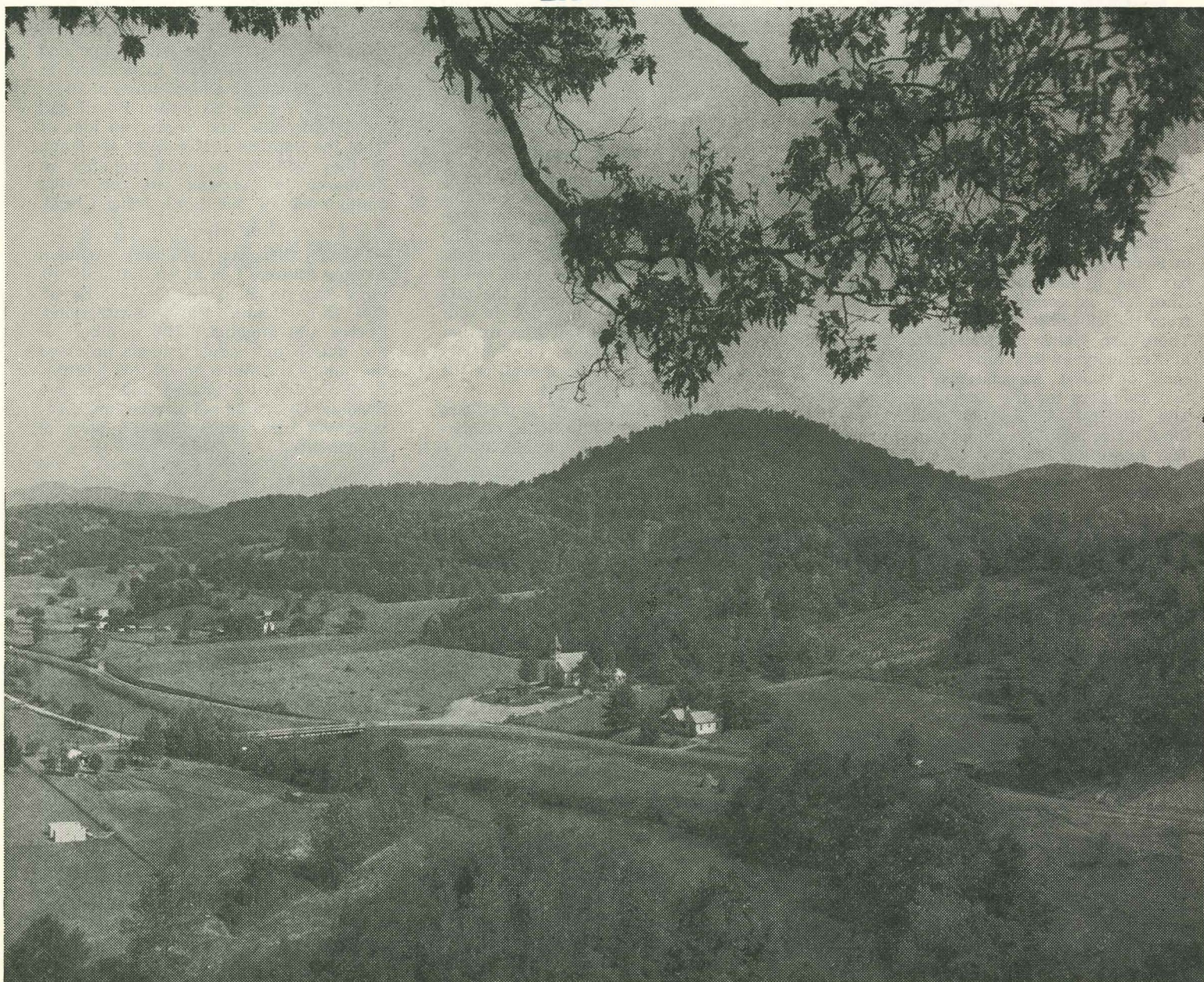


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The General Association

By W. C. BOONE

The General Association of Baptists in Kentucky was organized in 1837 and has had a continuous existence ever since. It is composed of messengers from the churches and meets annually. There are eighty District Associations in Kentucky at this time. Every year, each of these Associations nominates two members for the Executive Board. The General Association itself elects these Board members from the nominees. The Executive Board at this time consists of 120 members since the larger Associations have additional members

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in proportion to the number of members of their churches.

The Executive Board meets the first Tuesday in December every year and plans the work for the coming year. This includes approving of all of the missionaries and other employees, adopting the budget for all departments of work, and planning programs to carry out the wishes of the churches as voted by the General Association.

The Executive Board has a number of committees charged with the responsibility of various parts of the state work. The Executive Committee, the chairman of which is always the chairman of the Board, acts for the Executive Board and the General Association in the interval between meetings of the full Board.

The General Association is incorporated under the laws of Kentucky. It has a charter authorizing it to buy and sell property, receive and disburse funds for any causes to which the churches wish to contribute, and in general to promote the Cooperative Program and work of the denomination.

There are more than 2,300 churches

SAVE THIS ISSUE

We suggest that you save this issue of the Western Recorder as it contains much valuable material which may be used in your mission study work. The articles which discuss the various phases of the work will, no doubt, help you to become better acquainted with the different types of mission work in our state and will be valuable for further reference concerning our missionaries and their fields of service as well as the various departments of work.

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R. B. Hooks
Asst. Moderator



H. B. Kuhnle
Asst. Moderator

at this time affiliated with the General Association, with a total membership of nearly 600,000. These churches raised during the past General Association year more than \$1,600,000 for the Cooperative Program, in addition to some \$800,000 given to designated objects. This special issue of the WESTERN RECORDER is being published to show something of the wide scope and far reach of the General Association, to present the names and pictures of those who work for the Executive Board and the departments, and to give an idea of what the Baptists of Kentucky are doing as they voluntarily work together in Kentucky in carrying out the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ.

►Pastor Clarence Walker, Ashland Avenue Church, Lexington, left July 18, for a trip to Belgium, Greece, Egypt, the Holy Land, Italy, Switzerland, France and England. The members of his church and other friends provided the money for him to make this journey. Brethren Lloyd Mahanes and Lasserre Bradley, Jr., supplied at Ashland Avenue the first and second Sundays of his absence.

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Our Larger Baptist State Program

By W. C. BOONE

Kentucky Baptists own and operate thirteen institutions—three hospitals, three children's homes, and seven schools and colleges. Our hospitals are operated by the Kentucky Baptist Hospital Administration, which is a Board composed of representatives of Trustees of all three hospitals. The Children's Homes are under the combined direction of the Kentucky Baptist Board of Child Care, elected by the General Association. The Eastern Kentucky home at Morehead is not yet built, but should be in operation within the next year. Our schools and colleges are represented by their presidents and representatives from the



Pauline Utterback
Secretary to Dr. Boone

Trustees on the Board of the Christian Education Department, elected by and responsible to the General Association. This Board of Directors is charged with promoting the cause of Christian Education in the state.

Kentucky Baptists also have a program of relief for retired or disabled ministers and widows of ministers. Kentucky Baptists own the WESTERN RECORDER, our state paper, which is over 128 years old and has the largest circulation of any denominational paper in the state. The Kentucky Baptist Foundation is also a part of our state program and looks after the investments, bequests, and trust funds given for certain special objects.

The above institutions and organizations are not, however, properly speaking, a part of State Missions. By **State Missions** is meant the preaching of the Gospel and ministering to the churches through the Executive Board, commonly known as the State Mission Board of Kentucky Baptists. Various departments of this Board are included in State Missions, namely the Sunday school, Training Union, Student Union, Brotherhood, Woman's Missionary Union; also the Departments of Missions, Evangelism, Promotion, Missionary and Stewardship Training, Cedarmore Assembly, Church Building, Visual Aid and Publicity, and Accounting.

Under the Department of Missions, some 98 missionaries are employed at

the present time in direct mission work of the State Board. These include general workers, city missionaries, a rural worker, a state evangelist, associational, district, county, and local missionaries.

Kentucky Baptists have one of the largest and most active State Mission programs in the Southern Baptist Convention. We are very proud of the work of our departments and of our missionaries, and grateful to God for what He has done through them in advancing His cause in our state. We are happy to have the opportunity of recognizing them in this special State Mission issue of the WESTERN RECORDER.



Mrs. J. W. Check
Receptionist and Statistician

PROMOTION DEPARTMENT AND TRACT DISTRIBUTION

A. M. VOLLMER, Secretary



To tell the story of what Baptists are doing and to better acquaint Baptists themselves with their mighty denomination is the purpose of the Department of Promotion. This aim is accomplished through news releases, by production of promotional materials and dissemination of information relative to the work of Baptist institutions and agencies.

Nearly one million tracts, folders and posters are distributed each year among the pastors and churches in the state. Much of this literature is prepared and printed under the direction of the Promotion Department. The denominational calendar, Cooperative Program leaflets and posters, camp folders, Supplementary Offering spreads and envelopes, and newspaper releases are prepared in this Department. This Department also distributes ALL stewardship tracts and posters published by the Nashville office of the Promotion Department of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. All other tracts are distributed from the tract room, which is in charge of Miss Valedia Wolford.

With the desire to aid pastors in their effort to interest and enlist the unenlisted, the Promotion Department is ever seeking out the best methods, and perfecting the most attractive and informative literature possible to achieve this end.

Pastors are invited to order, without cost to them, as much literature as they can wisely use in their churches. So long as the average per capita gifts of Kentucky Baptists through the Cooperative Program is only \$2.57 as it was in 1953, there is much to be done to broaden the vision and deepen the spiritual interests of our people.

THE
COOPERATIVE PROGRAM
IS
THE BETTER PLAN

►Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Brothers, Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria who have been in the States on furlough, have left for their field of service and may be addressed at Baptist Headquarters, Ibadan, Nigeria, West Africa. Mr. Brothers is a native of Hopkins County, Kentucky.

Office Employees

The office workers in the Kentucky Baptist Building are a group of consecrated men and women who are deeply concerned about the furtherance of the Lord's work throughout the world. Though the work of this group is confined to the building, they are no less concerned about the salvation of souls. The office work which they do is vitally important to the total work of Kentucky Baptists.

PARTICIPATE IN THE
CONVENTION-WIDE
SIMULTANEOUS
EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE IN 1955
KENTUCKY'S DATE IS
APRIL 10-24

Tract Room Service

Miss Valedia Wolford is a faithful worker in the tract room at the State Board Office Building. Evangelistic, doctrinal, and many other types of tracts are available to pastors and churches, free of cost, through your State Mission Board. There are also sets of slides, and films on mission work and stewardship. These visual aids along with projectors and screens are for the use of churches and missionaries, and may be had by asking for them. The Board also owns three tents which are in continuous use on mission fields through the summer months. All requests for these free materials and helps will be handled promptly and cheerfully by Miss Wolford. Feel free to order tracts as they are needed.

Remember, your State Mission Board exists to serve.



Office Personnel in one of the weekly prayer meetings



Valedia Wolford
Tract Room and Visual Aid Distribution

ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

Please come into the Accounting Office while we tell you about YOUR Business and Accounting Office.

You may on first impuse think that there would be few spiritual blessings to come from serving through accounting work, but there are many joys and blessings which we receive.

The Accounting Department is truly a business department and is operated accordingly. The volume of items handled is tremendous. During the associational year of 1952-53 our office handled \$2,492,291.12. This money did not come just in large sums but came in small amounts as well. It came from the 1,670 out of 2,435 churches throughout our General Association. Many of our churches send a contribution every month, and many of them for more than one cause, which means that thousands of entries are made on the church cards. It comes from Eastern Kentucky, Western Kentucky, and Central Kentucky. It comes from every locality represent-



Dorothy McCown operating bookkeeping machine

ing God's people expressing their love to Him in stewardship. Yes, ours is a business office.

When your contribution is received it is immediately recorded by two people as the mail is opened. The name of the church, the association, and the amount is registered. Then the checks, money orders, or cash, as the case may be, are compared with the Remittance Form to determine the object for which your contribution is intended. A continuous record is maintained so that the recipient of the funds for each object may be provided a list showing which churches have contributed the funds during each month. At the end of each month this list of the contributions accompanies the

►During the 8-year pastorate of John H. Haldeman at Allapattah Baptist Church, Miami, Florida, the church has received 4,824 members, 2,480 for baptism, and the membership has increased from 1,417 to 4,516. Stetson University honored him with a Doctor of Divinity degree in June.



Garnett B. Morton, Accountant and Office Manager

check for the total amount received by us for a particular cause.

You help us when you furnish complete information with each contribution which you send in to us.

Each year our records are audited by a firm of Certified Public Accountants. We constantly strive to improve the efficiency and accuracy and at the same time to maintain the maximum degree of simplicity.

We prepare monthly accounting statements just as any good business office should do. Every effort is made to keep our records on a current basis because we operate on the theory that records which are not current are practically valueless. Our records include General Ledger with all the necessary and essential Journals, a complete set of books for the Education Funds, a complete set of books for Cedarmore, a Budget Ledger for the Approval Budgets, a Church Buildings Allotment Ledger and a subsidiary Ledger for the Church Contributions Records.

The Church Contribution Record is posted by a Burroughs' Sensimatic posting machine because of the volume of

entries. This machine is very similar to those used by many banks. A separate ledger page is maintained for each church. This record shows the amount given by each church to each cause.

The Accounting Department exists to serve you. So when we can be of service to you call on us.

A real joy comes to our hearts each month when we make the distribution of funds to the causes which are so dear to the hearts of Kentucky Baptists. When the Cooperative Program Contributions are totaled and the percentage for South-wide causes is computed, we get a great blessing in knowing for example that the work of the foreign missionaries is going to be helped by that money or that as a result of the portion for State Missions many of the lost in our own state will be brought to a saving knowledge of Christ. We can visualize homeless children being given shelter, clothing and food in our Baptist homes or one of our mission volunteers receiving training in one of our educational institutions. We can visualize another worker being placed in some destitute spot, some sick person being cared for in one of our hospitals.



Mrs. Paul Albertine and Mrs. Cleon Webb recording incoming checks for missions



Dr. R. T. Skinner, Editor

OUR STATE MISSION ISSUE: This issue of the Western Recorder is dedicated to the total Baptist Program in Kentucky as carried on by our General Association and its Executive Board through the various departments. We are indebted to Superintendent Eldred M. Taylor of the Department of Missions and Evangelism who gathered all the material and arranged it for publication.

Why an issue like this: It is highly important that all our people be thoroughly acquainted with the total program of the General Association in the state. This issue, though it is called *State Mission Issue*, tells more than the story of state missions: it includes all the agencies and institutions, even while it presents the great story of our State Mission Program. But even this large issue cannot tell the whole story, nor could one of a thousand pages. Read it carefully and become acquainted with your institutions and all the agencies and the workers who serve you in the Lord. Perhaps you will want to file this issue away for future reference. It will answer many questions and stimulate interest which only information brings.

Years ago Anderson M. Baten said: "Weak men wait for opportunities; strong men make them." And Baker James Cauthen once said: "The only way to keep an open door open is to enter the open door." Kentucky Baptists have not been weak: they have made opportunities and entered open doors. But they recognize that yet other doors are opening to them and, together, they will enter, shoulder to shoulder, hand in hand, as with one heart, to do the work Christ gave to His churches. Ours is always a program of advance. Not one of us ever achieves completely his goal; but, like Paul, each one of us, and all together, will press toward the mark of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

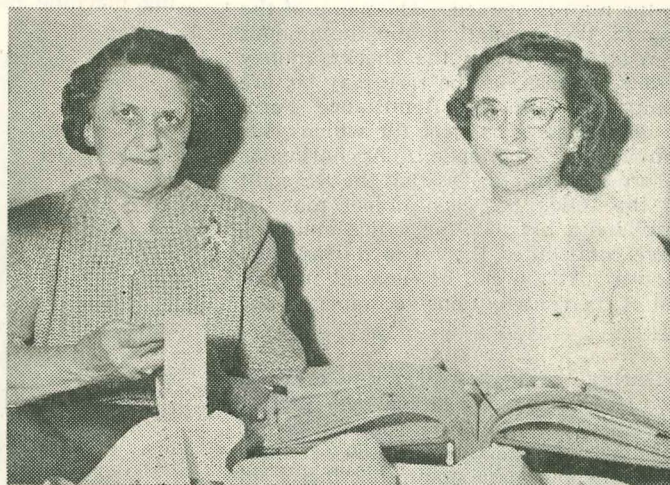
We congratulate the Executive Board and our beloved General Secretary, Dr. W. C. Boone, and all associated with him in whatever capacity on the great measure of success which has crowned their labors. Only those who have been under the full load and responsibility of leadership can understand fully the burdens of heart and mind they bear. Theirs is a life of prayer and concern for all the churches and for all the causes fostered by the churches through the General Association and the Cooperative Program. We know the

hearts of these leaders: they have only one desire—to serve the Lord and their brethren.

We increasingly recognize the need for a strong home base—our Baptist work here in Kentucky. In this we are not unmindful of the needs beyond our borders, nor is any faithful and loyal Kentucky Baptist. We would all extend the reach of our service even to the ends of the earth. A Baptist heart which is not as big as the world is too small. But we nevertheless know that if our work to the ends of the earth is to advance we must advance at home—right here in Kentucky. That is true of each church affiliated with the General Association, even as it is true of the total state work of the Association. Churches must be kept strong, and more churches must be constituted; for, from the churches come not only the spiritual momentum but also the financial means by which to advance the State Mission Program and all the institutions and agencies they foster.

It was here in Kentucky that the Cooperative Program began. Kentucky Baptists were the first in all the Southern Baptist Convention to see the need of a means of supporting all the work through a single channel. Prior to the Cooperative Program, appeals were made to the churches for a special collection for each of the several programs and institutions and agencies. Consequently, the most impressive and emotional appeal got the largest collection, and the rest of the work, equally important, suffered. Now, it is different. Messengers from the churches decide how much of each dollar will go to this or that work, and every dollar is faithfully divided on the basis decided by the messengers of the churches. That is the Cooperative Program, and it is the best plan yet discovered. The other brethren over the South were quick to see the value of the new plan, and now, in every state of the Southern Convention the Cooperative Program is being used. This Program, in considerable measure, explains the advance of Southern Baptists in all their work. It means a 'togetherness' so essential to the progress of the churches and the Kingdom of God.

The Western Recorder staff and its Board of Managers are happy to have had part in such a work. We have sought by every strength at our disposal to advance the work, and to this end we rededicate ourselves in loyalty to Christ and His Word and to the brethren.



Pearl Hedden, Secretary to Mr. Pogue, Loretta Ashley, Secretary to Dr. Skinner

THE WESTERN RECORDER IN PRODUCTION

Someone has said "You cannot enlist the uninformed but you can inform the unenlisted." The ancient prophet said, "My people perish for the lack of knowledge." Kentucky Baptists are not an exception; they are not mind readers and cannot be expected to know automatically the multiplicity of facts concerning our work unless they have some means of communication.

Your WESTERN RECORDER is the answer to that need in Kentucky. Every phase of our denominational work is promoted through your WESTERN RECORDER week by week at a cost far less than any other medium or contact we have today. It is interesting to note the upsurge of growth and interest manifested in our overall Baptist program since the present Circulation Campaign was launched at Baltimore in 1940. At that time Southern Baptists numbered 4,949,174—the total circulation, including all nineteen Southern Baptist periodicals, was 192,000. Ten years later at the Southern Baptist Convention in San Francisco, the Southern

Baptist papers reported a circulation of 850,612 and a membership of 7,079,889—an increase of more than 2,100,000. In 1940 the circulation of your WESTERN RECORDER was 18,000; ten years later—1950—it was 57,887, with a total membership of 550,403.

While we recognize financial conditions are better than usual, some other denominations have not experienced with us the same degree of progress, and in my judgment, this increase is an evidence of deeper interest and concern of Kentucky Baptists, and such is due, in no small part, to the weekly visit of the WESTERN RECORDER in the homes of the people.

The majority of pastors have long since recognized the fact that if our churches are to continue their growth and maintain their present position in world affairs, the people must be drawn closer and closer to the church and the things for which it stands. May we, therefore, urge the pastors who have not provided a place in the budget for their



R. L. Pogue, Business Manager

denominational paper to do so at once and join the thousands who have led their people in a closer walk with the Lord, with their church, and the entire program of Southern Baptists.



Mrs. Joe Carter and Mrs. Marion Hare checking the subscription list

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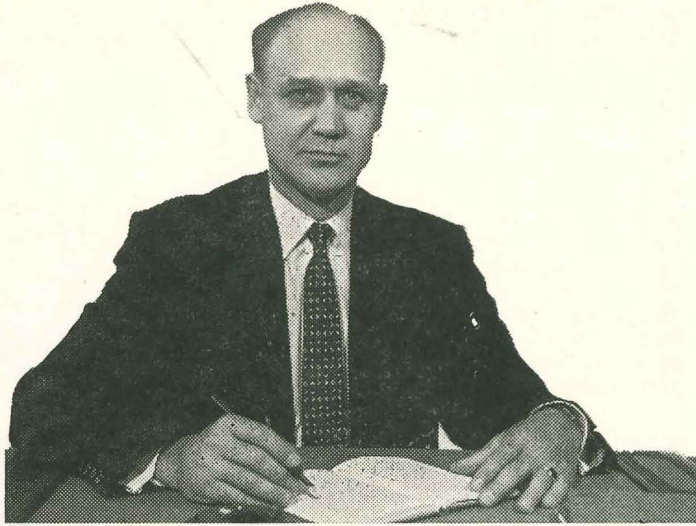
George Raleigh Jewell Secretary



The Western Recorder Print Shop, where 66,500 copies of the Western Recorder are printed and mailed to as many Baptist homes in Kentucky each week. Many other materials are also printed here. Inset in the upper left corner is Herbert L. Taylor, superintendent of printing, and in lower right corner is Charles Henry Reed, assistant superintendent. Shown in

the two pictures (left to right) are: Gerald T. Huddleston, Charles E. Sell, Jack I. Bensing, Delbert M. Fulkerson, Clarence V. Philipps, Philip C. Lambert, Paul A. Shafer and P. Dale Breeden. Others working in the Print Shop, not shown in the pictures, are: William S. Ashley, Miss Mary Belle Cox, Virginia Lee Russell; S. Edward Stelzig, Paul T. Waller, Larry M. Ysunza and Jesse Moore.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT



Roy E. Boatwright, Secretary

State Missions includes work in every phase of our denominational life. Your Sunday School Department counts it a privilege to be included in that program and to receive some money from the budget of State Missions to aid the Sunday School Program throughout the state.

The Sunday School Department is interested in the work of each church and has a program designed to assist the churches in their effort to reach people for Christ and to teach them the Bible.

The program can be divided into four sections. First, the assistance given to the churches through providing promotional literature for every department and class; encouraging training of all officers and teachers; effecting and maintaining a proper organization through which more people can be reached for Bible study. Every Sunday school is also encouraged to adopt the Standard as a program of work and to strive diligently to reach the Standard.

A great effort has been made, through 1953 and 1954, to do our part in the program adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention to enroll a "Million More in '54." The goal for Kentucky Baptists is seventy thousand. Many special meetings have been held and much emphasis has been placed upon the methods and means to increase our enrollments. As the result of their work

many churches have provided more room by building better and larger educational buildings; buying property adjacent to the church; and rearranging their present buildings. Many more classes and departments have been started and effective visitation programs inaugurated.

Second, we assist the churches through the associational organization. Each association is encouraged to staff a full set of trained officers and to promote regular monthly meetings. Another phase of the associational work is to promote simultaneous training schools, group schools and simultaneous enlargement campaigns. For this work the Sunday School Department receives some money from the State Mission Budget. Each association is encouraged to adopt the Standard of Excellence as a program of work.

A third phase of the department work is extending the Sunday School Program through State and Convention-wide meetings. Each year in February eight regional Sunday school meetings are held, one in each region of the State. In August the State Sunday School Conference is held at our Assembly at Cedarmore. This gives five days of intensive study to this phase of our church life. The State Planning Meeting is held one day in September. The purpose of this meeting is to set forth

to all pastors and superintendents the Sunday school program for the ensuing year.

Each year a good number of Sunday school leaders throughout the State attends the Sunday School Week at Ridgecrest and Glorieta. The attendance at these meetings is promoted by our department. The Sunday School Board also provides a Convention-wide Clinic each year, and many of our people take advantage of this opportunity to become better informed.

A fourth realm of the department work is in the Vacation Bible School field. State Clinics are held, usually in January, to instruct associational leaders on Vacation Bible School programs and materials to be used that season. Following the State Clinic comes the associational clinics which are designed to aid each church in the Vacation Bible School program. These clinics are conducted by the personnel of the Sunday School Department and the Sunday School organization of each association.

During the summer months the department employs students who give their entire time to conducting Vacation Bible Schools under the direction of the Sunday School Department and the associational missionaries. Money for this work is received from the State Mission budget. The Home Mission Board also provides summer workers to conduct Bible Schools. (They likewise work under the direction of the Sunday School Department and the associational missionaries.)

The Sunday School Department ties in perfectly with the work conducted by the associational missionaries in promoting a full program to reach more people for Christ.

The personnel of our Department consists of a secretary and three associate secretaries, an office secretary and an assistant to the office secretary.

All the work conducted by this department is in keeping with the program sponsored by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

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Secretary to Mr. Boatwright**

TRAINING UNION DEPARTMENT

The Training Union Department is happy to be a part of the State Mission Program. There is a much closer tie than one of our organization or a matter of budgets. We have as our ultimate goal or aim the same emphasis as all phases of our Mission Program—reaching lost souls for Christ.

Long ago Jesus told Nicodemus, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." The only way to get into the kingdom of God is to be born into it. A person is not born full grown in the physical realm; neither is one born full grown in the spiritual realm. Every new Christian is a babe in Christ. Peter gave some very sound advice to spiritual babes. He said, "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby." He also said, "But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." Since every Christian needs to grow, it follows that everyone needs the means for spiritual growth. He needs spiritual food, spiritual exercise, and spiritual atmosphere. All these things are needed by every Christian that they may do a better job of witnessing for Christ. The Training Union in the church can and does furnish the means of this spiritual growth.

Peter also told each Christian to grow in knowledge as well as in grace. Every church needs members who know the Bible, the doctrines of the church, and the program of the denomination. Again, the Training Union can help the church inform its members, thus, by helping them to grow in knowledge.

It is one thing to face the above needs; it is another to meet them. The need for developing its own members in all the duties and privileges of church membership is a responsibility which rests squarely upon each church. Each church must set up its own church training program. The Training Union has been brought into existence in Baptist Churches to help meet this need. Its aim is training in church membership.

At the present time we have approximately 1,100 churches in Kentucky with



James Whaley, Secretary

an organized training program. Your state department works with these churches through the association, through state meetings and assemblies, and through personal correspondence.

It is through the Associational Program that the Department's work is more closely related to the State Mission Program. By working with the associational, district, and county missionaries, we hope to set up an Associational Training Union Organization in each of the eighty associations in Kentucky. This organization is made up of volunteer workers who are willing to give of their time to help each Baptist Church in the association to provide the best possible training for their members. This means the establishing of Training Unions in churches that do not have such a program. It also means strengthening the present unions.

The State Training Union Department in cooperation with these local organizations is holding a number of Central Leadership Schools. During these schools (five nights), classes are held for the leadership of each age group as well as the members of all unions. In the day, the teachers visit in the churches of the Association. Such schools can do much to strengthen the training program of each church. These schools

are jointly financed by the Training Union Department and the Association. This is another way that your state missionary program helps to strengthen the local churches.

The Department also works with the local churches in enlargement campaigns. Such campaigns are designed to help the churches have the best possible program of training for their members.

Another large and important part of our State Training Union Program is the Regional and State-wide Meetings and Assemblies. At these meetings, Christians from churches of different sections of the State meet to discuss their mutual problems and experiences. The enthusiasm, methods, and plans of successful workers may be passed on and weak organizations made stronger. The inspirational addresses and demonstrations are of untold value. Many young people are being led to give themselves to special Christian work because of such meetings. Each year in Kentucky, over one hundred young men and women hear God's call and respond at these meetings. Certainly, this type of service is at the heart of our State Mission Program for these young people go to all parts of our state and the world to tell others about Christ. God uses such services as these which are held by the Training Union Department and other organizations as the recruiting agencies for workers to lead in His work.



Byron C. S. DeJarnette, Office Administrator, Nina Easton, Secretary to Mr. Whaley

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President of State
W.M.U.**

Woman's Missionary Union is an auxiliary, or helper organization, to the General Association and its State Board of Missions. Our purpose is to stimulate a missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and children of the churches and to aid in the collection of funds for Missions. We endeavor to accomplish this purpose through enlistment in prayer, study, stewardship, community missions and the missionary education of young people. This is done through prayer, by individual and united prayer daily through the nine o'clock prayer hour, use of the calendar of prayer, observance of weeks of prayer, study of books on prayer; through study, by study of the Bible and Missions in classes, programs, projects and individual reading; through stewardship, community missions and missionary education of young people by precept and example.

A great host of splendid leaders in our membership of nearly 73,000 are at work at this task in our 4,000 organizations in 1,152 churches and 78 associations in eight regions of Kentucky. The work is under the direction of our Executive Committee composed of thirty-two members. Mrs. Encil Deen of Lexington is our President.

There are eight employed workers, five of whom go out in engagements on the field and three who carry on the

great amount of necessary office work. We want you to know these workers better so have pictured them on this page.

Woman's Missionary Union is endeavoring to strengthen our giving through our Cooperative Program, which is the keystone of all our mission work, by placing in our Standard of Excellence the requirement that, for recognition, at least 75% of the members of our organizations contribute regularly through this channel. Thus we are helping to carry out Jesus' command to be His witnesses, "beginning in Jerusalem and Judea," by building a strong world mission program.

In a very definite way we are supporting our State Mission program through our Week of Prayer for State Missions and our State Mission Offering.

The Week of Prayer for State Missions this year is September 13-18. Be sure to save your copy of this issue of the Western Recorder for use in your program during that week. Make your offering a generous one in consideration of the great work that needs to be done in Kentucky. Send it promptly to Mrs. W. H. Jaegle, treasurer, 127 E. Broadway, Louisville 2, Ky.

Some of the causes which will share in our special State Mission Offering are: salaries for five missionaries in

Kentucky; salary and travel for our Mountain Field Worker, Camp Workers; and clinic and camp expenses. This offering will also care for the expense of providing program material for the State Mission Week of Prayer, young people's activities and annuity. A very important phase of mission work done through this offering is that of aid in building churches in mission areas. Dr. W. C. Boone and others of our State Mission Board give us the very finest advice and help in the allocation of these funds. There is the very finest cooperation and understanding between those engaged in the great task of missions in Kentucky.

Christian Education is benefited by a portion of this offering going to the Carver School of Missions, Magoffin Institute, and Oneida Institute. This offering will do mission work also among the Negroes by helping provide part of the salary for a Negro field worker and a small scholarship fund for Negro students. Cedarmore, our Baptist Assembly, will likewise receive help from our State Mission Offering. The goal for this special offering this year is \$40,700. Let's go over the top!

Pray, work, give that Kentuckians may be won to Christ and may win others to know Him, too.

►Howard Butt, layman of Corpus Christi, Texas, together with his evangelistic party, consisting of Prof. Karl Steele, Wheaton College, Dick Barker, Fort Worth, Bob Polk, pianist of Texas, and Sam Shanko, Jr., Florence, S. C., conducted a revival in the Memorial Stadium at Florence, S. C. June 20-27, resulting in 183 decisions for Christ, and 44 surrendered to full-time religious service.

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BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

The Brotherhood Department, beginning as a full-time unit of Baptist work in Kentucky, December 1, 1953, is the youngest member of the official family of Baptists in our state. It works under the direction of the Executive Board of our General Association and receives its financial support through State Mission funds.

Lucien E. Coleman, Sr., is the Secretary of this department and devotes his full time to the promotion of Brotherhood work throughout the state. An office is maintained by this department along with other departments of the Executive Board in the Baptist Building located at 127 E. Broadway, Louisville. Mrs. Virginia Boswell is office secretary.

An Advisory Committee composed of outstanding pastors and laymen help direct the activities of this department. The members of this committee at this time are E. N. Wilkinson, pastor Parkland Baptist Church, Louisville; Roy A. Hamilton, pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Louisville; O. W. Stites, pastor, Beechland Baptist Church, Pleasure Ridge Park; Leo T. Crismon, librarian, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville; and Travis L. Nash, prominent layman of Lexington, Kentucky, and the Kentucky member at this time of the Brotherhood Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Mr. Coleman's policy of "working through and never around" the pastor is one of the things which has already endeared him to the hearts of pastors throughout the state. With over twenty years' experience as a practicing attorney before his entering the ministry in 1948, Mr. Coleman is well qualified as a leader of men. He presents a strong message in both pulpit and conference type meetings. He has proven himself loyal to the cause he represents and to the Executive Board as his employer.

At this time there are about three hundred local and thirty-three associational Brotherhoods in our state with a total membership of approximately ten thousand.

The perennial objective of this de-



Lucien E. Coleman, Secretary

partment is to enlist the man power of Baptist churches in Kentucky through Evangelism, Missions, Stewardship and Personal consecration. The Brotherhood is not a layman's organization, rather it is an organization of Baptist men and includes both preachers and laymen working together at the tasks of their church and denomination.

This department works in cooperation with the Brotherhood Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention and is now engaged in the promotion of "Desk Top Witnessing" among the men of our denomination, and the "Man and Boy" Movement, both are projects of special emphasis by Brotherhoods throughout the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention. The department's secretary is one of three named recently to a committee of Southwide Brotherhood leaders who will prepare literature for the Golden Anniversary celebration of Brotherhood work throughout the Southern Baptist Convention in 1957.

All pastors and laymen throughout the state are invited and urged by this department and its workers to write or call them for tracts, posters and other helps.

►The Western Recorder was in error in stating on page 2 of its issue of July 22 that the cornerstone laying of the Cloverport Baptist Church took place Sunday afternoon, July 11. The event is to take place August 8, with Rev. Eldred M. Taylor as the principal speaker. Other messages will be brought by F. L. Snyder, chairman of the building committee and Pastor G. C. Sandusky.

►The First Baptist Church of Cynthiana, Ky., has produced four presidents of the Kentucky State Woman's Missionary Union. These have been: (1) Mrs. Loraine Bramble, 1909; (2) Mrs. E. B. Sayers, 1910-11; (3) Mrs. C. W. Elsey, 1919-21; and (4) Mrs. Eureka Whiteker, 1933-36. Mrs. Elsey was nee Birdie Gibson Young and grew up in the Cynthiana Baptist Church, but was elected to this high office later at the time she was a member of the First Baptist Church of Williamsburg while her husband was president of Cumberland College. Mrs. Sayers was the mother of Mrs. Whiteker, and these are said to be the only mother-and-daughter presidents of any state W. M. U. organization within the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention.



Mrs. James A. Boswell
Secretary to Mr. Coleman



Dining Room Scene, Baptist Men's Rally, Camp Cedarmore June 25, 1954,
with 1,685 in attendance.

MISSIONS DEPARTMENT



Eldred M. Taylor, Superintendent

The direct mission work of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky is under the direction of the Department of Missions. This issue of the Western Recorder is dedicated to the State Mission Program of Kentucky Baptists, and on its pages you will see the pictures of your missionaries and read vital information about your mission program.

Purpose:

The primary purpose of having a State Mission Program with missionaries on the field is to win the lost to Christ. However, along with the primary purpose, there are many phases and emphases of work. Involved in soul winning is not only the matter of preaching the Gospel and giving one's personal testimony but of enlisting and training the people to be good stewards and good servants. Therefore, your missionaries are constantly seeking to keep the churches informed about the total denominational program of benevolence, Christian Education, and world missions. There are churches that need help—your missionary is available and ready to preach, teach, encourage, visit, and make surveys.

Then, too, there are churchless communities where missions ought to be opened. Your missionary enlists some church to sponsor this type of work and thus more people are reached for our Lord.

State Missions undergirds World Missions! Therefore, the missionary in your State Mission Program promotes and emphasizes the total program of Southern Baptists. This means that he pro-

motes evangelism, mission stations, new churches, strengthening churches, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Child Care, hospitals, Minister's Retirement Plans, stewardship, training, census, and Vacation Bible Schools. The missionary promotes the total program.

Types of Mission Work:

There are now 126 workers in the Department of Missions. These workers serve in all sections of the state, and in various capacities.

General: In addition to having one mission evangelist who gives all his time to holding revival meetings there are three other general workers. These general workers are charged with specific duties. The Rev. Wendell Belew, general worker for the Eastern half of Kentucky, promotes all our work but primarily directs the Mountain Mission Program. The Rev. G. R. Pendergraph serves as a general worker throughout the state promoting rural churches with special emphasis on the "Eight Day Rural Church Revival." The Rev. R. A. Slinker, general worker for the Western half of the state, works closely with associational missionaries and associational executive boards. He promotes all the work and gives particular attention to associations not served by an associational missionary.

Associational: There are 44 Associational and District Missionaries now serving 63 associations. These men help organize the associations for the promotion of all our work through the churches as well as do direct mission work.

City: Three City Superintendents serve four associations in three major metropolitan areas. The City Mission Program is an associational program geared to the needs of a city. In addition to organizational and promotional work, these programs promote the Home Fellowship Hour, church centered mission stations, new churches, institutional services, a

program for broken homes and juvenile delinquents, Good Will Centers and work with minority and language groups.

County: In addition to other workers in the mountains, there are fifteen County Missionaries serving in the Mountain Mission Program. These men major on the strengthening of the county seat church, and other existing Baptist churches in the county as well as the establishing of other work through church centered mission stations.

Local: Twenty-eight Local Missionaries each serve one or more local churches and missions. These men are partially supported by the State Mission Board.

Student: The Summer Student Program provides a way for college students to serve with our missionaries during the summer months, giving much valuable help and gaining real experience.

Support:

Your mission program is supported through the Cooperative Program plus special offerings and gifts designated to State Missions. Most of the 126 missionaries are supported jointly by the State Mission Board and the local association, church, or group of churches as the case may be.

Challenge:

When we think of the million souls in our state that do not know our Lord, when we think of the 200,000 non-resident church members in Kentucky, then add to that the churches that need help and the communities that need a church the task is staggering. Yet, when we realize that we have today the best and most completely staffed mission program and the finest qualified missionaries that Kentucky has ever had, we are not surprised that almost every association and county in the state is served with a mission program, that we have over 200 mission stations sponsored by a mother church, are baptizing more than 20,000 new converts annually, and the total gifts to missions are breaking all previous records each year.



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GENERAL WORKERS SERVING IN MISSIONS DEPARTMENT

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

One of the great joys of life has been to watch the steady growth of Kentucky Baptists over a period of 21 years with the State Board, during which time duty has called me into almost every nook and corner of the state. Although my field covers only the western half, it reaches as far east as Casey, Russell and Clinton Counties.



**R. A. Slinker
Murray**

Since the greatest need in this area is strengthening the churches already organized rather than that of the "Pioneer" type of work once thought of, and even now so much needed in other sections. Therefore, little has been said, nor have the eyes of Baptists been focused on the progress and development of this area, yet it is no less real. For example, there are 161 churches in the Southwestern Region, all except 11 are full-time, whereas, only a few years ago there were little more than a dozen full-time churches in the entire region. Furthermore, according to a recent survey every church in the South Western Region contributed to missions last year. One association reported a gain of 33% to missions in one year 1951-52.

We now have some type of mission work carried on in almost all associations in West Kentucky, although in some cases the missionary serves two or even three associations. Our people are realizing more and more that just as the church needs a Sunday School Superintendent so does the association need a Superintendent of Missions (associational missionary).

All this phenomenal growth has not come about without toil and struggle. One of the greatest accomplishments reached within the last year was to aid a group of struggling churches to form a new association known as the Monroe Association, which is now affiliated with the General Association with a missionary on the field.

In spreading out over this vast area, I try to work with the associations as a unit, seeking to lend a helping hand wherever possible. This is done by working hand in hand with the missionaries and associational executive boards. This help may be in the form of encouragement, advising with the brethren, or actually helping with some phase of the program. Special attention is given to associations without a missionary. Of course, wherever I go I try to promote the total program of Benevolence, Christian Education and World Missions, with particular emphasis upon the "highlights of the denomination."

If you need my services, remember I live to serve, seeking to be a friendly helper to missionaries, pastors, churches and the denomination.

RURAL CHURCHES

"The denomination that wins the rural south today will be the leading denomination of tomorrow," said one of our Southwide leaders in a message of recent date. Statistics confirm the truth of this statement. This statement is true not only on a Southwide level, but for the state of Kentucky as well. The figures for the Southern Baptist Convention show that 51.4 per cent of our churches are in the open country, which mean that the percentage would go much higher when the village churches, with a rural constituency, are added. In the state of Kentucky the village and open country churches make up 75 per cent of the churches and the membership of these churches make up over one half of the Baptist constituency for the state.



**G. R.
Pendergraph
Louisville**

We are encouraged to know that our rural churches are on the march forward. The records show that gains were made in all phases of their work in 1953, and we feel sure that the 1954 reports will be as encouraging.

There are perhaps many reasons for the progress mentioned above, but it is felt that it is partially due to the "Rural Church Program" which has been in operation in the state for the last few years. Many of our rural churches are being re-vitalized through our "Rural Church Eight-Day Revival." One Sunday School Superintendent said, after the program was over, "I was opposed to having the program, when it was mentioned, but I am convinced now that it was the best thing that ever happened to our church."

In addition to the *Eight-Day Revival* the Rural Program is sponsoring conferences for our rural pastors and lay-leaders. These conferences are being held in two of our Junior Colleges, Bethel and Campbellsville. Besides being able to bring our people in contact with each other and our denominational leaders, we are hoping to enlarge the ministry of our schools so that the most distant rural church can be helped.

OBJECTIVES FOR OUR RURAL CHURCHES FOR 1955 ARE:

1. Many more 4-star churches (churches with Sunday School, Training Union, W.M.U. and Brotherhood).
2. More pastors' homes and more pastors living on the field.
3. Associational libraries accessible to rural pastors and others. (Caldwell Association has one now.)
4. Summer workers teaching music in rural churches. (This is a reality already.)
5. Names for our rural churches clearly locating and indicating the same.

MOUNTAIN MISSIONS

The area of my service is that of the eastern half of Kentucky. In view of the fact that there are many well-churched areas and many mission fields of few churches, my work falls into two categories: that of General Worker and Director of the Mountain Mission Program.

Kentucky's Mountain Mission Program is the only one specifically developed as such in the Southern Baptist Convention. In our approximately 30 mountain counties only fifteen per cent of the population is affiliated with any church. One county has only two people out of each hundred as members of any church. (This is not very much higher than the percentage of membership in China and other such fields.) Pike County, which has had a population almost equivalent to that of Alaska, has fewer Southern Baptist Churches than has Alaska.

Our mountain people are not ignorant and poverty-stricken people who live in a log cabin at the head of the hollow as many writers have depicted them to be. They number many educated men: fine doctors, lawyers, teachers, preachers, and business men. Their homes are comfortable and in good taste. They enjoy approximately the same conveniences as city-dwellers. It is true that there are underprivileged groups but there are underprivileged groups in most any section of the nation.

The mountain people have heard much preaching. Independent missionaries and preachers have swarmed the Kentucky mountains preaching and gathering congregations with no church affiliation. These workers have then often gone on to other fields, leaving their congregations confused and scattered.

Our Kentucky Baptist work in the mountains has often, of necessity, been slow. In some instances, we have had to wait for a whole new generation to grow up before we could make much progress. We have persevered and are now beginning the Great Harvest. A church of our faith has been established in every county. Many of these churches are carrying on vast mission programs of their own. During the past year, thirty-two new missions have been established. It is inspiring to see the great mission spirit of our churches and to know of their love for our Cooperative Program as a whole.

Approximately sixty local, county, and associational missionaries work in Eastern Kentucky promoting the causes of the Kingdom and the Program of Kentucky Baptists.



**M. Wendell
Belew
Mt. Vernon**

ASSOCIATIONAL AND DISTRICT MISSIONARIES



Cecil Adams
Glasgow
Liberty



Edward D. Baker
Hyden
Middle Fork



John A. Bass
Greenville
Muhlenberg



Hobart E. Beck
Somerset
Pulaski
County



Abraham Berry
Greensburg
Russell Creek,
Russell Co. and
East Lynn



H. A. Bickers
Ohio County
Beaver Dam



Chas. E. Daniel
Clay
Ohio Valley



Arlon Davis
Ravenna
Boone's Creek



E. D. Davis
Marion
Ohio River



John S. Davis
Liberty
Casey County



O. Doyle Denny
Harlan
Upper
Cumberland



Keith Dunn
Clinton
West Kentucky



Marshall Fletcher
Frankfort
Franklin



John R. Flynn
Paducah
West Union



Geo. R. H. Gass
Nortonville
Little Bethel



John M. Hammatt
LaGrange
Sulphur Fork and
White's Run



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Barbourville
North Concord



C. R. Hill
Harrodsburg
South District



Fred Hill
Clairfield, Tenn.
East Union



Craig Holman
Brodhead
Rockcastle



John Isaacs
Neon
Pine Mountain



Reginald Johnson
Flemingsburg
Bracken



Isaac Hucaby
Albany
Freedom



Alfred Jones
Williamsburg
South Union



H. W. Jones
Princeton
Caldwell



A. H. Keith
Corbin
Laurel River



Cecil Laster
Owensboro
Daviss-McLean



Arnold Lovett
Monticello
Wayne Co. and
South Concord

ASSOCIATIONAL, DISTRICT, AND CITY MISSIONARIES



Boyd W. Manion
Glasgow
Monroe



Roy Lewis Stearns
McCreary
County



Fred Martin
Falmouth
Union



D. A. Meador
Cloverport
Blackford and
Breckenridge



Edward J. Minars
Stanford
Lincoln County



Harold Moore
Bowling Green
Allen Co. and
Warren



Graden Parker
Cadiz
Little River



H. S. Puckett
Magnolia
Lynn



J. Hoyt Roberson
Owenton
Owen County



Carl Robbins
Corbin
Mt. Zion and
Lynn Camp



Reed Rushing
Franklin
Bethel, Simpson
and Logan Co.



Wm. Smith
Williamstown
Crittenden



H. D. Standifer
Elizabethtown
Severns Valley



Chas. L. Tipton
Pineville
Bell County

CITY SUPERINTENDENTS



W. C. Younce
Richmond
Tate's Creek



Orman Stegall
Mayfield
Graves County



Chase W. Jennings
Covington
North Bend and
Campbell County



Ben F. Mitchell
Louisville
Long Run



Herbert Schmitz
Evansville
West
Kentuckiana

COUNTY MISSIONARIES



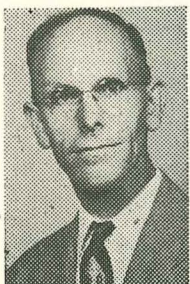
John J. Atkins
Sandy Hook
Elliott and Carter
Counties



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Inez
Martin County



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Morehead
Rowan County



Isadore C. Childers
Booneville
Owsley County



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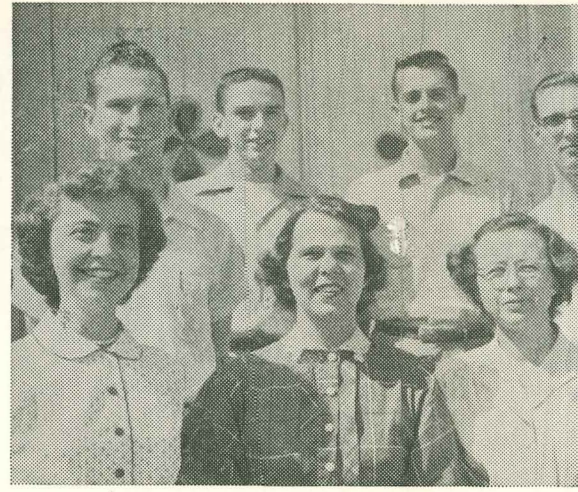
They Go Out



—Home Board Photo

Many mission teams composed largely of laymen go out from mother churches to teach and preach the Gospel in mission points.

Summer Student Workers



Fifty summer workers are serving with the m Kentucky this summer.

They Build



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Quonset huts provide temporary quarters for new work at Leatherwood.

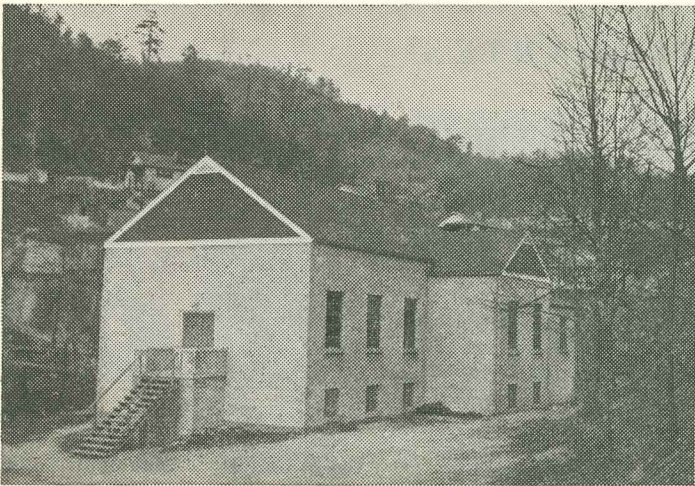
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Winning the lost—our main business.

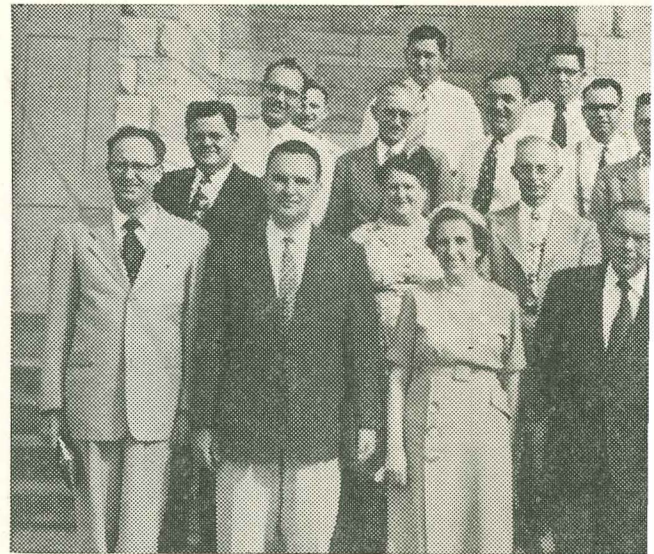
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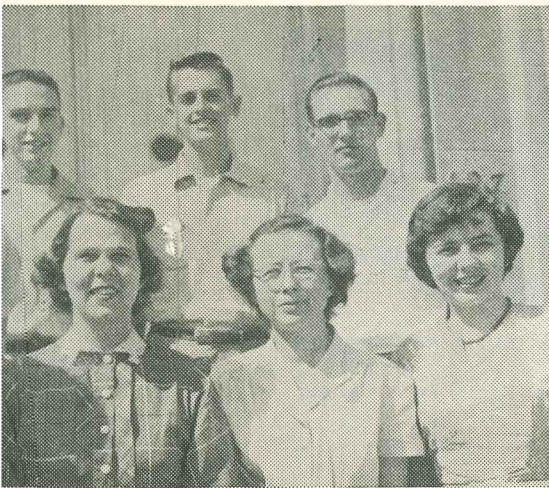
Work begun in quonset hut grows into this building. Quonset hut moved to Delphia for another new work.

Helpful Conferences Provided For Past



Three conferences provided annually by the State Mountain Missions Conference, Oneida; Rural Conference and Rural Conference at Campbell

Summer Student Workers



Workers are serving with the missionaries in Kentucky this summer.

Evangelism



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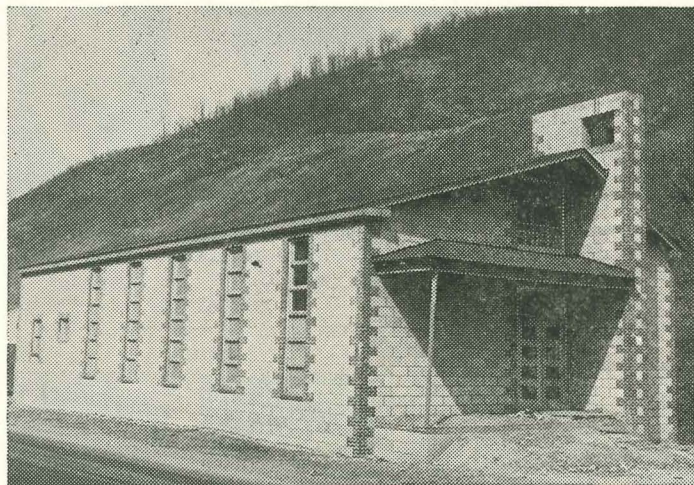
Baptist Church Takes Over Bank



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With aid from the State Mission Board this church purchased and converted bank building into church house.

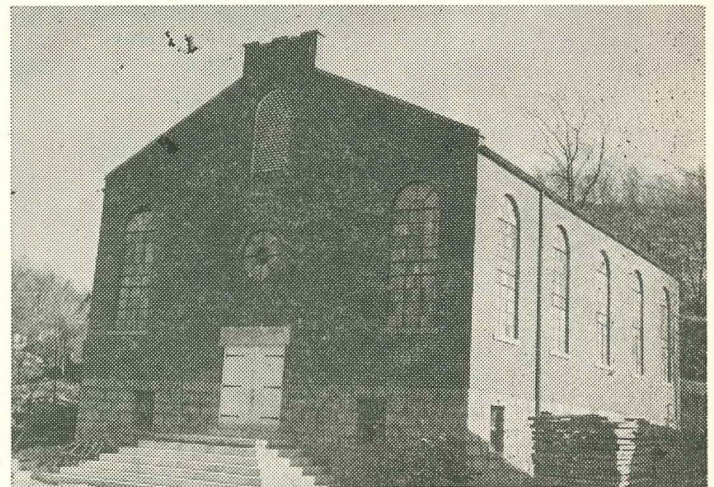
Baptist Witness Strengthened At Wheelwright



—Home Board Photo

The State Mission Board and Woman's Missionary Union helped this community have a house of worship and a Baptist witness in a community of three thousand.

Every County Seat In Kentucky Has Baptist Witness



—Home Board Photo

This new building at Hyden is representative of progress being made by county seat churches throughout Ky.

COUNTY MISSIONARIES



Wm. Gordon
Duncan
West Liberty
Morgan County



H. B. Edwards
Manchester
Clay County



John A. Ivey
Flatwoods
Greenup and
Boyd Counties



James D.
McDaniel
Stanton
Powell County



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Vanceburg
Lewis County



John P. Weaver
McKee
Jackson County



Elmer Sizemore
Hyden
Leslie County



George
Williamson
Big Creek

LOCAL MISSIONARIES



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Van Lear and
West Van Lear



Thomas Adkins
Delphia



S. E. Barker
Leatherwood



J. Walker Beatty
Jeff and First
Creek



Tom Boring
Colson and
Blackey



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Betsy Lane,
Calvary



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Wheelwright



Lyn Claybrook
Oneida



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John's Creek



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Parcel
Flannery
Dwarf



Max Hardin
Pineville,
Missions of
Pineville Church



Lloyd Hornsby
Fall Rock,
Egypt Church
Area



Herman Moore
Mountain Valley



Davis H. King
Bybee,
Providence



George F. Mason
Pine Knot



William Reid
Clay City



Glenn G. Short
Gray Hawk



W. W. Thompson
Big Branch
Marrowbone



M. D. Wadley
Martin

Other Workers

Other mission workers pictured individually in the group picture of the Workers shown in the town of Comer, Southern Pineville, serving in the area of the Muldraugh Baptist Hopkins, Georgetown, Union Association; Southern Seminary in the church center of the Mt. Vernon. These young men are on mission work and are employees even though their work is classified as Workers' Program.

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Other local missionaries working in our mission program whose pictures were not available are Paul W. Allen, Berea, Middletown Church, and H. W. Baker, Booneville, Elk Lick Church.



Thomas H. Francis Magoffin



W. K. Wood Ashland
Mission Evangelist



D. C. Sparks Oneida



Jesse S. Bell
Dawson Springs
Chaplain,
Outwood Hospital

Other Workers

Other mission workers, though not pictured individually but represented by the group picture of Summer Student Workers shown in this issue, are: Russell Comer, Southern Seminary, Louisville, serving in the Fort Knox area with the Muldraugh Baptist Church; Robert Hopkins, Georgetown College, Georgetown, pastor of a part time church in Union Association; and Nathan Porter, Southern Seminary, Louisville, serving in the church centered mission program of the Mt. Vernon Baptist Church. These young men are active in week-end mission work and are considered regular employees even though this type of work is classified under the Student Workers' Program.



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The Purpose of the Church Building Fund

By W. C. BOONE

The late Dr. J. W. Black, General Secretary and Treasurer of Kentucky Baptists for several years, used to say, "The business of State Missions is to build churches." Of course he was speaking about the building of the organization. It is true, however, that every church does its best work when it has a house of worship. Many new mission churches have great difficulty in getting started on a building program. For many years Kentucky Baptists have had a small fund, known as the Church Building Fund, to aid new churches and mission churches in erecting houses of worship. This fund is now receiving 1¼ per cent of the Cooperative Program and in addition, some interest from trust funds and designated gifts from the Woman's Missionary Union and other sources. The fund amounts to \$25,000 to \$30,000 per year.

The Executive Board, on the basis of written applications from churches,

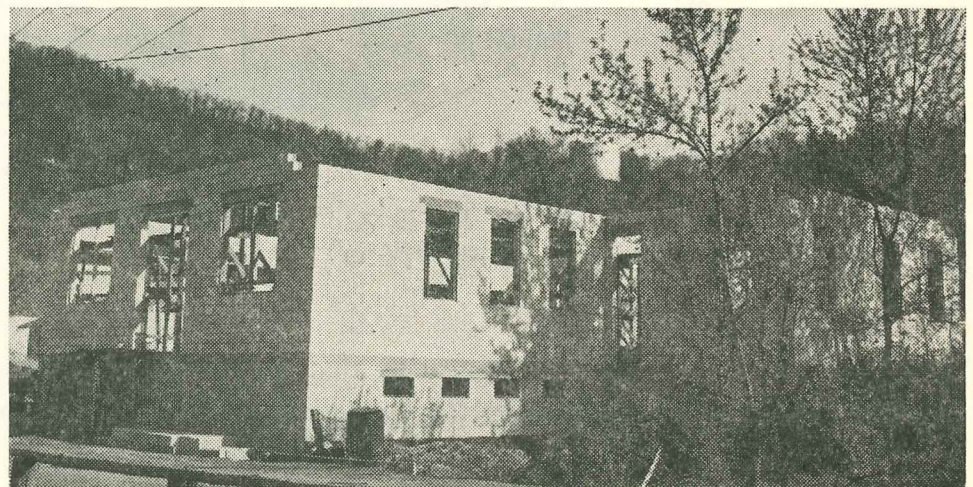
makes appropriations from this fund to aid churches in building a home. Some thirty to forty churches are usually aided each year in this way.

The State Mission Board has no loan fund, but makes outright gifts to these churches where such a contribution would be the help actually needed to enable the church to erect a building.

Some of the largest and strongest churches now in the state were aided in their early days by this fund. Those who planned it and those who make contributions to this fund made a worthy investment in the extension of the Kingdom.

►The 100th church to become a part of the Kansas Convention of Southern Baptists was organized June 20 at El Dorado, Kansas. Constituted with 24 charter members, it will be known as the Immanuel Southern Baptist Church, with Rev. R. H. Maulsby as pastor.

New Building Under Construction At Martin, Kentucky



—Home Board Photo

Each year your State Mission Board helps twenty-five or thirty churches to erect their houses of worship.

EVANGELISM DEPARTMENT

Baptists agree that soul winning is our main business but many times we fail to do our best at our first business. More people died last year in Kentucky than Baptists baptized. Thousands in Kentucky need our Saviour. More than four hundred Baptist churches in our state did not baptize a single person last year. The task is staggering and challenging.

Church centered, Christ centered, and Bible based evangelism is our hope. No one questions the need for a nation-shaking revival in our day. Nor does anyone question the fact that God wants us to have a revival. The problem is getting God's people prepared, and ready so God can give us a heaven-born revival.

Southern Baptists are planning the greatest concerted effort in evangelism in their history. A Simultaneous Revival Crusade is being planned for the spring of 1955 that will touch most of our nation. There are now 30,000 Southern Baptist churches and missions in thirty-eight states. It is sincerely hoped that a Simultaneous Revival may be held in every church and mission.

If our people will plan now to par-

ticipate in this Crusade and seriously prepare for it, it no doubt will be the greatest spiritual impact ever made on this nation. To prepare there must be much prayer, planning, organizing, and enlisting; If proper preparation is made in churches and associations, many Christians will be revived and many, many souls won to our Lord.

It is our sincere hope that every Baptist church might be a soul winning

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station, every pastor an evangelist, and every Christian a true witness to lost souls.

What have you done to prepare for a revival in your heart? What has your church done to prepare for a revival? Let us join hands and hearts in preparation for the great '55 Convention-wide

Simultaneous Crusade. If we are to make "Every Church Revived in '55" our motto, then we must prepare in our hearts, our churches, and our associations. We must prepare now!

Every association ought to have a functioning Steering Committee now. If your church has not voted to participate in the '55 Crusade, try to lead them to do so at once. The time is short and urgent! Get your evangelistic help early. Plan your prayer program, advertising, and rallies immediately.

►Earl Waldrup, secretary, audio-visual aids department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, and Fon H. Scofield, Jr., associate secretary of audio-visual aids, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, left July 14 for a visit to eleven countries in Europe and Asia. They are to make contacts in preparation for scripts for a series of picture films. The two will visit Paris, London, Zurich, Switzerland; Athens, Cairo; Beirut; Lebanon; Damascus; Syria; Jordan; Israel; Italy; and Seville, Valencia and Madrid, Spain, and will return September 10.

"EVERY CHURCH REVIVED IN '55" through participation in Simultaneous Revival Crusade

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MISSIONARY AND STEWARDSHIP TRAINING

Kentucky Baptists have been promoting Schools of Missions for the past eleven years and for the last three years Stewardship Training has been promoted out of the same office. It is, of course, wise to promote both missionary and stewardship training together since each re-enforces the other. Missionary Training imparts information and inspiration in missions. Stewardship Training leads to a dedication of life, time and money to the Lord's work.

Missionary Training and Stewardship are too well known in Kentucky to take up time and space with the details of this work. So we want to present here some of the accomplishments. No program in Kentucky is more popular among Kentucky Baptists than is schools of missions and stewardship training. We have promoted simultaneous programs



Mrs. Douglas Cullop
Secretary to Mr. Curl

in all the associations in Kentucky, save two, and these two associations have had churches that participated in cooperation with an adjoining association. There have been one hundred and ninety-eight simultaneous schools of missions in the associations of Kentucky. In the past three years we have conducted seventeen simultaneous Stewardship Training programs, and in 1953 we promoted a statewide simultaneous School of Stewardship with more than 1,200 churches participating. More than one hundred thousand Baptists attended these schools of stewardship and approximately 20,000 new tithers were enlisted. Kentucky Baptists now have more than one hundred thousand tithers.

In the past eleven years there have been 1,510 churches in Kentucky that have conducted a school of missions, and many of these churches have conducted more than one school, some have con-

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ducted as many as nine. These 1,510 churches have conducted a total of 4,590 schools of missions, with an average attendance of fifty-one per service. Each school has averaged six services per school. This is 27,540 school of missions services. This gives a grand total attendance of 1,404,540.

There have been over 1,200 professions of faith during the past eleven years. There have been 960 life dedications, and over 200 have volunteered for definite service. Many of those who have volunteered for definite Christian service are now preaching or engaged in some other type of Christian work. Five are Foreign Missionaries, but the majority of the volunteers are still in training.

These schools of missions have more than paid their expenses. Approximately \$111,000.00 have been contributed by the churches for expenses, and the excess offering, over and above expenses, has averaged \$2,200.00 per year. This excess offering has gone to the Cooperative Program.

The main question is, "Have we accomplished anything?" "Is it worth the time and effort?" Of course, there is no way to determine the exact amount of good accomplished. Eternity alone can reveal that. However, here are some statistics that might help us arrive at some conclusions. In 1940, the year before the start of the School of Missions Program in Kentucky, we gave as Kentucky Baptists the sum of \$463,196.15 to missions. This includes both the Cooperative Program and designated gifts. In 1953 we gave the sum of \$2,492,291.12. This is an increase of more than 500 per cent. In 1940 we had over 700 churches in Kentucky that did not make an offering to missions. In 1953 that was cut to 263. I can testify that most of the churches that gave in 1953 and did not in 1940 have had from one to six schools of missions. Most of these churches had never heard a missionary in 1940. Of course, there are

those who will say, "times were better in 1953 than in 1940." This may be true but certainly not 500 per cent better. Money was plentiful in 1940 and prices were not as high as they are now. The answer lies somewhere else and not in the fact that times may be a little better. The answer is in the main due to three things. 1. More churches are giving now than in 1940. 2. More Baptists are tithing today than in 1940. 3. More churches are giving more due to stewardship and tithing.

►The late Dr. George W. Truett, Southern Baptist statesman and pastor of the First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas for more than thirty years, will be featured on NBC's religious television program, "Frontiers of Faith," Sunday, August 29.

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BAPTIST STUDENT UNION DEPARTMENT



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The Baptist Student Union is the movement designed to follow and minister to the students wherever they choose to go to college, university or professional school. This includes students in our Baptist schools, state, private, and municipally owned colleges and universities; schools of medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, law, nursing, business, etc.

The ministry of the Baptist Student Union is definitely spiritual. It is an integral part of Kentucky's State Mission Program. Since 1943 there has been a remarkable growth in every phase of B. S. U. work in Kentucky. A hasty look at the following examples will give you an idea of the growth in some of the areas of B.S.U. work:

In 1943 there was a daily average of 151 college students attending B. S. U. devotional services on the various campuses. There has been a steady increase until the average attendance at these daily devotional meetings was 1,430 in 1954. This represents a 947% increase.

During the same period of time Sunday School Attendance of college students increased from 341 to 1,216 or 357%.

Training Union attendance increased from 220 to 925. This is an increase of 416%.

The Y. W. A. attendance increased by 359%.

The above figures show something of the emphasis on magnifying the local Baptist churches. Students have been encouraged to become active members of these churches. This is reflected in the increase in the number of students who transfer their church letters to churches in college centers. In 1943 there were 233 students who transferred their church membership but in 1954 there were 1,725 who did so.

During the years from 1943 to 1954 there have been 1,090 students who signified that they felt that the Lord was calling them into some form of full time Christian service. In addition to this, there have been 1,008 students who have accepted Christ as their personal Saviour.

This growth has come about primarily because Kentucky Baptists have provided leadership, program, and equipment for their students. We now employ seven full time B. S. U. directors.

These directors are highly trained specialists who lead the students on their campuses in a real spiritual program.

The equipment has been in the form of Baptist Student Centers. We are now operating student centers at the Universities of Kentucky and Louisville and Murray. A small B. S. U. Center is being erected at Berea. B. S. U. Centers are needed immediately in Bowling Green and Richmond.

The B. S. U. program in Kentucky continues to expand. May it continue to do so until the last student on the last campus is reached for the Lord!



Martha Clark
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

EDUCATION IS the biggest business in America, Charles R. Sligh, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, declared recently. Mr. Sligh pointed out that American education "has the largest number of owners, the most extensive and costly plant, utilizes the most valuable raw material, employs our greatest investment in money and time with the exception of national defense, and its product has the greatest influence on both America and the world."

Against the backdrop of our times the end product of education is getting more attention than ever before. We are not only concerned about what the graduates of our schools know and what they are able to do, but we are giving more thought to what the graduates are like—their ideals, their motives, their ethics, their character in toto.

The Christian school and the church have headed the march of civilization across the centuries. Christian education and missions have been inseparable twins and must ever continue to be. The saintly Adoniram Judson, after a third of a century as a missionary to Burma, still rated the Christian college as the foundation of missions. Asked in his closing years what he would do with a certain amount of money, if he had it, he replied: "I would give it to a Christian college in America, where in building Christian character and in training young men and women for service you are raising the seedcorn of the earth."

There is no way of estimating the importance of the Kentucky Baptist schools and colleges to the young people who attend their classes, and, through these men and women, to the denomination and to the world. Surely our schools are a part of the great bulwark of Christendom against the advance of evil.

GEORGETOWN, Kentucky Baptists' senior college, was established in 1829 and is the oldest Baptist college west of the Alleghenies. Courses leading to the degrees of Bachelor of Art, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Music Education, and Bachelor of Science in Commerce are offered. A strong, liberal arts college, Georgetown also features teacher training, pre-law, pre-medicine, training for professions in music, pre-professional training for the ministry, public service, business administration, and other specialized careers. Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, beloved Kentucky pastor, missionary, evangelist and educator, is beginning his first year as president.

BETHEL, at Hopkinsville, one of three junior colleges of Kentucky Baptists, is the only Baptist college in Western Kentucky. Bethel has been serving the cause of Christian education for more than 100 years. Traditionally a college for women, the college recently opened its doors to men. Under the leadership of President W. Edwin Richardson, Bethel has seen a substantial increase in enrollment in recent months.



Erwin L. McDonald, Secretary

CAMPBELLSVILLE, located in the city of its name, has as its president Dr. John M. Carter. The number of buildings on the campus has more than doubled in the last six years and enrollment has increased. A new business course for church secretaries and other types of business positions is being offered. The cost of attending the college is kept at a minimum.

CUMBERLAND COLLEGE, located at Williamsburg, was organized in 1889 and was originally a senior college. For many years now it has been an outstanding junior college. Last year the college enrolled 351 full-time students. The college is widely recognized for its emphasis on the liberal arts and pre-professional courses, and for its distinctive Christian atmosphere. Dr. J. M. Boswell is president.

CLEAR CREEK MOUNTAIN PREACHERS Bible School, located at Pineville, was established in 1926 as a school for native preachers in the Appalachian Mountain area. Featuring a major program in adult education for men who have answered the call to preach after their youth is over, the school attracts students from 18 states. The Rev. D. M. Aldridge, formerly head of Magoffin Institute, is the new president.

TWO MOUNTAIN high schools are operated—Oneida Institute, at Oneida, and Magoffin Institute, at Mountain Valley. Cost to the students is kept low to make it possible for boys and girls of limited means to attend. Rev. D. Chester Sparks is president of Oneida; the Rev. Tom H. Francis, a former missionary to the Near East, is the newly elected president of Magoffin.

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BAPTIST FOUNDATION DEPARTMENT



Dr. A. M. Vollmer, Secretary

WHAT IS THE BAPTIST FOUNDATION?

Your State Baptist Foundation is an agency of the General Association, created by the General Association, and incorporated to handle investments of Christian stewards.

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Through the Foundation any person can contribute to the long-range needs of Baptist causes by gifts of money, stock, bonds or property; by bequests in wills; or by trust funds or annuities.

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WHO MANAGES IT?

Your State Baptist Foundation is managed by a board elected by the General Association and accountable to the General Association. The business ability, moral responsibility, and integrity of each member are carefully considered. Active members of a Baptist church, they serve without compensation. All officers who handle funds are fully bonded. The investment committee is carefully chosen from business

men of proven ability and long experience.

Funds are rigidly protected and managed in strict accord with wishes of donors. Under the charter, trust funds cannot be misused.

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The Foundation is independent of the causes it serves, yet committed to their best interests. It exists not for itself; but solely, unselfishly, and impartially for the support of all Baptist causes.

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RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD



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The Relief and Annuity Board maintains in the Kentucky Baptist Building an office for their Field Representative, Rev. Baynard F. Fox, who serves the entire eastern area of the Southern Baptist Convention. Brother Fox needs no introduction to Kentucky Baptists, since he has been in the promotional field for the Relief and Annuity Board for over eight years.

While this office has no direct relation to the program of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, Bro. Fox still gives attention to promotion in Kentucky and the detailed work of the administration of Kentucky Baptists Retirement Plans. The Relief work in Kentucky is also handled by his office. Thus, the state board has the services of Brother Fox and his secretary in return for the office space furnished to the Relief and Annuity Board.

Miss Sue Coker assists Mr. Fox in this work. Although Miss Coker is a native of Georgia, she is well known to Kentucky Baptists, having served for four years as office secretary to the W.M.U. Department of Kentucky and for one year as church secretary of Walnut Street Baptist Church of Louisville.

The Relief and Annuity Board offers plans to fit the situation of any church and pastor, or denominational agency and employee. Plans are constantly being revised and improved in order to afford more security to those who give

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KENTUCKY BAPTIST PROGRAM OF CHILD CARE

Kentucky Baptists maintain two Children's Homes and have a third Home under construction. Since January 1, 1954, the Homes have been governed by the Kentucky Baptist Board of Child Care composed of thirty-four men elected by the General Association.

At present, Spring Meadows, which has the distinction of being the oldest Baptist Children's Home in the South, and the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home, which is the largest non-tax supported Home in Kentucky, are caring for more than 400 homeless children. In the course of the year, more than 500 children will have been cared for by



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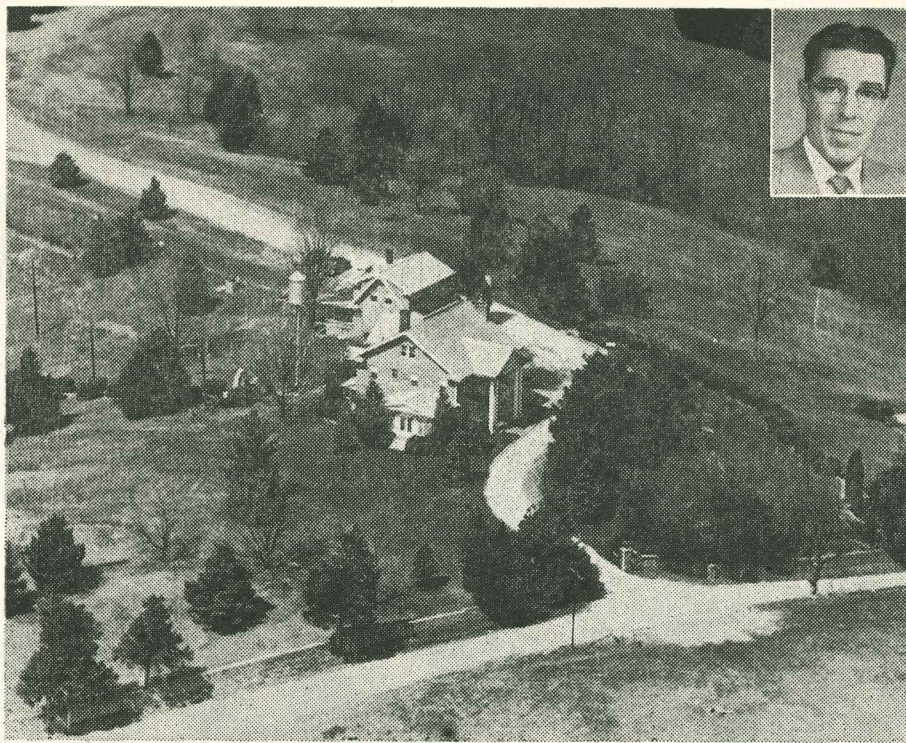
Top: Sam Ed Bradley, Superintendent of Spring Meadows, Middletown, and the new home to be built at Morehead. Bottom: C. Ford Deusner, Superintendent, Kentucky Baptist Children's Home, Glendale, and one of the newly completed cottages at the home.

these two splendid homes. Spring Meadows is located twelve miles east of downtown Louisville on U.S. 60 at Middletown. The Kentucky Baptist Children's Home is located two miles west of U.S. 31W and ten miles south of Elizabethtown at Glendale. Sam Ed Bradley is Superintendent of Spring Meadows and Ford Deusner is Superintendent of Kentucky Baptist Children's Home.

Many improvements have been made at both the home at Glendale and Spring Meadows in recent years. These have enabled the Homes to give better care to more children. The operation and expansion of the Homes is made possible by contributions through the Co-operative Program, the annual "Give One Day's Pay" Thanksgiving Offering, designated gifts from church organiza-

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CEDARMORE BAPTIST ASSEMBLY



Aerial view of Cedarmore Assembly and Marvin Byrdwell, Manager.

Cedarmore, our Kentucky Assembly, is located on a 415 acre tract of woodland hills and ridges bordering a beautiful three and one-half mile lake.

The property, when purchased, consisted of a large ten room house made of native stone, a two-car garage with living quarters above, a northern pine log lodge with five rooms, bath, basement with a furnace, and a two-car garage. There were also two tenant houses, two barns, one large camp building, a one room fishing lodge on the lakeside, twin boat docks and a grill with stone tables nearby, a pump and pump house on the lake, and roads to all the buildings and around the lake. Kentucky Baptists bought all of this for \$45,000.00

The improvements made consist of a

large dining room (seating capacity of 400), a kitchen with modern equipment, and rooms for staff quarters. Also, there is the Cooke Tabernacle which seats 600 at the present time and may be expanded to seat 935 if needed.

The other new construction is a Motel Court with four units, each consisting of four rooms with private bath and private entrance. The ten room house and the log lodge were remodeled for the manager's home and the camp building was improved for campers. With the addition of a new water system, the total investment made by Kentucky Baptists is near \$180,000.00. The former owner spent approximately \$260,000.00 on the property thus giving us an assembly ground valued at \$400,000.00.

Cedarmore has one of the finest and most complete summer camp and assembly programs to be found anywhere. Every week from June to September is filled with conferences, inspirational messages, and activities on various phases of Christian living.

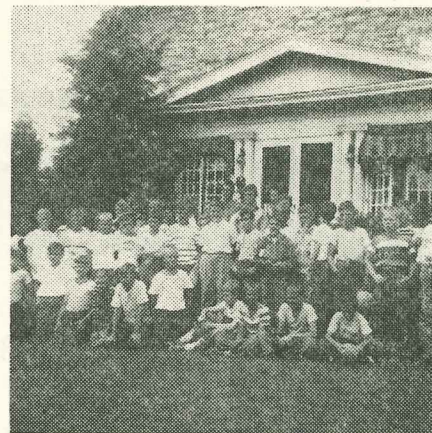
Last year 2,655 people attended the

camps and assemblies. Sixty-eight made a public profession of faith and one hundred and eighteen rededicated their lives to the Lord during the summer program. The spirit of Cedarmore is growing and spreading throughout our state. Our department heads present spiritual programs and the best recreational activities. It would be hard to measure the fine results that have come from meetings held in the tabernacle, on the lake-side, and in the sunken garden. The fine Christian atmosphere is an inspiration to everyone who attends.

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Gainer E. Bryan, Jr., now with the Editorial Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, begins as part-time worker with our Board on September 1. He will work in visual aids, newspaper publicity, and public relations.

KENTUCKY BAPTIST PROGRAM OF CHILD CARE

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tions and individuals, bequests in wills and the contribution of food, clothing, etc.

The new Home is being built at Morehead, Kentucky, on a beautiful 125 acre tract on Ky. 32, two miles north of town. Scheduled for completion in the spring of 1955, this new Home, with a capacity of 50 children, will serve the mountain area of eastern Kentucky. The Home, as yet un-named, will be built and operated by Spring Meadows.

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By H. C. Chiles

Self-Disipline For Growth

If one is to experience and enjoy a wholesome spiritual growth, he must exercise self-discipline. No Christian life can ever measure up to its fulness apart from the yielding of body, soul and spirit in absolute devotion to Christ and for Him to use as He wishes. In the passages selected for this lesson we observe three things concerning self-discipline.

I. THE INDUCEMENT TO IT.

Matthew 16:24-25.

In these two verses our blessed Lord set forth the price of discipleship. To all who have any idea of being His disciples He makes it known that three things are involved.

1. Self-denial.

This does not refer to little acts of so-called "self-denial," but rather to a continuous attitude. Self-denial is a renunciation, a disowning of self, a declaration that self shall not rule. It is the complete setting aside of self-will for full obedience to Christ's will. It is the dethronement of self from the control of life in order that we may put the management of life into the hands of Christ. The more we are absorbed in the service of Christ, the more self will fade out of the picture. And denial of self is the surest way to usefulness.

2. Cross-bearing.

There was a cross in the life of Christ, and there will be one in the life of every Christian. A Christian must be ready, as his Master was, for suffering and death. However, this verse does not teach that a Christian is to bear the cross that Christ bore, but that he is to bear his own cross.

3. Following Christ.

Following Christ is a priceless privilege and an indescribable glory. We are to follow Him when things go well with us, and when they go ill with us. As we follow Him a joy unspeakable will flood our souls. To follow Christ includes the thinking of His thoughts and the working out of His will.

II. THE ILLUSTRATIONS OF IT.

I Corinthians 9:24-27

Paul considered it both a privilege and a duty to practice self-denial and exercise self-discipline in order that he might be an effective soul-winner. By doing so he anticipated success in his work for the Lord, as well as the eventual reception of rewards.

Paul frequently pictured the Christian life under figures drawn from the Greek games. He was quite familiar with their famous foot races and various athletic contests. Seizing a splendid opportunity to appeal to the Corinthians in language easily understandable to them. Paul

drew an analogy between the race in a contest and the race of life.

Paul portrayed the athlete putting his body through the most rigid discipline in preparation for running a race and winning the prize. He pointed out that those who participate in the races for corruptible prizes are very careful to discipline themselves in order to be in the proper physical condition to run a successful race. And this is right. Then, how much more important it is for those who run for the incorruptible prize to discipline themselves if they expect to run well! If heathen footracers practice self-denial and self-discipline to win a fading wreath of leaves, Christians certainly ought to do as much in order to obtain a crown of righteousness which fadeth not away. If worldly runners refrain from various pleasant foods, and abstain from tobacco, liquor and immortality in order to win a race, why should not Christians, whose bodies are the temples of the Holy Spirit, live at least as clean and pure lives as they?

Since this epistle was written to the Corinthian Christians, there is no occasion for anybody imagining that the admonition, "So run, that ye may attain," has any reference whatever to the salvation of sinners. Salvation is not a prize awarded to any sinner for running well. Salvation, or eternal life, is never obtained by running well, but always and only as a free gift from God. "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23. "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." Ephesians 2:8-9. When one has believed on Christ and received eternal life as a gift from God, he is qualified to run in the Christian race, but not before. The prize which the earnest Christian strives to obtain is the approval of Christ. Knowing this, Paul sought to run in such a manner that Christ would not disapprove his race.

III. THE INSPIRATION FOR IT.

Hebrews 12:1-4.

These words picture Christians as runners competing for a prize. Since the Christian life is looked upon as a race, everything that would hinder us in running it must be laid aside. There must be a divestment of all encumbrances. Everything that hinders must go.

"Weight," as used here, denotes whatever would put one to a disadvantage in running. Things which prove to be weights to the Christian runner need not necessarily be sins. A weight may be entirely legitimate, but if it is a hindrance in the race, it should be laid aside. Also, if one is going to run the Christian race successfully, he must free

himself from his besetting sin or sins. Each Christian is expected to overcome the sin to which he is most liable. He must lay aside everything that would hinder his progress, impede his spiritual growth, or dishonor the Lord.

Running the Christian race requires exertion, progression and perseverance. In running it, we need always to maintain a proper sense of direction, to understand that the course is not easy, and to remember that we are a part of a glorious company.

If we would please the Lord and run successfully, we must make Christ central in our thoughts, affections and purposes. We must even look away from all examples of faith, whether they be past or present, and look to Him Who is the originator and completer of our faith. He is the object of supreme interest, the answer to the deepest needs of our souls, and the dearest object of our love.

CEDARMORE CORRECTION

On page 11 of *The Western Recorder* for July 22, the word "each" (person) should follow the price given in each instance for Motels, Gracemore, Annex, Inn, and Dormitory at Cedarmore for the State Training Union Assembly, August 16-20. The price in each case refers to persons not room. We are sorry for this omission and are glad to make the correction.

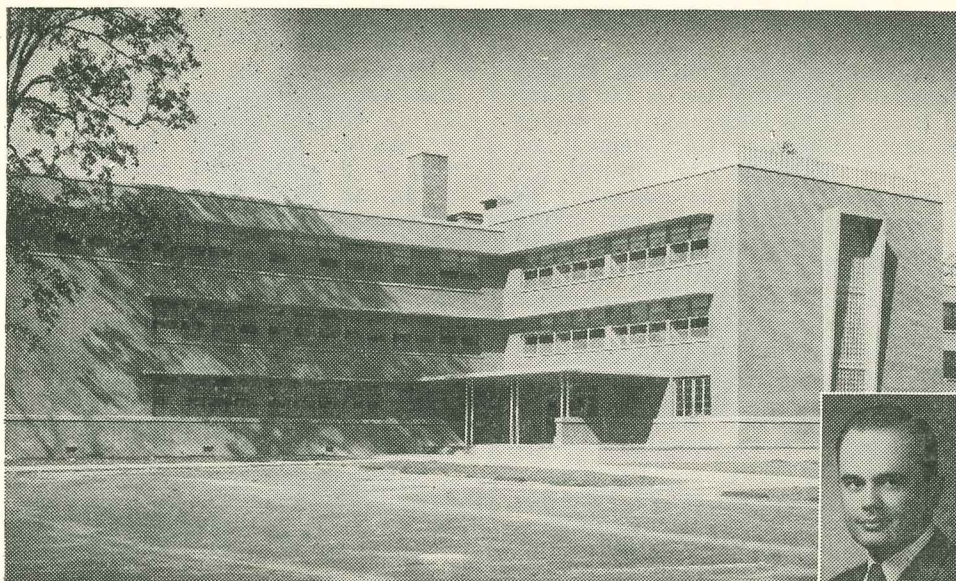
Gleanings

► Brother James Mattox, Hertford, N.C., will be the evangelist, and Brother Ward Weaver the song leader in a series of evangelistic meetings being conducted at the Beechmont Baptist Church of Louisville by Pastor J. Ray Dobbins, August 8-15. Brother Mattox was for three years assistant pastors of the Beechmont Church before going into the chaplaincy, from which latter work he has just been separated.

► Pastors and laymen of the Ohio Valley Association churches have been organizing Brotherhoods and an associational Brotherhood. The men of Woodland Church, under the leadership of their pastor, Dr. C. S. Bratcher, organized a brotherhood with 12 charter members. Some of the visitors present for the occasion were Brethren Riggs, president, and Brother H. C. Zachry, pastor, both of Morganfield; and Associational Missionary Charles E. Daniel.

► Mt. Olive Church, in Ohio Valley Association, under the leadership of Pastor Charles Burklow, took a census and discovered four times as many possibilities for their Sunday school as they then had enrolled. They then made plans to do something about it. They purchased a bus and started to run it. More and more classes were necessary. What results? They have 100% growth in attendance and offerings. One young lady in the church has surrendered her life to missionary service.

HOSPITALS



WESTERN BAPTIST HOSPITAL, Paducah, Emmett R. Johnson, Administrator

livered 2,922 babies. There are now 154 student nurses in the School of Nursing. The hospital also maintains a full time hospital minister, the Rev. B. B. Hilbun, to look after the spiritual welfare of the patients and employees. There are 831 employees and nurses working at the Baptist Hospital.

On October 18, 1953, Western Baptist Hospital, Paducah, a 117 bed and fifteen bassinet, modern and well equipped institution, was dedicated. The first patient was admitted on October 21, 1953. This hospital was completed at a cost of more than \$1,500,000.

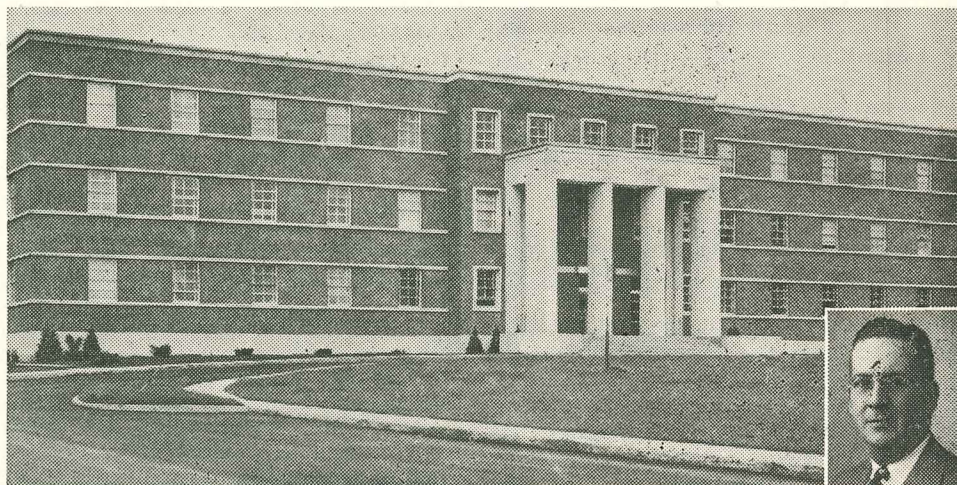
On May 9, 1954, Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington, a 173 bed and twenty-five bassinet institution, modern and well equipped, was formally dedicated. It accepted its first patient on May 12, 1954. This hospital was constructed at a cost of more than \$2,500,000.



KENTUCKY BAPTIST HOSPITAL, Louisville, H. L. Dobbs, Administrator and Executive Director of Hospital Commission.

The three Baptist hospitals in Kentucky are Kentucky Baptist institutions and are owned and controlled by Kentucky Baptists through a Hospital Commission which is elected by the General Association.

The Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville, was opened in 1924, with a 150 bed capacity. In January 1953, a seventy-four bed addition was completed. This, with previous additions, brings the total bed capacity to 345 beds plus fifty bassinets. This hospital continues to run at full capacity and finds it necessary to turn away many patients. The hospital admitted for treatment 16,464 patients during the last twelve months, performed 7,235 operations, and de-



CENTRAL BAPTIST HOSPITAL, Lexington, Harold Warren, Administrator.

COOPERATIVE MISSION WORK WITH NEGRO BAPTISTS



M. H. Gant
Supt. of Missions



J. M. Stevenson
Missionary

Through the years your Executive Board has carried on work co-operatively with the General Association of Colored Baptists in Kentucky. This co-operative work has been done mainly by making appropriations of money to the employment of one or more of their

own missionaries to work with their churches.

At the present time the State Mission Board is paying one half of the salary of Brother J. M. Stevenson who serves as State Missionary. An amount has also been appropriated to help with the employment of another missionary to serve in the North-eastern part of the state. However, the man for this work has not as yet been secured.

Dr. M. H. Gant, Superintendent of Missions for the General Association of Colored Baptists in Kentucky, is a very fine Christian gentleman and is most cooperative and easy to work with. Following is a statement from Brother Gant concerning his evaluation of this co-operative work.

"The co-operative work between Southern and National Baptists in Kentucky has been, and is, a potent factor

in the growth and development of mission work among Negro Baptists.

"In years past, the Executive Board of the General Association, with Dr. W. C. Boone, the Executive Secretary-Treasurer, has paid one-half of the salaries of four of our missionaries, and at present, is paying one-half of Brother J. M. Stevenson's salary, as State Missionary.

"Dr. H. E. Nutter, Moderator of the General Association of Negro Baptists, Dr. R. J. Miller, Chairman of the Executive Board, and State Mission Board Chairman, J. W. Adams, join me in expressing appreciation to our Baptist brethren for their financial support in helping us to do more effective work in missions and religious education.

"I truly hope that this very fine spirit of Christian fellowship and cooperation will continue between these two major religious bodies in our commonwealth."

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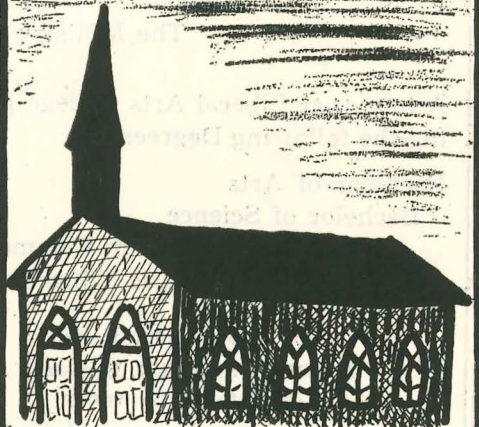
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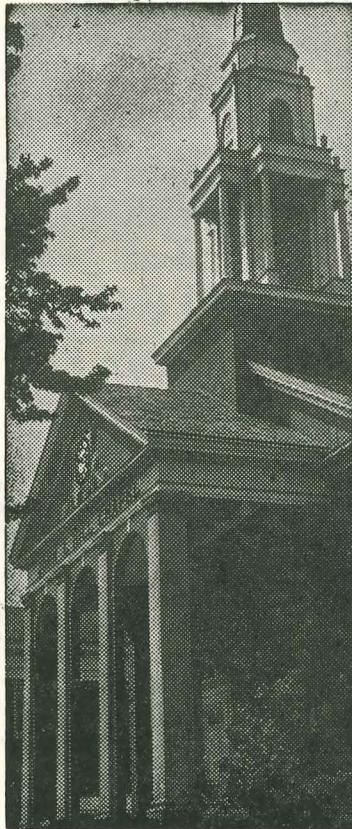
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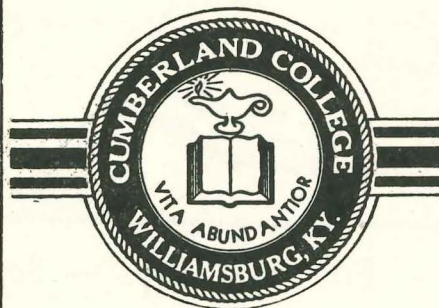
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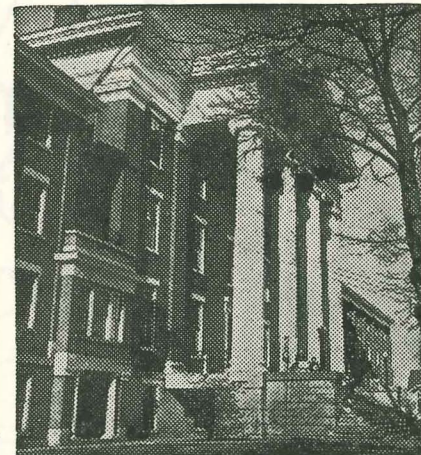
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