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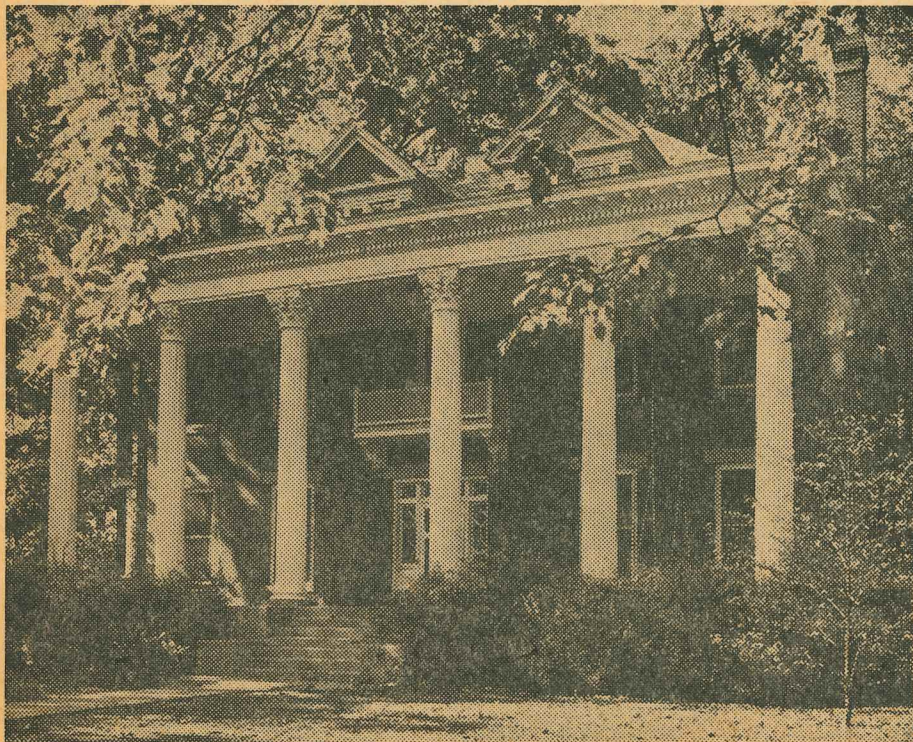
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The Western Baptist Hospital, Paducah, Kentucky

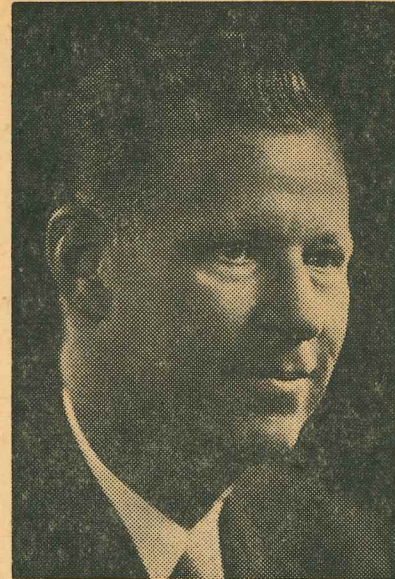
Western Baptist Hospital Now in Full Operation at Paducah



The Lobby of the Western Baptist Hospital is the first spot visitors see when they enter the new building. This is really the center of things between the hospital and the big outside world. Here are the offices, the waiting room, the information headquarters. The architect was Mr. G. Tandy Smith, who died last summer just a short time before the completion. After his death an associate, Richard M. Beach, of the firm of G. Tandy and Lee Potter Smith, carried out the execution of his plans.



The Nurses Home, two blocks from the Hospital, at 2821 Broadway, would be an ornament in any neighborhood. Its wide, two-story Grecian-columned porch, with all its surrounding shade, provide an inviting welcome to the nurses and their friends. This home was formerly owned by the family of Robert L. Reeves. It accommodates 28 nurses, and has classrooms, kitchen, dining room, parlor, library, laundry and recreation room.



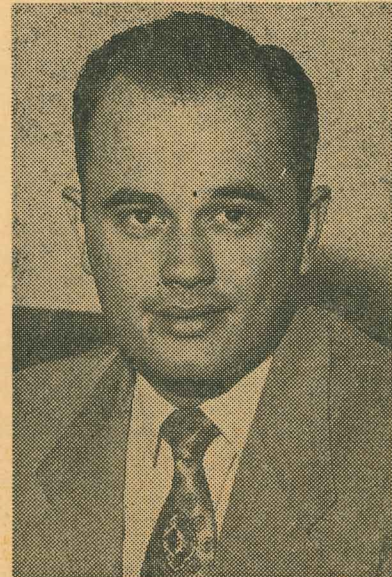
—Photo by Walton Jones

H. L. Dobbs

Mr. H. L. Dobbs, administrator of the Kentucky Baptist Hospital in Louisville, is also executive secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Hospital Commission which has oversight of the three hospitals operated by Baptists in this state. These are (1) the one in Louisville, already mentioned, (2) the Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah, and (3) the Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington.

Two of these are already open, and it is hoped that the hospital in Lexington will soon be completed and available for use by the people of the Bluegrass.

Native Texan, Mr. Dobbs came to



Emmett R. Johnson

Kentucky in May, 1934. He has led in the erection of two large wings on each end of the Kentucky Baptist Hospital in 1948. These more than doubled the capacity of the institution to care for the sick. Later he made a \$100,000 addition to the Nurses home, bringing

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the student capacity up to 175. And still later a \$500,000 addition was made to the main building, bringing its capacity up to 345 beds and 50 bassinets. Some 16,000 patients are cared for, and 3,000 babies are being born per year.

While the work is getting started in Paducah Mr. Dobbs is spending much of his time there, making the personnel familiar with their duties and establishing a systematic routine for the care of the sick. Later he will be giving the same devotion to the institution at Lexington.

Like Mr. Dobbs, Mr. Emmett R. Johnson, the new administrator for the Western Baptist Hospital at Paducah, is a Texan. He grew up in Houston,



Mrs. Hollis Everett is one of three telephone operators who work in a round-the-clock schedule at the switchboard. This \$11,000 gadget keeps thousands of people in touch with each other at any given moment throughout the day and night, making contacts between physicians, nurses, patients, and the big outside world. In addition the dial phones in each office may dial any other office without ever going through the switchboard operator. The Paducah Sun-Democrat said that only the switchboard at the new Atomic Energy Plant in their city is more complete.

where the Southern Baptist Convention met last year. When he became seven years of age he started selling newspapers on the street corners, and this experience became invaluable to him later on when he was a salesman in a haberdashery shop.

He took his freshman year at Rice Institute in his home town of Houston, but after that year transferred to North Texas State College at Denton. He was a biology major in that institution until his third year, when he changed his mind and decided to switch to hospital administration. He was graduated at North Texas in 1949.

He then spent the next year as an



All beds and rooms are equipped with The Intercommunication System, enabling the patient at any hour of the day or night to call over the microphone the nurse's station. Likewise, the nurse can call over the speaker box, on the wall, and inquire of the patient as to its condition and its needs. This two-way system is one of the finest additions to modern hospital equipment for the convenience and comfort of the patients.

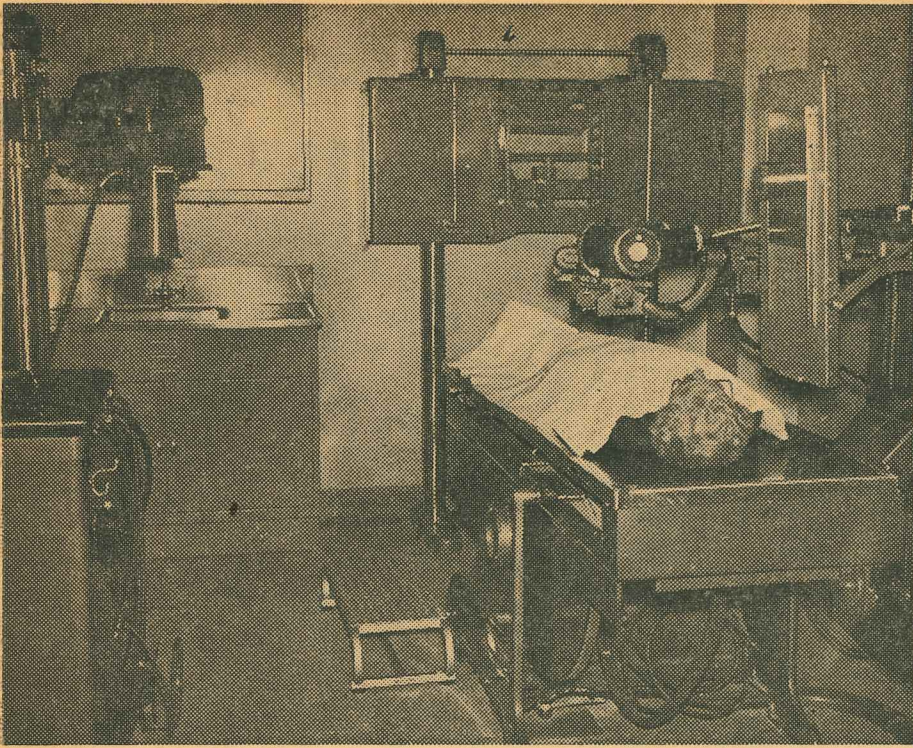


This is the nurses' station, one of which is located on each of the three floors. The nurse shown is at the other end of the Intercommunication System, talking with a patient in a distant room, ready to dispatch a nurse the instant she is needed.



Sixteen modern plastic and steel bassinets are arranged in the spacious nursery.

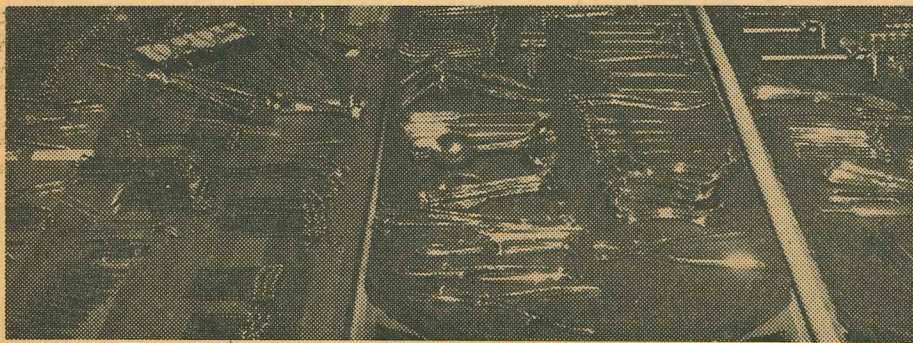
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The X-Ray equipment in this room cost more than \$35,000, which is considerably more expensive than buying a box camera at the corner drug store.



Mrs. Julia M. Schindler is shown in one of the two operating rooms.

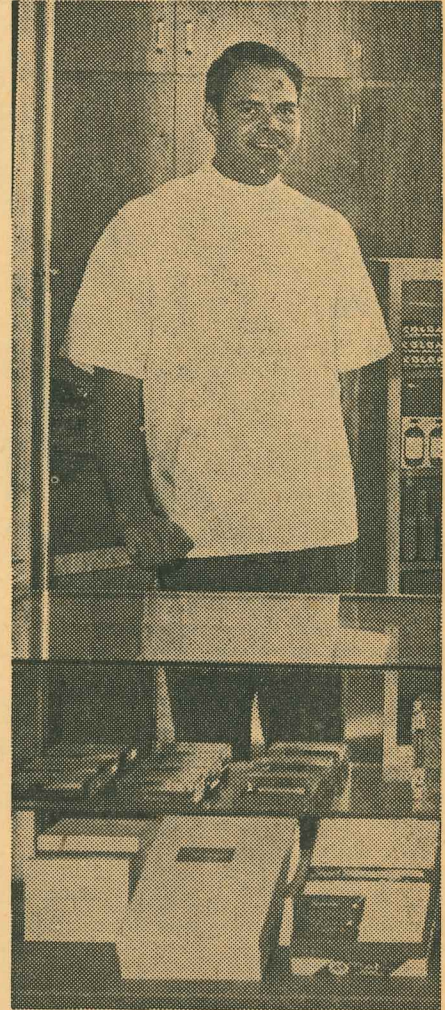


Thousands of instruments are kept on hand for the use of surgeons, physicians, interns and nurses.

administrative extern at Baylor University Hospital in Dallas. He filled a similar post the following year in a Chicago hospital while taking post-graduate hospital administrative studies in Northwestern University.

He has been a choir director in Texas churches, and has worked with the student Department of the Texas Baptist General Convention. Though he has been in Paducah only a short time, the First Baptist Church in that city has already made him a deacon. He and his wife have one child, a daughter, Gay Lynn, 3.

Nearly all of the pictures of the Western Baptist Hospital were made by the Paducah Sun-Democrat.



Victor C. Wallace is the pharmacist. He has been practising for three years following his graduation from the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy, Louisville, in the Class of 1950. Mr. Wallace is a native of Graves County, where he was graduated from the Symosnia High School. Beginning in 1939 he enlisted in the U. S. Navy, and was chief pharmacist mate in 1945 when he was discharged. The pharmacy dispensary is just to the right of the large glass entrance in the lobby.

►The Northern Kentucky Ministers' Conference has passed resolutions about the going of Pastor R. Don Gambrell from the Erlanger Baptist Church to the First Church, Manning, S. C.

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Mrs. Ann Reid Ford is shown working in the Clinical Laboratory on the first floor. She took pre-medical training at the Paducah Junior College and Murray State College, and was given her Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology by the Tennessee School of Medical Technology at Memphis. In this laboratory many tests and analyses are made to find out what the patient has or what he needs to cure him. This work goes on constantly, day and night, behind the scenes, far removed from the patient. The stocking of this room with equipment cost \$20,000 alone, which is only the down payment, for it will have to be restocked with supplies constantly as long as analyses are made.

Doorway to a Television Ministry

Paul M. Stevens, Director
Radio and Television Commission
Southern Baptist Convention
Atlanta, Georgia

God has led us to the doorway of a television ministry, but—with the exception of two very brief films—we Southern Baptists—eight million of us—have NOTHING TO PRESENT.

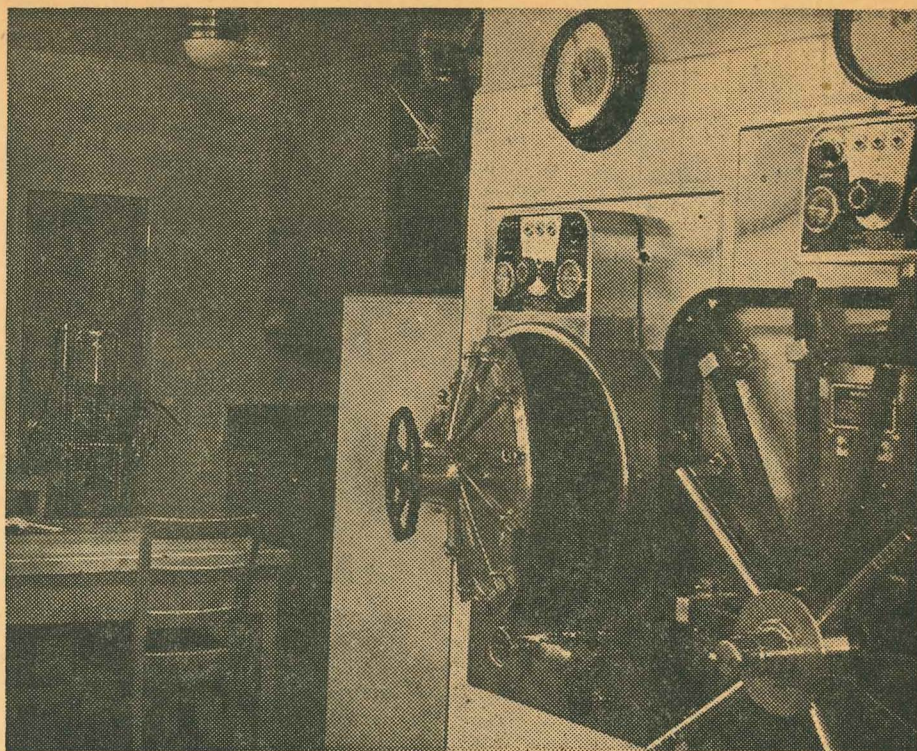
Beer companies sing their catchy tunes—no Baptists singing "Amazing Grace." Tobacco companies with dramas telling of deceit, divorce and violence—no Baptists singing "I Love to Tell the Story." Yes, television is used by everyone to sell everything—except by SOUTHERN BAPTISTS to tell EVERYTHING ABOUT JESUS!

BUT—a new day dawns! Perhaps God will forgive the delay and help us to meet the challenge. We have found a suitable story as a vehicle to carry the message of Christ! Television networks are available to us FREE—today! All we need is the money to produce the films—\$100,000 to get started.

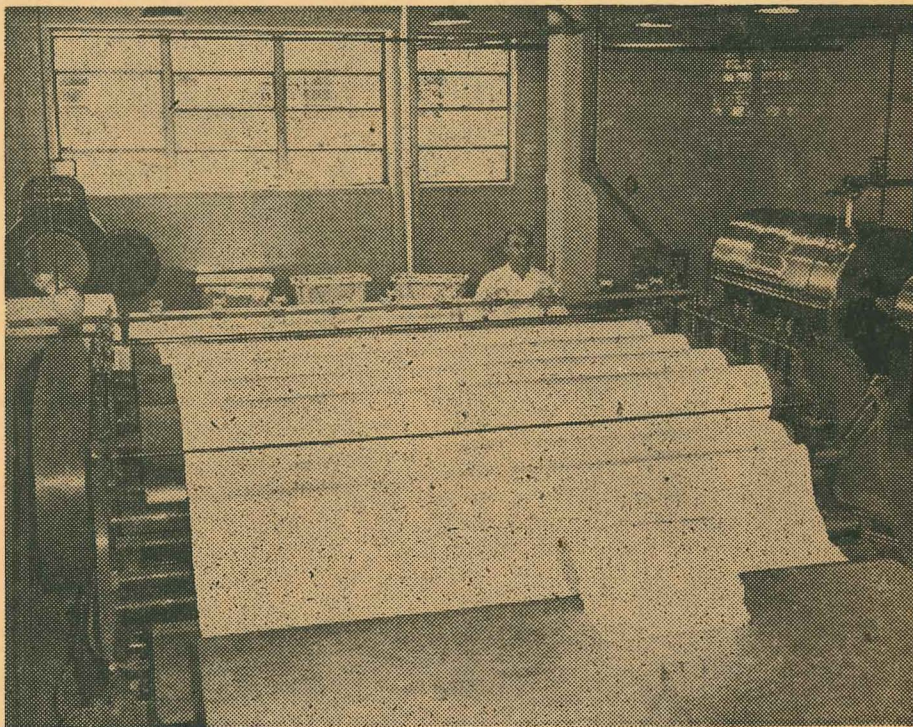
This year, 293 net TV stations are on the air. Next year, who knows how many there will be? A great vacuum of need for religious programs has been

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Instruments, towels, cloths, bandages and many supplies need to be sterilized. Several large sterilizers are in the central supply section. Their external appearance closely resembles the large vaults and safes in modern banks.



This giant ironer is part of the equipment being used in the laundry of the Western Baptist Hospital. The ironer takes sheets up to 110 inches in width. To the right may be seen a large washer. Rupert Outland, Murray, is managing the department.

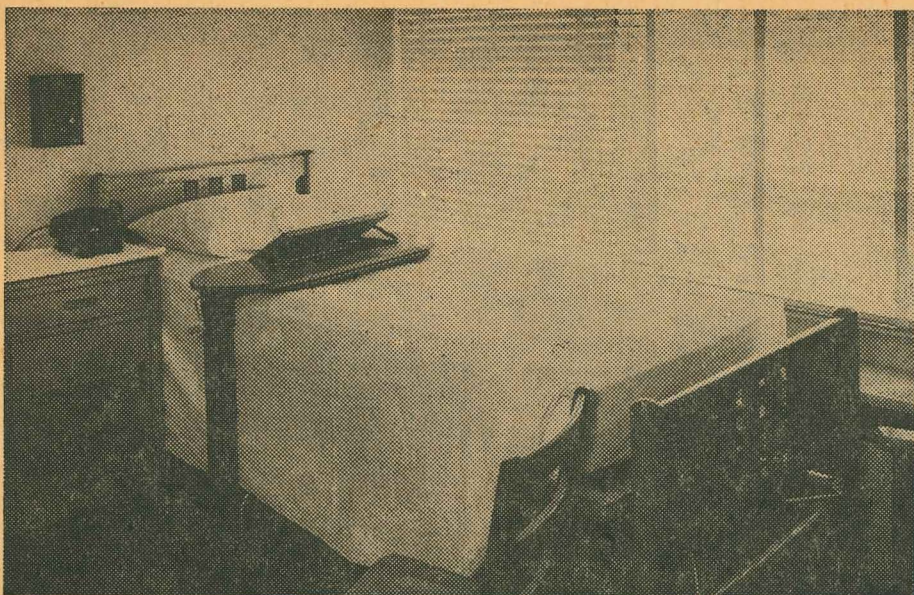
created, and TV stations are crying for good material. If you don't believe it, ask the Baptists of Meridian, Mississippi; their TV station went on the air this month.

Catholics rushed to fill this vacuum—\$3,000,000 worth in 1953; Lutherans, \$750,000 worth; Seventh Day Adventists, \$500,000 worth. BUT Southern

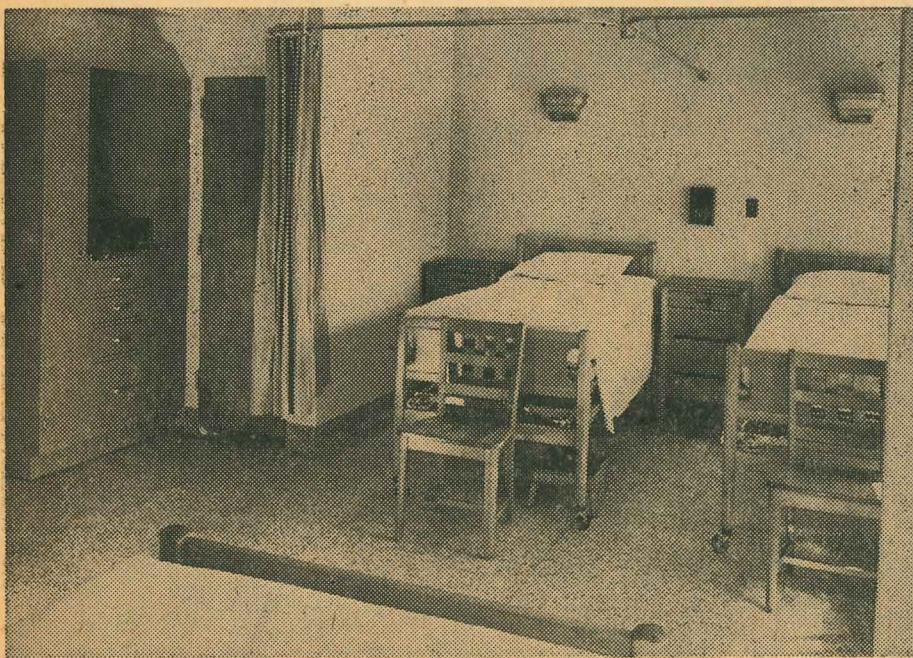
Baptists have spent only \$5,000. We must do something NOW!

►Brother Isaac Jones, for some time pastor of Mt. Moriah Church near Clinton, has accepted the pastorate of the Blandville Baptist Church, Blandville, West Union Association, and began work there January 1.

Western Baptist Hospital



Deluxe Private Rooms are equipped with furniture, bath, shower, and telephone.



The Hospital is equipped with two-bed and four-bed wards, modern in every detail.

Executive Committee Alert To Social Security Problem

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — At its December meeting the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention voted that any Social Security legislation extending coverage to ministers should call for a contract between the government and individuals without involving the churches.

The Committee recommendations were as follows:

(1) That the Executive Committee inaugurate at once a program of information, through *The Baptist Program* and the denominational press, concerning the proposed Social Security program and our denominational retirement program.

(2) This body take necessary action to secure for our people representation at the public hearings before Congressional committees, Washington, D. C., whenever such hearings are held. Many of the major denominations of America will be represented there through the National Council of Churches of Christ, which body does not represent Southern Baptists. It is our conviction request should be made, in the light of all the facts, for a coverage bill least objectionable to our people and presenting fewer complications in the future. It should be a bill calling for a Social Security contract between the federal government and the individual, without in any sense involving the churches.

(3) Remind our entire constituency that the Relief and Annuity Board is the

denominational agency in the field of protective plans, retirement and otherwise, urging that, in every case where Social Security coverage is secured for our denominational servants, it be in addition to that offered by the Relief and Annuity Board, never as a substitute for that protection.

Beechwood Baptist Church Organized East of the St. Matthews Sector

The Beechwood Baptist Mission of Louisville was organized into a church Sunday afternoon, December 6, with many pastors and visitors from the churches in Long Run Association present. Pastor Rollin S. Burhans, of the mother church, Crescent Hill, was elected moderator of the council, and Dr. Leo T. Crismon clerk.

A brief history of the young organization was read by Dr. W. C. Boone. Following examination of the articles of faith, covenant and the list of charter members, the council voted to approve the organization.

Dr. James B. Sawyer, pastor of the new church, then presided. Mr. J. K. Williams, freight traffic manager of the L. & N., and treasurer of the church, announced that the group has raised in cash and pledges approximately \$17,500. This, added to the \$30,000 Crescent Hill Church is planning to give, makes a total of \$47,500. The church has adopted a budget of \$32,500 for next year, \$6,000 of which is to be appropriated to the Cooperative Program.

The Sunday school started December 7, 1952, with an enrollment of 25. Today it has 255, with all departments completely organized, including five adult classes. Superintendent Garrett B. Morton says that their goal for 1954 is to double this Sunday school enrollment.

Never does this writer remember being present at a church organization having such an auspicious list of more than 225 charter members. The list reads like a WHO'S WHO IN BAPTISTODUM. Many churches have contributed of some of their finest for the inauguration of this new church. The eldest of them all is Mrs. I. P. Trotter, mother of Mrs. W. C. Boone, who has belonged to a number of churches throughout the nation, but this is the first time she has ever been a charter member of a church, and this occurred in her ninety-fourth year.

Dr. and Mrs. Boone have cast their lot with the young organization, as have a number of the Seminary faculty and students. The church even drew five members from as far away as London, England—these being Dr. E. C. Rust, of the Seminary faculty, and his family. Baptists will watch the growth and development of this new church with interest.

CHARACTER—It's amazing the heights a man can attain by remaining on the level.—*Nylic Review*.

Southern Association Of Baptist Colleges And Schools Reports

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Plans for promotion of the 1954 Convention-wide Christian Education Emphasis were given final approval at a meeting of the Southern Association of Baptist Colleges and Schools in Memphis.

Two major activities of the special promotion as outlined by the Southern Baptist Convention Education Commission will be College Night in the Training Union on April 4 and the College Orientation Workshop during Youth Week. Individual schools and colleges and state education commissions are planning other activities to implement these two major events. In the absence of Ben C. Fisher, executive secretary of the Kentucky department of Christian education, Dr. R. Orin Cornett, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Education Commission, reported on the plans being made in Kentucky for promotion of the April emphasis.

With more than sixty Southern Baptist college representatives attending, the Association voted to have materials for use in the Workshop distributed to each church through the Training Union which annually sponsors Youth Week and is making the Workshop one of the featured events of the week's activities this year.

Approval was also given for the publication of a Southern Baptist Campus Directory which is being compiled by the Education Commission staff. The book is scheduled for publication early in March.

An outline of plans for the April emphasis was given by Dr. R. Orin Cornett, executive secretary of the Education Commission. He reported that more than 12,500,000 pages concerned with some phase of the 1954 Christian Education promotion for Baptist colleges will be printed in Sunday School Board and other Convention agency publications within the next few months.

In addition, tracts, leaflets, self-study inventories and work-sheets, and other materials are being prepared for use during these workshops in which Baptist young people will be asked to analyze their college needs and begin a study which will help them to make a more intelligent choice of which college to attend.

"We want each of our young people first of all to know about the Baptist college nearest their home and about other Baptist schools in their state," Dr. Cornett said. "If their college needs cannot be met by these schools, then we want them to see what other Southern Baptist colleges offer."

Reports made by representatives of seven states indicated that plans for local and state-wide promotions of the Christian Education emphasis are well underway.

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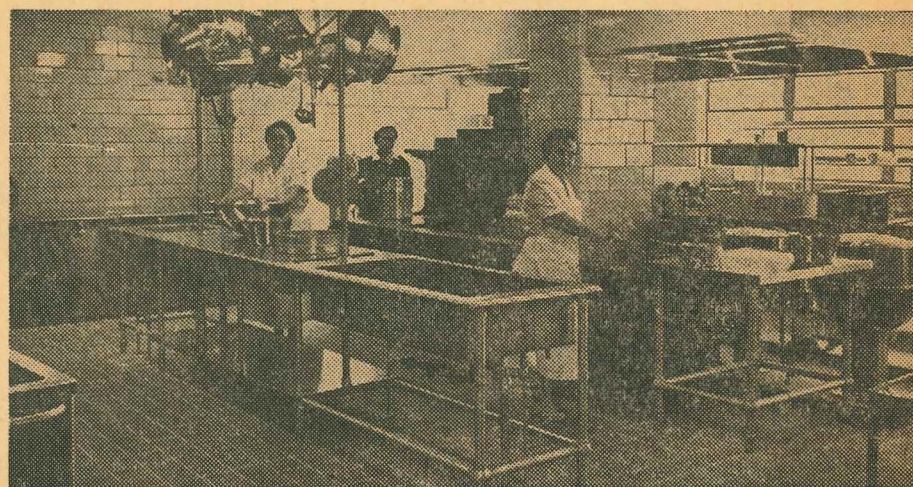


Some 100 women make up the Hospital Auxiliary—a band of ladies who hold themselves in readiness for rendering every assistance possible whenever their services are needed. Above are the officers of that group: Front row, seated (left to right): (1) Mrs. Paul Stewart, first vice president; (2) Mrs. J. Vernon Pace, president; (3) Mrs. Fred G. Neuman, second vice president; Back row, standing: (4) Mrs. Roy Austin, corresponding secretary; (5) Mrs. D. T. Jones, treasurer, and (6) Mrs. Charles Gholson, Sr., recording secretary.

The work of the Auxiliary is a labor of love. Already they have made the linen of all shapes, sizes, for each room throughout the hospital, 58 dozen wrappers, 25 dozen towels, 100 receiving blankets for the nursery, 2 dozen eye sheets, 4 dozen hot water bottle covers, 30 dozen glove envelopes. They have made 1,832 articles so far, and more are being added whenever they have their "sewing circles."

But their service has extended beyond the hospital itself. One of their major projects was the cleaning, redecorating and equipping of the Nurses residence.

To set up some goals for themselves, the Auxiliary has three basic aims: (1) To make the hospital, its facilities and principles known to the public; (2) to give service either directly or indirectly to the patients; and (3) to raise funds to provide assistance which is beyond the scope of the hospital's operation, to the patients in need of such assistance.



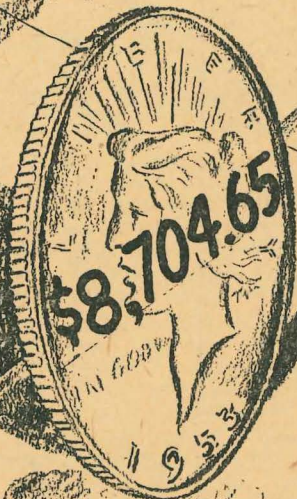
Every hotel has its kitchen, and a hospital has to have everything a hotel has, and much more. Here the food for several hundred people is prepared daily. Available foods, menus, diets, cooking, patients' needs and doctors' orders are all studied and watched minutely. This phase of the hospital work is presided over by Miss Virginia Jordan, executive housekeeper and assistant dietitian, who was given her Bachelor of Science degree by Murray State College in 1952. For a time she was with the Owensboro-Daviess County Hospital, and later with the City of Paducah.

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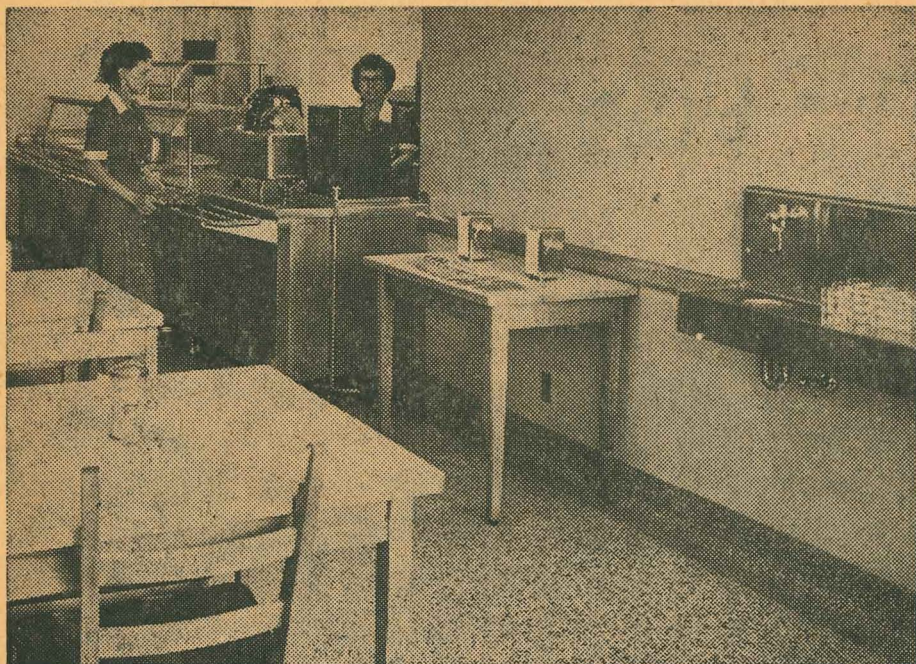
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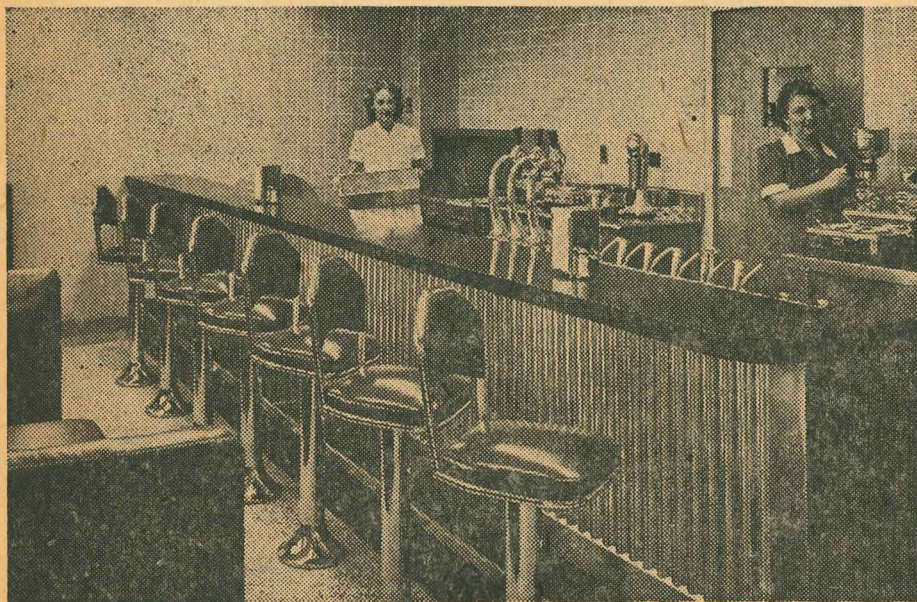
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Kentky Baptist Foundation go to the ends of the Earth

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The Western Baptist Hospital is equipped with two pay cafeterias, which will make it possible for employees and nurses to obtain their meals without leaving the hospital. Mrs. Frank Trevathan is head of the Dietary Department. She is a native of Madisonville, and was graduated with the degree of B. S. in home economics by the University of Kentucky in 1939. She has previously worked in hospitals in Cincinnati and Louisville.



Visitors to the Western Baptist Hospital may obtain meals and fountain service by dropping in the Coffee Shop. Patients who are not confined to their rooms may also get snacks here, and have fellowship with their visitors and friends over their coffee.

Six Missionary Couples Badly Needed on Formosa

TAIPEH, Formosa — Southern Baptists have a wide-open mission field on Formosa. Generally speaking, the people on Formosa are appreciative of the help and friendship of the people of the United States. Chinese Baptists on Formosa are begging Southern Baptists to send missionaries, especially men, to help establish more churches for

Chinese refugees and to begin work with the Taiwanese.

Dr. C. L. Culpepper, Southern Baptist missionary, says there is immediate and urgent need for the coming of three couples for three stations in the south end of the island. There is also immediate need, he said, for two or three couples to begin the study of the Taiwanese language so that Baptists may reach these people as well as the China mainlanders.

"Americans are held in higher esteem

on Taiwan [Formosa] than the people of any other nation," one leading Chinese Baptist church member said. "Tell Southern Baptists to send more missionaries to work among the Chinese people who have come over from the mainland and also to open work among the Taiwanese."

Baptists began work on Formosa in 1948 when the Frontier Mission Committee of the China Baptist Convention asked Rev. M. T. Yang to come and begin work. Later missionaries coming out of communist China came to Formosa, visited in homes, found Christians from the mainland, won new converts, and began small meetings in homes.

Churches were established in Taipeh, Koahsiung, Hsin Chu, Keelung, Taichung, and Chiayi. By March, 1953, the eighth Baptist church on the island was organized with 38 charter members and 67 candidates for baptism, making a total of 105 members the first day.

From these eight churches, chapels have been opened in all the surrounding areas. Twenty chapels could be organized into churches immediately if there were pastors. The number of meeting places could be doubled, tripled, or quadrupled if there were missionary and national workers.

From the beginning the greatest need of the Baptist work on Formosa has been for leaders to take care of the work. To help answer this need a Baptist seminary was opened in Taipeh with Dr. Culpepper in charge. Classes were opened in September, 1952, with an enrollment of 34. This year there are 51 students, 38 men and 13 women. "The need for preachers and pastors is so very great that we can hardly wait for these students to finish," Dr. Culpepper said.

The most distressing need is for three missionary couples to come to the three southernmost stations on the island—Kaohsiung, Tainan, and Chiayi. The five men missionaries have been concentrated in the north so that they might serve as professors in the seminary.

At present there are only two ordained Chinese preachers on the island and one of these is giving full time to the seminary.

► Donald Bradley White has accepted the pastorate of the Burgin Baptist Church, Burgin, Kentucky, and assumed his new duties there on January 1, 1954. For the past four years Brother White has been pastor of the East Bend Baptist Church in the North Bend Association. He preached his last message there on the last Sunday in December.

► The Long Lick Church, Stamping Ground, ordained Brethren Marion Offutt, Joe Sinclair, Joe Osborne and Omer Towles as deacons November 22. Pastor Kenneth Stibbins acted as moderator of the council, while James Southworth served as clerk. The interrogation was conducted, and Pastor Edward Hamm, of the Great Crossings Church, preached the sermon.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

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

NEW ORGANIZATIONS REPORTED THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1952-53

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Association and Church	President, Chairman, or Counselor
Bell County	
South Side Mission	Mrs. George Lambert
Daviess-McLean	
Curdsville	Mrs. John Overton
Sugar Grove	Mrs. Tom Poray
East Lynn	
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Tolbert Smith
Elkhorn	
Thompson Road	Mrs. Miles Ragland
Goose Creek	
White Hall	Mrs. Reva Blair
Graves County	
Northside	Mrs. Cyrus Cobb
Greenup	
Belmont Chapel	Mrs. C. B. Chinn
Laurel River	
East Pittsburg	Mrs. Heston Hatcher
Liberty	
Mount Tabor	Mrs. Russell Gardner
Grider Memorial	Mrs. Luther Burgess
Lincoln County	
Harris Grove	Officers not reported
South Fork	Mrs. Novice Reed
Long Run	
Beechwood Village	Mrs. J. K. Williams
Brooks	Mrs. Carrie Braden
McCreary County	
Walkers Chapel	Mrs. Nell Walker
Ohio County	
Bells Run	Mrs. Amy Rae Hawkins
Pulaski County	
Calvary	Mrs. Fred Prather
Upper Cumberland	
Red Bud	Mrs. Vina Wynn
Warren	
Clear Fork	Mrs. James Chaffin

BUSINESS WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES

Long Run
 Highland Miss Willie Carrico

YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES

Baptist
 Hopewell Mrs. Jess Hanby

Logan County
 Oak Grove Mrs. Justus Moore

Long Run
 North 42nd Street Mrs. T. S. Stevens

Lynn
 Munfordville Mrs. Jo Snyder

Ohio County
 Centertown Mrs. Bill Holloday

GIRL'S AUXILIARY

Boone's Creek
 Northside Miss Virginia Harris

East Lynn
 Rolling Fork Mrs. James Scott

Long Run
 Fisherville Mrs. James H. Chappell, Jr.

Brooks Mrs. R. E. Bozard
 Mrs. Hurley Ramsey

Lynn
 Mount Tabor Mrs. Delmar Rice

Muhlenberg
 New Harmony Mrs. Louie Forehand

Seyern's Valley
 Bethel Officers not reported

West Union
 Kevil Mrs. D. F. Sullenger
 Wickliffe Mrs. R. K. Kelly
 Miss June Myers

West End Miss Dorothy Lovan

White's Run
 Bramlette Officers not reported

Whitewater
 Miamisburg, Ohio Mrs. Ruby Dixon

ROYAL AMBASSADORS

Long Run
 Mount Hermon Mr. Carl Allen
 Spring Meadows Mr. Roy S. Whitescarver
 Brooks Rev. Alvin Bozard

Muhlenberg
 Mount Pisgah Mr. Robert Devine
 New Harmony Mr. David Mefford

Ohio County
 Centertown Mr. Kendall Ross

Owen County
 Mount Pleasant Mr. Vernon Prather

West Union
 Kevil Mrs. M. C. Conyers

White's Run
 Bramlette Officers not reported

SUNBEAM BANDS

Boone's Creek
 Northside Mrs. Roy Saylor

Enterprise
 Warfield Miss Emma Mills

Greenville
 Jackson, First Miss Virginia Salyers

Long Run
 Harmony Mrs. Rex Matthews
 Fisherville Mrs. Charlena Yount
 Brooks Mrs. Vivian Price

Lynn
 Three Forks of Bacon Creek—
 Miss Dora Jones

North Bend
 Petersburg Miss Mary Bess Burns

Ohio County
 Centertown Miss Anna Mae Heflin

South District
 Gethsemane Miss Osa Gordon

West Kentuckiana
 Geneva Mrs. Allene Abbott
 Pilgrim Mrs. Robert Meredith

West Union
 Wickliffe Mrs. Della Nain

White's Run
 Bramlette Officers not reported

NEW ORGANIZATIONS REPORTED THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1953-54

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Association and Church	President, Chairman, or Counselor
Bethel	
Trinity	Mrs. Max Smith
Blackford	
Goose Pond	Mrs. Earnest Colbert
Mount Eden	Mrs. Wallace Morris
Pellville	Mrs. Estelle Brown
Booneville	
Pleasant Run	Mrs. Polly Gibson
Bracken	
Stonelick	Mrs. W. R. Huddleston
Central	
Willisburg	Mrs. Herbert Coulter
Daviess-McLean	
Grace	Mrs. Wilford Jolly
Lewis Lane Chapel	Mrs. T. O. Blackburn
East Union	
Emlyn	Mrs. J. M. Puckett
Elkhorn	
Cane Run	Mrs. Ed Moore
Graves County	
Pryorsburg	Mrs. Noble Alexander
Mount Olivet	Officers not reported
Greenup	
Everman	Miss Eula B. Connelly
Laurel River	
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Bill Cornett
Long Run	
Lake Dreamland	Mrs. Stanley LaRue
Muhlenberg	
Cedar Grove	Mrs. W. D. Oakley
Owen County	
Squiresville	Mrs. Robert Powell
Cedar Hill	Mrs. Preston Dunavent
Pine Mountain	
Colson	Mrs. Garland Everidge
Rockcastle	
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WESTERN—First Baptist Church, Greenville, January 28 at 2:00 p. m. to January 29 at 9:30 p. m.

CENTRAL—First Baptist Church, Danville, February 1 at 2:00 p. m. to February 2 at 9:30 p. m.

EASTERN—First Baptist Church, Paintsville, February 4 at 2:00 p. m. to February 5 at 9:30 p. m.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?—These clinics are for Associational leaders, namely, moderators, missionaries, associational Sunday school superintendents, and, by all means, the persons who will lead the departmental conferences in the Associational Clinics. If your association has not already selected these officers we would like to urge that it be done with the idea that they attend the State Clinic nearest them and receive some training toward conducting conferences in their own association.

ACCOMMODATIONS—The host churches will furnish lodging and meals for the clinicians. The State Sunday School Department will pay three cents per mile toward the traveling expenses of one car from each association and, where a second car is required to carry the qualified people, three cents will be paid for that car if it carries three or more people.

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Regional Sunday School Conventions

The Regional Sunday School Conventions will be held with the following churches and on the following dates:

Region	Church	February
Western	—First Hopkinsville	8
Southwestern	—First, Mayfield	9
Southern	—Calvary, Bowling Green	11
Central	—DeHaven Mem'l, LaGrange	12
North Central	—First, Newport	15
Northeastern	—Unity, Ashland	16
Southeastern	—Harlan	18
South Central	—Lebanon	19

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- When it brings the convert into church membership.
- When it inspires the new church membership to win others to Christ.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, DECEMBER 20, 1953

(Number after church indicates number of missions.)

Church	T.U.	S.S.
Bardstown	---	354
Bellevue	91	361
Berea	---	274
Blackford	101	217
Bowling Green (2)	291	1,152
Buffalo	---	259
Cadiz	75	251
Blue Spring	101	224
Campbellsville (1)	---	542
Pleasant Hill	156	296
South Campbellsville	---	205
Carrollton	98	248
Central City	275	450
Clay, First	---	243
Corbin, First	153	453
Covington, Calvary	---	624
First (1)	152	339
Latonia	251	1,025
South Side	126	473
Crestwood	48	243
Cumberland	---	438
Danville, Lexington Ave. (1)	---	515
Dayton, Ohio, Westwood	241	665
Dawson Springs	---	293
Erlanger	45	391
Evansville, Ind., Calvary	131	589
Keck Avenue	110	310
Vann Ave.	84	241
Walnut Street	---	549
Falmouth	---	238
Ferguson (1)	69	285
Fort Thomas, First	69	272
Frankfort, First	188	900
Thorn Hill	150	345
Fulton	151	482
Georgetown	79	403
Glasgow (1)	125	763
Greensburg	62	206
Greenville, Second	152	220
Harlan	183	583
Ages	44	253
Harrodsburg	291	---
Bruner's Chapel	124	201
Hazel	74	281
Henderson, First	140	486
Immanuel Temple (1)	---	611
Hima, Horse Creek	---	328
Hopkinsville, First	105	656
Second	170	862
Horse Cave	59	207
Independence	130	230
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	---	262
Lancaster	72	321
Lebanon, First (1)	123	505
Muldraugh Hill	76	229
Leitchfield	103	259
Lexington, Felix Memorial	91	354
Grace (1)	148	715
Hillcrest	---	271

Immanuel	226	869
Porter Memorial	142	619
London, First	152	625
Louisville, Baptist Temple	83	353
Beechmont (1)	174	910
Bethany	---	228
Broadway	---	317
Carisle Avenue	254	1,333
Clifton	131	435
Deer Park	---	571
Fairdale	186	342
Farmdale	---	328
Harmony	140	300
Highland Park First	---	527
Immanuel	80	385
Lynn Acres	74	241
Okolona	80	450
Parkland	298	964
St. Matthews	180	575
Shawnee	---	402
Shively	123	647
South Jefferson	96	601
Southside	---	509
Third Avenue	73	431
Valley View	86	234
Victory Memorial	380	---
Virginia Avenue	90	280
Walnut Street	472	1,669
West Broadway	153	674
Ludlow, First	69	326
Madisonville, First	312	910
Marion	---	291
Mayfield, First	350	980
North Side	123	261
Middlesboro, First (3)	130	640
East Cumberland Avenue	149	359
Monticello, First	55	267
Morganfield, First	---	404
Murray, First (1)	163	915
Newport, Trinity	81	235
Owensboro, First (1)	---	1,125
Hall Street	233	487
Macedonia	216	269
Seven Hills	134	275
Third (1)	418	1,195
Paducah, East	223	473
First 2)	77	657
Oaklawn	84	228
Trinity	167	---
Twelfth Street (1)	177	424
Paintsville, First	95	319
Paris, Central (1)	81	325
Perryville, Beech Grove	---	204
Pikeville, First	---	266
Prestonburg, Irene Cole Memorial	---	389
Princeon, First	175	---
Northside	123	---
Second (3)	112	337
Russellville, First (1)	---	441
Calvary	141	273
Somerset, First	---	627
Pleasant Hill No. 2	66	230
Sonora	---	265
Springfield, First	143	461
Sturgis, First	---	300
Versailles	92	396
Vine Grove (1)	101	304
Walton (1)	---	85
Whitesburg, First (5)	98	775
Whitley City, First	88	212
Williamsburg, First (1)	50	410
Williamson, W. Va., East Williamson	---	382
Willisburg	120	311
Winchester, Central (1)	126	478
First	127	463

►Miss Mabel Summers, Southern Baptist missionary to Lebanon, is returning to the States on furlough and may be addressed at Route 1, Box 60, Bardstonsville, Ky. She is a native of Nelson County, Ky.

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By H. C. Chiles

Jesus and Nicodemus

John 3:1-16

This scripture lesson contains the record of an interesting conversation between a prominent sinner and the only Saviour. The interview took place at night while Christ was still at Jerusalem, where He had come to attend the Pass-over.

I. The Inquirer. John 3:1.

This inquirer is described at length in verse one, "There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews." The Pharisees composed the most popular and patriotic party. They were noted for their orthodox creed and punctilious observance of the Jewish ritual. They were proud, exclusive, boastful of their good deeds, strict adherents to traditional beliefs and precise in their religious worship. They hated Christ and opposed Him even unto death itself.

Nicodemus was a ruler of the Jews. That implies that he was a member of the Sanhedrin, which was the highest position within the gift of his nation. This position demanded and involved an irreproachable life, a splendid reputation, a good education, a great power, a wide influence and vast responsibilities. To him the people looked for instruction and guidance.

Nicodemus was a man of culture, refinement and zeal for the law. He was one of the most religious men of his day, honest in his convictions and sincere in his desire to do right. He had an inquiring mind and a passion for the truth. Consequently, he refused to let prejudice blind him. He knew that it was easy for one to close his mind to the truth that he did not care to accept, to shut his eyes to that which he did not wish to see and to stop his ears to the message that he did not want to hear. He also knew that such conduct was just as dangerous as it was easy, so he determined to know and to follow the truth. Even though he had position, power, prestige and prosperity, yet there was a real void in his heart. Although he was very religious, he was not satisfied with his religion. He knew that he had not learned the real secret of the best way of life, but he was convinced, on the basis of what he had seen and heard, that Christ Jesus knew that secret. Being anxious to hear what He had to say about the way of salvation, he sought an interview with Him.

II. The Inquiry. John 3:2-4.

Under cover of darkness, Nicodemus made his silent and unperceived way to the house where the Saviour was stopping. Some have branded his coming to Christ at night as an act of cowardice,

but that attitude is foreign to the scriptures. It is more reasonable to assume that he came in the night for quietness and privacy. Surrounded by the multitude throughout the day, Christ could not have been approached and consulted at length by one who desired to be alone with Him without being interrupted by the crowd.

Nicodemus readily discovered that Christ was easily accessible and happily approachable. Modestly, and as if speaking for others as much as for himself, he said, "We know that from God Thou art come as a teacher," meaning that He was commissioned by and sent from God. To Nicodemus' reference to the miracles, Christ made no reply, but with startling abruptness He talked to him about the new birth.

III. The Instruction. John 3:5-16.

Christ told Nicodemus that "unless one is born anew" he can never receive the benefits of the kingdom of God. Thus Christ made it plain to him that he needed a Saviour instead of a teacher. All the unsaved need a Saviour and all the saved need a teacher. The Master selected this one man, a splendid example of the natural man at his best, to emphasize the one great need of every person—the new birth.

This new birth is not synonymous with the natural birth; in fact, it is impossible for one to be born of the Spirit by any natural birth (v. 6). The education of the natural man is not equivalent to the new birth. Education dispels ignorance and eliminates coarse tastes and crude practices, but it cannot produce the new birth or serve as a substitute for it. Neither is it the reformation of the outward man. An individual can work out his reformation, but God alone can bring about the new birth. It is a creative act of God instead of a reforming process on the part of men. Honesty, decency, morality, generosity and upright citizenship are good and laudable, but they can never produce the new birth (Titus 3:5-6). A change of feeling is not the new birth. Feelings are often changed by the weather or by the condition of the health or by the circumstances of life. One may have a change of feeling without experiencing the new birth, but one cannot experience the new birth without a change of feeling.

The new birth is the impartation of the divine nature to human beings (II Peter 1:2-4). As in the first, or physical, birth we become partakers of human nature, so in the second, or spiritual, birth we become partakers of the divine nature. The new birth is both a divine

and conscious change, for which there is no substitute. It is the work of God, something which He does for us.

How may one know that he has experienced the new birth? By the testimony of the Spirit of God (Romans 8:16, I John 5:10), by his love for God's children (I John 3:14), by his victory over sin (I John 5:4), by a desire to please the Lord (I John 2:3), by a changed life (II Corinthians 5:17) and by a passion for the salvation of the lost.

Nowhere in all divine revelation is the message of grace and love more beautifully or more fully revealed than in verse sixteen. No greater message was ever given to the world by the Master Teacher than the one contained in these words. As far as language can express it, the height, the depth, the length and the breadth of the love of God are here unfolded.

God's love is here announced in such wonderful simplicity and yet with such unfathomable grace that it seems to be presumptuous to try to make the message plainer. No words are needed to enhance the wonder and the glory of His love.

God has made a wonderful provision for our great need. His love was the source from which this gracious provision has come. Salvation is of God. It finds its birth in His love. It was wrought out by His Son. It is made effective through personal faith. His love is universal. It has been manifested to the end that all who will may have eternal life.

God loved all men enough to give His Son to die to save them. This love, as expressed in this verse, has rescued multitudes from despair, brought hope into their hearts, and influenced them to put their trust in Christ and depend on Him alone for salvation. Have you come to the place where you have actually made a definite and deliberate committal of your soul to Him? If not, do so now.

►At a recent meeting of the Baptist Home Mission Board, W. A. Duncan, pastor of the First Baptist Church of East Point, Georgia, was elected president. He succeeds G. Frank Garrison who served as president for nine years and who now becomes assistant executive secretary.

►Miss Nita Owens, Hazard, Ky., and for two years past having worked for the Home Mission Board in Perry County, is now a senior at Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee, and has been named to 1953-54 listing in the volume, *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*.

►Rev. and Mrs. Hubert L. Hardy, Jr., Southern Baptist missionaries to Chile, have moved from Concepcion to Temuco. Their new address is Casilla 185, Temuco, Chile. Mr. Hardy is a native of Fulton, and Mrs. Hardy, the former Ruby Brown, is a native of Madisonville.

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MEET THE WINNERS! (Third of a series)



Lerond Curry

Southern Region presents the second of its two Intermediates who tied for first place in the Regional Sword Drill. He is Lerond Curry, age 15, of Bowling Green. A sophomore at College High School, Lerond is a member of the National Beta Club, the Debate Team, and the Track Team. Last year he was the district winner in the annual Soil Conservation Essay contest. Outside school activities, Lerond has many hobbies and interests including photography and sports.

Lerond also takes an active part in his church life at the First Baptist Church where H. F. Paschall is pastor. He is president of his Sunday School class and also of his Intermediate Union. His attainment in Royal Ambassador work is exemplary as he has received the band of Ambassador Extraordinary, and is now working toward the highest rank—that of Ambassador Plenipotentiary. During the fourth annual State R. A. Congress which met at Georgetown during October, Lerond was elected as the State Ambassador-in-Chief for the coming year, and will preside over the 1954 congress.

In preparing for the Sword Drill, Lerond was trained by Mr. Bob Feather. Lerond says, "I recommend that every

►Dr. and Mrs. Patrick H. Hill, Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria who are in the States on furlough, have moved from Louisville to New Orleans, La., where they may be addressed at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. Dr. Hill will serve as professor of missions at the seminary.

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Lerond also has the special honor of being selected as a member of the Junior Advisory Board for the Intermediate Quarterlies, Nashville, Tennessee. This Board helps to rate and evaluate the Training Union programs.

MEET THE WINNERS! (Fourth of a Series)

Miss Virginia Potts of Madisonville is the winner of Western Region's Sword Drill which was held in Central City. She is 14 years old, and a freshman in Madisonville High School.



Virginia Potts

She was trained for the Sword Drill by Harold D. Tallant who is pastor of the Madisonville Baptist Church.

Virginia is the third member of her family to represent this region at the state drill. Her two sisters also participated in the southwide drill at Ridgecrest.

The second place winner in Western Region's drill was Larry Hunter of Henderson who represented the West Kentuckiana Association from the First Baptist Church, Henderson.

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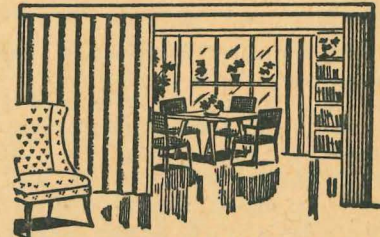
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The 1954 *Brotherhood Journals* will carry materials about the Cooperative Program which will help us to study mission fields and needs, denominational institutions and agencies, church and denominational financing and promotion of Baptist foundations, and the need of increased proportionate giving of church receipts through the Cooperative Program. (4) **BOYS' WORK:** Reaching and influencing boys for Christ is a natural for men. Our fourth emphasis for work in 1954 will urge the men of our churches to help in the Man and Boy Movement by maintaining a prospect list of unchurched boys for use by the Brotherhood, by sponsoring camping trips for boys, by sponsoring banquets, by cooperating with Juvenile Court authorities, and by providing counsellors or leaders for Royal Ambassador chapters and Boy Scout troops.

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right by attending the State-wide Evangelistic Conference to be held at Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, January 11-13, 1954.

Brotherhood News Items

Over one hundred men attended the Parkland Baptist Church Brotherhood at its December meeting. Basil Brooks was elected their new president Fred R. Radel, Secretary-Treasurer of the Bellevue Baptist Church, Bellevue, Kentucky, reports an enrollment of fifty men with thirty-two present at their December meeting. Rev. Wayne D. Byland is pastor of this fine group First Church, Hickman, has a strong Brotherhood with Davis Marshall, President. Other leaders include Prather Mangold, James Cooley and Robert Johnson.

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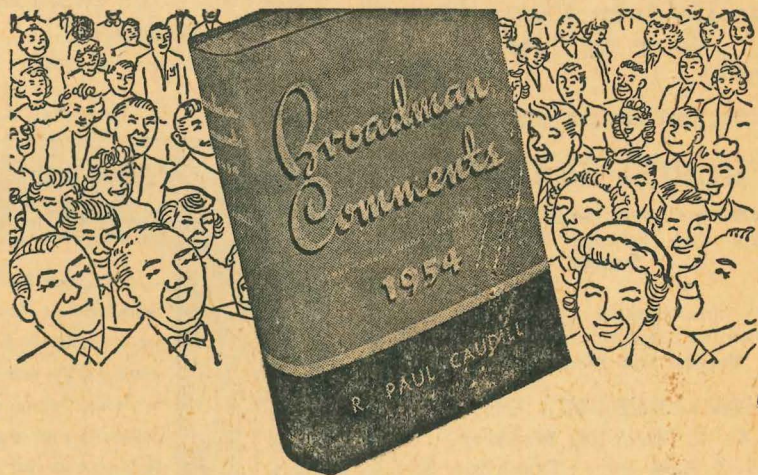
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►Pastor W. R. Simmone has resigned the care of the South Campbellsville Baptist Church, Campbellsville, Kentucky, to accept the Lyerly Baptist Church, Lyerly, Georgia. He preached his first sermon in the Lyerly pulpit January 3.

►During the period while the Central Baptist Church of Corbin is without a pastor Dr. A. M. Vollmer, secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Foundation, is supplying the pulpit. Their former pastor, Harold Wainscott, has gone to the First Baptist Church, Pikeville.



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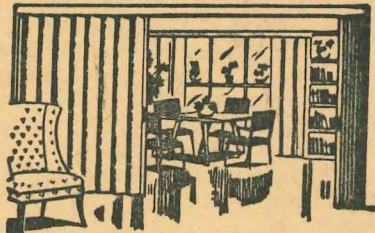
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