHOOL OF MISSIONS AND SOCIAL WORK. The School will continue to function as an institution of Woman's Missionary Union, but the faculty and curriculum will be greatly enlarged. Dr. Emily K. Lansdell is president of the school.

**Richardson Resigns as
President, Hardin-Simmons;
E. A. Reiff Succeeds Him**

ABILENE, Texas. — Dr. Rupert Richardson, historian, administrator and Christian builder, for ten years president of Hardin-Simmons University, has resigned. He will be succeeded July 1 by Dr. Evan Allard Reiff, president of Sioux Falls College, South Dakota.

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of the university, Dr. Richardson will remain on the Hardin-Simmons staff as president emeritus and as professor of history.

Dr. Reiff has held pastorates in Oklahoma, Kansas, and Iowa. He is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, and obtained his master of arts and doctor of philosophy degree from the University of Iowa. His doctorate thesis was "Studies in Carlyle's Latter Day Pamphlets."

At Ottawa University, Ottawa, Kansas, he was head of the department and professor of English. He was at the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, chairman of the College division from 1943-50. He has been president at Sioux Falls College since March 1950.

Dr. Richardson has passed on his historical interest and scholarship with voluminous writing. One of Dr. Rich-

ardson's books which won wide acclaim is "Texas, the Lone Star State."

Under Dr. Richardson the physical plant at Hardin-Simmons has grown. New buildings include the Rose Field House, Sandefer Memorial building, a new dormitory for women and GI Hall. Also constructed on the campus have been 92 living quarters, 28 cottages and 64 apartments. Behrens Chapel and the student center were enlarged. Abilene Hall was rebuilt after it was destroyed by fire.

Dr. Richardson has signed more diplomas than all of the other seven Hardin-Simmons presidents. A \$15,000,000 development program for Hardin-Simmons was also announced in 1950. The expansion was planned for a 25-year period.

**State Secretaries and Editors
Meet With Education Group**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — There will be a joint meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention Education Commission and the Southern Association of Baptist Colleges and Schools in Nashville on June 18 according to Dr. Orin Cornett, secretary to the Commission.

State mission secretaries and editors have been invited to attend the sessions. They will participate in a panel discussion. Theme of the panel is "How Our Schools Can Help Us Promote Them." Dr. B. L. Bridges will act as chairman. Members of the panel, with their subjects are as follows: T. B. Lackey, "Denominational Emphasis in our Colleges,"; Samuel Hovey Jones, "Baptist Papers and Baptist Schools,"; Charles W. Pope, "Effective Stewardship Through Co-operation,"; J. Howard Williams, "The Long Look in Financial Support,"; James W. Merritt, "Convention Participation in Institutional Planning."

The state missions secretaries and state Baptist paper editors will be guests of the Education Commission at a dinner meeting at the Hermitage Hotel. Dr. Chester Quarles will make the principal address of the evening, on the subject: "Our Future in Christian Education." Plans for the April, 1954, Convention-wide emphasis on Christian Education will be considered.

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**Centennial of American
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The April 1953 issue of *The Chronicle*, a Baptist historical quarterly published by The American Baptist Historical Society, Chester, Penna., is the Centennial Number. This does not mean that *The Chronicle* is 100 years old, it having been started only sixteen years ago, but rather, this is the centennial of the American Baptist Historical Society. Editor R. E. E. Harkness writes briefly on the 100 years of the Society and what it has been able to accomplish.

The "daddy" of the Historical Society was John Mason Peck, who arrived in the middle west early in the mass migrations to the west, settling first at St. Louis, and then moving to Rock Spring (Alton), Illinois, in 1822. There he founded Rock Spring Academy (Seminary), later called Shurtliff College, a Baptist school still in operation. He also founded *The Western Pioneer and Baptist*, which was merged with us as *The Baptist Banner and Western Pioneer*. Beginning in 1948 the latter part of the name was dropped from our masthead, and it became again simply *The Baptist Banner* until 1951, in which year the name *Western Recorder* was adopted.

We also recall that John Mason Peck met by appointment with Jonathan Goings, of Massachusetts, in the town of Shelbyville, Ky., back in 1832 and there the two preachers laid the plans for the organization of The American Baptist Home Mission Society, whose centennial was observed twenty years ago.

It was in 1853 that Peck proposed before the American Baptist Publication Society, according to Dr. Harkness, "the formation of the American Baptist Historical Society."

For a little more than two years, during 1852-54, Peck was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Covington, Ky. He often appeared before the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, and he contributed many articles to our State Baptist Paper.

His early *Gazetteer of Illinois* was adopted by the Legislature of that state as being the official authority in matters of geography there, and is today a collectors' item whenever a copy can be found by the booksnoopers.

In connection with the Centennial, *The Chronicle* carries two post-humous articles. One was written by Howard Malcolm, president of Georgetown College 1840-49, of Bucknell University during 1860-76, and of the American Baptist Historical Society during 1860-76. The subject of Dr. Malcolm's article is "The First Decade of the American Baptist Historical Society." The other article is, "Baptists in Illinois and Missouri, 1818," by John Mason Peck.

What a strange thing for a mis-

sionary who went out into the furthest reaches of civilization in his time to have had the genius, the monumental foresight, to cast the moulds which have shaped Baptists' entire organizational life, influencing especially local missions, churches, journalism, education, geography, historical research and even the home missions superstructure of which he was a shining exponent!

Baptists will be forever grateful for the solid foundations laid in the early American continent by John Mason Peck, and we congratulate his successors in office who are guiding his brainchildren—and now particularly the American Baptist Historical Society—in to its second century of existence.

Along the highways of Formosa and on streetside billboards, we read slogans: "Give us back our hills and rivers." "We want to go home."—Inabelle G. Coleman, missionary to Formosa.

**Southeastern Closes
Second Session**

WAKE FOREST, N.C. — Southeastern Baptist Seminary finished its second year May 1. The seminary has operated with capacity enrollment since opening in September, 1951, and already is unable to accept additional applications for the fall term of 1953.

Those desiring to enter in 1954 are urged to make applications as soon as possible, since enrollment is being filled rapidly. President Sydnor L. Stealey stated in a special bulletin: "My heart aches because of our inability to receive as many men as desire to come. God speed the day when we may have room to receive every qualified applicant!"

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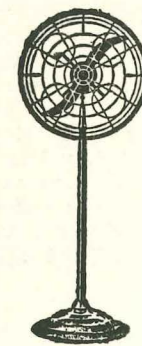
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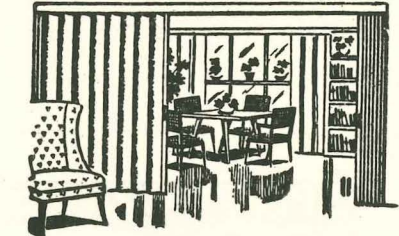
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